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	Cases	Deaths	
All Pointes	3,553 (+20)	67 (+0)	
Harper Woods	1,352 (+1)	53 (+1)	

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GROSSE POINTE, MICHIGAN

Complete news coverage of all the Pointes

389 St. Clair rezoning tabled

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — Residents sat in the aisle and spilled through the doorway of the new council chambers Monday night, as the City's planning commission — comprised of the same members on city council — held a public hearing to consider a request that 389 St. Clair be conditionally rezoned from Single-Family Residential to Transition.

This would be the first necessary approval toward the developers' plans to transform the historic school administration building into 23 residential units and construct eight row house-

type townhomes along the Notre Dame side of the property.

Based on the feedback, particularly in regard to the number of units, the developers, brothers Mark and Craig Menuck of Curtis Building, agreed to return to the city with revised plans, taking the comments and concerns into consideration. The planning commission approved tabling the matter 6-0 until a date to be determined, with Councilman Terence Thomas absent.

"I don't think we can address certain people's concerns that they just don't want us to exist at all," Mark Menuck said.

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PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

The DeLoof sisters — Ali, Catie, Jackie and Gabby — paraded through Grosse Pointe Park and City on Sunday, in celebration of Catie DeLoof's Olympic medal. A Grosse Pointe Park patrol car and fire truck led the parade. Find more photos from the parade on page 3A.

Olympian welcomed home

GROSSE POINTE PARK — Olympic medalist Catie DeLoof rode with her family and fellow Grosse Pointe swimmers in a parade through the streets of the Park and City Sunday, Aug. 15.

DeLoof rode in a convertible following a public safety car and fire truck escort. They started

at Windmill Pointe Park and drove down Jefferson, Fisher and Kercheval and ended at Atwater in the Park, where the Olympian was available for a meet-and-greet party, with signatures and photo opportunities, from 4 to 6 p.m.

"It was great," Atwater

President Mark Reith said of the event. "It's all about community. And everyone kind of rallied around and it was so exciting to be able to kind of give them a little bit of a celebration."

Reith offered Atwater as a congregating space at the end of the parade route to promote commu-

nity. "I'm glad that we did it," Reith said. "That's the whole reason that I opened up that place, was about community. So that's pretty awesome. ..."

"It's great to have people smiling and get together," he added. "We need more of that."

— Kate Vanderstelt

Coach Martin misdemeanors still on docket

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

BIRMINGHAM — An Oakland County judge agreed with prosecuting and defense attorneys to postpone for another three weeks the preliminary hearing of Grosse Pointe North High School baseball coach David Martin on a roster of misdemeanors, including a liquor law and building code violations.

During what had been



David Martin

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\$10 million granted for flooding relief

By Kate Vanderstelt
Staff Writer

WAYNE COUNTY — Gov. Gretchen Whitmer allocated \$10 million in state general funds Thursday, July 29, for additional relief for victims of the June 25-26 storm. The funds will be distributed between the city of

Detroit, Wayne and Washtenaw counties.

"Recognizing the hardships the flooding has placed on individuals and families that sustained damage to their homes and loss of personal property," Whitmer said in a press release, "we are working with Wayne and Washtenaw counties

and the city of Detroit to ensure this funding is available to help residents as they recover from this disaster."

According to Wayne County Commissioner Tim Killeen, residents who were completely turned down from Federal Emergency Management Agency

funds and Small Business Association loans will be eligible for the funding set aside by Whitmer.

"(With) all this stuff that's going on, people are on pins and needles," Killeen said. "The governor set aside \$10 million for people that get turned

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Storm leaves thousands powerless

By Kate Vanderstelt
Staff Writer

THE GROSSE POINTES — A storm with gusts up to 80 miles per hour swept through the Pointes Wednesday, Aug. 11, and left thousands without power. DTE Energy's inability to restore power quickly to all impacted

left many residents struggling through hot days without power.

All the Grosse Pointes fell victim to the windstorm, though the Woods suffered most, reporting power outages starting Wednesday, Aug. 11, with some still unresolved at press time.

According to updates

by DTE, approximately 168,000 customers were without power at 6:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 14, days after the storm came through.

"We understand how hard it is for our customers and ourselves to be without power, and we

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PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Traffic lights were out at this intersection in Grosse Pointe Woods after a storm with gusts up to 80 mph.

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