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The cartoon 'Forgotten' by Tom May depicts a poor child, too young and innocent to understand why she has not received a single Christmas present from Santa. May was inspired by his laundress's encounter with a young girl who stood in the street, crying that she must have been very naughty for Santa not to bring a single gift. The cartoon ran on Christmas Day, 1908, in the Detroit Journal, where Secretary of the Navy, Edwin Denby, and his business partner, J. Walter Drake first saw it. Deeply moved, they entered into a solemn compact that they would do all within their power to prevent any Detroit child from being 'forgotten.' So began the Detroit Old Newsboys' Goodfellow Fund.

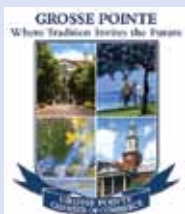
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## Where in the Pointes?



Where in the Pointes is this object? On Monday, Nov. 25, we will ask this question on our Facebook wall. The first person to respond with the most specific answer will win a family four-pack to the Michigan Science Center. Participants MUST wait for the question to be posted by Pointe Magazine. Good luck!

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**John Minnis**  
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Interestingly, Pete Waldmeir tells me some of the Old Newsboys Goodfellows' top supporters are Jewish!

“  
*The Old Newsboys is celebrating 100 years of making sure there is 'No Kiddie Without A Christmas.'*”

I bring up the Old Newsboys and Goodfellows, particularly, because next year the organization is celebrating 100 years of making sure there is "No Kiddie Without A Christmas." In fact, Pete was a Goodfellows package recipient as a boy in Detroit. Like many active Old Newsboys, Pete never forgot the kindness and importance of the Goodfellows. (See Pete's story in this issue of Pointe Magazine.)

The Old Newsboys was started by Jim Brady in 1914 after he saw a cartoon in The Detroit News of a little girl alone in a cold room on Christmas morning holding an empty stocking. That drawing so touched his heart, that he helped lead the formation of the Old Newsboys in 1914. Brady, whose descendants in Grosse Pointe are active in the Goodfellows today, was a former newsboy, hence the name, Old Newsboys.

Lauren McGregor, our assistant editor, and I have been asked by the Old Newsboys Goodfellows organization to do an Arcadia Publishing history of the group, and the publisher has agreed. We look to have it out by this time next year.

This being our "holiday issue" of

Pointe Magazine, we decided to run the 1914 cartoon, "Forgotten," on page 6 of this issue. Our purpose is to remind all our readers to do their utmost to make sure "No Kiddie" goes without a Christmas — or a Hanukkah, Yule, Epiphany, Kwanzaa or what have you. And don't forget to help out Meals on Wheels and Detroit's many soup kitchens.

True, the economy is scratching its way back, but there are still far too many people out there without jobs, food or a roof over their heads. They need our help, but they will never ask ... as we should not need to be asked.

At any rate, all our holidays will be much more blessed by how much we give.

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**Claire Charlotte Plumridge**

Birthdate & time:  
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City:  
**Grosse Pointe Woods**

First words:  
**Baba, mama, dada, ba bye**

Mom & Dad:  
**Beth & Bryan Plumridge**

Cute fact:  
**Claire began walking at only eight months old!**

Favorite toy or game:  
**Claire loves to play peek-a-boo and her friend Sophie the giraffe**

## About Claire

After an exhaustive name search, we settled on Claire after learning that it means clear, bright and beautiful. When we visit Lake St. Clair, we tell Claire that we are 'visiting her lake because they are both bright and beautiful.' We are fortunate to have Claire in our lives. She wakes up every morning with a smile on her face and fills our home with laughter. She is a complete joy to spend time with and has an easy going personality. Claire loves spending time with friends and family, bike rides, long walks, dancing, exploring, trying new things, cuddling with her Mommy and Daddy, reading books, swimming at the park and adding joy to the lives of all she meets.

Photo by Amanda L. Armitage of Distinct Expressions Photography & Design

Name: **Danielle "Bean" Patterson**

Age: **10** Parents: **William & Kate Patterson**

School: **Grosse Pointe Academy** City: **Grosse Pointe Park**

Interests: **Dance** Siblings: **Lily, 15**

## Favorites

Game <b>Sloooks!</b>	School subject <b>Reading</b>	Outdoor activity <b>Riding my bike</b>
Food <b>Mac &amp; cheese</b>	Book <b>Out of my Mind</b>	Family Activity <b>Go to the apple orchard</b>
Vacation <b>Punta Cana</b>	What is your favorite thing about going to school? <b>My friends</b>	
What do you want to be when you grow up? <b>Makeup artist</b>	Who is your hero and why? <b>All my teachers at the Academy</b>	

# Meet Danielle



## About Danielle

I am in fifth grade. I love to sing and dance. I love music and my favorite song is "Love Me Again" by John Newman.

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**PJ Veltri, Beth Gibney, Debby and Paul Veltri**  
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## By Lauren McGregor

One of the community's few food and wine tasting experiences, The Taste at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe Woods, will host its second ever event after an enormously successful 2012 showing.

"We are proud to host this event that showcases the many terrific establishments in the Grosse Pointe, St. Clair Shores and Harper Woods communities," says Monsignor Gary Smetanka. "The food and wine sampling is a great way to gather the larger community around that

which we love to do - eat, drink and socialize! It helps to build up the community and forge stronger bonds."

Pastoral Associate Debby Veltri anticipates 500 people this year, a sizeable increase to last year's 350 attendance.

"One person told me that they could not believe it was our first year," says Veltri. "They thought it ran so smoothly that it had been around for 10 years."

There will be 27 vendors again, 19 of which will be returning from last

year's event.

Wine tasting is provided by Great Lakes Wine and Spirits and jazz entertainment is provided by the Chris Codish Trio. There will also be a cash bar and valet parking.

The Taste will take place at Our Lady Star of the Sea School on Saturday, November 16 at 6:30 p.m.

Purchase tickets, \$35 in advance and

\$40 at the door, at Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Office at 467 Fairford Road in Grosse Pointe Woods or online at [olsos.org](http://olsos.org).

"Last year's Taste brought people to this area from across the region, and I am sure they have come back many times to actually eat at the restaurants that were showcased," says Msgr. Smetanka. "We are very much looking forward to this year's Taste and letting even more people know about this great community." ☎

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# Meet Shane

<b>Name</b>	Shane Jackowski
<b>Age</b>	17
<b>City</b>	Grosse Pointe City
<b>School</b>	Grosse Pointe South
<b>Parents</b>	Keith and Sue Jackowski



## Shane's Favorites

### Music Artist

The Beatles

### TV Show

Scrubs

### Store

Costco

### School Subject

Biology

### Food

Pizza

### Thing to do on a Saturday night

Go over to someone's house and watch a movie

### Athlete

Miguel Cabrera

### Teacher

Mr. Adams

### What song on your iPod would people be surprised by?

"Kickstart My Heart" by Motley Crue

### What chore do you absolutely hate doing?

Loading and emptying the dishwasher

### If you could have three wishes granted what would they be?

1. I wish I had no homework
2. I wish there were more hours in a day
3. I wish that I could be a veterinarian

### Where do you see yourself in five years?

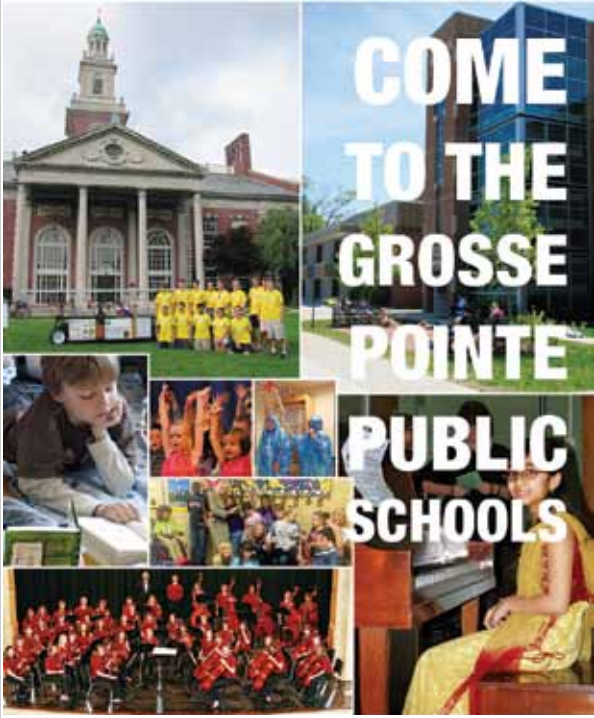
I hope to be entering or have entered the Veterinarian Graduate School at MSU

## About Shane:

Shane, a Grosse Pointe South senior, lives in Grosse Pointe City with his parents Keith and Sue and his sister Casey, 14.


He loves playing saxophone and participates in the marching band at South.





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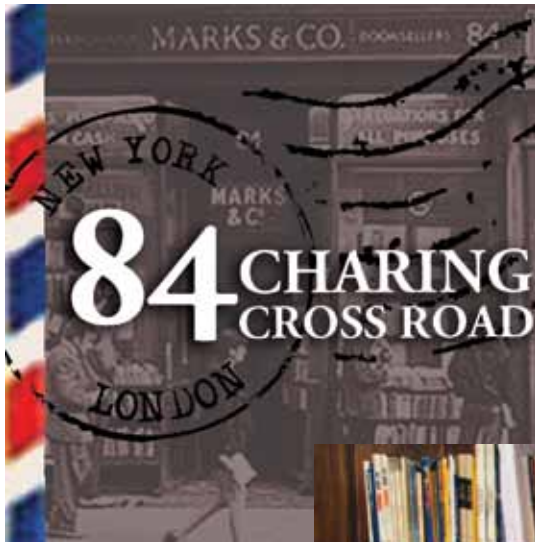


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## GROSSE POINTE THEATRE PLAYS BY THE BOOK

By Beth Newhart

Grosse Pointe Theatre isn't looking for a surprise ending for their audience with their November performance of *84 Charing Cross Road*. To the contrary, they are encouraging theatergoers to know the whole story before entering the theatre.

Based upon the 1970 novel of the same name by Helene Hanff, *84 Charing Cross Road*, tells through letters the true story of Hanff's nearly 20-year correspondence with Frank Doel, the chief buyer at Marks & Co., a London bookstore housed at the Charing Cross address. In an era prior to Facebook and Amazon, Hanff wrote to Doel to find rare books and discovered a friendship across the ocean.

To celebrate the performance, GPT is urging their audience to read the book beforehand, going so far as to offer bookmarks with a \$4.00 off ticket discount. These can be found at the Barnes and Noble store on Mack Avenue in Pointe Plaza and other businesses around the Pointes.



Peter DiSante as Frank Doel and Elizabeth Moen as Helen Hanff

"It's a rare opportunity to see this play and a unique opportunity to see a live play that's based on a book," says director Ron Bernas. "It's the same reason anyone wants to read a book before they see a movie." Audiences love to see what has been changed when the story is adapted for a live performance, he says.

Peter DiSante plays Doel and Elizabeth Moen plays Hanff. Bernas says both fit the parts extremely well, as the long-time GPT actors have been respectively known for being reserved and brash, traits embodied in both characters.

Moen says she was struck by the enduring bond between the two characters that transcend decades of time and thousands of miles.

"The 'romance' as it were was not in the more traditional sense, but in the abiding care and concern they felt for each other over twenty years of letters and laughs," she says.

Evening

performances are scheduled for Nov. 14-16 and 21-23 with 2 p.m. matinees on Nov. 10 and 17. For ticket information, contact the Grosse Pointe Theatre at (313) 881-4004 or visit [gpt.org](http://gpt.org).

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## *The Up-Side of Downsizing*

*By Virginia Ficarra*



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Naturally, dismantling a home promotes anxiety. Young says, "The up side begins after you move in. Having competent helpers to pack and unpack plus an understanding daughter made it easier for me to cope. It takes a couple of weeks or so to adjust to the new space, and then you can do whatever you want." Think of a fresh start as your springboard to a new chapter in your life. It frees up time for leisure activities, freedom to travel, less upkeep and time to explore your hidden talents.

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### ***Less is More***

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*The March 19, 2008 issue of Michigan Senior Living in The Detroit News/Free Press says, "When working with a client who has moved into new surroundings, Ficarra says one of her most effective tactics is to recreate the individual's favorite room from the previous house, using familiar furniture, accents, and above all their wall colors. This way they get a fresh start but still feel at home. Working with someone who is experienced with seniors can make all the difference for a successful outcome; a tour of each room and discussing special needs ensures a smart plan in a reasonable timeline."*



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# Lighting & Locking modern home security

By Jim Stickford

Home security doesn't have to be a dreary affair. Doing simple things like adding outdoor lighting can make a home more appealing — and less attractive to thieves.

Tony Sieracki, owner of Detroit Irrigation & Lighting, installs outdoor sprinklers and lighting for homes in the Pointes. He says today's new lighting technology not only enhances a home's beauty at night, it saves homeowners money.

"We are using new LED landscape lighting technology," Sieracki says. "That stands for light-emitting diode. A lot of people are still using older halogen light bulbs."

There are several advantages to using LED lights. A halogen bulb typically uses 50 watts per bulb or fixture. An LED bulb equivalent to 50 watts only uses 4.5 watts. A typical home would use 10 halogen 50-watt bulbs for a total of 500 watts. An LED replacement system using 10 bulbs would use 45 watts. Burn time on a halogen bulb is approximately 3,000 hours. Burn time on an LED bulb is about 50,000 hours.

"So you use less energy and that saves money in the long run," Sieracki

says. "LED lighting also requires fewer fixtures than halogen systems because LEDs can focus light better. What I tell people is that exterior lights are put up for aesthetic reasons that will highlight the features of a home without blasting it with light."

LED bulbs are clean, clear, pure light. "A lot of people have the idea that they cast a blue hue on the house," Sieracki says. "The fixtures we install cast a beautiful warm, soft white over the areas we are enhancing." And thanks to filters, it's possible to add different colors to a house's exterior lighting scheme.

In addition, Sieracki says, this kind of lighting actually acts to protect a home. "I see this all the time. People have backyards that are empty. The back of the house just has a porch. But this creates shadows."

Installing lighting in the back of the house dispels these shadows and eliminates potential hiding places. It's also possible to install motion detectors that activate lights at night.

Tom Delisle, CEO of All Pointes Security, says good exterior lighting is a fundamental of home security.

"People tend not to pay attention to


their security until something happens that makes them take notice," Delisle says. "That's only natural. People like to feel secure in their homes and Grosse Pointe doesn't have a lot of crime."

But "not a lot of crime" doesn't mean "no crime," Delisle says. By paying attention to small details, homeowners can protect their houses.

"I talk with people all the time about home security," Delisle says. "I'll point to a small window in the back of their house and ask them if they lock it. They'll say no, that window doesn't open because it's painted shut."

A little paint doesn't stop a burglar. And things like shrubs can obscure a view of the outside, making it easy for people to hide.

Delisle agrees: Good outdoor lighting can help reduce a home's vulnerability to break-in. Exterior lights can even be turned on remotely from a smart phone, with different levels of security available.

But not everything has to be hi-tech. A homeowner can improve security by simply making sure all the windows lock, installing dead bolts in all exterior doors and adding exterior lighting. 



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The holiday tables were arranged for us at The League Shop. The Thanksgiving table above includes two Spode patterns, “Woodland” and “Harvest.” The goblet is a Juliska, “Berry & Thread.” Accessories include salt and pepper shakers by Ganz, candle sticks and a wreath by Oddity.



# Holiday Tables

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Have you ever attended a holiday party and wondered how the hostess had the time to prepare the holiday feast and set such a gorgeous table?

It may be easier than you thought. At least creating the gorgeous table, says Pat Brinker, owner of The League Shop, located on the Hill.

Simply adding seasonal linens along with a holiday salad plate to a neutral everyday pattern can add pizzazz to the tablescape.

Tired of the standard floral arrangement centerpiece? Individual pieces such as Spode’s Harvest pattern turkey soup tureen, shown above, can be used as the focal point with the rest

of the tablescape built around that item.

Incorporate some natural items as well. Pinecones, cranberries, gourds and pumpkins can be arranged into beautiful centerpieces.

Use candles in a variety of shapes and sizes. Bring out a favorite family heirloom that has been passed down.

When all is said and done, the table should reflect your style and personality.

The beauty of the table will enhance the meal you spent hours preparing and it just might impress your guests!

To get the most of your holiday ware, Brinker says, “I tell folks to use it all month long.” ☺

The table below and right includes two Juliska patterns, “Winter Frolic” and “Le Panier.” The goblet is a Casafina, “Water Stem Optic.” The centerpiece and playing polar bears are by Fantastic Craft.





## Decorating Tips...

White plates and bowls are a perfect start - incorporate color and themed pieces using linens and accessories.

Use fresh seasonal fruit to add color and texture.

Create a moveable tablescape by using a large tray or platter that can easily be lifted, moved and returned to place.

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Attendees can explore local businesses, non-profit clubs and organizations, and Chamber members will have outstanding networking opportunities.

"The primary mission of the EXPO is to bring its business and consumer base together under one roof for the support of each other and to encourage the community to buy local," says Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce President and Executive Director Jennifer Boettcher. "Visitors will find a welcoming environment where they can learn about the latest offerings in the local marketplace while making valuable connections with current and prospective vendors."

This year's keynote speaker is Matthew P. Cullen, president and chief executive of Rock Ventures LLC, the umbrella entity formed to provide operational coordination, guidance and integration to Dan Gilbert's portfolio of companies and investments. Cullen is responsible for Gilbert's "Opportunity Detroit" initiative, an effort to spark development and revitalization.

"We are excited to have Matt Cullen as the EXPO's keynote speaker because he is a strong leader, who excels at driving individuals and groups to achieve a higher level of success," says Boettcher.

Also speaking at this year's event is Patrick Hopper of Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe's largest social network with over 18,000 followers on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Pinterest, LinkedIn and YouTube. Hopper is also partner at OpenSystems Media in St. Clair Shores.

"Patrick will teach the vendors how to use social media networks to achieve marketing communication and branding goals to better their business," says Boettcher.

The Community Business EXPO is open to the public and free of charge. Attendees will receive product samples and have the opportunity to enter numerous raffles.

For more information, call the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce at (313) 881-4722, e-mail [info@grossepointechamber.com](mailto:info@grossepointechamber.com) or visit [grossepointechamber.com](http://grossepointechamber.com).



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## *Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce's 1st Annual Deck the Door Contest*

All businesses in Grosse Pointe are invited to participate in the first annual Deck the Door Contest. The contest, hosted by the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce, will promote Grosse Pointe as a Shopping Wonderland for the Holidays!

"The panel of judges will consist of representatives from each city," says GPCC President and Executive Director Jennifer Boettcher. "And of course the 'people's choice' award will be decided by the public."

Awards are given for most creative, most festive and people's choice. Winners will be posted on the Chamber's website and Facebook pages on Friday, December 13.

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In his spare time, Chuck enjoys visiting his grandchildren and exploring Michigan, particularly the Upper Peninsula.

**What is the best thing about living in Grosse Pointe?**

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**List two of your best personality traits.**

Friendly, trusting

**What was your best vacation ever?**

Italy with my family and Northern Michigan as often as possible

**Name one thing that not many people know about you.**

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## “PEACE ON EARTH, GOODWILL TOWARD MEN” INSPIRES FARMS COUPLE TO DECORATE

By Patti Theros

Take a drive along the water and experience the magic of Christmas at the corner of Lake Shore and Moross. It's the Van Siles home and it offers an electrifying and magnificent Christmas light display. Since 1995, when Mark and Denise purchased their home, their Christmas decorations have brought joy to so many.

“We get letters and cookies and people thank us all the time for the display,” says Denise Van Sile. Mark adds that there is even a bus that stops by the Thursday before Christmas. “It's a work party of about 30 and they stop by and sing Christmas carols and bring us cookies.”

They decorate because of

the joy it brings others and because they enjoy it, Mark says. “Our corner is highly visible but we would do it even if we lived on a dead end street.”

Mark is a third generation Grosse Pointe and grew up on Barrington Road in Grosse Pointe Park. His parents decorated at Christmas and he remembers a big, brilliant Christmas sign on Whittier Road every year. “I always thought that sign was magical.”

Today the Van Siles incorporate that Christmas magic in their displays. Mark decorates outside; Denise transforms the inside of their home with some seven themed Christmas trees (five rotate). She's been collecting ornaments since she was 13 years old.

“People often ask us how much our electric bill is during Christmastime.

We turn the lights on after Thanksgiving and they are on through Epiphany (January 6). Before LED lights, it cost \$1400, but with LED lights, it costs \$400. It takes about 80 hours to put up the lights and decorations. My two brothers come over and I also rent a lift. It takes about 40 hours to take everything down.”

Technology has changed since the Van Siles started decorating some 18 years ago. “I use computers now for some special effects. There is also a lot more Halloween decorations than in previous years,” says Mark.

But, says Denise, “We celebrate every holiday and we don't overlook Thanksgiving just because it falls between Halloween and Christmas. We have so much to be thankful for.”



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# HOLLYFEST

*A holiday benefit to support The Family Center of Grosse Pointe & Harper Woods*

**By Michelle Balconi**

**H**OLLYFEST, The Family Center's signature festive fundraiser, captures the true spirit of holiday giving Thursday, Dec. 5, at the Grosse Pointe Club. The often sold-out party with a purpose features both live and silent auctions and is responsible for raising more than a quarter of the non-profit's annual budget.

Held at the beautifully decorated "Little Club" on Lake St. Clair, the evening highlights accomplishments of the past year but also serves to reach a necessary goal. The Family Center is a volunteer-driven operation which relies completely on donations to create nearly two dozen programs and events each year for more than 5,000 families. The organization achieves all of this with one full-time executive director, Debbie Liedel, and one part-time assistant, Beth Vernon, and more than 100 professionals who donate their time and industry expertise.

Honorary chairs for this year's event are John and Terry Minnis, who have a long history with the

13-year-old organization. John serves as immediate past president, marketing committee co-chair and newsletter editor.

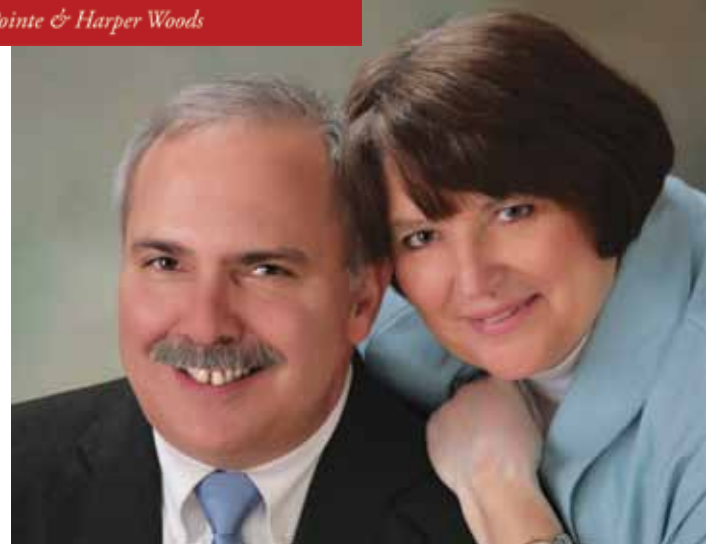
"This is one of our favorite events of the year," says Terry Minnis. "The Little Club is always so cheerfully decorated for the holidays. The auction items are fantastic, not to mention the great food! We look forward to seeing all our friends and Family Center supporters."

HOLLYFEST organizers and co-chairs are Vernon, Mary Beth Austin and Anne Prokop.

The Family Center of Grosse Pointe & Harper Woods offers robust programs and presentations given by expert practitioners and educators, fun family-centered activities, a weekly Ask the Experts column and a drop-in playgroup program for children and their caregivers. Play Central is located within Barnes School and is an introduction for many in the community to The Family Center.

"I have attended with all three of my children, now ages 5, 3 and 2," says Heather Burgess. "My children and I have made many wonderful friends that we will have for the rest of our lives, and for that we are forever grateful!"

Presentations and Q&A features advising on topics ranging from kindergarten readiness to managing stress in adulthood are archived on The Family Center's acclaimed website for easy access and privacy. Earlier this fall, The Family Center kicked off a multi-year, major giving enrichment campaign further demonstrating the commitment to




**Honorary chairs John and Terry Minnis**

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"Building a Stronger Community" for future generations.

Each year HOLLYFEST is supported by generous sponsors who provide a strong foundation towards reaching fundraising goals. At press time, this year's \$5,000-\$1,000 and in-kind sponsors include Henry Ford Health System; Beaumont Hospital; St. John Hospital and Medical Center; Gail and Lois Warden; Grosse Pointe Audiology; Wolverine Packing Co.; Avanti and Pointe Magazine.

HOLLYFEST tickets can be purchased online at [familycenterweb.org](http://familycenterweb.org) for \$100 per person. Sponsorship opportunities of varying levels are also available online. 

**Co-chairs Beth Vernon, Mary Beth Austin and Anne Prokop**

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## *Friends of the Grosse Pointe Parade*

By John Minnis

Though the Friends of the Grosse Pointe Parade appeared without fanfare in 2005, the group’s presence could hardly go unnoticed — to wit, the Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Sleigh, including Rudolph, the Toys for Tots Grosse Pointe Express Train and, most recently, the White Christmas Carriage, fashioned last year out of the Bresser Family’s sleigh, a perennial parade favorite. All told, The Friends have contributed, through donations and volunteer labor, some quarter of a million dollars in rolling stock to the Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade.

“We just kind of appeared on the scene with the sleigh,” says Dick Ruzzin, president and creative director. “John (Stevens) had a large vision. He wanted to build a float.”


The idea for a sleigh came out of the mouth of a babe, namely John and Betty Stevens’ granddaughter Sera, who asked during the 2004 parade why Santa was

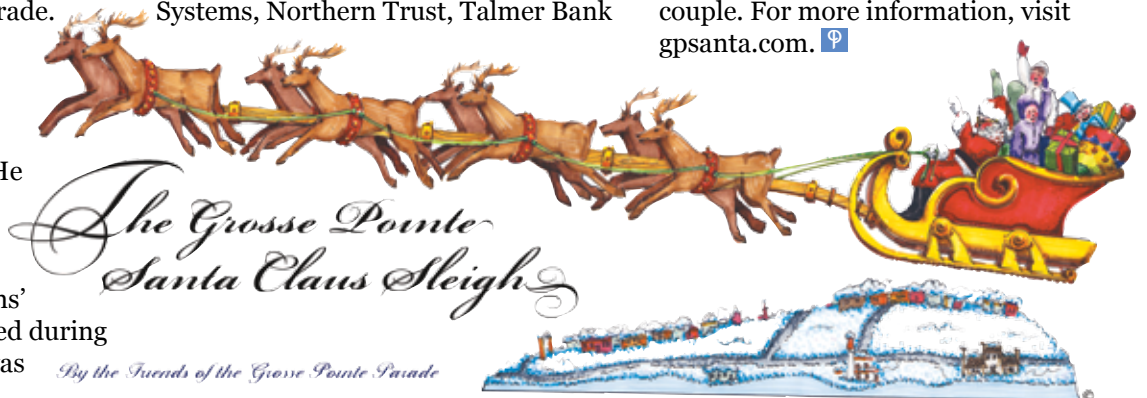
arriving in a horse-drawn carriage rather than his sleigh. Thus, the Friends of the Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Sleigh was born and — after being reformed into the 502(c)3 Friends of the Grosse Pointe Parade — the rest is history.

Of the core group who designed and built the sleigh, Stevens and Ruzzin remain and have been joined by Bill Demeter. Mike Stapleton of Prop Art, graphic artist Jeff Petersen and archivist Natalie Morath are still on board as well. Faithful corporate sponsors include Beaumont Health Systems, Northern Trust, Talmer Bank

and Morgan Stanley.

While the Friends are not rolling out a new float this year, they are planning their annual Parade Party for Wednesday, Nov. 13, 6-8 p.m. at Pier Park. Rather than an “unveiling,” the party is to be a “Friends-raiser” with locally catered food, hot chocolate and tons of kids games and letter writing to Santa. Marines will be on hand to personally receive unwrapped gifts for Toys for Tots. (Gifts can also be dropped in the Toys for Tots Caboose during the parade.)

Party tickets are \$50/family or \$25/couple. For more information, visit [gpsanta.com](http://gpsanta.com). 







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### 38TH ANNUAL GROSSE POINTE SANTA CLAUS PARADE

# CHAMBER CONTINUES POINTE TRADITION

By John Minnis

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce takes on a popular holiday tradition this year as it stages the 38th annual Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade.

“It rained the first year of the parade (in 1975),” according to Gwenn Samuels, who wrote about the 35th anniversary parade for Pointe Magazine, “but thousands of Pointers braved the weather, lining the streets, collecting balloons, applauding everyone and everything involved. And it has been ever thus.”

Jenny Boettcher, Chamber president/executive director, says the theme of its inaugural parade is “Winter Wonderland,” featuring a big “Sno-Glo” float by Art Van Furniture as well as new floats built by The Parade Company, masters of the Detroit Thanksgiving Day parade. Dirty Dog Jazz Café owner Gretchen Valade’s

Detroit Jazz Festival Float will be there as well. New this year are bands from Grosse Pointe North and South High Schools.

Bowing to popular sentiment, the length of the parade has been reduced to 40 groups. “We did not want to do it as big as last year,” Boettcher says. Of course the Grosse Pointe Big Head Corps will be there as well as all the perennial favorites.

The Grosse Pointe Santa Claus

Parade is on Friday, Nov. 29, the day after Thanksgiving, and begins at 10 a.m. on The Hill and culminates in The Village at 11 a.m. with Mayor Dale Scrace, on behalf of all the Pointe and Harper Woods mayors, giving the “keys to the hearts of all little boys and girls” in the Pointes and Harper Woods to Santa.


Also a change this year, the annual Village Tree Lighting will be held the Friday before Thanksgiving, so don’t miss it! For more information, go to [www.grossepointechamber.com](http://www.grossepointechamber.com). 



Photo by Christine M.J. Hathaway

THE HOLIDAYS IN

# The Village

### Tree Lighting

Friday, Nov. 22, 6 p.m.

The large evergreen tree at the corner of Kercheval and St. Clair streets will be decorated and officially lit up for the season, care of donations from the City of Grosse Pointe Foundation. The tree lighting is a free celebration for the community, with hot cocoa and other refreshments available, thanks to the Grosse Pointe Boat Club. Live reindeer will be present, and carols sung by the Grosse Pointe South Choir.

### Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade

Friday, Nov. 29, 10 a.m.

Newly organized by the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce. Contribute an item

to the U.S. Marine's Toys for Tots campaign, hosted by Friends of The Grosse Pointe Parade. Visit Santa in The Village until 4 p.m. City of Grosse Pointe Mayor Dale Scrace presents Santa Claus with the key to our community!

### Visit with Santa Claus

Saturdays, Nov. 30; Dec. 7, 14 & 21, 12-4 p.m.

### Girls Night Out

Thursday, Dec. 5, 5-9 p.m.

Register "Your Wish List" at Village shops, enjoy special deals, free refreshments and entertainment available throughout the Village. Sponsored by the Downtown Development Authority of Grosse Pointe.

### Men's Night Out

Thursday, Dec. 19, 5-9 p.m.

Shop from "The Wish Lists," enjoy specials, free refreshments and entertainment in the Village.

### Free Gift Wrapping for gifts purchased in The Village

Dec. 5-7, 12-14, 19-21, 12-6 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe Art Center

### Grosse Pointe Holiday Memories

Share your holiday memories and family traditions. Videographers will be on hand each Saturday from 4-5 p.m. Or send in your own video (three minutes max) to TheVillageGP.com

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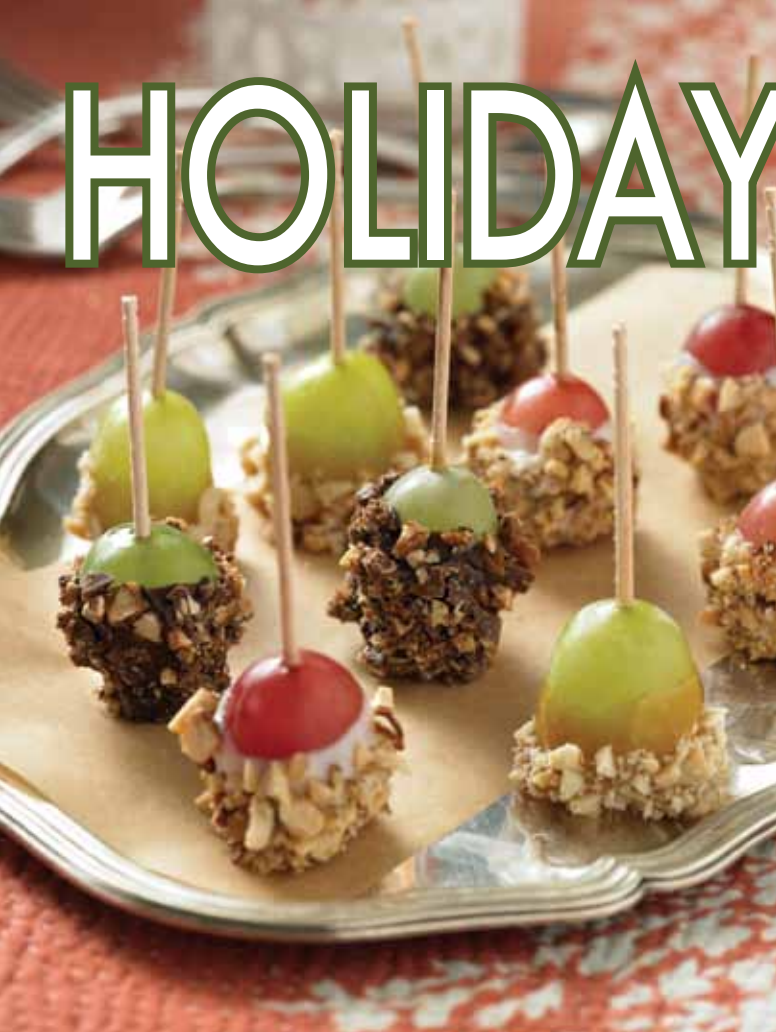
# HOLIDAY BUFFETS

## *Taste and Look More Festive with Grapes*

### Family Features

Clusters of colorful grapes are traditional additions to many holiday tables. Whether they are used for a centerpiece, a garnish for the main course (think turkey, crown roast of pork, baked ham) or a “must” addition to a fruit and cheese plate, grapes offer beauty, flavor and freshness to the season.

But there are many other ways to add grapes to special meals and party fare. The recipes included here are easy-to-make, beautiful and tasty examples of unique ways to prepare and serve grapes. Luckily, many varieties of fresh grapes from California are available throughout the holiday season and into January. For more recipes and serving suggestions, visit [www.grapesfromcalifornia.com](http://www.grapesfromcalifornia.com).



#### **Grape Tuxedo Bites, 3 Ways**

These three recipes, featuring white and dark chocolate, caramel, toffee bits, almonds and peanuts, are definitely rich, but because the center of each is a refreshing, juicy grape, they avoid being overly sweet.

#### **Chocolate Toffee Grapes**

Makes 25

##### **Ingredients:**

**25** green or red seedless grapes  
**1/2 cup** semisweet chocolate chips or chopped semisweet chocolate  
**1 teaspoon** vegetable oil  
**1/2 cup** finely chopped toffee bits

##### **Directions:**

Put toothpicks into grapes, set aside. Line baking sheet with wax paper or parchment. In small double boiler, melt chocolate and oil together over medium-low heat, stirring until melted, about 5 minutes (or in microwave on high power 30 seconds, stirring once). Dip grapes in chocolate and then in toffee. Place on

baking sheet lined with wax paper or parchment. Repeat until all grapes are used. Chill until set.

#### **White Chocolate Almond Grapes**

Makes 25

##### **Ingredients:**

**25** green or red seedless grapes  
**1/2 cup** white chocolate chips or chopped white chocolate  
**1 teaspoon** vegetable oil  
**1/2 cup** finely chopped salted almonds

##### **Directions:**

Put toothpicks into grapes, set aside. Line baking sheet with wax paper or parchment. In small double boiler, melt chocolate and oil together over medium-low heat, stirring until melted, about 5 minutes (or in microwave on high power 30 seconds, stirring once). Dip grapes in chocolate and then in almonds. Place on baking sheet lined with wax paper or parchment. Repeat until all grapes are used. Chill until set.

#### **Caramel Peanut Grapes**

Makes 25

##### **Ingredients:**

**25** green seedless grapes  
**1/2 cup** finely chopped salted peanuts  
**1/2 cup** caramel bits or 10 unwrapped caramels  
**1 tablespoon** heavy cream

##### **Directions:**

Put toothpicks into grapes, set aside. Line baking sheet with parchment. Place peanuts in small bowl and set aside. In small saucepan, melt caramel and cream together over medium-low heat, stirring until melted, about 5 minutes. Keep warm. Dip grapes in caramel and then in nuts. Place on baking sheet lined with wax paper or parchment. Repeat until all grapes are used. Chill until set.

**Note:** You can also melt caramel in microwave. Put caramels in microwaveable container and zap on high 30 seconds. Stir until smooth, zap another 20 seconds if necessary.

## Grape Relish

For a small holiday party, a festive assortment of cheeses, meats, breads and crackers is an easy solution. This pretty Grape Relish provides the perfect foil to the rich assortment, combining sweet, tart and aromatic elements. The relish is also a wonderful accompaniment to poultry dishes, too.

Servings: 8

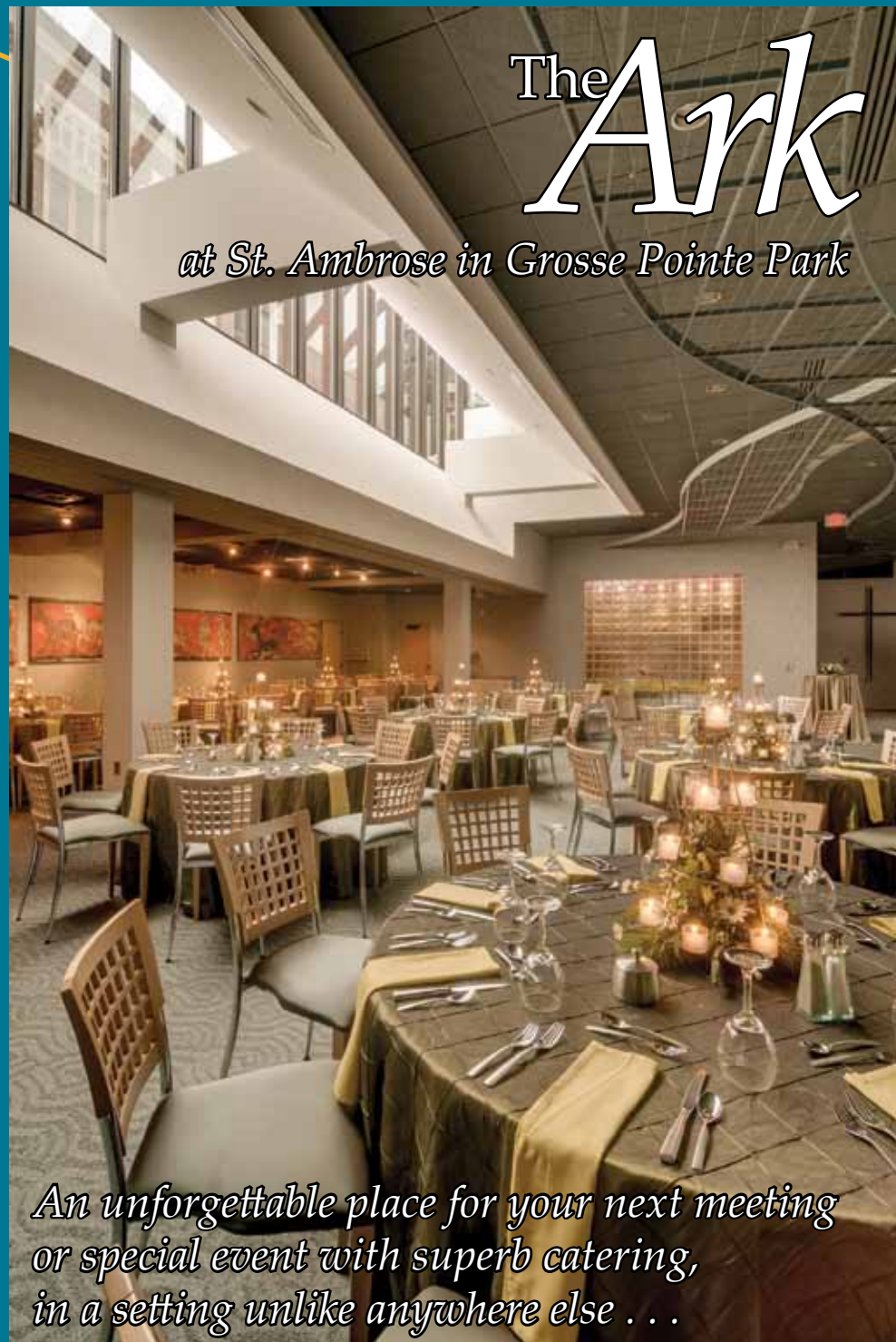
## Ingredients:

**2 cups** finely chopped red and green seedless grapes  
**2 tablespoons** minced shallot  
**2 teaspoons** chopped fresh thyme  
**1 tablespoon** sherry vinegar  
**1 1/2 teaspoons** sugar  
**1 teaspoon** safflower or vegetable oil  
**1/4 teaspoon** each salt and freshly ground pepper  
**1 baguette**, sliced thinly

## Directions:

In medium bowl, combine chopped grapes, shallot, thyme, vinegar, sugar, oil, salt and pepper. Transfer to small serving bowl and set aside. Makes 2 cups.

To make crostini, preheat oven to 350°F. Spread baguette slices on baking sheet and toast until crisp, about 10 minutes. Let cool.



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# HOMEMADE HOLIDAYS

## Bake Festive Fig Desserts

### Family Features

Whether you're hosting a family dinner or making a dessert for a friend's party, bring something special to the holiday table with these amazing dessert recipes. Each delicious bite stars the unique flavor only found in figs.

With their rich honey-like sweetness and delightfully crunchy edible seeds, figs take foods from good to great. Available year-round from Valley Fig Growers, California dried figs are ready to eat right out of the package or can be easily diced, sliced or poached for cooking and baking. For more holiday recipes, visit [www.valleyfig.com](http://www.valleyfig.com).



Sweet Potato Pie with Fig and Pecan Topping

### Sweet Potato Pie with Fig and Pecan Topping

Makes 8 servings

#### Pie Ingredients:

- 1 ready-made refrigerated pie crust
- 1 can (15-ounce) sweet potatoes
- 1/3 cup packed light brown sugar
- 1 teaspoon pumpkin pie spice
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 2 large eggs
- 3/4 cup whipping cream

#### Topping Ingredients:

- 1/4 cup butter
- 1/4 cup packed light brown sugar
- 1 cup stemmed, chopped Figs
- 2 tablespoons maple syrup
- 1 tablespoon brandy or water
- 1/2 cup chopped, toasted pecans

#### Directions:

Preheat oven to 450°F. Let pie crust stand at room temperature 15 minutes; unroll and press against side and bottom of 9-inch pie pan (glass recommended). Fold excess crust under and press together to form thick crust edge; flute.

Drain sweet potatoes; mash or whirl in food processor until smooth (potatoes should measure 1 1/8 cups). In medium bowl whisk together sweet potatoes, brown sugar, spice and salt. Whisk in eggs, one at a time, and cream. Pour filling into crust. Bake pie 15 minutes; reduce heat to 350°F,

shield edge of pie with a ring (or strips) of foil to prevent overbrowning, and continue baking for 25 to 30 minutes or until center moves slightly when shaken. Remove pie to wire rack to cool.

For topping, in small saucepan stir butter and brown sugar over medium heat until melted. Stir in figs, maple syrup and brandy. Bring to a simmer and cook, stirring constantly, 2 minutes or until reduced to a thick, glossy syrup. Remove from heat and stir in pecans. Spoon evenly over warm pie. Cool. Chill for up to 8 hours before serving.



Chocolate Ganache Tart with Glazed Figs and Nuts

## Chocolate Ganache Tart With Glazed Figs and Nuts

Makes 8 to 10 servings

### Ingredients:

**1** refrigerated pie crust, at room temperature  
**1 cup** packed (6 ounces) figs, stemmed and halved\*  
**2/3 cup** water  
**1/3 cup** packed brown sugar  
**2 tablespoons** almond-, hazelnut- or orange-flavored liqueur  
**1/2 cup** whipping cream  
**6 ounces** bittersweet chocolate, finely chopped  
**1 cup** unsalted or lightly salted mixed nuts (omit peanuts and select hazelnuts, cashews, Brazil nuts, almonds and pecans)  
 Whipped cream, optional

### Directions:

Preheat oven to 450°F. Unroll pie crust and press into bottom and up side of 10-inch tart pan with removable bottom. Prick all over with fork. Bake until light brown, 9 to 11 minutes. Cool on rack.

In small saucepan, combine figs and water. Bring to boil over high heat, then reduce heat and simmer until liquid is reduced to 1/4 cup, about 2 minutes. Stir in brown sugar and simmer, stirring, 1 minute. Remove from heat. Stir in liqueur. Let steep 10 minutes. Strain figs through fine-meshed sieve, reserving syrup. While figs cool, in small saucepan, bring cream to simmer over medium heat. Remove from heat, add chocolate and stir until smooth. Spread over baked crust. Refrigerate 5 minutes or until chocolate begins to firm up but is not set. Alternate fig slices and nuts in concentric circles on tart, pressing slightly into chocolate to secure. Chill 2 hours or up to 1 day. To serve, brush figs and nuts with reserved syrup. Remove side from tart pan and place tart on platter. Cut into wedges. Top with whipped cream, if desired.  
 \*Cut large figs (greater than 1 1/4-inch diameter at the base) into three lengthwise slices.

## Chewy Ginger-Molasses

### Fig Cookies

Makes about 30 cookies

### Ingredients:

**2/3 cup** packed light brown sugar  
**1/2 cup** vegetable oil  
**1** large egg white  
**3 tablespoons** light molasses  
**1 1/2 cups** all-purpose flour  
**1 1/2 teaspoons** ground ginger  
**1 1/2 teaspoons** baking soda  
**1/2 teaspoon** ground cinnamon  
**1/8 teaspoon** salt  
**1 cup** stemmed, finely chopped figs  
**1/3 cup** granulated sugar

### Directions:

Preheat oven to 350°F. Beat brown sugar and oil in large bowl with electric mixer on medium speed until blended. Beat in egg white and molasses.

In separate bowl combine flour, ginger, soda, cinnamon and salt. On low speed, slowly beat in flour mixture until combined. With spoon, stir in figs.

Shape 1-tablespoon portions of dough into balls. Roll in granulated sugar. Place 2 1/2 inches apart on ungreased cookie sheet. Place sheet in center of oven and bake cookies 7 to 9 minutes, until crackled on top and set around edges. Cool on wire rack.



Chewy Ginger-Molasses Fig Cookies



# Ardmore Park Place

By Lauren McGregor

Ardmore Park Place, the stunning 19th century building on Little Mack in St. Clair Shores, has seen remarkable change over the years. The building transformed from family residence to gambling house, blind pig and bordello to furniture store before Larry Berdasono and Ray Domke

purchased it in 1986.

After opening and closing Victoria Place House of Shoppes, Berdasono and Domke reopened the establishment as Ardmore Park Place in 2009, and it's been flourishing ever since.

"We wanted to create something unique and different for the area," says Berdasono, "so we gutted and rebuilt it."

Ardmore Park Place now boasts a cafe open for lunch and dinner, full bar and a number of shops and offices.

Lunch is available Monday through Saturday, 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and includes sandwiches, salads, pasta, several chicken dishes, white fish and pork tenderloin, to name a few.

Seating for lunch and dinner is particularly unique, as Ardmore Park Place has preserved the atmosphere of a house, and is therefore comprised of several rooms. Guests can dine in the Pub Room, the Sun Porch or the Ardmore Room.

Dinner is available

Thursday through Saturday, 5 to 8:30 p.m. The menu ranges from escargot and steak to salmon, chicken and beyond.

"We are trying to create a piano bar," says Domke. "There will be a pianist Friday and Saturday evenings and a classical guitarist every Thursday."

Diners can also take advantage of the shops and offices in Ardmore Park Place. One such shop, is the unique Urban Attic.

"I look for original things to fill the shelves at Urban Attic," says owner Jennifer Flynn. "Bracelets made with vintage watch faces, quirky Pook Toque's, which are winter hats sewn from wool socks and Michigan-made work including David Ellison tiles, Notable Greetings cards, Black Cat Pottery and sinful Toffee from Dave's Sweet Tooth!"

Other establishments inside Ardmore Park Place include Studio 5 Salon, which offers hairstyling, coloring, waxing and scalp massage, the office of Dr. Scott & Michelle Craig, who offer child, teen, adult and couples therapy and the office of Dr. Joseph C. Mifsud, who practices psychotherapy for children, adolescents, adults and couples.

Ardmore Park Place will see an exciting addition this holiday season - the beginning of a monthly Wine Tasting Dinner. Each tasting will showcase wines from different countries with themes such as "France" or "The British Empire." All meals included in the experience are

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Photo by Donald Schulte Photography

seven courses.

“It’s a sit down affair,” says Domke. “We wanted to give people a full evening out where you can dressed up,” says Domke. “We want jackets, formal wear. For people to feel good about going out to dinner again.”

The first Wine Tasting Dinner took place Nov. 6 and the next, British Empire themed, is scheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 4, from 7 to 10 p.m. The \$65 cost covers the wine tasting, seven course meal, tax and gratuity. Reservations are required, as there is limited seating.

If you’re interested in seeing all Ardmore Park Place has to offer, register for the 5th Annual Holiday Open House, which will take place Thursday, Nov. 21 from 4 to 9 p.m.

“During the holidays Urban Attic is a shopping hideaway off the beaten path,” says Flynn, whose shop will be open for the Holiday Open House. “Customers coming in from the cold can choose from a great selection of unique gifts while sampling a Michigan-made jam, and enjoying the amazing decorations throughout the building. It’s all about taking time out to remember the simple things during

the season!”

Guests can save some money while they enjoy the elaborate holiday decorations, dine and browse the shops. “Our Open House specials include 20 percent off all dinner entrees,” says Domke.

“We will also have 15 percent off all gift items and 10 percent off all wines in Ardmore Park Place’s wine and gift shop.” Call (586) 443-4597 for reservations. Dinner seatings will be at 4 and 6:30 p.m.

Ardmore Park Place is the ideal setting, not only for a lunch or evening out, but celebrating special occasions. The home can accommodate up to 100 guests standing or 70 seated and is a unique venue for bridal or baby showers, company parties, intimate



Opposite page: Ardmore Park Place’s wine and gift shop, the Sun Porch Room and Jennifer Flynn inside Urban Attic; Above: Ardmore Room Photos by Lauren McGregor

weddings, anniversary parties and more.

“Inside the historic walls of Ardmore Park Place, time slows down long enough to enjoy a visit with friends, and special attention from the staff,” says Flynn. “With Urban Attic’s third holiday season underway, I still smile when a guest from the Cafe pops in, asking permission to browse with a glass of wine in hand!” ☺



Photos by John F. Martin



## Winter Wonderland at Ford house

By Lauren McGregor

A 1929 estate, adorned in twinkling lights, flickering candles, garlands of green and holly and several elaborately decorated Christmas trees, waits open and welcoming for any family hoping to immerse itself in Christmases of yesteryear.

“The beautiful setting and the historic buildings, with a dusting of snow and a chill on the air create just the atmosphere we associate with the holiday setting,” says President & CEO of Edsel & Eleanor Ford House Kathleen Mullins. “The estate is a peaceful place to spend time with family, with friends or even alone.”

The Edsel & Eleanor Ford House’s calendar is chock full of holiday festivities. Children can sit beside a twinkling tree to hear classic stories during Christmas Story Time, sip

hot chocolate and peppermint tea at Nutcracker Teas or visit South Cottage to partake in holiday activities in Santa’s Workshop.

“We take into our plans what the children might have experienced at their grandparents’ home in Dearborn,” says Mullins of Santa’s Workshop. “Henry and Clara Ford loved the holiday season and bringing joy to children by creating a Santa’s Workshop on their estate.”

The whole family is invited to enjoy the offerings of Candlelight Strolls and Holiday Tours. And adults especially will appreciate the cozy Holiday Teas, which include a house tour, followed by tea, sandwiches and homemade dessert.

A highly anticipated addition to the Ford House’s holiday events is Winter Wonderland Weekends.

“In the late afternoon our guests will be invited to relax around a bonfire, sing carols, enjoy good friendship and conversation and maybe even indulge in a cup of hot cocoa or cider,” says Mullins. “They can then stroll through the gardens to Josephine’s playhouse and on to Santa’s Workshop in South Cottage.”

Communications Specialist Sarah Tuxbury adds, “We want families to come in and enjoy the grounds. It’s old fashioned fun and a wonderful way to engage with history.”

Another true interaction with history comes in the form of the home itself. While Christmas decor and activities were slightly different each year in the Ford House, as they are in all homes, the constants and traditions will be thoughtfully displayed.

“The Ford family spent every



Photo by Justin Maconochie

Christmas morning in the library and then everyone gathered for dinner in the dining room,” says Tuxbury. “Our decoration will reflect this. Eleanor always had the staff at Christmas dinner as well. They were considered family, so Christmas cheer surrounded everyone who lived in the house.”

“We strive to create the holiday experience through the eyes of the Ford Family. We take into consideration what Eleanor, Edsel, their children and their grandchildren might have done, seen or experienced at their home in Grosse Pointe Shores,” says Mullins. “Today, our goal is to create the opportunity for our current day families to make their own memories by spending time together at Ford House, to share good conversation, to snap photos, to laugh, to play, to make the decision to return next year.”

**Winter Walks in Wonderland**

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**Holiday Teas**

Enjoy a Holiday House Tour, followed by a light meal of tea, sandwiches and a homemade dessert.  
December 8, 16, 17; 3 p.m.  
Cost: \$35

**Candlelight Strolls**

Travel down a candlelit path, walk the

festively trimmed halls, listen to beautiful live music, enjoy the Christmas trees and Eleanor's teardrop shaped ornaments.  
December 13, 14, 20, 21, 27, 28; 5-8 p.m.  
Cost: \$15

Pair your night with a tantalizing dinner in the Cotswold Café, which is featuring a highlighted holiday menu. Separate reservations are necessary for the Café. Please call (313) 453-2037.

**Nutcracker Teas**

Tasty treats and warm holiday drinks (peppermint tea and hot chocolate!) at this child-friendly tea. After, Santa will be waiting in the PlayHouse to hear Christmas wishes.  
2 p.m. seating December 15  
4 p.m. seatings December 4, 10, 11, 12, 15, 18, 19  
6 p.m. seatings December 4, 12, 15, 17, 18, 19; Cost: \$15

**Christmas Story Time**

Sing carols, enjoy hot chocolate and holiday desserts and listen to a Christmas story favorite in the Ford House Gallery.  
December 10, 11; 6 p.m.  
Cost: \$5 per person

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# Irving Berlin's **White Christmas**

## The Musical

By Lauren McGregor

Grosse Pointe Theatre's "merry and bright musical experience, full of dancing, laughter and some of the greatest songs ever written," *White Christmas*, is sure to become a local favorite.

The beloved Irving Berlin holiday spectacular will not only be performed by Grosse Pointe Theatre this holiday season, but every holiday season to come. Every Grosse Pointe family has the chance to experience the annual tradition from the beginning.

The original movie, featuring Bing Crosby, follows two WWII soldiers as they catapult to show biz stardom. Bob Wallace and Phil Davis are joined by fellow entertainers Betty and Judy Haynes on a fast paced musical adventure that culminates in an ode to the two veterans' former WWII general.

"This is a high energy, feel good classic," says director and lead cast member Don Bischoff. Bischoff, who has been with Grosse Pointe Theatre

for 13 years, plays Phil Davis.

"It's great for all ages," says Eleonore Ellero-Groth, who plays Betty Haynes. "Kids get caught up in it just as much as grandparents."

Ellero-Groth and Brian Groth, who play love interests in the production, are husband and wife in real life and note that their daughter Lilly is also acting in the production. Groth plays Bob Wallace, the character originally portrayed by Bing Crosby.

"It's daunting to know the original was Bing Crosby," admits Groth. "But my goal is to bring what I can to the role, as opposed to recreating what he did."

Stephanie Butler, who plays the flighty and fun Judy Haynes, notes the differences in the Crosby version and the current musical. "While it's a classic story, the musical updated and revived it," she says. "In fact, our four biggest numbers are not in the movie."

Many don't know that *White Christmas: The Musical* did not

premiere until 2004.

The Grosse Pointe Theatre adaptation includes more than one unique addition.

First is an ode to our troops, as members of the military will stand up on either side of the stage at one point during the performance.

This touch is particularly meaningful to Grosse Pointe Theatre's newest member, Heather Yeaw, who plays a showgirl. She and her husband and Navy officer Daniel moved to the area this summer after assignment in Sicily.

Another memorable aspect is the inclusion of Grosse Pointe Public School elementary school choirs singing Christmas carols before the performance and during intermission.

"We also have several matinees," says Ellero-Groth, "so it's a very family friendly, convenient performance for families to make a tradition."

All elements, from song and dance to a salute to the troops and Christmas




**Previous page: Eleonore Ellero-Groth as Betty Haynes, Brian Groth as Bob Wallace, Stephanie Butler as Judy Haynes and Don Bischoff as Phil Davis; Top: Stephanie Butler as Judy Haynes and Eleonore Ellero-Groth as Betty Haynes; Right: Eleonore Ellero-Groth as Betty Haynes and Brian Groth as Bob Wallace**

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carols by Grosse Pointe students, culminate into a memorable holiday experience for the family. Be sure to be there for the beginning of this Grosse Pointe tradition.

“This is one of my favorite movies of all time,” says Bischoff. “It’s an excellent choice for the beginning of a tradition.”

Tickets are sold at the Grosse Pointe Theatre box office on Fisher Road and online at [gpt.org](http://gpt.org). 

### Showtimes

Saturday, December 14  
2 p.m.

Sunday, December 15  
2 p.m., 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, December 17  
7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, December 18  
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## The Parade Company

*Tony Michaels 'head' of Detroit tradition*

**Above, Tony Michaels; below, Parade heads of Rosa Parks, Joe Louis, George H.W. Bush and Sparky Anderson**

Photos by John Minnis

By John Minnis


As president and CEO of The Parade Company — organizer of the annual America's Thanksgiving Parade, Hob Nobble Gobble, Target Fireworks and the Turkey Trot, to name a few — Tony Michaels thinks big.

Case in point is the recent Parade Preview Party held at The Parade Company's studio/warehouse on Mount Elliott. The overflow crowd had to be

shuttled in. "Can you believe this," says Michaels. This from a guy who yearly fills the Miller Parking Garage roof with food and drink and revelers for the best international fireworks in the world and who holds the swanky Hob Nobble Gobble "carnival" — complete with Ferris wheel — in Ford Field. (Yes, kids do where tuxes and gowns to the event.)

Michaels pulls these feats off with a meager staff of 50 and a volunteer

army of 1,500. The volunteer ranks also include the 300-strong Big Heads Corps, many of whom are Grosse Pointers under the paper maché masks. Every year a new celebrity Big Head is made, but Michaels would not divulge its identity before its unveiling.

This year's America's Thanksgiving Parade promises to be bigger and better than ever. For more information, go to [www.theparade.org](http://www.theparade.org). 





# Great Lake Log continues voyage

By Ted Everingham

The *Great Lakes Log* television series from which this column borrowed its name debuted from the War Memorial studios of WMTV eight years ago in December. We have covered a lot of ground — I mean, water — in that time: Boat shows and Asian carp, lighthouses, museums and windfarms, sailboat races, Power Squadron courses and learn-to-sail classes for adults and children.



We've taken our cameras and crew to Dossin Great Lakes Museum on Belle Isle and four historic museum sites in Port Huron. There have been visits to marinas and yacht clubs. We have been to Anchor Bay on Lake St. Clair, Pointe aux Barques Lighthouse, Humbug Marsh and on and on.

With all that we've done and seen and talked about on the program and written about in these pages, we always are looking for fresh ideas — more places to see, more people to talk with and more subjects to explore. As we begin our planning for 2014, we welcome your ideas for this column or for the television show or both. After all, the show and this column are yours, not mine.

Thanks for reading — and for watching — *Great Lakes Log*. We have some surprises in store for 2014, things that we think you will enjoy. In the meantime, may you have the best holiday season ever, one filled with warm memories of happy times with the people most special to you.

Ted Everingham's *Great Lakes Log* can be seen daily at 1:30, 5:00 & 10:30 p.m. and 2:00 a.m. on WMTV, a service of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, on Comcast channels 5 & 915 in the Pointes and Harper Woods, on WOW channel 10 in Grosse Pointe Woods and on AT&T U-verse in seven counties in Southeast Michigan.

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## OLD NEWSBOYS GOODFELLOW FUND APPROACHING 100

By Pete Waldmeir

The Old Newsboys Goodfellow Fund will celebrate its 100th anniversary in 2014! OMG, tweet that Y don't U!

While I have been associated with that popular Detroit children's charity for many, many years – mainly through my support in The Detroit News - there is no truth to the rumor that I was a founding member in 1914.

I won't say how old I am, but I will say this: I no longer buy green bananas. And I've long since realized that, while children may be admonished to be "seen and not heard," I am content each day to be seen and not viewed.

Despite its age, this is not your grandfather's Goodfellow Fund. Oh, the mantra of "No Kiddie Without a Christmas" remains strong. But as media outreach has morphed into more ether than newsprint, you'll find our website at [detroitgoodfellows.com](http://detroitgoodfellows.com) and our members and friends tweeting on Twitter and having folks "like" us on Facebook – whatever that means.

"We have to keep rolling with the times," says 30-something Goodfellows board member Patrick Brady, yet another descendant of founder James Brady. "We'll still send out fundraising letters. But more and more we're backing them up with

e-mail."

This year's goal is \$1.2 million, which will pay for 35,000 gift packages for less fortunate children ages 4 through 13 in Detroit, Highland Park, Hamtramck and River Rouge. Some 13,000 of those kids will receive dolls that have been hand-dressed by volunteers. In addition, Goodfellows donations will pay for emergency dental work, new shoes and summer camp visits.

Heading into their new century, the Goodfellows remain Detroit's foremost charity without overhead. We're still getting by on one paid

full-time executive director and one part-time clerk. Our fundraisers are all volunteers. You give us a buck, \$10, \$100 and it's spent on the kids.

Want to help? Send a donation to Pete Waldmeir at Detroit Goodfellows, Box 44444, Detroit 48244-0444. Or e-mail me at [PWaldmeir@aol.com](mailto:PWaldmeir@aol.com). Happy Holidays! ☺



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**Top, Old Newsboys in the Detroit Thanksgiving Day Parade; Right, Pete Waldmeir, 1984**


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## *Celebrating a Tuscan Christmas*

By Doug Cordier

After teaching Italian Cooking Classes for twenty years, I have become an honorary Italian.

With a French name like Cordier, I thought perhaps I could add an extra vowel to the end and make it Cordieri. Needless to say, I love the Italian culture and its traditions. Both my wife and I have been fortunate to lead many culinary tours to Tuscany over the years. The Italians love to throw a party, and the best example of this is Christmas.

Christmas time in Italy is truly special. Everyone gets into the season by decorating their streets and shops with lights and of course preparing special Christmas goodies and food creations. Italian food is very regional. What is popular in one province may not have a following in another.

In Tuscany, which is north of Rome and south of Bologna, families celebrate the season with a special soup called Stracciatella (not to be confused with the gelato by the same name). Like most Italian dishes, this soup varies from family to

family and region to region. Here I have tried to recreate the Stracciatella from around the city of Firenze (Florence) in Tuscany.

### ***Classic Christmas Egg, Spinach and Pasta Soup***

**6 cups** brodo (chicken stock)  
**1 cup** sliced baby spinach strips  
**2** large eggs, beaten  
**1 cup** cooked Colavita tiny soup shells  
Chopped parsley for garnish  
**½ cup** parmesan cheese  
Olive oil for anointing finished soup  
Sea salt & ground fresh pepper

1. Heat stock to boil in sauce pan
2. Whisk together eggs and half the cheese in a separate bowl

3. Off heat, swirl in egg mixture until long strands are formed
4. Add pasta, spinach and salt & pepper to taste
5. Anoint with olive oil, sprinkle with cheese and parsley and serve immediately

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## *Seared Petite Lamb Chops with Red Wine Reduction and Shrimp Bisque*

Makes 4 servings

### Shrimp Bisque

Ingredients

- 2 tablespoons** unsalted butter
- 2** carrots, peeled, chopped
- 2** celery stalks, chopped
- 1** medium onion, chopped
- ¼ cup** Brandy
- 1 quart** heavy whipping cream
- 12 oz** Tomato paste
- 2 pounds** medium shrimp peeled, deveined
- 1** bay leaf
- 3** sprigs of fresh thyme
- Salt and pepper to taste

Directions

1. Melt 2 tablespoons butter in a large heavy pot over medium heat. Add carrots, celery and onion and cook over medium heat, stirring frequently, until very soft, about 20 minutes.
2. Add Brandy and flambé. (Ignite the brandy and let burn until the flame subsides.) Stir until almost evaporated, 2-3 minutes.
3. Add shrimp and cook, stirring occasionally, until just opaque in center, 3-4 minutes.
4. Reserve 8 shrimp. (Chop shrimp to add to middle of the soup once plated.)
5. Working in batches, purée bisque in a blender until smooth. Pour through a fine-mesh strainer set over a clean pot. Discard solids in strainer.
6. Stir in cream tomato paste, thyme and bay leaf and reheat bisque over medium heat.

7. Simmer uncovered until flavors meld, about 20 minutes.
8. Remove bay leaf and season with salt and pepper.
9. Add chopped shrimp as garnish to the middle of the bowl of bisque before serving.

### Seared Petite Lamb Chops with Red Wine Reduction

Ingredients

- 12** Lamb Chops with bones attached
- 1 tablespoon** extra virgin olive oil
- 2 tablespoons** butter
- Kosher salt
- 2 teaspoons** ground black pepper

Directions

1. Preheat oven to 400 degrees F.
2. Set a 12-inch oven-safe sauté pan over medium-high heat.
3. Season the lamb with 1 tablespoon of salt and 1 1/2 teaspoons of the black pepper.
4. Add olive oil and butter to the sauté pan and place the lamb, fat side down, in the pan.
5. Sear the lamb until the fat has rendered and the skin is golden brown, about 3 minutes.
6. Continue to cook the lamb, turning to cook evenly on each side, about 2 minutes each side.
7. Transfer the pan to the oven and cook until the lamb is rare, about 5 minutes.
8. When the lamb is rare, remove from the oven and let rest for 5 minutes before serving.

To serve, drizzle with the red wine reduction.



### Red Wine Reduction

Ingredients

- 1 cup** port red wine
- 1** container of ice

Directions

1. Reduce wine by ¾ whisking over heat.
2. Remove from heat and put pan in a container of ice.
3. Continue whisking reduction while pan is in ice until thick.

Serve with potatoes sautéed in brown butter, and fresh asparagus.

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*After working the Las Vegas hotel circuit, Steiner decided to return to Michigan. He has worked with, and for, Chef Jose Andres, Chef John Hilton, Chef Rick Moonen, Chef Gordon Ramsay and Chef Wolfgang Puck.*

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**Hours:** Tues. 11:30 am-9 pm; Wed.-Thur. 11:30 am-10 pm; Fri. 11:30 am-midnight; Sat. 5 pm-midnight  
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**Web:** [www.greenzonepizza.com](http://www.greenzonepizza.com)



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## Little Tony's - Lounge in the Woods

20513 Mack Avenue, Grosse Pointe Woods • (313) 885-8522

Little Tony's is Grosse Pointe's favorite Bar & Grill. A place where families and friends have gathered for over 40 years for good food and good cheer. Cozy, quaint and warm, it's a throwback to when a business was run by an owner and not a corporation. A real neighborhood bar, where locals meet and everyone really does know your name. Serving only the freshest of Ground Rounds (they're delivered daily), Little Tony's has made a name for itself as "the place" to go on the east side for Great Burgers. Cooked to order and served with an array of extras, you are sure to have your burger craving satisfied here. Voted "Best Burger on the East Side" by the Detroit Free Press and Grosse Pointe Patch. The menu, although small, has a lot more to offer. Delicious Reubens, succulent Turkey and Ham sandwiches, Fish and Chips, Tuna Melts to die for, and don't forget Carol's Famous Chili. Our extensive bar is complimented by a great selection of beers, ales and wines. Dine on our beautiful, open-air patio during the summer months. Family friendly, so bring the kids, our great wait staff can't wait to serve you.



Hours: Mon. - Sat. 11 am-11 pm  
Web: [www.littletonysgp.com](http://www.littletonysgp.com)



## Luxe Bar & Grill

115 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms • (313) 924-5459

Luxe is the neighborhood spot that serves quality food, drink and atmosphere — without pretense. Hospitality is our passion — quality and taste are the priority. We believe the character of a bar is its patrons, and we welcome all seeking food, company and friendly conversation to enjoy our charmed local bar. An eclectic menu features fantastic Prime Burgers on homemade brioche buns, as well as scratch soups, salads and entrées, including chicken, salmon, lamb chops and steaks in a variety of different daily preparations. Chef Christina Stanco embraces various elements of traditional and new American cuisine.



Hours: Daily 11 am-1 am (Kitchen closes at midnight.)  
Web: [www.luxebarandgrill.com](http://www.luxebarandgrill.com)



## Mack Avenue Grille

19841 Mack Avenue, Grosse Pointe Woods • (313) 886-0680

The new Mack Avenue Grille, under the ownership of veteran restaurateurs Louie and Dino Ropotos, offers fine dining at diner prices! Choose from three homemade soups du jour or freshly homemade chili daily. Or choose from 31 salads that come with warm pita bread and tomato vinaigrette. Of course, burgers and all manner of diner sandwiches are offered on the extensive menu. True to the owners' heritage, Greek specials include gyros, souvlakis and spinach pie, to name a few. To start your day, Mack Avenue Grille offers fresh-squeezed orange juice and three-egg, whipped omelets of all combinations. Dinner specials are offered daily, so you never know what culinary treats you will have to choose from besides the menu regulars. All ingredients are fresh — no frozen fish here! For a fresh change of pace, give the new Mack Avenue Grille a try! And take advantage of the good weather on our new dining patio!



Hours: Mon. - Sat. 7 am - 8 pm, Sun. 8 am - 3 pm



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### Open till Nov. 16!

**Bar Hours:** Tues.-Sat. 11:30 am-Close  
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**Web:** [www.mikesonthewater.com](http://www.mikesonthewater.com)



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**Hours:** Mon.-Thur. 6 am-6:30 pm; Fri.-Sat. 6 am-8:30 pm; Sun. 9 am-3 pm  
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**Hours:** Mon. 4-10 pm; Tues.-Thurs. 11 am-10 pm; Fri. 11 am-11 pm; Sat. noon-11 pm; Sun. 3-9 pm  
**Web:** [www.pepperonigrillescs.com](http://www.pepperonigrillescs.com)



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Hours: Mon. - Thur. 11 am-10 pm; Fri. 11 am-10:30 pm; Sat. Noon-10:30 pm; Sun. Noon-9 pm

Web: [www.salvatorescallopini.com](http://www.salvatorescallopini.com)



## Steve's Backroom

24317 Jefferson, St Clair Shores • (586) 774-9337

Since the 1980s, Steve's Backroom has been providing quality Mediterranean Cuisine. Old World recipes are prepared under the careful eye of Bouchra Raffoul. Many traditional favorites, such as Stuffed Grape Leaves, Cabbage Rolls, Lamb Kabobs, Chicken Tawook, Fattosh Salad, Steve's Backroom Chicken Salad and the more popular Steve Salad with homemade Pomegranate dressing, just to name a few. In 2010, Steve's won the Small Business Award from the Macomb Region of the Small Business Administration, and in 2012 Macomb Daily readers awarded Steve's as its favorite Middle Eastern restaurant. Steve's bakes fresh pita bread for dine-in customers, and serves a limited pizza menu baked in a stone oven. A full bar is available as well as a banquet room that seats up to 40. Carry out catering is available. Steve's also serves breakfast seven days a week starting at 8 a.m. **Book now for holiday parties and holiday catering trays!** 

Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 8 am-9 pm; Fri.-Sat. 8 am-9:30 pm; Sun. 8 am-8 pm

Web: [stevesbackroomjefferson.com](http://stevesbackroomjefferson.com)



## The Hill Seafood and Chop House

123 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms • (313) 886-8101 • (313) 886-9653

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Hours: Lunch: Mon.-Sat. 11:30 am-3 pm

Dinner: Mon.-Thur. 5-10 pm, Fri.-Sat. 5-11 pm; Closed Sunday.

Web: [www.thehillgrossepointe.com](http://www.thehillgrossepointe.com)



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**Hours:** Tues.-Thurs. 11:30 am-10 pm; Fri. 11:30 am-11 pm; Sat. 5:30-11 pm

**Happy Hour:** Thurs.-Fri., 4-7 pm

**Web:** [www.rattlesnakedetroit.com](http://www.rattlesnakedetroit.com)



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## Uncle Paul's Pizza

21215 Mack Avenue, Grosse Pointe Woods • (313) 884-7991

Uncle Paul's Pizza is celebrating 45 years of hand-tossed pizza prepared your way — traditional round, deep dish square, Chicago style, or thin crust — and announcing the new thin and spicy pepperoni pizza. With all the options on our menu you're sure to be delighted with the large array of pizzas, salads, chicken wings, bread sticks and ice-cold pop. Don't feel like leaving the house? Have our delivery drivers zip it straight to your door in incredible time. Or come in and pick up an \$8.99 large 2-topping square Detroit style pizza and enjoy. You'll never be disappointed with Uncle Paul's Pizza! You can't get any better than the Uncle Paul's Family!



**Hours:** Open seven days, 3-10 pm

**Web:** [www.Unclepaulspizza.net](http://www.Unclepaulspizza.net)



## Villa Restaurant and Pizzeria

21311 Gratiot Avenue, Eastpointe • (586) 778-1780

Brothers Tony and Joe along with sister Loretta are the third generation of the Palleschi Family to operate the Villa. Following in the footsteps of their grandparents, Antonio and Arcangela, and their parents, Orlando and Anna, they maintain the family tradition of authentic home-style Italian cooking started back in 1956. Still in its original location, the restaurant has gone through numerous expansions and renovations over the past five decades. One thing that has not changed over the years is their commitment to offering a quality dinner in a comfortable setting, at a moderate price. Don't miss our crowd favorites — Veal Parmesan, Baked Spaghetti, Lasagna and, of course, pizza: traditional hand-tossed round or deep-dish round. We also serve beer, wine and liquor. To make your meal complete, our dessert menu includes all the favorites — Tiramisu, Lemon Ice, New York-Style Cheesecake, Boom-Ba Ice Cream Sundae, Spumoni and, of course, Cannois! And don't forget to order an Espresso or Cappuccino, the "official way" to end an Italian meal. "We thank you for your past patronage and look forward to serving you in the near future. Let our family serve your family" — Buon Appetito, The Palleschi's



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# Meet Dot

<b>Name</b>	Dorothy McRill
<b>Age</b>	83
<b>City</b>	Grosse Pointe Woods
<b>Occupation</b>	Homemaker



## Dot's Favorites

### Dessert

Banana pudding

### Activity

Dancing when I was young  
Going to the casino now

### Book

*A History of St. Jerome, Fancy Farm Kentucky Sesquicentennial*  
1986

### Restaurant

Champs in Grosse Pointe  
Golden Corral elsewhere

### Vacation Spot

Las Vegas

### Favorite childhood TV show

No TV as a child, The Lone Ranger on radio was a favorite

### Movie

The Song of Bernadette

### Ice Cream Flavor

Vanilla Bean

### What is your guiding principle or words to live by?

Always be thoughtful of others. I never want to hurt someone's feelings.

### One thing you miss about being a kid?

My parents!

### What was your first job?

Bussing tables at Hudson's downtown, in the second basement

### Are you a collector of anything?

Prayer cards

### Your biggest accomplishment?

Being married to a wonderful man for 57 years and together raising a beautiful family

### What is the most historical day in your lifetime?

The ending of World War II. My oldest brother was serving in North Africa and we knew he would be coming home soon.

## About Dot

Dot, a parishioner at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church, loves being able to say her daily Rosary in the church's Prayer Chapel.

She and her (late) husband Dick are the parents of two daughters, Terry and Kris.

Dot is the very proud grandmother of Lauren, Lindsay and Matthew.

She enjoys her daily walk, reading, scratch off lottery tickets and an occasional trip to the casino.



# Urinary tract infections

By Ronda Maniaci

Urinary tract infections in older adults can present very unusual symptoms. It is one of the most common infections in older adults. Symptoms can be misleading and if left untreated, it can lead to serious consequences.



The elderly are particularly vulnerable to UTIs for many reasons, including a suppressed immune system that comes with age, weakening of the bladder muscles (incontinence), poor bladder emptying (urine retention), dehydration and immobility.

Recognizing the symptoms of a UTI in the elderly may not be the classic signs as you would expect in a younger person. In fact the best indicators can be identified through behavioral changes and are often mistaken for early signs of dementia or Alzheimer's.

According to the National Institute of Health, signs to look for in older adults may be unexplained changes in behavior or mental state, agitation, delirium and confusion, unexplained incontinence and fatigue, dizziness, poor motor skills and falling.

Individuals with incontinence are more at risk for UTIs, so it is important to maintain good personal hygiene and change adult briefs regularly. Drink plenty of water and cranberry juice, avoid caffeine and alcohol, shower instead of bathing, and wear cotton undergarments.

If you suspect your elderly parent may have a UTI, contact your doctor right away.

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# The Holidays

## AT SERVICES FOR OLDER CITIZENS

Services for Older Citizens offers an abundance of holiday opportunities, including teas, parties, basket making, trips and more.

SOC has been hosting Holiday Teas for 12 years. “Our buffet table is filled with a lovely variety of fine china tea cups and finger foods,” says JoAnn Gerlach. “As the seniors sip tea or coffee and socialize, they will be entertained by the Grosse Pointe North choir singing holiday songs. The Grosse Pointe Academy students will create holiday table decorations which will be raffled off to lucky guests.” Brightstar Care of Grosse Pointe is the December sponsor for Holiday Teas.

With a maximum of 40 guests, attendees are encouraged to register early. Those interested should stop into SOC and pick up the SOC Communicator, which includes information on all activities and a mail-in registration form.

Past Christmas Parties have been so popular, a waiting list was necessary. “Because of great demand we are trying something new this year and offering two Christmas parties on different days and different times to accommodate people’s busy holiday schedules,” says Gerlach. The first party is Tuesday, December 17 at 11:30 a.m. and the second is Friday, December 20 at 4 p.m.

Both parties will have the same food and entertainment, including a raffle and party favors. Polish Village of Hamtramck will be catering with a traditional Polish dinner, consisting of pierogi, stuffed cabbage, city chicken, sauerkraut and much more. The entertainment for both parties will be the ever popular Heart of the Hills Players.

“The Christmas party on December 17 is sponsored entirely by one of our seniors who comes to SOC almost every day for morning coffee, lunch, Tuesday Bingo and socializing with friends, Dinshaw Sarkari.”

The entertainment sponsor for the

Christmas party on December 20 is Perry Calisi of Home Care One.

Another holiday event, basket building, is open to all community members. SOC has been building and distributing baskets since 2001.

“There are many homebound seniors with little or no family who will



Meals On Wheels recipient

find this Christmas basket to be their only Christmas gift,” says Gerlach. “The seniors, who have received our Christmas baskets before and know how special they are, anxiously anticipate their holiday basket, as well as a holiday visitor.”

Another SOC program that will be particularly important during the wintry holiday season is Meals on Wheels. A local senior, Helen, is the perfect example of exactly what this remarkable program has to offer.

Helen, 79, has lived in Grosse Pointe Woods her entire life and been an active member of the community. A couple of years ago, she fell and needed a hip replacement, rendering her unable to drive and damaging her mobility. Her only child who still lives in Michigan attempted to become her primary caregiver, even with a full time job and family. Concerned that Helen could use more daily help than he could provide, he called SOC.

The staff quickly assessed his and his mother’s needs and within 24 hours of that phone call, Helen had access to escorted transportation, friendly visits and a daily hot meal. In addition to the nutritional meals, the daily visit by a local volunteer

provided a safety net that allowed Helen to remain living independently in her own home.

Incredibly, SOC’s Meals On Wheels volunteers delivered over 20,000 meals to homebound seniors last year. Nearly half of those meals were provided solely through the support SOC receives each year from local donors and the Alan Shawn Feinstein Foundation \$1 Million Challenge.

Some seniors need the meals to sustain their livelihood and health, but for many, it is the human interaction that affects them the most. “It is not unheard of for some clients to request a delivery even if they cannot eat solid foods,” says Director of Development Angela Gabridge. “Human touch is just as essential as the food being delivered.”

To learn more about Meals On Wheels or any of SOC’s holiday events, visit [socservices.org](http://socservices.org). For most events, people can register by calling SOC at (313) 882-9600. Some events, such as parties, require advanced payment with registration. [P](#)

### Holiday Events at SOC

December 10 Ferry Elementary School Choir performance, 12:45 p.m.	December 17 Christmas Party, \$10, 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
December 11 December Birthday celebration, 12 p.m.	December 18 Holiday Basket Making, 2:30-4:30 p.m.
Crafts with Roz, holiday table decoration and hostess gift, \$8, 1:30 p.m.	December 19 Richard Elementary School Choir performance, 12 p.m.
December 12 Holiday Tea, \$5, 2-3:30 p.m.	Trip: Leo’s Coney Island and Sanders \$11 for residents, \$14 for non- residents, leave SOC at 11 a.m.
December 13 GP Academy 7th Grade chorale performance, 12 p.m.	December 20 Christmas Party, \$10, 4-6 p.m.

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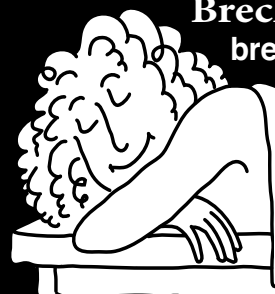


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## **Steven Jones - Class of 1970**

Jones was in the charter graduating class at Grosse Pointe North. Captain Steven Jones is recognized as one of the world's foremost authority on fresh water fishing. He has been featured in many articles in the Detroit News and Free Press, several national fishing magazines and television shows. He has been a licensed captain for over 40 years spending his entire career as a full-time guide on the Great Lakes. Jones is responsible for pioneering many of the techniques that are used by Great Lakes captains today and continues to teach America how to fish. He is sought after by those who want the ultimate fishing experience including many celebrities.

## **Gary Bennett - Class of 1971**

Spending a lifetime living and working in Grosse Pointe, Bennett represents the very best in the teaching and coaching profession. As a student at North, Bennett was an outstanding academic student and athlete, playing basketball and baseball. He has taught math and coached girls varsity basketball at North for 30 years. He recently retired as a teacher. Bennett's North teams have been consistent winners of basketball championships and accomplished the ultimate prize, the 2008 Class "A" State Basketball Championship. He has received numerous awards including the Detroit News and Free Press "Coach of the Year" honor in 2008.

Bennett's influence goes beyond teaching and coaching. He is a mentor and facilitator to his students and athletes. He stresses growth and hard work. His love and respect for his athletes with emphasis on team play has given these students a working philosophy that they have carried out into the world with great success.

## **Cheryl Huckins, M.D. - Class of 1971**

Huckins was valedictorian of GPN class of 1971, received a degree in Molecular Biology from Wellesley College, and a medical degree from the University of Michigan Medical School. Dr. Huckins is an internal medicine physician in Ann Arbor, a wife and mother. This would seem like a very fulfilling life, but this is just a small part of what this North graduate does to make the world a better place. Huckins gives freely to support medical relief around the world. She went to Sri Lanka after the tsunami to help victims, established an elder care center there, and returns there often to help. She traveled to Pakistan during the recent flooding to assist in a free clinic; paying her own expenses for all of the above. She recently returned from 9 months in Afghanistan as a physician at the American Embassy in Kabul. Here at home she volunteers monthly at a local free clinic.

## **David Mogk - Class of 1972**

Mogk is a nationally recognized and honored Geologist throughout

the United States. He graduated from the University of Michigan and received his masters and PhD from the University of Washington. Mogk is currently Professor of Geology and Department Head at Montana State University.

His passion for natural science has led him to be a leader in the field. He has served as a Program Director and a member of the National Advisory Board at the National Science Foundation as well as the National Research Council in Washington, D.C.

In addition to his teaching and research projects, he travels all over the country speaking about geology. Mogk is involved in coaching youth soccer and training and coaching in Nordic style skiing in Bozeman. He is an avid hunter, fisherman and canoeist.



## **Theodore Coutilish - Class of 1982**

Coutilish has distinguished himself in marketing, communication, leadership and the community. He has led marketing communication activities for various universities in our area and is currently an Associate Vice President of Marketing at Eastern Michigan University. He is credited for the new logo "TRUEMU" campaign leading to increases in student enrollment and image perceptions of the school. He has made a difference with his positive attitude and dedication to EMU students.

Coutilish says his experiences in journalism at North inspired him to learn more, strive for journalistic integrity and strengthened his interest in pursuing his dream of journalism as a career. Ted and his wife, Mary Beth Langan, have a son, Adam, affected by Autism and Fragile X. They are very involved in leadership roles in the Fragile X Foundation which helps all families impacted by Fragile X.

## **David Hardin - Class of 2000**

Hardin has been professionally animating for over eight years, experienced in many styles of 3D animation. He is currently a senior animator for Dreamworks.

While at North, Hardin became hooked on animation as a dream and career path influenced by his teacher, Robert Thies. After finishing a four year degree at the College of Creative Studies in Detroit, he landed his first job with Sony. During his time at Sony he was nominated for an "Annie," the animation industry's highest award, for his work on the 2007 film "Surf's Up." Shortly after this, he was hired by Dreamworks Pictures. Recently, Hardin's latest feature, "Rise of the Guardians," was nominated for a Golden Globe Award. He is currently on a deadline for the December release of Dreamworks newest feature, "How to Train Your Dragon 2."

Hardin has returned several times to talk to aspiring student animators about what he does. Hardin told North students last fall, "If you love what you do, you'll have a hard time knowing whether you're working or playing every day."



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# Meet Nina

<b>Name</b>	Nina M. Tocco
<b>Age</b>	29
<b>City</b>	Grosse Pointe Woods
<b>Occupation</b>	Interior Decorator/ Retail Store Owner



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Nina can be reached by phone at (313) 469-1494, by email at [nina@designforthehome.com](mailto:nina@designforthehome.com) or visit [www.designforthehome.com](http://www.designforthehome.com).

**What was your first job?** Retail sales associate at Brooks Brothers on the Hill when I was 15.

**Your most often used phrase?** Oooh, that's just gorgeous!

**Best advice you have received?** Eat an elephant one bite at a time.

**If you weren't an interior decorator what would you be?** Magazine editor

**What is your next goal?** To open a sister store in Northern California.

**Favorite thing to do outside of work?** Spend time with friends and family

**Tell us something about you that most people don't know.** I used to work in the garbage business!

**Words to live by?** Under-promise, over-deliver...always be willing to take the risk, the rewards are so much sweeter!

## About Nina

Nina grew up in Grosse Pointe Park. She studied Fine Arts and Fashion Illustration at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago.

After living in Palm Beach she has returned to Grosse Pointe to establish her design firm and hopefully one day start a family.

She is grateful for her fabulous mom, wonderful sister and brother, her loving boyfriend and her giant goldendoodle. They keep her smiling every day.

# Don't wait, start now

By Ken Welch

Everybody waits until Jan. 1st to start a “new you” campaign. Even people who joke about people not sticking to their New Year’s resolutions are guilty of not sticking to their own resolutions. Why?



One reason is January is the worst month to start an exercise routine. Talk about having excuses. “Don’t have enough money to join a gym, spent it all on Christmas.” “It’s dark all the time, makes me tired.” “The gym’s going to be crowded.” “I’m cold, wait till it gets warmer.” “Too snowy.” “I don’t feel like it!”

If you need a starting line, the middle of fall is as good as it gets. It’s pleasant and cool outside. The holiday madness hasn’t started yet. Many of the fall activities, including Halloween, are over. It’s the perfect time to get an exercise routine in your head because that’s where it all starts, developing a sense of routine and habit. Work at developing a psychological desire to want to work out so that it’s something you want to, not have to do.

If you don’t, you know your life is going to be immensely harder in every way. The future is very grim for an out of shape person. Don’t accept that. Go to Hanson’s, buy a decent pair of athletic shoes. Start a walking routine you can do at least three times a week. Then Google, “the importance of strength training.”

Set your pattern now so that Jan. 1 is just another day.

*Ken Welch is owner and trainer at Pointe Fitness on Harper south of Allard. Online: [pointefitness.com](http://pointefitness.com).*



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**GPP Foundation** July 2 @ Dr. and Mrs. Paul Schaap Home

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**LWVGP Kickoff Meeting and Fundraiser** Sept. 19 @ Tomkins Center

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# 'The Blueprint' — follow it

By Anna Bartolotta

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Make your blueprint and follow it.

There are certain laws that must be followed; there are certain steps you must take and your own personal rules obeyed. It is the little things, done correctly, that will ensure your experience with that tenant is as pleasant and as rewarding as you can hope for.

Here are some pointers to help you start your own blueprint.

- Final water bill. Nobody wants to pay for someone else's water.
- Contact the city. For some strange reason they enjoy knowing who lives in the property.
- Credit pulled on the potential tenant. Don't get burned.
- Required forms signed. Make sure to get them signed so they never need to be looked at again.
- Walk the property. Is everything you wanted done actually done?
- Collection action started on prior tenant. It *IS* your money, get it.

Your blueprint is an effective tool with one rental or a portfolio of them. Forgetting something small can be just that, small but forgetting anything else could possibly give you a 12-month long migraine.

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## *It Takes a Village to Tell Your Children About Santa*

By Amy Andreou Miller

An annual visit with Santa Claus is a quintessential element of childhood. Telling one's children the "truth" about Santa is a rite of passage too.

But I think it's going to be easy this year because Santa himself, as well as family and friends prepared me for this moment. To borrow the African proverb that Hillary Clinton quoted in her 1996 book, "It takes a Village to Raise Children," this applies to our Advent Season experiences.

For 10 years, my husband Scott and I have taken our twin daughters, Lydia and Caroline, to visit Santa Claus in the Village.

In 2003, we bundled and took our sleeping 9-month-old babies to Hickey's in the Village, and placed them in Santa's lap. Caroline woke up and smiled curiously at Santa. Lydia

woke up only for the final photo of that visit.

In December 2004 and 2005, our girls stood 10 feet from Santa, apparently experiencing "stranger danger" and we didn't document it photographically. Yet, in December 2005, at 2 years and 9 months old, the girls were interested in writing their first letter to Santa. Achieved with inventive spelling, Lydia's read: "DS IHBG" which stood for "Dear Santa, I have been good." Caroline's letter: "DS IHBVG" added a "very" to her behavioral declaration.

In 2006, the girls were eager to write *and* visit Santa. From that year on, I would sneak a copy of their letters to the Santa in the Village before I managed to take the girls to see him. Lydia and Caroline are awed to see Santa pull out their letters and

review them together each year.

By 2008, requests solely for toys grew into requests also for "everyone to have shelter and someone to love to gather with for the holidays." Well wishes for Mrs. Claus, the elves and reindeer have been added too. Elaborate drawings began accompanying the letters. We also delivered cookies during our visits.

The love flowed freely in both directions. The wisdom flowed mostly in one direction; Santa knew better than me. I was proud we raised our girls to understand that their letter to Santa was to name only *one* desired gift, not a litany. A Santa letter is a wish, not a demand. Yet, each year, I made sure their desired item was something I had already purchased and wrapped in the special "Santa only" wrapping paper, hiding it in the





guest bedroom closet until Christmas Eve. I would wink, nod and wave my arms at Santa in attempts to give him my approval to promise our girls the item when they asked him about it. Santa saw my less-than-stealth signals, and he ignored me. He didn't promise them the item. Instead he talked to the girls about their goals and dreams. He even talked to them about what they do to help out at home as a part of our family unit. At one point, Lydia proudly showed him her bicep muscles when talking about how she helps out, such as vacuuming the abundant shedding hair of our Golden Retriever from all over our house. Santa and our girls have had great conversations.

In addition to Village Santa visits, our children have only known the tradition of spending Christmas Eve with friends. In its 15th year, dinner at Muriel Brock's is a time of laughter and love. Because of Muriel, our girls

have learned that special times should also be spent with those we are not necessarily "blood related to, but love related to." Everyone gathered there joyously wears the paper crowns from inside the Christmas Crackers. We laugh at the irrepressibly corny puns and "knock knock jokes" that are also printed inside the party poppers, and we play board games.

Our children also only know the tradition of Christmas day, spent with Andreous and Millers, many of whom are local. Millers in the morning. Andreous in the evening. My mom makes a lavish dinner that includes Greek food. The laughter and love throughout December crescendos on Christmas Day. Every year includes dancing and/or playing violin with their cousin, Peter (Andreou) VanOsdol, visiting from Pittsburgh.

Our Advent holiday traditions are also blessed by two church homes: Grosse Pointe Memorial

Church where Lydia and Caroline have dressed as angels in the early Christmas Eve service, and Assumption Greek Orthodox Church where the girls were stars, sheep, angels and Bethlehem villagers in the Greek School Christmas pageants.

This year, I don't anticipate the "truth" about Santa to drop harshly like a guillotine, or to be viewed as a fairytale or a perpetuated lie. Rather, I expect that Lydia and Caroline will continue to experience the various "truths" of the Advent season: enduring, unconditional love; forgiveness; gift giving and receiving; gratitude; fellowship; laughter; building of memories; and hope for a great future. Truths realized because of the precious time we spend with Santa, at church, and with our family and friends.

After all, it takes a village. ☺



Left to right from opposite page, top, Caroline and Lydia, 9 months; Lydia and Caroline with Mrs. Claus and Santa, 3 years old; Lydia and Caroline, 4 years

old, with Santa and mom, Amy Andreou Miller; Caroline and Lydia, 5 years old

Left to right from opposite page, bottom, Lydia and Caroline, 7 years old; Lydia showing off her muscles; Caroline and Lydia, 6 years old; Amy Andreou Miller, Caroline, Santa, Lydia, 5 years old, Diane Andreou and Scott Miller; inset above, Caroline and Lydia, 9 years old, with mom Amy Andreou Miller

# pets

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## In Memory of Kaia

Kaia was a sweet, lovable and goofy 7-year-old Great Dane. Kaia's family now calls her "dane-gel" looking down on them from above. Her home was with Stacie, Tom and Sam of Grosse Pointe Woods.



## Indy

Indy doing her favorite thing ... catching rays on Hollywood!



## Gordie Howe & Bentley Jean

Best buds Gordie Howe and Bentley Jean love getting dressed up for the holidays! Gordie is a shitzhu and Bentley is a lhaso Apso. Owners are sisters, the Rainbolt and the Westerman family of Grosse Pointe Woods.



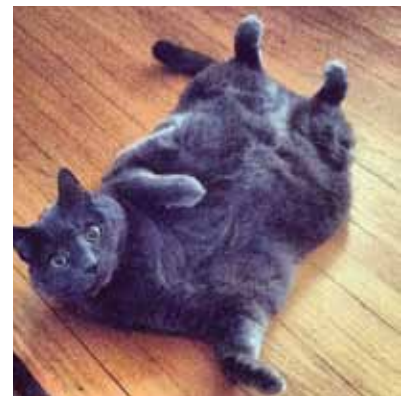
## Jack Bauer II

Jack Bauer II is a 5-year-old Wheaton Terrier who lives with Mimi and Vic Koppang in Grosse Pointe Farms.



## Toulouse

Toulouse lives with the Graham Family in Grosse Pointe Park. He loves curling up with his owner when she is reading and working on her laptop.



## Chuck

Chuck lives with Bob, Kristyn, Abbey and Dalaney Bradley in Grosse Pointe Woods.



# Pet safety over the holidays

Dr. Nancy Pillsbury, DVM

With the holidays quickly approaching, the last thing you may think about are the potential dangers to pets that can occur during this time. Being armed with a little information can help to ensure your pets remain safe this holiday season.



Decorations, holiday goodies and seasonal plants can all cause serious harm to your pet- here are some common ones to watch out for:

- Tinsel — can cause fatal bowel obstruction.
- Imported SnowGlobes — often contain antifreeze (ethylene glycol) which can cause kidney failure.
- String lights — chewing on cords can cause burns in the mouth, electrocution, and cardiogenic pulmonary edema (fluid in the lungs).
- Candles — a wayward tail or curious whiskers can cause burns or fires.
- Ornaments — can be very enticing “toys” for pets: hang them high on the tree out of reach.
- Plants — poinsettias, holly, and mistletoe are all toxic to pets. Lilies are the most dangerous plants to cats; severe kidney failure can result from ingestion of even just a few petals or leaves.
- Leftovers — meat scraps can cause vomiting, diarrhea, or pancreatitis.
- Bones — can get stuck in the mouth, splinter or puncture the stomach or intestines.
- Alcohol — even a small amount can be toxic.
- Chocolate — the darker the chocolate, the more toxic it becomes.
- Grapes and raisins — may cause kidney failure.

Happy holidays to you and your pets!  
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## RAFFLE LEADS TO NEW HOBBY

By Margie Reins Smith

Six months ago, Wilma and George Montle would not have guessed they would own a vintage car – or that it would be exhibited in the Village Car Show. As it turned out, their car was on display for two days at last September’s seventh annual VillageFest.

Last May, the Montles were driving through northern Illinois on their way to a funeral. They stopped to buy a map at a welcome center in Freeport. Wilma noticed a charity raffle. Tickets were \$20 and the prize was right there before their eyes: a 1972 Buick Skylark SunCoupe – cream-colored, black top, mint condition. It had been completely restored and included power steering, power brakes, air, new tires and automatic transmission.

“In the late ‘50s, we used to drive up

and down Woodward, between Ted’s Drive In and Wigwam, in George’s 1957 Ford,” Wilma says.

Impulsively, she bought a raffle ticket. “It was a good cause,” she says. “The charity provides services for developmentally disabled adults.” The drawing was to be at 3 p.m. on May 19, at Freeport’s Annual Pork Chop Dinner/Car Show.

The ticket stub found its way to the Montles’ refrigerator door and was forgotten.

Until.

On Sunday evening, May 19, Wilma got a phone call. She won the car.

“The man on the other end said they’d figure out how to get it to Grosse Pointe,” Wilma says. “I offered to pay for delivery but he insisted delivery was part of the deal.”

On a Tuesday evening in June, the car was backed off a flatbed truck in the Montles’ driveway. It came with a catalog for replacement parts, names of some previous owners and a subscription to a classic car magazine.

And that’s how the Montles’ classic car ended up with several dozen other vintage autos at the Village Fest.

“We’re having a great time,” Wilma says. “People who display cars have their own community. They share information and meet at various events. It’s a whole new world for us.”

Many spectators said they’d never seen a SunCoupe before. “It’s rare,” Wilma says. “Buick only made them for one year. Only 40 are left.”

They’ve had several offers for the car, but Wilma and George plan to enjoy their new hobby before selling. ❏

# November

# Calendar

## 09 SATURDAY

- GPHS Izzy's Second Saturday at the Provencal-Weir House, make fall leaf guest soaps, ages 7 and up, \$15 per member, \$20 per non-member, reservations must be made by Thursday, Nov. 7 at (313) 884-7010, 1-3 p.m.
- GPHS Open House at Provencal-Weir House, 1-4 p.m.
- Grosse Pointe War Memorial Mom-to-Mom Sale, 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
- Pierce Middle School 75th Anniversary Benefit Dinner and Auction for the restoration of Pierce Auditorium at Grosse Pointe War Memorial, \$50 donation, 6:30 p.m.
- You're a Good Man Charlie Brown Musical at Parcels, 7 p.m.
- GPAAS Pet Adoption at Camp Bow Wow Training Center, 12-3 p.m.

## 10 SUNDAY

- Grosse Pointe Public School System Open House at every school, 2-4 p.m.
- Edsel & Eleanor Ford House Sunday Dog Walk, \$5 per person, also Nov. 17 and 24, 7-11 a.m.
- Grosse Pointe Theatre presents "84 Charing Cross Road" in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Auditorium, 2 p.m.
- Grosse Pointe Chamber Music in the Fries Crystal Ballroom of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 2:30 p.m.

## 11 MONDAY

- Grosse Pointe War Memorial Veterans' Day Breakfast in the Fries Crystal Ballroom, buffet breakfast, war period re-enactors and display of wartime vehicles, speaker Brigadier General David G. Bassett, \$10 per person, 1 complimentary ticket per Grosse Pointe veteran, make reservations by Nov. 6, doors open 7:30 a.m., breakfast at 8 a.m.

## 12 TUESDAY

- Grosse Pointe Sunrise Rotary Meeting at The Hill Restaurant, 7 a.m.
- McMillan Lecturer Larry Rosen presents "iDisorder: Understanding Our Obsession with Technology" in The Grosse Pointe Academy Tracy Fieldhouse, 171 Lake Shore Road, 7 p.m.

## 14 THURSDAY

- The Family Center presents The College

Selection Process: Keeping it Real and Making it Yours in Grosse Pointe South Auditorium, 7-8 p.m.

- Listening to Jazz with Judy Adams at Grosse Pointe War Memorial, \$25 per person, 7-8:30 p.m.
- Grosse Pointe Theatre presents "84 Charing Cross Road" in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Auditorium, 8 p.m.
- Come Dine With Us at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial before Grosse Pointe Theatre's "84 Charing Cross Road," buffet dinner in the Fries Crystal Ballroom, bring your own wine, \$19.95 per person, also before the Nov. 15, 16, 21, 22, and 23 performances, 6:30 p.m.

## 15 FRIDAY

- Grosse Pointe Theatre presents "84 Charing Cross Road" in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Auditorium, 8 p.m.
- Merry Music Maker's Pajama Party in the Grosse Pointe Park Lavins' Activity Center, ages 2-8, \$12 per family, 7-8 p.m.
- St. Clair Shores Public Library Classic Movie Fridays presents "Grand Hotel" in the William R. Gilstorf Meeting Room at St. Clair Shores Public Library, 1:30 p.m.

## 16 SATURDAY

- SOC Wellness & Epilepsy Conference at Diamond Center, Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi, 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Grosse Pointe Theatre presents "84 Charing Cross Road" in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Auditorium, 8 p.m.
- Grosse Pointe South Choir Booster Gala, \$175 per couple, 87.50 per single, 6:30-11 p.m.
- The Taste, an evening of beer and wine tasting, food samplings and jazz hosted by Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish, cash premium bar, adults 21 and up only, \$35 in advance, \$40 at the door, 6:30 p.m.

## 17 SUNDAY

- Grosse Pointe Theatre presents "84 Charing Cross Road" in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Auditorium, 2 p.m.

## 18 MONDAY

- Grosse Pointe War Memorial presents "Rudolph, Frosty and Captain Kangaroo" with speaker Judy Gail Krasnow, who grew up in the recording studios of Columbia Records where her father founded and directed the Children's Record Department and produced classics such as "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer," "Frosty the Snowman," and many

of Captain Kangaroo's songs and stories, \$25 per person, 7-8:30 p.m.

## 19 TUESDAY

- Grosse Pointe Sunrise Rotary Meeting at The Hill Restaurant, 7 a.m.
- GPCC Business After Hours at Wild Birds Unlimited, 5:30-7 p.m.
- Junior League of Detroit's Festival of Wreaths at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial

## 20 WEDNESDAY

- GPCC Community Business Expo 2013 at Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 5:30-8 p.m.
- GPHS Bicknell Lecture at the Cook School House, 7:30-9:30 p.m.
- GPPL Great Books Discussion in the Woods Program Room, "The Country Husband" by Jon Cheever, 2-4 p.m.
- GPPL presents "Memoirs of WWII" with two Grosse Pointe authors in the Ewald Program Room, 7:30 p.m.
- Montessori Night at The Grosse Pointe Academy, 7 p.m. Call (313) 886-1221 for more information

## 21 THURSDAY

- The Family Center presents Kindergarten Readiness: Preparing for a Successful Transition into Kindergarten at Barnes Early Childhood Center, 6:30 p.m.
- The Family Center presents Becoming a "Love and Logic" Parent at Barnes Early Childhood Center, 7 p.m.
- Grosse Pointe War Memorial presents "The Men Who Made Selfridge" with speaker Dan Heaton, \$25 per person, 7-8:30 p.m.
- Grosse Pointe War Memorial presents "Holiday Traditions Unwrapped" with speaker Lisa Gleeson, \$18 per person, 9:30-11:30 a.m.
- Grosse Pointe Theatre presents "84 Charing Cross Road" in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Auditorium, 2 p.m.

## 22 FRIDAY

- Grosse Pointe North Distinguished Alumni Presentation at North Performing Arts Center, 6 p.m.
- Grosse Pointe Theatre presents "84 Charing Cross Road" in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Auditorium, 2 p.m.
- St. Clair Shores Public Library Classic

# December

# Calendar

Movie Fridays presents "Little Indians" in the William R. Gilstorf Meeting Room at St. Clair Shores Public Library, 1:30 p.m.

## 23 SATURDAY

- Edsel & Eleanor Ford House Bird Walk, meet at Visitor Center, \$7 per person, 10 a.m.
- Grosse Pointe Theatre presents "84 Charing Cross Road" in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Auditorium, 2 p.m.
- GPAAS Pet Adoption at Camp Bow Wow Training Center, 12-3 p.m.

## 24 SUNDAY

- Christ Church Grosse Pointe presents Mendelssohn Elijah featuring Christ Church Chorale, Soloists and Orchestra, \$20 per person, 4:30 pm

## 26 TUESDAY

- Grosse Pointe Sunrise Rotary Meeting at The Hill Restaurant, 7 a.m.
- Grosse Pointe Woods presents Woods Aglow tree lighting ceremony at City Hall, presenting Santa with a key to the city, holiday carols, hot chocolate and cookies, visit with Santa, 7 p.m.

## 28 THURSDAY - Thanksgiving Day

## 29 FRIDAY

- Village Aglow Tree Lighting Ceremony
- 37th Annual Grosse Pointe Parade on Kercheval in the Village, 10 a.m.
- St. Paul on the Lake Catholic School 2014 Auction "Great Lakers...Great Times" online auction begins at stpaulonthelake.com and runs through December 8.

# December

## 01 SUNDAY

- Family Movie Days at Grosse Pointe War Memorial featuring How the Grinch Stole Christmas! and Curious George: A Very Monkey Christmas, Bring letters to Santa to drop in the special Santa mailbox, \$4 per person includes a bag of popcorn, 2:30 p.m.
- Grosse Pointe Shores Municipal Building Holiday Tree Lighting, 7-9 p.m.
- Edsel & Eleanor Ford House Sunday Dog

Walk, \$5 per person, also takes place Dec. 8, 15, 22, 29, 7-11 a.m.

- Grosse Pointe Shores Lighting of the Village at GPS Municipal Building, 6 p.m.

## 03 TUESDAY

- Grosse Pointe Sunrise Rotary Meeting at The Hill Restaurant, 7 a.m.

## 04 WEDNESDAY

- Edsel & Eleanor Ford House Nutcracker Tea, \$15 per person, make reservations at fordhouse.org, seatings at 4 p.m. Dec. 4, 10, 11, 12, 15, 18, 19 and at 6 p.m. Dec. 4, 12, 15, 17, 18, 19 and 2 p.m. on Dec. 15.
- Grosse Pointe Park Holiday Tree Lighting and Gift Market at Windmill Pointe Park, the Tompkins Center will be open for shopping 4-8 p.m., Santa will visit the gift market 5:30-6:30 p.m. until he attends the tree lighting festivities outdoors at 6:30 p.m., a free holiday movie will be shown in the Okulski Family Theatre at 4:30 and 7 p.m., Park Cafe will be selling hotdogs, chili and chips from 4-7:30 p.m.
- The Mothers' Club of Grosse Pointe South and the Parents' Club of Grosse Pointe North invite you to the Annual Holiday Concert and Tea at North Performing Arts Center, free of charge, 1 p.m.

## 05 THURSDAY

- The Family Center's Annual HOLLYFEST at the Grosse Pointe Club, \$100 general admission, \$250 VIP admission, partake in silent and live auctions, VIP reception at 5:30 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m.
- Edsel & Eleanor Ford House Home for the Holidays, elegant dinner, intimate concert of chamber music in the Grand Gallery, \$125 for members, \$135 for non-members, 6-9:30 p.m.
- Grosse Pointe War Memorial Holiday Luncheon and Gift Boutique, \$25 per person, 12 p.m.

## 06 FRIDAY

- Woods Senior Holiday Social in the Community Center, 12-4 p.m.
- Christ Church Grosse Pointe Gifts and Greens 2013 Preview Party and Silent Auction
- St. Paul on the Lake Catholic School 2014 Auction "Great Lakers...Great Times" Kick-off Party at the Grosse Pointe Club

## 07 SATURDAY

- Edsel & Eleanor Ford House Winter Wonderland, outdoor family fun including twinkling lights, holiday music, outdoor fire pit as you listen to interactive storytellers, sing carols, and warm up with a cup of hot chocolate or a roasted marshmallow! \$10 per person, also takes place Dec. 8, 15, 21, 22, 28, 29, 4-7 p.m.
- GPAAS Pet Adoption at Camp Bow Wow Training Center, 12-3 p.m.
- Christ Church Grosse Pointe Gifts and Greens 2013 Sale

## 08 SUNDAY

- Edsel & Eleanor Ford House Holiday Tea & Tour, enjoy a holiday house tour, followed by a light meal of tea, sandwiches and pastries, \$35 per person, 3 p.m.
- Grosse Pointe War Memorial Breakfast with Santa, family-style breakfast, Santa visits each table, entertainment by the Merry Music Maker in the auditorium, event concludes with formal photo opportunity, bring your own camera, \$18 per person, advance reservations only, complimentary to infants under age 1, also takes place Dec. 15, 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.
- Christ Church Grosse Pointe Gifts and Greens 2013 Tree Sales

## 10 TUESDAY

- Grosse Pointe Sunrise Rotary Meeting at The Hill Restaurant, 7 a.m.
- Edsel & Eleanor Ford House Christmas Story Time, sing carols, enjoy hot chocolate and holiday desserts, listen to Christmas stories next to the twinkling tree, \$5 per person, also Wednesday, Dec. 11, 6 p.m.
- Grosse Pointe War Memorial Bedtime Stories with Santa in the Reception Room of the Alger House, ages 4 and up, children gather around the Christmas tree to hear Santa read his favorite bedtime stories, children wear pajamas, bring a blanket to sit on, and a stuffed animal to snuggle with, milk and cookies complete the experience, \$10 per child, adults free, advance registration required, also takes place Dec. 16, 7-7:45 p.m.
- Ferry Elementary School Choir performs at Services for Older Citizens, 12:45 p.m.

# December

# Calendar

## 11 WEDNESDAY

- St. Nicholas Dinner Party at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, proceeds to benefit The Holley Institute's mission of providing life-enhancing programs for the Deaf, Deaf-Blind, and hard of hearing children and their families, Jennifer S. Choppe of Grosse Pointe Farms is chair, \$150 per person, \$75 for guests under 40 years of age, call (313) 343-7484
- Grosse Pointe War Memorial Bedtime Stories with Santa in the Reception Room of the Alger House, ages 4 and up, \$10 per child, adults free, advance registration required, 7-7:45 p.m.
- SOC December Birthday Celebration, 12 p.m.
- SOC Crafts with Roz, create a holiday table decoration and hostess gift, \$8 per person, 1:30 p.m.

## 12 THURSDAY

- Grosse Pointe North Holiday Concert at First English Lutheran Church, 7 p.m.
- SOC Holiday Tea at SOC Headquarters, \$5 per person, 2-3:30 p.m.

## 13 FRIDAY

- Grosse Pointe North Holiday Concert at First English Lutheran Church, 7 p.m.
- Edsel & Eleanor Ford House Candlelight Stroll, glowing candles and twinkling lights on an evening stroll, holiday music fills the grand halls, hear stories of the Ford family holiday traditions at the estate, \$15 per person, also takes place Dec. 13, 14, 20, 21, 27, 28 with strolls every half hour from 5-7:30 p.m.
- Grosse Pointe Academy 7th Grade Chorale performs at SOC headquarters, 12 p.m.

## 14 SATURDAY

- GPHS Izzy's Second Saturdays at the Provencal-Weir House, make colorful Fimo clay Christmas mitten ornaments, ages 7 and up, \$15 per member, \$20 per non-member, reservations must be made by Thursday, Dec. 12 at (313) 884-7010, 1-3 p.m.
- GPHS Open House at the Provencal-Weir House, 1-4 p.m.
- Grosse Pointe South Choir Holiday Concert at North PAC, 7 p.m.
- Grosse Pointe War Memorial Breakfast with Santa, family-style breakfast, Santa

visits each table, entertainment by the Merry Music Maker in the auditorium, event concludes with formal photo opportunity, bring your own camera, \$18 per person, advance reservations only, complimentary to infants under age 1, 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

- Grosse Pointe Theatre presents "White Christmas" in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Auditorium, 2 p.m.
- Grosse Pointe Woods presents Polar Express departing from the Woods Community Center, every day through Dec. 19, 5:30-8 p.m.
- GPAAS Pet Adoption at Camp Bow Wow Training Center, 12-3 p.m.

## 15 SUNDAY

- Christ Church Grosse Pointe presents Messiah – George Frideric Handel featuring Christ Church Chorale, Soloists and Orchestra, \$25 per person, 4:30 pm
- The Grosse Pointe Community Chorus presents its 61st Annual Holiday Concert "The World for Christmas" at First English Lutheran Church, showcasing internationally themed holiday music, including songs by John Rutter, and an Ave Maria piece by Giulio Caccini. Tickets are sold in advance or at the door, \$12 for adults, \$5 for children 12 and under, for more information, call (313) 882-2482
- Grosse Pointe Theatre presents "White Christmas" in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Auditorium, 2 and 7:30 p.m.

## 16 MONDAY

- Yule Be Boppin' Jazz Concert, 7 p.m.
- Edsel & Eleanor Ford House Holiday Tea & Tour, enjoy a holiday house tour, followed by a light meal of tea, sandwiches and pastries, \$35 per person, 3 p.m.
- MVJS presents A Christmas Celebration featuring The Grunyons and Noteworthy at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, \$15 presale, \$17.50 at the door, 7:30 p.m.

## 17 TUESDAY

- Grosse Pointe Sunrise Rotary Meeting at The Hill Restaurant, 7 a.m.
- Edsel & Eleanor Ford House Holiday Tea & Tour, enjoy a holiday house tour, followed by a light meal of tea, sandwiches and pastries, \$35 per person, 3 p.m.
- Grosse Pointe Theatre presents "White

Christmas" in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.

- SOC Christmas Party, \$10 per person, 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

## 18 WEDNESDAY

- North Band & Orchestra Concert in Parcels Auditorium, 7 p.m.
- South End Band-O-Rama in South Gym, 7 p.m.
- Grosse Pointe Theatre presents "White Christmas" in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
- SOC Holiday Basket Making, volunteers pack, wrap and deliver approximately 100 baskets to Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods seniors, 2:30-4:30 p.m.

## 19 THURSDAY

- Grosse Pointe South String Extravaganza in South Gym, 7 p.m.
- Grosse Pointe Theatre presents "White Christmas" in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
- Richard Elementary School Choir performs at SOC headquarters, 12 p.m.
- SOC Trip to Leo's Coney Island and Sanders, \$11 per resident, \$14 per non-resident, leave SOC at 11 a.m.

## 20 FRIDAY

- SOC Christmas Party, \$10 per person, 4-6 p.m.

## 22 SUNDAY

- Grosse Pointe Theatre presents "White Christmas" in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Auditorium, 2 and 7:30 p.m.

## 23 MONDAY

- Junior League of Detroit Membership Open House at Hydrangea Kitchen, 7 p.m.

## 25 WEDNESDAY - Christmas

## 27 FRIDAY

- First English Lutheran Church Christmas Tree Walk and Tea, 12-5 p.m.

## 30 MONDAY

- SOC Trip to Greektown Casino, \$12 per resident, \$15 per non-resident, leave SOC headquarters at 10 a.m.

# New Year's Resolutions

*Beth Ahee asked her second grade Grosse Pointe Academy students what their New Year's Resolutions were...*

## What could you resolve to do to help someone else?

- "Make them laugh" -Caitlin Mac Queen, 7
- "Get them a band-aid if they are hurt" -Jack Rollins, 7
- "Help them when they are hurt" -Naya Azoury, 6
- "I could help my sister with her homework." -Kobe Donaldson, 8
- "Help someone ride a bike" -Mallory Childs, 7
- "Help them with math" -Jack Kendall, 7
- "Help them with  $9+9=18$ " -Alexandra Larrea, 7
- "Help them tie a shoe" -Nino Salvaggio, 8
- "Teach someone math" -Reggie Sharpe, 7
- "Rake someone's leaves for them" -Gwyn Smith, 7
- "Help them to read if they are having trouble" -Maria Wortman, 7
- "If someone gets hurt, tell an adult." -Helen Wujek, 8

## What could you resolve to do to become healthier?

- "Try to beat my record and grow at least 4 pots of vegetables" -Caitlin Mac Queen, 7
- "Run a lot and eat healthier food" -Jack Rollins, 7
- "I would eat grapes to be healthier." -Naya Azoury, 6
- "I could eat healthier and play less video games." -Kobe Donaldson, 8
- "Try to eat more vegetables" -Mallory Childs, 7
- "Not eat sugar" -Jack Kendall, 7
- "I would eat soup to get healthier." -Alexandra Larrea, 7
- "Go outside more" -Nino Salvaggio, 8
- "Stop eating so many sweets" -Reggie Sharpe, 7
- "Eat more vegetables" -Gwyn Smith, 7
- "Eat less sugar in the new year" -Maria Wortman, 7
- "Eat less sugar" -Helen Wujek, 8

## What new skill or ability could you resolve to learn?

- "Ice skating" -Caitlin Mac Queen, 7
- "Shoot a three pointer in basketball" -Jack Rollins, 7
- "Learn multiplication" -Naya Azoury, 6
- "Learn about ancient Egyptian Kings" -Kobe Donaldson, 8
- "Learn to help people" -Mallory Childs, 7
- "Rugby" -Jack Kendall, 7
- "Math, addition!" -Alexandra Larrea, 7
- "Multiplication" -Nino Salvaggio, 8
- "Rugby" -Reggie Sharpe, 7
- "Learn how to do math better" -Gwyn Smith, 7
- "Learn how to do cheerleading" -Maria Wortman, 7
- "Read more at school" -Helen Wujek, 8

## What are you good at that you could teach to someone else?

- "Tae Kwon Do" -Caitlin Mac Queen, 7
- "How to play basketball" -Jack Rollins, 7
- "How to read" -Naya Azoury, 6
- "Studying ancient Egyptian Kings" -Kobe Donaldson, 8
- "How to read" -Mallory Childs, 7
- "Baseball" -Jack Kendall, 7
- "Counting money" -Alexandra Larrea, 7
- "Math" -Nino Salvaggio, 8
- "Baseball" -Reggie Sharpe, 7
- "How to draw better" -Gwyn Smith, 7
- "I could teach someone how to solve the Rubik's cube." -Maria Wortman, 7
- "How to be nice to others" -Helen Wujek, 8



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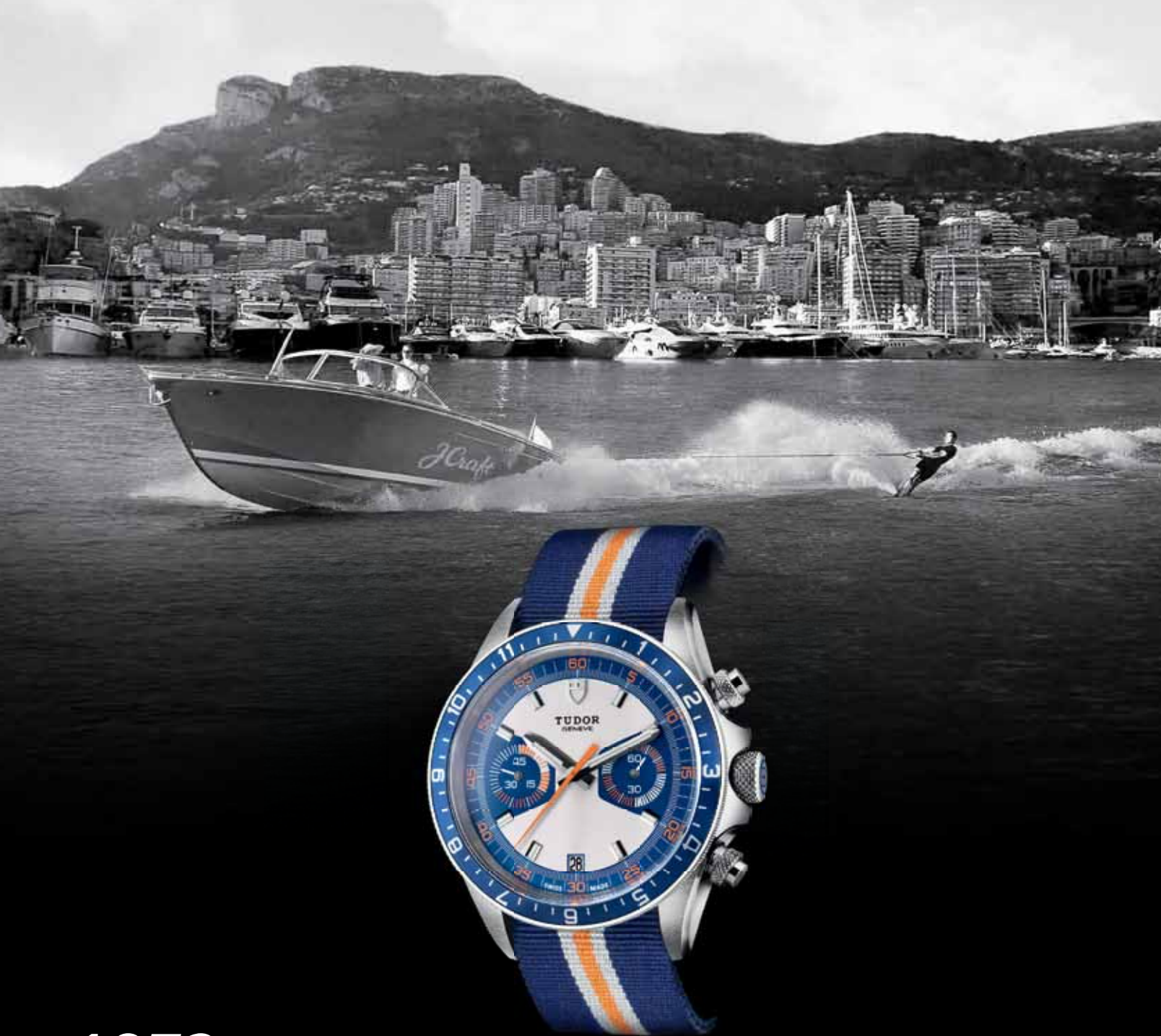
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