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Complete news coverage of all the Pointes

Boating/noise concerns addressed

By Laurel Kraus Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — After multiple summers with the same ongoing concern, Lakeshore residents with properties on the water north of Vernier came before council again Tuesday, July 16.

Issues with boaters playing excessively loud and offensive music paired with anchoring significantly close to the residents' backyards have become worse than ever, they said.

"Our village name is Grosse Pointe Shores,"

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K-9 unit assists Detroit apprehending robbers

By Laurel Kraus Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — The Farms K-9 unit, Officer Tim Harris and partner Duke, assisted Detroit police in locating three men suspected of robbery in the 8200 block of Woodlawn Avenue on Detroit's east side at approximately 9 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 1.

The men had been robbing one person when they noticed another man nearby. When they attempted to rob him, the 49-year-old concealed pistol license holder pulled out a gun and began firing shots, hitting one suspect in the leg and another in the body.

In an attempt to flee, the three men crashed

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PHOTO BY LAUREL KRAUS

Public safety officer Andrew Prueter is one of the city's bike officers.

Public safety combats theft with electric bike addition

By Laurel Kraus Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — Toward the beginning of the month, City public safety purchased its first electric bicycle with funds donated by a resident who asked to remain anonymous.

"He's just been a supporter of the public safety department for many years and wanted to purchase something that we could use in prevention of crime," Director of Public Safety Stephen Poloni said.

With Park public safety having recently gotten an electric bike as well, the departments are using them on a trial basis.

"This is the first year we're testing them out," Poloni said. "So we want to test them and see and, so far, the officers, they really love riding it."

The bike comes equipped with lights, a siren and a utility bag, so it can be used to write tickets.

While other uses include parades and other public events as well as patrolling The Village and Neff Park, public safety largely will use it to combat theft from cars at night.

Poloni noted if public safety patrols the streets in cars, thieves likely will hide until the patrol car goes by.

"It's (the bike) super quiet, so at night where they would see a car coming, they won't see the bike," he said.

Additionally, officers on bikes can patrol in areas where a car may not be able to go such as sidewalks, Poloni said.

Public safety hasn't arrested anyone using the bike yet, but have only just started.

Throughout all the Pointes, Poloni reported, theft from inside vehicles runs in spurts. If a thief finds success, they'll often come back. More is expected in the summertime when the weather is better.

"The biggest thing is that they're not really breaking windows in the

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Pointes, Detroit coordinate on Mack Ave. zoning study

By Laurel Kraus Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE CITY, FARMS AND PARK — After approximately seven months of planning, the Farms, Park and City will join Detroit for a zoning study along the Mack corridor.

"I believe it is the first joint Detroit and suburban community border study on any of its borders that they've ever undertaken," City of Grosse Pointe City Manager Pete Dame said.

The Mack zoning study will stretch from Cadieux to Moross.

The study will take place between Cadieux and Moross since the Eastside Community Network, a nonprofit that covers the eastside of Detroit, already conducted its own study

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Rotary club announces fundraising for Tot Lot renovations

By Laurel Kraus Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — The Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe made a public announcement Thursday, Aug. 1, of its plans to undergo a \$250,000 renovation to the Rotary Tot Lot on the corner of St. Clair and Waterloo as well as its hopes to community fundraise.

The tot lot, the only free play park available to all area residents, was built in 1973 and last renovated in 1998.

"The park's mission was then, and is now, to attract and encourage children to play with family and more importantly with each other, because play is critical for healthy physical, social, emotional and intellectual development in tots ages 2 to 5 and in young children ages 6 to 10," said Judy Masserang, president of the Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe.

"Experts in child development say that kids today are spending less time outside playing than ever before.

"Realizing that this 22-year-old play design needed an update, we decided to use what is known today about the importance of play and to incorporate ADA-compliant equipment to provide an all-inclusive enjoyment for children of all abilities."

The new ages 2 to 5 Playscape will have a number of active items with which kids can have various learning experiences. It will replace a lot of the current educational pillars around the park.

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Stephen Ondersma
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Now serving

Motor City Wings, 15402 Mack, Grosse Pointe Park, is a family-friendly sports restaurant that offers lunch and dinner. For more information, call (313) 473-8830. Jamila Zedan and Grosse Pointe Park Mayor Bob Denner, center, officially cut the ribbon with Motor City Wings staff, Grosse Pointe Park council members and Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce staff.

City attorney resigns after 18 years

By Eddie B. Allen Jr.
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — Don Berschback resigned from his post as Grosse Pointe Woods city attorney, citing the administration's failure to offer him a pay increase.

Charles "Chip" Berschback, Berschback's brother and partner in the St. Clair Shores law firm Berschback Berschback Ethridge, was sworn in as city attorney July 1 during the Woods City Council meeting.

The city recently approved pay raises to other city employees, including Chip Berschback, whose rate

working alongside his brother in the legal division was increased to \$155 hourly. But Don Berschback's \$170 rate remained unchanged without explanation.

"That doesn't seem to me like the way you deal with someone who has worked in the city for 18 years," he said.

"I don't have a problem with, 'We don't like the way you did this,' or 'That didn't make us happy,'" said Berschback, 77. "Things like that don't bother me. But to not know?"

Sworn in as city attorney in 2001, Berschback succeeded George Catlin, who acted as the Woods top lawyer for 35 years. As city attorney

Berschback advised the council, planning commission and associated municipal bodies.

A Grosse Pointe Park resident whose family also resides in the community, he said he'll shift his professional focus to continuing private practice after ending his official relationship with the Woods.

"It's not a retirement; it's a resignation," he said.

Mayor Robert Novitke called Berschback an "excellent attorney" whose resignation surprised him and other city administrators.

"We're really going to miss him, his presence, his wit, his counsel," said Novitke. "I always enjoyed getting his take on things, even when they weren't legal issues. "I consider him a friend," added Novitke, who knew Berschback

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Incumbents, challengers file in Park, Woods

By Eddie B. Allen Jr.
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK AND WOODS — As voters in Michigan cities, including the metro Detroit area, cast primary election ballots this week, candidates in Grosse Pointe Park and Grosse Pointe Woods began ramping up their cam-

paigns for November. Up for grabs are three city council seats in the Woods, sought by incumbents Art Bryant, Michael Koester and Richard Shetler Jr., while incumbents John E. Chouinard and Daniel E. Clark hope to retain two of three council positions to be filled in the Park. The Nov. 5 election in

the Park finds eager newcomers Aimee Rogers Fluitt and Vikas Relan campaigning for opportunities to serve the community via council. In the Woods, Kenneth Gafa and Seth A. Winterholler are challenging the council incumbents. Mayor Robert Denner

is unopposed in his run for re-election in the Park, while Judge Ted Metry is unopposed in his bid for re-election to Grosse Pointe Woods Municipal Court. Park resident Michele Hodges withdrew from the November election, but her name still will appear on the council ballot.

City mayor faces contest as do 3 councils

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE CITY, FARMS AND SHORES — The Nov. 5 election is quickly approaching and the deadlines to apply for candidacy have passed in the City, Farms and Shores.

In the three Pointes, the deadline for applying for candidacy was July 23. In the City, both Mayor Christopher Boettcher and Municipal Judge Russell F. Ethridge are up for re-election along with three council seats currently belonging to Donald J. Parthum Jr., John Stempfle and Andrew Turnbull.

Sheila Tomkowiak is running against Boettcher for mayor. Council incumbents Parthum and Stempfle are running again, joined by Matthew Boddy, David T. Fries and Terence A. Thomas.

The position of mayor is a two-year term, while council members and the municipal judge hold four-year terms.

In the Farms, three city council positions and the mayor's position are open for regular terms, while one council seat is open for

a partial term of two years following Councilman Peter Waldmier's death in June.

Mayor Louis Theros is running unopposed, while incumbent councilmembers Sierra Donaven, Joe Ricci and Lev Wood are up for re-election. Timothy Neil Sroka also is running.

Candidates for the partial-term are Beth Konrad-Wilberding, Andrew Dervan, Anthony Chalut, Catherine F. Saurbier, John W. Steininger and Jamie Dingeman.

Like the City, mayors in the Farms hold a two-year term, while the regular term of councilmembers is four years.

In the Shores, the terms of Mayor Ted Kedzierski and councilmembers Tina Ellis, Robert Gesell and Douglas Kucyk are expiring.

Kedzierski is running for mayor unopposed and Kucyk is running for re-election. The other candidates for council are Ryan Case, John Seago and Danielle Gehlert.

Both mayor and councilmembers in the Shores hold four-year terms.



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Campout

Grosse Pointe Woods hosted its annual overnight campout, featuring a movie and breakfast, July 12 to 13. Families watched "Ralph Breaks the Internet" and were served pancakes and bacon. There were 25 campsites and around 120 movie watchers. The Wettstein family and friends, above, ate breakfast after camping overnight. Back row, from left, are Corrydon Wettstein, Lauren Lefebvre and Keegan Wettstein. Front row, from left, are Connor Lefebvre, Caden Wettstein and Matt Wettstein.



Jeff King with King Pancake Co. pours pancake batter on the grill while campers watch.



Vivienne Johr pulls her sister, Natalia, in a wagon on their way to breakfast. This is their fifth year camping and each year they take turns pulling each other.

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from Connor to Cadieux. "I think it's exciting," Farms City Manager Shane Reeside said. "The Grosse Pointe city managers and mayors met with Mayor (Mike) Duggan last week from Detroit and the city of Detroit has also expressed excitement in working together with the Grosse Pointes." The \$24,500 study will take around six months and may begin sometime after Labor Day, Dame estimated. A grant secured from the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments will cover all but the \$4,446 local match

requirement, which the Farms and the City have agreed to split. The study will focus on the size, design and uses of buildings such as residential versus commercial, physical infrastructure improvements that could be made and the appearance of the streetscape, as well as transportation improvements since the funding is through a transportation planning grant. "Everyone's stated objective is we have to try to blur the border — (those were) Mayor Duggan's words I believe — that you want to be able to drive down Mack Avenue and not be able to tell the difference which city you're driving

past and which side is which city," Dame said. The public, business owners and residents on both sides of the street will be involved in the study in order to hear what they'd like to see. "It provides a framework for future development," Dame said. It could involve suggestions such as creating similar sign ordinances and/or installing the same type of street lighting. The Park, for instance, has been focusing on Mack the past four years, which has included putting up new street lights. It has now created an agreement with Detroit to put identical lighting on the other side of Mack as

well. "Our desire is to create a sort of win-win situation where the businesses on our side serve as a sort of catalyst for the businesses on the other side and vice-versa," Park Mayor Pro Tem Daniel Clark said. The City has had a similar goal, leading it to choose Mack as the location for its new public safety building. "The idea that's been on our city council is that we really want to support Mack Avenue on both sides however we can," Dame said. The end result of the study will be a collaborative framework on which the four cities can base future decisions regarding the Mack corridor.

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Lakeshore resident Dr. Richard Perry said. "We're on the shores. If we don't have an ability to manage what is our greatest asset and keep it safe, I think we're not doing what we should do as a municipality." While last summer some residents offered to purchase a watercraft for public safety to use, nothing came of the talks due to council's reluctance to enter into the task of creating a marine facet as well as public safety's lack of manpower to cover the operation. "The residents on the water like to use our property on the weekends," Perry said. "That's when we're there. And if you have friends over in the middle of the afternoon on a Sunday and there's people anchored 10 and 20 feet off the seawall, it makes it difficult to enjoy your property." According to Shores Public Safety Director John Schulte, there are no laws or ordinances for how close a boat can be anchored to a resident's backyard. "The problem which has been over a number of years, it's more prevalent this year, is that water

levels are much higher, which has allowed the pleasure craft to anchor closer to the breakwall, which obviously shortens the distance between the boat itself and the residents and their property," he said. After hearing of the complaints after the council meeting, Schulte coordinated with the Wayne County Marine Division to create a dedicated patrol shift to the area adjacent to the Shores' east breakwall from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. July 19, 20, 26 and 27; however, the first weekend had to be canceled due to bad weather and no violators were on the lake over the second weekend. "That's part of the other problem, too, is that this is a very sporadic thing and we set these patrols with these special requests for after-hours patrols with Wayne County based on what we suspected would be the high volume times for these particular boats to be in place and to be with the excessive noise and music and thus far we haven't hit it right yet," Schulte said. "As the complaints continue, we are going to try to get the county to follow up on this and create additional shifts."

Most recently, public safety received a call Aug. 4 regarding two boats on Lake St. Clair near the 1800 block of Lakeshore. One was playing loud music and the other was shooting fireworks from the boat. Aug. 4 is outside the allowable dates for fireworks, according to the city ordinance.

From shore, officers were able to identify the registration numbers on the boat playing loud music. The owner of the boat was identified and violations for loud and excessive noise were mailed. "We have attempted to, through every means we have, address this complaint," Schulte said.



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Woods resident works to prevent substance abuse during pregnancy

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

Stephen Ondersma not only is a husband, father and avid reader, but also deputy director of the Merrill-Palmer Skillman Institute where he researches and implements ways to reach out to pregnant women at risk of smoking, alcohol and/or drugs.

“I was always interested in parenting as a way to promote better child outcomes,” he said. “To my surprise, the first project that really was available to me early in my career was a grant to work with mothers of cocaine-exposed infants.”

The Grosse Pointe Woods resident also has been a professor in the Department of Psychiatry & Behavioral Neurosciences at Wayne State University since 1999.

“When I started my career, I thought I was probably going to be a professor at a liberal arts school,” he said. “I went to one myself and loved that atmosphere of broad discussion and reading of great books and thinking broadly about things in a community of people who kind of stick together for a while.”

After building up a research background to help him meet that goal, Ondersma realized



PHOTO COURTESY OF STEPHEN ONDER SMA

Stephen Ondersma is passionate about psychology as a way to combine research and applied clinical work, getting the best of both worlds.

research actually was his primary interest.

“I really became increasingly convinced there was so much we didn’t know that I didn’t feel comfortable being out there teaching or doing applied clinical work,” he said. “I felt like there was so much we

needed to know and I wanted to be a part of that.”

This led him down a path to his current research focus on brief motivational interventions designed to build motivation to make change in pregnant women at risk for sub-

stance abuse.

“The best big picture way to think about it, I think, is that most interventions that are out there, most programs, most treatments, most therapy, is about how to change,” Ondersma said. “There’s someone there saying, ‘I’m depressed. I’m anxious. I’m struggling with relationships,’ whatever it is and they’re looking for help and how to change that. ... Motivational interventions are completely different in that they are about whether or not change is called for or whether or not you’re interested in change in the first place.

“So instead of saying, ‘Here are ways that you can reduce your substance use,’ a motivational intervention says, ‘What do you think about your substance use? What are your thoughts about it? What are some of the things you like? What are some of the things that sometimes bother you? Can I give you a little bit of feedback about it and kind of get your reactions to that?’ So it’s a very respectful, non-judgmental, open-ended conversation really about whether or not the person you’re talking with thinks change might be in their own best interest.”

After finding that clinic staff did not have the time to devote to motivational interventions, Ondersma transitioned to using technology, such as an iPad, to deliver the interventions in the early 2000s.

“It’s not whether or not I think change is important; it’s whether they do,” he said. “And what we find is that when you approach people in that way ... they’re much more likely to be open to that discussion and they’re much more likely to talk about ways in which their substance use has hurt them or has hurt others around them and they’re much more willing to consider change.”

He now is working on how this works in the real world with clinic staff, which he says so far is going very well.

The Michigan Health Endowment Fund has given funding to look at implementation particularly in rural areas up north, where it is currently in a few clinics.

“I’m excited at some of the results that we’ve gotten,” Ondersma said. “We’ve shown in a number of cases that we’re about doubling abstinence, so that means that women who get this intervention, even if it’s only a single time, are abstinent during preg-

nancy or during follow up at about twice the rate of the control group. So that’s been very exciting.”

What happens if the woman notes she is interested in change depends on the program or study, he said, adding the program doesn’t necessarily help the participant make the change.

“Not because we don’t necessarily think it’s needed, but just because we’re focused on that motivation piece and on reaching a lot of people,” he said. “There already are a lot of resources out there for people who are ready to make a change, so we don’t want to replicate that or take that on ourselves. We just want to kind of point them in those directions.”

Moving forward, Ondersma plans to spend his free time with his wife, Michele and children, Annelies, Nolan and Cooper, as well as continue his research.

“I really would like to see the software that we’ve made be even more widely available,” he said. “I’d like to be able to make it free. I’d like to make it much better than it is. And I’d like to see it stimulate a lot of big collaborations across the country and further, because it can work in multiple languages.”

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their car into a building before running into the alley between Woodlawn and Knodell.

While tracking down the alley, Duke found a semi-automatic handgun and cash, in several locations, totaling \$565.


Duke led Harris and a Detroit officer to the porch of a house in the 8000 block of Knodell where the first suspect was found.

The windows and doors were boarded up, but blood was seen through a hole in the porch that led to a crawl space under the house. The first suspect denied being under the porch at any time.

After giving three warnings that a K-9 was being released, with no response, Harris, Duke and the Detroit officer entered the crawl space and then the house.

With Duke in the lead, the house was searched until they reached the attic where the other two suspects were found.


All three men were placed into custody.









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Grosse Pointe Rotary is undergoing the second updating since 1973 of its popular Tot Lot at Elworthy Field, across Waterloo from the Neighborhood Club. While some of the existing “favorites” will be kept and refurbished, other older pieces will be replaced by new, ADA/ADHD Compliant, All-Inclusive play and learning equipment.

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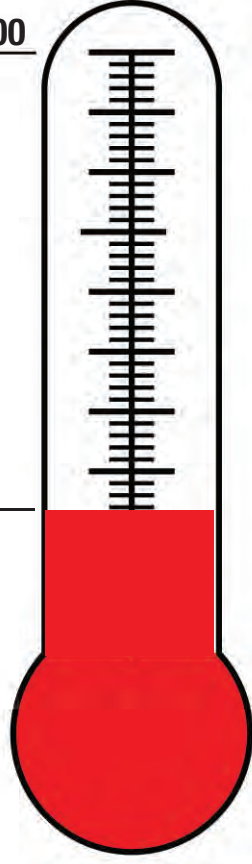


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Grosse Pointe Farms

Family trouble

Officers were called to a residence on McKinley at 1:48 a.m. Tuesday, July 30, after a 38-year-old Farms man threatened to harm strangers and himself while holding a kitchen knife.

The man's girlfriend said he had been acting erratically since the previous Thursday and is a recovering heroin addict.

Officers noted the man was intoxicated and his stepfather signed a petition to have him committed for psychiatric observation.

Case of the disappearing bullets

A 35-year-old Farms man reported possible bullet holes in his detached garage window on Belanger at 10:39 a.m. Tuesday, July 30.

An officer determined three of the holes may have come from a small caliber or BB gun, while the fourth was larger.

No bullets or casings were found in the area.

Fraudulent insurance

While on patrol on Mack at East Warren at 4:49 p.m. Wednesday, July 31, an officer observed a vehicle with a cracked windshield directly in the driver's line of vision drive through an intersection in a lane that must turn right.

The 26-year-old Detroit woman's three young children were in the backseat without booster seats or car seats.

A LEIN/Secretary of State check showed she had fraudulent insurance, for which she was arrested.

Assault

A 45-year-old Farms woman went to the station at 1:43 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 1, and

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told an officer her boyfriend had thrown her to the ground and choked her after she questioned him about a text to another woman.

The woman declined to identify her boyfriend, saying she only came to the station because her friend told her to.

Public safety has found a possible match for the suspect.

Operating while intoxicated

After a vehicle was seen crossing over the dashed white lines on eastbound Lakeshore multiple times, it was pulled over at 2:16 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 3.

The 26-year-old Eastpointe driver smelled of intoxicants and said he was coming from a friend's house. The man first said he had nothing to drink, but later changed his answer to one or two beers.

A preliminary breath test showed his blood alcohol content was .15 and he was arrested for operating while intoxicated.

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

City of Grosse Pointe

Caught on camera

Around 4 p.m. Friday, July 26, a 51-year-old Grosse Pointe man was sitting on a bench in the 17000 block of Kercheval and talking with an associate when his phone was stolen off the brick wall directly behind the bench where he had set it.

At approximately 10 p.m. Sunday, July 28, the man's other phone pinged the stolen phone,

allowing him to find it sitting on a vehicle in the 17000 block of Mack.

A counterfeit SIM card had been placed in the phone and held several photos and videos of the suspect.

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

Grosse Pointe Shores

No new incident reports.

— Laurel Kraus
Report information about crimes to Grosse Pointe Shores Public Safety, (313) 881-5500.

Grosse Pointe Woods

Larceny from auto

A Blue Cross insurance card, Chase bank credit card, driver's license and other personal items were all discovered missing from a car parked in the 1900 block of Hunt Club around 7:30 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 4.

A 50-year-old man told police his Bluetooth speaker, \$300 watch and American Express gift cards also were taken from the unlocked car.

The stolen bank card was used for \$20 in charges from a local gas station.

Larceny from auto, part 2

A wallet, driver's license and around \$20 in cash were discovered missing from two vehicles parked in the 1100 block of Roslyn around 7:30 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 1.

The vehicles had been entered by an unknown suspect or suspects sometime between 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 31,

and the following morning.

Disorderly conduct

A patient at a medical office in the 20100 block of Mack was being sought for disorderly conduct after making threats and behaving aggressively when he wasn't prescribed narcotics around 5:45 p.m. Tuesday, July 30.

The man drove away in a newer model GMC sport utility vehicle before police arrived at the scene.

Hit and run

A 25-year-old man discovered his parked Ford Fusion with front-end damage in the 1800 block of Brys after hearing a collision around 10 p.m. Monday, July 29.

The man reported he went outside to find that his car had been struck, but he didn't see the vehicle that caused the crash.

Felonious assault

A 61-year-old man was threatened with a gun by a person visiting his neighbor in the 20700 block of Virginia Lane around 2 p.m. Monday, July 29, the man told police.

The alleged victim, who had been involved in an ongoing property dispute with another homeowner, said a person he recognized from a recent gathering at the neigh-

bor's house pointed a pistol at him while driving away from the property. Police advised the 61-year-old to notify them if he saw the suspect again.

— Eddie B. Allen Jr.
Report information about these and other crimes to Grosse Pointe Woods Public Safety, (313) 343-2400.

Grosse Pointe Park

Possession of drug paraphernalia

A 40-year-old Detroit man was arrested around 2:30 a.m. Friday, Aug. 2, in the 1200 block of Wayburn after he fled police who spotted him trying to break into cars.

The man was found and arrested and charged with possession of drug paraphernalia when a crack pipe was discovered in his possession.

Larceny from auto

A backpack containing an Apple iPad was stolen from a vehicle in the 900 block of Westchester sometime between 10:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 31, and around 11 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 1.

The vehicle had been left unlocked.

Larceny from auto, part 2

A briefcase was stolen from a vehicle in the 1300

block of Kensington between 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 30, and 7 a.m. Wednesday, July 31.

The vehicle had been left unlocked while parked in the street.

Larceny from auto, part 3

A cell phone was stolen from a vehicle parked in the 14000 block of Windmill Pointe between 2 and 3:49 a.m. Monday, July 29.

The vehicle had been left unlocked.

Suspended license

A 21-year-old woman was arrested at the intersection of Mack and Kensington around 9:10 p.m. Tuesday, July 30, for driving with a suspended license.

Police originally stopped the woman for an expired license plate tag.

Carrying concealed weapon

A 36-year-old man was arrested in the 15000 block of Vernor around 10 p.m. Monday, July 29, after a report of family trouble at a residence.

Police said the man involved with the dispute was carrying a pistol he had not been properly licensed to keep on his person.

— Eddie B. Allen Jr.
Report information about these and other crimes to Grosse Pointe Park Public Safety, (313) 882-7400.

BCG welcomes new account manager

Brieden Consulting Group, a leading employee benefit management company and consulting firm, recently announced the addition of Kristyn Ivson as account manager.

Ivson will be responsible for managing clients' strategic paths, including positively impacting and improving

their culture.

Hans Brieden, president of Brieden Consulting Group, stated, "This addition to our firm allows us to build on our expertise and continue our desired growth path. It adds even greater depth to our exceptional account man-

agement team."

Prior to joining Brieden Consulting Group, Ivson held account management roles with carriers and insurance agencies.

Ivson also is earning a Master's in Business Administration degree from Troy University.

RESIGN:

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before he accepted the position. "So it was very much a surprise to get this letter."

Berschback's pay aligned with the earnings of earlier Woods city attorneys, said the mayor: "I think everyone felt that it was suitable, given what's been done in the past."

The resignation marked the loss of "what I would really consider one of our true assets," Novitke added.

Berschback said he's confident his brother is prepared to assume city attorney duties, he said.

"I've got plenty to do at the office and I'll work for as long as I'm capable," Berschback said. "I'm only 77."



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OUR VIEW

Who’s behind recall effort?

The recall effort has proceeded far enough against three school board members that the community deserves more information about who is behind the effort, why and what they hope to accomplish if they succeed.

Of course, it’s clear that school closings are at the heart of the turmoil in the Grosse Pointe Public School System. The board voted in June to close Poupard and Trombly elementary schools and to move fifth-graders to the middle schools. The changes take effect with the start of the school year in 2020.

There are a multitude of reasons to dislike the process involved and perhaps the results, as well. But the fact remains that the schools face an increasing financial challenge. Perhaps more crucial, the number of students at some schools has fallen to the point that services to them can no longer be provided efficiently. Split classes — two grades with one teacher — are sometimes necessary, as well.

What ideas are coming to the table from the people behind the recall?

The people presumably involved have put up a billboard and created a website (savegpschools.com). There is initial campaign finance paperwork filed in Lansing for a group called Save GP Schools Super PAC. As yet, no donation or spending information has been filed and the persons named have out-of-district addresses — Lansing and Fenton. They’re not returning phone calls.

Also not returning calls is the Grosse Pointe Farms lawyer, Genevieve Tusa, who filed the petition language for recalling the three board members.

The website includes the names of more than 150 supporters — surely enough people to form a committee and name a spokesperson.

The website also has a seven-point statement of principles, which includes closing a school only as a last resort. (What does that mean? After art, music and counseling have disappeared? Until curriculum specialists are gone? When skilled teachers stop working here?)

The recall language against two of the board members is under appeal. Wayne County Circuit Court has 40 days to respond or else the language will stand. Depending on the court, petitions could start to circulate yet this month or as late as Labor Day.

The group already has missed the deadline for a November election and so must apparently set their sights on a May vote. That’s still enough time to undo the board-approved plan, but not by much.

It’s also a long time to roil district residents without providing at least an outline of alternative paths. How will petition signers know they’re not jumping out of the frying pan into the fire?

Where’s the spokesperson?

School board needs to communicate better, too

At the last school board meeting, Board President Brian Summerfield said there were “many things that we’re doing that you just don’t see all the time.”

Pardon?

Mr. Summerfield was talking about an Early Childhood Center proposal. But he also mentioned talks related to implementing school closures — plans that must go forward regardless of the recall — including discussions about an equity office and with the head of the Michigan Civil Rights Department.

Once again, this sounds like top-down delivery of a process via “the things ... you just don’t see.”

The board needs to set open and inviting paths for input from as many community segments as possible: from PTOs and real estate brokers, from faith leaders and students, from public safety officers and groups that represent minority residents and from senior citizens who have little interaction with the schools. In some cases, that means finding out first how various groups would like to be approached.

This needs to be a bottom-up, district-wide effort if it is to succeed. Perhaps that’s where Mr. Summerfield is headed. But even at this early stage, please don’t leave it among the things no one sees.



FROM THE PUBLISHER

Tot Lot a community-wide gem

One of the reasons I like Rotary is its civic good works are both global and local. One week we can be raising funds for a school in Ghana and the next week we are raising funds for a local project.

One such endeavor is the \$250,000 “re-imagining” of the nearly half-century-old Rotary Tot Lot in the City of Grosse Pointe to make it a more ADA/ADHD friendly, all-inclusive play park and learning development environment for kids 2 to 10 years of age.

In 1973, Grosse Pointe Rotary designed and installed the initial tot lot play park for children 2 to 5 years of age at the corner of St. Clair and Waterloo. Then, in 1997-98, the club performed a true makeover of the original park and invested significantly in park improvements, because kids today are spending less time outside playing than they did 20 years ago.

New play equipment will include playscapes for 2- to 5-year-olds and 5- to 10-year-olds. Freestanding items include a Discovery Cave, Merry-Go-All, wheelchair-accessible picnic table and sandbox and

swingset with parent-child facing swings.

In addition, many of the “old favorites” in the tot lot are being retained and refurbished. This is not about throwing out the old to make room for the new. The shade trees will, of course, stay.

The toys will remain. By that, I mean the trucks and tractors, etc., that are left at the tot lot so other children can enjoy them when they visit. This act of sharing has nothing to do with Rotary. The practice evolved on its own by the parents and children who have frequented the tot lot over the years. That speaks volumes of the appreciation and value of the play park, which is open to everyone. You do not need a park pass.

I encourage everyone to contribute to this worthy project.

Donors can access Grosse Pointe Rotary’s GoFundMe page online at GPTotLot.com or by smartphone via the QR code displayed on tot lot capital campaign printed materials and posters at local merchants and dining establishments and on banners at the tot lot and throughout our communities.

OUR VIEW

Williamson: Not in Grosse Pointe

Marianne Williamson brought some Grosse Pointe cred to the most recent Democratic debate.

“I assure you, I lived in Grosse Pointe — what happened in Flint would not have happened in Grosse Pointe. This is part of the dark underbelly of American society,” she said.

Whether Grosse Pointe’s moment in the national spotlight does the community any good is itself debatable. It’s part of the stereotyping of Grosse Pointe as the epitome of privilege, and it’s not always warranted. Still, it’s probably true that if the Grosse Pointe Farms water plant started delivering brown water, no one would be brushed off and told to drink it anyway.

And the Grosse Pointe comparison fits well into Ms. Williamson’s overall message, which touched frequently on racial injustice and emphasized the need to get beyond deep-in-the-weeds disputes such as those about health care.

She is, in fact, a serious person, despite efforts to treat her as a high priestess for any and every New Age stereotype.

LETTERS

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Recall warranted

To the Editor:

I have not read anything about the safety issues involved for the affected students.

Harper Woods students attending Poupard (who pay property tax to attend Grosse Pointe schools) have to cross I-94, Mack Avenue and

Vernier to get to Mason.

Trombly students south of Jefferson have to cross Jefferson to get to Defer.

Ahmed Ismail’s solution makes more sense. Judgment should not be made based only on school population.

Recall is warranted.
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Grosse Pointe Park

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I SAY By Mary Anne Brush

Ask yourself: Does it spark joy?



My oldest daughter, as she once observed, leads a project-based life. It struck me this approach has led to an admirable amount of productivity and creativity in her 28 years on this earth. That and a lot of “to do” lists. Last summer she was home for a few weeks before beginning a Ph.D. program in English. She already had a project in

mind well before she arrived — publishing a family literary magazine. She put out a call for submissions to our extended family and, after a few gentle reminders and some prodding, entries came trickling in — poetry, short stories, photographs, essays, drawings, paintings and even a college thesis précis. Within weeks the journal was edited, designed, proofread and printed in a 192-page, perfect-bound volume representing work from 26 contributors. Project complete. Check. This summer, she was

home a few weeks before setting off for Switzerland, for which she packed more books than clothes and designed an elaborate reading schedule in preparation for her qualifying exams in September. She had a different project in mind this year. Having watched “Tidying Up with Marie Kondo” on Netflix — you know, the cheery young woman who asks you to examine every item you own and ask yourself, “Does it spark joy?” — she decided it was time to clean out her childhood bedroom of everything she had accumulated since we

moved to Grosse Pointe when she was 8. While she was separating items, I would occasionally complain about something she was throwing away or donating. Her response always was: “But, Mom, we still have our memories.” So among bags of donated clothing was the dress she sewed for the homecoming dance her sophomore year of high school. The sewing machine she made it on found a new home in a local middle school life skills classroom, and she gave her treasured childhood books to an elementary school in Harper Woods,

hoping rather than collecting dust on her shelves, they will find new life introducing children to the same joy of reading she carries with her to this day. Sometimes, seeking inspiration to “Marie Kondo” other areas of our house, I go up to her cozy attic bedroom on the third floor to reflect on what an uncluttered life looks like. Gone now are the outgrown clothing, sports uniforms, trophies, art supplies, schoolwork and teen icon posters covering the slanted walls. In their place are a tidily made bed, organized desk with office and art supplies tucked

away in drawers and an empty closet with a few spare hangers. Replacing the childhood line-up on the built-in shelves along one wall are favorite books that someday will make their way to a future home and just the right amount of family photos and sentimental trinkets to seem homey, but not overwhelming. On the walls, a collage of soccer photos and a framed poster of the U.S. women’s soccer team from the 1990s serve as reminders of glory days and heroes of the past. I look around at the relics of my daughter’s childhood and every single item sparks joy.

YESTERDAY’S HEADLINES

1944

75 years ago this week

WOODS DEVELOPMENT TO PROCEED: The Parkwood Development company will proceed with plans to create a large commercial center in the Village of Grosse Pointe Woods, a project that has aroused more than usual interest and no little opposition in that community.

The company asked the Woods commission to change its zoning laws to permit it to build a large parking lot which would extend beyond the 300-foot depth in from Mack, which is now reserved for commercial purposes. Residents of adjoining Country Club Woods objected to the parking lot and size of the proposed development and raised such strenuous objections that the commission turned down the company’s request for a change in zoning laws.

Since then the company has purchased a strip of land 200 feet deep which joins its original piece at Bournemouth and runs north to Broadstone, or for a distance of about four blocks. This property is within the zone where commercial development is allowed.

POST OFFICE PREFERS KERCHEVAL SITE: There is good reason to believe the Post Office department will decide to locate the new Grosse Pointe post office on a now-vacant lot on Kercheval near McMillan Road.

The location is nearer the geographical center of the Pointe than the others offered, which were on Kercheval in or near the city business

district. *Obituaries: U.S. Army Air Forces Lt. Roger F. Tessier, U.S. Army Air Forces Lt. Kenneth M. Dewey*

1969

50 years ago this week

PICKETS TEST ORDINANCE AT WOODS STORE: Grosse Pointe Woods’ recently established ordinance regulating demonstrations, parades and pickets within the community received its first “live” test Tuesday, July 29, resulting in the arrest of a pair of grape boycotters.

The two men were arrested after they ignored warnings to stop an unauthorized picket in front of the Wrigley’s supermarket at 18231 Mack.

The new ordinance allows the Woods to provide for the orderly regulation of public demonstrations, parades and picketing within the community and makes it a requirement to obtain a permit of approval from the city at least 24 hours in advance of any planned demonstration.

Obituaries: Army Pfc. Thomas J. Dion, Farms Councilman William G. Kirby

1994

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CITIES SAY ‘NO’ TO ST. CLAIR PROPERTY: It doesn’t appear as though the Grosse Pointe Public School System will be needing change-of-address forms anytime soon.

For the last year, the school board has been considering what to do with the district’s aging administration buildings at 389 St. Clair in the City of Grosse Pointe.

The school system received an offer of \$278,000 — about a quarter of the projected costs for relocating the offices to Barnes School and including necessary renovations.

The City and Farms expressed an interest in the site for possible development of senior housing. The cities jointly paid for a feasibility study and concluded neither wished to purchase the property.

REPORT SAYS PARK COULD HAVE LESSENED BASEMENT FLOODING: At the request of angry residents whose basements flooded after a heavy rain July 6, Grosse Pointe Park officials released the results of an engineering study of the city’s sewer system at Monday night’s council meeting.

“The engineers concluded that turning on the pumps at the city’s retention basin would have probably lessened flooding in some areas, said City Manager Dale Krajniak. He also noted it probably would not have



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Pure Grosse Pointe

The wood for this bench at Grosse Pointe Park city hall, as the plaque reads, “came from the first ash cut down in Grosse Pointe Park due to the emerald ash borer epidemic,” according to the Park’s Forestry Department.

eliminated the flooding completely.

Obituaries: Virginia Martz Bradley, Richard A. Cooper, John Henry French Jr., Edith Hasselberger Johnson, the Rev. John J. Lambert, Margie O’Neil Lundy

2009

10 years ago this week

RECALL EFFORT UNSUCCESSFUL: A recall effort launched against two members of the Grosse Pointe Woods City Council has failed.

The committee, Tapped-out Taxpayers, failed to obtain the required 2,500 signatures on petition to put the recall of councilmen Art Bryant and Joe Sucher on the November ballot.

The recall effort was launched in reaction to

votes by Bryant and Sucher in favor of a 1.75 millage hike to balance the city’s 2009-10 budget.

Obituaries: John Thomas Albrecht, Elizabeth Ann Gibson, William E. Hawkins, Caroline McNerney McKee, Louise Ruth Schaaf, William T. Swartz, Minert N. Thompson, Anne MacDonald Unti

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Juvenile Diversion Program offers a second chance

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — In January, the Farms Municipal Court joined the Park as the second Pointe to implement a juvenile diversion program.

Young adults and juveniles who have broken the law and meet the guidelines are referred to the program by public safety, which gives them a chance to stay out of the court system and avoid a criminal record.

“You don’t want to see juveniles establish a record where sometimes it’s not necessary,” Farms Court Administrator Susan Thomas said. “Sometimes they fall into those things that kids do fall into and you want to help guide them in the correct path as opposed to giving them a criminal record.”

She reported part of the need for this was due to Grosse Pointe South High School being in the city, since it’s important to keep juvenile diversion non-public and out of the school offices.

“You don’t want to cause the child to have any sort of stigma or repercussions because it’s known within the school in any capacity,” Thomas said.

The six-month period is meant to help guide juveniles and young adults in the right direction through teaching responsibility, providing resources and opening their eyes to what it would be like if they had a misdemeanor on their record.

“This is your opportunity to stand up, take responsibility,” Thomas said.

Beginning with a recommendation from public safety, Farms Probation Officer Katherine Adamski then schedules a meeting with the defendant juvenile and their parents, where they must review an agreement of the program guidelines.

“We try to target it specific to the child’s issue and the incident,” Thomas said.

There is then initial alcohol testing as well as potential for a psychological counseling period if there is a need and the parents agree to it.

In addition to regularly scheduled meetings where the participants report to the probation officer, they are required to take a class that is fit to each juvenile’s

issue, whether it is substance abuse, anger management, etc.

Thirty community service hours, with 25 in the first three months, also are built into the program. While Habitat for Humanity is only available to those 18 and older, the Farms program works with Capuchin Soup Kitchen, Salvation Army and Forgotten Harvest.

If the juvenile is still in high school, he or she also has to submit perfect attendance unless there is an excused absence.

The Farms Juvenile Diversion Program costs \$200 in most cases, but could go up to \$500 depending on the specifics. Oftentimes the participants are required to pay the fee themselves.

“Any judge I’ve worked with, when it’s a juvenile, they want the kid to pay for themselves,” Thomas said. “... They can go get a job part-time working at any place and we could reduce those fees to make it reasonable for them to be able to pay them. It’s kind of showing them a sense of responsibility because some of them just don’t understand that until they’re met face-to-face.”

If the juvenile or young adult is indigent, then the court would work around that, she added.

In order to qualify, juveniles cannot already have a record and may not be charged with a violent crime. Common incidents dealt with through a juvenile diversion program include marijuana possession, under-age drinking, smoking on campus, destruction of property and graffiti.

Additionally, the program is in place for any juvenile who comes in contact with the Farms court system and meets the criteria, not only residents.

Thomas reported there are currently five or six juveniles in the Farms program, adding it is running successfully at this point.

“They don’t realize when they’re young the impact of having a criminal history has on their future,” Thomas said. “... Not that anything they’ve done is not going to allow them to do things in their life, that’s not true, but they have to usually jump through more hurdles. If you can avoid that before it even happens, it’s always an ideal thing.”



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

Members of the Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe at the Tot Lot entrance during the public announcement.



A QR code on the bottom of the banner links to the GoFundMe page.



Joseph and Jack Giordano play with the trucks other kids have left behind to share.

TOT LOT:

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Additionally, a new play structure will be constructed to serve 5- to 10-year-olds.

“So this park is really being expanded from initially serving 2- to 5-year-olds only, which is why it was called the tot lot, to now it’s going to still be called the tot lot, but we’re expanding the age of the kids that actually can use it,” said Peter Stroth, who is on the board of directors for the club.

Other new equipment will include a Merry-Go-All, Discover Cave and a swing set with companion swings that are ADA compliant, allowing the parent and child to face each other and swing at the same time.

An elevated sandbox will be placed next to an inground sandbox for children in wheelchairs.

“If you look at the sandbox pit and ... you see all the toys that are around, for the last 20 years, neighborhood children when they come here and play, they leave their toys behind for other children to play with,” said Dean Valente, past Rotary Foundation president. “I think that’s just the most wonderful expression of community for young children to share their toys with other kids. That’s exactly what we intended when Rotary built this for the community.”

A 6- to 10-foot safety circle made of poured-in-place rubber surface will be around all the equipment.

The safety impact surface, taking the place of all wood chips, is \$105,000 worth of ground cover.

None of the sidewalks, tables or benches will be disturbed.

Those interested can

donate to the renovations through the park’s GoFundMe page, gptot lot.com.

“We’re really looking for a lot of small gifts,” said Roger Hull, president of the Grosse Pointe Rotary Foundation. “I think ideally, if we could get several thousand people in the community who’ve been touched by this park to give us \$25 or \$30, we’d be well on our way to reaching our goal.”

Making a pledge that can be paid over time also is an option.

As of Monday, Aug. 5, \$59,106 had already been raised toward the goal.

“Our hope is this project will become a community-wide effort that all residents of the five Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods will endorse and generously support,” Masserang said.

Further on in the project, the club also will look for community members to volunteer for equipment assembling and installation.

The goal for implementation is spring 2020, so by summer it is up and running.

The park will only have to be closed for about two weeks, Stroth said.

“It’s really, I think, one of the proudest things the Grosse Pointe Rotary Club does in our own backyard,” Valente said. “We do a lot of things regionally, a lot of things internationally, but this is something in our own backyard that our own children, special needs (and) able-bodied, get to take advantage of.”

The names of donors contributing \$1,000 or more will be on a raised brass plaque in the park.

The Grosse Pointe News will publish a weekly update with a thermometer to show the club’s progress in reaching its goal.

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TEACHERS IN THE SUMMERTIME

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

Math conference and book study add up for Poupard teacher

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

Two unrelated activities Julie Bourke engaged in this summer — attending a math conference in Grand Rapids and participating in an online discussion with fellow Poupard Elementary School teachers on a book about poverty — shared an unexpected connection: the importance of recognizing unconscious bias.

Math identity

On July 31 and Aug. 1, the fifth-grade teacher participated in the Michigan Council of Teachers of Mathematics annual conference in Grand Rapids, presenting a session called “Tackling Tricky Word Problems” geared toward elementary math teachers and attended by administrators and instructional coaches as well as teachers.

In 11 years of elementary teaching — eight in Seattle, two in Hazel Park and most recently at Poupard — Bourke has noticed in conversations with other teachers a common struggle with word problems.

“Teachers say it’s difficult to teach word problems because students see the numbers and want to do something. Students want to dive into the math action of a word problem before really understanding what the word problem is about,” she said.

Bourke provided instructional strategies aimed at showing teach-



Fifth-grade teacher Julie Bourke in her classroom at Poupard Elementary School.

ers, regardless of their grade level or curriculum, how to help students see the context of the word problem and make sense of it before diving in. She even showed a video demonstrating how she uses these strategies with her students at Poupard.

Seeking practical ideas to bring back to her students in the fall, Bourke attended sessions as well, including one on building fact fluency and another on using math games in the classroom. But the one that made the biggest impression on her was a session on math identity

and positioning students to view themselves as mathematicians.

“That was more about the internal belief systems we carry with us about mathematics and how that might present itself to our students and how they might internalize those beliefs,” she said. “That was kind of new for me to reflect on. It was a fascinating session just thinking about our own experiences growing up with math and how that may be, especially elementary teachers because you teach all the subjects. So if math isn’t your thing, you might say that’s OK,

but how are you presenting that to your students in ways we don’t even recognize?”

According to research, she discovered, the highest level of math anxiety comes from elementary educators. Bourke herself, nationally certified in literacy, said she feels more confident as a literacy than math teacher. To provide “that balance,” she pursued a master’s degree in math instruction through online classes at Grand Valley State University while teaching in Seattle. She earned a bachelor’s degree from Aquinas College after graduating from Grosse Pointe North High School in 2002.

With the exception of fourth grade, Bourke has taught every elementary grade level from K to 5.

“When I moved up to upper el from lower el, talking to other upper el

teachers saying, ‘Oh, I couldn’t do the math.’ And what does that reveal about what we think about math? We’d never say that about reading. You’d never say: ‘I can’t do fourth-grade reading.’”

One way to reduce anxiety, she discovered, was to build a classroom community where all students feel free to share regardless of whether they make a mistake.

Even reflecting on “who you choose to call on to share answers” is important, she discovered, to avoid projecting that unconscious bias.

Connecting online

Similar themes are explored in the book Poupard teachers are reading for their online discussion group, “Disrupting Poverty,” by Kathleen Budge and William H. Parrett, including how a teachers’ response to struggling learners might convey unintended biases or unconsciously project lower expectations to students.

“We want to help people — that’s why we’re teachers,” Bourke said, “and we wouldn’t want anyone to feel embarrassed, but if we’re jumping in to help too soon, we’re setting up a kind of hierarchy in the classroom that everybody else can see.

“When you’re calling on students in the classroom, what does that look like?” she continued. “Are you giving them the time that they need to really think it through or are you jumping in too soon and not giving them that time?”

Bourke and Poupard Principal Hussain Ali selected the book to help educators build “a better understanding of our students and where they come from,” Bourke said. The discussion is set up as a course on Schoology, the district’s learning management system, so all Poupard teachers have access to the book and can participate in the online discussion as suits their individual summer schedules.

Participants read a chapter a week and Bourke, the course administrator, posts discussion questions

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Bourke provided tips for teachers on “Tackling Tricky Word Problems” at the Michigan Council of Teachers of Mathematics annual two-day conference, held at Grand Valley State University in Grand Rapids.

That’s Entertainment
A song and dance summer camp

The directors and choreographers of Grosse Pointe South High School’s award-winning choirs are hosting their annual That’s Entertainment summer workshop beginning Saturday, Aug. 17, for high school students and Sunday, Aug. 18, for middle school students.

Middle and high school students from across the district and the metro Detroit area are welcome to attend this song and dance show choir camp, which culminates with a show at 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 23, at Grosse Pointe North

High School’s Christian A. Fenton Performing Arts Center, 707 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods.

“This is a special week for any students who are interested in — or think they may be interested in — performing arts with an emphasis on singing and dancing,” said South show choir director Christopher Pratt. “It is a high energy, intense week, but also great fun for the kids and exposes them to the teamwork and excitement that goes with live performances.”

High school students

may audition to participate in a special jazz workshop with Duane Davis, co-director of Indiana University’s Singing Hoosiers and vocal jazz ensembles.

Staff members also working with Pratt throughout the week are Nick Kuhl, director of South’s a cappella pop ensemble, Suspensions, South choreographer Andy Haines and choreographer Anita Coppel, former choral director for Chippewa Valley Schools, who will work with the middle school students.



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Middle school workshop hours are 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 18; 8 to 12 p.m. Monday, Aug. 19, to Thursday, Aug. 22; and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Aug. 23. The cost is \$185.

High school workshop

hours are 12:30 to 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 17, to Thursday, Aug. 22; and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Aug. 23. The cost is \$225. Register at gpsoouthchoir.org or call (313) 432-3638.

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“The community of St. Clare of Montefalco has had my heart since the first day my children began their journey at the school. That was almost twenty years ago. It is with great excitement that I am returning to St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic School and bringing the blessings of rich experiences with me. I feel certain the next few years will be filled with love, growth, and unique challenges as all families experience. I am happy to be home with all of you.”

To assist and support Ms. Crowley in her multiple duties as principal we welcome back Ms. Samantha Cooley. Ms. Cooley, a former teacher at St. Clare, has built her expertise and knowledge in education while pursuing an Ed. S in Leadership degree from Oakland University. Ms. Cooley is excited to be back and part of the St. Clare family and embark on a new role in the school.

“I began my teaching career at St. Clare three years ago, and I could not have asked for a better community to be a part of. I am very excited to return to St. Clare in a new role to help lead the school into a bright future. I look forward to all the growth and success St. Clare will see in the coming years.”

Open enrollment is now available for children Pre-K through 8th grade. Information is available on the St. Clare School website at: www.stclareschool.net or call the school office at 313-647-5101.

A midsummer night’s book discussion

A month into the summer seemed a perfect time to connect with students. So Trombly Elementary School teacher Rebecca Golus delivered books and discussion questions to each of the 25 students in last year’s third-grade class, then set up a date for all students and parents available to meet for a book discussion.

The book she selected was “Gooney Bird Greene,” by Lois Lowry, about a sassy second-grader who tells entertaining stories about her life.

The group met Monday, July 15, in Trombly’s butterfly garden to enjoy a snack and refreshment, talk about the book and reconnect as a class.

“This was kind of an experiment,” Golus said. “I had never done it before. (Trombly Principal) Walt (Fitzpatrick) and I were thinking about ways to keep the kids engaged and make sure they were reading. We thought it would be something the kids and



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Students from Rebecca Golus’s 2018-19 third-grade classroom at Trombly Elementary School met over the summer for a book discussion.

parents would like.”

She had no idea how many students would show up or how it would be received. She was pleasantly surprised with the turnout. Fifteen students showed up, along with several parents who read the book as well, and participated in the discussion. Several parents emailed Golus after-

wards to thank her.

“I think it was appreciated and needed right now,” she said.

Golus gave special recognition to the PTO for purchasing the books and Dave Damore, Trombly’s custodian, for making “sure the butterfly garden was all situated for us, freshly mowed and spruced up

to make sure it was a nice place to meet.”

Golus hopes to check in with the students at the beginning of the school year as they begin their fourth-grade year.

“They’re not my students anymore, but I want them to know they’re still in my heart,” she said.

— Mary Anne Brush

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and activities to go along with that chapter. Planned at the end is “an in-person meet-up,” Bourke said.

Integrating stories from teachers who grew up in poverty, “Disrupting Poverty” dispels common myths while focusing on five classroom practices permeating the culture of successful high-poverty schools: caring relationships and advocacy; high expectations and support; commitment to equity; professional accountability for learning; and the courage and will to act.

“The way the book is set up, it starts you off thinking about why you became a teacher,” Bourke said. “Teaching in a high poverty school is different than teaching in other schools. It’s a challenge in and of itself. Why do you go every day into this challenging situation? What are you as a teacher hoping to get out of it?”

Re-examining her goals as a teacher has reminded Bourke, who has taught in high poverty schools her

entire career, what’s most important to her: access for all students to a quality education regardless of their circumstances.

This increases not only her feelings of responsibility for her students’ success, but sense of urgency with students who “need extra support or need to see education as a path for their future.”

With Poupard slated to close in 2020-21 due to declining enrollment, Bourke said next year is critical to “setting our students up for success so that no matter what happens, no matter how the district lines get redrawn, our students are going to continue to be successful because they’re Grosse Pointe students and they’re still going to get a quality education.

“Whatever happens, I hope it’s going to be set up in a way that we can think ‘win-win’ — using a Leader in Me terminology — and everyone can get what they need,” she added. “Teachers can get what they need, students and families — everyone can get what they need to be successful.”

Rocket Fiber presents update on fiber network

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

The Rocket Fiber proposal to provide a high-speed fiber network by building a fiber ring around the Grosse Pointes is still on the table. Marc Hudson, co-founder and CEO of Rocket Fiber, presented an updated plan at the July 15 regular meeting of the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education.

The original proposal was for the ring to be owned by a consortium of municipalities, the Grosse Pointe Public School System and the Grosse Pointe Public Library. Part of the agreement was for Rocket Fiber to install its own fiber as part of the build to offer 1-gigabit internet to residences and businesses in the future.

The proposal passed with the City of Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Park and the GPPL Board of Directors contingent on the agreement of the other parties. It was tabled, rejected or not brought to council for a vote by Harper Woods, Grosse Pointe Farms, Grosse Pointe Shores and Grosse Pointe Woods.

The next step, pending approval from the Board

of Education, is for GPPSS Superintendent Gary Niehaus to determine if the remaining partners wish to proceed with a separate agreement or if the school district should undertake the project on its own with the understanding there’s an opportunity to generate revenue by leasing fiber strands.

According to the plan, construction of the fiber ring and laterals replaces the school system’s current internet lease with Comcast, providing 10Gbps — a 300 percent increase over the current connection — for 15 years in in-kind services. In addition, Rocket Fiber would provide 20 years of maintenance to the fiber ring and laterals.

Currently, GPPSS spends \$17,689 a month, or \$212,266 annually, for a speed of 3,000 Mbps.

“That connection today is already at capacity and with the current efforts for the bring-your-own device in-school learning, that speed is not going to be sufficient going into the future,” Hudson said.

The total cost of the project is \$1.76 million and includes a base ring cost of \$900,000 and \$500,000 for the laterals. An additional \$355,261 is

for connecting to the Wayne State University server.

“The Wayne State University leg connects to the Wayne RESA server at Wayne State University and is also the point by which Rocket Fiber will interconnect to the network,” Hudson said. “So the Wayne State leg is required for the 10Gbps connection that Rocket Fiber has proposed to provide in-kind service for 15 years.”

A Macomb Community College connection for an additional cost of \$412,564 is optional.

According to Hudson’s forecast, the projected return on investment over 20 years, including both the MCC and WSU legs, is \$3.6 million with a total ROI of 167.89 percent and annual ROI of 8.39 percent.

“Just to be clear, this is the base model today with no additional revenue generated from the infrastructure,” Hudson said.

With labor 90 percent of the overall cost of the project and cost of materials relatively low, “we’ve always planned since day one to put in extra capacity” as part of the build, Hudson said, as is customary for internet service providers.

While Hudson recommends the district put in 144 fibers, only 24 strands have been identified for initial use, leaving 120 fiber strands for future use cases — either by lease or indefeasible right of use (IRU) — with third parties, such as municipalities or public safety departments, to help offset the investment.

“That extra capacity is really about opportunity,” Hudson said.

According to a revenue model, two fibers leased for five years would generate close to \$500,000 for the school system. Hudson also provided revenue models for a 10- and 20-year IRU.

“We can’t guarantee that all of that extra capacity would be leased,” Hudson said, “I’d say it’s highly unlikely that you will lease all of the extra capacity, but over the life span of this asset which is over 20 years, we’d think it’s highly likely you’ll be approached by multiple potential partners who want to leverage this asset.

“As we move forward, there’s more data, more capacity, more technology, more use places, and this is something that plays out on e-rate projects all over the country,” he added.

Hudson projects a

12-month construction project and confirmed the district has been approved for e-rate funding from the Universal Service Administrative Company, which provides a 40 percent discount on telecommunications and internet access for eligible schools and libraries.

Aside from the opportunity to generate revenue, Niehaus said GPPSS has an urgent need for the high-speed service.

“The ‘why’ for us is we’re getting ready to put in \$18 million into our buildings for technology infrastructure,” he said, noting while it’s not \$18 million anymore because of school closures, that investment is still taking place in the remaining buildings.

“If we choose to do nothing, we’ll pay (Comcast) more for a gig and another gig and another gig. This gives us 10 gigs right out of the shoot. ... It saves us money short term, it saves us money inside our general fund, it (fulfills) a need we have for high-speed fiber and it gives us an opportunity to control our destiny into the future. It also gives us an opportunity to sell back any excess capacity we might have.”

Niehaus agreed to provide an update at the regular meeting of the board Monday, Aug. 12.

Back to school supplies needed

The Grosse Pointe Public Library is partnering with the Rotary of Grosse Pointe to collect school supplies. Donations, welcome at any of the three library branches and accepted through Aug. 16, will be given to the Northeast Guidance Center for Detroit Public Schools children.

Wish list items include: No. 2 pencils and colored pencils, blue and red pens, boxes of 24 crayons, packages of broad tip markers, washable felt markers, highlighter pens, pink and white erasers, pencil sharpeners and rules, Fiskar scissors (regular and blunt tip), bottles of school glue and glue sticks, correction fluid, staplers and staple removers, pocket dictionaries, agenda books/student planners, geometry sets, scientific calculators, pocket dictionaries, 1-inch binders, subject dividers, Duo-Tang folders, packages of wide-ruled paper, plain unlined copier paper, hand sanitizer, boxes of tissue and pocket thesauruses.

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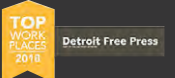
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Teamwork Young Life, LifeBUILDERS rehabbing Regent Park area

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Once known as the most dangerous neighborhood in Detroit, Regent Park has come a long way the last several years, thanks to the formation of LifeBUILDERS.

The nonprofit organization was started 14 years ago by Larry and



Young Life students clear the overgrowth from a LifeBUILDERS-owned house.



Young Life Grosse Pointe students Louise Brady, Shannon Green, Sydney Anderson, Kennedy Boll and Murray Sales, and Young Life Grosse Pointe Director Patrick Mollison.

Marilyn Johnson, former Grosse Pointe residents who answered the call to serve the underserved. After buying and rehabilitating a few properties, the couple moved to the neighborhood and broadened their impact.

In their efforts to reclaim Regent Park — which is bordered by Kelly, Gratiot, Seven Mile and Eight Mile roads — the Johnsons have helped stabilize and revitalize the community. Properties that were blighted and dangerous were removed, rehabilitated when possible or torn down and repurposed into green spaces. Rehabilitated properties are now occupied by families instead of squatters or drug dealers.

And while the area still sees vacant houses, LifeBUILDERS continues to buy and restore those houses in hopes of cleaning up the neighborhood and making it safer.

The week of July 15, hundreds of volunteers tackled projects at four sites in Regent Park. Among them were members of Young Life Grosse Pointe and their guests, Young Life Norway. The group spent several hours Monday clearing debris and planting a butterfly garden, among other activities.

“Many times, in the summer in particular, Christian organizations are looking for service projects,” Johnson said. “It’s common for them to look for like-minded organizations to serve and understand their ministry and the impact they’re making on the city.”

“Young Life called and said they’re having this Norwegian Young Life group coming,” he added. “They asked me if we had a project large enough to accommodate 60 to 70 young people. We do. ... We have all sorts of opportunities for large and small groups. We rely on volunteers to come and serve here in the community when the weather is good and



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

Young Life volunteers from Grosse Pointe and Norway listen to instructions before the project begins.

when we can get skilled labor to come and work on projects.”

During the course of the summer, 1,000 to 1,500 volunteers serve on LifeBUILDERS projects, Johnson said. Joining Summer Build Week this year were representatives from Home Depot’s Team Depot, Ford Motor Co., Quicken Loans, SmithGroup, Youth with a Mission Detroit and Bethesda Christian Church, as well as indi-

vidual volunteers and Regent Park residents.

“Our ultimate goal is to see the revitalization of the whole Regent Park community,” Johnson said. “There are 3,000 homes, 10,000 residents. When we started 14 years ago, this was Detroit’s most dangerous neighborhood. It was blighted, there were dangerous conditions, high unemployment, etc. We realized our only hope was Jesus. So we came here

in his name.”

Now, he added, LifeBUILDERS has rehabilitated close to 55 homes and two apartment buildings, as well as opened three pocket parks. Last year it opened the Regent Park Early Learning Center, serving 60 children from birth to age 4.

The site of the center, Johnson said, used to be a sign of hopelessness in the community, with an abandoned elementary school, an overgrown field and obvious signs of drug use.

“We tore the school down,” he said. “With help from the Kresge Foundation, we rebuilt a park. Now families come and have picnics. ... A year ago there was despair and hopelessness. Today there is hope. Quality of life is up. Housing is up. And we can’t keep up with demand for program-



Young Life students from Norway help build a butterfly garden at the Regent Park Early Learning Center.

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Documentary showcases activist’s life work

Fundraiser planned to finalize film

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

As filmmaker Daniel Land puts the finishing touches on the documentary, “America You Kill Me,” he’s reaching out to the community for help.

The project, six years in the making, documents the life and work of the late Jeffrey Montgomery, a gay rights activist from Grosse Pointe.

“It’s a story that needs to be told — a phenomenal story,” said Grosse Pointe Park resident John Montgomery, executive producer of the film about his brother.

Jeffrey Montgomery’s activism began in 1985, after his partner was killed outside a Detroit bar. After the funeral, he learned law enforcement wasn’t going to spend resources to investigate “just another gay

killing.” In response, Jeffrey Montgomery co-founded the Triangle Foundation in 1991, to fight against anti-gay violence and support victims of hate crime attacks and abuse.

“Undeterred by death threats, vandalism, sabotage or even being placed on the hit list of the Aryan Nation, he wielded his own fierce intellect and razor wit to confront politicians, testify at court hearings and push local/national media to better report on gay issues,” reads the “America You Kill Me” website.

In 2007, with his health in decline, Jeffrey Montgomery took a step back from activism, but his efforts had already made a tremendous national impact. The documentary illustrates his path and progress.

Filming began in 2013, as John Montgomery stepped in

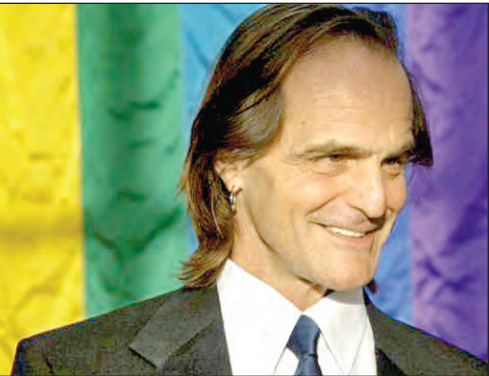


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Jeffrey Montgomery

to become caregiver for his ailing brother.

“It was eye-opening for me to see what a really incredible person my brother was,” John Montgomery said of his brother, who died in 2016. “He had incredible integrity, he was brilliant and compassionate.”

“During that time, he said he wanted to get active again,” he continued. “We had this idea to

go on a college lecture tour. ... People at universities could pick a topic — like gay marriage or hate crimes — and we’d set up a tour.”

The original filmmaker dropped out, but fate intervened when the Montgomery brothers crossed paths with Land, a Detroit-based filmmaker with Hollywood credits.

“He totally embraced the project and at that point, it went from a lecture tour to a documentary,” John Montgomery said.

Land met with the brothers and was impressed with what he heard.

“I got to hear Jeff’s story from him,” Land said. “It’s a story that needed to be told.”

Land said Jeffrey Montgomery’s screen presence and charisma led him to take the project’s helm, but also, “Jeff was adamant about not being involved editorially. He didn’t want to control any part of it.”

Land said initially the plan was to interview Jeffrey Montgomery and fold in the clips with archival material, but as filming progressed, “it became apparent his story was bigger than that,” Land said. “We needed more people, to hear more voices.”

The bigger the film became — it’s now feature length — the more resources it has taken to assemble.

“Most of the work is behind us,” Land said. “We’ve interviewed dozens of people for the film. ... We have hours of archival footage — he was in

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Camera Club

The Grosse Pointe Camera Club hosts a display of members' photography through Sunday, Aug. 25, at Grosse Pointe Congregational Church, 240 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms. Photographs are displayed in the gallery on the lower level of the church. Hours are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday or by appointment.

BNI

The Business Network International Pipeline Chapter meets at 7 a.m. Friday, Aug. 9, at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 20338 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Call Ryan Marier at (313) 638-7526.

The Business Network International East Side-Launchpad Chapter meets at 7 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 14, at St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 20475 Sunningdale Park, Grosse Pointe Woods. Call Beth at (313) 690-5723.

Libraries

The Grosse Pointe Public Library hosts the

following programs at its branches:

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

◆ Ice cream social and fun with Dr. Nitro, 1 to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 10.

◆ College Planning Seminar, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 14.

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

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◆ Close Encounters of the Bookish Kind, 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 15.

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◆ Friends Book Sale, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Aug. 9, and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 10.

◆ Ice cream social and fun with Dr. Nitro, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 10.

◆ Reader Dog Saturday Drop-ins, 1 to 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 17.

Toastmasters

Northeastern Toastmasters meets at 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 12, at the Mary Ellen Stempfle

University Center, 19305 Vernier, Harper Woods. Call Wendy Bradley at (313) 884-1184 or Ron or Marcia Pikelek at (313) 884-4201.

The Helm

The Helm at the Boll Life Center, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms, offers the following programs:

◆ Free blood pressure screenings, 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 13.

◆ AARP Driver Safety Program, 1 to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 13, and Thursday, Aug. 15, with facilitator Rosa Hunter. Cost is \$15 for AARP members, \$20 for non-members.

◆ "Wine Glass Painting," 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 14, with Michelle Boggess of On the Gogh Studio. Cost is \$25 for members, \$35 for nonmembers.

◆ Alzheimer's caregiver support group, 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 15.

◆ Friday movie, "A Star is Born," 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 16. Cost for members is \$2 for snacks and the movie, \$5 for lunch and the movie. Cost for non-members is \$3 for snacks and the movie, \$7 for lunch and the movie.

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

Senior Men

The Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club meets at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 13, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Mac Gallagher, owner of Heavy Hitters Gym, speaks.

Blood drive

The American Red Cross hosts a blood drive 1 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 14, at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms. Register at redcrossblood.org.

GPAA

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

◆ "Painting Urban Landscapes in Acrylic with Liz Frankland," 6 to 9 p.m. Thursdays, Aug. 15 to Sept. 5.

◆ "Pastels with Dan Methric," 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursdays, Aug. 15 to Sept. 5.

◆ "Painterly White Line Printing with Nobuko Yamasaki," 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Mondays, Sept. 16 to Oct. 7.

◆ "Composition for Painters with Vianna Szabo," 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 19 and 20.

Kids On The Go has inaugural All-Star Flag Football game

Pediatric nonprofit Kids On The Go, which provides free therapy, camp and programs to children with special needs, will hold its first annual All-Star Flag Football game at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 12, at the South Lake High School athletic field, 23101 Stadium, St. Clair Shores.

Kids On The Go provides fun and therapeutic enrichment opportunities for local children who otherwise might not receive therapy during the summer break. Some of the programs offered this year include "Teens to Work," "Movie Makers," "All-Star Hoops" and art and music therapy.

The All-Star Flag Football camp, directed by former NFL player and Michigan State Spartan/Rose Bowl Champion Taiwan Jones and CYO/Grosse Pointe

North assistant football coach Kevin Shubnell, is a new program first offered this summer to foster young athletes. Participants learn the fundamental skills and rules of flag football in a



fun and energetic environment. The end-of-the-summer football game will cap off its inaugural year for this program. In attendance will be Roary, the mascot for the Detroit Lions. The event is free and open to the public.

For more information, visit kidsonthegocamp.com or call (313) 332-1026.

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the media a lot. A lot of the work comes down to putting it all together. This is our 11th version of the rough cut. ... Now it needs refinement and finishing." It also needs funding to

license media footage.

To help pay for the remainder of the project, a finishing fundraiser takes place 8 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Aug. 10, at Common Pub, 5440 Cass, Detroit. The event features hors d'oeuvres, signature cocktails, live entertainment and an auction.

"I was approached by John and Daniel the last two years at Pride March," said Andrea Joy, a member of Welcoming Everyone Grosse Pointe, which is supporting fundraising efforts for the documentary. "They gave me a nice education on the history. Jeff's work makes Pride March more relevant, which makes the film more relevant because we continued something we didn't even know started here."

The auction includes items such as a semester of improv classes at Planet Ant, as well as classes at Detroit Yoga Club, among others. Film

composer Audra Kubat and other artists will perform. Clips from the film, as well as of Jeffrey Montgomery's media appearances, also will be shown during the event. Several of his collectible items will be raffled as well.

"This is a chance to support an important part of our history," said Joy, a Grosse Pointe Farms resident. "Knowing his story is inspiring. Inspiration transcends cause."

"For me personally, it's important this story is told because Pride March would not be possible at all without Jeff's work," she added. "This city is welcoming because of the road that he paved."

There is urgency to finishing the project, as film festival season is nearly underway.

"We're stepping into festival season and we want to be ready for that," said Land, noting the film will be completed this

year. "We're going to be competitive."

Those who cannot attend the fundraiser but would like to contribute may donate online at americayoukillme.com. Varying donor levels are available for those who contribute, including associate producer, co-producer and executive producer film credits.

"It's for people who are interested in how we got to where we are," Land said. "In terms of issues, it's important to highlight the heroes who made it happen. It's important for young people to look at someone who was successful — to see their triumphs and mistakes. ... He was a person we all should be proud of."

Added John Montgomery, "It's a basic human rights story; it affects everybody."

For more information about the documentary, the fundraiser or Jeffrey Montgomery, visit americayoukillme.com.

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The Power of One: Sponsors sought for awards breakfast

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

The idea to honor women in Detroit making a difference in their communities was on Dotti Sharp's mind a full year before she mentioned it to anyone.

Now, five years later, Michigan Community Resources presents its fifth annual The Power of One Dedicated Woman awards breakfast 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 27, at the Rattlesnake Club. The invitation-only event honors six outstanding neighborhood leaders who donate their time and talent to keeping their communities safe and strong.

"I wanted to have an event, but I didn't know how to do it, honoring the women in the community," Sharp said. "It's something I believe the Lord gave me to do. ... I've never seen anything honoring women who love Detroit, who do good things for Detroit using their own funds."

Sharp said initially she wanted to honor 50 women, but planners settled on six — each of whom is awarded a lap-top.

The group received 31 nominations this year, which are combed through by a panel of judges who select the final six winners. Nominees must be 18 or older, reside in Detroit and contribute to improving their community. Sharp noted neighborhood cleanup, planting

gardens, babysitting for neighbors and teaching literacy as some examples. One past winner even purchased land and built a putt-putt course for neighborhood children.

"It's for someone who's unnoticed in the community," Sharp said.

"Most of these women have never been acknowledged for anything," said Amber Umscheid, MCR program manager. "It's very empowering and uplifting."

The breakfast includes networking, short films on each of the winners, introductions by their nominees and a brief pitch from MCR, which supports other nonprofit organizations with direct consulting relationships, advisers, a network of attorneys and corporate professionals, among other connections.

"This is important to me because people love to be recognized," Sharp said. "It encourages them to continue what they're doing. It shows them that people see what they're doing and gives them a self-esteem boost in the work that they do."

"A lot of the work we do is coalition building, connecting nonprofits with shared learning experiences," said Hannah Colborn, marketing and communications manager for MCR. "Dotti's raising up opportunities for that to be pulled together through The Power of One. There's so much oppor-

tunity to learn from each other.

"The reason I do this work and I'm excited about Power of One is to raise the profile of these women in the communities they serve," she continued, "to give them the credit they deserve for doing important work. A lot of people aren't aware of this wonderful work going on. These women are doing work for a long time and not getting credit. ... These women are wonderful, their stories are great, it would be great to get to know them, but they're only a few of the many women doing these things."

Added Umscheid, "It's letting them know we see them. ... This award validates the work they're doing. It motivates them to do more."

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Maureen Krasner, MCR senior program manager and attorney, sees the event as "an opportunity to lift up the hard work that these unsung community-building women do every day and celebrate them and their neighbors."

Krasner helps provide pro bono legal services to various organizations and, as such, meets and works with many of the women honored, among others.

"I'm inspired daily by their work, resilience and strength," she said. "I see firsthand the dedication to communities and the service of their missions and the fact that they are not seeking the spotlight.

It's important that their stories are told and that they are honored and not overlooked.

"We often celebrate what we see as Detroit's comeback in the splashy developments downtown and we don't see the work going on at a grass-roots level to build a stronger city," she continued. "The work being done by these women in neighborhoods will help ensure equitable, sustainable growth and stronger communities and we need to amplify this part of the metro Detroit story in support of this work."

Krasner described the event as a celebration of the hard work and stories of unsung women who are dedicated leaders.

"It sheds a light on this important work and helps to give a broader perspective on the deeper story of the work going on to revitalize and strengthen Detroit," she said. "Beyond the simple story of the challenges and hardships in Detroit neighborhoods, it raises up the other part of the story of the work, resilience, ingenuity and strength these women possess in the face of these challenges. It is an inspiring and hopeful event and helps to show these women and all the other unsung heroes doing this work in Detroit that their efforts are deeply appreciated and that even one person can make a difference."

Krasner was so taken by The Power of One

event, she invited friend and Farms resident Suzy Berschback to join the committee. Berschback served as a judge last year.

"I am inspired by these women and their stories," Berschback said. "Michigan Community Resources' Power of One breakfast shines a light on the women working day to day in the trenches making their neighborhoods better. It recognizes hard-working women who have a passion to use the resources on hand to do what they can to make their community, neighborhood or block better in some capacity."

"It is a very joyful event," she continued. "The women who are nominated are not used to having a spotlight. Their stories are inspiring to everyone in the room. It is very empowering to the entire group to look around and see the unsung heroes being recognized for their tireless work in their communities. These women demonstrate every day that creating change doesn't require a lot of money as much as it requires a lot of will. Each of their stories inspires others to rise and do what they can to help others."

Sponsorship opportunities are available. Proceeds from the event support the efforts of award winners and other community leaders in need of financial help.

Neighbors supporting neighbors

"One of the things I love about Grosse Pointe is our strong sense of community and pride. That sense of community to me starts with my amazing Merriweather block and my city of Grosse Pointe Farms, but also extends to all the Grosse Pointes and beyond. I was born and raised in the city of Detroit in a neighborhood very much like Grosse Pointe. I know firsthand from my youth and my current work that the same sense of community and pride is deeply entrenched in the Detroit block clubs and neighborhoods. On a deeper level, our similarities far outweigh our differences and I see tremendous opportunity to grow and work together for our region. Breaking down barriers and working for inclusion and connection, so that we gain a greater regional community consciousness in metro Detroit, will help us all to move forward together economically and socially. I also believe this moment in time for Grosse Pointe and Detroit presents a uniquely powerful chance to gain a deeper understanding of our neighbors and opportunities to leverage our privilege to build partnerships and make these connections. Working together we can strengthen and revitalize our greater community."

— Maureen Krasner
MCR senior program manager and attorney

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Full Circle receives Mahindra grant

Celebrating its fifth anniversary, the Mahindra Urban Agriculture Grant Program recently disbursed \$125,000 in funding to 13 southeast Michigan nonprofit farming organizations in a ceremony at The Greening of Detroit's Lafayette Greens in downtown Detroit.

Among the recipients was the Full Circle Foundation. The organization, which serves

young adults with special needs, received \$12,250 for its Edible Garden Summer Institute and a Mahindra GenZe e-bike, the latter of which will be put up for auction at Full Circle's fall gala.

Since 2015, Mahindra Automotive North America has donated more than \$550,000 in cash and farm equipment to support 19 organizations commit-

ted to sustainable farming and gardening in Detroit and beyond.

"It's been an exciting and humbling experience to watch — and play a role in — the growth of this region's thriving urban agriculture movement over the past five years," said

Rick Haas, Mahindra president and CEO. "I'm amazed by the creativity and resourcefulness our grant recipients display, not only in the projects Mahindra helps fund, but also as they fulfill every aspect of their missions."



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Representatives from 13 southeast Michigan nonprofits recently received grants from Mahindra, including Grosse Pointe-based Full Circle Foundation.

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Harper Woods introduces Community Treatment Court

By Amy Fortune
Special Writer

Individuals with mental illnesses that affect their behavior may find themselves in legal trouble. Often, erratic behavior leads to lawbreaking actions that force afflicted individuals into the courts as defendants. And even though those with mental disorders are still accountable for their actions, caring court officials such as Judge Daniel Palmer, the sitting judge in 32-A District Court, believes in providing support and treatment that may decrease the likelihood of future violations.

To provide resources that can accommodate this support, 32-A District Court in Harper Woods has established a Community Treatment

Court that focuses on providing care for defendants who have a history of mental illness. Community Treatment Court is made possible through a planning grant. Palmer fully supports its implementation.

“My time on the bench here in Harper Woods has shown me that there is a need for a Community Treatment Court to serve the citizens of Harper Woods,” Palmer said. “Mental health issues are the root cause for much of the crime committed here, whether it be drug- and/or alcohol-related co-occurring issues or domestic violence crimes. This program will assist in solving the underlying problems so that future crimes will not be committed by mental court graduates. This is backed

up by the research and is very promising for our city.”

The research referenced by Palmer includes a follow-up analysis by the Michigan Supreme Court that revealed in 2017, those who completed treatment programs prescribed by mental health courts were almost two times less likely to commit additional crimes for at least two years. This evidence supports Palmer’s belief that addressing and treating mental health afflictions within the court system is a vital part of maintaining a healthy and safe community.

In his experience on the bench, Palmer has discovered that, “Oftentimes, someone with a mental illness will commit a crime that, if they were

treated, they might not be acting in a criminal manner. If someone still has an untreated illness, they are much more likely to reoffend.”

The care offered by the new Community Treatment Court will be regarded as a necessary supplement to the sentencing that results from fair trials. Ideally, no person convicted of a crime will be excused because of their mental illness. Yet, they will receive the type of support that will prevent them from committing future crimes.

Marleen Miazga was appointed the chief clinical officer for the non-profit organization, which will offer a variety of mental health services provided by All Well Being Services of Detroit. However, 32-A District

Court itself will determine who qualifies to receive Community Treatment Court services.

Added Palmer, “The court will monitor those who go through this process and if they meet the requirements of their particular probation — which can include things like getting treatment and staying out of trouble — they can get a deferral.”

There has been an increase in awareness within the Harper Woods community about the connections between persistent mental illness and tendencies among certain individuals to commit serial crimes. Therefore, the need for the Community Treatment Court is widely accepted and regarded as necessary.

Summing up the need

and its fulfillment in Harper Woods, Justice Elizabeth Clement, the Michigan Supreme Court’s liaison to problem-solving courts, wrote in a press release, “A national dialogue has been building about the need to reform our criminal justice system and a key component has been the success of mental health courts around the country. I am extremely proud the Michigan Supreme Court has long championed and supported these courts so that graduates can improve their lives, take care of their families and help make their communities stronger. Judge Palmer — as well as his team — is to be commended for his leadership and dedication to this program.”

New public-use basketball court opened

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

The city of Harper Woods, along with the Harper Woods Public School District and the Neighborhood United Maximum Effort Now group, recently dedicated the city’s new public-use basketball court at Johnston Park.

The project was a long time coming, said Harper Woods City Manager Joe Rheker.

“The project came about due to a delay in county recreation funding,” he said. “We originally were going to have two new half courts at Salter Park. When the county funding fell through, I was determined to get something put together for our Harper Woods residents.

“In support of our parks and recreation master plan, at the end of 2017 into early 2018, we conducted robust community outreach,” he continued. “This included spending a couple days



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Residents play basketball on the new court.

at the Harper Woods High School where many students mentioned their desire to have outdoor courts. So when the county funding fell through, I wasn’t going to let a third year on my watch go by without addressing this need for

the community.”

Additionally, Rheker said, Councilman Will Smith, coach of Neighborhood United Maximum Effort Now, or NUMEN, had been trying to get a court installed the last two summers.

“We had to make it

happen,” Rheker said. “It was overdue and it was the right thing to get done.”

NUMEN is a youth service organization that uses Harper Woods teens as mentors for younger children through basketball. Smith founded the group to continue a positive mentoring effort for young men in the city.

While the original project was supposed to use county recreation funds, Rheker put a plan in motion with key staff members around Memorial Day this year after learning funding wasn’t coming.

“A little over seven weeks later, we had the ribbon cutting,” he said. “We hope that next year we will be able to continue with the plan for



Councilmembers and residents cut the ribbon at the new court.

two half courts at Salter Park. We are awaiting updated information from the county.”

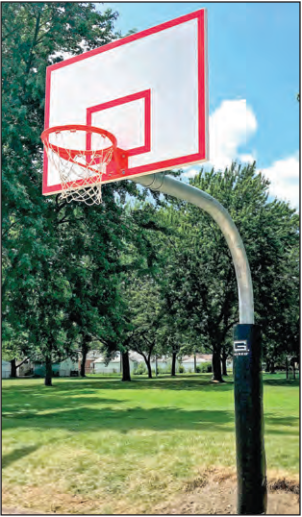
The project was funded through the city’s general fund, but was a joint effort, Rheker stressed. The school district, NUMEN, Smith and some of his students all offered insight.

Additionally, “staff from the Harper Woods Public Safety Department, Recreation Department, Community Development, along with the Harper Woods Public School District and members of NUMEN met to develop a list of ‘expectations’ for patrons of the court to meet,” Rheker explained. “We included the logos of the city, school district and NUMEN on the temporary signage as a demonstration of cooperation for a better community.”

Rheker said he wishes the court could have come to fruition sooner as he believes residents of any age need a place to play basketball.

“We can’t be on our local kids for playing basketball in the street and not offer them an alternative,” he said.

“I remember as a kid I played at this old broken-down rim year in and out across the street from where I grew up,” Rheker added. “I know some people have concerns about potential problems, but I feel the good will far outweigh the bad. Harper Woods deserves nice things and Harper Woods kids also deserve nice things. I think the cooperation we are developing throughout the community will carry the day.”



A new public-use outdoor basketball court recently was added to Johnston Park in Harper Woods.

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Artisans needed for fall bazaar

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Organizers of a fall bazaar in Harper Woods seek members of the community to exhibit their wares during the event.

The bazaar, scheduled from noon to 6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 15, takes place at Eastland Center in the former Burlington space.

Organizers hope to feature “an eclectic mix of old and new,” including homemade crafts, artwork and fun items, said Margaret Poynter. “And we’re hoping for lots of community involvement,

not just from Harper Woods, but from all neighboring communities.”

Artisans of all types are welcome to purchase space and sell their wares, so long as those wares don’t include livestock, firearms or firearm-related items, Poynter said.

Spaces are available for \$15, cash only, and are non-refundable. Spaces may be purchased 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday, at the Harper Woods cashier window, 19617 Harper. The fee includes space only; tables and chairs are not included.

“People pretty much already know to go to city hall and get spaces,” Poynter said, “but they go quickly.”

Following the bazaar, the second Harper Woods SOUP micro-financing dinner takes place 5:30 to 8 p.m. in the same location. The event costs \$5 and includes dinner, as well as presentations from four entrepreneurs about their ideas for projects for which they need funding.

For more information about SOUP, visit harp erwoodssoup.com.

For more information about either event, call (313) 343-2500.

OBITUARIES

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

John William Junker Jr.

John William Junker Jr., 89, formerly of Grosse Pointe and Rogers City, passed away Tuesday, July 30, 2019, in Ypsilanti.

He was born March 17, 1930, in Detroit, to John and Emily Junker, the eldest of four. He always loved celebrating his “St. Paddy’s Day” birthday with a green beer.

John had a lifelong love of cars and motorcycles, often talking about his escapades racing motorcycles on the ice in his youth. Although his wife was the official musician in the family, he also loved music and played saxophone and clarinet in a big band to make money when he was young.

John served in the army in Korea and upon returning, married his college sweetheart, Patricia Otey, June 26, 1954. He and Pat were married 60 years until her death in 2015. Together they raised six children. He loved children so much that even with all those little ones at home he ran the nursery at church on Sunday mornings. He would play in the yard with his kids at night after a long day at work and cooked Saturday morning breakfast for the family. He took his kids camping every year and somehow fit everyone and all the gear into the family van. He loved tinkering with gadgets and his kids often joked the best gift they could give him was something broken he could fix. He was proud of all of his children and grandchildren and loved spending time with them all as adults.

After suffering two major strokes, John spent his last year at Grace Hall, the memory care unit of The Gilbert Residence, a nonprofit facility in Ypsilanti. The family is grateful for the loving care he received from the staff.

John is survived by his children, Susan Critzer (Kevin) of Wilson, Wyo., Laura Monaghan (John) of Oak Park, Ill., Jodi Collard (Dan) of Huron Beach, James Brian Junker (Cindy) of Rochester Hills, Wendy Nair (Raj) of Ann Arbor and John Erich Junker

(Elizabeth) of Grosse Pointe; grandchildren, Jeffrey Collard (Julie), Leeann Monaghan, Lizzy Monaghan, Samantha Nair, Brian Junker, Emmy Monaghan, Jessica Nair and Kaylee Junker; and great-grandchildren, Daniel, Gracie and Wyatt Collard.

In addition to his wife, he was predeceased by his siblings, Fritz Junker, Carl Junker and Emily Junker.

A private memorial service will be held Saturday, Aug. 17, in Huron Beach.

Memorials may be made to The Gilbert Residence, 203 South Huron St., Ypsilanti, MI 48197.

RoseAnn Ciaramitaro O’Keefe

RoseAnn Ciaramitaro O’Keefe, 91, died Monday, July 29, 2019.

She was the beloved wife of Brian Thomas O’Keefe (dec.) whom she married in 1952. She was the daughter of Salvatore and Stella Ciaramitaro and daughter-in-law to Tom and Lu O’Keefe all of Grosse Pointe and all who predeceased her. She was the beloved sister of Richard Ciaramitaro of Rochester Hills, and the late Sam Ciaramitaro, Charlie Ciaramitaro and Frank Ciaramitaro. She is survived by her sisters-in-law, Marie Ciaramitaro, Ninfa Ciaramitaro, Mary O’Keefe and Kathleen “Katie” Littman. She was predeceased by her sisters-in-law, Carol Ciaramitaro, Patricia Rauss, Jane Hubik, Betty Takala and Eileen O’Keefe. She was predeceased by her brothers-in-law, Donald O’Keefe and Robert O’Keefe.

RoseAnn is survived by nine children, Thomas O’Keefe, Michael O’Keefe, Diane O’Keefe, Maureen Cousins, Stephen O’Keefe, Kelly O’Keefe, Barry O’Keefe, Sharon Newlon and Janet O’Keefe; 19 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

Born June 21, 1928, RoseAnn was a graduate of Dominican High School and attended the University of Detroit and the Catholic parishes of St. Joseph, St. Clare de

Montefalco, St. Joan of Arc and Holy Family in Grand Blanc. She was a lifelong resident of Michigan, including Detroit, Grosse Pointe, St. Clair Shores and Grand Blanc.

RoseAnn volunteered for the Michigan Red Cross, Bon Secours Hospital and Genesys Hospital.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 17, at Holy Family Catholic Church, 11804 S. Saginaw St., Grand Blanc, with reception to follow.

Donations may be made to the Capuchin Mission at thecapuchins.org and the Flint Public Library at FPL.info.

Kristen Elizabeth Cole

Former Grosse Pointe resident Kristen Elizabeth Cole, 31, of Haslett, passed away suddenly Saturday, Aug. 3, 2019, at Sparrow Hospital in Lansing, from a pulmonary embolism.

Kristen was born in Grosse Pointe, graduated from Grosse Pointe South High School and earned bachelor’s and master’s degrees in education from Central Michigan University. She also studied abroad at the University of Limerick in Ireland.

She worked in the study abroad office at Central Michigan University.

Kristen was an avid world traveler and passionate social justice advocate, including service trips to Ghana. She was a history buff who loved the play “Hamilton” and enjoyed reading, especially the Harry Potter book series.

Kristen is survived by her husband, Benjamin Sorensen; beloved English springer spaniels, Frankie and Ellie; father, Edward Cole; mother, Linda Baxter Cole; sister, Laura Ochab and brother-in-law, Matthew Ochab and nephews, Ethan Ochab and Nolan Ochab.

She also is survived by her father-in-law, Harry Sorensen; mother-in-law, Kathy Sorensen, sisters-in-law, Carrie Sorensen and Leslie Sorensen and nephew, Harry Dane



John William Junker Jr.



RoseAnn O’Keefe



Kristen Elizabeth Cole



Kimberly Lynne Keith



John Patrick Judge



Dorothy Ann Steiger

Sorensen.

Visitation will be 5 to 9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 9, at A.H. Peters Funeral Home, 20705 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at noon Saturday, Aug. 10, at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, 22412 Overlake, St. Clair Shores. The Rev. Rich Bratoszek will officiate.

Donations may be made to Planned Parenthood at plannedparenthood.org or Almost Home Animal Rescue at almosthomeanimals.org.

Share a memory at ahpeters.com.

Kimberly Lynne Keith

Kimberly Lynne Keith, 44, of Ann Arbor, passed away Thursday, July 25, 2019.

Kimmie, as she was known by friends and family, was born July 30, 1974, and grew up in Grosse Pointe. She is survived by her children, Connor, Skye, Trew, Lochlan and Nola; former husband, Christopher Keith; partner Jeannie Ballew; mother, Patricia Dahlgren; sisters, Lisa and Valerie; stepsister, Christine; brother, Jay and many nieces and nephews.

Kim will be remembered for the joy her children brought her and her love of animals and photography.

A celebration of Kim’s life will be at 4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 11, at Side Street Diner, 630 St. Clair, Grosse Pointe.

John Patrick Judge

John Patrick Judge, 86, passed away peacefully Tuesday, July 30, 2019.

Born March 23, 1933, in Detroit, to Irish-born parents, John and Elizabeth Judge, John graduated from St. Catherine High School in Detroit in 1951. He served from 1953 to 1955 in the U.S. Army Medical Detachment of the 2nd Battalion, 4th Infantry Regiment in Alaska, and was honorably discharged with the rank of corporal. John earned a Bachelor of Commercial Science, Accounting degree from Detroit Business Institute in 1958, Bachelor of Business Administration degree from the University of Detroit in 1965 and CPA certificate in 1971. He worked as a CPA at Coopers & Lybrand, Detroit’s Roostertail entertainment venue, and more than 25 years at Olsonite Corp. in Hamtramck, where he retired as principal accounting officer.

John married Maryann Joyce (nee Pettis), his beloved wife of 54 years, in Detroit, in 1964. They moved to Grosse Pointe Woods in 1969, where they raised their son, Christopher Edward and daughter, Susan Michelle and have lived ever since. John and Maryann were avid world travelers, reaching all seven continents and all 50 states in their journeys and enjoying numerous adventures with Nomads Travel Club. Some of John’s favorite trips were visiting his family and ancestral home in Ireland, his military base in Alaska, the ruins of Machu Picchu, Kenya on safari, Dubai United Arab Emirates and Ecuador’s Galapagos Islands.

During his 20-year retirement, John loved being an accountant and accepted increasingly greater leadership roles within the Accounting Aid Society and AARP’s tax group, both volunteer organizations, to assist underserved with their personal income taxes. He was a member of Our Lady Star of the Sea’s Knights of Columbus, where he enjoyed the camaraderie, pancake breakfasts, annual Tootsie Roll drives and helping manage the organization’s finances.

John made lasting friendships as a member

of the Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants, Grosse Pointe Hunt Club and Lochmoor Club.

John is survived by his wife, Maryann; children, Christopher (Tami) and Susan (Russell Canning); grandchildren, John Colin, Jack Marshall, Bridget Delaney and Erin Breheny; sister-in-law, Clara Judge; nieces, Maureen Bridget and Margaret Ann and nephews, Michael Joseph, John Patrick, Denis James, Lewis Michael and Denis Patrick.

He was predeceased by his siblings, Mary Elizabeth (Michael Joseph Carmody) and Denis Joseph Judge and niece, Kathleen Elizabeth.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Aug. 2 at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Donations may be made to the University of Detroit, School of Business, 4001 W. McNichols Road, Detroit, MI 48221.

Dorothy Ann Steiger

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Dorothy “Dottie” Ann Steiger, 88, passed away Sunday, July 28, 2019.

Born Oct. 17, 1930, in Detroit, to Albert and Christina Chapman, Dorothy graduated from Southeastern High School and devoted herself to her husband and children.

She is survived by her daughter, Janet Troutman (Jim); son, Richard Steiger and grandchildren, Noelle and Mikayla.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her husband, Herbert O. Steiger; sister, Christina Sass and brothers, Fredrick Chapman and Sydney Chapman.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 22, at St. Michael’s Episcopal Church, 20475 Sunningdale Park, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Interment will be in the church’s memorial garden.

Donations may be made to the Pulmonary Fibrosis Foundation, 230 East Ohio Street, Suite 304, Chicago, IL 60611-3201.

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Margaret Stiegler GREGG

Margaret “Maggie” Gregg of Revere, Mass., passed away Sunday, July 21, 2019, after a short illness.

Maggie was born and raised in Royal Oak, the daughter of Earl and Mary Frances (Nolan) McCready. She was the beloved wife of the late Dr. Robert “Bob” Gregg with whom she shared 23 years of marriage and the late Hans Stiegler with whom she shared 12 years of marriage.

A registered nurse by training, Maggie worked as a nurse in California for many years before returning to Michigan, where she worked at Children’s Hospital of Michigan in Detroit for more than 25 years as the Director of Community Relations and later as the Assistant to the President.

She made her homes in

Long Beach, CA., Detroit, Grosse Pointe Park (26 years), Glastonbury, CT, Waltham, MA., Colebrook, N.H. and had a home on Revere Beach, MA. for over 30 years.

Maggie loved to travel, having spent many years traveling the country and the world. Ireland, Paris, San Francisco and any place with a beach were her favorite destinations.

For the last 50+ years, she spent Easter in Florida with her family. A lover of animals, she owned a horse for many years when she was younger, a dog while raising a family and a cat in her later years. She was especially fond of her beloved cat, “Baby.” She also loved gardening, attending the ballet, reading murder mysteries and the Boston

Globe, spending time on the beach and swimming, watching fireworks displays, Christmastime, cooking, watching movies, cooking shows and PBS/BBC mysteries and she had a knack for interior decorating and design.

Maggie was the loving mother of John Stiegler of Lynn, Mass., and Chris Stiegler; stepmother of Dr. Richard Gregg of Dayton, OH, Hugh Gregg of Livermore, CA, and Rev. Dr. Carol Gregg-Straton of Durham, N.C.; dear sister of Donald McCready of Boston, MA, the late John McCready and the late Beverly Reynolds and cherished step-grandmother of Helen Gregg of Illinois, Katie Gregg of Ohio and William Stratton of North Carolina. She also is sur-



vived by several nieces and nephews. Her love, support and friendship will be dearly missed. Her memories will always be cherished.

A funeral Mass was held on July 29 at St. Anthony Catholic Church in Revere, MA.

Donations may be made to the Animal Rescue League of Boston.

Share a memory at cuffemcginn.com.

OBITUARIES:
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Russell T. Smith

Longtime former Grosse Pointe Farms resident Russell T. Smith, 81, passed away Monday, July 29, 2019.

Born in Scotland, he immigrated to the United States with his parents and twin brother in 1949, following the end of World War II. He sang in the Men and Boys Choir of the Cathedral Church of St. Paul for 20 years, began study for an Episcopal priesthood and then changed course to become an educator. During his teen and college years, he worked part-time for Ackroyd's Scottish Bakery to pay college tuition. Russ earned three degrees from Wayne State University, specializing in history and school administration, and worked 30 years as a teacher, supervising teacher and administrator for the Detroit Public Schools.

Russ played soccer from a young age in Scotland and was a big fan of team sports. He coached four years for both of his children during their early years. He also coached his son's floor hockey team and served as a soccer referee for the Neighborhood Club. Russ was an excellent teacher, role model and mentor for players on his team and was a respected coach in the league. When he wasn't coaching, he was attending his daughter's soccer games and his son's baseball games.

After his first retirement, Russ worked part time 17 years as a docent at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House in Grosse Pointe Shores, sharing his wit and expertise with new friends and colleagues.

Russ loved his family, his cats, the Detroit Tigers, traveling, live theater, music and singing at his local church.

He was a generous, kind and altruistic individual. He had a unique sense of humor and enjoyed making people laugh. Russ was generally the center of attention at social gatherings and enjoyed the spotlight. He accompanied his wife on genealogy trips here and abroad

and cheerfully attended numerous activities with her.

Russ left an everlasting impression on those he touched and will be deeply missed.

He is survived by his wife, Grace; children, Stephanie (Tim) and Andrew (Leslie); five grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; brother-in-law, John (Mary) and several cousins in Scotland.

A memorial service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 28, at St. John the Apostle Anglican Church, 18401 Canal Road, Clinton Township.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. John the Apostle Anglican Church, Attn: Russell T. Smith Memorial Fund, 18401 Canal Road, Clinton Twp., MI 48038.

Sarah Kaysserian

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Sarah Kaysserian, 91, formerly of Grosse Pointe Park, passed away Tuesday, July 30, 2019.

Born July 1, 1928, in Detroit, to Harry and Lucy Mamassian, Sarah graduated from Commerce Business High School in Detroit. She was a co-op student at Michigan Mutual Insurance Co. while in high school and continued working there six years after graduation.

Sarah was a long-standing member of St. John Armenian Church and a 50-year member of the East Side Early Birds bowling league. She finally hung up her bowling shoes last year at age 90.

Sarah loved spending time entertaining family and friends at their home up north near Leland. It was a home she designed and her husband, Mike, built. She loved baking Armenian breads and cookies for family, friends and especially her grandchildren.

An avid reader, Sarah checked out books regularly from the Grosse Pointe Public Library and watched the Detroit Tigers regularly on TV. Right up until her last days, she would rise each morning, fix her hair, put on her makeup and get dressed for the day.

Sarah is survived by her daughter, Kiana Rose (Bob); son, Dr. Kerry Kaysserian (Donna) and grandchildren, Mallory

Kaysserian, Kevin Kaysserian, Kylie Rose and Michael Rose.

She was predeceased by her husband, Michael M. Kaysserian.

A funeral service was held Aug. 3 at St. John Armenian Church in Southfield. Interment was in Woodlawn Cemetery in Detroit.

Donations may be made to St. John Armenian Church, 22001 Northwestern Highway, Southfield, MI 48075 or Grosse Pointe Foundation for Public Education, 389 St. Clair, Grosse Pointe Michigan 48230 or at gpfppe.org.

Caroline Vanderhoof O'Brien

Caroline Vanderhoof Ackerman O'Brien, who during her journey from birth in Argentina to her motherhood and professional work in Atlanta, was a teacher, trainer and human resources specialist, died Saturday, July 27, 2019, in Roswell, Ga. Known as Vandy throughout her life, she was 48.

Vandy was born July 5, 1971, in the exact moment of the most extensive brownout in the history of Buenos Aires, Argentina, a city of eight million. She was born under candlelight at the onset of the power outage. A UPI story of this unusual birth of an American abroad was published in scores of newspapers around the United States. Her parents, Henry S. Ackerman and Victoria Mell Ackerman, were in Buenos Aires where Mr. Ackerman was studying on a Fulbright graduate fellowship. Vandy was proud of her Argentine and U.S. citizenships.

Vandy lived in Argentina, Peru, Venezuela and, then, in the United States, in Tallahassee, Fla., New York City, Cleveland, New Orleans and Detroit before moving to Georgia. She attended kindergarten in Buenos Aires, early elementary school in Lima, Peru and Caracas, Venezuela, and middle school in Shaker Heights, Ohio, and Trinity Episcopal School in New Orleans, La., while pursuing high school years at Isodore Newman School in New Orleans and Grosse Pointe South High School, graduating in 1989.

Bilingual from her ear-



Russell T. Smith



Sarah Kaysserian



Caroline O'Brien

liest days, Vandy entered Oxford College of Emory University, graduating with a degree in Latin American studies in 1993. For her charitable volunteer work along with friends, she was awarded one of the 1,000 Points of Light commendations under the Bush Administration. She worked for Siemens Inc. in Atlanta, as a marketing assistant, then at Paychex, as a roving trainer for system software. She taught mathematics and Spanish at Atlanta Country Day School, where she met her husband-to-be, Matthew O'Brien. At Solution Builders, she was vice president of human resources and named one of Atlanta's 100 Top Women in "Atlanta Business." She held a real estate license. For the past eight years, she was self-employed as a human resources manager working principally for Compass Chemical International Corp. and Italmatch USA in metropolitan Atlanta. She was active in the Oakhurst Neighborhood schools and other civic ventures in Decatur, Ga. She spent childhood summers and the last two weeks of her life in Montreat, N.C.

During her recent years, aside from her professional work, Vandy was a community spirit, mother and homemaker for her daughters.

Vandy and Matt, her former husband, had two children. Lucey, 20, is a junior at Florida State University; Caroline "Nina," 15, is a sophomore at St. Pius X High School in Atlanta. Vandy also is survived by her parents, Henry S. Ackerman and Victoria Mell Ackerman; brother, Henry Cooper Ackerman; sister-in-law, Nicky Ackerman and nephews, Douglas Laird Ackerman and Patrick Fynn Ackerman; and a niece, Jamie Schwartz, and two nephews, Jesse and Drew

Schwartz, on Matt's side. She was nicknamed "Vandy" after her great-grandmother, Mabel Vanderhoof Ackerman (1885-1954), an artist of Dutch descent.

A memorial service to celebrate her life was held Aug. 1 in Atlanta.

Donations may be made to DEAM (Decatur-area Assistance Ministry) at deamdecatur.org, an organization supported by Decatur and Avondale, Ga., churches providing emergency food and volunteer support to local residents.

Lawrence Arthur Rancilio

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Lawrence Arthur Rancilio, 79, died Wednesday, July 31, 2019, surrounded by his loving family.

Born March 13, 1940, in Detroit, to Arthur Joseph and Josephine Elvira (nee Garbarino) Rancilio, Larry was raised in Detroit. He attended St. Juliana for grade school and Austin Catholic Preparatory School, where he graduated in 1957 as the president of the school's second graduating class. After graduation, Larry earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in mathematics from the University of Detroit Mercy and a master's degree in education administration from Saginaw Valley State University.

Larry, known as "Mr. Rance," began his teaching career as a math teacher at Austin. He also was the football coach and disciplinarian. Leaving behind many of his beloved students, Mr. Rance made a move to L'Anse Creuse Public Schools where he began as a math teacher, then became assistant principal, principal and finally assistant superintendent in charge of human resources.

Larry loved University



Lawrence A. Rancilio

of Michigan football, golf and his children and grandchildren. He cherished his time going to his kids' and grandkids' activities.

Although Larry loved many things, his wife, Nancy, was the greatest love of his life. The couple met in 1964 through a mutual friend who happened to be a priest and thought they would be the "best Catholic couple." They wed in 1966 at St. Clare of Montefalco in Grosse Pointe Park, began their lives together and ultimately were blessed with three children.

Those who knew him described Larry as a loving and kind-hearted man. Known for his quick wit and sense of humor, he lived a full life and will be missed by his friends and family.

Larry was the beloved husband of Nancy. He also is survived by his loving children, Amy McGill, Lynn Scholl (Rick) and Lawrence G. Rancilio (Nicole Wilkins) and cherished grandchildren, Carly, Megan, Nicole, Stephanie, Nicholas and Benjamin.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Aug. 5 at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church, Grosse Pointe Woods

Donations may be made to Salvation Army at salvationarmyusa.org or American Cancer Society at cancer.org.

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Off the grid and viewing the love

By Marla Maiuri
Guest Writer

What's a writer to do? Grab pen and pad and head for the lake.

Stripped of internet for any sufficient block of time will get a writer thinking and feeling.

Here goes:

In the absence of power, internet or both, I was mindful of the importance of maintaining a peaceful energy. Some interesting experiences followed. As DTE was unable to provide any kind of estimate as to how long they needed to restore our precious power, I wanted to give the contents of my well-stocked standalone freezer a chance to pull through.

First, this meant

informing the church at which I had recently presented that I would not be able to join the energetic group in a hustle dance number planned to be performed at Sunday service and streamed live. Shoot, I think. As I put the word out to friends that I was looking for any available freezer space, I must confess I was praying that my array of frozen foods wouldn't end up in numerous kitchens, basements and garages across the Pointes. The recovery could be exhausting!

Texts were starting to come in. "Marla, I have a little bit of space in my refrigerator freezer." "I'll check with our friend Karen before service starts to see if she

saw your text." Then, my friend Barb texted, "I'll see how much available space there is in the church freezer." "Brilliant!" I texted back.

I believe it was a combination of eagerness, practicality and a desire to connect that made me end up at St. Michael's Episcopal Church that morning. After all, I'll see friends, grab a snack and coffee along with several hugs, all while my devices will be charging. All is well.

I arrived while the second service was going and the church was quiet. I headed straight for the kitchen and dining hall. First things first; I got my phone and iPad charging, then went for a peek

in the commercial freezer. I didn't think Barb would accuse me of micromanaging. Yes! If no one else was in need of any cubic space, all my food would be together. I was trying to not picture my green beans on Kerby while my chicken patties were on Lexington.

With moments to spare, I had time for spiritual reflection. Soon Yeoman Hall was bustling. When I saw everyone and felt the love, I knew it really didn't matter what the frozen food outcome would be. In the not too distant past I was very involved at St. Michael's. I am now attending services at a few churches and speaking at even more. That morning

when I approached Senior Warden Kathie Groschner about using the available freezer space at the church, I was asked, "Is there enough room for you, Marla?" I was met with love.

This wasn't about attendance, membership or even stewardship. It was about love. Within the first two minutes of returning home later that day from hauling and loading up two freezer shelves with the help of my friend, Elaine, my kitchen refrigerator started to beep! Yes, power restored. I looked up to the heavens, smiled and said, "Thank you." That surge of love from St. Michael's was the real blessing that day.

Still without internet on Monday, I had only what uploaded from the St. Michael's Wi-Fi on Sunday. On my screen, I found another beautiful display of love. This one from my friend, the Rev. Richard Yeager-Stiver, senior minister at Grosse Pointe Congregational Church. The following was posted on Facebook: "Good morning. I come bearing GOOD NEWS!!! The church HAS power! Come join me (in the light, lol) at Grosse Pointe Congregational Church. Enjoy having power, AIR CONDITIONING and WIFI!!! Church will be open at 8am today, and you can stay as late as you need. See you later this morning..."

Trust life and how the love arrives.

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Young Life volunteers clean overgrowth in front of Fisher Magnet School.

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TEAM:

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ming.”

One of the projects volunteers worked on July 15 was clearing the backyard of a home LifeBUILDERS purchased from Detroit Land Bank at Bringard and Hayes.

“It’s important to clean it up so it doesn’t become a haven for drunks and squatters,” Johnson said. “Once we clean all the debris away, it’s not conducive to negative activity. ... It makes the house more safe until we get to the full rehabilitation of the house. By the time they leave here today, the whole dumpster will be filled.”

Another group of students worked at cleaning up three acres of land in front of Fisher Magnet School, “to help beautify the park for sports activity for the remainder of the summer,” Johnson said.

“We’ll have clean up, beautification and debris removal at other locations, too, so we can move things forward,” he added.

The efforts are among many made by LifeBUILDERS and its volunteers. Johnson said a former Chase Bank on Kelly Road was donated to the organization three years ago and now serves as an activities center. LifeBUILDERS also recently received a

\$50,000 grant from the Michigan State Housing and Development Authority to provide housing improvements to 10 families.

“We have employed 13 young people from the community through our summer youth employment program,” Johnson said. “It’s an eight-week program. They’re doing a lot of the projects we need done, even clean-ups for people not necessarily in Regent Park. They’re going outside their community, because we’re all in this together.”

The efforts of Young Life students were much appreciated, Johnson added. Young Life Grosse Pointe Director Patrick Mollison said the youth were happy to assist.

“The students are really interested in giving back to the community,” he said. “The community has blessed them; this is their opportunity to give back. ... And the students feel God loves them so much, it’s important to them to serve other people.”

He also told Johnson he hopes Young Life and LifeBUILDERS continue their partnership.

“I’d love for this to be something that we do a lot,” Mollison said. “It’s amazing we haven’t done something together sooner.”

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GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Zacharias embraces new role

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Evelyn Zacharias has given enough blood, sweat and tears to last a lifetime.

The three-sport standout at Grosse Pointe North graduated in June, and threw in the towel when it comes to playing competitive sports.

The constant pounding on her body during more than a decade of athletic superiority led to her decision to be a student only at Michigan State University.

“I love playing sports, especially softball, but enough is enough,” the 18-year-old Zacharias said. “It’s bittersweet. I’m a little nervous. I’m excited. I’m anxious to see what I can do academically.”

She graduated with a 3.96 grade point average and earned All-State Academic in her three sports — volleyball, basketball and softball. She played for head coaches Chelsea Brozo for volleyball, Gary Bennett for basketball and Ron Smith for softball.

“Evelyn is a special young lady. She came in as a freshman and became the starting shortstop and leadoff hitter and never relinquished them,” Smith said. “She sustained injuries because she only knows how to play one way, HARD. Evy was a great player, but an even better leader, both on and off the field. She will be missed by Grosse Pointe softball, but Evelyn will always be a champion in all that she does in life. As I said, she is a very special young lady.”

Zacharias helped the Norsemen win a Division 1 district championship this season with her high batting average and stellar fielding at shortstop.

She was a two-year captain for the Norsemen and earned All-District Shortstop, All-Region



Evelyn Zacharias was a defensive specialist for the volleyball team for three years.

Shortstop and First Team All-MAC. She had a batting average above .300 during her four-year career, as well as fielding percentage above .900.

She was the team most valuable player her sophomore and junior season, but a dislocated elbow cost her half of her senior season. During her sophomore and junior seasons, Zacharias hit above .430 with power, thus earning First Team All-MAC accolades. She made All-MAC Honorable Mention after her freshman season.

Zacharias’ volleyball and basketball careers were just as decorated with post-season honors. Her senior year in basketball, she made All-MAC Honorable Mention, was a team captain and started at point guard where she had 40 assists and 60 rebounds.

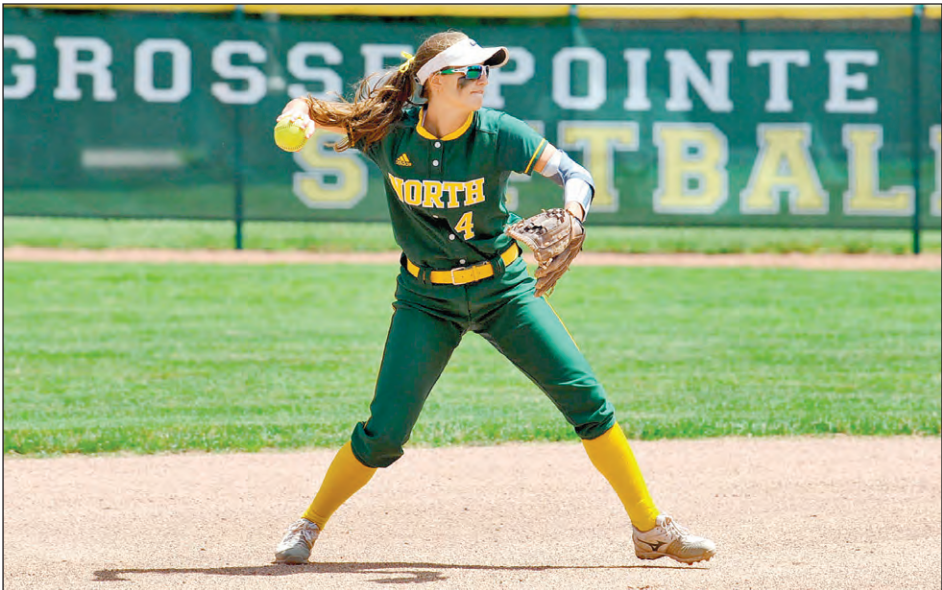
The highlight of her senior season was scoring 18 points with two three-pointers to lead the

Norsemen to a big division win over Macomb Dakota. She also earned the Outstanding Senior Student-Athlete award, which requires at least a 3.8 grade point average and playing four years of high school basketball.

She helped the Norsemen win back-to-back Macomb Area Conference Red Division titles, as well as the MAC Red/White Division Tournament championship this season. She also helped the Norsemen make the Division 1 Final Four in 2018 and the regionals her other three seasons.

Zacharias never lost a game to city rival Grosse Pointe South. She was a two-year captain for Bennett, and made All-MAC Honorable Mention her junior year, too. She earned the team’s Most Improved award her freshman season and the Hardest Worker her junior season.

“When I think of Evy



Evelyn Zacharias’ favorite sport is softball. She was the Norsemen’s starting shortstop four years.

the first word that comes to mind is mature. She has a very mature approach to everything she undertakes,” Bennett said. “Whether it be sports, or academics, or her leadership positions, or her relationships with other people, she always acted in a way that was well beyond her years.

“She was very easy to coach because she was a tremendous listener. She was totally focused at all times. Tell her something once and that was all it took. What’s more, tell someone else something once and Evy made it part of her game. She always treated everyone with the utmost respect — teammates, coaches, trainers, game officials, opponents, teachers, administrators, etc. She represented Grosse Pointe North, and in particular our basketball program, in exactly the way I wanted us represented — with class, sportsmanship, sustained effort and integrity.

“Our program is going to miss her a lot, but I am going to miss her personally even more. She’s a tough one for me to let go of but I know that in Evy I have a lifelong friend, and that means the world to me.”

She started her senior year as the Norsemen’s starting libero for the volleyball team. She finished with a 92 percent serve percentage and 400 digs as the team’s defensive specialist. She was a team captain and was voted the team’s most valuable player and made First Team All-MAC.

Through her four years at North, Zacharias earned 11 varsity letters.

Other than the talented coaches she played for, Zacharias had two constant supporters with parents, Jeff and Virginia, as well as three older brothers who were role models. All three, Jacob, 23, Mitchell, 21, and Ben, 20, were outstanding student-athletes at Grosse Pointe North and taught their younger sister the ropes when it came to sports and are her guardians in life.

Mitchell is a senior at MSU, and will be around to help Evelyn navigate her freshman year of college. Jacob graduated from the University of Michigan and is working in Austin, Texas, and Ben is a junior at U-M.

“My brothers are huge role models on and off the court,” Zacharias said. “I look up to my brothers and I know they always have my back.”

Zacharias had the opportunity to play college sports at smaller schools, but after taking several months to think things through, decided she wanted to be a student at a big school like MSU.

“I’m not a small school person,” Zacharias said. “I like Michigan State’s campus and it felt like home when I went to visit for the first time. I will get a great education. It’s going to be kind of weird to not play a sport, but for once I will be able to be a spectator instead of playing. I’m going to enjoy watching football and basketball games at MSU, including watching my friend, Julia (Ayrault) play on the MSU women’s basketball team this winter.

“I loved my coaches at North and they supported me unconditionally,” Zacharias said. “I made life-long friends with the girls who were on my teams and the coaches at North. I will also make lifelong friends with the people I meet at State. I’m looking forward to it.”

Both of her parents are doctors, while her three brothers steered away and are in the business

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Baseball

GROSSE POINTE REDBIRDS



PHOTO BY ANN MARIE SMIHAL

Champs

The Grosse Pointe Redbirds boys baseball team recently won the Spring Lake Invitational in Muskegon July 13 and 14. On the mound in game one, Miles Jamieson pitched a complete game for a 5-2 victory. Jake Kempa continued the trend in game two, pitching another complete game resulting in a 5-1 win which advanced the team to the championship game. In the final game, Daniel Klepp kept the momentum going strong by pitching a complete game in an 8-6 battle. After trailing by four runs in the first inning, the team rallied back. Every player contributed with stellar defensive play, timely hitting and heads-up base running to bring home the championship. Pictured above are, from left, coach Keith Micuida, Will Jarvis, Miles Jamieson, Bennett Smihal, P.K. Nugent, Alex Micuida, Jake Kempa, Eden Frevik, Jacob Breutsch, Daniel Klepp and coach Mark Kempa. Not pictured were Carter Sales, Peter Martin and Thomas Hutchinson, and coaches Kevin Nugent and Davis Graham.

Synchronized swimming

GROSSE POINTE WOODS



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Show time

Member of the Grosse Pointe Woods synchronized swim team, above, perform a routine during the Thursday, July 18, performance of its show “Motor City.” The show started with the entire squad performing “Dancing in the Street,” and they all gathered for the final routine, “My Girl.” Team members are Helen Aouad, Juliette Aouad, Maria Artley, Kate Artley, Leah Burghardt, Sophia Ciccarelli, Annie Cleland, Emerson Daniell, Ella Dobbs, Lucia Gutierrez, Lilly Kline, Marisa Licavoli, Katherine Listman, Katerina Nasiou, Konstantina Nasiou, Claire Nurse, Brennan O’Brien, Leanna Phillip, Zoe Profeta, Penelope Routsis, Kelsey Schafer, Audrey Schena, Katie Scott, Rita Shemmai, Molly Spence, Paige Spence, Arianna Stapleton, Kate Stemmler, Amelia Streberger, Lindsay Stroble, Kate Tanner, Alina Thompson, Claire Tocco, Charlotte Truss, Sarah Westrick, Stephanie Westrick and Bella Yoakam. The coaches are Hannah Bainbridge, Abby Menth and Caroline Stafford.



PHOTO BY RENATO JAMETT

Evelyn Zacharias, left, helped the Norsemen’s girls basketball team win back-to-back Macomb Area Conference Red Division titles.

EVELYN:

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arenas.

As for Zacharias, she will follow in her parent’s footsteps and pursue a degree in the medical field. She is enrolled in the pre-nursing curriculum and has 15 credit hours her first semester. “I like to help people and getting into physical therapy or nursing allows

me that path,” Zacharias said. Life as a high-level athlete took its toll on Zacharias. She endured several injuries during her four years of high school, including a stress fracture in a foot, dislocated shoulder, severe right wrist fracture, fracture to the radial head of her right elbow, finger surgery, viral myositis, back pain, strained foot and a dislocated elbow. In addition, she played

through constant pain caused by having an extra bone in her knee. She recently had successful surgery to have it removed. “I gave it my all, and I paid the price, but I enjoyed my experience at North,” Zacharias explained. “That is behind me and now I’m ready to start college.” She moves into her freshman dorm Aug. 25 and classes start soon after. Zacharias is looking forward to enjoying her college experience to the fullest. The MSU/UM rivarly will be in full swing with two Zacharias siblings represent each school.

Michigan High School Athletic Association

HEALTH

Be cautious with heat and humidity

While this summer may have seemed to arrive late in many parts of Michigan, the warm and sunny weather over these last few weeks has provided another reminder that student-athletes must prepare for training in hot weather that traditionally accompanies the beginning of August as Michigan High School Athletic Association member schools prepare to begin fall sports practices this month. Each year, the MHSAA provides information to its member schools to help them prepare for hot weather practice and game conditions during the late summer and early fall. Practices for cross country, football, Lower Peninsula girls golf, boys soccer and Lower Peninsula boys and Upper Peninsula girls tennis can begin Monday, Aug. 12, with volleyball and lower peninsula girls swimming and diving able to start Wednesday, Aug. 14. The “Health & Safety” page of the MHSAA website, mhsaa.com/Schools/Health-Safety-Resources, has a number of links to various publications and information including guidelines for acclimatization from the National Athletic

Trainers’ Association and recommendations on proper hydration from the National Federation of State High School Associations. The pre-season publication “Heat Ways” also is available for download and includes valuable information on heat management in addition to requirements and resources regarding head injuries and sudden cardiac arrest. The first days of formal practices in hot weather should be more for heat acclimatization than the conditioning of athletes, and practices in such conditions need planning to become longer and more strenuous over a gradual progression of time. Schools also must consider moving practices to different locations or different times of day, or change practice plans to include different activities depending on the conditions. Furthermore, football practice rules allow for only helmets to be worn during the first two days, only shoulder pads to be added on the third and fourth days, and full pads to not be worn until the fifth day of team practice. The MHSAA advises student-athletes to make sure to hydrate all day long — beginning before

practice, continuing during and also after practice is done. Water and properly-formulated sports drinks are the best choices for hydration, while energy drinks, high-carbohydrate fruit juices (greater than 8 percent carb content), carbonated and caffeinated beverages are among those that should be avoided. A number of member schools follow the MHSAA’s Model Policy for Managing Heat & Humidity, which while not mandated for member schools, was adopted as a rule for MHSAA postseason competition in 2013. The plan directs schools to begin monitoring the heat index at the activity site once the air temperature reaches 80 degrees, and provides recommendations when the heat index reaches certain points, including ceasing activities when it rises above 104 degrees. When the temperature is below 80 degrees, there is no combination of heat and humidity that will result in a need to curtail activity. The model heat and humidity policy is outlined in a on the MHSAA website —By Geoff Kimmerly, MHSAA

Baseball

OPINION

Can fans stomach any more of this?

I have to admit, I almost threw up when I saw the press conference of the Detroit Tigers’ front office giving General Manager Al Avila a contract extension. The play on the field is so hideous and the Tigers are well on their way to a 100-loss season. Fans are few and far between at the games at Comerica Park. As of Tuesday, Aug. 6, the Tigers were a pathetic 32-76 and a woeful 13-37 at home. How does a professional team win only 13 of 50 home games? They are supposed to have home-field advantage. How does owner Chris Ilitch give Avila an extension? Manager Ron Gardenhire must be losing

lots of sleep trying to find a player who can hit above .200 or get outs on the mound on a consistent basis. They have a long stretch of games against playoff contenders Tampa Bay, Houston, Minnesota and Cleveland starting Friday, Aug. 16, and ending Monday, Sept. 2. Of those 17 games, the Tigers may win four. It’s like hitting your thumb over and over with a hammer. I do enjoy watching the improvement from outfielder JaCoby Jones. He plays a great center field and his hitting is improving. Newcomer Travis Demeritte looks like another Tiger I will closely watch, and Brandon Dixon also is playing pretty well in the absence of grossly overpaid Miguel Cabrera. The once darling of the Detroit sports scene has turned into a dud on the field and a cancer in the clubhouse. He needs to go, but what team would take on his gigantic salary? The radio and television announcers are awesome and do a great job. On the TV side, you have Matt Shepard, Jack Morris, Kirk Gibson, Dan Petry and Craig Monroe, and in the radio booth you have Dan Dickerson and Jim

Price, who are professionals through and through. They make watching or listening to Tigers games tolerable. I thank them for their professionalism. They are great. Who is worth watching at the minor league level? Pitchers Casey Mize, Matt Manning, Franklin Perez, Beau Burrows, Alex Faedo and Kyle Funkhouser will hopefully join current Tigers starting pitcher Spencer Turnbull and turn this franchise into a playoff contender. Outfielders Daz Cameron and Cam Gibson, a Grosse Pointe South graduate, are a couple of players I’m looking forward to watching. Cameron is with the Toledo Mud Hens at the AAA level, while Gibson is with the Erie SeaWolves at the AA level. Are there other position players worth watching? Not many. I don’t see the Tigers being in any playoff contention for the foreseeable future. It’s that bad, thanks to the garbage job Avila has done. And still the Tigers gave Avila a contract extension. Way to go Avila. —Bob St. John Sports Editor

City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in accordance with Chapter 4, Article II, Liquor and Tavern Licenses of the 2017 City Code of the City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan, the City will hold a public hearing on Monday, August 19, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. at 20025 Mack Plaza in the Council-Court Room of the Municipal Building to hear comments from the public regarding transfer of ownership of a Class C Liquor License and SDM License to Detroit Restaurant Solutions, Corp. d/b/a Garrido’s Bistro & Pastry, 19605 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI, from Man Wah Gee, 3781 Dix Highway, Lincoln Park, MI, which in addition to a Class C and SDM License transfer is also requesting transfer of a Class C Liquor License with Sunday AM and PM sales.

All interested persons are invited to attend and will be given opportunity for public comment. The file is available for public scrutiny at the City Clerk’s office at City Hall. The public may appear in person or be represented by counsel. Written comments will be received in the City Clerk’s office, up to the close of business preceding the hearing. A group spokesperson is encouraged on agenda items concerning organized groups. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services at the meeting should contact the Grosse Pointe Woods Clerk’s Office at 313 343-2440 seven days prior to the meeting..

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City of Grosse Pointe, Michigan

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8 Detergent brand

12 Savings plan acronym

13 Actor LaBeouf

14 Moby Dick's pursuer

15 Insect repellents

17 "— Lisa"

18 Harbor structure

19 Asian nation

20 Not intoxicated

22 Actor Newman

24 On in years

25 San Francisco carriage

29 Under the weather

30 Divine

31 "... and seven years —"

32 1776 crossing site

34 Porn

35 Sampras of tennis

36 Vatican heads

37 "Caribbean Queen" singer

40 Sleeve end

41 Bedframe piece

42 Stump

46 Drunkard

47 On

48 Carnival city

49 Do as you're told

50 Say it isn't so

51 Tackle's teammate

DOWN

1 [Uncorrected]

2 Geological period

3 "Wichita Line-man" singer

4 Leading man in the theater?

5 Norse hammer thrower

6 Melody

7 Owns

8 Mexican entree

9 Breakfast chain acronym

10 Carvey or

11 Delany

16 Piper's adjective

19 Seventh of a series

20 Put into words

21 Leer at

22 Chaplain

23 Competent

25 Layer

26 Marshmallow toaster

27 Chills and fever

28 Decays

30 Verdon or Stefani

33 Carelessness?

34 Couch

36 Lightweight boxer?

37 Norway's capital

38 Organization

39 Relaxation

40 "Be a sport"

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