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Driver rescued from lake

By Melissa Walsh
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS AND SHORES — A domestic disturbance at approximately 5 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 27, ended with Shores public safety officers rescuing a man from Lake St. Clair.

When a Woods resident called 911 at 5:34 a.m. to report her 24-year-old son “acting out of sorts” before abruptly leaving the home around 5 a.m. in her car, officers responded to investigate.

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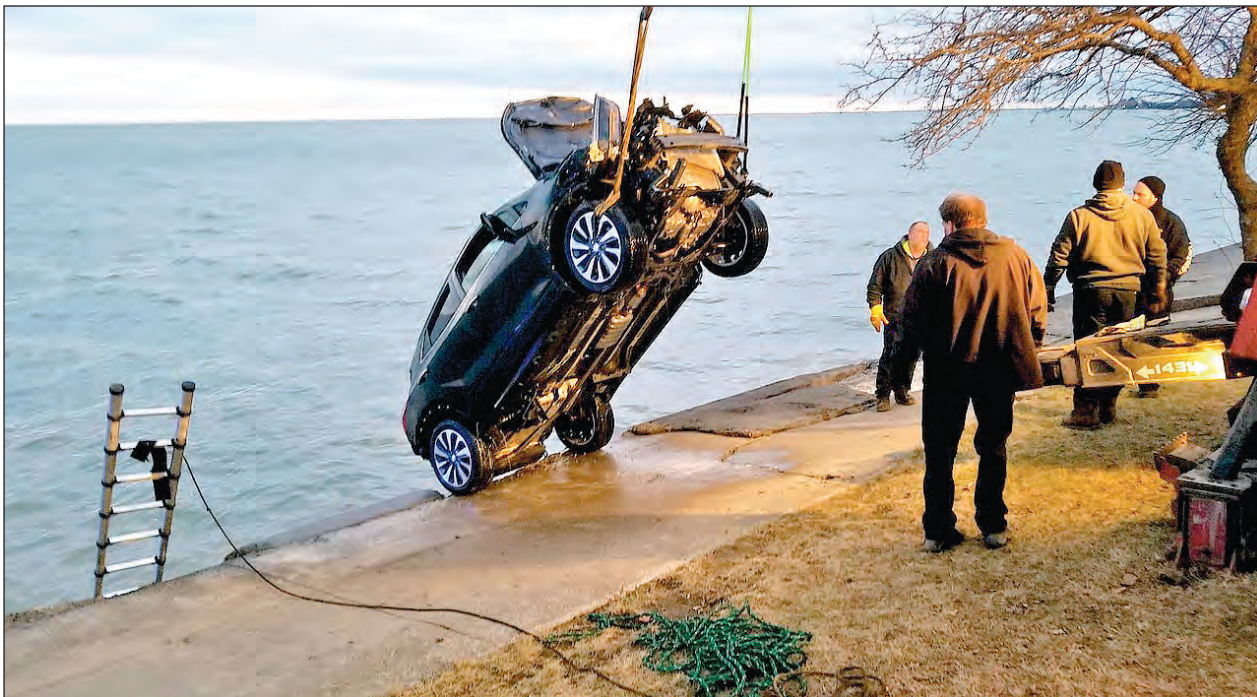


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After more than seven hours of searching for the vehicle, which drifted in the current overnight, crews finally pulled it from Lake St. Clair around 5:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 28.

2018 IN REVIEW

Park sees growth in 2018

By Anthony Viola
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — This year in the Park, the business districts saw a revitalization. Several new businesses opened both on Charlevoix and Kercheval, longtime businesses celebrated major milestones and “stalwarts” of the community decided to retire. This is the year in review:

January

◆ The Park hosts its annual Chilly Fest, kicking off the winter season in the Grosse Pointe communities.

◆ Breckels Massage gets a new owner after 32 years. Amanda Brierty takes over for Betsy Breckels at the Park massage therapy business.



FILE PHOTO

An atrium was added to the back of the Tompkins Center at Windmill Pointe Park in February.

February

◆ The Michigan Restaurant Association awards Park resident Janet Sossi Belcours the Distinguished Service Award, the highest award given by the association. She is the third generation of the Sossi family to own and operate the Roma Cafe — a proprietorship spanning 100

years.

◆ Following a mass shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Fla., which left 17 dead, Park resident Chelsea Groustra decides to let the affected students know Grosse Pointers are thinking of them. She sets up a table in her driveway on Cadieux for

anyone to stop by and write a message on a banner she later mailed to the Florida high school.

March

◆ Clark Okulski D.O., donates to the Tompkins Center for its kitchen, which will receive upgrades to its ventilation and fire suppression systems, stove and sink. Once completed, the kitchen can be used to offer classes and rented to local businesses in need of a kitchen.

◆ Serious crime is reported lower in 2017. In the Park's annual public safety report, Director of Public Safety Stephen Poloni reports Part I Index crimes — considered the most serious — decreased by 20 percent.

April

◆ Ripe Records Detroit opens its doors on Charlevoix.

◆ For the 35th year in a

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2018 IN REVIEW

Administration, council address residents' concerns

By Melissa Walsh
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — Woods residents witnessed city council and administrators responding to their concerns about strict fence restrictions and rising water costs during 2018. And residents were nearly split in their reaction to the Headlee override proposal of 4 mills put on the August ballot by council, narrowly defeating the initiative to beef up the city's general fund by only 13 votes. This is the year in review:

January

◆ Water main breaks Jan. 14, 19 and 20 — each repaired within four to

six hours — prompted Nixle alerts to residents that the city is prepared to correct issues arising from strain on the infrastructure due to freezing and thawing temperatures.

◆ City council dismisses a proposal submitted by City Clerk Lisa Hathaway to automate animal licensing services, a projected annual cost to the city of about \$7,000.

◆ City council decides to draft an August ballot proposal for an additional 4 mills to support the city's general fund budget over 10 years.

February

◆ Gerald Day Jr. See WOODS, page 2A

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Big Boy restaurant on Mack Avenue not returning

By Melissa Walsh
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — Pointers will no longer be able to order a Slim Jim sandwich in the building near the northeast corner of Mack and Vernier that housed a Big Boy franchise more

than 40 years.

“It's not going to be a Big Boy anymore,” said Dan Curis, who owned the business since 1977.

“It was a great run for me,” added Curis, who spoke of how “heartwarming and humbling” the experience was for him.

He said he owned the restaurant so long that children of his early employees also worked for him there.

No one was injured in the fire that closed the restaurant Thursday, Aug. 30. Customers and staff were evacuated when smoke began stream-

ing from light fixtures. The fire damaged the front facade of the building and left smoke residue throughout the building.

At the time of the incident, roof work was being done by a construction company. More than three months later, Curis

said, discussions continue with the insurance company.

Curis expects that by early 2019 he and his two sons will reach a decision on launching a business at the location. Opening another restaurant is among the options they're considering.

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Meghan Carboni

Home: Grosse Pointe Woods
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WOODS:

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refuses a plea agreement offered by the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office and will stand trial for a plethora of charges in six criminal cases, including the home invasion and criminal sexual assault committed in the Woods April 15, 2017.

City council approved a METRO Act permit for a fiber-densification project serving Verizon business customers and wireless facilities, involving the installation of 10,000 feet of fiber optics.

March

On the third day of trial for Gerald Day Jr., Wayne County Circuit Judge Kevin J. Cox declares a mistrial. Later that day, the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office announces July 10 as the new trial date.

City council approves \$383,066 for road construction projects on Anita, Brys, Stanhope

and Lochmoor.

Trial begins March 26 in Wayne County Circuit Court in the nuisance abatement lawsuit against the owners of a house in the 1200 block of Hawthorne, which was filed by the city in fall 2017. Following four hours of witness testimonies, Judge David A. Groner adjourns the trial for three weeks, urging the defendants to consult a structural engineer and retain an attorney.

April

Woods resident Paul Kypros, 55, is charged with one count of false report/threat of terrorism by the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office for threatening to kill three Woods public safety officers, a detective and a judge, all who were involved in handling disorderly conduct complaints made against Kypros by his neighbors.

Several residents hit with high water bills in 2017-18 confront city management during the April 16 city council



A house on Hawthorne was torn down in November.

meeting.

Complaints are made by homeowners with 1-inch and 1 1/2-inch water meters, who are being charged 2.2 and 4.0 times more than homeowners with 5/8-inch and 3/4-inch meters for "meter equivalency charges," or potential water flow.

The Chemical Bank in the the 2000 block of Mack is robbed mid-day April 18 by a suspect described as a black male, between ages 45 and 50, approximately 6 feet tall and 220 to 320 pounds.

City Controller Cathy Behrens tells council a thrifty approach to spending over the past several years left the city with needs for repair or replacement of equipment, roads and structures, which she projects will reduce the general fund balance from \$6.3 million to \$3.4 million for the 2018-19 fiscal year.

May

Department of Public Works employees earn kudos for saving the city more than \$33,000 in a special project to raise

and repair Lake Front Park marina docks damaged by high water. The work is completed in time for the May 1 boat-launch date.

City council accepts the recommendation by city administrators to continue billing residents according to the current fixed equivalency and capital-improvement rates schedule, rejecting appeals by outspoken residents to spread fixed charges by Great Lakes Water Authority across all homeowners, regardless of meter size.

Later, city council approves some monetary assistance to homeowners seeking to reduce their home's water-meter size.

MedStar Chief Executive Officer Kolby Miller appears before city council to address its reluctance to agree to the pending contract's division of subsidy payment with Grosse Pointe Farms and City of Grosse Pointe.

Questioning the amounts of \$56,250 for the Woods, \$45,000 for the Farms and \$23,750 for the City, council requests Miller bring a revised agreement before council in two weeks.

Residents receive notice of the temporary closure at South Renaud and North Renaud between Holiday and Fairway due to excavation of an old bridge underground that once crossed over the Milk River.

June

Wayne County Circuit Judge David Groner rules the owners of the property in the 1200 block of Hawthorne must correct the house's structural violations or vacate it for demolition.

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closes the Big Boy restaurant on Mack.

September

A Sept. 7 recount of the Public Safety and Public Services Millage proposal shows it failing by 13 votes.

Resident Phil Whitman alerts city council of his intention to launch a petition drive to repeal the city's ordinance regarding fences on residential property — namely, the 4-foot height limitation and ban on privacy fencing.

Reconstruction of Stanhope Street is halted until resolution emerges between the Michigan Infrastructure and Transportation Association and the International Union of Operator Engineers Local 324.

Residents living on Oxford between Helen and Jackson request the city resurfaces their part of the street. During the Sept. 17 city council meeting, they seek answers for why this was not included in the city's road-improvement plan.

Aaron Xavier King-Hudson is arraigned in the armed robbery of the Verizon store in the 21000 block of Mack.

October

City council approves the MedStar contract, agreeing to pay \$56,250 in subsidy fees. The contract allows a 90-day termination notice.

City council approves amending its fence ordinance to allow fencing up to 6 feet in rear and side yards with the adjacent property owner's consent.

An agreement for the transfer of Milk River Drain operations from Wayne County to the Southeast Macomb Sanitary District is finalized and goes into effect.

Woods City Council approves City Controller Cathy Behren's recommendation to adjust the Milk River Drain levy to 3.32500 for the winter tax bill, up from 2.607.

City council approves Public Safety Director John Kosanke's appeal to submit a request for proposal for a new aerial firetruck.

November

The house in the 1200 block of Hawthorne, the subject of a nuisance abatement lawsuit, is demolished.

Election equipment and software issues obstructing election reporting in the Woods are not cleared until late Thursday, Nov. 8.

City council approves a six-month land-use moratorium prohibiting applications for recreational marijuana businesses.

Residents of a home in the 1800 block of Hampton escape a house fire.

December

Public Safety Director John Kosanke reports on the delay of the \$546,476 dispatch and lockup building upgrade, initially slated for completion Sept. 30. The building contractor responds with details on project issues and promises a revised completion target of mid-February 2019.

City council votes to rename city hall and its grounds the Robert E. Novitke Municipal Center after Mayor Novitke, who has served as a Woods elected official since 1977.



Children scramble to find the golden egg for an extra prize during the Easter egg hunt in March.

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In the spirit of the holiday season

By Anthony Viola
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — As friends and families gathered around dinner tables this holiday season, a group of men and women patrolled the community ensuring its safety. As a way to show their appreciation, Park families came together to support public safety officers by bringing in food during the holidays.

Park resident Beth Kurta began the tradition three years ago. She said the thought first came to her while seeing the outpouring of support for the family of an officer who died around the holidays three years ago.

“I thought, ‘My gosh, we should be supporting our public safety officers all the time, letting them know how much we appreciate them, not just in times of tragedy.’ And honestly, I was inspired, too, by Grosse Pointe South’s football coach, Tim Brandon,” Kurta said. “He has been feeding the Grosse Pointe Farms public safety officers on Thanksgiving for years. When I found out he was doing that I thought, ‘Oh my gosh, we can do that too.’”

“I knew right from the



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Four-year-old Henry Simaika and his 5-year-old sister, Eleanor Simaika, hand Grosse Pointe Park Sgt. Mike Miller and Public Safety Officer Chris Muklewitz containers of food on Christmas Eve.

start we live in a special community that would embrace this,” she continued. “If I didn’t think that, I would have never even started it. But I was confident in year one that there would be plenty of families that wanted to step up and show their appreciation for our public safety officers.”

Kurta said she asked via social media, “if anyone would be willing to

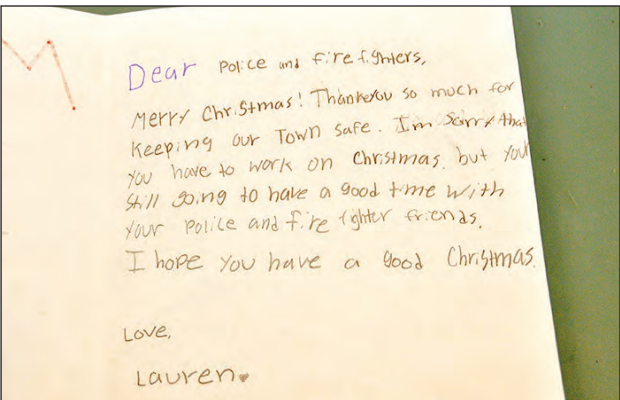
make a dish to share with the public safety officers over the holidays. And I mean, it’s just been so simple because we live in such a great community.”

This year, Kurta said around 30 families pitched in, cooking dishes to pass out to officers on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and New Year’s Eve and New Year’s Day.

It’s not just a treat for

the officers who receive a little home cooking, but also for the families who volunteer their time, said Kurta.

“My favorite thing happened this year. I have been really busy with work so I was a little late in getting the post out and somebody said something on Facebook, ‘Hey, are we still doing this this year, because it’s becoming a family tradition and we don’t want to



Grosse Pointe Park residents got together for the third year in a row to bring food to public safety officers in Grosse Pointe Park on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year’s Eve and New Year’s Day. One young girl named Lauren dropped off a Christmas card with a personal message for the officers.

miss it.’ That’s really my favorite part is that it’s becoming a tradition in our community for families to help the officers. I love that. I think that’s so great.”

While it will be another year before Kurta begins to organize the meals again, she said people who would like to get involved in the Park should message her on Facebook.

She also said she would love to see something similar spread to all the Grosse Pointes.

“This doesn’t just have to happen in the Park,” Kurta said. “We have great communities

throughout all the Grosse Pointes. I am sure every city could be doing the same thing with their public safety officers.

“The most important thing in doing this is just to recognize the hard work that ... our public safety officers do, the sacrifices they make for our community,” she continued. “They’re not home on Christmas, or Christmas Eve or New Year’s Day or New Year’s Eve. I think it’s really the least we can do to offer them some support and I am just so grateful to live in a community that is so willing to share that vision.”

Council approves fire truck purchase

By Melissa Walsh
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — During a special meeting Wednesday, Dec. 26, city council gave City Administrator Bruce Smith the green light to authorize a purchase order for a fire truck.

The Metro Apparatus fire truck costing the city \$1,071,000 is subject to a \$5,000 contingency fee for potential price increases during the 13-month build by

Ocala, Fla.-based E-One. Allendale-based West Shore Fire Inc. will manage the build.

Delivery of the new truck is targeted January 2020.

Mayor Robert Novitke questioned the contingency fee as a contractual “unknown” during a committee of the whole meeting Monday, Dec. 10, asking City Attorney Chip Berschback to work with West Shore to clarify known factors on which the fee is based.

In addition,

Berschback added contractual language defining terms of delivery to Woods city offices 395 days following contract execution.

During the Dec. 10 meeting, Director of Public Safety John Kosanke described the truck’s specifications, including the city’s choice for a smaller engine.

“With a smaller motor, we could put in a larger water tank,” Kosanke said, explaining a larger engine would be unne-

cessary because the community is small, with emergency response vehicles mainly using roads, not the expressway.

Making room for the 500-gallon water tank will be a Cummins L9 engine powering an Allison EVS3000P transmission. The truck, with a chassis integral torque box-type frame design, will be equipped with up to 2,500 pounds of National Fire Protection Association-compliant equipment.

The Week Ahead

MONDAY, JAN. 7

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Shores Improvement Foundation meeting, 7 p.m. in council chambers, 795 Lakeshore.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods City Council meeting, 7 p.m. at city hall, 20025 Mack Plaza.

TUESDAY, JAN. 8

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Shores Tree Board meeting, 7:30 a.m. in council chambers, 795 Lakeshore.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Citizens Recreation Commission meeting, 7 p.m. at city hall, 20025 Mack Plaza.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Beautification Commission meeting, 7 p.m. at city hall, 20025 Mack Plaza.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 9

- ◆ Park Planning Commission meeting, 6 p.m. in council chambers, 15115 E. Jefferson.
- ◆ Park Beautification Commission meeting, 7:30 p.m. in council chambers, 15115 E. Jefferson.

RESCUE:

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They soon learned her son was being treated in an emergency room following his rescue from Lake St. Clair by Shores officers Tony Spina and Ron Coste.

According to Shores Public Safety Director John Schulte, the man was driving the car eastbound on Lochmoor Boulevard and, failing to come to a stop at Lakeshore, plunged the car in the lake.

According to a Woods public safety report, at 5:03 a.m. the car’s

OnStar system notified Farms public safety of a crash near Lakeshore Road and Lakeshore Lane. At 5:05 a.m., OnStar reported the vehicle was submerged in water.

The responding Shores officers observed the car near the break wall. Spina

entered the water to pull the driver from the vehicle to safety. The driver was transported to Ascension St. John Hospital.

With assistance from the Wayne County Sheriff’s Marine Unit, the car was pulled from the lake Friday, Dec. 28.



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Grosse Pointe Farms resident Bob Malicki watches as two tow company workers take out a dinghy to search for the submerged vehicle using Malicki’s fish finder.

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For the love of dogs

By Anthony Viola
Staff Writer

Seven weeks ago, Meghan Carboni's golden retriever, Halo, had a litter of 11 puppies. These puppies aren't destined for the pet store, though. Hopefully, in a couple years, the puppies will be leading the blind.

Carboni has been hosting breeding dogs for Leader Dogs for the Blind more than a decade. But, the Woods resident's love for dogs goes further back than that.

"I have just been a dog lover my entire life," Carboni said.

Her love for dogs and medicine led her to Michigan State University and ultimately to becoming a veterinarian. After graduating, she moved to Grosse Pointe Woods in 1979 with her husband, Jim Moore, and has been there since.

When she heard the world-renowned Leader Dogs was headquartered in Rochester, it seemed to make sense for her to get

involved.

"The whole concept of leader dogs has always fascinated me ever since I was a kid and it being so close in Rochester," Carboni said, "and through my experience in training and especially having golden retrievers, I became aware you could host a breeding stock dog."

Leader Dogs was founded in 1939 by Uptown Detroit Lions Club members. The guide dog training school has since paired more than 14,000 dogs with blind individuals around the world.

Since 2007, Carboni said she has hosted two breeding dogs and nine litters. Halo's most recent — her third — is the largest.

Carboni and breeding stock hosts like her are only one step in the Leader Dog process. After seven weeks, the puppies are taken to Rochester where they are checked out and given their vaccinations. Then they are

given to families for initial socialization.

"Individual families will raise them," Carboni said, "teach them manners, house breaking, rules of the home. They also, the family, has to take them (the puppies) all over the place, to theaters and church, the mall and airports, in cars, on buses and sidewalks, every single environment you could possibly come up with. They need to go so they're not phased once they get into their initial training."

After about a year, Carboni said the dogs are taken back to Rochester where they are evaluated to see if they are leader dog material.

"They take a hard look at the personality and the physical traits of the dog and their work ethic and they make a fairly quick decision on who they are gonna pull from the crop to be the next generation," Carboni said.

If the dogs are chosen, they receive months of training to become leader



PHOTO BY ANTHONY VIOLA

Meghan Carboni, right, and her husband, Jim Moore, hold a few golden retriever puppies at their Grosse Pointe Woods residence.

dogs.

She said only about 56 percent of dogs make it to the final training.

They are then paired with a legally blind individual who receives the dog free of charge after a free 25-day residential training program for the handler.

Carboni said Leader Dogs is always looking for breeding stock hosts and families to raise the puppies.

"But," Carboni said, "you don't need to be a veterinarian to take a breeding stock dog and host them. You will get training and support through the school."

She also said families who wish to raise a puppy don't need to have extensive experience, just enough time to commit to socializing the dog. And if hosting a whole litter of puppies for seven weeks sounds like torture, there's an option to host a male breeding dog.

"If anybody wants to find out how to do either category, get in touch with the Leader Dog school," Carboni said. "The training, support is excellent."

And for Halo, who currently is owned by the school?

"She will have four (litters)," Carboni said. "That's the plan. She'll have another one in the spring, then they will spay her for me, then she gets to be my dog and relax and enjoy life."

PARK:

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row, the Park is named a Tree City USA by the National Arbor Day Foundation.

May

- ◆ The Park hosts the 32nd annual Mayors' Prayer Breakfast at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club.
- ◆ Council votes to sign onto the Rocket Fiber consortium, contingent on the other communities and partners also agreeing.
- ◆ Arbor Week Poster Contest winners are honored by council. For 35 years, the Beautification Commission has asked area fourth-graders to



FILE PHOTO

Grosse Pointe Park and City public safety officers came together to purchase a new bike for Alice Popek, whose bike was stolen in July.

create posters celebrating nature and trees. The winners receive a certificate and myriad Park-branded items, including vintage Beautification Commission stamps.

June

- ◆ Belding Dry Cleaners on Kercheval celebrates 100 years of operation.
- ◆ An ATM is stolen from Howlers and Growlers after two unknown men drive a van through the eastside window.

- ◆ Resident Sandy Selinger is named the Michigan Israel Business Accelerator's first CEO.

July

- ◆ With proceeds from its dunk tank at After 6 on Kercheval, the Grosse Pointe Sail Club donates to Grosse Pointers in need.
- ◆ Lt. Col. Scott Schaupeter flies his F-16 over Belle Isle to kick off the 36th annual Metro Detroit Youth Day. The Park resident is the chief of safety with the 180th Fighter Wing in Toledo.

August

- ◆ Council approves language to put a new road millage on November's general election ballot. The city is asking for 1 mill over 10 years to address major roads.
- ◆ Nearly 60 mph winds

and rain rip through Grosse Pointe and fell trees. In the Park, the hardest-hit area, residents experience power outages and significant tree damage.

- ◆ The Park Foundation celebrates the opening of the Tompkins Center's new atrium.

September

- ◆ Park resident David Landuyt rides 225 miles on his bicycle in three days to raise awareness and money for cancer research. The ride was organized by Landuyt's employer, Bristol-Meyers Squibb, and saw seven teams of bikers relay from coast to coast.
- ◆ The Park debuts its Saturday Night Throwback on Charlevoix, featuring live retro music, a psychic, dessert vendors, an '80s and '90s costume contest and arcade games.
- ◆ Former Detroit Red Wing forward Darren McCarty brings his Slapshot Comedy Show to St. Clare of Montefalco to raise money for the Motor City Mitten Mission. The organization is dedicated to helping the homeless, low income, needy and those striving for a better way of life. The event included

the show, a Q&A with McCarty and a chance to win an autographed McCarty item.

October

- ◆ Verheyden Funeral Home aids in the return of nearly 300 cremated remains found in the now-shuttered Cantrell Funeral Home in Detroit.
- ◆ The Planning Commission begins to review the city's master plan. The document is updated every five years and serves as the "vision" of the community.

November

- ◆ The Charlevoix restaurant opens just before Thanksgiving, offering "elevated" bar food, handcrafted cocktails and a late-night kitchen.
- ◆ The city denies a proposal for a daycare on Jefferson for the second time. Issues revolving around parking and traffic flow stymied the proposal.

December

- ◆ Council unanimously approves a new ordinance prohibiting marijuana establishments in the city. In the November general election, voters in the state voted to legalize recreational marijuana.
- ◆ William "Barber Bill" Musial is honored by council with a resolution after he announces his retirement. Musial cut hair in the Park for 34 years.

◆ The 2016 flooding class action lawsuit against the city is settled for \$2.725 million. More than 500 homes were affected by flooding when the city shut down its pumps after high water levels threatened transformers in the pump station.

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City of Grosse Pointe

Drunken driving

A 26-year-old Hamtramck man was arrested for operating while intoxicated at 2 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 23, on Jefferson at Bedford.

A City officer first observed the man driving southbound on Jefferson swerving into northbound lanes and striking the curbs on both sides of the street. The vehicle also almost hit the officer's squad car. The officer pulled over to avoid being struck, then began following the vehicle again. The officer then observed the vehicle stopped on the southbound curb just west of Bedford.

When the officer approached the vehicle, the driver was unresponsive. Multiple attempts to wake the driver were made before another officer broke out the window to remove the driver.

Officers noticed an odor of intoxicants coming from the vehicle and the driver, who was incoherent.

Officers found the man wearing a bullet-proof vest. In the car, an open pint was found, as well as an unopened beer, a kitchen knife and Adderall.

According to the police report, the man was too intoxicated to conduct a field sobriety test or preliminary breath test.

At the station, he became combative with officers after another kitchen knife was found on his person. He was taken to the Park while awaiting a warrant for a blood draw.

After a LEIN search, a warrant from the 3rd Circuit Court for aggravated assault on a police officer also was discovered.

Slashed tire?

A 27-year-old Wyandotte woman made a malicious destruction of property report at 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 22.

She said at approximately 2 p.m. she parked in the rear lot of Subway.

When she went to her car an hour later, the rear, passenger-side tire was flat. She believed it was slashed although it couldn't be determined.

According to the report, a 24-year-old Park man employed at a nearby business is suspected. The victim said there has been an ongoing issue and her car damaged a couple times the last week.

Lock your car

A wallet was stolen from an unlocked vehicle in the 400 block of Lincoln overnight between Thursday, Dec. 20, and Friday, Dec. 21. The victim said she left the wallet on the front seat the night before and couldn't locate it the next morning. She said an alert from her credit card company informed her that one of her credit cards was used at a gas station at 8 Mile and Livernois. She also said her debit card was used at a gas station in the same area.

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

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

Grosse Pointe Farms

Catalytic converters stolen

◆ A catalytic converter was stolen from a vehicle parked in the street in the 400 block of Cloverly overnight between Friday, Dec. 21, and Saturday, Dec. 22.

◆ A catalytic converter was stolen from a vehicle in the 400 block of Madison overnight between Friday, Dec. 21, and Saturday, Dec. 22.

Assist

A 63-year-old Farms man was arrested for assault at 8:15 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 23, in the 400 block of Belanger.

According to the report, public safety received a call from Clinton Township police asking to locate a vehicle involved in a possible assault in which the driver hit his daughter with the vehicle.

The vehicle was tracked to the Farms man's house. Officers were advised to attempt to contact the owner and arrest him.

Officers made contact with the man at the house and took him into custody without incident.

Angry neighbor

A resident in the 300 block of Ridgemont reported their car tires punctured at 3:40 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 22.

The resident said the vehicle was parked on the street and the next morning the tires were found deflated.

The service station informed the resident puncture holes were found in the tires consistent with vandalism. The resident suspects their neighbor because of an

ongoing dispute.

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

Grosse Pointe Woods

Fender-bender flight

A 78-year-old Woods man reported his car was struck by another car in the Grosse Pointe North High School parking lot on Friday, Dec. 21.

He was able to note the plate of the other car before its driver left the scene.

The plate number led officers to a Harper Woods resident, who said her 17-year-old daughter had been driving her car earlier.

The daughter told officers she hit the man's vehicle while backing out of a parking space. When he exited his car and said he was calling the police, she became frightened and left, because she was driving under a learner's permit.

Officers noted the man's car sustained a dent on the passenger side.

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

Grosse Pointe Park

Exorcising the demons

A 33-year-old Warren man was arrested for disorderly conduct at 2:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 22, in the 1300 block of the Beaconsfield alley.

Officers responded to a report of a disorderly person. The man was

found to be intoxicated and yelling vulgar language.

Drunken driving

A 23-year-old Muskegon man was arrested for operating while intoxicated on Saturday, Dec. 22. The man was pulled over for speeding and found to be intoxicated. It was his second offense.

Really hated those pots

A 49-year-old Detroit man was arrested for leaving the scene of an accident and operating while intoxicated at 3:15 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 23, at Kercheval and Cadieux.

The man crashed his vehicle into the large flower planters at Kercheval and Wayburn, then drove off. He was arrested at Cadieux.

Grinch

An unknown person entered an unlocked garage in the 900 block of Whittier and stole two red bags containing miscellaneous toys for Christmas sometime between 1:40 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 20, and 1 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 23.

Warrants

A 27-year-old Detroit man was arrested for multiple warrants at 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 22, on Mack at Maryland. The man was pulled

over for driving without headlights.

Suspended license

◆ A 36-year-old Hamtramck man was arrested for driving with a suspended license at 8:45 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 26, on Jefferson at Berkshire. The man was pulled over for speeding.

◆ A 46-year-old Detroit woman was arrested for driving with a suspended license and fraudulent insurance at 10:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 26, on Jefferson at Maryland. The woman was pulled over for driving without headlights.

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

Grosse Pointe Shores

Pot & booze

When an officer initiated a traffic stop for an

illegal turn from Vernier onto Lakeshore at 3:42 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 27, he immediately detected the odor of marijuana.

Interviewing the 38-year-old Detroit man driving the car, the officer also observed the odor of alcohol and the man's red and watery eyes.

Following a database check uncovering the man was driving the uninsured car with a suspended license, the officer arrested him.

The officer administered field sobriety tests in the booking room, which the driver failed.

When the driver refused a preliminary breath test, the officer secured a warrant to have him transported to Henry Ford Medical Center-Cottage for a blood draw.

The officer entered 2.5 grams of marijuana into evidence.

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



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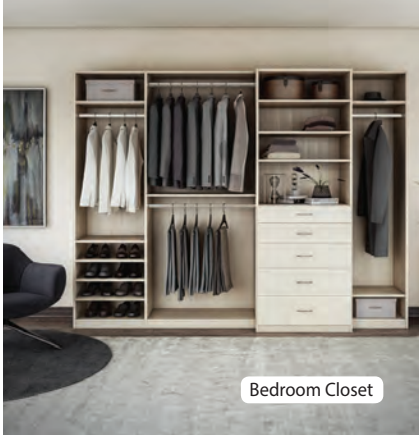
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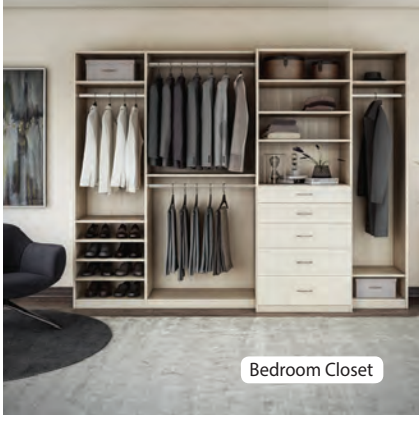
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OUR VIEW

2018 turbulent for G.P. City

Grosse Pointe, the City, suffered the traditional, if apocryphal, Chinese curse in 2018: “May you live in interesting times.” While there is no such curse in Chinese, the underlying meaning remains: “Interesting times” bring turbulence and change; whereas “uninteresting times” feature peace and tranquility, or in American jargon, the same old same old.

The year started out peaceful enough, we thought, with the formation of a committee to determine the parameters for a proposed hotel in The Village. We have been vocal in our support of a hotel in The Village, so we took this as positive news.

Unfortunately, opposition to the hotel proved to be too strong. It suffered from the Goldilocks Paradox — this hotel is too big, this one is too small — but in the end, no size could be found to be just right. Others objected to the location on the city-owned parking lot north of Kercheval between Notre Dame and St. Clair. The objections ranged from good (infrastructure, parking) to perhaps (disruption from construction) to ludicrous (pedophiles and proximity to an elementary school).

In the end, the hotel saga only lasted six months. In June, the city terminated the preferred development agreement, thus killing the plan. As we said last week in this space, we still favor looking at other sites for a hotel, not just in The Village, but near Ascension St. John Hospital and at Eastland.

Also in January, the city received a surprise communication from the city of Detroit rescinding its conditional approval for moving Grosse Pointe’s Department of Public Works to a facility across Mack Avenue in Detroit. Apparently, in response to objections from surrounding residents, Detroit had its city attorney issue an opinion that storage of sanitation equipment, including garbage trucks, was not allowed under the zoning.

Never mind that Detroit building and zoning officials were present throughout the approval process. Never mind that all nearby residents were notified. Never mind that no one objected to the use at a publicized public hearing. Never mind that the city of Grosse Pointe was on the verge of closing on the purchase of the property.

City attorneys appealed Detroit’s recision, but fearing the case would be a long, drawn-out, costly affair, withdrew its case and its offer to purchase the property. (The City also lost its \$20,000 purchase deposit.) A new, similarly enclosed facility has been approved for the current Maumee DPW location, much to the surrounding residents’ dismay.

The good news is that the new public safety building on Mack on the former Alger party store site is moving forward, and though not related, the Jim Saros building is taking shape and looks impressive.

In March, the city lost three houses on Washington Road to fire. Our public safety department received unwarranted criticism over its handling of the fire, which was fully involved before it was even called in.

Let’s hope 2019 is less “interesting” in the City!



Grosse Pointe past

This photo is from Ms. Mercy J. Hayes’s album of the house at 1015 Bishop Road. The album is titled “Kodaking through Garden Grange, Exteriors, Interiors, Gardens, Friends 1926-1929.”

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Meet the STAFF

A weekly column featuring the fine people working to bring you the Grosse Pointe News each week.

Anthony Viola

STAFF WRITER

- ◆ **Years at the paper:**
Just over a year
- ◆ **Describe your position at the paper:**
I cover everything from courts and councils to businesses and community events in Grosse Pointe Park, City and Farms.
- ◆ **Do you have any hobbies?**
In my free time, I enjoy reading, writing, photography and playing Magic: The Gathering.
- ◆ **Tell our readers a bit about yourself:**
I grew up in Harper Woods, graduated from Grosse Pointe North High School in 2009 and received my bachelor’s degree in English from Northern Michigan University. I typically gravitate toward the rough-around-the-edges things in life over the glitzy and fashionable.



- ◆ **Favorite thing about working at the Grosse Pointe News:**
It has been a great experience being able to write and learn about the community in which I grew up.

LETTERS

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Barnes & Noble: an alternative

To the Editor:

I agree wholeheartedly with Anthony Viola’s recent “I Say” column — the closing of Barnes & Noble left a giant hole in our local retail landscape.

My family and I were just discussing this as we were driving to do our Christmas shopping at the Allen Park Barnes & Noble. Grosse Pointe needs a place to buy new books and related merchandise, and we would be regular customers.

I would like to offer one alternative view, however, of used bookstores.

There is a great used bookstore in the basement of the Woods branch of the Grosse Pointe Public Library. The Friends Down Under Bookstore is run by a group of volunteers looking to meet the literary needs of our community through a clean, welcoming space to browse our collection.

While we don’t have every title, we do receive many contemporary books. Our inventory comes from two sources: Books removed from circulation by the library and books donated by generous individuals. We never know what is going to come through our door, but we do know that our inventory is constantly evolving. We have sold nearly 10,000 books

in the past six months and our shelves are still full.

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We look forward to seeing you!

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Zombie apocalypse

To the Editor:

As an average high school student, I want to bring awareness to the zombie apocalypse we currently live in.

One that praises virtual over human connections. One where our devices control us. One where we look down at screens instead of the scenery that surrounds us. One where we base our self-worth on Likes, and our friends on who follow us.

In a world full of chaos, we take refuge in our devices. We live our lives through a screen while trying our best to deny it. In a world of death, agony and sadness, we take refuge in the device

in our pockets.

We ignore the problems, hoping they go away, sending prayers through Facebook, but not having anything else to say.

We are letting the device we are meant to control, control us. We live with this device attached to our hand, living life without actually experiencing it.

We hope one day the world will change, but instead of doing anything we keep clicking away.

Tweets, Likes, Comments, do nothing to solve the problems that face us; we need to put down the devices and face it. We need to stop this zombie apocalypse before it’s too late. Put down the screens, and say what we have to say face-to-face.

The world is changing, for better and for worse, and we, the future, need to ensure our society improves not only for our generation but the next.

I beg of you to bring awareness to this topic and urge your audience to put down their devices and develop a real human connection.

I may be a high school student, but I see us becoming less human and more robotic day to day, making it that much more important to put down our screens and take a look at what surrounds us present time/ today.

MACKENZIE STOCKWELL
Grosse Pointe Woods

Anxiety in teens

To the Editor:

I am writing this letter to impress upon you the prevalence and seriousness of anxiety in high school teens in today’s world.

Did you know that teenagers growing up in more affluent communi-

ties such as Grosse Pointe are many times falsely perceived as having less to feel anxious about? In fact, privileged youths are among the most highly emotionally distressed teens in the U.S.

For the majority of teens, including myself, the largest single stressor is that we never get to a point where we can say we’ve actually done enough and can say stop. For example, there always seems to be one more A.P. class, one more activity, one more thing on the agenda to complete in order to get into a top college, etc.

Another prevalent worry among anxious teens is social media. Teens from all backgrounds are relentlessly comparing themselves with their peers and the end result is distressing.

I personally feel a huge factor that directly affects teens’ anxiety levels is their digital habits such as Instagram. It greatly affects our moods and personality.

Social media has become a double-edged sword that is simultaneously a useful tool and a vicious force that is driving teens crazy. From a personal perspective, social media makes me more self-conscious.

Another equally important factor is the use of smartphones. Not only do they provoke anxiety, they also serve as a convenient avoidance strategy. Unfortunately, smartphones provide us with a world of illusion of control and certainty.

I must admit to you that simply writing this persuasive letter has caused an overwhelming level of anxiety in me; however, it has also given me a sense of personal achievement and control.

BRIANNA MUAWAD
Grosse Pointe Woods

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I SAY By John Minnis

New year, new waistline, new me?



New Year always brings me new hope. I plan to go to bed and get up earlier, exercise more, read more books, watch less TV and get more projects around the house done. Whew, I'm exhausted just thinking about

2019! I am inspired by a couple of studies on exercise and how it impacts older Americans, a cohort I reluctantly admit I now belong to. One study showed how resistance training — both free weights and machines — have ongoing positive effects on older people. Another study found that older Americans who regularly engage in aerobic exercise — running, bicycling, rowing, spinning, calisthenics, etc. — develop charac-

teristics of much younger people. Truly, if there is a Fountain of Youth, it is exercise. My “trainer,” Ken Welch at Pointe Fitness, tells me there are many more benefits to exercise than merely trying to lose weight. Vigorous, regular exercise reduces the chances of stroke, heart attack, diabetes and hypertension — the diseases of older age. Further, resistance training combined with jogging or even brisk walking improves bal-

ance and increases confidence. Though I don't consider myself one, but the biggest risk to health and mobility among seniors is falling. Too many times for seniors once they break a leg or hip, their quality of life is gone. Another little known Fountain of Youth is a plant-based, whole food diet. According to the doctors who created the documentary “Forks Over Knives,” heart disease need not exist.

One doctor, a Cleveland Clinic cardiologist, took heart patients for whom there was no hope and were told to basically go home and wait to die, to go on a strict plant-based, whole food diet. They were forbade meat, fish, eggs, dairy, anything that “had a mother.” They were also told to limit fat intake — animal and vegetable. Instead of dying, all dozen patients not only survived but their heart disease and other ailments disappeared. It

was a miracle! No, it was a healthy diet. Oh, one more thing — exercise was not a required part of the regimen. I have taken on a vegetarian diet, striving toward the more plant-based, whole food side as much as I can. I lost 20 pounds immediately, though most has crept back. (Chardonnay is plant-based, after all!) At any rate, I hope to be a new, healthier me this time next year. Happy New Year and stay tuned!

YESTERDAY’S HEADLINES

H. Turnbull, Lila Murphy Wright, Emil Albert Wulz

1944

75 years ago this week

WOODS ADOPTS PLAN TO JOIN DEPARTMENTS: The new rules and general procedure for the operation of the combined police and fire departments in the Woods came before the village commission for final disposition. The measure effects the combination of the two departments into a single group which will be known hereafter as the Department of Public Safety. **ALL POINTE WASTE PAPER NEEDED:** All schools in the Grosse Pointe area have been enlisted to help with the first monthly waste paper

collection which will take place this weekend. Every resident of the Pointe is urged by the Pointe Salvage Committee to participate in the drive to overcome the great shortage of waste paper.

1969

50 years ago this week

MACHETE FOUND IN PARKED CAR: City police received a call from a resident on Village Lane and Cadieux, reporting a car was improperly parked and blocking the street. Upon arrival, officers check the car for ownership and located the driver visiting a Cadieux Road resident.

Officers found a 23-inch machete in a sheath lying in the front seat of the car underneath some clothing. The driver said he used it to clear the yard of his fraternity house. He was issued a violation for blocking traffic. *Obituaries: James A. Cannon, Teresa F. Kelley, Drew Lachiusa, Lucian S. Moore, Robin Porter, Adolph F. Posselius, George Ashley Schemm, Charles M. Slear*

1994

25 years ago this week

SCHOOLS TAKE NEW LOOK AT TELEVISION BOARD SESSIONS: Those hoping for a cable television broadcast of

the Grosse Pointe school board meetings may see their wishes granted this year. Superintendent Ed Shine said he has talked to administrators in other school districts to find out how they broadcast their meetings. Concerns include portability of cameras and lighting to the library or space to accommodate a large audience if the meetings are moved from the library to the television studio. **RESTAURANT TOO SUCCESSFUL, NEIGHBORS COMPLAIN:** Trattoria Andiamo, an Italian restaurant that recently opened at the corner of Mack and Hampton in Grosse Pointe Woods, is undergoing some growing pains.

The restaurant's popularity has created parking problems that have aroused the ire of neighboring businesses, which in turn has the Woods council considering banning or changing the rules concerning valet parking. The problem, according to neighboring businesses, is that during the restaurant's lunch hours, its patrons take up parking that customers of the other businesses would use. *Obituaries: Marjorie P. Boss, Hugo “Gino” Calisi, Thelma L. Dikeman, Jeffrey Raymond Halso, Joseph Howard, Patrice A. Joyce, Elsa Mary Mayer, Richard Gehlert Rohrbach, Caroline E. Schleh, Louis E. Sendelbach, Albert Jelly “Bud” Towar Jr., Lourine*

2009

10 years ago this week

HIGH WINDS WIPE OUT TREES, POWER: Strong winds that pushed through the Grosse Pointes during the night and into the early morning Dec. 28 left behind a landscape of broken branches, downed electrical wire and uprooted trees. The area was under a high-wind alert throughout the day, with gusts of nearly 50 mph reported by the National Weather Service. *Obituaries: Jerry Scudder Hughes, James Vernon Patton, William M. Sheahan, Ellis J. Van Slyck M.D., Shirley Caroline Wendt*

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A year of celebration and change

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

2018 YEAR IN REVIEW

A school board election, new curricular offerings and construction, the 50th anniversary of Martin Luther King Jr.'s visit to Grosse Pointe and other special events and anniversaries were among 2018 highlights in Grosse Pointe schools.

This is the year in review:

January

◆ The district approves a pilot cybersecurity program to add to 2018-19 course selections for 10th-, 11th- and 12th-graders at Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South high schools. With employer demand for frontline cybersecurity occupations at an all-time high, the program prepares for college and careers, with some classes including an industry-recognized credential, certificate or articulated college credit.

◆ Students in Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South high schools' exploring global issues class collect nearly \$1,000 — enough for two solar-powered generators for an elementary school in Puerto Rico, still without power since Hurricane Maria struck in September. Rev. Faith Fowler, executive director of Cass Community Social Services, visits the class to accept the check before heading to Puerto Rico. Students, who doubled their original goal of \$500, were inspired to help Fowler when they heard about her efforts during a presentation on Cass's Tiny Homes project.

◆ Trombly Elementary



Alicia Carlisle introduces U.S. Sen. Gary Peters to GPPSS Superintendent Gary Niehaus.

School students spread kindness district-wide as part of The Great Kindness Challenge. While Grosse Pointe schools have participated in The Great Kindness Challenge before, this is the first time the effort extends into a unified community service project exemplifying #OneGP. All elementary schools and Barnes Early Childhood Center collect hygiene items for Kindness Care Kits for Crossroads of Michigan.

February

◆ Just in time for Valentine's Day, art students at Parcels Middle School collaborate with Preservation Detroit to share love for Detroit's historic buildings by creating heart bombs. According to the National Trust for Historic Preservation website, heart bombs are love letters to historic places and heart bombing is the act of showering an older or historic place with tangi-

ble expressions of affection and devotion. Art teacher Amber Mades sent the heart bombs to Preservation Detroit for distribution.

◆ The district continues to host town hall meetings to engage community members in discussing critical facilities needs at each school building. Town halls include a presentation on enrollment trends, building capacity vs. use, critical needs, operational costs, funding mechanisms and information specific to the host building, followed by a tour and Q&A session.

◆ Through the use of an augmented reality distracted driving education simulator, students at Grosse Pointe North High School are exposed to the dangers of distracted driving. The program gives participating students the opportunity to react to realistic scenarios and make quick decisions regarding traffic, pedestrians, passen-

gers and cell phones to avoid potential collisions — all in the safety of the driver's seat of an immobile GM vehicle.

March

◆ The district celebrates the 50-year anniversary of Martin Luther King Jr.'s visit to Grosse Pointe March 14, 1968, three weeks before he was assassinated. The Nobel-prize winning civil rights leader spoke in the gymnasium at Grosse Pointe South High School to a capacity crowd of nearly 2,700. To commemorate the visit, guests had the opportunity to enjoy student work created for the occasion and hear King's words — from a speech titled "The Other America" — in the same location where he spoke 50 years before, touching on themes of economic disparities and civil injustices.

◆ Grosse Pointe North and South high school students participate in a student-led nationwide walkout March 14, honoring the victims and families of the shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Fla., Feb. 14. Organizers focus on honoring victims, rallying against school violence and advocating for resources to ensure safe and secure buildings. Middle schools participate by creating a "One GP 17" message in a display of solidarity with students from Stoneman Douglas.

◆ To celebrate its 90th birthday, The Tower, Grosse Pointe South's student newspaper, hosts a gala supporting student journalism March 23.

The evening features special guest Bob Button, one of three faculty advisers spanning nearly nine decades beginning with Doris Trott in 1931. While The Tower was founded when the school opened in 1928, it was Trott who turned it into a nationally recognized program, according to her successor, Button. Button served as adviser 28 years, followed by two decades of leadership by Jeff Nardone beginning in 1994. Nardone continued in this role until his death in 2013.

April

◆ Grosse Pointe North High School senior Alex Harring is the first Grosse Pointe student chosen to represent Michigan in the Journalism Education Association's national Journalist of the Year competition. Harring is among an elite group of journalists throughout the state selected for the Michigan Interscholastic Press Association's all-state student journalist team — or "All-MIPA." North principal Kate Murray is selected as MIPA 2018 Administrator of the Year for her strong interest in and support for scholastic journalism.

◆ The Gearheads, North and South's combined robotics team, qualify for international competition for only the second time in the team's 15-year history, competing in the FIRST Robotics World Competition held for the first time in Detroit. The Gearheads, ranked 32 out of 68 teams in its division, were selected to join a fifth-ranked alliance, losing to the second-ranked alliance in the finals. Team business co-captain Ritika Pansare was honored at a luncheon as one of 120 Dean's List final-

ists worldwide.

◆ Monteith Elementary School goes a little wild with its One School, One Book program this year, celebrating its all-school reading of one book with a trip to the Detroit Zoo. This year's selection was "The One and Only Ivan" by Katherine Applegate, about a silverback gorilla and his friend, a baby elephant, who end up at the zoo.

May

◆ Grosse Pointe South hosts its annual Out of the Darkness walk to promote suicide awareness and prevention. At the fundraiser, a community-wide wellness and suicide fair in addition to a walk, representatives from local professional resource groups on grief, loss and mental health support, businesses and non-profit organizations are available to hand out literature and answer questions. Of the money raised, 50 percent is used to directly benefit the community and 50 percent to benefit the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention.

◆ Grosse Pointe South drama teacher and director Meaghan Dunham is selected for induction into the Educational Theatre Association Hall of Fame. In Dunham's more than two decades at South, she revised and implemented theater curriculum to align with current national and state theater arts standards.

◆ Grosse Pointe North chemistry teacher Steve Kosmas is honored by the Michigan State University College of Engineering during the 2018 Alumni Awards Banquet with the Green Apple Teaching Award. Kosmas, a 22-year-vet-

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Student Lauren James takes George McMullen's order. McMullen, a member of the Grosse Pointe Woods City Council, said the service was exceptional.



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At the ribbon-cutting for the new John and Marlene Boll Campus Center are, from left, John Boll, Jr., Donna Boll, Anton Boll, John Boll, Marlene Boll, J.T. Mestdagh '14, Kristine Mestdagh and Jim Mestdagh.

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eran teacher at North, was nominated for the award by former student Ted Supal, who graduated from MSU Engineering May 6, with a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering. The award was established in 2006 to honor K-12 teachers who inspire students to study math, science and engineering.

June

◆ The Class of 2018 at Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South high schools join the ranks of alumni as 352 North students and 395 South students cross the stage to receive their diplomas on June 6 and 7, respectively. "Create a life full of memories, not regrets. ... Take pride in how far you have come and have faith in how far you will go," North commencement speaker Raged Ali says.

South commencement speaker Ryleigh Carrier encourages graduates to "go boldly into this next stage."

◆ University Liggett School holds its commencement exercises June 10, with 78 graduates receiving diplomas. "Aspire to be great," says elected class speaker Craig Buhler. "Respect and honor those who have supported us along our journey at Liggett. Take the time to thank those mentors and friends that have stood with you."

◆ The Board of Education votes 5-2 at its regular meeting June 11, to approve a resolution to formally adopt language for a \$111 million bond proposal funding improvements and upgrade's to the district's aging facilities. At the same meeting, the board votes 7-0 on a resolution to adopt triggers or targets for potential closings if any of a number of set conditions occur.



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At Camp Invention, fourth-grader Nathan Siegert created Neco the dog, opting to use leopard fabric.

July

◆ Camp Invention takes it to a new level this summer with a visit from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Not only are campers exposed to opportunities to reverse engineer a robotic dog, build a "mod mini" mansion and build prototypes to craft solutions to real-world problems, they are taught the importance of protecting their intellectual prop-

erty with a patent by members of the midwest regional patent office in Detroit.

◆ The cast of "Annie" welcomes a live animal on stage for their Grosse Pointe Public School Summer Musical Theatre Workshop performance. Simon, a 6-year-old golden retriever known at Defer Elementary School and other local schools he visits as a reader dog, plays the role of Annie's dog, Sandy.

◆ Grosse Pointe Academy students test their individual stamina and ability to work as a team during the Academy Adventures summer trip to West Virginia. Whether whitewater rafting in 12-man boats on Class V rapids or alone on a kayak on Class III rapids, the middle schoolers step outside their comfort zones.

August

◆ University Liggett School history and social studies department chair Adam Hellebuyck is selected as the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History 2018 Michigan History Teacher of the Year.



Just in time for Valentine's Day, Parcels Middle School students in Amber Mades's art class collaborated with Preservation Detroit to share love for Detroit's historic buildings by creating heart bombs. Pictured, Rahmere Shah colors in his heart design.

Hellebuyck was nominated by Head of School Bart Bronk for his role in creating an entirely new approach to teaching U.S. history at ULS.

◆ Grosse Pointe North High School alumni stage their first performing arts reunion. More than 100 people attend, gathering at the Christian A. Fenton Performing Arts Center to reminisce, celebrate past teachers and even perform. Attendees from California, Colorado, New York and New Jersey as well as Michigan represent each decade of North's history, from 1970 all the way to a 2018 graduate.

◆ Thanks to a generous donation, construc-

tion is underway on three areas of The Grosse Pointe Academy's lake-front campus, opening the door to expanded academic programming. A \$500,000 gift from the Cotton family of Grosse Pointe allows GPA to significantly upgrade its facilities as it moves into more experiential academic learning for its students.

September

◆ The district welcomes new principals Ryan Francis, Maire Elementary School; John Kernan, Richard Elementary School; and Sara Dirkse, Pierce Middle School; and assis-

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Teacher of THE WEEK Karen Frakes

School: Mason Elementary School
Years at Mason: 21
Grade/Subject: 5th-grade (all subjects except social studies)
Nominated by: Roy Bishop, principal
Principal's quote:

"Karen is a true professional. Her passion to continue to be a learner and willingness to take educational risks that allow her students to take ownership of their learning process is refreshing. Karen is dedicated to being positive and constantly gives her students opportunities to become better citizens daily."

What do you enjoy most about teaching?

The most enjoyable part of teaching for me is reading literature with a strong, compelling message and listening to the insightful, wise and sometimes emotional conversations that ensue. You might be surprised how adept 10- and 11-year-old children are at seeing a character from multiple angles and discussing the rights and wrongs of the motivations behind characters' actions. Discussing great literature develops

our own moral compass and bonds us as people. Just ask any book club! **Describe a teaching accomplishment you're proud of or a "teachable moment" you experienced.**

Sometimes the most fulfilling feeling and sense of accomplishment comes from serving as a facilitator and giving students the platform to discover and learn things they are interested in learning about. Giving students the time to investigate a topic they're interested in is incredibly satisfying because they demonstrate a high level of engagement, and it puts them in an "expert role" as they teach us what they learned. Just the other day, one of my students taught me all about the creator of LEGOs. I love learning from my students and they love being the expert. It's a win-win.

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

I was recently very touched by my students' reactions to the book "Wonder" by R.J. Palacio. I felt inspired by the kind-hearted sensitivity the



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kids genuinely felt for the main character. The book brought out the best in all of us as we rooted for Auggie, the main character who was born with a facial deformity. We felt his pain when he experienced bullying and when he lost the one thing that never judged him, his dog. The empathy pouring out from my students tugged on my heartstrings. We also embraced Auggie going from a self-conscious fifth-grader to a confident young man with loads of friends because of his ability to lift up the hearts of those around him. "Wonder" is a great read for all ages. Ask my mom, who's 79 years old! **Favorite quote:** "Be the reason someone smiles."

— Roy Bennett

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tant principal Katy Vernier, Grosse Pointe North High School, a math teacher at North since 2001 and chair of the math department since 2012.

◆ Students at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic School don't mind getting their hands dirty if it means helping build an Outdoor Learning Center. Upon completion, the center will include a number of earth science stations, such as erosion tables and a sandpit; a rain barrel and compost station for conservation efforts; and a pollinators' garden to attract bees and butterflies and support the environment. The center also will be used for art and nature activities and prayer in a cross-curricular approach known as STREAM — science, technology, religion, engineering, art and math.

◆ University Liggett School opens the new John and Marlene Boll Campus Center with a ribbon-cutting, donors reception and family picnic. The new gymnasium and additional event space was made possible in large part due to a \$4.25 million gift from the John A. and Marlene L. Boll Foundation. Members of the Boll family and other major donors are present to cut the ribbon.

October

◆ Defer Elementary School hosts the district's annual Community Luncheon, a Who's Who of leadership in the Grosse Pointe commu-



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Fourth-grade teacher Neil Gross stands next to Maire Elementary School Principal Ryan Francis, who was duct-taped to a wall after students met a \$25,000 fundraising goal in October.

nity. U.S. Sen. Gary Peters, the featured speaker, talked about changes in technology to prepare the workforce of the future. Other speakers are U.S. Rep. Brenda Lawrence, 14th district; Anthony Arminiak, president of the Wayne County Community College District Downriver Campus; and provost for the Michigan Institute of Public Policy, and Superintendent Gary Niehaus.

◆ School board candidates Christian Fenton, Dr. Christopher Lee, Wendy Saigh, John Shook, Brian Summerfield and Margaret Weertz discuss issues of interest to voters at the League of Women Voters forum Oct 9. Top topics include the bond proposal on the November ballot and rightsizing the school district due to decreasing enrollment.

◆ Parcels Middle

School presents six one-act plays revolving around the theme of bullying in schools. Cast members perform "Send," a one-act on the perils of social media, for students at a graduate-level class on school law at the University of Michigan Dearborn. Students discuss strategies they might employ in their own lives to counteract bullying, such as standing up for a friend or causing a distraction.

November

◆ Incumbents Margaret Weertz and Brian Summerfield and newcomer Dr. Christopher Lee are voters' choices for the three open seats on the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education. In addition, following a contentious campaign, the \$111 million facilities and security bond passes, with 55.45 percent of voters in

favor and 44.55 percent opposed.

◆ Principal Walt Fitzpatrick and second-grade teacher Steve Buckman spend a night on the roof of Trombly Elementary School to celebrate students exceeding the PTO's funding raising goal of \$20,000 by \$5,000 for its annual fun run, the Terrier Trot.

◆ In its fall cycle, the Grosse Pointe Foundation for Public Education approves 15 grants totaling \$54,748 written by teachers, administrators, parents and students across the district. Funding ranges from supporting use of yoga as a restorative practice and sensory space and adaptive physical education equipment for special needs students at the elementary school level to an updated learning center to support positive intervention at the high school level.

December

◆ Thanks to donations from the PTO and a private foundation, Mason Elementary School opens a sensory room, Sensory Island, featuring a water motif and calming shades of blue. The room will be used by students with autism to help cover "every aspect of the sensory diet," according to ASD emissary Kristen Rubart, who helped facilitate donations. Occupational therapist Joe Evens plans to work with students on fine motor skills as well as sensory components and for students from the general education population, "It's a nice safe place they can come to regulate their emotions," according to ASD teacher Laura Loveday.

◆ North students participate in Challenge Day, a national one-day expe-

riential program focused on social and emotional learning. Through a series of small and large group activities, students and staff work together to create connections and build empathy and compassion with a long-term goal of creating a more inclusive and welcoming school environment.

◆ The Board of Education approves five members of a bond oversight committee. A licensed architect, contracts manager, senior information technology architect, technology implementation consultant and forensic engineer provide a diverse set of skills and expertise to assist the board and administration in managing the \$111 million facilities and security bond approved by voters Nov. 6.



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On a mission
Couple devoted to helping Kenyan orphans

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Around a year ago, Grosse Pointe Park residents Bud and Sue Ozar made the exhausting trip to Africa to visit students they support through their foundation, Friends of Kenyan Orphans.

After an eight-hour flight to Amsterdam and several hours in the airport there, they boarded another eight-hour flight to Nairobi, then drove six hours to Nchiru, Kenya.

They decided they'd try to sneak into the compound without anyone knowing so they could get some sleep, but as soon as the gates opened, they heard a roar.

"The girls came running toward us," Bud Ozar said. "They were all over Sue. ... Sue is a special person to them."

Both of the Ozars are special to the orphaned Kenyan girls they've come to know and love. The couple have a long history of raising funds to feed, clothe and shelter the girls at St. Clare Centre, which was built with the help of Friends of Kenyan Orphans.

But the Ozars' story began long before the school took roots.

Origins

During their working years, Bud and Sue Ozar managed to stay busy with their three sons and full-time jobs. She was a teacher at Pierce Middle School; he served more than 20 years as director of the Office for Family, Youth and Young Adults with the Archdiocese of Detroit.

"Around the turn of the century, I was loving my teaching job and Bud had an administrative job," Sue Ozar said. "We pray together at night and one night it came to me that it would be great to work in the developing world. I asked Bud about it and he said it was a great idea. ... We told no one. It felt like a call."

The couple researched mission groups, looking specifically for one that would train them, as well as not require them to ask for money. They found two such groups and selected one based in Los Angeles. In 2001, they retired from their jobs and trained in California for three months.

"Which is what everyone tells you not to do," Bud Ozar said, noting most people would have been saving up for retirement.



Left, Father Francis Riwa speaks with Sue and Bud Ozar. Below left, the Life Skills Centre, which offers classes in tailoring, child care and computers, among others. Bottom left, the teaching staff at St. Clare. Below right, Naoki and Juliana in their new uniforms.

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However, "it was the right time for us," Sue Ozar said. Their youngest son had just graduated from college and they no longer had tuition to pay.

"The first place they asked us to go to was the Samoan Islands," Sue Ozar said. "I didn't even know they existed. We spent three years there. I ended up as a high school principal. Bud set up a social service agency, which was out of his experience range, too."

After three years, the Ozars returned home to reconnect with their children, two of whom were married and starting to have children.

"But we felt we weren't finished," Sue Ozar said.

The couple next was assigned to Kenya for two years, where Bud Ozar worked with the bishop to develop systems for raising money and helping men manage funds. Sue Ozar worked as a teacher at a home for street boys.

The same time, they met Fr. Francis Limo

Riwa, who forever changed their lives.

Riwa, a Catholic priest, had made it his mission to help children on the streets of Kenya.

"He said, 'If we don't start doing something for the kids on the street, we might as well close our doors,'" Bud Ozar said.

After their two years of

service, the Ozars were heading home to be with their family when Riwa asked a favor.

"He said, 'When you go back, will you tell people about us, about our struggle, and ask them for help?'" Sue Ozar said.

And with that, Bud Ozar set up Friends of Kenyan Orphans, a

501(c)3 nonprofit, with a goal of building a facility for girls.

"We became fundraisers," Sue Ozar said, "additional careers for us."

Help when asked

"When Father asked us, we said we'd try, but we would not promise



The children during morning assembly in front of St. Clare.

anything," Bud Ozar said. "We thought it would be a short, one-time thing."

That was 2008. Since then, Friends of Kenyan Orphans, through its donors, has contributed nearly \$1.5 million and helped nearly 5,000 children.

Sue Ozar chuckles at the irony.

"When we started this, we wanted to just work with people — not raise money," she said. "Now we're raising money. That's all we do."

Friends of Kenyan Orphans officially began in 2009, with the support of the Ozars' friends and family back home.

"We wrote letters, talked to people, tracked people down," Sue Ozar said. "Nobody was safe."

She recalled a dinner they attended at a local Catholic church where they sat by themselves. The priest came over and told them not to expect anyone to sit with them; everyone knew they'd be asked for money.

Through the organization, the Ozars have helped build St. Clare Centre, a home and school for 380 girls. They've since added a library, Life Skills Centre, computer room and other amenities to St. Clare. Friends of Kenyan Orphans also has supported Shalom School, Our Lady of Grace orphanage and St. Charles Lwanga school, which have similar missions to St. Clare.

It also built a home for visiting Adrian Dominican Sisters, who served for three years. The Sienna House now serves as a guest house and it's where the Ozars stay when they visit.

Within the last five years, the Ozars developed a board to take some of the workload off their shoulders, though their trips to Kenya haven't slowed.

"We're going back in February," Bud Ozar said. "We don't have to ask for money there; it's like a vacation."

"There are 1.4 million children on the streets," he continued regarding the serious nature of their trips. "We take care of orphaned and abandoned children. Father Riwa has shown it is possible to save these children. ... Women in Kenyan society ... it's a very patriarchal society. Men call all the shots. Father Riwa's goal is to

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GPA

The Grosse Pointe Artists Association hosts the following classes and exhibits at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms:

◆ “Preplanning for Success: A Workshop with Robert Fionda,” 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 19 and 20.

◆ “Painting Animals in Pastel with Dan Methric,” 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays, Jan. 29 to Feb. 19.

◆ “Pen and Ink with Al Sonnenberg,” 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursdays, Feb. 7 to 28.

◆ “Encaustic and Image Transfer Workshop with Candace Law,” 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 9.

◆ “Painting and Color: A Workshop with Rachel Reynolds Z,” 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, March 2.

◆ “Black and Gray: A Woodblock Workshop with Nobuko Yamasaki,” 1 to 4 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, March 7 to 9.

◆ Art making for veterans, 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesdays.

◆ A Morning Out, socializing and art making, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30

p.m. Fridays, Jan. 11 and 25.

Blood drives

The American Red Cross offers the following blood drives:

◆ 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Jan. 4, Henry Ford Medical Center-Cottage, 159 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms.

◆ 1:30 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 9, Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

◆ 1:30 to 7:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 14, First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Register at redcross blood.org.

Ecumenical Breakfast

The Grosse Pointe Men’s Ecumenical Breakfast meets at 8 a.m. Friday, Jan. 4, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The Rev. Susan d’Olive Mozena, coordinator of adult education at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, speaks. Cost for breakfast is \$7. Registration is not required and first-time guests eat free.

Grannie Nannies

Grannie Nannies, for grandmothers who babysit their grandchildren, meets at 1:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 4, at Ram’s Horn Restaurant, 23815 Jefferson, St. Clair Shores. No reservatoin required.

NAMI

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

Senior Men

The Grosse Pointe Senior Men’s Club meets at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 8, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Rotary

Grosse Pointe Rotary meets at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 9, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Nick Monacelli, reporter for WDIV-TV Channel 4, speaks. Cost is \$10 and includes snacks; a cash bar is available. For more information, visit grossepointerotary.org.

Veterans

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial Veterans Club Inc., meets at 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 10, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Army veteran Robert Rabe and Dr. Judy Jacobs present “A Soldier’s Shocking Experience,” giving a firsthand look at what a soldier should do during a time of need. Admission is free and guests are welcome. For information, call John Bates at (313) 881-4125 or Tom Jantz at (586) 772-6703.

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give women a voice. Not just take children off the streets, but raise leaders to change the culture of Kenya so women have a voice.”

Looking forward

“What happens when girls graduate?” Bud Ozar asked. “They’ve been educated, which is rare, but they have one option. They go back to the village, where they’re married off. ... Our board said we’d be wasting our money if we’re not giving these girls opportunity to be self-reliant.”

The Ozars have started providing higher education, “offering opportunities to go to college, polytechnic school and culinary school,” Bud Ozar said, “so they can take care of themselves or take care of a family.”

Sue Ozar said nearly 30 girls currently are in the program and 13 already have graduated.

“And the graduates have set up an alumni association to take care of their sisters who are below them,” Bud Ozar added.

Through higher education, the young women have access to a range of programs, from business, IT and culinary to engineering, psychology, nursing and fashion design.

“We’ve developed a program so the woman who is the principal (at St. Clare) helps them as best she can to build on their own skills,” Sue Ozar said.

The couple noted two students who came to the United States for their education, one to Siena Heights University in Adrian, the other to Chestnut Hill College in Philadelphia, Sue Ozar’s alma mater.

“These girls knocked the socks off those places,” Bud Ozar said.

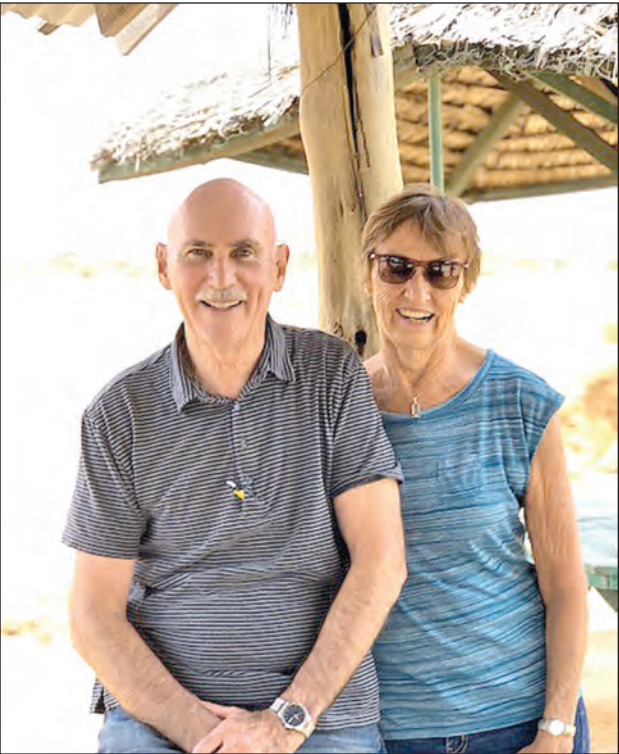
Added Sue Ozar, “They graduated cum laude and summa cum laude. ... They’re outstanding women.”

Reflections

The Ozars said they had no idea how successful their 501(c)3 would become or how many lives it would affect when it began. They simply wanted to help people who had little opportunity to help themselves.

“People have been very generous,” Bud Ozar said. “We’re there every year for a considerable amount of time; we see how the money is spent. We have a great rapport with the administrators, the principal, the girls.”

The Ozars said their work in Kenya not only serves to feed, clothe and shelter young girls, but



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Bud and Sue Ozar in Samburu.

also saves lives.

“All these children on the street don’t live long,” Bud Ozar said. “Girls get used. They can’t say no. ... We’re not neglecting the boys, but our focus is on the girls. It’s a very rugged life for girls.”

“If women don’t have a voice,” he continued, “lower on the totem pole are girls. And orphan girls — they’re considered just a step above a pack animal.”

Ozar explained the large number of orphans in Kenya is due to HIV/AIDS and malaria. While there’s a social obligation to educate boys, he said, that doesn’t exist for girls. If orphan girls are accepted into a family, they are used for labor.

“If they live to 10, 11, 12, you can sell them in marriage,” Bud Ozar said. “Orphan girls are a cash crop. ... That’s why our focus is specifically on girls.”

“The goal of our Life Skills Centre is to give them skills their mother, grandmother or auntie would have taught them in the village — how to care for children, how to sew and knit.”

When the Ozars return in February, they’ll teach a class on human sexuality and self-respect.

“They need to know they’re important and need to take care of themselves,” Sue Ozar said.

Full hearts

The Ozars have high hopes Friends of Kenyan Orphans will continue the work they’ve started. Both in their late 70s, they plan to support the organization as long as they can while still spending time back home with their three sons and six grandchildren.

Both have gained from their experiences these last two decades of mission work, especially the last 10 with Friends of Kenyan Orphans.

“It’s a wonderful feel-

ing of doing something that makes a difference,” Bud Ozar said. “This is a great retirement program. I feel like it happens so often there; I’ll be talking to a young girl who is so full of life ... and I think, ‘This child would probably be dead if St. Clare was not here.’ It gives me a sense that I’m doing what I should be doing with my life at this time — something that helps other people. It’s good for us and our family too.”

“One thing it’s done is increased my faith,” Sue Ozar said, “because deep down I know we didn’t do this on our own steam. We’ve met people like Father Riwa and the children, who have nothing on a worldly scale, but they still have a deep faith and that has increased my faith.”

“It has totally broadened my perspective on what’s important in life, what we really need and what really matters,” she continued. “We live in Grosse Pointe. That is one of the things good for me when we go back to Kenya. It’s basic. And they’re not just happy; they’re joyful people there. It’s easy to forget that in the mindset of our culture.”

Added Bud Ozar, “We receive more than we give. Even our marriage, we have a good partnership here, but when we’re there, we’re so much closer. Children appreciate and they’re so joyful.”

“I’ll never forget what one girl told me, ‘This is the best place in the world,’” he continued. “‘We have food, we have education and we have our sisters. It’s the best place in the world.’ You realize joy and happiness come from the simplest means. Yet here we are, at Christmas. Children are not happy unless they get a really cool toy. These children will have a yogurt party. They’ll receive one container of yogurt of their own. That’s the party. And they’re going to have one hell of a time. ... Can you imagine if we did this at Pierce?”

“It’s a different kind of joy,” Sue Ozar added. “We have poverty in Detroit. We live right on top of it. But there are safety nets. Not (in Kenya). People are dead poor. There is no rich uncle. ... They just need help. So go to the website and donate and save a life.”

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Father Francis Riwa poses with bananas — a major part of students’ diet, along with maize, beans and rice. St. Clare produces 40 percent of its food.

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OBITUARIES

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

Mary Ann Boll

Mary Ann Boll, 85, passed away Tuesday, Dec. 18, 2018, at Ascension St. John Hospital.

She was born Dec. 29, 1932, in Detroit, to Edward and Nell Harrigan.

Mary Ann, classy and fiercely independent, graduated from Dominican High School, and studied music theory at the University of Michigan, when she met John “Jay” A. Boll. They married in 1954 and together raised seven children.

Mary Ann was a tireless

volunteer, hospital board member, entrepreneur, curator of family history, American patriot and Daughter of the American Revolution. Mary Ann was a member and past president of the Bon Secours Assistance League, ran its celebrity series, provided guidance in establishing the gift shops at both Bon Secours Hospital Grosse Pointe and Nursing Care Center in St. Clair Shores, was on the Bon Secours board of directors, and chairperson of the public affairs committee of the Sisters of Bon Secours. As an entrepreneur, Mary Ann established and maintained success as a busi-

ness owner of estate sales and appraiser of antiques. With an eye for beauty and taste, Mary Ann brought a refreshing and unique perspective to everything she touched; her home, garden, personal presentation, and more importantly, her connection with everyone around her. Always gracious, always proud of her Catholic Faith, her family and country, Mary Ann’s spirit and tenacity will endure.

Most treasured of all, Mary Ann was a devoted mother and wise counselor to her adult children and 26 grandchildren. She was thrilled to become a great-grand-



Mary Ann Boll

mother in recent years. She was greatly loved by her family and a friend to many, and will be missed beyond measure.

Mary Ann was predeceased by her husband, Jay; sister, Peg Cole and survived by sisters, Kathy Devine and Karen Mourad, as well as her children, John, Michael, Pete (Cathy), Dave (Kelly), Patrick (Therese), Katie Miller and Jenny (Guy Rau); 26 grandchil-



Evangeline Gleason Brookes

dren and four 4 great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be 2 to 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 4, with a rosary at 7 p.m. at Verheyden Funeral Home, 16300 Mack, Grosse Pointe Park.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 5, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, Grosse Pointe Farms, with a brief visitation beginning at 9:30 a.m.



Magdalena Cancino Garcia

by her husband, Harry; parents, sister and two brothers.

Vange was a longtime volunteer at the Bon Secours Chapel in Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe and an election official for the City of Grosse Pointe for many years. She was a talented seamstress, quick with a joke and an avid baker, always with tasty treats to share. Vange was a loving and caring mother and grandmother, devoted to her children — who always came first.

A celebration of life will be noon, Saturday, Jan. 19, in the Bon Secours Chapel, Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe, 468 Cadieux, Grosse Pointe.

Magdalena Cancino Garcia

Magdalena Cancino Garcia, 84, of Westland, formerly of Detroit, passed away Tuesday, Dec. 18, 2018. Born July 22, 1934, in El Sauz, Coahuila, Mexico, she was predeceased by her parents, Trinidad and Candelaria (Casarez) Cancino; brother, Rosalio; sister, Minerva; and husband of 43 years, John Garcia, of Grosse Pointe Farms.

Magdalena loved the sun and often would travel to Monterrey and Saltillo to visit family until a few years before her passing. She also liked to garden and cook.

She is survived by her children, John Garcia (Catrina) and Maria Garcia; granddaughter, Megan; grandson, Ian; sisters, Belen and Dolores; brothers, Eleuterio and Esteban, and many nieces and nephews.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Dec. 27, 2018, at Most Holy Redeemer Catholic Church, Detroit.

PASTOR’S CORNER By the Rev. Sean Motley

Resolve to be who God has made you to be

At the beginning of the year, many people will make resolutions concerning how they are living, how they are eating, the activities in which they participate. Right now I have not yet fulfilled my 2018 resolution of losing 15 pounds; however, I only have 20 more pounds to go.

Often resolutions are like that. We have the best of intentions and maybe even begin with a lot of passion, but as time moves forward, as we face setbacks in accomplishing our goals or as we find that the effort is much greater than we thought it would be, we

give up on those resolutions and at the end of the year we prepare with new resolve to do it all over again.

There is a reality we face in such a moment and that is we are human beings — we are flawed, we make mistakes and, as Paul says, we have all fallen short. If that were the whole story, then this article would be much shorter and there would be little hope and all that might be left to say would be “good luck.” However, we start the new year bathed in the brilliance of the Star of Bethlehem. God is with us. God has saved us. God has trans-

formed us.

Maybe our plans for the upcoming year should not be based on our willpower, but upon doing the will of the one who has the power to make all things new. We have hope and we have been changed, no longer in the world on our own with only ourselves to rely upon, but children of God and a royal priesthood. We have been given a spirit of courage, joy and strength to do and be all that God has intended. We are able to bear the fruit of the spirit in our lives — love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithful-

ness, gentleness and self-control. We have already been given the gifts to carry out what God has called us to do.

God had a plan to bring about our salvation and the salvation of all humankind and God has a plan for us to live as disciples of Christ Jesus and as his children. May we be resolved to be who God has made us to be and live in the abundant life he has given.

Have a blessed and joyous new year.

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

CHURCH EVENTS

St. James

The Aeolian Chorale performs an Epiphany concert at 4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 6, at St. James Lutheran Church, 170 McMillan, Grosse Pointe Farms. This concert is

given in honor of the Feast of Epiphany, which concludes the 12 Days of Christmas. The Aeolian Chorale, under the direction of Marshall Dicks, will perform Christmas and Epiphany music,

both accompanied and a capella. The concert is free and open to the public.

St. Paul on the Lake

St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, offers a book discussion meeting at 9 a.m. Tuesdays, beginning Jan. 8, or 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays, beginning Jan. 9.

The book “Beautiful Hope” will be discussed. All are welcome.

The church offers “Symbolon: Living the Faith,” which explores the Catholic faith, at 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays, beginning Jan. 9. All are welcome.

The church offers Friday Family Faith Night on Friday, Jan. 11, beginning with dinner at 6:30

p.m. and followed by “Building the Domestic Church: Family Prayer,” presented by Colleen and Mark Pressprich at 7 p.m.

Social worker Steve Fair presents “Finding Freedom in Christ” at 7:15 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 20.

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The GPPL expands hours

To kick off the new year, the Grosse Pointe Public Library is expanding its hours.



COURTESY PHOTO

Tbone received a Motor City Music Award for best trombonist. The last two years, he's been nominated as best jazz vocalist at the Detroit Music Awards.

All three branches will open at 9 a.m. Monday through Saturday and all branches will be open 1 to 5 p.m. Sundays.

“Having consistent hours at all of our locations was part of our strategic plan,” said Jessica Keyser, library director. “We’re now open almost 70 hours each week to meet the needs of our community.”

Beginning January, all three of the library’s branches are open 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday.

To celebrate the opening of the Ewald branch on Sundays, the jazz band RJ & Tbone will perform 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 6, in the Ewald program room. Known for their band The Sun Messengers, RJ and Tbone started performing together in 1980, performing a mix of traditional jazz and R&B.

Event benefits Jamie Daniels Foundation

More than 200 guests, including community business owners, family and friends, gathered for the second annual Matty Peyser Friendsgiving holiday charity event Friday, Nov. 23, at Fishbone’s in St. Clair Shores. For the second year, people from around the community showed their support in honoring the memory of Matt Peyser, who passed away in July 2017 at age 25.

More than \$40,000 was raised on Peyser’s behalf to support the Jamie Daniels Foundation, which provides education, resources and financial support to those battling drug addiction.

The silent auction included gifts such as two luxury yacht trips on Lake St. Clair for a party of 10, donated by Pete



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Mark Peyser, left, the father of Matt Peyser, stands with Lawrence Burns, president and CEO of the Children’s Hospital of Michigan Foundation, which manages the Jamie Daniels Foundation.

Beauregard, owner of Colony Marine. Many local businesses donated gifts, including Red Wings tickets; Pistons tickets; a case of Bordeaux wine from Woods Wholesale Wines; a Shinola watch from Peyser’s Michigan State University college roommates; and restaurant certificates from Bucci Ristorante, Da Edoardo, Fishbone’s, Trattoria Serventi, Gilbert’s Lodge, Mack Avenue Grille and WaterMark Bar & Grille.

A check for \$12,500 also was donated by the Howard and Howard Law Firm, as was a \$5,000 check from the Ruby McCoy Foundation. Last year this event raised more than \$23,000 to benefit Covenant House of Detroit.

Organizers offered a special thank-you to the Gatzaros family for donating their banquet room at Fishbone’s. The Peyser family also thanked everyone who supported the event in Peyser’s memory.



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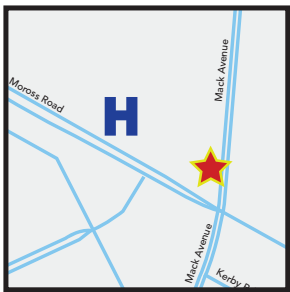
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Boys Hockey

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

South beats ULS

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe South boys hockey team won the annual University Liggett School Invitational Tournament, cruising to a mercy-shortened 9-1 win over ULS in the title game.

“We were hitting on all cylinders all tournament,” South assistant coach Sam Shaheen said.

The Knights actually took a 1-0 lead on a goal by junior Will Nicholson early in the first period.

South senior Conor McKenna, back in the lineup after missing the first several games with an injury, tied the game at the 5:19 mark.

A huge key to the win came in the final minute of the first period when the Blue Devils scored on the power play and then 21 seconds later to grab a 3-1 lead.

McKenna had the power-play goal at the 49.4 mark, and junior Thomas Daudlin had the



PHOTOS BY RENATO JAMETT

Grosse Pointe South’s Adam Strehlke, No. 9, is horizontal while trying to get a shot on net as Grosse Pointe North netminder Brian Clogg keeps a keen eye on the puck.

second goal with 28.4 board to open a 7-1 Andrew Vyletel tallied at left. advantage. the 7:59 mark, sophomore Dean Therriault Junior Alexander Stapleton scored at the 10:33 mark, senior

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Wrestling

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

North improves record to 3-0

The Grosse Pointe North wrestling team beat L’Anse Creuse North 51-15 before the holiday break.

Head coach Derek Davison and his Norsemen improved to 3-0 overall.

Aidan Ball won by fall in the 112-pound division, while Logan Ladach bumped up a weight class to 125 pounds and won a 5-0 decision. Other winners were Joe Passalacqua, who pinned his foe in the 130-pound class, and Elliot Lyman, who won by fall in the 160-pound division.

The Crusaders didn’t field a full lineup, allowing the Norsemen to earn 30 points through voids.

Winning those matches were Gavin Gregorec, 103 pounds; Raymond Hamilton, 152 pounds;

Joe Kowlaski, 171 pounds; Enerique Castronero, 189 pounds; and Andrew Buckman, 215 pounds.

In the annual Macomb County championship meet Dec. 22, North earned 70 points and finished in the middle of the pack.

Hamilton was a silver medalist, losing a 7-6 decision to Utica Ford’s Ethan Tgiros in the title match at 152 pounds.

The Norsemen won several other matches, but not enough to get into the medal rounds.

Warren Woods Tower edged Macomb Dakota for the team title.

Coming up for the Norsemen is the Rochester Adams Invitational Saturday, Jan. 5.

— Bob St. John

Boys Basketball

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils fall to Warren Mott

The Grosse Pointe South boys basketball team is nearly halfway through its regular season schedule with a home game against Warren Mott before the holiday break.

Head coach Troy Glasser and his Blue Devils fell to 1-2 in the Macomb Area Conference White Division and 4-5 overall with a 71-58 loss to the Marauders.

Despite a lethargic first half, the Blue Devils trailed only 31-23 at the half.

They increased the defensive pressure and started making some shots. They cut the deficit to a point, 46-45, and from that point it was nip and tuck.

The Blue Devils trailed by a basket midway through the fourth quarter, but the Marauders used a run to open a double-digit lead.

Several missed three-point shots later, the Blue Devils saw the deficit reach 15 points and it was game over.

Senior Ryan Downey and freshman Will Johnson scored 13 points apiece, while junior Alexander Shaheen had 12 to lead the Blue Devils.

Junior Nick Fannon had nine points.

After the break, South hosts Utica Ford at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 8, before traveling to city rival Grosse Pointe North at 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 11.

— Bob St. John

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Tough loss for Norsemen

The Grosse Pointe North boys basketball team came back to Earth before the holiday break, losing 74-38 to visiting New Haven.

The Norsemen had no answers against the No. 1 team in Division 2 as they dropped to 1-2 in the Macomb Area Conference White Division and 2-4 overall.

Head coach Andy Ayrault and his Norsemen travel to Romeo for a league game after the break, Tuesday, Jan. 8, and then host city rival Grosse Pointe South at 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 11.

— Bob St. John

Girls Hockey

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

South battles North at ULS Invitational

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe South and Grosse Pointe North girls hockey teams played an instant classic in the finals of the annual University Liggett School Invitational Tournament the weekend before Christmas.

Defense dominated the first two periods, offense and penalties were the name of the game in the third period and in the shootout only one of six shooters scored.

With all that, Grosse Pointe South escaped with a 7-6 win to improve to 7-0 overall. The loss dropped Grosse Pointe North to 7-2.

“Wow, this was a great girls high school hockey game,” South head coach John Weidenbach said. “Tons of emotions and a lot of offense. I’m glad we were able to get the win. I’m sure the next time we play them



PHOTOS BY RENATO JAMETT

Grosse Pointe South girls mob each other at center ice after beating Grosse Pointe North in a shootout in the title game.

it will be another close, hard-fought hockey game.

“I’m proud of our girls for the nice win before we took a break.”

“I’m proud of the girls for playing hard and battling back when our backs were against the wall,” North head coach Casey Quick said. “We played well for most of the game. It’s tough to come up a little short in the end.”

South led 1-0 on a goal by freshman Molly Ryszewski just 59 seconds into the first period.

North came back to lead after senior Hannah Martin tied the game with a power-play goal at the 8:56 mark and senior Clare Murphy gave the Norsemen a 2-1 lead with a goal 55 seconds later.

In the second period, Murphy scored a short-handed goal to help the Norsemen lead 3-1.

The teams combined for eight goals in the third period.

The Blue Devils scored the first three to

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scored at the 2:55 mark and junior Adam Strehlke scored with 25.5 left to make it 7-1.

McKenna capped the scoring with two goals in the first three minutes of the third period, including another on the power-play, to end the game via the mercy rule.

“After the big win the previous night, I was worried we would run out of gas early and we did,” ULS assistant coach Rick Lorant said. “South played awfully well, but we didn’t help much on our end.”



University Liggett School’s Will Nicholson, left, and Grosse Pointe South’s Conor McKenna battle for the puck in the championship game.

Junior William Strickler earned the win in net, while sophomore Grant Lindsay had the loss.

Grosse Pointe South improved to 4-3-1 overall, while ULS dropped to 3-6.

ULS advanced to the title game with a 4-1 win over Berkley.

In the other semifinal, Grosse Pointe South beat Grosse Pointe North 7-2.

North head coach Joe Drouin and his Norsemen jumped out to a 2-0 lead to stun the Blue Devils.

Junior Michael Burns and senior Chris Lorelli scored at the 15:42 and 4:24 marks as the



PHOTOS BY RENATO JAMETT

Grosse Pointe South’s Conor McKenna, No. 6, has a wide-open net to shoot into late in the first period against University Liggett School.

Norsemen controlled the game with the lead.

The Blue Devils stunned the Norsemen by scoring three goals in a 45-second span to lead 3-2.

McKenna scored at the 1:54 mark, junior Keegan Spitz at the 1:16 mark and McKenna again at the 1:09 mark.

The Norsemen never recovered as the Blue

Devils scored once in the second period and three more times in the third period to cruise to the victory.

Therriault had the second-period goal, while in the third period it was Spitz, Vyletel and Stapleton tallying.

Strickler was the winning goaltender, while junior Brian Clogg suffered the defeat.

In the consolation game, North lost 3-1 to Berkley to fall to 1-9 overall.

Sophomore Ethan McCormick scored a power-play goal at the 9:22 mark of the third period to get the Norsemen back in the game.

The Bears added an insurance goal at the 4:56 mark to seal the win.



Grosse Pointe South boys celebrate after winning the holiday tournament with a 9-1 win over host University Liggett School.

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take a 4-3 lead. Senior Alyssa Czech had the first goal and



University Liggett School’s Gabrielle Anusbigian scored twice in the consolation victory over Regina.

junior Lauren Benoit had the next two as the Blue Devils roared back.

North tied it when Clare Murphy recorded a hat trick, but 31 seconds later South grabbed a 5-4 lead with Ryszewski’s second goal of the contest.

Benoit scored her third goal to net a hat trick. Her goal came short-handed and gave the Blue Devils what seemed to be a safe 6-4 lead with only 2:01 left.

Quick told his girls the game wasn’t over and to keep working hard; get the puck on net and good things will happen.

He was right as the Norsemen stunned the Blue Devils by tying the game with power-play goals with 37 seconds and 12 seconds left in the game.

Clare Murphy scored her fourth goal with 37.7 left and senior Bella Welke’s slap-shot found the back of the net to tie it with only 12.3 left.

Instead of an eight-minute overtime, the game went to a shoot-out.

North freshman Erin Murphy, Clare Murphy and Welke were stopped by South senior goalie Madeline Kelly.

South freshman Olivia Livingstone and senior Madison Ryszewski



PHOTOS BY RENATO JAMETT

Grosse Pointe South players and coaches celebrate with the tournament championship trophy.

were stopped by North sophomore netminder Mia Cassar, but Molly Ryszewski was able to score on her shot, ending the game and sending the Blue Devils to the tournament title.

There were 15 total penalties in the game.

In the consolation game, host ULS blanked Warren Regina 5-0.

Junior goalie Evie Bournias had the shut-out, while scoring goals were freshmen Allyson Doppke, Maddie McKee and Natalia Dragovic.

Sophomore Gabrielle Anusbigian led the



University Liggett School goaltender Evie Bournias is congratulated by her teammates after shutting out Regina.

Knights with two goals. She scored twice in the second period to help the Knights extend their lead to 3-0.

With the win, ULS improved to 4-6 overall.

In the semifinals, South beat Regina 9-0 in a mercy-shortened two periods.

Molly Ryszewski had a hat trick, while senior Anna Mary Moody had two goals. Czech, Livingstone, sophomore Regan Sherry and freshman Mallory Burdick also scored goals.

Junior Emily DesNoyer had the win in net.

In the first semifinal, North handled the host team, winning 7-3.

Welke opened the scoring with a goal just 24 seconds into the first period.

Clare Murphy scored

only 47 seconds after Welke, making it 2-0, and scored again at the 8:05 mark to give the Norsemen a 3-0 lead.

Martin tallied early in the second period to make it 4-0, and in the third period both Murphys scored as the Norsemen built a 6-0 advantage.

ULS got on the board when senior Nicole Rivera scored, but Clare Murphy had her fourth goal of the game on the power play to make it 7-1.

The Knights scored twice in the final two minutes, with Anusbigian, on the power play, and Dragovic lighting the lamp.

Cassar was the winning goalie, while Bournias suffered the loss.

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
POLICE DEPARTMENT
WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN
NOTICE
AUCTION OF IMPOUNDED/ABANDONED
VEHICLES

Pursuant to PA 104, an auction will be held on January 16, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. at Woods Towing, located at 22755 Lexington, Eastpointe, MI. The following impounded/abandoned vehicles will be auctioned:

2004 Ford Mustang	1FAFP40654F173958
2008 Cadillac CTS	1G6DM577680110412
1995 Honda Accord	1HGCD7160SA014279
2008 Chevrolet Impala	2G1WT58N989267890
2004 Chevrolet Impala	2G1WF52E149345198
2004 GMC Envoy	1GKDT13S242439324
2004 Pontiac Grand Prix	2G2WS522441172658
2000 Buick Century	2G4WS2J5Y1326458
2007 Chevrolet Impala	2G1WT58K679379499
2004 Ford Taurus	1FAFP55U64G130074
1998 Ford Escort	1FAFP13P9WW202321
2000 Volvo S40	YV1VS2557YF510672
2001 GMC Yukon	3GKFK16T71G251143
2006 Honda Civic	1HGFA15846L114426

The above vehicles can be viewed 1/2 hour prior to the auction, at Woods Towing. Payment by cash or certified check only. Cars listed may be pulled or released prior to the auction by the Harper Woods Police Department.

Sgt. Thomas Teatsorth
Traffic Safety Section

POSTED: December 26, 2018
PUBLISHED: January 3, 2019

A copy of this notice can be viewed on www.harperwoodscity.org under Public Notices.

City of **Grosse Pointe Woods**, Michigan
PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the City of Grosse Pointe Woods will hold a public hearing under the provisions of Michigan Compiled Laws, Sections 125.3101 through 125.3702 as amended, to consider amendments to Chapter 50 Zoning, at a meeting scheduled for Tuesday, January 22, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Room of the Municipal Building. The proposed ordinance is available for public inspection at the Municipal Building, 20025 Mack Plaza, between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. All interested persons are invited to attend and will be given opportunity for public comment. The public may appear in person or be represented by counsel. Written comments will be received in the City Clerk’s office, up to the close of business preceding the hearing. A group spokesperson is encouraged on agenda items concerning organized groups. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services at the meeting should contact the Grosse Pointe Woods Clerk’s Office at 313 343-2440 seven days prior to the meeting:

An ordinance to add to Chapter 50, Zoning of the 2017 Grosse Pointe Woods City Code, in accordance with the Zoning Enabling Act:

ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 50, ZONING, ARTICLE III DISTRICT REGULATIONS BY ADDING NEW SEC. 50-186 “PROHIBITED USES-MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENTS”, TO PROHIBIT MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENTS UNDER THE MICHIGAN REGULATION AND TAXATION OF MARIJUANA ACT (MRTMA).

Lisa Kay Hathaway
City Clerk

G.P.N.: 1/3/2019

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DEADLINE for December 20th, 27th and January 3rd Issues is **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18; 1:00P.M.**
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