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## Woods tables Rocket Fiber vote

By Melissa Walsh  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE WOODS** — Before putting the Rocket Fiber proposal to a vote, Woods City Council requested City Attorney Chip Berschback reconvene with his counterparts representing consortium partners to refine the agreement for governance and budgetary details.

During council's committee of the whole meeting July 2, Woods Mayor Robert Novitke expressed concern over the proposed agreement for the installation of a fiber optic ring for high-speed internet service in the Pointes and Harper Woods, objecting to "entering into an agreement to enter into an agreement."

"(The proposed agreement) says the governing board will be all of the members, which is eight members. And those members are going to adopt bylaws," Novitke said, making the case that entering an agreement of unknown bylaws would be a breach of fiduciary duty to tax payers.

Novitke added a majority vote by the consortium board could potentially go against the Woods' interests.

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## The Future of Grosse Pointe Past



**Bob Ross of Ross**  
Construction and Grosse Pointe Historical Society President Patricia O'Brien stand next to a rendering of the new building.

PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

### Historical society seeks help for next chapter

By Jody McVeigh  
Editor

Ask anyone who's visited the Grosse Pointe Historical Society administrative offices lately and they'll tell you there's not much room to breathe, let alone operate.

For nearly 20 years of its 73-year history, the

society has rented space in the Schwartz Building at Lakeview and Kercheval. As collections, staff and volunteer activities have increased, so has the need for additional space.

This, in addition to the lack of adequate climate control and handicap accessibility, is just part of why the society is

looking to move.

"There are several good reasons why," said Stuart Grigg, vice president of development. "The reality is it's not about the new building; it's about having a proper place to do the most important work of the society — preserve and digitize the many assets we have."

"We also need a new building because the building in which the society's been housed for nearly 20 years has been

sold."

The society currently owns two properties: The 1823 Provencal-Weir House at 376 Kercheval and the former Stover residence across the street at 375 Kercheval, purchased by the society in 2016.

Initially the plan was to renovate 375 Kercheval, built in 1969.

Part of the plan was to make the building handicap-accessible, something the current office is not. Despite renovation

plans being approved and appreciated, the society discovered, "modifications would cost as much as building a new building and we wouldn't have had as much space," Grigg said.

After more discussion, community leaders decided as long as the location was not of historical importance, it could be brought down. It would be a better value, Grigg said, to

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## City council vacancy to be filled July 12

By Anthony Viola  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE FARMS** — The vacant seat on city council will be filled Thursday, July 12.

During its regular meeting

Monday, July 9, council heard from five of six residents who wish to fill Therese Joseph's vacant seat.

After Joseph's resignation in May, council was given 60 days

to fill the vacancy or set up a spe-

cial election. July 12 is the deadline.

Council ultimately decided to solicit applications and appoint a resident to fulfill Joseph's term, which expires in 2019.

Applicants are Anthony

Chalut, a Grosse Pointe Woods Public Safety detective; Andrew Dervan, a 33-year Farms resident and retired automotive paint formulator for Ford

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## Small fire breaks out at Beaumont

By Anthony Viola  
Staff Writer

**CITY OF GROSSE POINTE** — A small fire broke out at Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe Sunday, July 8.

According to Detective Lt. John Alcorn, the public safety department received the call of a working fire in the basement just after 7 p.m. triggering automatic aid from all Grosse Pointe public safety departments.

The fire was contained in a basement-level storage

room. While investigation into the cause is still ongoing, Alcorn said it appears a piece of equipment overheated and ignited paper products in its vicinity.

By the time crews arrived, Alcorn said the sprinkler system contained and knocked down most of the flames.

"The door was shut, which is always really nice for firefighters," Alcorn said. "Having a door shut can make a huge difference in the spread of a fire. So it was contained to that one room."

Besides the immediate area, the hospital did not need to evacuate patients and no injuries were reported.

Alcorn said the biggest concern was smoke.

"The hospital is like a maze in a lot of ways," Alcorn said. "There's a lot of hallways and curves and bends, so to remove the smoke is kind of difficult ... Obviously it's a major deal when you have any kind of fire at a hospital, but it went as well as we could have hoped."



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Firefighters responded July 8 to a small fire in the basement at Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe.

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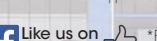
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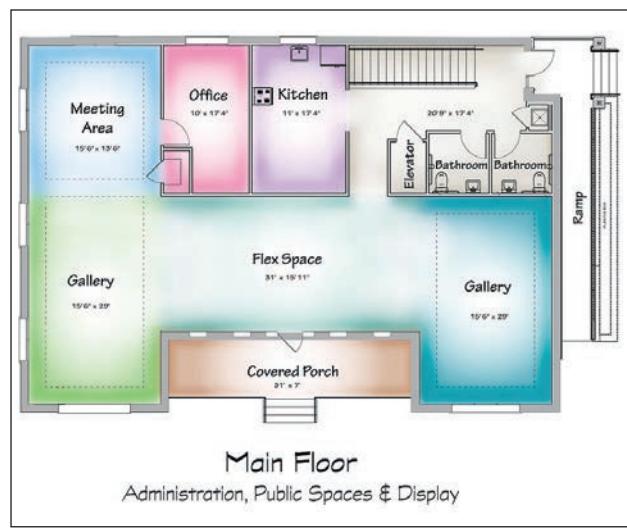
Plans for the new building were approved by Farms council.

"They don't want a commercial building," said Mason Ferry, campaign chairman. "The new building is still zoned residential, but we have a variance that will allow it to look like a house, but have this other operation in it."

### A new beginning

The society hired architect JMP Design and Build and builder Ross Construction to construct a 5,038-square-foot structure that will include open, bright, usable space. It will be handicap-accessible, include a waterproof space downstairs for archives and a technology center, and house staff, meeting spaces, gatherings and exhibits.

"We went through a longer-than-expected feasibility study period,"



A rendering of the main floor.

Grigg said.

The delay put a crimp in the society's fundraising efforts.

"We had early support, then hit the pause button," Grigg said. "Now we're back. We hope the old building will be torn down and start construction in early to mid-fall."

The society has launched its campaign, "The Future of Grosse Pointe Past," to fund the project. The new building will:

◆ Create a permanent home for historical documents of all the Grosse Pointes;

◆ Ensure its unique collections can be safely stored for generations;

◆ Share collections with the world via digital technology;

◆ Welcome more visitors to view and use the collection; and

◆ Expand public outreach to be a community resource for all the Grosse Pointes.

"We're keeping the Provencal-Weir House forever because it's a big part of the Grosse Pointe story," Grigg said. "We were fortunate to be able to buy the former Stover home across the street from the Provencal-Weir House. We couldn't ask for a better spot.

"The new building will be easier for the public to access things there," he continued. "We're ready to have a nice work table, so people can spread out their research."

With the new building, the society will go from having 1,000 square feet to more than 5,000 square feet on two levels. It will be handicap-accessible, include new electrical and wiring and, "flexible space, so we can change as our

needs change, as our collections change," Grigg said. "We'll be able to conduct the business of the society and also welcome visitors. We haven't had the luxury of space to do that conveniently."

Currently nearly 4,000 blueprints are stored at the Grosse Pointe Public Library Woods Branch. If someone asks for a blueprint, the society has to find it in a catalog, ask the library to locate it and wait for delivery, making the process last a few days. In the new building, blueprints will be on site.

"We're coming up on 75 years in business," Ferry said, noting it's time for an update.

"We have the opportunity to put a new building on the lot across the street from the Provencal house," Ferry said, "a building that can house our collections with an open floor plan. The lower level is where we'll do digitizing and the storing of records. The ground level will be space for meetings and exhibits. We've never had space to put an exhibit."

Also being torn down is a shed on the property, which was deemed to have no historic value.

"It was hauled there to be a playhouse for children in the area when the property was an apple orchard," Grigg said. "In the '50s or '60s it was faced with skin from logs — those are not real logs. The fireplace has no foundation or liner. If we lit a fire in it, it would probably burn the place down. There's no electricity, no wiring. We looked at the research, found it's not historical and were given

the OK to tear it down."

The shed is not to be confused with the 1835 log cabin that sits on the Provencal-Weir House lot. The cabin, which does have historical value, was originally located in Macomb County, then moved to the Farms before it was acquired by the society, restored and reassembled where it currently stands.

### Keeping it local

"We are a local historical society," Grigg said. "Our interests are bound by a locale we're interested in — the five Grosse Pointes."

Added Ferry, "There are tons of houses in Grosse Pointe that still have history in their attics. Rather than have it go somewhere else or to the curb, why shouldn't we be preserving that? We need more resources than we have now."

Through its campaign, the society plans to establish a long-term fund to support its mission and goals. The \$1.5 million campaign goal includes \$1 million to fund the physical building — from its purchase and demolition to its rebuilding — as well as

\$500,000 to establish an endowment through the Community Foundation for Southeastern Michigan, "so we have predictable, permanent income coming in to support the society as well," Grigg said.

When completed, owning the building will save the society \$30,000 in rent and operating costs.

"We're selling a shovel-ready project. It's all ready to go," Grigg said. "The construction loan

we expect to retire with donations, but we need to get started on construction. We need to move out of the current building as soon as possible, so we are raising money to pay off the loan as soon as possible."

The society will host regular informational sessions with potential donors every two weeks during the summer. Anyone interested in learning more is invited to call the society office at (313) 884-7010 to be put in touch with the host of the next session, during which they'll hear about the plans and have questions answered.

Ferry said he'd like to see the Grosse Pointe society on par with similar organizations in other communities.

"Look at Troy. They have a wonderful historic corner," he said. "Detroit, of course, has a phenomenal collection. Some people want to have that history preserved locally. We want to do it in the correct fashion."

Ferry has lived in Grosse Pointe his entire life and is the fourth generation of his family to do so.

"I was raised with the idea of giving back and doing things right," he said. "I think if we're going to be, we have to do it right. Now's the time to do it. This is part of two-lot campus where we can put forth a better product than ever before."

To donate, mail checks, payable to Grosse Pointe Historical Society, to 381 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236; or call (313) 884-7010 or visit the Join and Support page at [gphistorical.org](http://gphistorical.org).

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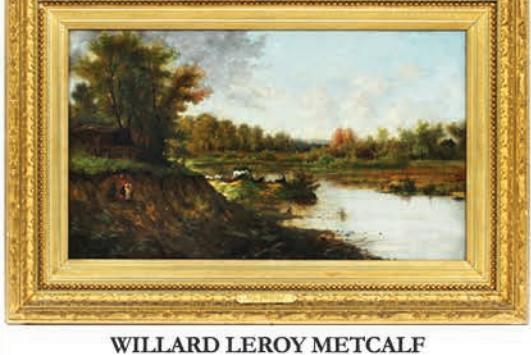
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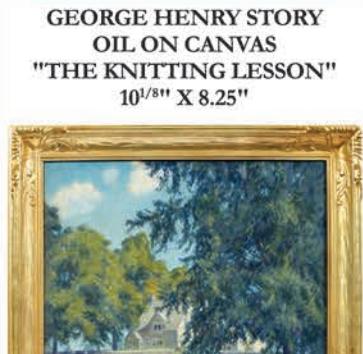
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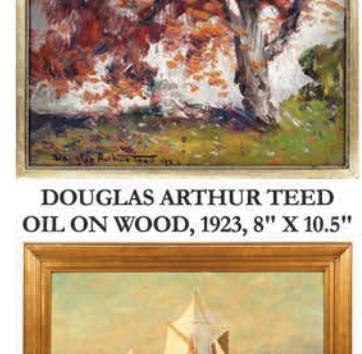
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# Pointe skippers set sail for 'race within the race'

By Melissa Walsh  
Staff Writer

Among Grosse Pointe's many sailors setting sail for the 2018 Bell's Beer Bayview Mackinac Race, some were selected to compete in another "race within the race" in Bayview Yacht Club's Pro Team Challenge.

Four boats among all classes in the race to Mackinac were randomly selected and given a handicap to race each other while also striving to win their class in the big race to Mackinac. In recent years, BYC added to the challenge its Set Sail for Autism promotion to benefit those impacted by autism.

"The Pro Team Challenge started nine years ago and the idea was to create more interest, more visibility, for the Bayview Port Huron-to-Mackinac race," said Detroit Sports Media Marketing Director Bill Harrington. "This is the third year for Set Sail for Autism."

The Pro Team Challenge drawing event took place June 6 at BYC, where local professional sports personalities selected four boats rostered to compete in this year's race to Mackinac.

"It's just the luck of the



PHOTO COURTESY OF GREG THOMAS

draw," said Gary Shoemaker, this year's chairman of the Bell's Beer Bayview Mackinac Race.

Representing the Detroit Tigers, Dan Petry selected "Sunshine," a Pierson 30-foot Wanderer cruiser out of BYC, skippered by Ayers Morison Jr. of Beverly Hills.

Representing the Detroit Red Wings, Ken Kal selected "Vaita," a trimaran out of Port Huron Yacht Club skippered by Wayne Jurs of Port Huron.

Representing the Detroit Lions, Lomas Brown

selected "Scout," a J-120 out of Crescent Sail Yacht Club co-skipped by Geoff Brieden of Grosse Pointe Farms and Jeff Clark of Grosse Pointe Park.

Representing the Detroit Pistons, Rick Mahorn selected "Pendragon," a J-120 out of BYC co-skipped by Greg Thomas and John Trost of Grosse Pointe Park.

Brieden, co-skipper of "Scout," said it's uncanny his boat was selected with "Pendragon," as the sailing competition with its co-



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Above, "Scout" and crew. Left, "Pendragon" skippers Greg Thomas and John Trost with five-year-old Set Sail for Autism honorary crew member Connor Reyntjes.

skipper, Trost, goes back a generation.

"John Trost's father and my father grew up together sailing at Detroit Yacht Club and raced against each other and with each other back in the '50s and '60s," Brieden said.

This year, Brieden's 16-year-old daughter, Anna, will be part of the "Scout" crew in her first Port Huron-to-Mackinac race.

For the third year, children diagnosed with autism became honorary racing sailboat crew members, invited to participate in the Pro Team Challenge drawing and other events

leading up to the race.

They received apparel representing their boat partner and were invited to attend the pre-race luncheon in Port Huron Thursday, July 12.

Kids with autism and their families also participated in BYC's Set Sail for Autism event June 28, "hitchhiking" on one of the

six participating J-120s during the race that evening, part of BYC's Thursday race series. Those not boarding a J-120, watched the excitement from the shoreline or aboard a large boat near the race course.

Shoemaker said, "Originally when the idea was hatched, we wanted the kids to be on the boats on the delivery back (following the Mackinac race), but that could be rough. So we did the Thursday night race instead."

The experience gave the youngsters a vivid sense of the thrill of sailboat racing. The kids and their families also joined BYC's skippers and crews for a dinner and recognition in the club house following the race.

"From the first time you get on the sailboat as a little kid, you look to be faster than the boat next to you," said Thomas, whose boat, "Pendragon" is among BYC's J-120 fleet.

## The Week Ahead

### THURSDAY, JULY 12

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Farms special council meeting, 7 p.m. in council chambers, 90 Kerby.
- ◆ Music on the Plaza, 7 p.m. in The Village
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Historical Commission meeting, 7:30 p.m. at city hall, 20025 Mack Plaza.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Shores community movie night, dusk at Osiris Park, 800 Lakeshore.

### FRIDAY, JULY 13

- ◆ DSO at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores, 8 p.m.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods camp out and movie, 9 to 11 p.m. at Lake Front Park, 23000 Jefferson.

### SATURDAY, JULY 14

- ◆ DSO at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores, 8 p.m.

### MONDAY, JULY 16

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

### TUESDAY, JULY 17

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Senior Citizens Commission meeting, 7 p.m. at city hall, 20025 Mack Plaza.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Shores City Council meeting, 7 p.m. at the municipal building, 795 Lakeshore.

### THURSDAY, JULY 19

- ◆ Music on the Plaza, 7 p.m. in The Village.

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"I do not feel comfortable saying that other communities are going to dictate what we're going to do," he said.

Berschback said the proposed agreement "is meant to be kind of an over-arching document that creates the consortium and establishes initial ground rules, then each member having a seat at the table to, as part of the board, create more detail, as far as the bylaws and how the operations are going to be going day to day."

He explained the board, representing each of the eight consortium partners, will create the bylaws in unanimity.

"So I don't know if anyone else at that meeting (in May) envisioned coming back to you with a full set of bylaws," Berschback told Novitke. "I think it's with the understanding, or the request to all the cities, that this consortium in a sense will be a work in progress. And so I know it's hard for you to agree on something you don't see, but that's the intent of the consortium."

During the May 14 committee of the whole meeting, Rocket Fiber representative Lucas Ottinger presented to Woods City Council an overview of the proposed 14-mile fiber ring, which would be constructed in one year.

The fiber optic network proposed by Quicken Loans-backed Rocket Fiber last year, which would cost close to \$3 million and be called GP EdNet Network, would bring one gigabyte of high-speed internet to the municipalities of the five Grosse Pointes, Harper Woods, Grosse Pointe Public School System and Grosse Pointe Public Library.

A board called the GP EdNet Network Consortium, made up of one representative from each of the eight partners,

would govern the operation and control of the network and its interconnection to other networks and establish project priorities. Board meetings would occur no less than every three months. Bylaws and board officers would be determined following each partner's approval of initial cost.

Consortium partners would be bound to a five-year term. Decisions would be carried out by majority vote of at least five consortium members.

PPS would function as the consortium's operating and fiscal agent, including establishing the budget and services, hiring personnel, providing supplies and equipment, maintaining facilities, supervising programs and personnel, recommending rules and regulations for the network and delivering an annual financial audit.

Each partner could grant access to community nonprofit lateral organizations for a fee. In the Woods these likely would be Woods city hall and Lake Front Park.

The Woods' 2018-19 city fiscal budget includes \$363,500 in its "cable account." According to the pending agreement, projected initial cost to the Woods is \$397,149.84.

During the July 2 meeting, Novitke asked if compensation to the school system as the operating fiscal agent of the partnership would be determined by the board.

Berschback confirmed.

Among the eight entities, Berschback added,

"I'm assuming they're going to have some type of unanimity between the cities as to covering the cost."

Novitke asked if a consortium majority vote would determine what the Woods would pay.

Berschback confirmed management details would be determined by majority vote.

"Show us what the rules are and that we're in agreement with them," Novitke said. "Without

"Let's get the details. Let's find out what it is and what rights we have," Novitke said.

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# Finding joy at the helm

By Melissa Walsh  
Staff Writer

Rhea Nicholas acquired the wisdom sailors learn for finding simple joy — riding what the lake's winds bring.

"Sailing has changed my life," Nicholas said.

To care for her parents, Rhea Nicholas, 49, moved to Grosse Pointe Park from her homes in Boca Raton, Fla., and Washington, D.C., two years ago. Heavily influencing this transition was her cousin and closest friend, Christina Toth, with whom Nicholas first came to love the lake during childhood.

Raised in the Bahamas and Las Vegas, Nicholas and her family would stay with Toth's family in Grosse Pointe Shores each summer, spending most of their free time at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, where Toth's father — Nicholas' uncle — kept his 68-foot Hatteras.

"My cousin and I, we would take the dinghy — the inflatable — everywhere," Nicholas said, recalling the close relationship she enjoyed with her cousin.

"That's all we did every day in the summer. We'd just go to the boat," she said. "That was a blast. I used to love coming here."

Toth died April 7, in a car crash with her husband and two daughters while vacationing in Colorado.



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**Rhea Nicholas steering at the helm while trimming the jib.**

This tragedy, along with what Nicholas was experiencing caring for her mother in declining health, reinforced a "sense of urgency to follow my dreams and passions," she said.

"You're not really guaranteed tomorrow," she added.

Knowing she wanted to sail since her childhood summers at GPYC, Nicholas took the adult learn-to-sail class at Crescent Sail Yacht Club last summer, her first summer after returning to the Pointes. She and her cousin planned to spend a lot of time sailing together.

"I knew I always wanted to (sail)," Nicholas said. "That wasn't something new. I had been on sailboats before. I just didn't do much. So I took the adult

learn-to-sail. I really enjoyed it."

Nicholas appreciates that sailing is a community sport and enjoys a circle of sailing friends who invite her on their boats to show her how to read the wind for trimming sail from the pit and steering from the helm.

"When we started doing the racing — the Wednesday and Sunday night races — that's when I really started loving it," she said.

Late last summer, Nicholas stepped into the role of skipper, buying a Thistle dinghy, "because racing a dinghy is so much fun." The next day, a friend showed her a 30-foot Tartan for sale and she thought, "I just have to have it." She bought her second sailboat within 24 hours of buying the first.

Nicholas races her Thistle twice a week and recently ventured into racing her Tartan — three times in the Grosse Pointe Boat Club Thursday night series. She said as a skipper seeking crew, it's not difficult to find people who want to jump on board and help.

In spring Nicholas invested a lot of time and muscle into both of her sailboats in repairing and painting the hull; cleaning deck, pit and cabin; and restoring teak.

She has not yet customized the Tartan cruiser for serious racing. "When people who have been racing for 40 years come on my boat, they point out what needs to be changed," she said.

For now, Nicholas is working to gain familiarity with the finer techniques of sailing small sailboats.

and large sailboats.

"I probably sail five times a week," she said. "I think I'm still at the level where I have to get the mechanics down."

For the first time, Nicholas is participating in Bell's Beer Bayview Mackinac race this weekend, joining the crew of John Demers' 31-foot Hunter, Equinox.

Nicholas said Loretta Reha — the first female commodore at CSYC, who runs Crescent's learn-to-sail program, introduced her to iceboat racing this past winter, another sport she dove into with full force.

Nicholas explained, "She (Reha) was just telling me about growing up and she's been sailing all her life and iceboating. I just looked at all the videos and said, 'That's so exciting. I just want to try it.'"

Reha introduced Nicholas to her brother, Ron Sherry, a world-renowned iceboat competitor living in the area, who took her on his iceboat in Anchor Bay.

Soon after, Nicholas bought a Nite iceboat.

"Then Loretta and I went to the Nite nationals in Wisconsin," Nicholas said, "It's probably the best thing I've ever done."

Stressing she's glad she no longer has to wait to be invited on someone else's boat by having her own, she added, "So many women don't want to be captains."

So as much as she can, Nicholas heads into whatever Lake St. Clair's winds and waves offer.

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a boat. She will share it with you."

The boat's owner would race in the gold fleet and Nicholas the silver fleet.

"I'm not ready to race, I'm thinking, because I've been in my boat four times, maybe five times, and never just the windward/leeward racing," Nicholas said.

With the goal of going around the course "without hitting anybody," Nicholas gave it a try. She succeeded in not hitting anyone and was able to finish one of the three races.

"With an iceboat you can go zero to 40 (mph) like nothing," Nicholas said. "I like that there's a certain sound to the ice and a beauty to the ice that I really enjoy. It's quiet. You just hear the wind and the ice. The ice makes those interesting sounds sometimes. And it's just so fast and fun."

"Ice boating is intimidating, but it's a great sport," she continued. "I'm surprised more people aren't doing it."

In diving into sailing, "such a simple pleasure" she enjoys year-round on water or ice, Nicholas said, "It's probably the best thing I've ever done."

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## Park man dies in scooter crash

**GROSSE POINTE WOODS** — Medics and public safety officers from the Woods and Shores could not revive a man found lying unconscious near the intersection of Morningside and

Sunningdale following a call to Woods Public Safety by a witness at 3:16 a.m. Thursday, July 5.

The man was pronounced dead at 3:38 a.m.

The 46-year-old Grosse Pointe Park man was traveling south on a scooter when he hit the curb at the northwest corner of Sunningdale and Morningside and flew airborne, sustaining

severe injury to the facial area. He was not wearing a helmet.

The boulevard intersection can be tricky to navigate.

"What you have to do is negotiate that curb and he didn't do that so well,"

said Woods Public Safety Director John Kosanke.

However, Kosanke stressed, accidents in the area are infrequent. Prior to Thursday's crash, there were two accidents in the past five years — one involving a vehicle and the other involving a scooter.

As part of the pending

investigation, an autopsy report will show if the man was under the influence of alcohol or other controlled substance.

Kosanke assessed, if the man had been wearing a helmet, he would have survived the fall.

"These things are preventable," he said.

— Melissa Walsh

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and Beth Konrad Wilberding, a former journalist and current consultant for news media, nonprofits, academic institutions and community development.

Chalut was out of town Monday and was the lone candidate absent at the meeting.

After hearing short

introductions, council decided to consider the applicants a couple days and set up the special meeting 7 p.m. Thursday, July 12, in council chambers, where it will vote on its newest member.

Swearing in is scheduled for the following regular council meeting Monday, Aug. 13.

All candidates' resumes and cover letters are available online in the July 9 council packet, bit.ly/2N6pKHN.

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**CITY OF GROSSE POINTE****Suspended license**

An 18-year-old Detroit man was arrested for driving with a suspended license Friday, June 29, on Jefferson at Rivard. Officers spotted the man driving southbound on Lakeland and ran his plates through LEIN.

The search revealed the plates belonged to a different vehicle and were canceled due to a fraudulent application of insurance. A traffic stop was initiated and the driver was found to have two current suspensions.

— Anthony Viola

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**GROSSE POINTE FARMS****B&E**

A resident in the 300 block of Mount Vernon found an unknown man in her dining room just before 3 p.m. Sunday, July 8. When confronted, the black male, described to be in his late teens, 5 feet, 10 inches tall with braids, exited the house through the back door and fled through backyards.

Officers discovered two windows and two doors in the back porch area knocked out.

The suspect rummaged through the second-level bedroom and stole a green jewelry box. The victim said she could not remember if anything valuable was in the box, which contained mostly costume jewelry.

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Police searched the area, but were unable to locate the suspect.

**Lock your cars**

Three larcenies from autos occurred overnight between Saturday, July 7, and Sunday, July 8. All vehicles were unlocked in driveways.

In the 100 block of Meadow Lane, a pair of Ray Bans, diabetic supplies and quarters were stolen.

In the 30 block of Beverly and 70 block of Hall Place, change was stolen from two vehicles.

— Anthony Viola

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

**GROSSE POINTE PARK****Stolen property**

A microwave was stolen from an office building noon Monday, July 2, in the 15000 block of Mack. The unknown suspect, described as a thin, black male approximately 5 feet, 4 inches tall, entered the building and stole the appliance from a coffee cart in the back hallway.

**OWI**

A 41-year-old Park woman was arrested for operating while intoxicated 9:15 p.m. Tuesday, July 3, on Barrington at Avondale. She was stopped for erratic driving.

**Bike stolen**

An unknown person stole a Schwinn bicycle from an unlocked garage in the 700 block of Trombley overnight between Tuesday, July 3, and Wednesday, July 4.

**Larceny from car**

An unknown person stole \$2 in change from an unlocked vehicle in the 700 block of Trombley overnight between Tuesday, July 3, and Wednesday, July 4.

**Stolen boards**

An unknown person stole 20 deck boards and two sets of steps from a dock at a residence in the 15000 block of Windmill Pointe between 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 3, and 3:30 p.m. Saturday, July 7.

**Not their style**

A package containing a Kate Spade purse was stolen from a porch in the 1100 block of Bedford 4 p.m. Saturday, July 7. It later was found in nearby shrubbery.

**Lock your cars**

♦ An unknown person stole a wallet from an unlocked vehicle in the 1100 block of Three Mile, then rummaged through another unlocked vehicle in an unlocked garage at the same residence 3:20 a.m. Monday, July 9.

♦ A Michigan handicap parking placard and checkbook were stolen

from another unlocked vehicle in the 1100 block of Three Mile overnight Monday, July 9.

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

**GROSSE POINTE SHORES****No insurance, license**

Officers arrested a 55-year-old Detroit woman 2:53 p.m. Sunday, July 1, following a LEIN check revealing no valid vehicle insurance.

During the traffic stop on Lakeshore Road near Lakeshore Lane, the driver showed her passport as identification, telling officers she didn't have her driver's license with her.

When an officer informed the driver the system showed her having two active suspensions, she said she thought the suspensions had been resolved.

**Another drunken driving arrest**

Officers arrested a 70-year-old Detroit man for operating a vehicle while intoxicated 3 a.m. Sunday, July 8, the man's second OWI arrest.

During the traffic stop, the officer questioning the man noticed a strong odor of alcohol and discovered urine in a plastic cup next to the man, in addition to urine cover-

ing the front of the man's pants.

Prior to the man's arrest, officers conducted field sobriety tests and a preliminary breath test resulting in .173 percent blood alcohol content.

**Drunken motorcyclist**

Officers arrested a 34-year-old St. Clair Shores man following a traffic stop for driving his motorcycle 10 mph above the posted 35 mph on Lakeshore 4 a.m. Monday, July 9.

During the stop, an officer detected a strong odor of intoxicants. He conducted field sobriety tests and a preliminary breath test resulting in .159 percent blood alcohol content.

— Melissa Walsh  
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**GROSSE POINTE WOODS****Home invasion**

A homeowner in the 800 block of Roslyn reported a home invasion by an unknown subject Friday morning, June 29.

The homeowner told officers she discovered

her bedroom closet and dresser drawers ransacked while she was transporting her children either to church between 8:25 and 8:45 a.m. or from church between 11:25 and 11:35 a.m.

She said she left the exterior doors of the house unlocked during each transport.

**May I crash here?**

Officers arrested a 31-year-old Clinton Township man after finding him sleeping in the Florida room of a home in the 1400 block of Fairholme approximately 6:45 a.m. Saturday, June 30.

The homeowners discovered the stranger on the property while letting their dogs out and called public safety.

Responding officers found the man asleep and emitting a strong odor of intoxicants.

During the man's arrest, officers found no dangerous items in his possession. The homeowners reported nothing missing from the property.

— Melissa Walsh

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### OUR VIEW

# Heartbreak over hotel

The City of Grosse Pointe has pulled the plug on a hotel to be built on parking Lot 2, north of Kercheval between Notre Dame and St. Clair. That's a shame. We favored the idea of a hotel in The Village and still do.

Pedersen Development Co., the "preferred developer," was putting together plans and financials for a hotel and parking structure facing St. Clair and Notre Dame, respectively. The hotel was to be 54 feet tall and less than 100 rooms.

Grosse Pointer Kurt Pedersen sought assurances from the city that, following satisfactory completion of due diligence, the city would provide the necessary variances to site and build the hotel and parking structure. The city was unable to provide the necessary assurances and, instead, sent Mr. Pedersen a letter seeking to terminate the "preferred developer" agreement.

The termination comes three months after the city council granted a six-month extension of the "preferred developer" agreement. Pedersen Development Co. was to come back to the city within 60 days of the extension with a pro forma on financial viability.

What is interesting is that while it took a vote of the council to offer and extend the "preferred developer" agreement, it only took a letter from the city to terminate it.

But that is now water under the bridge. Time to move on.

Since we — and most people — believe we still need a hotel in Grosse Pointe, how about the property behind CVS Pharmacy off St. Clair that Sunrise Development put together for a senior condominium development?

In 2006, Sunrise sought to build a four-story, 79-unit building on the nearly two acres it put together. Following the inability to meet pre-sales goals and the 2007 housing bubble burst and resulting recession, Sunrise Development gave up on the project.

The property is still there, sitting vacant. In fact, with an eye to the future, the city council five years ago this month designated the property as a "transition district." Permitted uses in the district, which extends to St. Paul, would be hotels, apartments, townhouses, senior housing and existing single- and two-family homes.

"People would like to see a hotel there," Grosse Pointer John Jackson, the city's planning consultant, said at the time.

The transition district limits structures to four stories and 42 feet in height and provides for setbacks and a step-back design so buildings would not seem too imposing.

Of course, as with anything new, residents were opposed. Some thought 42 feet, seven feet higher than typical residential, was too high. Others did not like a hotel abutting residential property.

We think these concerns can be resolved and we hope someone takes up the mantle of a hotel in The Village.

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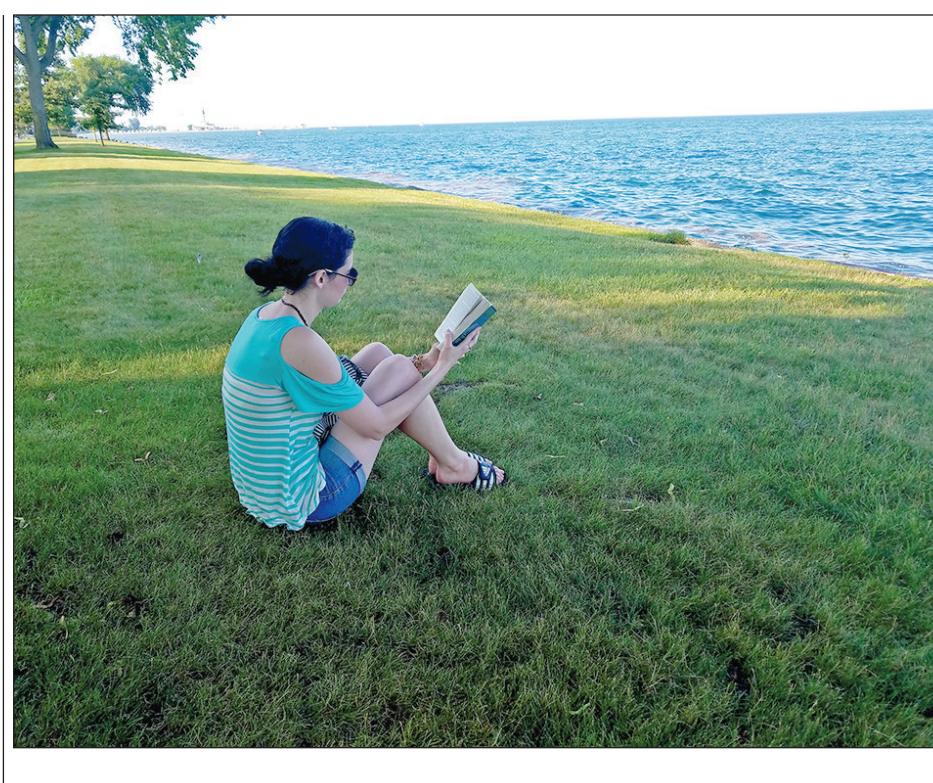
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# Pure Grosse Pointe

Katie Schmitt just moved to the area from Wisconsin and was exploring July 4. She thought this spot of grass in Grosse Pointe Shores looked like a good place to take a break and read a book.

PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

# Coach Sumbera deserves better

**W**e were surprised last week to learn of Grosse Pointe North head baseball and football coach Frank Sumbera's "retirement." We were dismayed then when he told The Detroit News he was being forced to retire, which he said he did not do.

Clearly, we are not hearing the full story.

Mr. Sumbera, 70, began teaching in the Grosse Pointe Public School System in the 1960s. He began coaching baseball in 1973 and football in 1981. He has 1,037 baseball wins under his belt (No. 3 in the state) and 210 football victories. He was inducted into the Michigan High School Football Association Hall of Fame in 1998. At his induction, he already had been named County Coach of the Year (five times), MAC Division Coach of the Year (four times), Regional Coach of the Year (three times), Free Press and Detroit News Metro East Coach of the Year (twice) and Head Coach East All Stars (1997). That does not include the last 20 of his 50 years at North.

Obviously, Coach Sumbera was the best of the best and we were lucky to have him. So what happened? What could the coach possibly have done to warrant such an inglorious end to an amazing half-century career?

Knowing Mr. Sumbera as we do (as do the thousands of kids and parents who have come through his programs at North), there is no acceptable reason for forcing him out the way they did.

Mr. Sumbera said he was "blindsided" at a June 27 meeting he had with North Athletic Director Michelle Davis, North Principal Kate Murray and Human Resources Director Nicole Pilgrim. He said in a statement he was told he had until 3 p.m. to hand in his letter of resignation. He said it was "callous" and "uncaring."

We agree. And apparently so do nearly 3,000 signers of an online petition. As of Monday evening, 2,805 people had signed Laura Colbeck's "Get Frank Sumbera back as coach" petition on change.org.

After meeting with Mr. Sumbera, Principal Murray sent out a letter to North baseball and football parents stating, "Today, we have received notice of the retirement of Grosse Pointe North High School head baseball and head football coach Frank Sumbera, effective June 29, 2018." The head football coach vacancy was posted June 28 on the district's website.

Large organizations are not good at changing direction, so we doubt Mr. Sumbera will be rehired for the 2018-19 football and baseball seasons. That's a pity.

Because of the administration's ham-handedness, Coach Sumbera will not be able to enjoy the accolades and retirement parties he surely deserves and would have gotten had he been able to announce — should he have been so inclined — that 2018-19 would be his last year coaching at North. Tragic, but typical in today's world.

Good luck, Coach. We're with you!

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### Coach Sumbera termination

#### To the Editor:

I received notice of Coach Frank Sumbera's termination the very day after it happened from his former players. When I emailed the Grosse Pointe public school board, I was informed he had retired.

On Friday, June 27, The Detroit News ran an article and Coach Sumbera had been interviewed. No retirement was made. Rather, he was given an ultimatum to write a letter of retirement or his contract was to be terminated. He did not retire. Why did the school board flat out lie to me?

I am a former player for Coach Sumbera. He is a great coach and cares for his players. I was previously featured as a guest columnist in which I wrote a tribute to Coach Sumbera in the Jan. 7, 2016, issue of the Grosse Pointe News.

I suspect something shady is up and I believe it is not on the part of Coach Sumbera. He should be reinstated or given a chance to coach

the political meat grinder that is in place. Far too many parents are far too involved in the organization, positioning themselves as coaches or volunteers in efforts to ensure their child makes the "tournament team" or that they are selected for other special teams.

Just four years ago a group of disgruntled parents overturned the existing Little League leadership, displacing coaches who no longer had kids playing but still coached for their love of the game and being replaced by fresh faces to move the league in a better direction. As a result I opted for Federation Baseball over GPWSLL for my youngest son's final year as a 12-year-old.

Interestingly now, four years later, a man who's in the High School Hall of Fame, after decades of successful coaching, is being thrown to the street based on the comments from a few disgruntled parents and players (sound familiar?) without an explanation or a chance to refute the charges.

This action is shameful and disgusting. To quote the principal: "Is this what they do at North?"

I know of no company that would fire somebody under such ambiguous circumstances without addressing the issues with the person beforehand. I hope he has a good lawyer and, unfortunately, the taxpayers may wind up footing the bill.

DAVID RAICEVICH  
Grosse Pointe Woods

### Sumbera deal mind-blowing, outrageous

#### To the Editor:

This is how we treat people now. Throw them to the curb. I think human resources departments have lost their minds, along with the Grosse Pointe school system.

The treatment of Coach Sumbera at Grosse Pointe North is mind-blowing. It is not the number of wins he has; it is the number of young lives he has changed, made better citizens.

Parents, I feel, have too much say in coaching decisions. You cannot coach with them in the dugout or on the sidelines. People confuse teaching and coaching with toughness. We have become too soft in the learning process. We have lost respect for authority.

In life, there will always be someone in authority. Someone who makes the decisions, rules you must go by, trying to teach them something or make them a better person. Playing behind people in a team sport is the hardest thing.

The point is, it is a team sport. In the end, Coach Sumbera has done well over the years. The community will miss him more than they know. His treatment was outrageous. Everyone should go out on their own terms. He deserved that.

CHRISTOPHER A.  
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**I SAY** By Bob St. John

# Will U.S. ever win a World Cup?



in Russia. Semifinal losers play Saturday, July 14, and the winners battle for the prestigious trophy 11 a.m. Sunday, July 15. That is Eastern Standard Time here in the United States, but evening in Russia.

Soccer is one of the most popular sports throughout the world, but is it here in the U.S.? The United States' men's national team didn't make the World Cup, and it has never won on the world's biggest stage. The best finish in U.S. history is third in 1930. Ouch.

Brazil has won the

most World Cups with five, followed by Germany and Italy with four apiece.

Why isn't soccer a big sport here in the States? There are too many other main sports to grab our interest, such as football, basketball and baseball. Hockey is huge in Canada and here in the U.S. and the television ratings back these leagues with mega-million deals.

Many people tell me there just isn't enough action in soccer, but there is non-stop action in football, basketball, baseball and hockey. I've

covered some very well-played, action-packed high school soccer games during my 25 years as a sports writer.

Soccer has a professional league here in the U.S. and attendance is rising, but television ratings are poor and the average sports fan isn't interested. There are 23 franchises in Major League Soccer. Detroit put in a bid to secure an expansion franchise, but was denied.

We still have semi-pro soccer in the Detroit area and Grosse Pointer David Dwaihy is involved with the local

team, the Detroit City Football Club. Fans pack the stadium in Hamtramck to watch. The games are against other semi-professional teams throughout the state and attendance is solid.

But ... the average fan isn't interested.

TV ratings for college and professional football goes through the roof in the fall and the ratings for college and professional basketball are solid. Baseball is televised by ESPN nearly every night of the week and the recent National Hockey League Stanley

Cup playoffs had better-than-average ratings.

With so many choices to pick from, it's going to be tough for soccer to hit it big in the U.S. I'm sure fans will watch the World Cup championship game, but after that it is out of sight, out of mind for most fans. Maybe if the U.S. can groom some young superstars and they stay in the States to play for the MLS, soccer will build on a national level.

For now, we will just have to root for one of the four remaining teams. My choice: England.

## YESTERDAY'S HEADLINES

### 1943

75 years ago this week

**NEW DRAFT CALL WILL TAKE MANY:** Draft Board No. 57 has received advanced notice from Selective Service headquarters in Lansing to get ready for a call in August which will probably be the heaviest issued since the draft went into effect.

**CITY UNLOADS OLD HEADACHE:** The Grosse Pointe City Council approved the sale of 448 St. Clair which it has owned the past 18 to 20 years and has been an eyesore and headache to the municipality almost every minute of time since.

The City bought the property in the high wide and handsome days when about everybody dreamed of big things. The City planned a big development of the tract between Neff and St. Clair with a pretentious City Hall and all the trimmings.

Before the dreams could bear fruit, the happy times faded away and the City was left with the property on its hands.

**PARK RESIDENT DEMANDS WAR AGAINST RATS:** A Lakepointe resident attended the Park Commissioners meeting with rats on his mind and blood in his eye.

The resident called attention to the increase in rats in the Park area. He said the infestation

began at the waterfront and has extended through the village. He demanded something be done to scotch the nuisance.

He said his little boy had been sent to the rear back yard with a bundle of waste paper to deposit in a receptacle when he and his wife were alarmed by terrifying cries from the child. Both of them ran outside to find him standing paralyzed with fear while two giant rats stood directly in front of him in a menacing attitude on either side of the path.

Obituaries: none

### 1968

50 years ago this week

**SCHOOL TAX INCREASE SOUGHT:** At its first special meeting of the 1968-69 school year, the trustees of the Grosse Pointe Board of Education authorized two ballot propositions be placed before the electorate in September.

Proposition one seeks approval of a 4 1/2-mill levy for each year of a two-year period for the operation of the public schools and libraries including helping to meet additional costs of operating Grosse Pointe North High School.

Proposition two would levy one mill for building improvement and site acquisition over a 10-year period to modernize facilities including Grosse Pointe South High School.

**BURGLARS ACT ATHLETIC AT NEW SCHOOL:** Burglars invaded the new Grosse Pointe North High School and escaped with more than \$700 worth of sport uniforms and equipment.

Police said evidence showed the culprits tried on various items before deciding what uniforms and sport equipment to take.

Obituaries: Luella Orr Baldwin, Florence Daly, Anthony Enzer, Dr. Kalman S. Hattinger, Minnie Lindsay, Betsy S. Price.

### 1993

25 years ago this week

**JURASSIC POINTE: FAMILY MISSING 3 1/2-FOOT PET IGUANA:** Lats, a 3 1/2-foot emerald green iguana, wriggled free of his leash two weeks ago and is hiding somewhere in the area of Lakeland and University near Waterloo in the City of Grosse Pointe.

The family suspects he scrambled up a neighbor's tree and has been perched there ever since. Otherwise, he is feasting on someone's garden.

**WOODS MAN KILLED BY HIT-AND-RUN DRIVER ON VERNIER:**

Grosse Pointe Woods resident George J. Strong III was pronounced dead at St. John Hospital from internal injuries suffered when he was struck by a car while riding his bike eastbound on Vernier.

The 31-year-old Detroit driver was charged with negligent homicide and leaving the scene of a personal injury accident.

Obituaries: May Archer, Elizabeth R. Gassenfeit, Dr. Don E. Kelly, James A. Michaels, Anna Sanom, George J. Strong III, Norman G. Williams, Jane Lundell Wood, William A. Young.

### 2008

10 years ago this week

**SENIOR HOUSING QUESTION TO COUNCIL:** The Grosse Pointe Woods Planning Commission has approved an ordinance amendment allowing senior housing on land currently occupied by the Vernier Terrace apartments.

The amended ordinance must now go before the city council for approval.

**DTE AMPS UP LIGHT SERVICE:** A \$10 million upgrade to Grosse Pointe streetlights has progressed into the Farms.

Work by DTE Energy crews represents continuation of phase one of a three-year program that has concluded in the Park and City.

In the Farms, 161 street lights are being replaced.

Obituaries: Bruce Bockstanz, E. Dawson "Duke" Fisher, Muriel R. Fritz, John T. Humphreys Jr., Maxine Kort, Evelyn Denne Osgood, Mary Rea Webster.

—Karen Fontanive

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# Better schools, safer schools: Saying yes to the bond

By Mary Anne Brush  
Staff Writer

Dan Roeske agreed to co-chair the Better Schools, Safer Schools committee to help inform voters about the \$111 million critical needs infrastructure bond referendum on the ballot Tuesday, Nov. 6. A former member of the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education and Grosse Pointe Farms resident, Roeske hopes to help other community members understand the importance of voting yes. In the interview below, edited for clarity and length, Roeske describes the newly formed committee and why he personally supports the bond.

## What is the role of the committee?

We want to get the information out and we want to ask people to vote yes and we want to tell our compelling story of why they should vote yes. We want better schools and safer schools for our children.

The Grosse Pointes are a great place to live. We want to maintain that community value. We want people to come here and live here for Grosse Pointe schools and the Grosse Pointe community.

## Who is on the committee?

Co-chair Shannon Byrne and I have reached out to community members, business owners, folks in the schools and outside the schools to be a part of the core team. We all believe in our schools and want to make our schools better for our kids.

## Why do you personally support this bond?

My wife and I moved here and started our family here for the same reason a lot of people do—the schools and the parks. Our



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These photos from the GPPSS Bond Yes 2018 website illustrate some of the school district's infrastructure issues. GPPSS has \$111 million in critical repair and replacement needs for its buildings and is asking voters to approve a bond referendum Nov. 6.

municipalities put a lot of money into our infrastructure and the schools are the other reason. The schools are what's helping maintain our property value. We want to make sure the value of our largest investment — our home, our property — stays high. The way you do that is by having great services with the municipalities and great schools. I don't know of anyone who doesn't agree with that. For me, that's the driver. I want to maintain my property value and I want to make sure we have the best educational opportunities for our kids.

I have three children who graduated from the Grosse Pointe Public School System and they got a great education, but what about the folks coming next? What about the people we're trying to attract to move here? What would make people say no to the bond?

The first question is, why would you say yes? We think it's pretty simple. We want better schools and we want safer schools for our kids. If you have those two things, you're going to make a stronger community.

It's \$10 million a year to maintain our facilities and address all the critical needs. The school district doesn't have that kind of money in the budget.

Budgets are set from the state. People say to me, I already pay a lot of taxes. I get that; so do I. But what folks don't always understand is the money we pay for school taxes goes to the state and then they reapportion it back to the school district. So Grosse Pointe gets as much as (other districts).

The bond, if it passes, is a 1.5-mill bond. That money all stays in Grosse Pointe. It doesn't go to the state. The school board will direct how that money is spent. The school district and the Board of Education partnered with a community group. They brought folks in to do a blue ribbon assessment of all the critical needs. That group of parents and teachers and business owners came together for months. The list of critical needs is on the website ([gpschools.org](http://gpschools.org)). That's what this bond is going to cover.

## How did the district get to this point financially?

My house was built in 1939. You're always doing something to the home. Every time you do a project, something else happens. That one little fix becomes something more complex. If you take that analogy and put it toward a building — let's pick Grosse Pointe South, for example. There's a water leak in one of the hallways outside Cleminson Hall going up to the second story. That's because the gutter system was built inside the wall. When it rains, it leaks in the building. You can keep patching the plaster, or you can do the work and move the rain system outside the building. You can fix the plaster crack, but it doesn't repair the problem. It's these kinds of critical needs this bond will address.

The district is spending about \$2 or \$3 million a year (on infrastructure repairs) and the assessment by Plante Moran Cresa said you need to be paying about \$10 million a year just to maintain. We're so far behind now, this bond will allow us to catch up. It's roughly 10 years of deferred maintenance and deferred facility upgrades and in addition to that there are security issues this bond will incorporate as well.

## How is this bond different from the technology bond?

I was on the school board during the technology bond and the tech bond was very specific. It was looking at technology infrastructure and devices and that was all it was for. That was at a time when we were taking state-mandated tests by paper and pencil. This bond will have some technology, but it's mostly the wires that need to be replaced and that kind of thing. There's some infrastructure, but there's no devices. It's strictly deferred needs. For example, asbestos abatement. At Monteith Elementary School, that and roofing repairs are the highest ticket items. Every one of those projects by school are listed on the website.

## How do we know the money is going to be spent on what the voters expect?

One of the things (the school board) will do with this bond if it passes is develop a group that oversees to make sure the money is being spent and directed to where it was

identified the needs were. You'll actually have three checks and balances. You'll have that community group to ensure that. You'll have the district administrators, who will determine which projects

you're going to do at what time in a master plan. And you'll have the school board that still needs to vote to allocate whenever money is spent. There's a triple check, if you will, on how that money is spent to ensure the community is getting the value for what we said we want.

## What about spending money on schools that are going to close?

That's a good question. Why would you put money into a building you may potentially close in a year? The school board unanimously adopted triggers that would identify if and when they'll close a building based on a lot of factors, the biggest of which is enrollment. Our enrollment is down — there's no question. The enrollment is down across the state. We're all seeing the same challenges.

My guess is when they look at the head count this year, they'll know if they're meeting the grade or they're below. If they're below and the triggers are enacted, they'll have to make a decision and that's a board decision.

My understanding is if and when the bond passes, the first schools that will be targeted based on a master plan probably are going to be the high schools. I don't know that the board would ever close a high school today or in the foreseeable future. It's good to know the first projects will be in schools we know are not going to close.

My personal belief is if you were going to close a building, that causes some other things. You have to realign the district. Let's say you close an elementary school; those kids have to go somewhere else. To do that, you have to change the lines. Even closing a school, you still have to make some move-

ment and it just doesn't happen overnight. It takes a fair amount of time — maybe a school year — to do that.

## What about the 2002 bond that's not paid off yet?

That bond is due in 2020 I believe. The good thing is the board has been able to grow its fund equity. In fact, the board has exceeded its target and it's close to 10 percent. Those people who say the board has not been fiscally responsible, I think that's a misnomer and that's not accurate. If you look at fund equity — the rainy day fund — as an indicator, six years ago we were at below 2 percent and now we're close to 10 percent.

By any measure, this board has done everything they can do over the last seven or eight years to reduce costs, to pay off debt and to be fiscally responsible and grow fund equity — without impacting what our community has said is important, which is small class sizes, all the activities and the class choices we have plus all the extracurriculars — and they've been able to maintain those.

## What will happen if the bond doesn't pass?

We can talk about scare tactics. I don't want to talk about that, but if the bond doesn't pass, what happens? I don't think there's a plan B other than to close schools, increase class sizes and cancel activities.

## Why can't the money for critical needs come from another funding source other than a bond?

That money we pay in school taxes that goes to the state and gets apportioned back — it's a little over \$9,000 per student — can only be used for educational purposes. That is, classroom expenses, salaries, fringe, all the things you have to do by law — and general maintenance.

In addition to the foundation allowance for the general fund, Grosse Pointe voters are very generous and they provide a sinking fund. That money can only be used for facility upgrades. That's about \$3 million a year. But if we have \$10 million in upkeep just to maintain our buildings and we only spend \$3 million, there's a gap.

In addition, Wayne County voted on a five-year millage. The district has used that money as well, but that money goes away. And that's pretty much how we're funded.

## Why not have a larger sinking fund?

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## TEACHERS IN THE SUMMERTIME

# Defer teachers draw the wild card

This article is the first in a series on teachers spending time in the summer to enhance their knowledge and enrich their classrooms for the benefit of their students.

By Mary Anne Brush  
Staff Writer

Shelley Denison didn't waste any time helping teachers get inspired for the 2018-19 school year or rekindle the passion that attracted them to teaching in the first place.

The Defer Elementary School third-grade teacher organized a summer book club and 16 educators signed up, including Principal Lisa Rheaume. The kickoff meeting was held poolside at kindergarten teacher Nicole Filiccia's house June 20, the week after school let out. Future meetings are scheduled Wednesday, July 18, at the Farms Pier Park clubhouse and Tuesday, Aug. 21, at Howlers & Growlers in Grosse Pointe Park.

"It was so nice to just put our feet in the pool and share in a relaxed setting," Denison said of the first meeting. "It



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Kicking off the first book club with a splash are Defer teachers, from left, Shelby Nadolski, Janette High, Jane Nugent, Trish Gout, Katy Forcillo, Nicole Filiccia, Cheryl Lapensee and Shelley Denison. Participants not in attendance are Principal Lisa Rheaume, Chris Bergeron, Anna Boes, Kari Mannino, Carrie Morris, Cheryl Quinlan, Stacey Roy, Jason Senska and Amy Zizelman.

wasn't rush, rush, rush like it is all year long."

Denison selected "The Wild Card: 7 Steps to an Educator's Breakthrough," by Hope and Wade King, chosen for a national online book club by a website she

follows called Not So Wimpy Third-Grade Teachers. The book, released in January, is a how-to guide walking educators through seven steps to enhance student engagement and creativity.

"The reviews on Amazon are amazing," said Denison. "Best book, every teacher should have this book, so inspiring."

Young 5's teacher Katy Forcillo said she already has viewed and been inspired by some of the videos recommended on the authors' website, [setthestagetoengage.com](http://setthestagetoengage.com).

"In the summer, you need to recharge and get inspired again because you get drained during the year," Forcillo said. "You don't have the time. I'll read for five minutes and then I'll fall asleep."

"You need something

to light your fire again," see that as they're doing too many weird, wacky things. But no, kids crave that. That's what they remember — the really unusual thing that you did. So just get wild."

"If they want to come to school, you've accomplished something," said Denison.

At the next meeting, each participant will have an opportunity to talk about some facet of the book, Denison said.

"With 16 members, it can get off task, so we've asked everyone to bring something that resonated with them for each meeting — one question they have or something they took away from it. It'll be interesting to hear everybody's different perspective.... This way everyone brings something to the table."

The location and timing of the final meeting at the end of August was no accident. Howlers & Growlers is close to Defer and many teachers may be setting up their classrooms for opening day Tuesday, Sept. 4. By 5 p.m., they'll be ready for a break to discuss the book's final section, "Toolbox," focused on "what are you going to put in your toolbox for the fall," according to Forcillo.

"I think one thing with a book club is it boosts staff morale," said Denison. "It brings us together in a way so we all have a common thread. It brings us a little closer as a staff."

## Teacher of THE WEEK

### Stacey Roy

**School:** Defer

Elementary School

**Years at Defer:** 1

(previously at Trombly and Mason elementary schools)

**Grade/Subject:** Reading specialist/literacy coach

**Nominated by:** Lisa

Rheaume, principal

**Principal's quote:**

"Stacey Roy joined the Defer Elementary team last year as the reading specialist from Trombly Elementary. Mrs. Roy is a great addition to our team; she helps students grow as readers each day in her classroom. The smiles and excitement on the faces of the students entering Mrs. Roy's classroom demonstrate how she connects with young readers. Her passion for literacy shines at Defer as she seeks out new materials that will interest and motivate readers at all levels. Mrs. Roy is a dedicated teacher who inspires children to be lifelong readers."

#### What do you enjoy most about teaching?

I love my students. It's been a privilege to teach

and live in Grosse Pointe. I see my students grow and accomplish great things. As a teacher, I hope to bring humor and joy to each child daily. I love reading books with children and finding amazing stories that captivate them and draw them into the world of books.

I'm so excited to help students build their literacy skills. It's so wonderful watching students become empowered with their reading; they feel so much pride. Watching that transformation, when a student really starts to take off with reading, is truly incredible.

#### Describe a teaching accomplishment you're proud of or a "teachable moment" you experienced.

I think I've grown so much as an educator because of my colleagues. I've worked with very talented educators. They are passionate and dedicated and always pushing themselves to learn new things. I've



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learned so much and every year I hope to make my students' learning experiences fantastic, motivating and memorable.

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

"The Book Whisperer" by Donalyn Miller. Miller focuses on how teachers can best cultivate the love of reading in every child.

#### Favorite quote:

"We worry about what a child will become tomorrow, yet we forget that he is someone today."

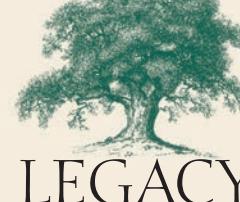
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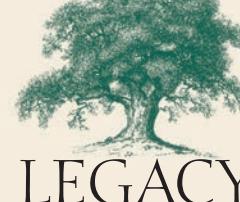
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## 10A | SCHOOLS

**A practical look at the bond**

When Matt Jewell moved to Grosse Pointe Woods from Madison Heights, his wife was pregnant with their first child. The school district was part of the reason they selected Grosse Pointe.

Today his daughter, 11, and son, 10, attend Ferry Elementary School. When the district hosted a town hall at Ferry to share the results of the Plante Moran Cresa study, Jewell thought it was important to attend. During the tour he observed the school's critical needs and thought of his own house.

"This isn't flashy things," he said. "This is electrical. This is HVAC. If your home had a leak in the roof, you might have it patched. And then it leaked again. And again and again. If it was your own home, how many times would you patch it before you replaced it? It's basic logic. Why wouldn't you treat your (school) buildings that way?"

With a background in finance and banking, Matt Jewell looks at the proposed critical needs infrastructure bond from

a dollars-and-cents standpoint. As a homeowner, he views it as critical to Grosse Pointe's future.

"When I look at how schools are funded, this is a statewide problem," he said. "When I look at other districts, they're passing bonds. If you're not moving forward, you're falling behind, as my football coach used to say."

Jewell not only supports the bond personally, he agreed to serve on the Better Schools, Safer Schools committee to talk with friends and neighbors about the importance of passing it.

"We haven't had a bond for this since 2002," he said. "And in that time, other districts have had or are passing bonds. We haven't. And we're not getting that funding from the state and we're not getting that funding from the federal level. It's not going to happen. And if we want the schools to be the center of our community as they should be, we have to invest in it. You can only tighten the belt so much."

He encourages voters to ask themselves three ques-

tions: "No. 1, are these (repairs) needed? Yes.

No. 2, do we have current funding? No.

"No. 3, what happens if we don't (pass the bond)? If we don't, the buildings will just continue to deteriorate and, in fact, we may just end up with a larger problem. ... Even if we close other buildings and we're simply maintaining the ones that we have, if we don't invest in them, if we don't repair and replace things that you would as a homeowner ... where will we be in five years and how much more will that cost? The alternative is to maintain and you can only maintain so long."

"One of the things in America that's breaking down is the community," he continued. "People don't talk to their neighbors anymore. To me, that school is the center of that community and if that's not something you're proud of, then that's where it starts. To me, it's regardless of whether or not you have children in the school district right now. You want your community to be good, you've got to start there."

— Mary Anne Brush

**Preserving the community**

Jim Bellanca agreed to serve on the Better Schools, Safer Schools committee to support the bond referendum because of his commitment to the Grosse Pointe community as a resident, business owner with Grosse Pointe clients and manager of a trust in The Village.

"Grosse Pointe is what it is because it has great schools, because it has great parks, because it has great police departments, affordable housing and places like The Village," he said. "All of those are intertwined and if one of those should falter, the whole community is going to suffer."

Bellanca grew up in Detroit 5 miles from where he currently lives. One reason he and his wife moved to Grosse Pointe was for the schools. Many of his son's friends left the area, then returned to raise their families, discovering "there are very few communities like this to raise a child."

"That's why I'm involved," he continued. "I think the school system is one of the major hubs."

Bellanca served on the blue ribbon facility committee formed last fall to

assess the enrollment and critical needs study conducted by Plante Moran Cresa.

A major consensus of the committee, he said, was the importance of walkable neighborhood schools. And while the PMC report confirmed a declining enrollment, Bellanca doesn't see the need to close schools that fully use existing space for current programs.

"The number of pupils have diminished and that's how schools are funded, by the number of pupils, but there isn't a lot of vacancies in the schools because there are a lot of activities filling them," he said. "Do we want to stop having special arts rooms and special choral rooms? Do we want to stop those things so we can put another second grade in? Do we want to stop having only 27 students in a class?"

While a common question he hears is why not close the administration building or one of the schools under capacity, Bellanca said this doesn't solve the problem.

"If you sell the administration building tomorrow, you don't raise enough money to solve the safety problem in our school," he

said, nor does it provide enough money "to refurbish the schools, to clean them up and fix them up." Rather, he proposes taking advantage of the growth in Detroit to attract more families to Grosse Pointe.

"I think what we have to do in the five Grosse Pointes is build on what we have, not tear down. I think what we need to do is attract people. If you told people five years ago this many people were going to be living in Detroit, would you believe that?"

To Bellanca, the message to voters is simple. "The most important aspects of the bond are safety and preservation of the community," he said. "Safety means more than just making the schools safe from terrorists or crazy people. It means toilets that function, elevators that function, asbestos that's kept out of the breathing air. It's also about the community itself — preserving the community, the foundation of which has always been the school system. If the school system fails, one of the community's foundations is going to fall down and it's going to affect the value of your home."

— Mary Anne Brush

**BOND:**

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You could, but then you're pigeonholed in what you can use that money for. You can do upgrades and maintenance, but you can't do new construction. An example is secure vestibules in school buildings. A sinking fund is only for existing maintenance and wouldn't allow for something like that.

What is the cost of the bond for an individual?

Are other school dis-

**tricts passing bonds?**

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public services, our shopping districts and our schools. Those things taken together help to maintain our home values. It's a pretty simple formula. And when you see districts like Roseville passing millages, we ought to be there too.

For more information, find Better Schools, Safer Schools on Facebook or go to [gppssbondyes2018.com](http://gppssbondyes2018.com).

*Look for more bond perspectives in future issues.*

**Correction**

In "North recognizes musicians" in the July 5 issue of the Grosse Pointe News, the man in the photo with award recipient Alex Dean should have been identified as Roger McCaig.



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Volunteers include, seated, from left, Novian Carr, Victoria Li and Arinda Mele; and standing, from left, Kevin McEvoy, Lillian Li, Pat Cardellio, Ron Elwart, Joyce Jacobs and Gail Greenberg.



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Like the house, the backyard is a work in progress.



Novian Carr drills a hole in the wall while Victoria looks on.

## Being resourceful

### Recent college grad rehabs house to help others

By Jody McVeigh  
*Editor*

There's a block of Chalmers in a quiet Detroit neighborhood where the houses have nicknames.

The Rooster. The Bluejay. The Turtle.

Neighbors there not only have welcomed the newest homeowner, but pulled together to support a project that will help girls in need of assistance.

Grosse Pointe Shores resident Victoria Li, with support from her parents, recently purchased a house — aka The Rooster — on Chalmers. What now is a boarded-up, gutted work in progress she hopes will become the Creative Guidance Center — a place where she and



Victoria Li stands near the doorway to the front room. Propped against the studs is a door that was donated.

others can help female students make the transition to college.

"We're rebuilding all of it," Li said. "I'm hoping to make it into a resource center for high school

students transitioning into college. A lot of people helped me in the past. That's how I got into college. I want to do the same thing for others in the community."

Li admits she wasn't a great student in high school. "I mostly got in trouble," she said.

"It took certain events in my life — and help from people in Detroit — to put me on a path where I can be successful," she continued. "People helped me, took me into their homes, taught me what I needed to know, whipped me back into shape. I want to do that for others."

Li graduated in May from The King's College in New York. She used her high school and college savings to purchase the house on Chalmers and has spent several months gutting it.

"We had to tear everything out," she said. "It took three months to get to the studs. Right now we're sistering it in places where it needs to be and reframing windows. ... Our family is very hands on. I'm definitely learning as I go; my mom is teaching me."

"I've literally built seven houses," Li's mother, Lillian, said. "My grandparents taught me how to swing a hammer at age 3."

Li, 23, has had help from numerous family members and friends — and a few strangers.

St. Clair Shores resident Kevin McEvoy volunteers as Li's groundskeeper. He's in the process of building a Zen garden in the backyard.

"It took two weeks to clear the weeds," Li said. "It's definitely come far from what it was."

Electrician Henry Singer is rewiring the house and cement worker Ronald Elwart volunteered to rebuild the patio.

They all heard about or saw photographs of the project and asked if they could help.

Li's uncle, Lou Rezanka, drives up from Maryland once a month to do structural work.

Neighbors also have contributed.

The house has its own water hookup now, but the first several months it did not. Once spring hit and people started donat-

ing flowers and plants, neighbors supplied water to keep the greenery alive and help repair the cement porch.

"People have donated and helped in so many ways," Li said, noting everything has been donated, from wood to tools to a new front door waiting to be installed. "There's been an incredible amount of help people have given me during this project."

"This is how communities are made," she continued. "You build connections, build things together to make them a better place."

The resource center's lower level, which will include a kitchen and laundry room — "I want to give resources to kids if they might not have them," Li said — will feature an area for presentations or congregating.

The upper level will house a reading room and spaces for private tutoring sessions or help writing essays, Li said, in addition to her private living quarters.

"We'll give presentations to prepare students for obstacles they may face during or after college," she said. "Once you graduate college, you have a huge handicap — you're already in debt. I want to teach people how to finance themselves, get

grant money so they don't have to suffer through that."

Li said teachers have volunteered to help at the center and she plans to have tutors available to help with things like studying for SATs.

"She had this idea before she went off to college," Lillian Li said. "She wanted young people to feel comfortable and happy in the area. ... This area's coming back."

Li said she hopes the project will be done in nine months.

For now, the next step is putting finishing touches on electrical and plumbing work so they can close up the walls.

"We're hoping to make it last another 100 years," Lillian Li said. "There was damage to the home, but we never thought about tearing it down."

Li urged anyone with donations — wood, excess materials, physical labor — to come forward.

"It's definitely a work in progress, but doing it together makes it so much easier," she said. "And the more help the better."

Monetary donations also are accepted. For information, visit Li's Go Fund Me page at [gofundme.com/a-detroit-homes-coming-back](http://gofundme.com/a-detroit-homes-coming-back).



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Ron Elwart repairs the concrete on the front porch.



Victoria Li sits at a makeshift desk in the house looking at plans.

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# Book tells story of couple's journey with cancer

By Jody McVeigh  
Editor

When Mary Northcutt was diagnosed with cancer, she was given one year to live.

What followed was a more than six-year battle with the disease, most of which she was under active treatment.

Her husband, Michael Goodell, said he had to remind people she was sick, because she "never let it slow her down."

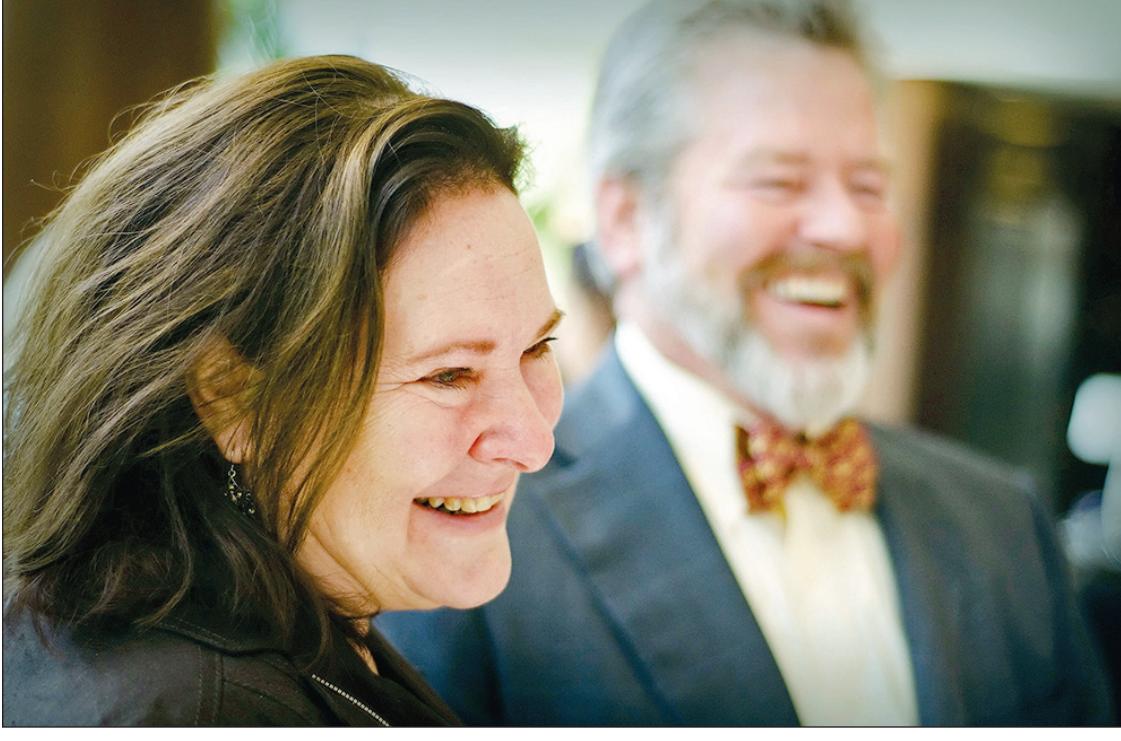
Goodell recorded those years with Northcutt, updating family and friends about the trials and challenges they faced together. After Northcutt's death July 1, 2016, people told Goodell he should publish the compendium, "but I had other priorities," he said.

When a friend's wife was diagnosed with colorectal cancer and eventually died, "he said the first thing he did was go back to the updates for hope."

So Goodell went to work compiling "The World Shifted: A Cancer Story," published March 2018.

"When I was sending out updates, I was just sending out updates, so going back over it was like reading it for the first time," he said. "It was a year after Mary died before I could bring myself to do it. I was struck by the fact it reads almost like a novel written in journal format. It tells a coherent story of hope — living life with hope. Hope is a common theme throughout. As the story got darker and darker ... hope was constant. That made it very painful for me."

Reading, editing and proofing the copy also was difficult for Goodell, who splits time between the City of Grosse Pointe and Traverse City, but, "I definitely wanted to get it out there. There were a lot of observations, like the best way to move forward is to look back."



PHOTOS COURTESY OF MICHAEL GOODELL

Mary Northcutt and Michael Goodell share a laugh.

Goodell said not only does the book share hope, it also demystifies the cancer experience.

"If you're diagnosed with cancer, your life is no longer in your hands. You do what you're told, you go where you're told," he said. "You have to take all these tests and you can't study for any of them. This is a road map for what the reader might expect to see. And it's a tribute to Mary, who handled it heroically."

Since it was published, friends and strangers alike have told Goodell they've shared their copies with people or friends of people who've been diagnosed. A friend's daughter, whom Goodell has never met, sent him an invitation to her wedding.

"She said, 'The story you're telling is so powerful,'" he relayed. "If you can't make it, there will be two empty seats at the head table in your honor. The love you show is what we want in our life."

"The World Shifted" is avail-

able at Amazon and Barnes & Noble. A portion of the proceeds benefits cancer research — half to the Karmanos Cancer Institute and half to the MD Anderson Cancer Center.

"I thought it was something I should do," Goodell said. "I was hoping it would sell a whole lot of copies and really make a difference in cancer research."

Goodell, who has two novels and various other works under his belt, said he hopes local hospital gift shops will sell the book too.

"The book is not just for people with cancer," he said. "It's a love story."

## Something about Mary

Michael Goodell and Mary Northcutt met while attending Biola University in southern California.

"I asked her to marry me on our first date," Goodell said.

When asked what type of person she'd like to marry, Northcutt shot down the idea — she'd never get married, she

said. She asked Goodell the same question.

He told her she was his perfect person.

They married in 1982, and later became parents to Emily and Matthew, now 34 and 31, respectively.

Their grandson, Magnus,



Mary Northcutt sits on the commemorative bench at SOC, presented in her honor by the Herb Society of America Grosse Pointe Unit.



Michael Goodell

was born nine months after Northcutt's death.

"Mary was a gardener, a mother," Goodell said. "She was in just about every garden club and association in Grosse Pointe. She designed several gardens, the latest one at SOC. The (Grosse Pointe) Herb Society presented her with a commemorative bench a month before she died."

"She was loving, kind, giving," he continued. "I don't think she had an enemy — ever. She raised her kids with integrity. They were very close. ... She was clever. She had a great sense of humor and a great sense of integrity."

Goodell said Northcutt was a driving force behind the opening of Amoritas Vineyards near Traverse City. Owned by Goodell and his children, it was Northcutt's dream to open a winery.

Though she missed the opportunity, she undoubtedly left her touch on many areas around Grosse Pointe.

"There are a lot of things she did in terms of horticulture which will live on," Goodell said. "She always had her eye on making the world a more beautiful place and making Grosse Pointe a more beautiful place."

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Registration begins 9:15 a.m. at The Academy, 171 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, with the program running Wednesdays, July 18 to Aug. 22.

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fication with current and

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and meaning in life.

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Nia dance cardio fitness includes mindful movement guidance taught to music, including pop, jazz, Latin, new age and hip-hop. It employs basic movements and techniques of jazz, modern and Duncan dance styles; tai chi, tae kwon do and aikido; and the body-mind healing arts of Feldenkrais Method, Alexander Technique and yoga.

Beaumont Healthy Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods is a community initiative that targets the priority health needs that were derived from the Beaumont Community Health Needs Assessment. Target areas are cardiovascular, diabetes and obesity. Connect with the group at Healthy Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods on Facebook.

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# Hinton to be honored as 'Man of Excellence'

By Jody McVeigh  
Editor

Next month, Harper Woods Economic and Community Development Director Tyrone Hinton will make his way to Motor City Casino to be honored among other black men for his vision, leadership, achievements and community service.

Hinton was one of 15 selected to receive Michigan Chronicle's 2018 Man of Excellence awards.

The program is in its 11th year.

Hinton was nominated by Dr. Kelli Van Buren, a friend of Hinton's and his late wife, the Rev. Sandra Hinton, who passed away last November.

Hinton learned of his selection — from a pool of 500 candidates — more than a month ago.

"Fifteen men a year are honored," he said. "The founder said he started it when trying to find a way to honor black males who



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Tyrone Hinton

otherwise wouldn't receive recognition. ... Still to this day, I don't know why (Van Buren) nominated me," he said.

It could have been due to Hinton's success in Harper Woods. Through his dedication, the community has seen massive improvements.

Hinton spearheaded the opening of the Harper Woods Neighborhood Economic Development Center on Kelly Road, which apart from offering community meeting spaces also houses a mini police station.

He's in the process of forming a Harper Woods

Business Association, primarily with businesses on Kelly Road. He and a dedicated group of volunteers are assembling the Harper Woods Neighborhood Improvement Plan as well.

"Harper Woods is dedicated to diversity," Hinton said, noting the importance of "newcomers getting with old timers to push back on blight, apathy and dishonesty. I'm proud of the people who have volunteered."

Volunteers also are cleaning up medians along Kelly to get rid of underbrush so it doesn't accumulate debris.

"It's not a job; it's a mission," Hinton said of his work. "To work for my own community is a very special privilege. ... The object is to bring vibrance back to Kelly Road."

Hinton also could have been nominated for his authorship.

The holistic cosmologist and his late wife pub-

lished a book, "The Hidden Mysteries of God, Space, Time, Love and Understanding: The Search for a Holistic Cosmology."

He said he's close to completing its sequel.

"I'm hoping by way of my next publication to challenge modern physicists' definition of reality," he said. "It will be challenging the philosophical foundation of modern physics."

Hinton, who majored in philosophy three years before earning a degree in social psychology from Wayne State University, considers himself a keen student of human behavior.

Born in Birmingham, Ala., under Jim Crow law, Hinton also could have been nominated for his inspirational faith.

The father of two — his daughter is a professor at Denison University; his son teaches art in a school district outside Atlanta — said he wishes he could

have passed along a message to Stephen Hawking before the theoretical physicist's death earlier this year:

"In all your deep, extended wisdom, you missed it because you don't know whose child you are," Hinton said. "We are the children of the living God, his spiritual children. We're so special and don't know it. ... I am a disciple of the Christ of Nazareth. I try to emulate him in my own behavior."

Hinton picks up his Man of Excellence Award Aug. 3. Regardless of why he was nominated, he said it's an honor.

"It's special to be recognized — period," he said. "When I was young, I was friends with Longworth Quinn Jr., whose father was the publisher. So I got to know the Chronicle by way of association. To be recognized by that paper, since I'm a longtime fan, is very special."

## Pointes Abloom workshops spread enthusiasm, creativity

By Jody McVeigh  
Editor

Grosse Pointe Garden Center members Hope Hoffman and Richard Thomas recently assembled a small team to develop an initiative sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Garden Center. The initiative, Pointes Abloom, includes basic gardening workshops for adults and children.

"In our search for a venue and a partner, we realized that Nancy Wiegandt and Tom Milano, who own the non-profit Garden Detroit and the for-profit organization Detroit Abloom, would be outstanding partners," Hoffman said.

"With their urban gardens in the Jefferson-Chalmers area, our workshops would have a beautiful and exciting location. We decided to name the project Pointes Abloom to reflect our collaboration.

"Our common goals are to create a series of workshops that span the growing and harvesting seasons and include topics with hands-on activities," she continued, "such as starting vegetables from seeds, essentials of composting, native plants and what to plant in the sun."

Pointes Abloom also offers custom workshops for scout troops and other groups. Recently, Girl Scouts at Kerby

Elementary School planted flowers in the memorial garden in front of the school. Another class learned about the habits of bees and interiors of hives during a workshop with Brian Peterson of Bees in the D.

"The focus of Pointes Abloom's programs is to encourage mothers and fathers to participate with their children in the workshops and then carry what they have learned back to their lives at home," Hoffman said. "We are emphasizing family, healthy living, a respect of nature and the fun of growing through our various workshops."

Organizers have developed a series of 16, 2.5-hour workshops that include demonstrations, hands-on activities, lessons in the garden and take-home samples.

Mostly taught by Wiegandt and Milano, the workshops emphasize growing plants organically and eating the vegetables they grow.

Specific information about each workshop may be found at [gpgardencenter.org](http://gpgardencenter.org) by clicking on the Pointes Abloom page. The site also accepts registration and payment.

"In conversations with Suzy Berschback, Beaumont's director of Health and Wellness for Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods, it became apparent that the Pointes Abloom workshops can

be an important component of the health and wellness programs, to increase awareness and influence healthy lifestyles for the people in our communities," Hoffman said. "Gardening is an activity that provides exercise, promotes healthier lifestyles, creates an opportunity to be one with nature and can provide satisfaction through growing. It has been proven that gardening helps people in all aspects of their physical, mental and spiritual life.

Pointes Abloom will develop more workshops that will be offered throughout the winter and early spring to keep interest and learning about gardening alive in non-growing months."

Hoffman said she's excited about offering the workshops to the community in which she lives.

"As a member of the Grosse Pointe community, it is exciting to be part of a larger effort that offers more programs to improve the quality of people's lives," she said. "Being an active participant in Beaumont's Health and Wellness program, Grosse Pointe Garden Center will expand their education role on a community outreach level. Working with Nancy and Tom of Detroit Abloom in their gardens, which are part of the urban redevelopment of Detroit, will help our

workshop participants broaden their appreciation and awareness of the inspiring work being done in Detroit."

To support Pointes Abloom programs, email [pointesabloom@gmail.com](mailto:pointesabloom@gmail.com).

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Most Pointes Abloom workshops take place at the Detroit Abloom cut flower farm, 247 Manistique, Detroit, located in the historic Jefferson Chalmers neighborhood a few blocks from Grosse Pointe. Directions are provided on the Pointes Abloom webpage — [detroitabloom.com/pointes-abloom](http://detroitabloom.com/pointes-abloom).

The schedule includes:

♦ July 19: Once a Native, Always a Native: Native plants for the urban landscape

♦ July 26: Pollinators: How flowers and insects are connected

♦ Aug. 7: Pests, Bugs, Insects: Which ones do you want or not

♦ Aug. 16: Essentials of Composting: How to compost easily

- ♦ Aug. 21: Making a Garden Bouquet: Creativity explained
- ♦ Sept. 15: Annuals and Perennials: All you want to know for our planting zone
- ♦ Sept. 26: Harvesting and Preserving: Harvest and preserve what you harvest
- ♦ Oct. 20: Rhizomes, Tubers and Bulbs, Oh My: Planting and digging up bulbs
- ♦ Oct. 27: Garlic: History, usage and planting of garlic

To register, visit [gpgardencenter.org](http://gpgardencenter.org). There is a one-time fee of \$20 for individuals to join the Grosse Pointe Garden Center and each workshop is \$10 per adult, \$5 per child. For questions or to support the program, email [pointesabloom@gmail.com](mailto:pointesabloom@gmail.com).

## 4B | CHURCHES

## PASTOR'S CORNER

By the Rev. Edward Dunn

## An epic story

Many people would say they know the story of David and Goliath; even those who haven't read the story in scripture are familiar with its message. We use the shorthand title, "a David and Goliath story," to describe a situation when the underdog wins, like a story about a homeowner who prevails over a municipality or a small-business owner who is successful against a large multi-national corporation.

David and Goliath stories are epic in that they center on a hero who succeeds despite overwhelming odds. These types of stories become epic also because of their lasting impact on people and communities. The people of ancient Israel saw themselves as "David" in comparison with the mighty nations, or "Goliaths," that surrounded them. So they retold the story of a mighty warrior king as a way to describe themselves as well. A story becomes an epic when it is passed on and as it reflects the identity of those who retell it.

Which leads me to ask, what is the epic story of our time? What will be the stories told about our generation and about this particular moment in history? Will those narratives cast us in the role of David or Goliath?

Will the narrative of our society and time be that of hatred and bigotry? Will the "Davids" of our time be high school students who confront the challenge of school violence by standing up to the "Goliaths" of the gun lobby? Will the epic story of our day be the way in which neighbors treat neighbors?

At the heart of the biblical story of David and Goliath is David's trust that God would overcome the odds. When David was fitted with armor to match that of Goliath, he shed it in favor of a sling and five smooth stones. David believed in his own ability, as weak as it might appear to others, and David trusted that God would use his ability to overcome the odds. The result was a victory.

May we place our trust in God who was, who is and who promises to be beside us; and in doing so, may we find our epic story.

*The Rev. Edward Dunn is the pastor of Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church.*

## Mission helps share message of God's love

By Dr. Lisa Manz-Dulac  
Guest Writer

HART, the Haiti Africa Relief Team, recently completed its annual summer mission trip, June 17 to 24, providing medical and humanitarian aid to underserved people in St. Jude Parish in Morne L'Hopital. We were able to treat more than 1,500 patients and alleviate suffering using donated medications and supplies worth more than \$650,000 while sharing Jesus' love with those who came to see us.

Our 28-member team for this trip consisted of physicians, including HART President Tom Graves and Tristan Guevara in family practice, pediatrician Carol Abiragi assisted by nurse practitioner Brianna Rosenbaum, ER physician Rich Cousino, rehabilitation specialist Susie Grabowski, John Knapp and Joyce Purakal in OB-GYN, physician assistant Casey Kolp and me, dermatologist Lisa Manz-Dulac. Ann Kilroy provided dental care with the assistance of Andrea Adams. Dr. Cheryl Mazzara was the trip coordinator.

Fran Maxey, Michelle Laforce and Sarah Warnez formed our nursing team. Support members included Jeff Meyers, Walter Guevara and Louise Brady, along with students Elysse and

John Knapp Jr., Dominic and TJ Dulac, Sydney Maxey, Allie Baysore, Betsy Purakal, Andrew Abiragi and Mare Dedvukaj.

We had three clinic days, where people lined up outside the gates of our clinic every morning before sunrise hoping to see our doctors, nurses and dentist. Many people walked for hours to be seen. We were able to provide up to a year's supply of blood pressure and diabetes medications, along with vitamins and medications for infections, allergy/asthma, pain, gastrointestinal and skin ailments to impoverished people who live in one of the poorest countries in the Western Hemisphere.

We also participated in several humanitarian projects. Jeff Meyers led the effort to refurbish the dilapidated St. Jude boys' orphanage both inside and outside, inviting the orphans themselves to help paint and pick up trash in the courtyard. Carol Abiragi, Joyce Purakal and Cheryl Mazzara presented "Days for Girls," teaching young women how God made them beautiful, how their bodies work and how to honor Him. Ann Kilroy taught proper oral hygiene to the younger children. Elysse Knapp took charge of painting murals in the school courtyard to

brighten the children's learning atmosphere and the kids were invited to add their painted handprints to the wall.

One of the greatest aspects of our mission trip was the opportunity for prayer. Fr. Roosevelt celebrated 7 a.m. Mass every morning. We prayed with the people each morning before clinic. We prayed over each team and interpreters during the day and we prayed for each other at our team meetings in the evening. We shared stories of where we each saw Jesus every day.

To show their appreciation, the community gave us a wonderful concert in the church on our last evening at Morne L'Hopital, where the Haitians and some of our team sang and played keyboards and guitar. St. Jude was overflowing with love, joy and bonding. The kids reinforced Dr. Graves' belief that Haitian children don't give you an option — they just love you.

Before heading home, we spent a day at the Infants of Jesus orphanage that provides a home to almost 120 children. Drs. John Knapp and Tristan Guevara taught the boys about puberty and how if they marry one woman and act as a man of Christ, their children can live in families and not be orphans. The boys were given medals

with Jesus' image to remind them of Christ's love. The girls were given the "Days for Girls" presentation and the younger kids learned how to care for their teeth. Many children have fungal infections of the scalp and we treated their heads with gentian violet to decrease the infection. In past years we have treated more than 100 kids; this year only 18 children needed treatment, so we believe our efforts are working. The best part of our visit was loving and playing with the orphans, who were overjoyed to welcome us.

Many people have commented how blessed the Haitians are to have us visit them, but in fact all of us on the mission feel far more blessed by the love, faith, hope and joy bestowed on us by the Haitian people we serve.

We are so grateful to the St. Clare of Montefalco community for their support that allows us to share Jesus in Haiti and bring His love back home with us. The Haitian people are truly thankful that we come — our visits give them hope.

If you would like to learn more about HART or help support our mission, please visit our website [h-a-r-t.org](http://h-a-r-t.org) or go to Facebook and like our H.A.R.T. page.

## ASK THE EXPERTS By Lauren Vanderlist

## Signs your child should get an occupational therapy evaluation

**Q:** When should I consider an occupational therapy evaluation for my child? Are there symptoms or red flags I should be concerned about?

**A:** When your child has difficulty with activities of daily living (e.g. dressing, grooming, eating), play activities (e.g. toy play, coloring, building, playing games) or participation in learning environments (e.g. writing, staying attentive, following directions), an occupational therapy evaluation may be necessary. Your child's strength and coordination, sensory processing, social-emotional development, fine and visual motor skills will be assessed to determine why they are having difficulty.

Below are examples of behaviors that may warrant an evalua-

tion. Please reach out to a professional to discuss your concerns further.

## Red Flags — Sensory Processing

- ◆ Excessively upset with changes in routine, difficulty transitioning
- ◆ Busy, on the go, poor attention
- ◆ Poor safety awareness
- ◆ Frequently refusing new foods
- ◆ Mouths non-food objects after the age of 2 years
- ◆ Avoidant of different textures, dislikes getting messy
- ◆ Lethargic, easily fatigued, avoidant of movement

## Red Flags — Fine and Visual Motor Skills

- ◆ Uncoordinated, weak hand(s)
- ◆ Fisted hand(s), neglecting

to use one hand, or failing to use hands together

## Red Flags — Activities of Daily Living

- ◆ Difficulty releasing objects into a container
- ◆ Unusual grasp on writing utensil after 4 years
- ◆ Difficulty with puzzles
- ◆ Difficulty drawing shapes or writing letters
- ◆ Not finger feeding by 12 months
- ◆ Not using spoon by 18 months (spillage is OK)
- ◆ Difficulty drinking from open cup
- ◆ Unable to put on most clothing, with assistance, by 3 years
- ◆ Difficulty with buttons, zippers and/or tying shoes

## Red Flags — Social Emotional

◆ Limited eye contact, return of smiles or other positive advances

## Red Flags — Activities of Daily Living

- ◆ Limited response to name or familiar voice
- ◆ Little imitation of movements and facial expressions
- ◆ Limited pointing, waving, or reaching by 12 months
- ◆ Unusual play with toys (e.g. lining up, spinning wheels)

Lauren Vanderlist is an occupational therapist with more than nine years of experience working with children. She graduated from Washington University in St. Louis with a Master of Science degree in occupational therapy. Vanderlist has practiced in a variety of settings and worked with children of all ages and diagnoses. She also is a certified PLAY Project

consultant, providing specialized services to young children with autism and their families. She currently provides home-based occupational therapy and PLAY Project services. She may be reached at (248) 629-0193 or [lauren.v@brightconnectionsot.com](mailto:lauren.v@brightconnectionsot.com). Visit [brightconnectionsot.com](http://brightconnectionsot.com) for more information. Vanderlist is a member of The Family Center's Association of Professionals.

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## WORSHIP SERVICES



# OBITUARIES

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

## Shirley W. Larson

Shirley W. Larson, 92, of Raleigh, N.C., passed away Tuesday, July 3, 2018. She was born Oct. 22, 1925, in Cincinnati, Ohio. Shirley enjoyed sewing, traveling, cooking and gardening.

She was predeceased by her husband, Ronald A. Larson; and siblings, Harry "Bud" Warner, Betty Galante and Richard Warner.

Shirley is survived by her daughter, Kristin L. Baiocchi and husband, Bill of Raleigh, N.C.; son, Ronald Rick Larson and wife, Tammy of Wales, MI; grandchildren, Carolyn Homberger, Jeffrey Baiocchi, Kayla Larson and Amanda Larson; and three great-grandchildren.

Services will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the USO of North Carolina, specify Raleigh Durham Center, at [northcarolina.uso.org/support/donate](http://northcarolina.uso.org/support/donate) or Shepherd's Table Soup Kitchen of Raleigh at [shepherds-table.org](http://shepherds-table.org).

Condolences may be shared at [cremationsocietync.com](http://cremationsocietync.com).

## Henry J. Meurer III

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Henry J. Meurer III died Tuesday, July 3, 2018.

Born Jan. 29, 1962, in Grosse Pointe to Henry J. Meurer Jr. and Jane P. Meurer, Henry graduated from Grosse Pointe South High School in 1980 and earned a business degree from Western Michigan University in 1985.

Henry loved sailing and animals and was a good friend.

He is survived by his mother, Jane; brother, John Meurer (Wendy); sisters, Molly Wagner (Gerald) and Michele Ganesch; seven nephews, one niece and one grand-niece.

He was predeceased by his father, Henry and sister, Julie Mountz (Thomas).

A funeral Mass takes place noon Saturday, July 14, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Memorial contributions may be made in Henry's honor to the Michigan Humane

Society at [michiganhumane.org](http://michiganhumane.org).

## William C. Nill

William Christian Nill, 80, died Wednesday, July 4, 2018.

Mr. Nill was born March 19, 1938, in Detroit, the son of Frank and Agnes Frame. He married Joan Merritt and together they raised two daughters.

Mr. Nill retired as president of First State Bank in 2010 after 50 years of service. William received his Juris Doctor degree from Wayne State University.

He was a member of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, Men's and Women's Garden Club of Grosse Pointe and president of the Michigan Association of Community Bankers.

He was a prize-winning orchidist. William loved spending time at his second homes in Greenbush, Mich., and Sanger Island, Fla.

William was the beloved husband of Joan; dear father of Rosa Malburg (Michael) and Nancy (Gary) Geiser and loving grandfather of Isabella and Michael.

A funeral service took place Monday July 9, at A.H. Peters Funeral Home, Grosse Pointe Woods.

The family has requested memorial contributions be directed to Evangelical Home, 440 W. Russell St., Saline, MI 48176; or Men's and Women's Garden Club of Grosse Pointe Woods, c/o John Verpoort, 19963 W. Williams Ct., Grosse Pointe Woods, 48236.

Friends and family are welcome to attend the memorial service 10 a.m. Saturday, July 14, at St. Albertus Catholic Church, 4231 St. Aubin, Detroit. Lunch to follow at St. Hyacinth, 3151 Farnsworth, Detroit.

mother, daughter and friend with a kind heart, creative spirit and sharp sense of humor. She had an immense knowledge of dressmaking, knitting and crocheting, art history, classical Hollywood cinema, horticulture and Polish culture. For years she taught after-school art enrichment at Kerby Elementary School; more recently she was an active member of the Quilt Guild of Metro Detroit, often taking top prize in their exhibitions. She sang for years with the Polonaise Chorale and St. Paul Voices of Joy Choir, and volunteered at Transfiguration Parish and the Dominican Literacy Center.

Joann is survived by her beloved mother; dear daughter, Maria; friend and former husband, Paul; brother, Richard (Marta); and sisters, Deborah Dolinski (Norman) and Jacqueline Vogel (Allen). She will be deeply missed by all whose lives she touched. In celebration of Joann's life and talents, memorial contributions in her name may be sent to the College for Creative Studies Annual Fund.

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## Mary Louise Gaensbauer

Mary Louise (Wezy) Gaensbauer passed away Sunday, July 1, 2018, at age 105, at her home at Henry Ford Village, Dearborn.

Mary Louise was born March 1, 1913, to John and Clara Gaensbauer, in Saginaw. She was predeceased by her parents and a brother, Dr. Ferdinand Gaensbauer (Christine) of Bloomfield Hills and Sun City, Ariz., as well as many aunts and uncles, cousins and loving friends. Mary Louise leaves behind her devoted nephew and nieces, Dr. Theodore Gaensbauer (Deborah) of Denver, Colo.; Gretchen Breese (Robert) of Oakland Township and Carolyn Cardoza of Grosse Ile; a very special friend, Mark Kahn of Dearborn; dear



Henry J. Meurer III



William C. Nill



Joann T. Nuccilli



Mary Louise Gaensbauer



Andrew Frank Olis

great-nieces and great-nephews, John, James, Stephanie, Darren, Alexis and Jillian and six great-great-nieces and great-great-nephews.

Mary Louise's wonderfully long life included many years with the Detroit Public Schools and University of Michigan, followed by a career at the Maxon Advertising Co. in Detroit. Never married, she nonetheless spent a lifetime caring for others within her family and in the arms of her church home, Iroquois Avenue Christ Lutheran Church in Detroit. Mary Louise was known to hundreds of friends for her generosity, friendliness and faithful love.

Arrangements were made by Verheyden Funeral Home, Grosse Pointe Park, with cremation and interment in Saginaw. Memorial gifts in Mary Louise's name may be made to Gleaners Community Food Bank, 2131 Beaufait, Detroit, MI 48207, or Henry Ford Village (HFV) Benevolent Fund, 15101 Ford Rd., Dearborn, MI, 48126. Share a memory and light a candle at verheyden.org.

## Andrew Frank Olis

Former Grosse Pointe Woods resident Andrew Frank, "Andy," Olis, 92, passed away peacefully Monday, June 25, 2018, surrounded by family after a long battle with pancreatic cancer.

Andy was born Nov. 25, 1925, in Detroit, to John and Margaret Olis. He grew up on Detroit's east side where he attended St. Cyril grade school and graduated from Detroit Catholic Central High School in 1943.

Following high school, he joined the U.S. Navy which sent him to the University of Michigan to obtain his college degree. During his time at U of M, Andy became a member of the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity.

Upon completion of his studies in engineering and naval science, he was commissioned as an ensign and served his country in Panama on a

patrol craft in World War II. After the war, Andy joined the U.S. Naval Reserves and was called back into active duty as a naval officer to fight in the Korean War aboard a minesweeper in the Korean Sea. Andy remained active in the U.S. Naval Reserves many years, was promoted to and retired as the rank of captain.

Upon discharge from active duty, Andy joined the J.L. Hudson Co. store in Detroit as an assistant buyer. He soon became the buyer of ready made draperies and soft home goods. During his early years with the company, he met and married the love of his life, Harriet Mann. After 28 years with J.L. Hudson Co., Andy fulfilled his dream of becoming a business owner. He became the owner of Mack Avenue Drapery & Interiors on Mack Avenue in Grosse Pointe Woods. Andrew enjoyed working in the community and making all his own decisions.

Andy was a member of Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church, the Senior Men's Club of Grosse Pointe and past president of the Harbor Place condo association. His greatest joy was spending time at his home on Burt Lake in northern Michigan with his children and grandchildren.

Andy enjoyed his retirement spending winter months in Siesta Key, Fla., treasuring time with family, visiting friends and proudly walking the entire Siesta Key beach every day. He will be remembered for his strong Catholic faith, love of country, impeccable work ethic, long-lasting friendships,

generosity, honorable character and most importantly, incredible love for his family.

Andrew is survived by Harriet, his loving wife of 64 years; adoring children, Patricia Casey (Martin), Nancy Olis, Martha Langton (Russell), Barbara Turnbull (Scott) and Andrew Olis (Tiffany) and beloved grandchildren, Alex, Drew and Kelly Langton. Emily and Patrick Turnbull and Tony Tewes. He also is survived by his sisters-in-law, Anne Olis (the late John) and Mildred Olis (the late Edward), many nieces and nephews and great-nieces and great-nephews.

In addition to his parents, John was predeceased by his brothers, Edward Olis, John Olis and sisters, Mary Ellen Canestra (Hank), Margaret Olis and Josephine Reitzloff (Robert Kenneth).

The family would like to thank Compassus Hospice, Nurse Ed and personal caregivers, Donna, Dave, DJ and Mary for their overwhelming kindness and support.

Visitation will be 4 to 7 p.m. Friday, July 13, at Chas. Verheyden Funeral Home, 16300 Mack, Grosse Pointe Park. A prayer service and eulogy is 6:30 p.m.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated noon Saturday, July 14, at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church, 467 Fairford, Grosse Pointe Woods. Visitation begins 11:30 a.m. at the church.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Burt Lake Preservation Association, P.O. Box 632, Indian River, MI 49749.

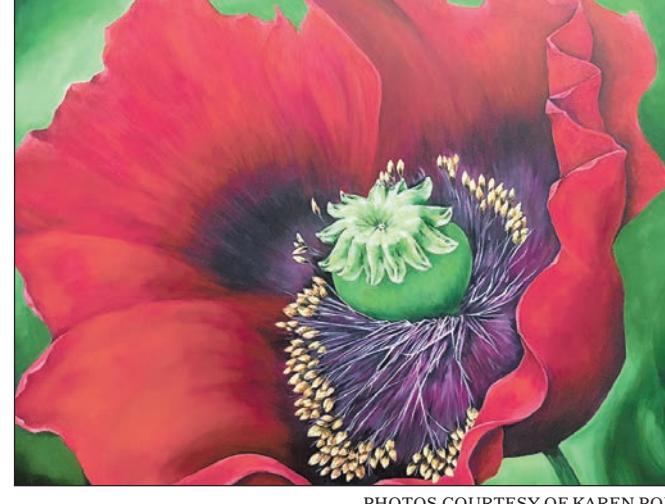
## Artists, gardeners celebrate the power of flowers

Visitors to The War Memorial can expect to see exquisite color and playful uses of light during the "Flower Power" art exhibition, displayed through Sunday, Aug. 19.

The Grosse Pointe Artists Association show celebrates summer and the joys of gardening, so it's fitting that among the more than 40 works are some painted in the gardens during the recent 27th annual Grosse Pointe Garden Center Tour.

Robert Fionda, an award-winning watercolorist who has been involved in the garden tour several years, juried the art show and will offer a critique and award prizes at 7 p.m. Thursday, July 12, in the art studio at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. All are welcome.

Tanya Palazzolo's study in acrylic of a single poppy in Claude Monet's garden and Gary Mulnix's bronze relief of a dahlia pinnata are among the close-ups of flowers in the show.



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Above, "Monet's Poppy," by Tanya Palazzolo. Right, "Dahlia Pinnata," by Gary Mulnix.



Mulnix

## 6B | FEATURES



Left, from left, Alex Roy, Derek Roy, Sarah Jacques, Roger Van Der Kar, Laura Roy with Sherman and Casey Jacques. Below, Roger Van Der Kar and his daughter, Laura Roy.

PHOTOS COURTESY OF LAURA ROY

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Grosse Pointe Farms resident Roger Van Der Kar was born in Fruitland, Idaho, the youngest of three children. His father died when he was an infant, his mother when he was 10.

"An aunt came and brought all three of them to live in Grosse Pointe Park," said Laura Roy, Van Der Kar's daughter. "That was 1925."

Van Der Kar worked at Hanna Furnace Corp., while attending Detroit College of Law at night.

When World War II began, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served as a recruitment officer.

Years later — around 1959 — Van Der Kar and his wife, Shirley, decided to start their family. They adopted Roy in 1960.

While he eventually finished law school, Van Der Kar never became an attorney. Instead, he stayed with Hanna and retired in 1980.

Roy hosted a party for Van Der Kar's 103rd birthday June 21, inviting family — including Roy's sons, Alex and Derek, both Marines — and friends to their Grosse Pointe Farms home.

# SPORTS

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## Pointers poised for Mackinac race

By Bob St. John  
*Sports Editor*

It's all hands on deck as dozens of Grosse Pointers prepare for the annual Bell's Beer Bayview Mackinac Race, which starts Saturday, July 14, in Port Huron.

Competitors will head north on either the 204 nautical mile Shore Course, cruising along the Michigan shoreline, or the longer Cove Island Course, which is 259 nautical miles that takes sailors around a buoy off the tip of the Bruce Peninsula in Canadian waters before heading west toward Mackinac Island.

Sailors will begin to cross the finish line early Monday morning, and continue throughout the day.

Below is a list of the boat owners, boat names and home towns of Grosse Pointers entered in the race.

**Division I —  
Cove Island**

Dave Simon, As You Wish, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Steve Nadeau, Brandilee, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Jim Baubie, Chantey, City of Grosse Pointe.

Bradford Kimmel, Courtesan, Grosse Pointe.



PHOTOS BY MARTIN CHUMIECKI

The crew of Scout, owned by Grosse Pointers Geoff Brieden and Jeff Clark, are ready for hopefully solid results in the 2018 race.

Park.

Paul Van Tol and Bruce Vandevusse, Eliminator, Grosse Pointe Park.

Ed and John Bayer, Falcon, Grosse Pointe Park.

James Cooper, Freedom, Grosse Pointe Park.

Robert Duker, Gail Force, City of Grosse Pointe.

John Seago, Gulo Gulo, Grosse Pointe Shores.

John Burke, Manitou, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Warwick Smith, Mostly Harmless, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Gregory Thomas and John Trost, Pendragon, Grosse Pointe Park.

Dennis Dettmer, Perversion, Grosse Pointe Park.

Michael Fozo and Robin Kendrick, Proof, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Geoff Brieden and Jeff Clark, Scout, City of Grosse Pointe.

William Francis, Solution, Grosse Pointe Park.

Dr. Marc Rosenthal, Stargazer, Grosse Pointe Park.

Katie Leigh Barbour and J. Sammy Barbour, Velero VII, City of Grosse Pointe.

Curtis Kime, Victrix, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Tom and Melissa White, White Water

Dragon, Grosse Pointe Farms.

**Division II —  
Shore Course**

Andrew and Gordon Morian, Avatar, Grosse Pointe Park.

Gary Graham, Contender, City of Grosse Pointe.

John Raguse, Ecstasea, Grosse Pointe Park.

Brian Geraghty, Siocail, Grosse Pointe Shores.

Robert Wood, Glory, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Eric Slack and Julie Slack, Passinthus, Grosse Pointe Woods.



The 2018 Bell's Beer Bayview Mackinac Race brings in competitors from all around the world.

Jack Gillis and Dick Hathaway, Sundance, Grosse Pointe Shores.  
Don Lang, Tar Baby, Grosse Pointe Woods.  
Matthew Wenzler, Tribute, Grosse Pointe Farms.  
Rob Bunn, Wind Toy IV, Grosse Pointe Farms.

**Swimming****GROSSE POINTE FARMS**

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## Pure gold

Grosse Pointer Christina Danieli had a successful trip to the Special Olympics National Games last week in Seattle. She won gold medals in the 25-yard butterfly with a time of 18.22, a gold medal in the 50-yard butterfly with a time of 41.92, a gold medal in the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 1:17.82, and was part of 200-yard freestyle relay, with Chrystal Pickelman, Amanda Kragt and Laura Chubner.



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**FOR MORE INFORMATION**

Contact Joseph Klaasen: [jklaasen@gpyc.org](mailto:jklaasen@gpyc.org)

**ADULT LEARN TO SAIL**

Grosse Pointe Yacht Club | 788 Lakeshore Rd. Grosse Pointe Shores, MI 48236 | 313 884-2500

**UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL**

## Cooksey makes final

The USTA/Midwest Section Closed Junior Championship, the most prestigious junior tournament in the Midwest Section ended Thursday, June 28.

In the boys 16-and-under singles flight, Grosse Pointe Shores resident and University Liggett School student

William Cooksey lost 6-4, 6-4 to Okemos's Ozan Colak in the title match. Cooksey is happy to have reached the finals and knows that it will help him as he continues to play high level tournaments.

"It's bittersweet – I worked so hard to get here and I've never been

a finalist here so it's just exciting," he said. "At the same time, I'm obviously disappointed that I came up short, but he played a great match, and I know I can play better, so this will give me a lot of confidence moving forward. I just got to come back and approach each tournament the same."

**Baseball****GROSSE POINTE SOUTH**

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# Honorary dinner

To honor the 2018 Division 1 boys baseball state champions from Grosse Pointe South High School, the Hill Seafood and Chop House hosted a victory dinner for the local team. After following the team through the playoffs, the Hill management team decided to offer each player and coach the signature surf and turf. The coaches were thrilled with the offer, and invited the parents and friends of the team to attend. Approximately 70 players, parents and guests watched as head coach Dan Griesbaum gave a heartfelt speech to the team, parents and boosters thanking them for their contribution to the victory. Coach said to the players, "Even if you did not play in the playoffs, you helped get the team to where we are now." The boys loved their filet and lobster dinner, and The Hill bread. While they ate, they were measured for their championship ring. Head Chef Sherard Nunn received rave compliments from both the team and their guests and said, "This is what it's all about, giving back to the community."

**Softball****LITTLE LEAGUE**

PHOTO COURTESY OF RICHEL CZARNIK

# Rebels win

The Grosse Pointe Little League Ole' Miss Rebels won a girls softball league championship June 16 at Ghesquiere Park, beating the Volunteers 11-10. The Rebels went undefeated in the playoffs, and won the regular season with an 11-1 record. Many of the girls came from Kerby Elementary and were on last year's team

**Lacrosse, football****GROSSE POINTE**

# Register for camps

It's not too late to register for the 313 Lacrosse Youth Camp, running 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, July 24, to Thursday, July 26, at The Grosse Pointe Academy.

The junior varsity division is for children entering third, fourth and fifth grades, while the varsity is for grades sixth, seventh and eighth.

The cost is \$149. Players will learn techniques and skills through concentrated training on the field. The camps feature morning and afternoon sessions where instructors put the focus on building individual lacrosse skills, as well as the importance of team play and sportsmanship.

For high school students in grades nine, 10 and 11, there is a new 313 HS Skills Camp — Advanced Training.

The morning session is 10 to 11:30 a.m. and focuses on stick work and skill development. Lunch is 11:30 a.m. to noon, followed by a collegiate demonstration from noon to 12:15 p.m. The afternoon session is 12:15 to 1:45 p.m. where team concepts and scrimmages are the focus.

The cost for this camp is also \$149.

Sign up at 313lax.com or text coach Ken Brubaker at (810) 523-3699.

**Football**

People can also register for the Grosse Pointe South Blue Devil Football Camps from 8 to 10 a.m. Monday, July 30, through Thursday, Aug. 2, at Grosse Pointe South Stadium.

It is a non-contact camp for athletes entering fifth through eighth grade, and is designed to introduce the game of football and expose the participants to all related

skills and positions.

It will concentrate on instruction of fundamentals, techniques and skill development, as well as the Blue Devils football program. One major emphasis will be the use of safe blocking and tackling techniques for the prevention of injury.

Players work on pride, teamwork, sportsmanship, work ethic, safety, rules, positions, strategy and health, as well as blocking, tackling, stances, handoffs, running, throwing, receiving, kicking and punting.

Positions worked on are linemen (offensive and defensive), quarterback, running back, wide receiver, tight end, linebacker and defensive back.

The cost is \$100 for early registration before July 23, and \$120 after July 23. There is a \$10 discount for all Red Barons and/or Grosse Pointe Little League participants.

Make check payable to Grosse Pointe South Football and mail to GPS Football Camp, 275 Moran, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

People can also go to gpsouthfootball.com/blue-devil-football-camps.

Campers should dress in athletic attire and football or athletic shoes. They should bring water and sunscreen.

Camp directors are Tim Brandon and Tony Cimmarrusti, and camp staff and guests are Dennis Pascoe, Nate Schwarze, Mac Gallagher, Jake Smith and Ron Engel. Certified athletic trainers Rochelle Mazurek and Collin Karcher will be on site.

For questions, contact Brandon at Tim.Brandon@gpschools.org or at (313) 770-4781.

**Baseball****GROSSE POINTE REDBIRDS**

# Register for 13U tryouts

The Grosse Pointe Redbirds 13U baseball team tryout for the 2019 season is at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 4, at the Grosse Pointe South varsity baseball field.

It is dedicated to hard-working baseball players who love the game.

All players must have a parent or legal guardian present at the tryout.

The GP Redbirds was started by former Detroit Tigers player and Grosse Pointe resident, the late Dave Bergman.

The program is now in its 23rd year and is guided by the Grosse Pointe South varsity baseball coach, Dan Griesbaum.

For more information, contact 13U head coach Tommy Carion at (313)

378-0394 or tcarion@med.wayne.edu, or Griesbaum at (313) 347-3672.

The organization provides exposure to top players from the Grosse Pointes and surrounding areas who want to develop their baseball skills by competing at the highest level.

There are currently four alumni playing in the professional ranks, and more than 80 players who have gone on to compete at the college level.

The Grosse Pointe Baseball Organization stresses academic excellence, high moral standards, discipline, respect, concern for others and a winning attitude in the development of their Redbird ball-players.

**Officiating****MHSAA**

# Register now

The Michigan High School Athletic Association is accepting registrations by mail and online for game officials for the 2018-19 school year.

For all new and returning officials, those who register online again will receive a \$5 discount off their processing fees. A \$15 fee is charged for each sport an official wishes to register, and the online processing fee is \$35. Officials submitting registration forms by mail or on a walk-up basis will incur a \$40 processing fee.

Officials registered in 2017-18 will be assessed a late fee of \$30 for registration after July 31. The processing fee includes liability insurance coverage up to \$1 million for officials while working contests involving MHSAA schools.

Online registration can be accessed by clicking "Officials" on the home page of the MHSAA website at mhsaa.com.

Forms also are available online that can be printed and submitted by traditional mail or hand delivered.

**City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan**

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS – LAKE FRONT PARK MARINA PEDESTAL IMPROVEMENTS, AEW PROJECT No. 0160-0392.** Sealed bids will be received by the City at the office of the City Clerk, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI until 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 31, 2018, at which time and place the proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud. Work consists of removing the existing Marina Pedestals (63) and furnishing and installing (119) new pedestals, pedestal mounting plates, and water service, along with related appurtenances, clean-up, and restoration. An optional Pre-Bid Meeting and walk-through will be held at the Lake Front Park Activities Building, 23000 East Jefferson, St. Clair Shores, MI 48080 at 11:00 am on July 25, 2018. Bidders are strongly encouraged to attend. Plans and Specifications may be obtained at [www.bidnetdirect.com](http://www.bidnetdirect.com). Documents will be available through the BidNetDirect site. Bids may be rejected unless made on the forms as included with the bidding documents. The City reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to waive any irregularities in the bidding and to accept any proposals it deems to be in the best interest of the City.

**Lisa Kay Hathaway**  
City Clerk

G.P.N.: 7/12/2018

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### ACROSS

- 1 Departed
- 5 "Gosh!"
- 8 Capri or Wight
- 12 Wheelbase terminus
- 13 Scepter
- 14 Mast
- 15 Punishing, in a way
- 17 Erstwhile acorns
- 18 Fares, at times
- 19 British P.M., 1945-51
- 21 " — the season ..."
- 22 Crucifix
- 23 Lived
- 26 AAA job
- 28 Grand tales
- 31 Rose fruit
- 33 Unruly bunch
- 35 Within (Pref.)
- 36 Give a speech
- 38 Kids' card game
- 40 Understand
- 41 Hear the alarm
- 43 Decay
- 45 Film festival city
- 47 Rock concert staffer
- 51 Low-pH
- 52 Sending unwanted emails
- 54 Hindu royal
- 55 Work unit
- 56 Taro root
- 57 Indication
- 58 Born
- 59 Tofu beans
- 60 " — the season ..."
- 61 Final
- 62 World's fair
- 63 Antiaircraft fire
- 64 Doctrine
- 65 Astronaut Gus
- 66 A billion years
- 67 — Allan Poe
- 68 U-235, e.g.
- 69 Big name in sporting goods
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