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Blue ribbon committee narrows options

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

The blue ribbon committee is making progress narrowing down eight proposed options to two to three recommendations to take to the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education April 8.

Reconvened at the end of January, the committee has met three times to complete its charge of reconfiguring the school district to generate annual savings and enhance the overall educational experience for GPPSS students.

The committee is comprised of 58 volunteer parents, teachers, support staff, building administrators, central office administrators and community members. Thirty members, or 52 percent, are current GPPSS employees; 35, or 60 percent, are parents of current GPPSS students; and 46, or 79 percent, are residents.

The last meeting took place March 7, with a large showing of community members who came to observe. The two remaining meetings — also open to observers — are 6 to 9 p.m. Thursday, March 14, at Brownell Middle School's multipurpose room and Thursday, March 28, at

Grosse Pointe South High School's Wicking Library.

Open discussion at town hall meetings begins in April, with the board recommending a reconfiguration plan in June.

A live survey among the 47 committee members present indicated a strong interest in maintaining a separate early childhood facility (89.4 percent); strong interest in a K-4, 5-8, 9-12 grade configuration (87.2 percent); strong interest in creating one gravity school (85.1 percent) and less interest in creating

two gravity schools (61.7 percent); moderate interest in moving sixth-grade to elementary school with a K-6, 7-8, 9-12 grade configuration (74.5 percent); moderate interest in creating a service center — closing a middle school and repurposing it to house early childhood services and other programming (72.3 percent); and less interest in maintaining the current K-5, 6-8, 9-12 configuration (57.4 percent).

One hundred percent of respondents supported closing the administration building at 389 St. Clair, an action Board President Brian Summerfield, who also

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Voicing concerns

Grosse Pointe residents filled the multipurpose room at Brownell Middle School during the regular meeting of the Board of Education Monday night. Twenty-five parents spoke during public comments to voice concerns about potential school closures and reconfiguration plans underway. Read more on page 9A.

Kerby Field to see improvements

By Anthony Viola
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — The next phase of improvements for Kerby Field will begin next month.

Monday, March 11, council approved just

more than \$1.05 million to complete four projects. The city will spend

\$757,000. The remainder of the cost will be covered by \$75,000 from the Grosse Pointe Farms Foundation and \$225,000

donated by Sean Cotton and family. The Farms

will pay its portion through its capital projects fund.

"This is a project ... that has been four years in the making," said Farms City Manager Shane Reeside.

The new projects include reconstructing

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Community center hosts city hall

By Melissa Walsh
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — City hall is back in business, but in the community center.

The city's administration offices are expected to remain closed several more weeks due to water damage sustained early

this month.

"Everything is set up and we're up and running," City Manager Bruce Smith said. "We're waiting for all the clean up to take place in our offices. Once that's done, we can get things fixed and get back into our offices."

Residents who need to

request a permit or pay a fee will find city employees in temporary offices set up in the community center until the regular offices are restored.

The city's administrative offices were damaged the weekend of March 2-3 by an open water line of the building's boiler-heat system.

Water spouting from an overhead boiler-heat copper line affected all of the administration offices and work spaces.

At the time, heating and cooling system work was nearing completion at city hall and the adjoining public safety

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St. John Guild kicks off dinner with preview party

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

It's never too soon to start celebrating.

The Guild at St. John Hospital hosted a kickoff party for its 59th annual dinner on March 6 at Churchill's Cigar Bar and Bistro, Grosse Pointe Woods, inviting past sponsors and honorees, as well as board members

and guests.

This year's event is chaired by Sean Lane of Grosse Pointe Farms and co-chaired by Andrew Cracchiolo of Grosse Pointe Woods.

The dinner itself takes place Wednesday, May 29, at the MGM Grand Detroit, 1777 Third, Detroit. Cocktails begin at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 7:30 p.m. and the show at 9 p.m.

WDIV-TV Local 4 anchor Priya Mann emcees the event.

Since 1947, the annual dinner has been the Guild's premier fundraising event, earning significant funds for patient programs and services at Ascension St. John Hospital. More than 700 people attended last year's event.

Apart from dinner, the event honors three St. John supporters

for their outstanding achievements. This year's honorees are Cheryl A. Wesen M.D., who will receive the Physician of the Year Award; Alex Lucido, receiving the Lifetime Achievement Award; and Peter T. Cracchiolo, receiving the Sr. Verenice McQuade Distinguished Service Award.

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COURTESY OF GROSSE POINTE FARMS

Council approved the next round of improvements at Kerby Field, on Monday, March 11. Plans include separating the parking lot, adding new fencing along Kerby and installing a new walkway and brick patio.

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walkway connecting the Kerby and Mack and Moross parking lots.

The Kerby parking lot currently is used by both Little Leagues and other recreationists and the Farms Department of Public Works.

"What you have there is really an area where you're getting a lot of traffic for recreational use entering, primarily... Little League players and their families that park here, that combined with DPW equipment," said Reeside. "So you have big packer trucks that potentially could be backing up where you have interaction with youth."

The plan is to separate the two sides so there is a distinct delineation between them and create a separate entrance and exit for DPW vehicles.

The recreational lot will expand and move closer to Kerby Road. The reconfiguration allows for the construction of a brick plaza around the fieldhouse.

The tall evergreens lining Kerby also will be removed and replaced with a new ornamental fence and shade trees.

Reeside said the current trees are nearing the end of their life expectancy. The new fencing still will provide screening, but also will create a more open community asset, said Reeside.

"It will be providing quite a bit of screening," said Reeside, "but you

also will be able to see through it more, much more than you can now and actually see what's going on in the field and really open up an asset."

The projects are the most recent on a long list of improvements already completed at Kerby Field. According to Reeside, since 2015 more than \$250,000 has been invested in privately funded projects at the home of Grosse Pointe Farms-City Little League. Two baseball fields were reconfigured and reconstructed with new drainage and irrigation and new fencing was installed. The Grosse Pointe Farms Foundation constructed a gazebo and the Daughters of the American Revolution donated a flagpole, among other major investments.

Mayor Louis Theros said despite having some of the best performing Little League teams in the state, the facilities in all the Grosse Pointes have been lacking compared to other communities.

The new improvements, he said "actually brings us a field area that is commensurate with the efforts the Grosse Pointe Little Leagues have put together and will allow us to really put a sparkle on our premier program. I think it's great for us to be able to house it here in Grosse Pointe Farms."

According to Reeside, construction is expected to start early April and take two months to complete.

Longtime party store plans move

By Anthony Viola
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — Jerry's Club Party Store on Kercheval at Lakeview is moving, but not very far.

City council approved a use variance Monday, March 11, for Jerry Stocking to move his party store to 381 Kercheval, directly adjacent to his current location.

Although only a wall separates the two spaces, the building is zoned residential and a use variance is required to relocate.

"The party store is grandfathered in," said Matt Baka, director of public services, "(but) because they are moving to a new location within the residential zone, it's considered not permitted use, which is what requires the use variance."

According to Stocking, he had an agreement with the owner of 383 Kercheval to purchase the building, but the agreement fell through.

"The previous owner had passed away and his daughter who was in charge of the estate evidently didn't agree with the terms that her father and I had talked about for 28, 29 years," Stocking said, "at which time I wasn't able to pur-



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Jerry's Club Party Store, right, is moving next door after renovations are completed at 381 Kercheval, left.

chase the building. At the time when this happened, the owner of 381 Kercheval expressed interest of selling me his building and I agreed to his offer."

"You've always done a great job in the neighborhood," Councilman Joe Ricci told Stocking. "... It's a great place to stop and get something so you don't have to run to Mack Avenue or over to the markets. I think you'll do a great job on the corner. I'm all for this, but I'm more concerned about what happens in the other building."

The business at 383 Kercheval has been a party store nearly 60 years. Stocking has owned it almost 30 years.

The grandfathered use variance for 383 Kercheval stays with the space for six months, according to Baka.

Any business that fits the current grandfathered use variance — retail services, said Baka — would be able to open without much say from council. After that time, if it remains vacant, the space would revert back to single-family zoning and any prospective business owner would have to request a variance.

"There's a lot of things that could go in that ... building over there that would change the whole complexity of the neighborhood," Ricci said.

Despite those concerns for Stocking's former space, council unanimously approved the variance. Councilwoman Sierra Leone Donaven

was absent.

Stocking has been in the new space a couple months working to renovate and rehab the interior and exterior. He plans on maintaining the historical appearance of the building and party store. New plate glass windows will be installed on the front and side, along with new woodwork and awnings. He said the renovations should be completed in a month.

"I would just like to say as owning a nonconforming business in my neighborhood for years and years and years, it adds a little flavor to the neighborhood, to Grosse Pointe Farms," said Mayor Pro Tem James Farquhar. "You've done a great job with it."

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"Pete Cracchiolo has been a supporter of St. John Hospital for a very long time," Lane said. "He and his family were instrumental in raising funds for the Cracchiolo Family Birthing Center at the hospital. Dr. Cheryl Wesen — I couldn't be happier about that nomination. She's the first female physician in the history of the Guild to be named Physician of the Year. It's about time that ceiling's been broken. Plus, she's a really nice person and a great doctor."

"Alex has been with the organization for over two decades," he continued. "He was president of the Guild, past chairman and co-chair of the dinner. He's given a lot of support not only to the Guild and the foundation, but also support to the hospital."

Additionally, dinner guests will be treated to



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From left, Andrew Cracchiolo, dinner co-chairman; Sean Lane, dinner chair-man; Dan Roma, president, St. John Guild; Alex Lucido, Lifetime Achievement awardee and Cheryl Wesen, Physician of the Year.

entertainment by award-winning comedian Sinbad — back for his third year as headliner.

Proceeds from this year's dinner support the surgical and pediatric services expansion project at Ascension St. John. The hospital is embarking on a \$58.2 million project to expand and renovate 18 operating rooms, enhance

surgical services, create a separate pediatric emergency department with a separate entrance for women and children, and renovate the inpatient pediatric department and pediatric intensive care unit. The project will help meet the growing demands of service, better serve the community and continue to offer

state-of-the-art technology.

Guests also will have the chance to win prizes, including the two-year lease of a 2019 Chevrolet Equinox donated by Genesis Chevrolet Eastpointe and TAG Heuer watches — a gentleman's Link Calibre 5 collection automatic stainless steel bracelet watch and a lady's Link stainless steel bracelet watch with mother of pearl dial — donated by Edmund t. AHEE jewelers. Additionally, MGM Detroit donated a weekend in Las Vegas and Teleflora contributed a two-night stay for two at Landmark Vineyards.

"We'll have an expanded reception area with more room to move and more food and bar stations," Lane said. "And hotel and ticket packages are available."

Sponsorship and advertising opportunities are available; donations also are welcome. Sponsorships and advertising must be received by April 19 to guarantee placement in the program book.

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Bringing the cup to American sailing

By Melissa Walsh
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — “The Heart of the Great Lakes,” Lake St. Clair cultivates great sailors, supported by copious learn-to-sail programs, regattas and weekly races hosted by yacht clubs sitting along its shoreline.

Veteran sailor and America’s Cup host Tucker Thompson is visiting the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club to speak to Lake St. Clair sailors March 22 — one of Thompson’s more than 25 visits to U.S. yacht clubs in 15 states during his American Magic tour.

“This is a good way to get fired up for spring,” said Grosse Pointe Yacht Club Sailing Director Wally Cross, who facilitated Thompson’s visit to the Shores.

Based out of New York Yacht Club and skippered by Annapolis native Terry Hutchinson, American Magic is one of two U.S. sail racing teams competing in the 36th America’s Cup Prada Cup series in Auckland, New Zealand, March 6 to 21, 2021. Long Beach Yacht Club’s Stars and Stripes is the other U.S. team.

Cross expects Thompson will offer area sailors “a historical point of view of the America’s Cup,” calling Thompson “an absolute pro speaker.” The presentation will be “about hyping up the America’s Cup,” he added. Cross said Thompson will show video of the team’s “Mule,” its test boat, give information on how the competition boat is being built “and not talk about what this next America’s Cup is going to mean for this country, with two good syndicates, but what it’ll mean for sailing.

“This will really give American sailing a boost in my opinion,” he added.

Thompson told the Grosse Pointe News his years of competing as a junior sailor led him into crewing with American True in the 2000 America’s Cup in New Zealand, adding his first North American Junior Championship win was in 1989 in East Tawas.

The former champion sailor is an award-winning television commentator and producer, who served as public host of the 35th America’s Cup in 2017 in Great Sound, Bermuda. He has hosted more than 1,800 sailing events,



PHOTO BY AMORY ROSS, AMERICAN MAGIC

Formerly dubbed “the Mule,” American Magic’s AM38, sailing in Pensacola, Fla. Wing-like foils under the hull lift it out of the water with increase in speed, earning the design label “flying monohull.”

including three America’s Cup competitions, the Volvo Ocean Race and the World Match Racing Tour.

Thompson said he’ll speak about “the team’s primary objective — to win.

“On top that,” he said, “(the team) is invested in American sailing and the mission to engage American sailors and inspire the next generation of American sailors.”

The Great Lakes turn out “some of the best sailors in the country,” he said, “as evidenced by Great

Lakes sailors who have participated in the America’s Cup.”

Bayview Yacht Club’s Bora Gulari and Brad Terpstra are part of the American Magic team preparing for the 36th America’s Cup competition. Gulari is a member of the sailing crew. Terpstra serves as the team’s IT manager.

“The top sailors of tomorrow are coming from the junior and Olympic programs,” Thompson said, encouraging junior sailors to attend

his American Magic presentation.

“The team has created grassroots partnerships with U.S. Sailing to engage the next generation of sailors,” Thompson said. “I think it’s admirable that they’re taking a long-term approach with this America’s Cup.”

“I think junior sailors are the backbone of the sport,” Cross said. “I think they’ll be super interested.”

“The mission is to bring the cup back to America and bring American sailing back to the cup,”

Thompson said.

The 36th America’s Cup Class Rule specifies the AC75 foiling monohull, also known as a “flying monohull,” which is expected to move at higher speed than the AC50 catamaran raced in the 35th America’s Cup. The AC75 is a high-performance 75-foot monohull that flies above the water’s surface using twin T-foils mounted under the hull of the boat, rather than a keel. The monohull design allows the crew of 11 sailors to apply foil-tack and foil-jibe maneuvering using a traditional grinder for trimming sail.

Cross expects veteran and young sailors alike will be impressed with this new racing yacht class.

“A flying monohull, that’s a whole new animal. And that can be a real attractive beast,” Cross said.

Thompson’s American Magic presentation, sponsored by Moorings Charter Co., takes place 7 to 9 p.m. Friday, March 22, in the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club ballroom. To reserve a spot, call the club’s front desk at (313) 884-2500.

“Anyone interested in sailing should come on down,” said Cross.

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serves on the committee, assured members already was underway.

Defining the ‘why’

Summerfield reminded members why the committee had formed in the first place: to address the fact an educational system designed in the 1920s through 1960s to house 9,000 to 12,000 students currently supports less than 7,500 students.

“The board recognized this back in the 1980s and made decisions to shrink the district to deal with declining enrollment and what was expected to happen over the coming years,” Summerfield said.

A proposal to close four schools resulted in a public outcry and demand for board members to be recalled. Ultimately only Barnes School closed. It was later repurposed as an early childhood development center.

Over time, there were consequences to these actions, Summerfield said. For example, a continuing decline in enrollment resulted in delayed curriculum reviews, textbook and instructional technology purchases; split classes to accommodate small classes at the elementary level; a decrease in course offerings and programs; deferred building maintenance; the elimination of administrative positions; educational specialists spread throughout the district; a reduction in special offerings; the elimination of school nurses; pay to play for sports and other fees.

In 2012, state funding dropped from a foundation allowance of \$10,184 per student to \$9,714.

“What did we do? We asked our staff to take more than a 10 percent pay cut to help finance the system,” Summerfield said. “We did more reductions in our course offerings and staff. We increased our fees.”

While funding

increased over the next seven years, the current foundation allowance of \$10,104 still has not caught up with the 2011 level of funding.

Summerfield also reviewed cuts the board considered, but didn’t implement, such as eliminating fifth-grade instrumental music, sharing principals, reducing elementary reading support, eliminating school clerks, privatizing custodial staff through the district, reducing middle school administration and athletics and sharing athletic directors.

“Every time we have budget discussions, this is what we’re talking about,” he said, adding cuts have an educational impact.

“That is one of the reasons we’re here is to fix that system — to provide a system that is designed for the students we know we have and are projected to have. ... We’re looking at following our strategic plan. What configuration best promotes innovation? What configuration maximizes the potential of our students and what configuration embraces our community? Nobody wants to destroy our neighborhood school system. We’re still looking at embracing community, but it’s got to be done at a smaller level and we have an opportunity at this time to look at new educational models.”

What is a gravity school?

One of the proposed new models is a grade 3-8 “gravity school,” renamed by a subcommittee of educators as the Grosse Pointe School of Collaboration and Inquiry. The structure would be team taught, cohort based, interdisciplinary and offer innovative scheduling, with assessments focused on portfolio presentations.

Committee member David Walenga, a parent in Grosse Pointe Park who also serves on the school bond oversight

committee, said he needed more information on this concept before making a decision.

“I’m sold on the ideas of the gravity school as a teaching style or educational method and maybe trying to implement that as much as possible at all of the schools across the board,” Walenga said. “I’m not quite sold on why it needs to be in one or two specific buildings.”

Grade reconfiguration

Walenga also said a grade reconfiguration from K-5 to K-4 and grades 6-8 to 5-8 provided “some good educational benefits” and merited further consideration.

The subcommittee presented advantages to these reconfigurations. A K-4 building, for example, would allow focus on literacy and numeracy, grade-level homeroom classes, redeveloped specials schedules and a focus on social and emotional well-being.

A 5-8 building would allow for grade 5-6 and

7-8 teams, varied bell schedules, increased elective offerings, advisory programs and opportunities for fifth-graders to participate in athletics and extracurricular activities.

Community input

Mary Howlett, who joined the blue ribbon committee when it reconvened at the end of January, cautions parents “to stay calm, look at the facts and let the process” play out. She also said no decision has been made yet and while the blue ribbon committee will make recommendations, the Board of Education will make the final decision.

“There’s a lot of information being dumped out at these meetings and then they put them out for the public to see as well,” she said. “If you’re not involved right now in the schools, it’s going to be very confusing. It’s going to seem like a lot of information and it can be scary.”

Howlett believes “community input is really important and the only way we’re going to get

through this.”

At the same time, while community members will have an opportunity at board meetings and town hall meetings to voice their opinions, too many options make the process unwieldy.

“If you have too many options, it’s kind of counterproductive,” she said. “It’s kind of that sweet spot where you come to people with a plan that would make sense and could work, but you still have to give them options in the process,” she said.

Howlett, who lives in Grosse Pointe Park with her husband, Jake, has “a long way to go” with GPPSS; her children are in first-, fourth- and sixth-grades. The most important thing to her is “we

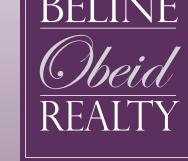
have to take a look at what’s best for all kids as a whole.

“It helps for me to be in the middle of the process because it does alleviate some of the concerns when you’re watching what’s going on and receiving all that information,” she added. “Being armed with facts is always great.”

She said she is “cautiously optimistic” about the process.

“I have faith in our community. We’ll get through it and we’ll come out better on the other side.”

Blue ribbon committee information and responses to frequently asked questions are available at gppschools.org.



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Activist examines past, looks toward future

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

One summer a year after he graduated from high school, Frank Joyce made a detour that set the course of his life.

He was driving down Eight Mile Road at Greenfield when a demonstration caught his attention.

"I was curious about that," Joyce said. "So I made a U-turn and I came around and I noticed that the demonstration was predominantly African American, but an interracial crowd that was picketing a place called The Crystal Pool. This was 1960 on the infamous Eight Mile Road divide. And at that time The Crystal Pool was for whites only."

Joyce joined the picket line protesting a public swimming pool in Oak Park denying admission to African Americans and has been picketing, protesting, demonstrating and writing to advance civil rights ever since.

That was the "demarcation point of when I ran away and joined the civil rights," he said.

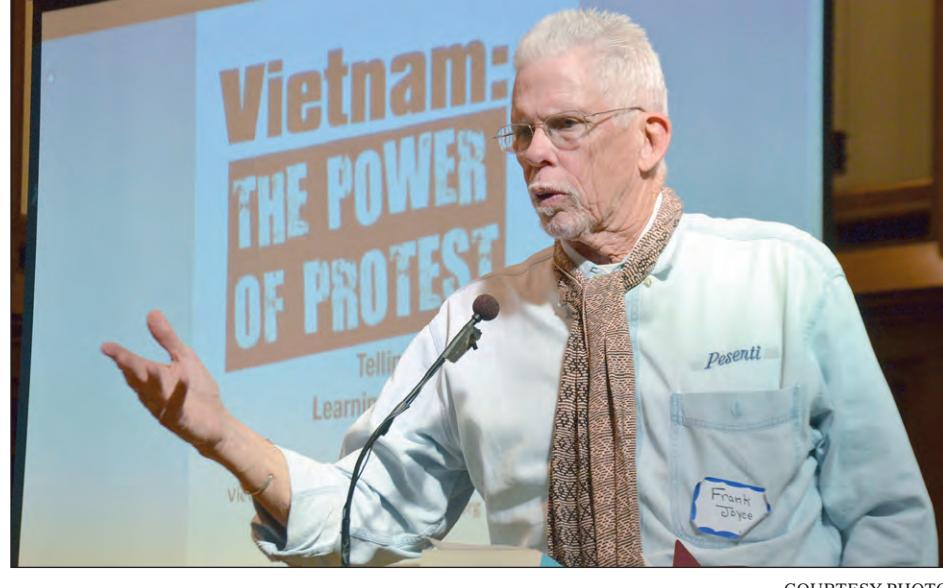
Joyce was born in Detroit in 1941, the eldest child in his family. When he was very young, his parents — "early white fighters," according to Joyce — moved the family to Berkley and later Royal Oak.

"I am a product of all-white schools and grew up in an essentially all-white environment," he said.

He describes his father as a white supremacist. In joining the civil rights movement along with other young white people "in some early phase of questioning the mores and the norms and the authority of the time," Joyce became estranged from his parents for decades.

While enrolled at Wayne State University, Joyce joined an organization called the Northern Student Movement, formed to support the student movement in the South. Later he helped found an organization called People Against Racism, a pioneering organization combating racism in the white community.

"If we accept the premise that white supremacy was created by and for white people, and if you



COURTESY PHOTO

Frank Joyce, a 30-year resident of Grosse Pointe Park, is a member of the Leadership Team of the National Council of Elders and the Vietnam Peace Commemoration Committee and a longtime board member of the Michigan Coalition for Human Rights.

think that's wrong, if you think that's not a good principle by which to organize a society, then the place to try to deal with that is in the white community itself," Joyce said. "So I've been doing that ever since."

In addition to fighting against racism, Joyce's activism has involved labor, human rights and peace campaigns.

Joyce held a part-time factory job to pay his bills while in college, but in time raised enough money to quit and focus on his activism. He never completed his degree, but held a variety of jobs in the auto industry through the 1970s, relocating several times when a plant closed or he was laid off.

He also became involved in the early stages of a newspaper called Fifth Estate, one of the few underground newspapers from that time still in existence today.

This was Joyce's first foray into writing and journalism, another path he continued to pursue to the present. This led to a job as news director at an emerging rock and roll FM radio station. He went on to work in television, then returned to radio and was news director at WDET-FM for several years in the 1980s.

The bulk of Joyce's career was at the United Auto Workers Union, where he held the position of communications director 12 of his 18 years there. While he retired in 2004, for several years he continued to do contract work.

Joyce has lived in his house in Grosse Pointe Park 30 years. He and his

wife, Mary Anne Barnett, also spend time at their home in California, where Joyce's sons, stepson and three grandchildren also live.

Joyce said he "agonized" over the decision to move to Grosse Pointe.

"I had been living in Detroit for many years at that point and very politically active for a long time. ... And moving to any suburb was like a big deal," he said, as it reinforced "the very system that I oppose."

At the time he was a single parent, with his youngest son about to start junior high school.

"And so in the end it was about the schools," he continued. "It's always about the schools for parents."

For the past 10 years, Joyce has concentrated on writing. He has published online at AlterNet and Riverwise, The Detroit Free Press and in several anthologies and is co-editor, with Karin Aguilar-San Juan, of "The People Make the Peace: Lessons from the Vietnam Anti-War Movement."

Joyce currently is writing a book with the working title, "Yes We Can End White Supremacy."

While the book is not exclusively about race, it explores the self-fulfilling prophecy of white supremacy in that it creates a structure that advantages white people.

One chapter, for example, decouples "the whiteness from the supremacy," he said. "There's nothing wrong with being white. There's nothing wrong with being black. ... The question is when you con-

struct a whole economy and a whole political system and a whole value system on that being the hierarchy on which you occupy the top position, which leads you to zero sum arguments in the first place. ... It's the assumption that if black people get something, they're taking it from me. No, they aren't. Where does that idea come from?"

Examining the history and root causes of these beliefs lies at the heart of his work.

"If we start from the premise that by any metric — income, wealth, health, education, et cetera — there are disparities that are measurable by skin color, then it's fair to ask the question, well, how did we get there? How did that come about? What were the decisions that individual white people made about all sorts of things —

about where to live, about who to vote for;

decisions they made in the employment sphere, who to hire, who not to hire, how to fund schools, how not to fund schools?

"We can't seriously pose a question of how we want to go forward if we don't understand how we got to where we are, because we don't really know what the question is," he added.

This year, he noted, marks the 400th anniversary of the arrival of the first African at Jamestown in 1619.

Part of the problem with the "radical" notion of ending white supremacy, he said, is "when you do something for 400 years, it becomes kind of habitual. You think there's no alternative to this and it becomes part of the air that we breathe, which it is, but people think it is more permanent than it needs to be. The idea that we can do without this is in and of itself provocative."

Joyce is optimistic about recent change, in particular along Grosse Pointe's own borders.

"The conversations on Mack on both sides of Alter seem pretty positive and pretty healthy, not settled, not worked out, but there seems to me — and I know some of the people that are involved with this — there's a healthier conversation going on about what are the mutual interests of Detroit and Grosse Pointe Park."

These conversations are "180 degrees" from those that took place when barriers were built along the Grosse Pointe

and Detroit borders, he said.

"There are 15 places along the Alter Road barrier and that boundary and the Mack Avenue boundary where over a period of about 15 years, streets had been closed off at one point or other," Joyce said. "And many of them were controversial at the time."

Acknowledging it may not happen in his lifetime, Joyce's hope is that someday those barriers will come down.

"There is only one reason that anybody ever builds a wall in the first place," he said. "And that is that they're scared of something. ... So whether you're building a wall to keep someone in, like the Berlin Wall, or you're building a wall to send a 'keep out' message, you're afraid. Which takes us all the way back to the beginning because white people have been fearful from day one ... whether it was Native Americans or the slaves or black people or whatever, they might rebel. So white people have been building these walls."

"My aspiration is to get past (walls) to a society that is more genuinely egalitarian and democratic and equal."

Joyce is a member of the Leadership Team of the National Council of Elders and the Vietnam Peace Commemoration Committee and a long-time board member of the Michigan Coalition for Human Rights. In 2018, he received MCHR's Bishop H. Coleman McGhee Champion of Justice Award.

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department.

Personnel for the city's insurance company were on site Monday further assessing the damage before restoration can begin.

"They did find some asbestos in some different spots," Smith said. "So we have to take all the old stuff out — carpeting and ceilings and stuff — and get it all vacuumed properly and air-tested. Once that's done, then we can go back and get started with the other things."

The insurance company covers the cost of the mitigation work and the restoration work that will follow, Smith said.

"We're hoping to get it done as soon as possible to get us back into our offices and give the community center back to the residents," Smith said.

The mitigation phase could take up to four weeks.

City hall's administration services were shut down Monday, March 3, until noon Friday, March 8, when the temporary offices became operational.



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Until the water-damaged offices in Woods city hall are restored, the city's administrative staff will serve the public from temporary workspaces set up in the community center.

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"We had a lot of people here Friday," Smith said. "You know, things pile up — building permits, request for inspections, bills to be paid. There was a lot going on."

The Week Ahead

THURSDAY, MARCH 14

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Community Events Committee meeting, 5:30 p.m. in council chambers, 20025 Mack Plaza.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Historical meeting, 7:30 p.m. at Cook Schoolhouse, 20025 Mack Plaza.

MONDAY, MARCH 18

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Shores Improvement Foundation annual meeting, 7 p.m. at city hall, 795 Lakeshore.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods City Council meeting, 7 p.m. in council chambers, 20025 Mack Plaza.
- ◆ City of Grosse Pointe Woods City Council meeting, 7 p.m. at The Neighborhood Club, second floor, 17150 Waterloo, City of Grosse Pointe.

TUESDAY, MARCH 19

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Shores City Council meeting, 7 p.m. at city hall, 795 Lakeshore.

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Roadside drug test closer to wide use

By Anthony Viola
Staff Writer

The Michigan State Police is expanding and extending its roadside drug test pilot program for another year.

Thirty-one certified drug-recognition experts, or DREs, used the Alere DDS2 device in the pilot program. Starting November 2017 and concluding a year later, certified police officers tested individuals' saliva for the presence of six different drugs in suspected driving under the influence of drugs incidences.

Currently, police officers in Michigan do not have roadside testing instruments to assist in

establishing probable cause for operating while under the influence of drugs.

According to Grosse Pointe Farms Director of Public Safety Dan Jensen, a blood test needs to be conducted if a driver is suspected of being under the influence before charges are brought forth. Delays in obtaining and testing the samples slow the process and contribute to inaccuracies, said Jensen.

The new roadside test will enable officers to determine if a driver is under the influence of

amphetamines, benzodiazepines, cannabis, cocaine, methamphetamine or opiates. The Alere DDS2 returns

... there's zero tolerance for smoking (marijuana) and driving. Zero tolerance.'

DAN JENSEN
Grosse Pointe Farms Director of Public Safety

results in approximately five minutes, according to Michigan State Police.

More than 90 tests were administered by 31 DREs in five counties the first year of the program.

In December, the

Michigan legislature approved an additional \$626,000 to expand the program to all DREs in the state for another year.

According to state police, there are approximately 160 DREs statewide.

Jensen said the Farms has one; however, he has yet to hear from the state about the next phase of the program.

"I have Matt Hurner and the detective bureau keeping an eye on that," he said. "I don't know where they're at with it now. We have not been notified that it's a 'go' yet."

The pilot program was

authorized by Public Act 242 of 2016. It established the program in five counties — Berrien, Delta, Kent, St. Clair and Washtenaw.

While the results were determined to be good by Dhruv B. Sharma Ph.D., senior statistician at the Center for Statistical Training and Consulting at Michigan State University, a larger sample is needed to increase confidence of the test.

"The data set for certain drug classes was not of a suitable sample size to achieve high confidence levels in the obtained result," read the Michigan State Police results study. "The additional data expected to be obtained

from an expanded pilot program may improve the overall confidence in the accuracy, sensitivity, specificity, positive predictive values and negative predictive values of all six drug categories of the Alere DDS2 device."

The expanded program isn't expected to start for a few months. Until then, Jensen said there is still zero tolerance for driving under the influence of drugs, including newly legalized marijuana.

"People need to realize that you need to treat it very cautiously on where you're smoking (marijuana) and there's zero tolerance for smoking and driving," Jensen said. "Zero tolerance."

City of Grosse Pointe

Drunken driving

A 31-year-old Detroit man was arrested for operating while intoxicated at 12:45 a.m. Monday, March 11, on Jefferson at Fisher.

An officer observed the man driving at a high rate of speed eastbound on Jefferson and activated his radar. The radar showed the man traveling more than 50 mph in a 35 mph zone.

While interviewing the man during the traffic stop, the officer noted he had slurred speech, slow muscle movements and glassy eyes.

When asked for his identification, the man handed over his entire wallet.

He failed the field sobriety test and refused to take a preliminary breath test. A warrant for a blood draw was issued.

Underage rager

Six minors were issued minor in possession of alcohol citations at 10:30 p.m. Saturday, March 9, in the 300 block of Lincoln after officers responded to a report of a house party with minors consuming alcohol.

When officers arrived, multiple groups of juveniles were seen leaving the house in different directions and failed to comply with the officers' orders to stop.

Forty-five beer cans were found in the backyard.

After an investigation, the six tickets were issued and the homeowner was notified the incident would be reviewed by the city attorney.

Lock your car

Items were stolen from an unlocked vehicle in a Village parking lot between 2:45 and 3:30 p.m. Friday, March 8.

The owner of the vehicle parked in Lot 2, behind Moosejaw, and went to a meeting in the area.

When he returned, he discovered a computer bag, laptop and a folder containing files with individuals' Social Security numbers and personal information missing.

The vehicle owner also noted the car smelled of smoke and neither he nor anyone else with access to the vehicle smokes.

Catalytic converters stolen

Two catalytic converters from vehicles owned by the same person were stolen overnight Monday, March 4, in the 800 block of Notre Dame.

When the owner went to his vehicle parked in the street at 7 a.m. Monday and started it, he noticed it was louder than usual. He then went to his other vehicle and noticed the same thing. He checked under each vehicle and noticed both catalytic converters missing.

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

Grosse Pointe Farms

Concealed weapon

A 25-year-old Detroit woman was arrested for driving with a suspended license and carrying a concealed weapon at 5:30 p.m. Sunday, March 10, on Mack at Canyon. Her passenger also was arrested for multiple warrants.

An officer observed the woman driving a vehicle with a severely cracked windshield and air fresheners hanging from her rearview mirror, possibly obstructing her view. The officer pulled over the woman after witnessing her run a red light at Mack and Gateshead.

A Law Enforcement Information Network search revealed 11 failure-to-appear warrants and a suspended license. It also was discovered via LEIN the passenger had failure-to-appear warrants.

When searching the woman, a handgun was found on her person. She did not have a concealed pistol license for the weapon.

Son steals car

A 38-year-old St. Clair Shores man is suspected of stealing his mother's car between Friday, March 1, and Tuesday, March 5.

The victim, a resident

of Grosse Pointe Farms, said she lent the vehicle to her son and expected it to be returned by 9:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 5.

When the son didn't return the car and stopped answering his phone, the mother reported the vehicle stolen.

The son was spotted and detained near his mother's residence and subsequently barred from entering the house. When asked where the vehicle was, he replied that it was gone.

Detroit police officers later spotted the vehicle in the area of Harper and Cadieux, but could not relocate it until a few days later. The vehicle was recovered in the 14300 block of Wade in Detroit at 2 a.m. Saturday, March 9.

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

Grosse Pointe Shores

Nothing to report.

Grosse Pointe Woods

Found pistol

When a resident in the 1800 block of Hunt Club Drive found a loaded Glock 27 pistol in a dealership loaner vehicle he was driving at 1:35 p.m. Wednesday, March 6, he unloaded the weapon and notified public safety.

Officers arrived to receive the weapon and identify its last registered owner.

The officers contacted the dealership for information on the previous driver of the loaner vehicle. The Clinton Township man identified matched the name of the weapon's last registered owner.

Stolen bike

A resident in the 1800 block of Newcastle reported at 12:20 p.m. Wednesday, March 6, a black Electra bike valued at \$700 missing from her garage.

— Melissa Walsh
Report information about these and other crimes to Grosse Pointe

Woods Public Safety, (313) 343-2400.

Grosse Pointe Park

Package stolen

An Amazon package containing a \$60 Waterpik was stolen from a porch in the 1300 block of Berkshire between 6 and 7:15 p.m. Wednesday, March 6.

Larceny from auto

Items from an unlocked vehicle were

stolen between 8:30 p.m. Friday, March 8, and 11:15 a.m. Saturday, March 9, in the 1400 block of Somerset. A laptop, gloves and assorted coins were taken.

— Anthony Viola
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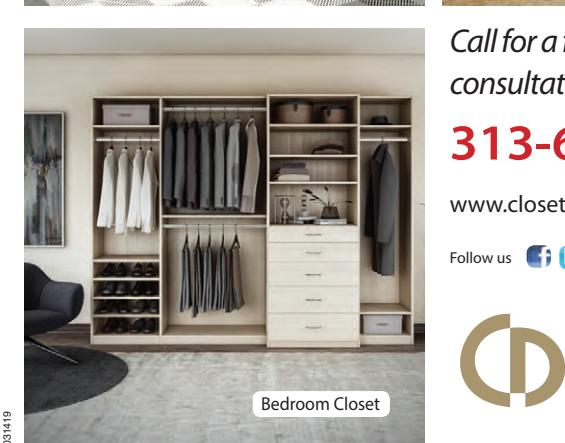
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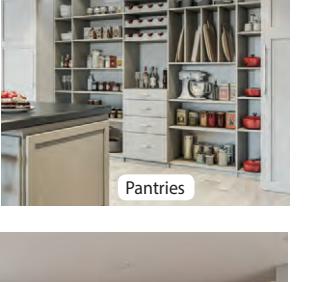


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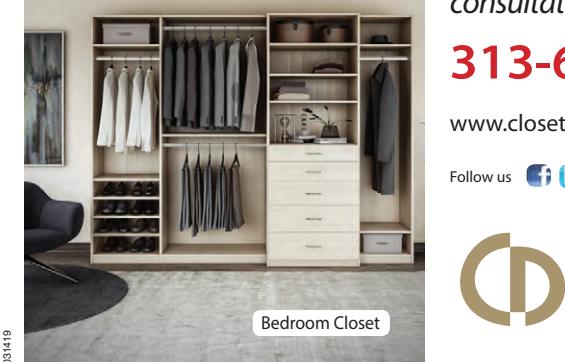
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OUR VIEW

Fix the damn roads ... tax

Gov. Gretchen Whitmer may have sent most Michiganders into shock with her proposal for a 45-cent-per-gallon increase in the gas tax.

Gov. Whitmer made a strong case for the tax, which would be phased in by 15-cent increments over 18 months, starting next fall. And, shock or no shock, most drivers know that Michigan's road needs are huge.

The road proposal from the governor's March 5 presentation now goes to the Legislature for review and potential action. Among the most pertinent questions: How would Gov. Whitmer's plan affect local streets and roads?

She has recommended withholding all the new revenue from the traditional road distribution formula, which includes an allocation to local governments for their road needs. The current money has grown scant enough that many, many municipalities have asked voters for extra millage to fix roads. If gas purchases dwindle because of higher taxes and increased fuel efficiency, that pot of money would dwindle, too.

But Gov. Whitmer is also dangling a carrot:

The new money would be distributed via a formula that recognizes the most trafficked corridors everywhere in the state. Freeways would get a huge chunk of the money, of course. But in maps put together by the Michigan Department of Transportation, even the Grosse Pointes could benefit from an emphasis on freeway feeder routes such as Cadieux and Moross. Multi-community commercial routes, including Mack and Kercheval, also appear on the maps accompanying Gov. Whitmer's plan.

As Gov. Whitmer and numerous others have pointed out, drivers don't care whether they're on a state, county or local road. Perhaps the time has come to treat roads — think of Cadieux as it passes through Detroit and then forms the border between Grosse Pointe Park and the City of Grosse Pointe — as whole organic entities like rivers. And imagine having long, seamless stretches of such roads repaired, allowing individual municipalities to concentrate on residential streets.

The problem is that many of those so-called through roads are exactly the roads that are getting fixed already, often through voter-approved millages. Grosse Pointe Park's most recent one-mill vote is based almost entirely on fixing through roads such as Kercheval. The City of Grosse Pointe's millage has included work on Charlevoix, another route that shows up on the state map as a through road.

Counties, which handle repairs on many of the busiest non-state roads, presumably would get the biggest boost from Gov. Whitmer's proposal. For example, in the Pointes, both Mack and Jefferson/Lakeshore are county roads. (In Detroit, the city maintains Jefferson and its own side of Mack.) Gov. Whitmer also would reserve a small fraction of the money for rural roads and bridges that may not have high traffic counts but are essential to farmers and school buses.

Truly local neighborhood streets are not intended to benefit from this plan except to the extent a community spends less on through roads and has more money available. The gain, if any, will vary dramatically by community. Perhaps that's not surprising, since squeezing local governments to sustain state services has become sort of a way of life in Lansing.

In the end, it's unlikely that a final road plan will look much like the governor's proposal. What's important is that the details, not just the price, will matter to local governments as well as to vehicle owners.

All that said, it's also important to accept that the state must take serious, comprehensive action on roads now — before even worse bills come due after decades of neglect. The goal should be to make every driver glad that Michigan has finally faced up to reality.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Pure Grosse Pointe

The blue sky says spring, but snow- and ice-covered Lake St. Clair still carries a winter chill.

FROM THE PUBLISHER

MLK marker has arrived

On this the 51st anniversary of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. speech at Grosse Pointe High School, we are pleased to announce the state of Michigan historical marker commemorating the event has arrived.

However, a number of details prevented the marker from being unveiled on the March 14 anniversary date.

One obstacle, of course, was the weather — or rather the season. According to a representative of Backer Landscaping, the company likely to do the installation work, this winter's polar vortexes and subzero temperatures have the ground pretty well frozen. While he said the work could be done, it would be more difficult.

Also, March 14 turns out to be parent-teacher conferences at the high school, so holding a ceremony appropriate for the occasion would not be possible.

Another factor was allowing time for dignitaries from Lansing and the National Association of Realtors, which granted a grant request from the Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors, to plan to attend.

Lastly, a decision had yet to be made for the location of the marker. It was originally thought the marker could be planted next to the existing one at the Fisher Road entrance. But it turns out a secure entryway and vestibule is slated to be constructed at

the site over the summer.

So the existing marker, erected Dec. 17, 1992, commemorating Grosse Pointe High, will have to be exhumed and re-installed.

Last week, members of the ad hoc MLK marker committee — Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors, Grosse Pointe South Mothers' Club, school district and South administration, school board facilities committee, Backer Landscaping, the general contractor and the Grosse Pointe News — agreed to have both markers installed at the Fisher Road site following construction. Superintendent Gary Niehaus, who ran the ad hoc meeting, will direct the architect to incorporate the location of the markers in the plans.

It also was decided that the formal dedication will be held next fall, possibly prior to the Grosse Pointe North-South Tailgate game Oct. 18 at South.

Again, we would like to give special thanks to the Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors for obtaining the grant and submitting the application to the Michigan History Center.

Titled "MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. IN GROSSE POINTE," the large, 42- by 54-inch marker has different text on front and back in order to relate more of Dr. King's "The Other America" speech.

Just three weeks after he visited Grosse Pointe, Dr. King was assassinated in Memphis, Tenn.

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Shopping bags: Bring your own — or pay!

To the Editor:

We (all of us) should join the growing crusade to get rid of plastic carry-out bags.

If one thinks, "Oh, God, not another do-gooder!"

watch one of the several current documentary shows on this national problem showing how seriously we are polluting our lakes and oceans with this plastic.

According to one documentary, the average household uses 1,750 plastic bags per year. And, more sorrowful, the

amount of this material found in the stomach and intestines of those who call these waters their home. It literally brings tears to your mind, if not eyes.

Trader Joe's recently published in their February Flyer a "Not so confidential memo" to their customers, titled "Reducing Plastic & Packaging Improvements."

This memo is more than laudable; it is a remarkable and praiseworthy document addressing a serious national and international problem.

So what do we do? One idea:

Shopping customers bring their own carry-out bags or pay.

An example: 10 cents for each paper bag used. The store gets a nickel and

the organization(s) helping to clean up this awful mess gets the other nickel.

Recently I was discussing this subject with a checkout cashier at Trader Joe's when a lady behind me said, "Over in Chicago you bring your own carry-out bag(s) or pay 7 cents for each paper bag you require."

Amen! If one thinks this is a negative or poor idea, again I would suggest they watch one of the plastic documentaries covering this subject.

Each of us should contribute in some way to this growing tragedy. A few more cents at the marketplace is a worthy beginning.

In closing, I believe this is a worthy news coverage item.

WILLIAM J. CUDLIP
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I SAY By Renee Landuyt

Underground Railroad, north to freedom



"The midnight sky and the silent stars have been the witness of your devotion to freedom and of your heroism." — Frederick Douglass in a letter to Harriet Tubman, 1868.

Countless people, such as slave owners, slaves and those who helped slaves escape to freedom, were all witnesses to the slave trade.

Even nature bore witness to the atrocity. Trees marked with signs and symbols, broken branches, bent tree limbs and the stars were all signs that guided slaves to the north.

I saw a one-woman show on the life of Harriet Tubman and became interested in the history of the Underground Railroad. This is just a bit of what I found.

The Underground

Railroad was a network of escape routes and many individuals were instrumental in making it run smoothly.

The Underground Railroad used homes and businesses that helped runaway slaves get to what were termed "depots" or "stations," and those running them were known as "station-masters."

"Conductors" risked their lives by hiding slaves in barns, cellars, churches and sheds. They moved slaves from one station to the next until they reached freedom in a northern state that didn't allow slavery.

But most of the time they were helped all the way to Canada. That is one of the many ways Detroit was instrumental in the Underground Railroad with its close proximity to Canada, especially near Amherstburg, Ontario, simply because it's a narrow part of the river making escape easier.

A statue stands in Hart Plaza, downtown Detroit, overlooking the Detroit River. It's the international memorial to the

Underground Railroad called Gateway to Freedom and shows a man named George de Baptiste, a Detroit resident who helped numerous slaves get across the river, pointing toward Windsor next to six fugitive slaves ready to board a boat to freedom across the river in Canada.

Across the river in Windsor is a second monument showing a former slave waving his arm to celebrate his freedom and a Quaker woman offering her assistance to a woman and child. These companion monuments were created by the same sculptor, Ed Dwight, and erected in 2001.

There were various clandestine ways people communicated to help slaves in their escape.

It is said they used quilts to relay messages as they hung either in a window or on a clothesline as a way to give directions or send a signal without others knowing it. The quilts were sewn with symbols, such as a monkey wrench pattern that directed slaves to gather their belongings.

along with physical and mental tools in preparation for their escape.

The wagon wheel patch told them to prepare what was needed for survival or that a wagon was close by to help. The flying geese patch meant to follow the direction of the birds in the spring because they fly north. The drunkard's patch told slaves to zig-zag their way to avoid slave hunters and their dogs, and the bowtie patch told them to change their slave clothes and wear a disguise.

There were messages in the lyrics of songs telling them where to go and who to meet. In the song, "Follow the Drinking Gourd," were instructions on how and when to get to safety.

In the song, "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot," the words "sweet chariot" meant the Underground Railroad, and the words, "comin' for to carry me home" meant "take me to freedom in the northern states or Canada," and the words, "a band of angels coming after me" meant that workers on the Underground

Railroad were coming to help. This was a favorite song of Harriet Tubman, a former slave who escaped and helped hundreds of slaves to safety.

She used it to warn slaves whether it was safe or not to come out of hiding.

Can you imagine having to rely on the dark of night and a message in a quilt or song to get you to freedom? Today, we use GPS to get somewhere, and before that, we used Rand McNally road maps.

The slaves must have been so scared. This was dangerous, but what price would you pay for freedom?

They used many codes and depended on secrecy because there were harsh penalties for slaves who ran away and for those who helped them.

Passwords were used to convey that the runaways were genuine; rocks were drummed together to send messages; River Jordan was the secret code word for the Ohio River, and Moses was the code name for Harriet Tubman.

These brave slaves wanted to be free so

badly that they made their way from town to town, mostly at night on foot.

Detroit was a place where slaves could be helped and was one of the final stops before freedom was fully tasted in Canada.

There is a church in downtown Detroit called the Historic First Congregational Church with an Underground Railroad Living Museum offering storytelling reenactments of the original Underground Railroad passage.

This subject is both fascinating in its history and incredibly sad, because people thought they could own other people.

From now on, whenever I gaze across the Detroit River, I will think of the people who helped slaves gain their freedom and remember the courage the slaves demonstrated to get here.

Sources: "The Underground Railroad in Michigan" by Carol Mull; "Hidden in Plain View" by Jacqueline Tobin and Raymond Dobard; american-historama.org.

YESTERDAY'S HEADLINES

1944

75 years ago this week

FIRE DAMAGES GARAGE: Four boys started a fire on a vacant lot in the 600 block of Notre Dame to clean it off for a baseball diamond. It got beyond their control and communicated to a neighboring garage.

The boys, ages 15, 14, 15 and 12, through their respective parents, promised to make good the damage to the garage.

PIGGY BANK TACTICS USED BY PARK THIEVES: A Detroit News truck driver reported to Park police that money had been taken out of the box in front of the Grosse Pointe Tavern on several recent occasions.

As the box was securely locked with a padlock, he says the only way the thieves could have gotten the money out was to lift the entire stand up and

shake it patiently and vigorously, even as impecunious papas have been known in the past to agitate Junior's piggy bank.

1969
50 years ago this week

FARMS POLICE SIGN WAGE PACT: The Grosse Pointe Farms Police Officers Association ended its 10-month wage dispute with the city and approved a contract that grants veteran officers an immediate raise to \$10,000 a year.

LEAF BURNING OPPONENTS TO GET HEARING: Proponents for an ordinance banning the burning of leaves within the city limits will be given a hearing at the Farms council meeting March 17.

The petition, signed by about 700 Farms residents, many of whom are allergic to smoke or have children who are,

asks city council to pass an ordinance banning the burning of leaves and other smoke-creating material.

Obituaries: Violet M. Guenzel, Henrietta Jurges, Annie G. Lundell, Raoul Verriest

1994

25 years ago this week

GROUP WANTS LIGHTS AT SOUTH: Will Friday night football become reality for Grosse Pointe South High School?

An ad hoc group, comprising South boosters, alumni and parents, will appear before Grosse Pointe Farms City Council for a site plan review to make sure the proposed light poles comply with the city's ordinance.

Opponents of the lights cite tradition of not having Friday night football, increased traffic, noise, confusion and litter in an already congested area.

TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATORS OFFERED BUYOUT: Teachers and administrators will be offered an incentive to retire early under a buyout plan approved by the Grosse Pointe public school board.

School superintendent Ed Shine told the board replacing approximately 85 of the highest paid teachers with new teachers at the lower end of the pay scale could save the district \$15 million over a 10-year period.

Obituaries: Walter Robert Kosy, Ann Gray Sherer, Grace V. Stringer, Donald G. Strnad, Mary Jane Van Hooren, Mary Agnes Wiggins

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CRESCENT SAIL CLUB TO UPGRADE: A fleet of storage sheds will be replaced with a single, 2,000-square-foot utility building at

Crescent Sail Club.

The new, two-story, 28 1/2-foot-tall building needed approval of the Grosse Pointe Farms City Council because structures in the club's district are limited to heights of 15 feet.

UNIQUE HOUSE SALES INITIATIVE LAUNCHED: A new home sales program Grosse Pointe Park recently set in motion will assist selected house buyers in the purchase of either a new or renovated home located within the city's Tax Increment Financing district. The district is

located between Jefferson and Mack, Beaconsfield and Wayburn.

What is unique about the program is that it is directed toward employees of the Grosse Pointe Public School System, Grosse Pointe Park city employees and public safety officers from the five Grosse Pointes.

Obituaries: Margo Kessler, Hildegard Kosack, Dorothy Nixon, Ellen I. Roche, Robert Leo Rousseau, Frederick Joseph Somes Jr., Kenneth E. Urtel, Faye Clancy Youngblood
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Dickey, McCamey & Chilcote P.C., a national, full-service law firm, opened a new office on The Hill at 89 Kercheval, Suite 200, Grosse Pointe Farms.

"As with our other office openings, our expansion has been guided by serving clients' growing demands," said Jeffrey T. Wiley, managing director and chief operating officer. "Our growth strategy includes increasing the talent in all of our locations, ultimately delivering more value for the people we represent."

The Farms location will enhance Dickey

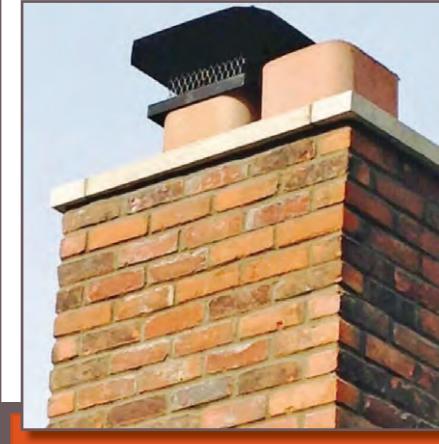
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North students row their cardboard boats

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

For some, the project went swimmingly. For others it was less merry. Those were the competitors who ended up drenched in the pool with sunken boats and soggy cardboard.

The event was Grosse Pointe North High School's ninth annual physics cardboard boat regatta, a project incorporating science standards in physics and engineering and allowing students "to take a concept they're learning in their classroom, apply it to a problem and then be able to see how it works in real life," according to physics teacher Jaime Hainer.

The objective was to construct a boat out of cardboard that bore the weight of designated rowers, whose role was to paddle the boat across both ends of the pool.

Successful completion of this feat earned an 'A' and navigating only to one end a 'B,' according to juniors Brett Abke, Nick Deeb, Nate Jenny, Elliot Lyman and Eleanor Martinez. Their boat, SS Crunch, successfully completed its mission both lengths of the pool. The secret to their success?

"We double layered the sides and triple layered the bottom," Abke said.

According to Martinez, the equal weight of their two rowers — Jenny and Lyman, both weighing in at 165 lbs. — helped balance the boat.

The students made model boats in the classroom they tested out with scaled weights, Hainer said, refining their designs based on how the model boats did and using that knowledge on their full-scale boats.

Building the boats took place outside school. Students, divided into teams, got together on their own time, including during winter break, to test out principles they learned in class and



Clockwise from top left: Michaela Cosgrove and Sophia Ketels laugh hard when their boat, Drip Too Hard, barely made it 20 feet before beginning to sink; Zachary Kezhaya paddled his boat Regatta Deblanc on a solo voyage, making it across the pool and back; Olivia Kenzie and Rachel Sexton were relieved their boat F=un made it both lengths of the pool without sinking; Grant Sachs' boat, Who's Shore Daddy, sank as soon as it launched. About half the boats made it across the pool and back.

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apply their own creativity, design and sense of style.

Naming the boats was half the fun, often driving design ideas, with nautical word plays like the Cod Father, Backstreet Buoys, Sea Senora, SS Seduction, Reel Nauti Buoys, Lil Yachty and Home Deboat.

The physics project goes beyond buoyancy, water displacement and force principles, said physics teacher Don Pata.

"We do it for a couple of reasons," Pata said. "One, we do it because the kids like it, which for me is plenty of reason to do it, but it's a great application for the stuff that we teach in physics where the kids get to experience it on

such a visceral level that that connection engages them even further in their learning. But more importantly, we do it because it's such a representation of their hard work. They get together on their own time and they plan these boats out. They build them and they get to see the fruits of their labor whether they succeed or fail in the water. But when they get to tie their success to their hard work, I think that that helps makes them just stronger people."

"The content is fine. We love the physics content," Pata added. "We're trying to develop great humans here. That's really what we're trying to do."

While Pata has helped

organize the regatta all nine years, Hainer said she "jumped on board" when she joined North's physics department five years ago. Pata credits Hainer's organizational skills for making the event run smoothly; Hainer said she took advantage of the plan already in place.

Week Ahead

WED.-SAT., MARCH 20-23

◆ The art department at Grosse Pointe South High School presents ArtFest 2019, a four-day student exhibition held in South's multipurpose room. Awards night is Friday, March 22, with the exhibition from 5 to 7 p.m. and the awards ceremony beginning at 7 p.m. Every art student has a piece on display, resulting in an array of artwork from paintings and photography to jewelry and ceramics. The show is free and open to the public. Hours Wednesday through Friday are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 5 to 8 p.m. On Saturday the show is open 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Many pieces are available for purchase. Cash, checks, Visa and Mastercard are accepted. South is located at 11 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms.

FRI.-SAT., MARCH 22-23

◆ St. Paul Catholic School presents "The Wizard of Oz: Young Performers' Edition" at 7 p.m. in the school gym. Tickets are available at showtix4u.com (search for St. Paul on the Lake). The school is located at 170 Grosse Pointe Boulevard, Grosse Pointe Farms. Call (313) 885-3440 for more information.

Both agree the students are behind the event's success.

"We really have just a great group of kids," Hainer said, adding she enjoyed witnessing not only their excitement, but how they're "always cheering for each other."

Teacher of THE WEEK



Jennifer Richards

School: Defer Elementary School

Years at Defer: 10

Grade/Subject: Kindergarten

Nominated by: Lisa

Rheume, principal

Principal's quote:

back to share where their journey has taken them.

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What do you enjoy most about teaching?

There is no greater reward than having the opportunity to witness a child's "aha moment." This is that magical moment when a child grasps a concept for the very first time and finally believes in him or herself as a learner. These moments are truly priceless and can be life altering for the student, as well as yourself. I get to be there at the very beginning of their educational journey, to guide them into developing a lifelong love of learning. Then I get to see the impact of that learning, as I watch many of those students continue to challenge themselves and accomplish great things over the years. Some even come



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treatment facility for abused and neglected children. While working there, I learned an infinite amount of knowledge from the children I taught and from the amazing people that I had the opportunity to work with at that time. They were some of the strongest, kindest, most dedicated, hard-working people I had ever met. They encompassed the true meaning of the word team. So much so, they were more like family. Many of them have become lifelong friends. My most significant relationship eventually became my husband. In 2009, The Children's Home closed their doors and Barnard closed as well. It was a great loss in many ways. At that time, I thought I would never find that sense of belonging again. However, I am thankful to say I have found that same connection at Defer. It has been a tremendous blessing to learn so much from so many.

Favorite quote:

"Whether you think you can, or whether you think you can't, you're right." — Henry Ford



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Under the Sea

Our Lady Star of the Sea School presents "Little Mermaid Jr." Thursday, March 14, at 1:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. and Friday, March 15, at 7 p.m. The play is under the direction of Jennifer Koester. Tickets are \$8 for evening performances only.

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Parents protest potential closures, gravity school

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe Public School System parents came out in full force to the Board of Education regular meeting Monday night to voice concerns about proposed changes to the school district.

Top on the list were the effect of building closures on a community known for its walkable neighborhood schools and skepticism over the proposed addition of a grade 3-8 gravity school to draw students from across the district and offer an innovative educational approach.

'I want to ask tough questions because I feel as a citizen that's my role...'

BRIDGET CHRISTIAN
Grosse Pointe Farms resident

Twenty-five residents addressed the board during public comments. Geoff Horst of Grosse Pointe Farms began by questioning the reliability of Plante Moran Cresa, hired by the district to project enrollment.

"Their ability to predict information is actually abysmal," Horst said. "... If you're going to decide to close buildings, you need to have accurate projections five, 10, 15 years from now."

As an example, he cited a flawed 2013 study projecting Bloomfield Hills Schools would lose 215 students by 2017, when in fact the district gained 146 students.

Sara Gough, also of Grosse Pointe Farms and a Kerby Elementary School parent, said she grew up in Grosse Pointe and walked to school every day. She and her husband moved back to Grosse Pointe to give their kids "those experiences riding bikes or walking to school."

Gough also asked board members "to put a pin in the gravity concept for now. I think a gravity program is exciting and something to explore, but dedicating a building and resources to something that is untested is a risk that I'm not willing to buy into for my kids."

Laura Burns of Grosse Pointe Park said she came to Grosse Pointe "for neighborhood schools, not because I wanted my kids to walk only, but because I came here for the community culture."

"So far gravity schools have dominated the conversation," she added. "I think innovation is important, but right now they're getting far more air time, focus and it concerns me because how do we improve for all. ... I think there are really important conversations to be had. Do the types of things that are in gravity schools, but do it across the board for our district."

Cheryl Hess, a Grosse Pointe Park resident with two children at Trombly Elementary School, asked board members to take more time before naming buildings, as stated would occur at the next blue ribbon committee meeting Thursday, March 14.

"After specific schools are named, it will be too late," she said. "It will be too easy to write off parents as emotional and biased because they're talking about their schools."

As far as the gravity



All eight proposed reconfiguration options under consideration by the blue ribbon committee include the sale of the Grosse Pointe Public School System administration building at 389 St. Clair in the City of Grosse Pointe.

school concept was concerned, she described it as "a shiny object."

"It's as if our district were a failing marriage and by having a baby, we could fix it," she said, drawing laughter from the audience.

Amy Weglarz of Grosse Pointe

Woods said board members needed "a huge thank you. They are parents. ... They are community members. They love our schools. They love our community. They love our kids."

Regarding the inclusion of non-resident teachers on the blue ribbon committee, Weglarz added, "Our teachers spend 35-plus hours every week with my kids and your kids. They absolutely deserve a place at the table."

Farms residents Mandy Koop and Michael Calin were among a group of residents who proposed private funding to address the district's financial woes, using East Grand Rapids, which raises \$500,000 annually for operating costs, as an example.

According to a proposal prepared by Grosse Pointe residents, if 60 percent of parents contributed \$350 per student, the estimated amount generated would exceed \$1.5 million.

Woods resident Erica Foondle asked that community members be heard.

"Our community is divided and that is not our community," she said. "We have worked together on a number of projects over the past several years. You want community involvement? We've got community involvement. ... You have our support, but listen to us, please. ... And kick the can with the gravity school. No more gravity school."

Stephen Neuman of Grosse Pointe Park, who has two children at Trombly, said he moved back to Grosse Pointe "specifically for walkable schools."

"There's a fatal flaw with all of the options," he said. "Each one of them bring a corresponding negative revenue impact and nobody's talking about that ... People who are so dissatisfied that they leave the district. They move, they go to (a private school) or they never come here in the first place. ... If we lose 1 percent of our enrollment because of redistricting, we've wiped our cost savings out."

Bridget Christian, a Grosse Pointe Farms resident and Kerby parent, appealed to the board as a member of the blue ribbon committee tasked with recommending two to three reconfiguration options to the Board of Education by April 8.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

being muffled by a gravity school that's not a school; it could be a program or an approach. I'm really struggling as a member because I want to ask tough questions because I feel as a citizen that's my role."

Roger Fox of Grosse Pointe Farms cautioned against closing buildings if future enrollment projections prove unreliable.

"Once you sell that property, it's gone. If the population should come back, you're not going to get that property back," he said.

Pamela Grand, a Farms resident and Kerby parent, said, "I think a lot of the feelings the community have of distrust have been because things have been going so fast and I would encourage you to

slow down."

Board members commended residents for expressing their opinions and concerns in a productive and civilized fashion.

Said Trustee Christopher Profeta, "Tonight is part of the process. Tonight is proof the process is working because we've engaged people and we're listening. ... If we keep having positive meetings like we had tonight and we keep working together, we will get to a solution."

President Brian Summerfield also assured community members the board was listening.

"I do have some concerns about the process based on what I've heard tonight, but we're going to address that," he said.

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Comhghairdeas!

Irish dancer heading to Worlds for the fourth consecutive year

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Comhghairdeas — “congratulations” in Irish Gaelic — are in store for Grosse Pointe Woods resident Michaela Cosgrove.

The 18-year-old Grosse Pointe North High School senior this spring will attend her fourth consecutive Irish Dance World Championship.

“The feeling never gets old,” she said. “Each time I’m just as excited, if not more excited, than the time before. Getting to go wherever we get to go is also pretty exciting.”

This year’s competition takes place in Greensboro, N.C., the second week of April.

Cosgrove said she still feels a sense of relief at qualifying. The pressure is always on to bring her “A” game.

She qualified at a regional competition — Mid-America Oireachtas — in November, finishing in the top five for the first time, which was “also pretty exciting,” she said.

During her career, she’s placed in the top 10 three times at Mid-America and three times in the North American Irish Dance Championships as well.

Irish dancing since she was 4, Cosgrove has earned a bit of a following in the world of Irish dance.

“At Mid-America, she’s well known,” her mother, Katie Cosgrove, said.



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From left, Ardan Academy owner John Heinzman, Michaela Cosgrove, teachers Chris Stefani and Megan McParland-May.

“Young dancers follow her on Instagram. She has some recognition. All Irish dancers at the championship level know who the other dancers are.”

While she choreographs her own dances, Cosgrove has long worked with teachers John Heinzman, Chris Stefani and Megan McParland-May to fine-tune her routines. She practices in Grosse Pointe Woods at Ardan Academy, which Heinzman owns, as well as at a studio in Taylor.

“We are fortunate to have this studio in Grosse Pointe,” Katie Cosgrove said, noting the studio’s performance team takes its show on the road, per-

forming in schools and assisted living centers, especially around St. Patrick’s Day.

To keep her primed for competition, Cosgrove last month competed in the All-Ireland Irish Dancing Championships in Killarney, Ireland.

“Ireland is difficult to compete against,” Katie Cosgrove said. “When you’re a top dancer, you go where the top competition is.”

Cosgrove competed well in Killarney, finishing in the top 50.

“It was an incredible experience, as I was competing amongst the most talented girls from the USA and all over Europe,” she said. “The competi-

tion had about 160 competitors and I placed in the top 50, which I was thrilled about.”

Now back in the states, Cosgrove has less than a month to prepare for Worlds, at which she’ll dance a treble jig during her hard shoe round, a slip jig during her soft shoe round and — if she’s recalled by judges — a contemporary set dance.

“From going the past three times, I’ve gotten a ton of experience with how to deal with stress,” she said. “This major is the most stressful to me. The first time I didn’t have any idea what to expect.”

Despite making strides in confidence and stage presence, each performance is nerve-racking, she said.

“But every time I go onstage, I’m getting that much better at what I do. I know how to channel my nerves.”

Judges from around the world will have their eyes on Cosgrove as she dances, each of them critiquing a different aspect of her performance, from posture to facial expressions.

“At my second Worlds, there was a judge who looked at my face the whole time, not my feet,” she said. “That shows you how subjective it is. A big thing is engaging the audience and the judges.”

At her first Worlds competition, Cosgrove placed 64th of around 200. Her



Cosgrove finished in the top 50 during the recent All-Ireland Irish Dancing Championships in Killarney.

second, she placed 37th. She placed in the bottom half her third time at Worlds, but has set goals for this year’s event.

“Thinking about numbers, about how I’ll place, doesn’t work for me,” she said. “My goal is three clean rounds and to feel good about them.”

“Every time I compete, of course I’m nervous, but it’s less each time,” she continued. “I don’t have control of the results. I give it my all; that’s what matters.”

The fact she made it to Worlds speaks volumes, her mother said.

“Only 1 percent of dancers qualify for Worlds,” Katie Cosgrove explained. “You’re already in such an elite category.”

Added Michaela Cosgrove, “It sounds cheesy when people say, ‘Just being there is a gift,’ but it really is. I’m surrounded by people who’ve worked hard to be there and really want to be there.”

Cosgrove’s success hasn’t come without cost. The past few years, she’s suffered several injuries, from hip issues and strained tendons to severe tendonitis in her shin.

“That shows a lot about her strength and conviction,” Katie Cosgrove said. “There were times (she could have given up), but she worked with trainers and teachers to get through her injuries and stay strong.”

When she’s not Irish dancing, Cosgrove enjoys running. The four-year cross-country runner was the team captain this year

and recently learned she’ll captain the girls distance track runners this coming season. She also takes advantage of offerings at the Neighborhood Club, including cycling, Zumba, swimming and Body Boot Camp.

“Running and Neighborhood Club classes have helped me with stamina and endurance,” she said, adding both are needed when competing in dance. “I have to execute things sharply.”

While a lot of top dancers aspire to join Riverdance or Lord of the Dance, Cosgrove said, “It’s cool to watch, but I don’t know if I’d want to do that. I like doing shows, but it’s not the same as competing.”

“I’m a competitive person in dance and running,” she continued. “I always want to be better; I set the bar high for myself.”

Cosgrove plans to continue competing, but also has a career path in mind.

“I’m 99 percent sure I want to go to Wayne State,” she said. “They have a good kinesiology program.”

Cosgrove hopes to become a physical therapist.

Her mother is happy she’ll do it close to home.

“She’s gotten into every school she applied to in the first round,” Katie Cosgrove said. “I thought she’d go away to school. We decided to evaluate what’s best for her career.”

She decided to stay close to home, to her teachers, to the studios. It’s what she really wants to do.”



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Cosgrove in costume, created by Rising Star in Belfast, Ireland.

Cosgrove practices a jig.

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Gilda's Club Metro Detroit partners with The Lake House

Gilda's Club Metro Detroit and The Lake House recently announced a merger that will ensure greater opportunities to serve families facing cancer.

The decision to bring The Lake House under the Gilda's Club umbrella was months in the making with one motivation

— to continue, broaden and strengthen cancer support throughout metro Detroit.

The partnership is perfectly timed. Gilda's Club has been serving metro Detroit for 25 years and is in a position to expand its footprint. For eight years, The Lake House has built strong and

meaningful programming that mirrors the vision Gilda Radner set in motion when she said, "Everyone needs a place," as she faced insurmountable odds.

The Lake House will continue its full slate of local programming under the Gilda's Club name and umbrella,

becoming the "Gilda's Club Metro Detroit, Lake House" location. Programming will continue with its current staff at the St. Clair Shores location on Pare Street with no disruption.

Just 16 miles apart, The Lake House membership can take advantage of Gilda's Club's

extensive programming in Royal Oak and current members of Gilda's Club now have options on the east side.

Laura Varon Brown, Gilda's Club executive director and CEO, said, "The true beneficiaries of this merger are those we serve — our members. We are thrilled to broaden

our reach and impact. Gilda's Club sets the gold standard of care, erasing any barriers to support, education and wellness. Everything under our roof, whether that be in Royal Oak, Farmington Hills, Dearborn and now in St. Clair Shores, is free of any costs to families facing cancer."

AREA ACTIVITIES

Gilda's Club, Lake House

Gilda's Club Metro Detroit, Lake House, 23500 Pare, St. Clair Shores, offers the following programs:

- ◆ Speaker Jayson Field M.D., gynecologist oncologist, discusses "Human Papillomavirus Infections and Vaccine," at 6 p.m. Thursday, March 14. Learn who can be affected, who should be vaccinated, HPV risks and other information. Register at [programs@milakehouse.org](http://milakehouse.org).

- ◆ Drum Circle 2 to 3 p.m. the second

Wednesday of each month. Instruments are provided, but participants may bring their own percussion instruments as well.

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

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

- ◆ Newly Diagnosed Cancer Support meets 6 p.m. the first and third

Mondays of each month. Anyone within the first year of diagnosis is welcome.

For more information about these activities, call (586) 777-7761.

Libraries

The Grosse Pointe Public Library hosts the following programs at its branches:

Central — 10 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, (313) 343-2074

- ◆ "Book Folding — Watering Can, Bunny or Flower" adult craft, 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 19.

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

- ◆ "Hour of Code: Box Island," 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Thursday, March 14.

- ◆ Reader Dog Drop-In Saturdays, 2 to 3 p.m. Saturday, March 16.

- ◆ "Bird Jeopardy," 7 p.m. Monday, March 18.

Woods — 20680 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods,

- ◆ "Book Folding — Watering Can, Bunny or Flower" adult craft, 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 19.

Artists Association offers sampler-making demo

For the first time in years, the Grosse Pointe Artists Association will offer a class in fiber arts.

Noted needlework expert and teacher Deanna VanAssche will lead a class in the ancient art of sampler making with an updated twist. As part of the class, students also will use their stitching techniques to create a quilt square embellished with ribbons and beads.

As a prelude to the class, VanAssche offers a free demonstration 2 to 4 p.m. Wednesday, March 20, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

For more information or to register, visit grossepoincetartcenter.org/classes.



(313) 343-2072

- ◆ "Owls of Michigan with Mr. Nick," 6:30 p.m. Friday, March 15.

Ecumenical Breakfast

The Grosse Pointe Men's Ecumenical Breakfast meets at 8 a.m. Friday, March 15, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Richard Allison, author of "Begging for Chocolates: A Story of WWII Italy," speaks. Cost for breakfast is \$7. Registration is not required and first-time guests eat free.

BNI

Business Network International meets at 7 a.m. Friday, March 15, at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 20338 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Call Ryan Marier at (313) 638-7526.

NAMI

The National Alliance on Mental Illness Eastside meets at 7 p.m. Monday, March 18, at Henry Ford Medical Center-Cottage, 159 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Call Barb at (313) 886-8004.

The Helm

The Helm at the Boll Life Center, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms, Wednesdays, April 3 to

May 8, with Detroit Area Agency on Aging staff.

- ◆ "Body Alignment 101," 1 to 3 p.m. Mondays through April 15, with personal trainer Gwendolyn Scales.

- ◆ "Brainstorm — A Workout for the Mind," 1 to 2:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, March 19 to April 16, with gerontological social worker Allie Short with Hope Senior Home Care. Cost is \$36.

- ◆ "A Spring Serenade and Luncheon," 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 20, featuring entertainment by Michigan Opera Theatre. Cost is \$10 and includes lunch and the performance.

- ◆ Third Thursday Book Club, 2 to 3 p.m. Thursday, March 21, with facilitator Kathleen Gallagher, outreach librarian. The group will discuss "Killers of the Flower Moon," by David Gann.

- ◆ Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group, 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, March 21, with facilitators Carolyn Van Dorn and Marian Battersby.

- ◆ Aging Mastery Program, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays, April 2 to June 4. Cost is \$125 and registration is required.

- ◆ Diabetes Workshop, 1 to 3:30 p.m. Wednesdays, April 3 to

May 8, with Detroit Area Agency on Aging staff.

- ◆ "Ask the Physical Therapist," 9:15 to 10 a.m. Tuesday, April 2, with Jessica Malfa.

- ◆ Ping-pong, 4 to 6 p.m. Fridays. Table rental is \$10 per half hour. Reservations are required.

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

Chamber

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce hosts Business Before Hours 8 to 9 a.m. Tuesday, March 19, at the Grosse Pointe Public Library Central Branch, 10 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Herb Society

The monthly meeting of the Herb Society of America Grosse Pointe Unit takes place at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 14, at The Helm at the Boll Life Center, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms. Jim Miller of English Gardens will present, "Herbs for Joy and Delight." The public is invited and there is no charge.

Woman's Club

The Grosse Pointe Woman's Club meets at noon Wednesday, March 20, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. After lunch, Betsy Schulte, director of volunteer services, talks about "Volunteering at Beaumont Grosse Pointe." Guests are welcome. March is the club's Membership Drive month. The guest fee is \$7 this month. For reservations, call Helen Roberts at (586) 944-0299 by Saturday, March 16. For more information, call Sue Plath at (313) 884-5081.

Healthy GP

Healthy Grosse Pointe & Harper Woods meets at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 20, at the Neighborhood Club, 17150 Waterloo, City of Grosse Pointe. For information, visit healthygphw.org.

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and

6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

and

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From 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

and

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

at City Hall, 90 Kerby Road, Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan 48236.

Hearings will be scheduled by appointment. Please contact City of Grosse Pointe Farms at (313) 640-1618. You may also petition the Board in writing through the mail if you cannot make the hearing dates. These letters HAVE TO BE IN THE OFFICE BY FRIDAY, MARCH 15th.

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Kids on the Go expands in 2019

New programs, outreach for children with special needs

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

For more than two decades, Kids on the Go has offered children with special needs a place to go during the summer months to keep them engaged, learning and fulfilled. Since its inception, it has steadily grown, increasing the amount of programming it offers and, more recently, the ages it serves.

For its 2019 camp season, Kids on the Go offers 25 programs at six locations for children with special needs ages 3 to 17. Three of those programs are new, including one in partnership with Special Olympics Michigan.

SOMIfit, which kicks off in spring — earlier than any Kids on the Go program to date — runs 12 weeks beginning May 3. It is led by certified personal trainer and fitness nutrition specialist Michael Kaufman and recreational therapist Kathy Smith.

"It'll be teaching overall wellness and fitness for ages 10 to 17," said Kristy Schena, Kids on the Go founder and director.

Also new this year, a flag football program, All Star Flag Football, is for ages 8 to 17 and takes place Monday



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Katy Werely, owner of Mini Picassos, an art program for children, helped siblings Lucy, Cole and Owen Foster with the art project, "Throw Kindness Around Like Confetti." Kids dipped their thumbs in paint then scattered them around the canvas like confetti.

afternoons at the Mack Athletic Complex. It's coached by Taiwan Jones, a former Michigan State University Rose Bowl champion and former NFL player, and Kevin Shubnell, a St. Joan of Arc/CYO football coach.

A new literacy program, Students Helping Students, joins handwriting and art therapy programs in Rochester. Special education teacher Mary Jane Daudlin and MSU grad stu-

dent Katie Biernat, both of Grosse Pointe, are at the helm.

After a successful pilot last year, the Kids on the Go Teens to Work program is expanding this year.

"We did soft skills last year," Schena said. "This year, we're working with occupational therapist Michele Morgan. ... They'll work on skills like embroidery, stamping, woodcarving and 3-D printing, which will mimic a workday for

them. The second part of that program is another six weeks focusing on soft skills and job shadowing."

The final class session allows participants to practice their job interview skills.

"Teens to Work is by far the biggest program we've invested in to date," Schena said, noting there are four open spots in this year's session.

Not only has program-

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2019 Programs

Nonprofit Center at Pare, 23500 Pare, Ste. 10, St. Clair Shores

- ◆ Kids on the Go Multidisciplinary Camp
- ◆ Music Therapy
- ◆ Storytellers
- ◆ Summer Sounds
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- Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, 788 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores**
- ◆ Tennis
- Abiding Presence, 1550 Walton, Rochester Hills**
- ◆ Better Letters Handwriting
- ◆ Art Therapy
- ◆ Students Helping Students Literacy Program
- The Mack Athletic Complex, 4300 Marseilles, Detroit**
- ◆ All Star Flag Football



COURTESY PHOTO

Republican Club elects officers

Recently elected 2019 officers of the Eastside Republican Club were Chairman David Schumacher, Vice Chairwoman Marie Hackleman, Secretary Christine Howson and Treasurer Jay Hackleman.

At-large board members elected were Dr. Annette DeSantis Feldpausch, Bob DeGemmis and Leonard MacEachern.

Mike Nolan serves as parliamentarian, Kathleen Koppin as correspondence secretary, Michael Vethacke as membership chairman and Mary Zeock, hospitality.

The ERC meets the third Tuesday of the month September through May. Admission is free and the public is always welcome.

From left are Bob DeGemmis, Christine Howson, David Schumacher, Marie Hackleman, Jay Hackleman, Annette DeSantis Feldpausch and Leonard MacEachern, inset.

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Debut book looks at connections, missed connections

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

City of Grosse Pointe resident Jerry Nehr makes a lot of observations.

He ponders and gives pause, then puts them to paper.

In mid-February, Nehr released "Erasing the Margins," his first book, published by Triumph Publishing. It's a compilation of 22 of his essays, plus a couple poems.

"I've been writing essays since 2007," he said. "I've written over 100 essays. ... The attempt is to look at how we as people either connect or do not connect with other people based on if they're inside the margins with us or outside them."

Through his musings, Nehr writes about homelessness, poverty, addiction, death, the afterlife and more. He reflects on



Jerry Nehr

childhood memories and lessons, a-ha moments he's had as a licensed therapist and people he's encountered along the way.

One such story, "Take a Chance," recounts a failed attempt he made to stay with his son in a cabin buried deep in the snow on Lake Huron.

Another, with which the book closes, is "My Friend Robert," his essay about meeting a home-

less man in December 2017, in front of St. Peter's Episcopal Church in southwest Detroit.

"It was 2 degrees outside," Nehr recalled. "He's on the church steps. I brought him some food and we had a meal together and we talked. ... A month later, I went back and they told me he froze to death in front of the church in the tent he lived in with his cat. ... He at one time had a home."

"It got me thinking about how we as citizens, neighbors, community members — what do we do to reach out and bring people into a better way of life?"

The 122-page book, available for \$15 on amazon.com, is geared toward people who want to examine their lives in a deeper way, "beyond the day-to-day things we do — grocery shopping, jobs, going to the den-

tist," Nehr said. "We've got this time here on earth and how are we utilizing it? (This book is) for people who enjoy reading about subjects that cause us to think about what we do with our time."

"Most of what I write about are those things in my life that make me wonder, why me in this situation and not another situation? How did I get so lucky? What is my responsibility now because of this luck?" he continued. "I see too many people who seemingly always are outside the margins. When we start to erase the margins of those around us, we start to share the same tent. I think about Robert. I wonder, could I have gotten him into a shelter?

"We're all getting older. Our lives are temporary and finite, but so are our experiences. One minute things are moving along

and great and the next we have no job, no family. All these things can happen to anybody."

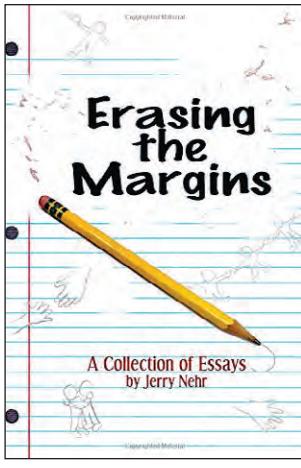
Nehr, a licensed therapist since 2001, operates a consulting practice that provides seminars on leadership, cultural diversity, customer service and team building, as well as coaching programs, freelance writing and keynote presentations.

He said "Erasing the Margins" is his first book, but won't be his last.

"I'd like to write something else," he said. "Maybe about what happens after social media dies. What we'll look like as people. We're expending too much energy into this."

For now, he's happily receiving positive feedback on his debut.

"I hope the energy from the words I've written maybe compels them, transfers into



them, their own desires to help people," he said. "They can go find ways in which to connect with other people. Small things — not writing a check or dishing out food at a soup kitchen — but spending time with people, connecting with people. ... This book hopefully will help people look up a little and pay attention to those people who really need you."

The buzz about bees

"There's nothing more a bird likes than a delicious bee filled with honey," said Charles Jones, Wayne County Community College District professor, explaining why bees don't fly more than three miles daily in search of pollen.

This is just one fact attendees will learn in Jones' class, "Introduction to the History of Beekeeping," at The



Helm at the Boll Life Center, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms, from 1:30 to 3:10 p.m. Mondays, March 18 to April 22.

Jones will discuss beekeeping's beginnings in Egyptian times and what's happening current day, including urban beekeeping. He will explore the biology of bees, their importance to the food supply, types of bees and their duties in the hive structure, medicinal uses

April 6 silent auction benefits St. Clare school



St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic School invites the community to a supercalifragilistic-expialidocious benefit for its young students.

This year's Mary Poppins-themed silent auction, "St. Clare: Practically Perfect in Every Way," takes place Saturday, April 6, in Grosse Pointe Park. Proceeds directly benefit scholarship funding, technology and enrichment programs for the students of St. Clare school.

The event features a strolling dinner pro-

vided by local dining establishments such as Traffic Jam & Snug, The Jagged Fork, Harvard Grill, Chocolate Bar Café and The Cheesecake Shoppe. Attendees may choose from a variety of dishes, from pasta and meats to desserts, and have

access to an open bar. The star-studded auction, with celebrity auctioneers M.L. Elrick of Fox 2 News and Jim Kiertzner from Channel 7 News, offers prizes such as fine jewelry and vacation packages like a Grand Hotel getaway on Mackinac Island.

Since St. Clare opened its doors in 1927, its community has maintained a strong presence in the metro Detroit area through a commitment to service, faith and mercy. Students are positive instruments as young leaders in the community through various service activities. The annual auction is St. Clare's largest fundraiser and one the school counts on to ensure its students can continue to reach for the stars.

Tickets are \$50 in advance, \$75 at the door. Doors open at 5:30 p.m.

For more information or to donate an auction item, contact Satyra Johnson at (313) 231-1631 or satjohn@msn.com or Helen Hicks at (248) 720-8616 or helenk7306@hotmail.com.

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ASK THE EXPERTS articles

ASK THE EXPERTS
By Evon N. Foster LMSW, IMH-E

Secure, stable relationships are essential to development

Q: Is a healthy attachment relationship necessary for the development of infants/toddlers?

A: Optimal development — physical, cognitive, social and emotional — of infants and toddlers through nurturing, protective, secure and stable relationships with parents promotes readiness to learn.

You may wonder how. Parental nurturing styles and response to young children is impacted by life stressors, lack of support, parent's history, mental illness and substance abuse. Without a secure relationship, children can become insecure, anxious and disorganized. These are children who become an overwhelming part of the mental health and juvenile system.

Children who have been exposed to unhealthy attachments during the first three years of life present with symptoms of depression, hyper-vigilance and the inability to relate to others, and are confused, distrustful, insensitive and emotionally unavailable. Psychologist John Bowlby describes attachment as an emotional bond. He believes the earliest bonds formed in children with their parents have a tremendous impact that continues throughout life. Parents who are available and responsive to their child allow them to develop a sense of security. This creates a secure base for the child to explore the world.

Early intervention for parents and young children with multiple risks such as poverty, domestic violence, neglect, abuse, trauma, mental illness and substance abuse is critical. Northeast Guidance Center provides infant and early childhood mental health services for parents and children, as well as pregnant women, to develop healthy relationships with their infants and toddlers. Infant Mental Health includes home-based services to pregnant women and children from birth to 3 years. Early Childhood Mental Health includes home-based school observations and office visits for children ages 4 to 6 years.

Infant Mental Health services pay attention to the social-emotional development of infants and toddlers. Infant Mental Health services incorporate a relationship perspective that is

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Foster is supervisor of the Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health program at Northeast Guidance Center, Detroit. She earned her Master of Social Work degree from Wayne State University, Bachelor of Arts degree in sociology from University of Detroit Mercy and is endorsed as an Infant Mental Health Family Specialist currently serving as president of MI-AIMH Detroit Chapter.

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EXPANDS:

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ming expanded, but Kids on the Go also recently launched its Young Professionals Committee, introducing millennials to the nonprofit world, volunteering and networking. Interested professionals in their 20s and 30s are invited to attend the committee's first event, which takes place 5:30 to 8 p.m. June 20, at Brew Detroit.

"It's for anybody looking for networking opportunities or getting involved with Kids on the Go," Schena said. "It's for people from all over to collaborate and offer their gifts to nonprofits."

Twenty-five people signed up for the kickoff in February, Schena said, and she hopes the group continues to grow. Members will serve as ambassadors for Kids on the Go, helping educate those unfamiliar with the nonprofit, engage other organizations with Kids on the Go and provide insight on trends, as well as vision and direction to Kids on the Go administration to promote further growth.

Additionally, Kids on the Go is branching out throughout the year with outreach activities. It started with a family art class Sunday, Feb. 24, that invited families to

Maritsa Skowronek puts her handprint on canvas to help make the letter "T" and gets assistance from Elyse Beach, therapy aid for Kids on the Go, while Lori Zurvalec, with the arts ministry of Grosse Pointe Congregational Church, holds the canvas.



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Corbin Hickey showed off his blue hand, which was dipped in paint to help with an art project.

"Deck the Halls at Pare." The event's goals, Schena said, included creating a positive environment for those who visit the Nonprofit Center at Pare; incorporating an interactive hallway with gross and fine motor activities; adding art to classrooms and hallways to provide a positive environment for learning; bringing families together to participate in projects that inspire creativity and imagination; and promoting family bonding and unity.

Projects included "Be Your Best Selfie" and "Throw Kindness Around like Confetti." Youngsters also worked on a craft stick collage and a poppy painting craft, the latter of which they were able to take home.



Wyatt Rewoldt shows off his painting.

lege night open house, too.

"We'll invite colleges so families can find out the resources colleges have for different learners."

Also later in the year, Kids on the Go hopes to team up with the Full Circle Foundation to host an open house for families of children with special needs who are ages 15 to 17.

The organization's growth, while positive, has come with a little extra work.

"We're currently rewriting our mission statement, because it says we're a summer program, and we're working on redoing our strategic plan, because we've met all the goals of our five-year plan," Schena said.

As Kids on the Go celebrated its 20th year, donations were up 30 percent. The additional funds help support growth, Schena said, and are much needed and appreciated.

"We're grateful to our community and their support," she said. "We hope to continue to meet the needs of families in our community, offering financial assistance and a place for children to go where they can keep up their skills and feel they're where they belong."

Spots are still available for this year's activities.

"We should be able to give over 400 scholarships this year to children with special needs ages 3 to 17," Schena said. "Go to kidsonthegocamp.com and apply. Registration is open and scholarships are available."

For details about this year's programming, visit kidsonthegocamp.com or call (313) 332-1026.

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OBITUARIES

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Josephine Palms Donnelly Dickerman

Josephine Palms Donnelly Dickerman, 62, passed away suddenly Monday, March 4, 2019, surrounded by her close family and friends.

Josephine "Jody" was born July 17, 1956, to John Charles Donnelly and Isabelle Casgrain Donnelly of Grosse Pointe. She was one of eight children and attended Our Lady Star of the Sea High School.

Jody's love of her family was at the center of her life and universe. She often reminisced about her mom and dad's traditional pancake breakfast every Sunday, a well-known occurrence to her friends and family. She often was seen with her favorite things — a half-frozen Diet Coke in hand and flip-flops on her feet on sunny days. She also loved saltwater taffy and morning coffee.

Jody resided in Grosse Pointe Woods and Harrison Township for many years before relocating to Palm Beach Shores, Fla., and eventually returning to Michigan. Jody was one to pay things forward in the ways she could. Her sister Anne's late husband, Robert Bagno, helped her attain continued sobriety in 1995. Jody was sober until the day she died. She helped countless others find help, which was a large part of her daily life.

Jody is survived by her three loving sons, John A. "J5" Trost V, Karl C. Trost (Tansie Lynn Dew) and William L. Dickerman III (Jennifer Claire Barbour); three wonderful grandchildren, Brayden Forrest Dickerman, Presley Isabelle Dickerman and William John Dickerman and brothers and sisters, Anne Widlak, John C. Donnelly (Nancy), Susan Klotz, Laurie Filken

(Phil), Isabelle Donnelly, Michael Donnelly and William "Will" Donnelly. She also is survived by many nieces and nephews, one of whom, Jack Donnelly (Tracy), she referred to as her fourth son, and many friends. She will be missed dearly.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Friday, March 15, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Family and friends will gather at the church beginning at 9:30 a.m.

Donations may be made to Susan G. Komen for the Cure at komen.org and the American Lung Association, 1475 E. 12 Mile Road, Madison Heights, MI 48071 or at lung.org.

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John B. Birch

John Bernard Birch, 89, of Grosse Pointe Farms and Lauderdale by the Sea, Fla., passed away peacefully Friday, Jan. 25, 2019, at Holy Cross Hospital in Ft. Lauderdale with his wife of 64 years, Patricia, and son, John, by his side.

Born June 6, 1929, in Detroit, John spent the majority of his life as a resident of Grosse Pointe Farms. He attended Michigan State University and was a lifelong fan of all Michigan State sports teams.

John was in the U.S. Army and served as a corporal during the Korean War. He enjoyed a sales career which progressed to stock brokerage and investment consultation for numerous clients in the Grosse Pointe area. He was known to have great integrity and provided reliable and consistent advice to not only his clients, but others with whom he came in contact.

Dr. Luberto was the loving husband of Mary Kathleen Luberto; father of Michael (Kelli), Donny (Carla), Robert (Susan) and Bill (Sabrina); proud grandfather of Sara, Michelle and Dan Luberto, Jack and Sam Kingsley, Jordan, Matthew and Kendall Luberto, Amanda and Emily Luberto, Stephanie Hebden and Tori Lantzy and great-grandfather of

John was an avid golfer, playing regularly with his wife throughout his life, and achieved lifetime membership status of Essex Golf and Country Club. He was president of the Detroit Exchange Club. He coached basketball in the St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church league and baseball with Grosse Pointe Little League.

Funeral services were held at Assumption Catholic Church in Ft. Lauderdale by the Sea.

Inurnment will be in the columbarium at St. Paul on the Lake.

John is survived by his wife, Patricia Birch; son, John T. Birch, daughter, Tanya Birch and grandchildren, Jack and Jacob Birch.

Michael A. Luberto D.D.S.

Michael A. Luberto D.D.S. passed away Wednesday, March 6, 2019, at age 84.

He was born in Detroit in 1934 and graduated from Grosse Pointe High School and the University of Notre Dame. Dr. Luberto practiced dentistry in Grosse Pointe.

He enjoyed traveling and spending time at his cottage on Lake Huron. He was a past president of the Detroit District Dental Society and a member of the International College of Dentists. With that organization, he was a past president emeritus of their charitable foundation.

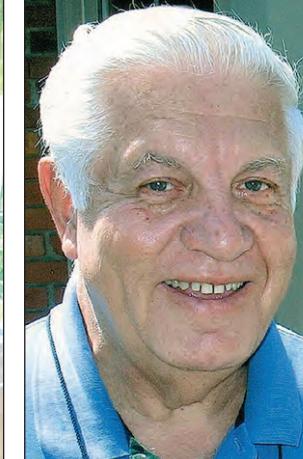
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Josephine Dickerman



John B. Birch



Michael Luberto D.D.S.

Hailey Hebden. He also is survived by his sisters, Stella, Paula and Elizabeth and many nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his parents, Dominic and Frances Luberto.

Donations may be made to Capuchin Soup Kitchen, 1820 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207.

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comed stepbrother, Richard to the family. She attended schools in Grosse Pointe until her graduation from Grosse Pointe South High School in 1975.

In her youth, Amy enjoyed bike riding, swimming and the company of family and good friends. Following high school graduation, Amy worked and lived in Grosse Pointe into early adulthood.

In the late 1970s, Amy moved to southern California to renew her relationship with her father and begin a new season of her life. There she lived, loved and worked until transitioning to Utah a decade or so later.

A cancer survivor and lifelong animal lover, in recent years Amy lived a quiet life in Salt Lake in the company of her adored cats, and much appreciated Kelly Benson neighbors.

Amy is survived by her good friend and dearest neighbor, Charles "Chuck" Simonson. Amy also is survived by her sisters, Natalie VanOsdol (the late Mark Etra) and Julie Lynch (Denny); brothers, Scott and Todd Ralph; brother-in-law, Bob Schultz; nieces, Alicia, Leah, Sara, Megan and Pilar; nephews,

Jordan, Derek, Max, Christopher and Noah and many great-nieces and great-nephews.

Amy was predeceased by her father, Nathan K. VanOsdol Jr.; mother, Sara M. Ralph; stepfather, W. Richard Ralph; sister, Kathy L. Schultz and brother, Richard A. Ralph.

The family will celebrate Amy's life during a memorial observance at 11 a.m. Thursday, March 14, at Kelly Benson Apartments, 3122 South 3600 West, West Valley City, Utah.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Huntsman Cancer Institute at healthcare. utah.edu/huntsmancancerinstitute or the Dr. Susan Love Research Foundation at drssusanloveresearch.org.

Andrew Arena to speak about human trafficking



Albany Division, Syracuse Resident Agency, where he worked general criminal and organized crime cases. In 1993, he was transferred to the Los Angeles Division, assigned as leader of the bureau's violent street gang task force.

In 1995, Arena became supervisory special agent assigned to the Organized Crime Section at FBI headquarters, Washington, D.C.

In 1997, he was appointed supervisor of the violent crimes and major offenders' squad in the FBI Cleveland office. Later, he was promoted to supervisory senior resident agent of the agency's Youngstown office where investigations focused on the systemic public corruption and organized crime that plagued the area.

Arena was designated assistant special agent in charge of the Detroit Division in 2001. In this role, he oversaw counterterrorism and counterintelligence programs.

Following the terrorist attacks of 9/11, he returned to FBI headquarters to become chief of International Terrorism Operations. The following year he was appointed special assistant to the executive assistant director for counterterrorism and counterintelligence and assigned to the FBI director's office.

In 2004, Arena was promoted to special agent in charge of the New York Division, where he had charge of all criminal investigations.

Arena served as special agent in charge of the Detroit office from 2007 until his retirement in 2012.

He is married and has three daughters.

The ERC Forum meets monthly from September to May at The War Memorial. Admission is free and the public is always welcome.

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A pre-Bid Proposal meeting will be held on March 19, 2019 at 4:00 p.m., at the SW entrance of Grosse Pointe South High School located at 11 Grosse Pointe Boulevard, Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan 48236.

Each Bid Proposal must be accompanied by a sworn and notarized statement disclosing any familial relationship that exists between the owner or any employee of the bidder and any member of the Board of Education or the Superintendent of the Grosse Pointe Public School System. The Board of Education will not accept a Bid Proposal that does not include this sworn and notarized disclosure statement.

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Bid documents, including Bidders Information Manual, scopes of work, Drawing and Specifications will be made available Monday, March 11th, 2019 at the following website: <https://app.buildingconnected.com/public/54f0e584a238df0800778ee6/> (Search for Grosse Pointe)

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Nick Kuelske at (313) 596-0520 or email at nkuelske@tcco.com, and Luke Augspurger at (313) 402-7014 or email at LAugspurger@tcco.com.

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Kids Coalition Against Hunger is a humanitarian food relief organization whose mission is to significantly reduce the number of hungry children in the United States and feed starving children throughout the world. It has

accomplished this by developing a dry food package consisting of vitamin-fortified crushed soy which is very high in protein, a blend of dehydrated vegetables, vegetarian chicken-flavored vitamin powder and rice. The packaged product is acceptable to the broad diversity of ethnic tastes and religious differences around the world. When six cups of boiling water are added to the mix, it makes a complete, healthy meal that serves six people.

Volunteers are needed to make the day a success. Volunteers are put in groups of 12 and work as an assembly line, adding the essential ingredients to the food bags, weighing each when they are filled and then sealing the bags.

"It is a wonderful team effort," said Kathy Kurap, one of three co-chairs of the event along with Sue Buckler and Ross Parker. "The

rice is the final ingredient to be added, so when the bags are weighed, rice can easily be removed or added to get the exact weight needed. If a bag comes in at the exact weight without adjustments needed, volunteers usually give an enthusiastic shout, heard throughout the room. There is a lot of camaraderie built throughout the day. It's an enjoyable and very worthwhile event for friends and family members to participate in together."

Interested volunteers may sign up for the event online at [bit.ly/KCAhatGPMC-2019](http://bit.ly/KCAHatGPMC-2019). There are three shifts — 10 a.m. to noon, noon to 2 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. All adults and children are welcome, beginning at age 5, although children ages 5 to 8 must be accompanied by an adult.

For more information, email kidsagainsthungeratgpmc@gmail.com.



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CHURCH EVENTS

St. Ambrose

The ARK at St. Ambrose, 15020 Hampton, Grosse Pointe Park, offers a Lenten buffet dinner 4 to 8 p.m. each Friday, through April 19. Cost is \$17.95 for adults, \$10 for ages 6 to 10 and free for children 5 and younger. Carryouts are available. Call (313) 423-6284.

Redeemer United Methodist

Redeemer United Methodist Church, 20571 Vernier, Harper Woods, celebrates 75 years of faith and service Sunday,

April 28, beginning with coffee hour at 10 a.m., followed by a celebration service at 11 a.m. and a catered meal at 12:30 p.m. For more details, call the church office at (313) 884-2035.

St. Paul Evangelical

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

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

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

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

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

Call (313) 881-6670 for more information.

Workshop: Reversing runaway inequality

Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, 17150 Maumee, City of Grosse Pointe, presents a workshop 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, March 23, based on the best-selling book "Runaway Inequality," by Les Leopold, co-founder of New York City's Labor Institute.

Guests are invited to learn more about developing successful grassroots campaigns for social and economic justice. This is a solutions-oriented guide to the wide-ranging problems associated with economic inequality in the United States.

The workshop will cover the income and wealth gap, historical context for social justice movements and contemporary organizing, learning skills to create effective campaigns and actions, and developing concrete tools to use in your own work. Participants will receive a complimentary copy of Leopold's book.

Doors open at 8:30 a.m. Morning refreshments and a light lunch are included.

The workshop is free, but registration is required. Call (313) 881-0420.

Wild Birds hosts purple martin event

Wild Birds Unlimited Grosse Pointe Woods presents an in-store presentation about purple martins at 6 p.m. Thursday, March 21.

Purple martins are a charismatic bird, the largest member of the swallow family and a species in desperate need of help. This species is declining in numbers, especially throughout the Great Lakes region. That decline is thought to be a result of a shortage in nest cavities and the aerial insects these birds depend upon for food. The prevalence of insecticides can be a major contributing factor.

The presentation will be given in

the store by Linnea Rowse, conservation program coordinator for Michigan Audubon and proponent of Michigan Audubon's Bird-friendly Communities program, a suite of urban bird conservation projects focused on reconnecting urban communities with birds and the environment for the benefit of all.

Michigan Audubon seeks to inform current purple martin landlords about the decline of this species and offer advice to become better landlords.

Reserve a seat by calling the store at (313) 881-1410. Space is limited.

Music at Memorial presents 'The Peace and Hope of Bach'

Music at Memorial's 2018-19 season continues Sunday, March 31, with "The Peace and Hope of Bach." This centerpiece concert of Grosse Pointe Memorial Church's "Music of Peace and Hope" series features two Bach cantatas sung by the Memorial Church choir; soloists, including Brian White; and orchestra.

The instrumentation includes oboe, flutes, a full section of strings and chamber organ. As a special treat, violinist Kypros Markou and oboist Stephanie Shapiro will play Bach's Double Concerto.

The March 31 concert begins at 3 p.m. in the sanctuary. Tickets are \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door, and are available at the church reception desk or online at eventgroove.com.



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Local DAR chapter celebrates 126 years

The Louisa St. Clair Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution celebrated its 126th anniversary Jan. 19, at the Country Club of Detroit with DAR dignitaries and guests in attendance. Several DAR awards were presented.

The DAR Women in American History Medal was presented posthumously to Helen Hall Newberry Joy, in recognition of her many contributions to the community as philanthropist, humanitarian and cultural benefactor, as well as for her contributions and service to the DAR at the chapter, state and national levels.

The DAR Community Service Award was presented to Louisa St. Clair Chapter member Katherine Sarvis Adamski, for her efforts to bring a relic from the collapsed Twin Towers to the community and establish a 9/11 monument at AMVETS Post 57 in Harper Woods, which honors all Michigan natives who lost their lives in the

terrorist attack in 2001.

The DAR Distinguished Citizen Medal was presented to Irene Kracht Turner in recognition of her service during World War II as a civilian employee of the U.S. Army Air Corps. An original "Rosie the Riveter," Turner worked as a parts requisition clerk at airfields in Oklahoma, Texas, California and Kansas before returning home to Detroit to marry and raise a family.

The DAR Youth Citizenship Medal was presented to Kaleb Klakulak, a seventh-grader from Warren whose actions embody the award's required qualities of honor, service, courage, leadership and patriotism. When his best friend, KJ, lost his battle with leukemia in May 2018, the family was unable to arrange for a grave marker. Klakulak collected returnable bottles and cans and performed odd jobs in the community to earn the funds to place an engraved marker on his friend's

final resting place.

The Louisa St. Clair Chapter Historic Preservation Grant is awarded annually to a Michigan DAR chapter to assist with the costs in maintaining a historic property owned or operated by the chapter. The 2019 grant was presented to the Alexander Macomb Chapter, for its outstanding efforts in preserving the Cannon Cemetery in Macomb County.

The DAR is one of the world's largest women's service organizations with chapters in every state and eight countries. Members are able to document their direct lineage to a patriot who served the American Revolution. Its mission is to promote education, historic preservation and patriotism through its support of literacy programs, historic commemorations, veterans organizations, scholarships, historical societies, genealogical research, student art, creative expression, essay contests and other programs.



Katherine Sarvis Adamski, left, received the DAR Community Service Award. Pictured with her is Kay Burt-Willson, Louisa St. Clair chapter regent.

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From left, Burt-Willson, DAR Youth Citizenship Medal winner Kaleb Klakulak and Louisa St. Clair chapter treasurer Peggy King Scully.

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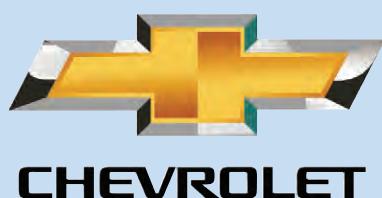
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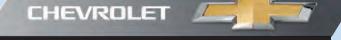


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RIVALS

North beats South

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

City rivals Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South girls basketball teams battled for a third time this season in last weekend's Division 1 district championship game.

Both teams came into the game with high expectations, but the chances of the Blue Devils crashing the Norsemen's party hinged on them making shots and taking care of the basketball against an experienced foe.

North used a dominating third quarter to pull away and beat South 42-25 to claim its third straight district crown.

"I felt the whole game hinged on our defense," North head coach Gary



PHOTO BY RENATO JAMMETT

Players and coaches celebrate after winning a Division 1 district championship.

Bennett said. "As long as we get to spots with urgency, we would be fine.

"I felt they would come out and play a zone. (South head coach Kevin Richards) had a game plan, and I give them credit because they were ready to play. However, a lot of credit goes to our defense."

The Blue Devils led 7-5 in the first quarter and had a fast-break opportunity to get a basket and

increase the lead to four points. They turned the ball over and the Norsemen ended the first with a 6-0 run to lead 11-7.

The Norsemen's defense was tough and forced the Blue Devils into a lot of forced shots and turnovers. They won the second quarter 9-3 to lead 20-10 at the half.

The 10 points were a season low for the Blue Devils, and all the credit went to the Norsemen's

defense.

An 11-4 third quarter put the game away as the Norsemen switched to a diamond press defense that made life even more difficult for the Blue Devils.

"I thought we had opportunities early, but didn't take advantage of those," South head coach Richards said. "We turned it over and defensively they made it tough.

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Swimming

NORTH & SOUTH

Blue Devils finish 5th; Norsemen earn points

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Members of Grosse Pointe South and Grosse Pointe North boys swimming and diving teams competed in last weekend's Division 2 state championship meet at Eastern Michigan University.

Dexter won the state title with 239 points. South was fifth with 149 points and North tied for 30th with six points.

The Blue Devils, under first-year head coach John Fodell, had several all-state finishers.

The 200-yard medley relay team of Julian Palace, Jackson Jogan, Matthew Melican and Tucker Briggs took third with a time of 1:35.78.

Their other relay teams also made all-state.

The 200-yard freestyle relay team of Ethan Rothenbuhler, Riley Francis, Michael Currier and Briggs finished eighth with a time of 1:29.38, and the 400-yard freestyle relay group of Briggs, Melican, Raef Akkary and Palace also placed eighth with a time of 3:15.62.

Other all-state swims were turned in by Palace in the 100-yard backstroke, fourth with a time of 52.51; Briggs in the 100-yard freestyle, eighth at 47.89; and Melican in the 100-yard butterfly, fifth at 52.06.

The Blue Devils had

other competitors, starting with Ryan English taking 15th in the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 1:47.58 and 14th in the 500-yard freestyle with a time of 4:47.13.

Drew Vandeputte was 26th in the 200-yard individual medley with a time of 2:02.86 and 21st in the 100-yard breaststroke at 1:02.46, while Palace was 12th in the 50-yard freestyle at 22.05.

Nicholas Rabaut finished 20th in diving with 208.05 points, while Jake Vallen was 26th in the 100-yard butterfly and 26th in the 100-yard backstroke with times of 54.70 and 56.05.

In the 100-yard backstroke, Melican was ninth with a time of 52.75, while Currier and Thad Mackrell finished 19th and 24th with times of 55.20 and 55.92.

They also had others in the 100-yard breaststroke with Jogan taking 10th, Sean Miller 11th and Peter Costello 16th with times of 1:00.32, 1:00.48 and 1:01.77.

Nick Valice, the first-year head coach of Grosse Pointe North, had several competitors in the state finals.

The 200-yard medley relay team of Hunter Adelson, Owen Schaaf, Brian Veneri and Ian Donahue placed 22nd with a time of 1:42.86.

In the 200-yard IM,



PHOTO COURTESY OF COLLEEN JOGAN

Above, Grosse Pointe South sent 16 team members to the Division 2 state championship meet at Eastern Michigan University. Below, Grosse Pointe North sent eight team members to the Division 2 state championship meet in Nick Valice's first year as head coach.



PHOTO COURTESY OF NICK VALICE

Carlino finished 11th and 28th with times of 1:57.40 and 2:03.04, and Trevor Mulkey was 18th in diving with 230.20 points.

Donahue and Veneri placed 17th and 31st in the 100-yard butterfly with times of 53.35 and 55.16, and Carlino finished 20th in the 500-

yard freestyle with a time of 4:53.16.

Schaaf placed 18th in the 100-yard breaststroke with a time of 1:01.82, and the group of Donahue, Carlino, Owen Nowacki and Tommy Hartzell placed 24th in the 200-yard freestyle relay with a time of 1:32.08.

Girls basketball

NORTH, SOUTH & LIGGETT

Blue Devils bedeviled in finals

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's attempt to win back-to-back girls hockey state championships ended with a 4-2 loss to Mercy in the title game last weekend at Fraser Hockeyland.

The Blue Devils set the early tone, winning the first period 2-1 on goals by freshman Molly Ryszewski at the 13:42 mark and junior Lauren Benoit at the 6:56 mark.

Sophomore Regan Sherry had the assist on the first goal, while Ryszewski and junior Kelsie Francis assisted the second.

The Marlins were the better team in the second period, scoring twice to take a 3-2 lead.

South head coach John Weidenbach had his players focused for the third period. They threw everything at the Marlins, but couldn't get the tying goal.

They even had a two-man advantage for 1:07 early in the third stanza, but couldn't get the equalizer.

The Marlins added an insurance goal with 4:05 left and that would be the game.

"We had a couple of unlucky breaks," Weidenbach said. "We had a lot of pressure on the net in that third period, but couldn't score. We made it back to the state title game, which was our goal this season. We had a good team. The girls worked hard, but it just wasn't meant to be."

Senior Madeline Kelly suffered the loss in her final high school hockey game.

Kelly is one of five graduating seniors. The others are Anna Mary Moody, Alyssa Czech, Madison Ryszewski and Charlotte Martinez.

Grosse Pointe South finished the season 19-7 overall.

Earlier, Grosse Pointe South took care of business in the semifinals, edging Livingston United 3-2.

The Blue Devils fell behind 1-0 in the opening period, but came back to take a 2-1 lead when Molly Ryszewski and Madison Ryszewski scored at the 11:35 and 2:05 mark of the second stanza.

Weidenbach's crew added what turned out to be the game-winning goal in the first minute of the third period. Molly Ryszewski scored to make it a 3-1 game.

Livingston made it interesting by scoring with a minute left.

The Blue Devils were able to win the draw and keep the puck deep in

the Livingston zone. They killed the remaining 60 seconds to advance to the championship game.

Kelly earned the win in net.

In the quarterfinals, University Liggett School ended its season with an 8-2 loss to No. 1 seed Farmington Hills Mercy, while South dismantled Grosse Pointe North 7-3 to end the Norsemen's campaign.

The Knights fell behind early, yielding three goals in a 90-second span in the first period.

It was 6-0 Marlins before freshman Ava Jacob scored at the 8:50 mark of the third period.

Jacob scored again five minutes later, but it was too little, too late for the Knights and head coach Anna Kuehnlein.

Junior Evie Bournias suffered the loss in net.

ULS finished the season 10-10-1, but loses only three seniors — Nicole Rivera, Abby Doppke and Kate Birgbauer.

As for rivalry game with North and South, it was a tight first period with the score tied 1-1.

North senior Clare Murphy scored at the 13:31 mark to give the Norsemen a quick 1-0 lead, but only 39 seconds later South freshman Molly Ryszewski tied it with a goal.

It was all Blue Devils in the final two periods as Benoit had two goals and Molly Ryszewski tallied again in a three-goal second period.

The Blue Devils stretched the lead to 5-1 early in the third period when senior Madison Ryszewski scored.

Murphy scored her second goal of the game at the 10:15 mark to close the gap to 5-2, but freshman Olivia Livingstone tallied two minutes later to make it 6-2.

Murphy completed the hat trick with a goal with 1:42 left, and Madison Ryszewski had a power-play goal with only 15.5 left to round out the offensive output.

For the Blue Devils, Benoit, Madison Ryszewski and Molly Ryszewski scored two goals apiece, while Livingston had the seventh, and for the Norsemen Murphy had all three goals.

Junior Emily Desnoyer earned the win in net for the Blue Devils, and sophomore Mia Cassar took the loss.

Grosse Pointe North, under head coach Casey Quick, ended 13-9. Quick loses seniors Ally Saigh, Polly Fitzgerald, Hannah Martin, Murphy, Emma Galeota, Maddie McIntyre and Bella Welke.

Boys basketball

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen beat Rice

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe North boys basketball team made the regional finals last week.

First was a semifinal game against Birmingham Brother Rice.

North beat Brother Rice 38-35 to advance to the regional championship game against U-D Jesuit.

The Norsemen led 17-15 in a low-scoring opening half, but scored only three points in the third quarter to find themselves trailing 27-20 at the end of the third quarter.

"Came out in the fourth with guns blazing," head coach Andy Ayrault said. "We played hard until the end."

Senior Joey Ayrault was hot in the fourth quarter, scoring 11 points, including two big three-pointers with under two minutes left to tie the game and then push the Norsemen in front.

The Norsemen out-scored the Warriors 18-8 in the fourth quarter.

Ayrault led the team with 15 points, followed by senior Joey Rheaume with 10 and senior Ryan Webb with eight.

"While he didn't score as much as normal, Troy



PHOTO BY PAUL KANIA

Grosse Pointe North senior Troy Herd, left, played his final high school basketball game against U-D Jesuit.

Herd probably had his best game as a point guard controlling the game and distributing the ball," Ayrault said. "As always, a great team win overall."

In the Sweet 16 game,

Grosse Pointe North ended its season with a 71-41 loss to one of the top-ranked teams in the state, U-D Jesuit.

Grosse Pointe North finished the season 11-13 overall.

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Credit goes to Grosse Pointe North's defense. They made it tough on us."

The Norsemen forced 25 turnovers and out-rebounded the Blue Devils by a 2-to-1 margin, 32-16. Those were factors that were critical in the Norsemen's victory.

It's the third time North beat South this season, winning 49-37 on Jan. 10 and 61-46 on Jan. 29. This group of North

seniors never lost to their rivals from South.

Senior Julia Ayrault had a double-double to lead the Norsemen, netting 17 points and 15 rebounds, while junior Christina Braker had 10 rebounds to go with five points.

Senior Maddie Mills finished with nine points, followed by sophomore Maddie Kohler with five, senior Evelyn Zacharias with two, senior Regan Sliwinski with two, senior Carielle Humphries with one and senior Rachel Sexton with one.

For the Blue Devils,

senior Sydni Hall had nine points, followed by senior Maria Hessburg with seven, sophomore Cameron Lundh with five, senior Savannah Srebernak with two and junior Payton Roy with two.

Grosse Pointe North improved to 19-3 overall, while Grosse Pointe South finished its season 13-9.

In the semifinal contests, both had an easy go of it.

North crushed Eastpointe East Detroit 58-17, and South defeated Detroit East English Village 66-42.

For the Norsemen, Ayrault and Sexton were in double figures, scoring 15 and 12 points, respectively.

As for the Blue Devils, they scored the final three points of the first quarter and then out-scored the Bulldogs 22-11 in the second period to take a 35-17 halftime lead.

Freshman Kamryn Richards and sophomore Alexa Downey paced the Blue Devils with 18 and 13 points, respectively, while sophomore Keely Conlan had eight points.

Ten players scored at least two points.

Girls basketball

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Knights split

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

quarter, which they won 10-6 to lead 23-22.

During an intense and pressure-filled fourth quarter, it was senior Maria Pas drilling a huge three-pointer to give the Knights the lead.

Sophomore Delaney Garvey made 4 of 6 free throws down the stretch and senior Mimi Wujek made her only shot of the night with only 37 seconds left to clinch the semifinal victory.

Garvey led the way with 16 points, six steals and four assists, while senior Izzy Brusilow added eight points and four steals.

In the district final, ULS lost 58-12 to Royal Oak Shrine to end the season 9-9 overall.

Gymnastics

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Freshman Maeve Jamieson competed on vault in Division 1 and tied for 18th with 8.750.

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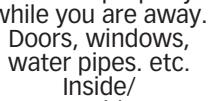
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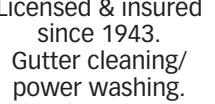
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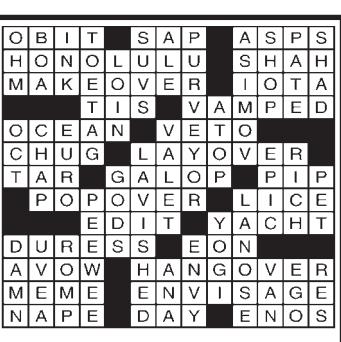
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- 1 Hindu prince
- 5 Persian leader
- 9 Bigshot, for short
- 12 Verve
- 13 Horseback game
- 14 Tokyo's old name
- 15 Chamber of the heart
- 17 Born
- 18 Good-looking guy
- 19 Bandleader Xavier
- 21 Lucky roll of the dice
- 24 Arrived
- 25 Thing
- 26 Pots and pans and such
- 30 Chignon
- 31 Yours
- 32 Neither mate
- 33 Pavement
- 35 Cicatrix
- 36 Always
- 37 Swerves

38 "Monopoly"
buy (forcefully)

10 Concept

11 Bard

16 Scoot

20 Coal diggers' org.

21 Bro and sis

22 Needle case

23 Feuds

24 Hit on the head

26 Burn somewhat

27 Lubricant

28 Bellow

29 Blunders

31 Dozens

34 First lady

35 Lead astray

37 Namely (Abbr.)

38 — over heels

39 Norway's capital

40 Unsigned (Abbr.)

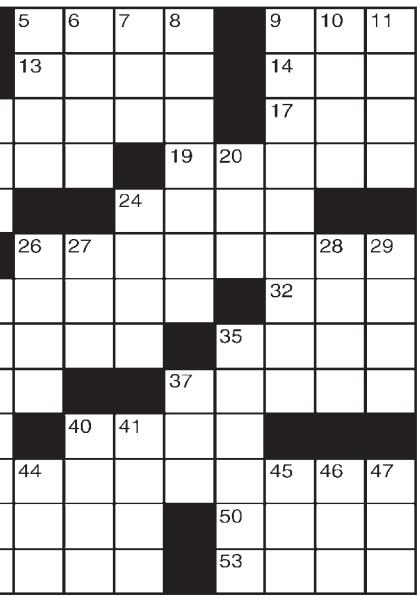
41 Leftovers

44 Before

45 Shade tree

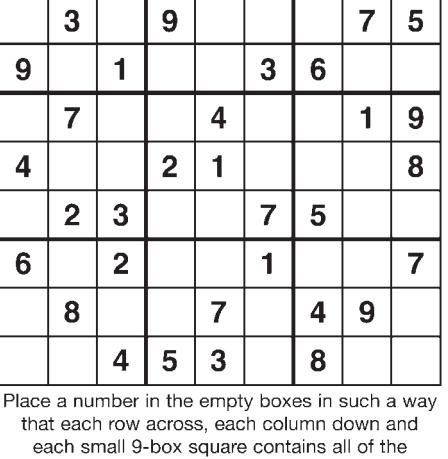
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