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Sunday, Dec. 19

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Monday, Dec. 20

State Sen. Martha Scott, D-Highland Park, holds her monthly coffee hour for constituents at the Caribou Coffee in Grosse Pointe Woods from 8:30 to 9:30

Grosse Pointe Woods holds a free public reception in honor of resident and Olympic gold medalist Carly Piper at the Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center at 6:30 p.m.

The Grosse Pointe Woods City Council meets in the Woods city hall at 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 22

The next Teen Activities Group event will from noon to 2 p.m. at Harbor Lanes Bowling, Jefferson Ave., just past 10 Mile, in St. Clair Shores.

The cost is \$10 for bowling shoe rental, pizza and pop. Deadline for registration is Monday, Dec. 20, 8 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe Farms Pier Park.

This activity is co-sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Farms and Woods parks and recreation departments.

For more information, call the Grosse Pointe Farms Pier Park at (313) 343-

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Photos by Robert McKean

Book chain

Talk about a human chain. This one, the first ever, was 1,100 kids long and stretched from the old Park Branch Library on Kercheval to the new one on Jefferson at Lakepointe. The last 100 books were passed along the Children's Book Brigade. Below, schools Superintendent Dr. Suzanne Klein and library board President John Bruce applaud arrival of the first book passed along the chain. For more photos and story, see pages 17, 19 and 20A.





Above, Paige Crowley, Matt Farber and Ben Peters from Miss Hall's first-grade class at Trombly Elementary take their jobs in the brigade seriously.

says retailers eyeing his plan By Brad Lindberg Cullen Meathe, who last month announced plans to

Jake's suitor

Staff Writer

replace the old Jacobson's property in the Village with a mixture of retail shops, office space and luxury condominiums, is recruiting additional partners and potential tenants for the project.

CVS (Pharmacy, the vacant building's owner) has extended our purchase agreement," said Meathe, a Grosse Pointe Farms resident and owner of Metro Cars Inc.

CVS representatives could

not be reached for comment. "We have teamed up with a large national developer,' said Meathe. "I've assembled a local team and augmented it with the expertise and financial strength of a large player in the condominium industry. We believe if all parties are reasonable and understand the economic realities of the project, we can move forward. Failing that, we won't.'

One of those parties is the City of Grosse Pointe, where decades Jacobson's anchored the downtown shopping district.

Extending the agreement allows us to an opportunity to put together a best and final plan with the city,"

Meathe said. "CVS overpaid for the property and created a prob-lem for everyone. I'm trying to deal with that. We can overcome it. Everyone needs

to be open-minded." In November, Meathe proposed demolishing the building and an adjacent cityowned parking deck for replacement with a new sixstory structure, the top four floors of which would be liv-

ing space. reported \$5 million.



"The bottom line is dialogue with the city council with scrapping the structure and starting fresh," Meathe said. "This is about trying to make the right deal for the community. I continue to be excited."

Meathe said he has contacted a number of potential retail tenants.

"We have a significant amount of retail opportunities that have been most intriguing," Meathe said. "We're in the process of getting letters of intent from these prospective retailers. So far, the mix has been very unique and quite intriguing. Frankly, I think most people would be very pleased with the mix we're anticipating putting in there."

Meathe plans to update city officials this month in preparation of a more formal presentation next year.

"We are in the process of designing a computerized model of our proposal," he said. "We intend to present that to the city in the middle of January. You'll see a fullblown plan in January. Everybody has to be sensitive to the economic reality of the project."

ROINTER OF INTEREST Dr. Daniel Spitz

Home: Grosse Pointe

Age: 35

Family: Wife, Jodi; and two sons, Keegan, 3, and Jacob, 1

Occupation: Macomb County Chief Medical Examiner

Quote: "People tend to think of forensic pathologists working with the dead, but really the work that we do is for the living."

See story, page 4A



Dr. Daniel Spitz

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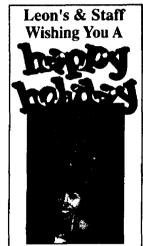
treatment plant on Moross between Lakeshore and Grosse Pointe Boulevard.

The project entails building two open filter beds outside at the pumping station to handle increased water demand during summer months.

■ Holiday shoppers on the Hill in Grosse Pointe Farms are assured of ample parking space.

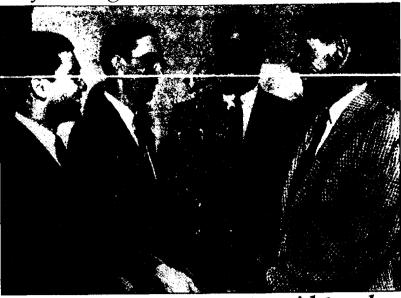
agreement Through between city and public school officials, shoppers can use a portion of Richard Elementary grounds to handle the anticipated overflow of holiday gift buyers.

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50 years ago this week



Free Press presents state grid trophy

Hal Schram, prep sports writer, second from left, presents the Detroit Free Press State Class A Football Championship trophy to Grosse Pointe High School Blue Devil tackle Jim Ogden as coach Ed Wernet, right, and all-stater Don Eugenio look on. The award was made at the annual Dad's Club Football Roundup held at the High. (From Dec. 16, 1954 Grosse Pointe News.)

an old barn that had been Cathy Brierly, a housewife games. converted into a garage at 17266 Mack burned to the ground.

The structure had been condemned and ordered torn down.

Former Texas Gov. John B. Connally appears in the Pointes for a fund raising reception at the Country Club of Detroit.

Henry Ford II sponsors the event to raise money for Connally's Republican campaign for president.

■ A sharply divided school board ignores tradition and names a newcomer, not a trustee, to fill a mid-term vacancy created by the recent resignation of Ann

The new board member is

and mother of three from the Mason School District.

10 years ago this week ■ Grosse Pointe children really are above average

Students make significant gains in 44 percent of test subjects during this year's Educational Michigan Program. Assessment Results place the district in the top 5 percent statewide.

Lights will shine on Blue Devil football next fall. Members of the Grosse Pointe Farms city council approve a proposal by the lights committee at Grosse Pointe South High School for nighttime

illuminated

ing only six night games per year, lights must be turned off by 10 p.m., and no games can be scheduled between Sunday and Wednesday nor

> ■ Prosecutors consider it a little victory in what has become a five-year battle to sentence two Detroit men for the 1990 carjack murder on Detroit's eastside of Grosse Pointe Farms Benjamin Gravel.

on consecutive nights.

Conditions include allow-

The Michigan Supreme Court orders Recorders Judge Court Roberson to sentence convicted killers Kermit Haynes and Cortez Miller as adults.

5 years ago this week

No animal is too scraggly to share Christmas joy with Santa Paws and the Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society.

Ask Buzzster the dog, bv President Korinne Martin.

Buzzster joins about 120 other animals having photographs taken with Santa during a fund raising event for the Society at the Children's Home of Detroit in Grosse Pointe Woods.

■ St. John Hospital and Medical Center breaks ground on a cancer center. The three-story facility is due to open by October

■ The feared Y2K computer glitch won't hurt Detroit's ability to pipe fresh water to the Grosse Pointes, according to Detroit water

Even if computer problems surface, the Fox Creek pumping station on East Jefferson will be immune. The facility is operated

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Business people

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Before joining JPMorgan, Holquist worked at Munder Capital Management in Birmingham and at the Cornerstone Schools in Detroit.

Clark Hill Member Daniel J. Scully was one of six attorneys from Michigan inducted as a fellow into the American College of Trial Lawyers during the annual meeting in St. Louis, Mo., in November.

Scully, a Grosse Pointe Farms resident, has been in private practice for over 25 years. He began his legal career in the greater Los Angeles area where the primary focus of his practice was defense of product liability litigation. He began practicing in Michigan in 1984 and joined Clark Hill in 1996 as a partner in the tort lit-igation group. Scully's practice continues to be primari-ly focused in the defense of product liability litigation.

Technology

Everybody likes numbers, so here are a couple you should enjoy. It is estimated that to digitize one medium-sized library of 400,000 volumes, it would cost \$1,000,000,000. Yes, that's a

B" as in billion. Are libraries and librarians going anywhere? Will the Internet take their place? The answer is NO!

Not yet! Not now! Not in our lifetimes!

So open a new book, smell the new book smell and tell the kids, "Shhhh."

Have a tech question or subject you would like addressed in this column? Want to comment or add your two cents worth? My email address is mtmaurer@comcast.net.

2 Pointers in WSU Engineering Hall of Fame

Jim Croce of Grosse Pointe Farms and Brian Geraghty of Grosse Pointe Shores were recently inducted into the Wayne State University College of Engineering Hall of Fame.

Croce earned his bachelor's in electrical and computer engineering from Wayne State University in 1986. For nearly two decades he has held a variety of positions in the electricity, natural gas, and energy technology fields.

Croce began his career at ANR Pipeline Company and Michigan Consolidated Gas, where he was responsible for the planning and devel-opment of new infrastructure to capitalize on emerging markets in the deregulating energy industry. In 2001, he was appointed vice president of business development at DTE Energy Technologies, where he was responsible for overseeing DTE's business development activities relating to the industry transformation of environmentally friendly fuel cell and biomass-based

power generation systems.

In 2003, Croce joined
NextEnergy as CEO. NextEnergy, a non-profit corporation, is charged by the state with advancing the state with advancing sion in management, Michigan as a world leader Geraghty led a team that



Jim Croce

in alternative energy tech-

nologies. Geraghty, director of Design Analysis Engineering for the Ford Motor Company, earned his master's in mechanical engineering from Wayne State University in 1972. He is in his 40th year of employment at Ford, with 31 years in management positions. Geraghty started his career at Ford in product

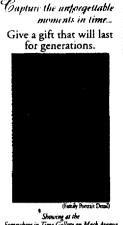
engineering, designing and developing powertrain com-ponents. He then moved up to supervising teams of engi-neers developing emission calibrations for passenger cars. Continuing his succes-



Brian Geraghty

released the first catalyst engine calibrations for high volume automotive applica-tions at Ford. He also led the change to reduce product development timing at Ford from a 48-month to a 36month cycle. Currently, he leads a group that provides the engineering information and testimony for the defense of product litigation

concerning Ford vehicles. While at Wayne State, Geraghty was a member of the 1970 Clean Air Car Race team. The Wayne State car, a modified 1971 Mercury Capri dubbed 'Caprang' for the combination Capri body and Mustang V-8 engine, delivered high performance sions. The car took first-place overall in the 10-day event that traveled coast to coast from MIT to Cal Tech. The 1970 team, the first to win a national competition for Wayne State, introduced an emission control system design now in production in virtually every car sold in the United States.

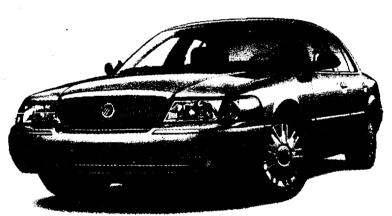


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Many mutual funds now ahead of S&P 500's +7 percent

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Thanks to the recent vear-end rally, many portfolin gains now exceed the benchmark S&P 500's 6.8 percent gain for 2004. And they don't want to give it back!

As the nearby "At-A-Glance" table shows, stocks meandered last week. At Friday's close, the Dow was down fractionally — off 49 points or about 1/2 of 1 percent. Nasdaq drifted down 20 points, about 1 percent. Crude oil dropped

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announced it would cut its production 1 million barrels next January, to stabilize prices. Since crude contracts are paid in U.S. dollars, and the dollar is down 7 percent in 2004, the Saudis have suffered a \$3.00/barrel currency loss this year.

Calendar this week

Wednesday, Dec. 15: The Fed Open Market Committee announced its 1/4 of 1 percent increase in short-term interest rates, as expected. Analysts are still trying to decipher whether ed, in its press release, reaffirmed its commitment to retaining a "measured

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Let's talk... **STOCKS**

By Joseph Mengden

pace" in fighting inflation. Wednesday, Thursday: President Bush hosted a two-day conference on his economic agenda, which featured 1) making his prior tax cuts permanent, and 2) trying to sell his idea of personally owned equities as part of his Social

Security reform. Friday, Dec. 17: Release of another increased consumer price index.

Social Security

When FDR signed the bill establishing the Social Security Administration in the mid-1930s, the thought of a lifetime pension, upon retirement at age 65 was unheard of.

Last week, LTS reviewed life expectancy statistics on the Internet. Based on our decennial census, the data was compiled by the National Vital Statistics System, a federal department.

The 1930, U.S. census showed a life expectancy of all newborns at 59.2 years, including all males and females, both white and African-American.

Compare that to the life expectancy age of 77.3

years in 2002, the latest data available. No wonder U.S. health care is the envy

Of course, as one ages, one's life expectancy increases. LTS is very life expectancy at about 85 years!

of prior actuaries, so does the immigration into the United States by foreign young adults, whose life expectancies are longer than U.S. newborns and who have not paid U.S.

A catastrophic epidemic, AIDS or some unknown virus could have the oppo-

Security has become an exceedingly complex problem, even without the equity-funding question. Since it affects almost every citizen, it just won't go away. Be prepared for the political rhetoric to continue for the rest of this decade.

AARP used to be called

Just as longer life spans have upset the assumptions

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Proper funding of Social

the American Association of Retired People, a non-partisan membership organization for people 50 and over.

Several years ago, the name was shortened to just AARP. With over 36 million members (cost is \$12.50 per annum), it maintains executive offices in most states to assist its membership, which grows by one member every 11 seconds.

Years ago, LTS joined AARP to obtain its supplemental medical insurance, a program for retirees without corporate retirement benefits. Thus Medicare is LTS' primary carrier, and AARP is the secondary car-

The December 2004 AARP Bulletin arrived last week. One article caught LTS' eye: "Cruising Through Retirement."

Over the years, LTS has participated in six oceanic cruises, including the Caribbean, Alaska, Mexican Riviera and the QE-II from Honolulu to Los Angeles.

But this article focused on assisted living for the elderly aboard a cruise ship, rather than the local facilities near home.

After all, the stateroom aboard ship has a walk-in shower, housekeeping, laundry and dry cleaning, inroom food service or a variety of dining facilities, 24/7 medical care, library, theater, card room (bridge, anyone?), free TV movie rentals, a casino and peri-

Stock Market at a Glance

Friday Close, 12/10/04 Dow Jones Ind.....10,543 Nasdaq Comp......2,128 S&P 500 Index.....1,188 Euro1.3226 Crude Oil (Bbl.)...... 40.71 Gold (Oz.)433.90 3-Mo. T-Bills......2.24% 30-Yr. T-Bonds......4.82%

odic ports-of-call.

The November 2004 Journal of the American Geriatrics Society contains an analysis of costs comparing assisted living on the cruise ship vs. a typical assisted living facility and found them to be more or less comparable - about \$3,000 per month — but with milder winter weather aboard the ship in the Caribbean.

With the "boomers' approaching retirement by the end of this decade, it wouldn't be surprising if AARP became the third political party!

Joseph Mengden is a resident of the City of Grosse Pointe and former chairman of First of Michigan. "Let's Talk Stocks" is sponsored by the following Grosse Pointe investment-related firms: John M. Rickel CPA, P.C. and Rickel & Baun P.C.

The Internet? Don't make book on it

Do your kids read? I mean do they read books besides the "Harry Potter" tomes?

Last week, I wrote about the wonders of the Grosse Pointe library system's Web page. Now let's talk about librarians, libraries and books.

Based on the reading test scores among school children around the country, we are in trouble as we rush to make the Internet the sole source of information. More than one educator has said, "Don't you know the Internet has made libraries obsolete?

I beg to differ. First of all, not everything is on the Internet, even with its 1 billion pages. I did not count them myself; the Internet told me. Oops! See what I mean? Where did that fact come from? Only a small fraction



By Mike Maurer

and they aren't cheap. If you want the Journal of Biochemistry, Physics Today or The Journal of American History, you will pay to the tune of thousands of dollars. You may not want those specific items, but you

of books are on the Web,

know what I mean. Let's say you are looking for information on Native Americans. If librarians were like the Internet, they might say, "Here are 10 articles. There are 40 more. but we're not going to let you have them ... not now, not yet, not until you try a search in another library The Internet does this all the time, but no one seems upset. They just don't know any better, as mom used to

We need the Internet's scientific, medical and hisaccurate, but there also is a I guess the best word would be "cesspool" - of waste right beside that needed info. I personally

wouldn't want my kids learning about race relations from the Ku Klux Klan Web site.

One great boon for libraries and their patrons has been the full-text digitization of journals. But what you don't know, even from the most legitimate sites, can hurt you. Footnotes (remember those?), tables and graphs are often missing or show up on the Web site in an unreadable format. They don't at the library, and your friendly neighborhood librarian can lead you right to them. Digitized journals are great, but they should not be your exclusive source.

States can now buy one school book and provide it to everyone in a particular grade. Let's take it one more step. Why don't we have one national high and a small cadre of teachers teaching everyone the same thing via streaming video? Everyone's learning

experience would be exactly stamp their hands when they graduate. (Yes, that was sarcasm.)

Oh, wait! What are we going to do with all those football teams? Whew, that was a close one. (Of course, there would be no dog-ate-ay-homework arguments.)

Speaking of universities and libraries, I bet you didn't know that there is no library-less university in the United States.

The newest state university in California at Monterey opened without a library building some years ago. For the last two years, they have been buying books by the tens of thousands because they couldn't find what they needed on the Internet.

Speaking of streaming information out of context, I just had a strange thought. When the power goes out, you can't read a computer monitor by candlelight. Here's another disjointed thought. Man has been reading for millennia and has had librarians for most of that time. The Internet as we know it has only been around for 15 years. If you school, a national university follow the teenager analogy, the Web is also scrawny with pimples.

> See TECHNOLOGY, page 15A

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Scouts spread parking cheer

The Girl Scouts of troops 1503 (pictured) and 2596 of Monteith Elementary School helped the Grosse Pointe Business and Professional Association of Mack Avenue cover the meters on Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods and Grosse Pointe Farms. The meters will be covered to provide meter-free parking through Jan. 2. Grosse Pointe Park will also offer meter-free parking along Mack. Also pictured is Ken Poulos, president of the association.

News

St. John plans \$156 million wing, ER expansion

By John Minnis

The \$156 million expansion at St. John Hospital will be just what the doctors

 and patients — ordered. "We asked the doctors, staff and patients what they wanted," said Mark R. Taylor, president of St. John Hospital and Medical Center, in announcing the major expansion at a press conference last Friday. "This expansion leads us into the 21st century. We're very excited in this project for the

The expansion of the St. John campus at Mack and Moross in Detroit will have minimal impact on neighboring Grosse Pointe Woods. A ramp leading to an under-ground loading dock as part of the expansion project was approved Monday night by Woods Planning Commission.

St. John plans to add an eight-level, 288,000-squarefoot North Pavilion that will face the back parking lot. With a tall, atrium lobby, the wing will become the hospital's main entrance.

The North Pavilion will include an upgraded and consolidated cardiovascular institute with catheterization labs, electrophysiology labs, vascular labs, special procedure rooms, recovery space and offices for research and education.

The wing will add 144 private rooms and will consoli-

services, including X-ray, since it was founded in 1952. MRI and CT scans and lab services.

Project manager David M Sessions, vice president, affiliated services, said the North Pavilion will consolidate services that are now scattered throughout the hospital.

Demolition of the kitchen and education building to make room for the new wing will begin in September. The \$141 million North Pavilion is expected to open in 2008.

Also included in the overall project is a \$15 million expansion and redesign of the emergency department, which was last revamped 10 years ago.

The emergency department will be doubled with the addition of 30,000 square feet and will include private treatment modules to increase patient privacy.

The emergency entrance will be moved closer to Moross Road to improve ambulance accessibility, and more convenient parking will be added for emergency patients and families.

The emergency department project is expected to be completed in early 2009.

Greg Jakub, director of public relations, said road access to the St. John campus will remain as is throughout and after construction.

Elliot Joseph, president and CEO of St. John Health, vate rooms and will consoli-date outpatient diagnostic has grown considerably

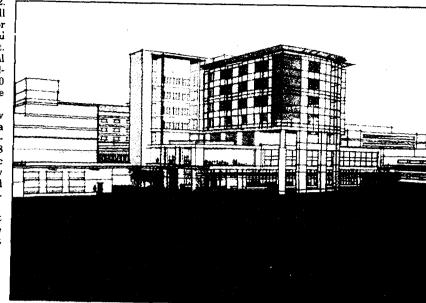
While the hospital still provides immediate care for its surrounding Detroit and Grosse Pointe residents, St. John has become a regional destination health care facility and is among the top 100 heart hospitals" in the United States.

Last year, St. John saw 81,203 emergency/trauma visits, handled 655 openheart cases, performed 4,918 catheterization/angioplasty procedures and admitted 36,589 patients for an average stay of 5.05 days.

Joseph said St. John spent \$130 million in care for the poor last year, up 30 percent from the year before. Twenty-six percent of St. John patients live in Detroit.

Funding for the improvements will be generated from St. John Hospital's retained earnings, a bond offering through its parent company, Ascension Health, and philanthropic contributions.

The construction management services will be provided by a partnership of Skanska, a global construction services group, and The Brinker Group, aDetroitbased, a minority-owned company that will provide 25 percent of the services. The architectural firm for the project is HarleyEllis, which has an office in Southfield.



When completed in 2008, the North Pavilion planned for St. John Hospital and Medical Center will become the campus' main entrance and will house a cardiovascular institute, all imaging and labs and 144 private rooms

Sunrise still interested in City

Having withdrawn from future Jake's plans, national senior housing provider calls for meeting with City

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

An international company that provides senior housing has pulled out of the Village, but not the City of Grosse Pointe.

"Sunrise Development is interested in our community for pursuing some project to provide assisted living," said Mike Overton, city manager.

Overton said he was scheduled to meet with company representatives this week, after the Grosse Pointe News deadline.

Sunrise, the nation's largest provider of senior living services, in April proposed transforming upper levels of the vacant former Jacobson's building Kercheval into condominiums for active, independent

The building was intended for seniors 65 to 75 years old who share the goal of downsizing their living space yet maintaining residence in the community that has been their home for

Although company representatives have withdrawn the plan, they appear to have another location in mind other than the Village.

When the Jacobson's concept was Sunrise rea introduced. representatives stressed their interest in the community, according to Mayor Dale Scrace.

"I said great, come on back when you have some-thing to talk about," Scrace

Some facilities are built for independent seniors, oth-

ers are for people requiring moderate care or assistance.

The company is building an example of the latter type of facility on Mack at Brys Drive in Grosse Pointe Woods. Sunrise also has proposed an Alzheimer's-care facility in the former Masonic temple building on Vernier south of Mack.

"I think it would be a welcome addition to the community," Overton said. "It's common knowledge there's a need for that type of hous-

Pointe residents decades have been calling for senior living. About 25 years ago advocates wanted senior housing on municipal park land behind Grosse Pointe Woods city hall.

Sunrise provides trainers has 370 residentypes of residential living tial developments in numer-depending upon the following trainers in south-required degree of care. east Michigan, in 33 other states, Canada and the United Kingdom.

Woods planners help ramp up hospital expansion plans By Bonnie Caprara

Staff Writer

St. John Hospital and Medical Center has started to clear the first of several hurdles before it is able to begin construction on its \$156 million expansion on its main campus.

The Grosse Pointe Woods Planning Commission made a unanimous recommenda-tion that the Zoning Board of Appeals allow the hospital a special land use in its north parking lot to construct a ramp to an under-ground loading dock to be built at the rear of the hos-

The ramp, which makes an 18-foot decline along the north and west perimeter of the parking lot, is located in the Woods and runs along the backs of residential properties, most of them owned by the hospital, on Bournemouth

Raymond. The hospital has also agreed to plant 8-foot evergreen trees between the ramp and a 6-foot brick wall that buffers the parking lot from the residential properties to screen the sight and

sound of the trucks. The ramp plan had the endorsement of several residents on Bournemouth and Raymond who attended the planning commission's public hearing on Monday, Dec.

Members of the Planning Commission withheld comments but did pass a resolution that requested a number of conditions be met. In addition to the landscape screening, the commission requested that the hospital provide the city with an accurate parking count in the back lot and signage approval.

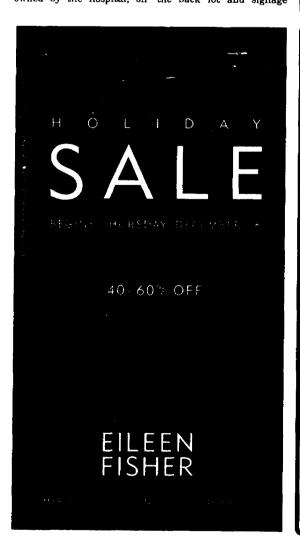
The Grosse Pointe Woods City Council, which acts as the Zoning Board of Appeals, is expected to hear the variance request at its Monday, Dec. 20, meeting.

Dan Caren, an architect with HarleyEllis, which has been retained by the hospital for the construction project, said the hospital must obtain other variances from Detroit.





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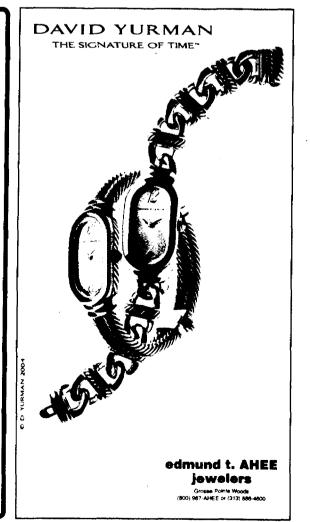
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Legacy of forensic pathology lives on in Spitz family

By Bonnie Caprara Staff Writer

In the medical field it's not uncommon for sons and daughters to follow their parents' footsteps in their

specialities and practices.
It is unusual, however, to find a family legacy being passed from generation to generation in the medical examiner field. What's even more rare, if not unheard of, is for a son to take over the role of a county's chief medical examiner from his father.

Such is the case for Dr. Daniel Spitz, who has come back home to claim the position held for the past 15 years by his father, Dr. Werner Spitz, in Macomb

Like many children, Daniel Spitz often talked with his father about his work, which at times was hard to avoid with work sometimes being in the headlines.

"I always enjoyed it growing up," Daniel Spitz said. "I always enjoyed hearing about the cases my dad was working on. My dad wrote a textbook on forensic pathology back in 1972, and with my being born in 1969, that book was always around when I was growing up. It was quite intriguing, especially for a young kid. The kids in my neighborhood knew what my dad did, and they always had questions. When I got a little bit older, about 15 or 16. I got to see my first autopsy. I thought it was an interesting career, but when I got into medical school, I thought I'd get into more clinical work dealing with patients. It was only toward the end of medical school that I thought of doing this as a career.

Daniel Spitz mt five years completing his residency in forensi minimum grant forensis film for the film forensis film for the film forensis film for the film for the film for the film for the film forensis film for the film fo with four of those years doing hospital pathology work at Rush Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center in Chicago.

At first what Daniel Spitz thought of as an obligatory stop along the way in becoming a forensic pathologist, he found he enjoyed working in a hospital setting and even co-authored a book on the "Differential subject, Diagnoses Surgical Pathology.'

felt there was a need for a book like this," Daniel Spitz said. "It's more for the pathologist in training. It's an easy book to use.'

Daniel Spitz then went on to Miami, where he spent a year in training in forensic pathology. After Miami, Daniel Spitz became board certified in forensic pathology (he is one of about 350 board certified forensic pathologists in the country), and then spent three years in Tampa, Fla., as an associ-

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Dr. Daniel Spitz recently returned to Michigan to serve as chief medical examiner for Macomb County, the position held by his father, Dr. Werner Spitz, for the previous 15 years. "Macomb County is a rapidly growing county and one that has some longterm opportunities for a chief medical examiner, Daniel Spitz said. "Since the county is still not a huge county, and I had some interaction with the director of the health department, it was a good opportunity for me to become a chief at a relatively young age.

first learned that his father was considering stepping down from his position in Macomb County, he considered the advantages to moving back home.

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ly young age."
The lack of certified medical examiners in Michigan also made Daniel Spitz an attractive candidate for the chief medical examiner's position in Macomb County.

"In most of the counties in Michigan, there are a lot of non-pathologists, and certainly a lot of non-forensic

examiner

"It will become a more complicated job as more and more people come to live here," said Daniel Spitz expects to conduct about 1,000 death investigations and about 350 autopsies in his first year on the job in Macomb County. "More and more people mean more and more

deaths, unfortunately.
"What's amazing about
Macomb County is the number of drug overdoses. It rivals the number of drug overdose cases you have in a big city. It's amazing the amount of heroin, cocaine prescription deaths you see.

As Daniel Spitz has come along from a young boy with a morbid curiosity of the photographs in his father's textbook, he now sees the work as a forensic pathologist as one that benefits the

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Call for help to remove carbon tet extinquishers

By John Schulte Deputy Director Grosse Pointe Park

Department of Public Safety Some homes and businesses built in the Grosse Pointes at or near the turn of the 20th century were equipped with carbon tetrachloride liquid fire suppressants. The glass containers were supported by brass cradles and often attached to 2by-4 wood supports in the liquid is sealed in a

glass vessel with a fusible tinued after concerns arose link, which serves as the trigger mechanism to release the fire suppressant. mechanism to When the glass container is heated by the fire, the liquid agent is released to suppress the fire.

Also located in some homes are brass, hand pump carbon tetrachloride extinguishers that were designed for homeowners' use

The practice of hanging attic. The carbon-tetrachlo- these agents in residences and businesses was discon-

about its toxic effects to firefighters. Subsequent test-ing later determined that these fire suppressant devices were carcinogenic.

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devices may be present in your homes, and they need to be properly removed. Residents of Grosse Pointe Park are advised to contact Public Safety Department at (313) 822-7400 if you locate or suspect that you have one of these devices. Do not attempt to move or transport these items to our fire quarters. Transporting these items creates the risk of breakage and the release of this hazardous material. The Public Safety Department will assist you in having these items removed directly from your home by a qualified professional. Residents of the other Grosse Pointe



Grosse Pointe Park public safety Lt. John Kretzschmar holds a container filled with the once-used fire suppressant. carbon tetrachloride. Exposure to the liquid in the container, like many that were placed in homes built at the turn of the 20th century, has proven to be a health hazard.

communities are advised to contact their local departments for their removal procedures.

Park OKs Class C license for pizzeria

By Bonnie Caprara

It will likely be possible to get a glass of heer or wine with pizza at what some have called "an east side landmark.

At its Monday, Dec. 13, meeting, the Grosse Pointe Park City Council approved a Class C liquor license transfer from the former Brosnan's Bar on Jefferson to Mama Rosa's Pizza in the 15100 block of Mack.

The council unanimously approved the transfer upon the recommendation of Public Safety Chief David Hiller, whose department conducted the required background check of the the past 33 years, Anthony approval of the transfer. and Germaine Milana.

"The applicants have been longtime business owners in Grosse Pointe Park with a reputation," said. "We've had zero troubles and zero problems at that location.'

Councilman Theokas, who moved that the council approve the transfer, said, "It's been a good anchor on Mack

Although a Class C license would allow the Milanas to serve beer, wine and liquor, the Milanas will only add beer and wine to their menu.

The Michigan Liquor License Commission will business and its owners of have the final say in the

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case can be prosecuted, if

"The fun part of the job is to take the information that you get from a homicide victim, piece together the scene and the circumstances as to what happened, and to take it back to court and to relay that evidence to a jury in a way they can understand so they can make a decision as to what went on. Going to court and providing testimony is a big part of the job. It shocks me when I talk to people who don't like that as part of this job. That's the reason these cases are done. It's not to do the autopsy and write the report, but it's to take the information and to make sense of it.'

In addition to his work for Macomb County Daniel Spitz also does quite a bit of private consulting in foren-

sic pathology.
"Private work can involve private autopsies. These are autopsies that don't fall under a medical examiner's jurisdiction. A family member may want an autopsy for their own personal reasons. Maybe they want to know for genetic reasons, or maybe no one in the hospital sat down with them and explained why their loved one had died. Unfortunately, some doctors in hospitals don't feel comfortable talking about certain things, like why someone died, so people hire a forensic pathologist to find out what happened."

In all it's Daniel Spitz's interest and dedication to and perspective of his work that have catapulted him to the top at a relatively young age and made him a good fit

for Macomb County.

"If you look at his educaences in Florida ulation areas with a rot of

cases plus the fact he's board certified, it all adds up to a the family members or so a nice package that adds up on its own merit," said Thomas Kalkofen, director and health officer of the Macomb County Health Department. "He also brings to us the information he's gained on the administrative side that gives us a different look on how to run this office. There's more involved in doing the autopsies and giving reports. We're fortunate to be able to get him to work for us at this particular time."

Daniel Spitz also has the endorsement of an even tougher assessor: his father.

Tve worked for Macomb County since 1972," Werner Spitz said. "You don't build up a job for 32 years just to pass it off to just anyone. I'm confident he'll continue to do a good job and perhaps improve on the work that's been done.

While Daniel Spitz can make a career for himself anywhere, he feels there's no place like home

"I have a lot of friends here with whom I went to high school," said Daniel Spitz, who now calls Grosse Pointe Farms home. "I'm back to playing hockey two to three times a week. I hadn't played for the past four years living in Florida. My family lives close by; my parents (Anne and Werner Spitz) live in Grosse Pointe Shores, and my sister (Rhona Dempsey) and her four children live in the Farms. My brother, Jonathan, lives in Chicago, so I'm a little closer to him. Plus I have two young sons, Keegan, 3, and Jacob, 1. Grosse Pointe is a pretty nice place for kids to grow up. There are lot of activities

and I'm sure they'll benefit. "If you look at his education and his prior experi"I liked Florida a lot and I'm sure I'll go back frequently, but it's nice to be



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Libraries and their places in society

hile the last 100 books were being transferred from the former Grosse Pointe Park Branch Library to the new Carolyn & Ted Ewald Memorial Branch Library along a 1,100-member Children's Book Brigade on Tuesday, Google, the Internet search engine, announced that it was about to digitize the entire University of Michigan library.

That means all 7 million volumes in one of the nation's top research libraries could potentially be available to anyone with an Internet connection.

The first book to arrive at its new home in the Ewald Branch Library

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was "The Incredible Journey of Lewis and Clark" by Rhoda Blumberg. The last one was "The Little Red Hen" by Margaret Zemach.

It is ironic that the U-M announcement would come on the very day 1,100 students from Pierce Middle and Defer and Trombly Elementary Schools would be passing along "old" technology.

This all brings us back to the question, "Will libraries become obsolete in an Internet world?"

Michael Maurer, our technology columnist, whose wife is a librarian, thinks not. He argues that there is a lot of knowledge out there online, but

who is going to help you sort it out? Who is going to help decide what is "good" information and what is information and what is garbage?

Traditionally, librarians (and editors) have been the gatekeepers, the people who vet information and pass judgment on its validity.

Now it appears the entire breadth of human knowledge can be put online, a task as daunting as "Beam me up, Scotty."

A U-M librarian is quoted as saying that it would take 1,600 years using traditional technology and practices to scan in all its 7 million tomes. But with Google technology and expertise, it will only take six years.

Again, will land-locked libraries become obsolete?

Probably not. But they will probably house fewer bound volumes.

Also, as Mr. Maurer discusses in this week's column, libraries do other necessary things, such as subscribe to various news and database services and publications. For occasional research, it is not cost effective for each of us to subscribe to such knowledge sources. But when we all help pay for it through our public libraries, it makes knowledge less costly.

We cannot overstate the importance of the announcement made by Google and U-M. Maybe it is not on par with the human genome project, but there are parallels.

In the meantime, we encourage everyone to take part in the celebration of knowledge and the opening of the new Ewald Branch in the Park. The dedication ceremony is planned for 2 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 8, 2005. The public is invited.

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Saving Social Security

By Michael Goodell Grosse Pointe Farms

he concept of creating private investment accounts to preserve Social Security is gaining momentum in Washington and throughout the country. Public opinion polls show consistent support for this form of Social Security reform. It seems most people don't share the left's doubts about their ability to handle their own money. Unfortunately, private investment accounts by themselves won't save Social Security.

It will take at least 20 years before private investment accounts will reduce Social Security outlays, and, since the program is a pay-as-you-go program, any diversion of tax revenues now will increase the deficit by some \$2 trillion dollars over the next 10 years. It would be, as Paul Krugman stated in the New York Times, a case of borrowing money to invest it in the stock market. This is true, as far as it goes, and if that were the sum of the matter, perhaps private investment accounts would be a luxury we can't afford.

But it isn't simply a question of whether to borrow money to establish these programs. The fact is, we will be borrowing far more than \$2 trillion if something isn't done.

Last week, President George W. Bush dismissed the idea of raising taxes to cover the cost of establishing private investment accounts. "We will not raise payroll taxes to solve this problem," he declared.

In one sense, this is reasonable. Most wage earners pay Social Security taxes, but some lower-income people pay a disproportionately higher amount. This is because the income subject to tax is capped, currently at \$87,500; though it is scheduled to rise

to \$90,000 next year. On the other hand, since the federal government is already posting record deficits — \$413 billion this year — it is fiscally irresponsible to increase the shortfall by reducing revenues without a corresponding cut in expenses. Furthermore, it is fiscal irresponsibility that makes the establishment of private investment accounts a venture fraught with peril.

Social Security is currently running a \$200 billion surplus. Since that money has been spent on day-to-day operations of the federal government, it means the current budget deficit is actually \$613 billion. If the Bush administration and Congress had practiced the sort of fiscal restraint for

which conservatives were once known, the Social Security surplus could be used to fund private investment accounts without incurring any debt.

The reasons for the deficit are numerous. Obviously, tax cuts reduced revenues. So did loss carry forwards from the collapse of the dot-com bubble. Extraordinary expenses arising from 9/11 and the subsequent war on terror increased expenditures. Add to that the fact that Bush has never seen a spending bill he wouldn't sign, and we have the government-by-drunkensailor situation we face today.

The only way to make private investment accounts work is by increasing revenues and reducing expenses sufficiently to avoid increasing debt. This can be done by implementing three steps.

The first is to increase revenue by eliminating the cap on wages subject to payroll taxes. This tax increase would fall exclusively upon the most wealthy, those earning more than \$90,000 a year. However, this burden would be ameliorated to some extent by providing them with a larger portion to invest in their private accounts.

The second step is to shift the new benefit determiner from wages to prices. Currently, benefits are tied to taxpayers' earnings, which have increased at a dramatically higher rate than prices have. Determining new benefits on the basis of price inflation would result in immediate and substantial savings.

Some might argue that this would not be fair to new retirees. After paying into Social Security their entire lives, what right do we have to reduce their initial benefits? It would be a fair question if Social Security were a traout it isn't. People don't pay into it. They don't have an account. Their payroll taxes have been used to pay other people's retirements and to fund the U.S. gov-

Finally, it is time to give serious consideration to means-testing Social Security benefits. They should be determined not by the amount of payroll taxes paid, but by the retiree's need. Beginning with non-real estate assets of \$300,000, retirees' benefits should be reduced at a rate of 1 percent. This would ensure that those who need the assistance of Social Security will have it, while eliminating the discordant reality of low-wage workers paying for retirees living the good life in their condos overlooking the 17th tee in Boca Raton, Fla.



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Find joy in the holiday

o what's wrong with a great big birthday celebration? I truly don't believe Jesus would object to our going a little crazy or having a little extra fun during the holiday season. What other time of year allows us the freedom to hang twinkling lights from our rooftops, have giants sleighs with Santa and Rudolph racing across our lawns and reindeer bobbing up and down in our yards?

The holidays are a time for a joyous celebration, and many of us go all out. Tis no time for judgment of taste versus tacky; you have to admit many of the outlandish decorations bring huge smiles to our faces.

We pile into our cars and take our out-of-town- guests on tours of the annual displays, from gaudy to trad tional. And this is no trivial pursuit; this is competition in full bloom! Take a trip up Lakeshore if you doubt me. You can almost hear the symbols clang as the exhibitions reveal themselves to the voyeurs among us.

There is no denying that the commercialism of the holidays can be an assault on the senses of those of us over 40 who remember the beautiful and reverent creche scenes with angels gently lingering in the backlights. Even then, we laughed at songs like "I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus" and the Chipmunks singing "All I Want For Christmas Is My Two Front Teeth

We were subtly eased away from a Christmas dominated by old time carols, when Nat King Cole introduced us to his lovely "The Christmas Song." Then along came Andy

Williams, Perry Como, Bing Crosby and Frank Sinatra and the country renditions of old holiday standards by Brenda Lee and others. Rosemary Clooney and Crosby resurrected Irving Berlin's "White Christmas" in their delightful holiday movie.

We are delighted to be included in two caroling parties this season. What a great way to enjoy the season. We hope it snows.

I would suggest that if you are offended at the sight of a giant, plastic Snoopy or Grinch, get over it. Someone out there is celebrating just being alive in this great country, and perhaps someone else wants his grandchildren to see the biggest and brightest demonstration of Christ's birthday party right in his front yard. e heck out of being Scrooge!

Just because some of us get into the spirit of the season by flinging and flaunting various displays of exuberance doesn't mean we have forgotten the reason for our celebration. We still attend services to worship, sing carols, exchange gifts and share what we can with those who have less.

We become mellower at this time of year, more generous and patient with our fellow man. Tolerance, forgiveness and generosity peak. We speak more eloquently of our desire for a lasting peace in this troubled world, and we reach out to others more than at any other time of year. If only we could hold tight to these feelings well into the new year. These are resolutions we can keep.

Happy holidays and may God bless you and yours.

— Lauren Chapman

Letters

Vibrant city To the Editor:

As a longtime Grosse Pointe resident and past president of the Grosse Pointe Theatre, I know what a valuable asset the Grosse Pointe War Memorial is to all residents of our commu-

with great interest, the pro-

condominiums on Lakeshore and hope that the Grosse Pointe Farms City Council realizes the potential of this great opportunity for the entire community as a whole.

Not only will this giant-step forward create diverse housing options which do not currently exist in our I have been following, community, it will generate new tax dollars which will posal to develop high-end benefit the community as a ing community.

I encourage the Farms Council members to consider all of the favorable benefits of this progressive decision and not bow down to the few but noisy individuals who oppose any kind of change in this community.

After all, who wants to live in a ghost town? Let's keep Grosse Pointe vibrant, growing and excit**Grosse Pointe Woods**

Growth in the Pointes

To the Editor: To Grosse Pointe Farms City Council Members:

Because of your position on the Grosse Pointe Farms City Council, I feel com-

page of the Business section in the heart of the city. of The Detroit News, Nov.

The article is about the resurgence of downtown Birmingham, a town that not long ago appeared headed for extinction as shoppers and merchants went elsewhere, stores closed, and empty buildings sat idle. Perhaps the most visible pelled to call your attention reminder of the decline was

Lawrence Marco to an article on the front the defunct Jacobson's store

Does all this seem painfulparallel to another Detroit suburb?

I hope so.

Yet today, downtown Birmingham is booming. Upscale restaurants, stores, offices and residences abound. Moreover, according to another article in the Dec.

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How we used to celebrate the Christmas season in Germany youth, the better in the coming year, ably in quality and quantity. ing that the Christ Child band and our "Singing Casper, Melchior and Eve, Dec. 24. The sents. Chocolate became very rare with presents had arrived. Society" went into full gear. Balthasar—were dressed in We stormed into the decorat. They started at our end of white robes with paper.

Christmas season started on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24. The time Christmas was free of he only fun for as youngsters was to open - every day - another window on the "Adventkalender" and to light another candle on the Advent wreath on Sundays. All in all, pre-Christmas partying, drinking and celebrating were unheard of in Germany at that time. The Advent and Christmas seasons were celebrated more in a religious and family fash-

The visit of St. Nicholas on Dec. 6 was actually a fore-runner for things to come. Unlike our American happy, jolly, fat-bellied Santa Claus, our St. Nicholas looked like the historical Bishop of Myrna, who paid a visit to children and read from a long list all our major and minor misdeeds. Only after promising that we would do

sweets, cookies, chocolates today's commercialism, and and nuts. The Nicholas visit was always anticipated with a great amount of fear because his companion called "Knecht Rupprecht" would dish out instant penalties on the behind of bad-behaving youngsters. On his back he carried a big sack with two feet sticking out at the top. I was always worried that those legs were those of my friend Theo Lohmann and I might be the next candidate.

few days before I were invited by our dad to join him in a search for a fitting Christmas tree. We always planted an ample supply of pine trees, and sometimes we had to guard these trees before Christmas from thieves.

During the war years the gift-giving dropped consider- a bell ringing outside signal-

wife, had never seen nor eaten a banana until 1949)

The few presents we received made us probably happier than the overabundance our children receive

I remember the year our great toy, the mighty "Boller" wagon (a hand-pulled, fourwheel wagon) disappeared just a week before Christmas. We could not understand why our parents did not make a big fuss about this while we thought a major crime had been com-Christmas, my brothers and mitted. Miraculously the wagon appeared again at Christmas Eve under the tree with a fresh coat of paint.

In the afternoon hours of Christmas Eve our aunt secretly decorated the tree. After we had finished the evening meal we could hear

ed room with a glittering tree aglow with real candles. Some of the tree decorations were sweets and chocolates. It took a great amount of will power and fear of detection not to rob the decorations.

Before enjoying our gifts, we had to join our parents and farm helpers in singing all the old and new German Christmas carols. The tree was kept in an unheated room and was maintained well into January each year. Under the tree was the manger, made elaborately by our village carpenter.

The second day of Christmas, the St. Stephen's Day, was always - like in most European countries a holiday. On this day, every village came up with theater performances staged usually in the local beer garden hall by local "talents.

At midnight on New Year's Eve our village brass

at about 20 more locations. This was the traditional way of wishing everyone a happy New Year. For their efforts they're treated with homemade "mettwurst" (sausage) and some money. The sausages were cooked on New Years Day and consumed with the local brew by

all performers The next highlight of the Christmas season was the feast day of Epiphany on Jan. 6. This was the day of the traditional "Three Kings" singing performed by groups of boys from house to house throughout the village. The "Three Kings" —

the village and continued on crowns on their head. They were accompanied by a star holder, a manger carrier; two boys with baskets to carry the collected goodies, and one to clean with a broom the dirt brought into the house by us.

Money contributions were turned over for the benefit of the local chapel. We had two songs in our repertoire: one in regular German and one in low German. Both songs dated back many centuries and were repeated from generation to generation.

The above was written by a Grosse Pointe Woods resident about his Christmases as a youth in 1930s Germany.

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and every one of us in this community is connected by the network of programs and services offered by the public, parochial and private schools, the municipalities and public services, the businesses, and the multi-tude of civic groups. Each and every one of us

has our own dreams and goals, and our community plays a large part in fulfilling those personal agendas. For me and my family, a child-friendly neighborhood and community is of utmost importance. Second to that and the primary reason we moved to Grosse Pointe Woods — is the excellent, well-rounded education offered by the Grosse Pointe Public School System.

Lastly, housing values that will continue to rise at a better-than-average pace make Grosse Pointe real estate a smart addition to our financial portfolio.

Add to all those necessities the other perks that surround us, like the pedestrian-friendliness which enables us to get to parks, school, shopping, the library, and the lake, all while giving our fitness a boost.

In addition to the educational opportunities offered by the schools during the day, our entire family can participate in classes, lectures, and clubs hosted by the public and private schools, as well as other organizations and business-

es.
I have often been deeply disappointed in the "us vs.

"I shake 'ands with you.

"Or blow me a kiss

So if you see retiree

hat, blow him a kiss or

shake his hand. They

Trefzer or Karr in his top

belong to a special fraterni-

safer on cold winter nights.

Ups and downs

The Rev. Tim Cuny of St. Clare of Montefalco

speaks five languages and

has an Irish sense of humor

Church, a priest who

about him, told Grosse

ty that keeps our homes

"And that's lucky too."

FYI

From page 9A

and businesses over the past couple years, regarding the public school financial probem. I expected a much more intelligent and responsible approach to the problem, with mass participation representing all facets of this community.

The school board members and administration have put on countless presentations on this topic, only to have weak attendance, in most cases — Dr. Suzanne Klein did one complete presentation for an audience of only two individuals. Not to be discouraged, the board and administration again plan to hold forums and pre-sentations in the near future, to discuss the 2005-06 budget, now in the planning stage, as well as the upcoming millage election.

My hope is that throngs of open-minded individuals of all ages will attend these presentations, ask thoughtful questions, offer meaningful comments, gain better understanding, and even volunteer in their area of expertise on one of the many committees currently in action.

That is the kind of intelligent community action we expected to see, and participate in, when we chose this community above all others.

Theresa L. Fields **Grosse Pointe Woods**

Thanks for donations

To the Editor:

On behalf of the Grosse

Pointe Ecumenical Men's

a plane and on the way

Breakfast folks this story:

down, the parachute won't open. The diver struggles

with it, but nothing hap-

pens. Then he sees a figure

flying up toward him. As.

the man flying up passes, the sky diver calls out, "Do

you know anything about

man replies. 'Do you know

joke to illustrate the oppo-

observance of the advent

season and commercial

parachutes? 'No', the rising

anything about gas stoves'?"
Father Cuny used the

site directions that religious

A sky diver jumps out of

by many individuals, groups would like to thank the business people who so very gen-erously contributed either gifts or gift certificates to our Annual Scholarship Luncheon/Fashion held at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial on Nov. 15.

With your support you made a significant contribution to the success of the fund-raiser and for that we are most appreciative.

Our sincere thanks to Chico's of Grosse Pointe for presenting the fashions and our club members who modeled the lovely fashions.

Many, many thanks to Carol Small and her staff at the War Memorial for their work in setting up for the boutique, the Crystal Ball Room and the serving of a delicious luncheon.

Following is a list of the merchants contributing this year for our raffle: Pat Scott Jewelry; Maloof Jewelry; Michael Agnello Jewelry; Edmund T. Ahee Jewelry; Valente Jewelers; Joseph DiMaggio Jewelry; The League Shop; Farmer Jack Market, Mack at Eight Mile; Cavanaughs, Village; Moehring Woods Flowers; Viviano Florist; Curves for Women, socks; Jan and Jim's Hallmark; J. P. Hallmark Shop; Jean Azar; Olga, La Moda Hair Design; Tiffany Place Designers; Bommarito Bakery; Avenue Hair Salon; Marcia Kuypers Jewelry; Pamela Zimmer, Mary Kay; Giglio's Market; Wright's Lamp and Gift Shop; Ronald & Anna Hair Salon; them" sentiment expressed Pointe Woman's Club, I Mack Avenue Diner; Carole

exploitation of Christmas

take. Greek Orthodox priest

Kovadas and Presbyterian interim senior pastor the Rev. Bill Yeager will close out the 2004 breakfast pro-

gram at Memorial Church

and Dec. 24, respectively, at

Ben Burns of the City of

Grosse Pointe is a professor

in the journalism program

at Wayne State University.

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He can be reached at

on Lakeshore on Dec. 17

7:15 a.m.

Father Demetrius

Sulad, wine; the Grosse Pointe Theatre; and all printing of tickets by A. H. eters Funeral Services.

The College Scholarship Awards are given each year in May to two recipients, one each from North and South high schools. These awards are sent to the college of their choice for each student which met the scholastic goals set forth by the Grosse Pointe Woman's Club.

My sincere thanks to the club members who worked with me to make this annual fund-raiser a success. We sincerely thank each one for your contribution and we speak for the future student recipients as well.

As the holiday season approaches we wish all a prosperous and blessed

Doris Strek Chairman Ways and Means Committee Grosse Pointe Woman's Club

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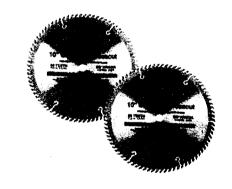
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Letters—

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1 issue of the Detroit Free Press, another \$150 million in new development is scheduled to come into the city of Birmingham in the next year or so. What caused the turnaround?

In a word, attitude.

I'll leave it to you to read the articles in question, but

nors were at one time the victim of "analysis to the point of paralysis." They were so busy studying every facet of every proposal to uncover possible negatives that little, if anything, was ever accomplished.

Their conservative attimay have been at the time, was inherently negative in its effect. Above all, it was

Birmingham's city gover- tive perspective is essential Grosse Pointe Farms City to growth and rebirth.

What came to mind as I

pondered all this is the Grosse Pointe War Memorial's proposal to build a series of luxury condominiums on the property to the north of their facility overlooking Lake St. Clair. It's tude, well-intentioned as it an innovative project that would attract more than a few well-to-do lifestyles that might otherwise be lost to the community.

Moreover, the property in question is currently sitting idle, occupied by old, mostly derelict houses that are ready for the wrecking ball. What was the reaction to

their proposal?

Based on the accounts in our local newspapers, the tiny but vocal mentality in this community that is perennially convinced the sky is falling raised its voice in protest. To hear their opposition, one would think the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, long a source of civic good in the Pointes, is an evil land baron, scheming to ruin the landscape

with slum tenements. Worse yet, it appears the

Council is willing to let this group of naysayers influence its own thinking.

Right now, the project is stalled under the pretense of further study. But what I sense is really happening here is that council members are letting themselves become tentative and overly analytical instead of decisive and positive. And if there is one thing the Grosse Pointes need at this juncture it is leadership that is decisive and positive; leadership that makes things

happen. The longer a project like this is delayed, the more it loses critical mass, to the point where no one pays attention to it anymore and

it simply goes away. I need not remind you of the vacant property at Mack and Moross that went the same disappointing route, or of the alarming signs of deterioration and inactivity that are visible throughout this area: but as the elected leaders of our city, it is certainly proper to ask you to

do just that - lead. Council leadership begins

with a proactive attitude that encourages and enables projects like the War Memorial's proposal, not one

that nitpicks it to death. From there, who knows might happen? Perhaps it might inspire something good to happen in the old Jacobson's building. And from there, it might just generate a can-do, getit-done attitude that gets the rest of the Grosse Pointes moving in the right direction again.

James L. Ramsey Grosse Pointe Farms

School millage

To the Editor:

I would like to thank you for already informing us about the Feb. 22 school millage election, now 11 weeks away. I appreciate the Opinion article, "23% school funds up for vote Feb. 22" (Dec. 9, Grosse Pointe News), in identifying the issues that will be covered. Also, that the residents who go down South to winter will have enough advance information so that they can vote pro or against before they leave or take absentee ballots with them.

The issue disturbs me, for most of the residents, at least in the Woods, have just received their winter tax bills which for the most part have gone up signifi-

I, for one, am concerned that in reading the article, the school board is going to ask for more money. They bond gotten a approved and a sinking



fund approved. What else do they need?

I don't mind renewing current millages but asking for more money is ridiculous. The "Headlee override" that is mentioned needs to be spelled out in dollars and cents and not in rhetoric. How much more do they need? What is being done to control expenditures, if things are bad? What is being done to prevent nonresident users utilizing our school system, at our expense, without paying a cent in taxes?

Taxes, taxes and more taxes is not the answer! Let's have the board present to the community a white paper in terms of what they are doing and have done to control administrative overhead, salaries, debt, programs, construction, new programs, etc.

Every time I view the board's meetings they talk about spending, spending and spending. Why should they be exempt from any other business enterprise that is faced with financial problems that needs to focus on their core responsibili-

> L. E. Majewski Grosse Pointe Woods

Community action

To the Editor:

I was extremely pleased to receive my Neighborhood Club Winter Program 2005 brochure, and to see the let-ter from John Bruce, the executive director, on page six. This letter explains the purpose and importance of the upcoming Grosse Pointe Public Schools millage election, which will take place on Tuesday, Feb. 22.

Mr. Bruce's three-paragraph letter is a concise explanation of a complicated issue. Certainly there is more to be learned and understood on this topic. But the bottom line is: each

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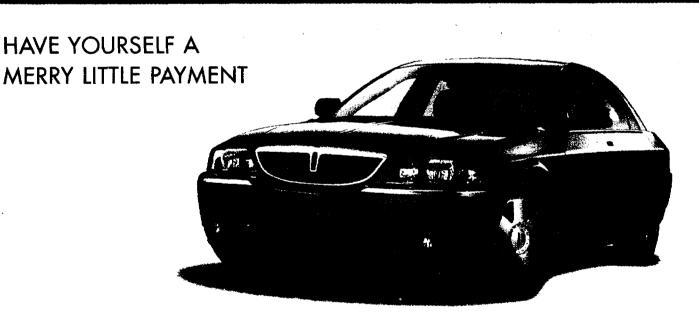
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Consume by 12/17

Why are some people paranoid about food expiration dates?

In the olden days, when I was growing up, if some-thing didn't smell good or look fresh or taste quite right, you considered it spoiled and threw it away or spit it into the sink.

If your Rice Krispies were wiggling, you made a face, yelled "EEeeeeuooo," and dumped it in the trash. If the lettuce on your sandwich was wilted, you picked it off with thumb and forefinger and disposed of it.

Then you ate your sand-

I remember attending a summer camp where we were instructed, up front, before the first meal was served: "If you take a sip of your milk and you think it's sour, drink it anyway. Sour milk won't kill you.'

Expiration dates are perplexing. You could come home from the supermarket with \$150 worth of fresh food packed in 40 flimsy, two-pint bags, one item per

while unloading the goods and stashing stuff in the freezer, refrigerator and cupboards, you might note that some items carry a "sell by" date; others are stamped with a "consume



by" date, still others with a and a few with flat-out "expiration" dates.

Are these suggestions? Are they rules? Laws? Are they guidelines? Or are the cryptic clues for different degrees of spoilage?

On the "best when used by" date, the baby spinach leaves are crisp and green;

a lemon smells lemony; and cuttage cheese is creamy and white.

On the "sell by" date, the spinach is floppy. The lemon has shrunk somewhat: the cottage cheese is watery.

On the "consume by' date, the spinach has wilted, the lemon has morphed into a smaller, firmer version of its former self and

the cottage cheese smells

On the "expiration" date, the spinach is downright slimy. The lemon is a stone. The cottage cheese has sprouted blue fuzz.

If we ignore the cautions, do we face the possibility of an agonizing, painful, lingering illness, followed by an excruciatingly malodorous, disfiguring, brutish

Or are these dates yet another sign of the times overreaction to an infinitesimal danger, followed by the passage of complicated laws requiring federal, state and local funds, an engineering team, a go-around with the National Fresh Spinach Advisory Board,

the creation of a mission statement, a written series of goals, a public advisory committee, policing policies and stiff penalties for those who don't toe the line.

Give me a break. Who would willingly eat blue cottage cheese?

The mother of my two favorite grandsons was raised with expiration dates. She is an Expiration Date Nazi.

When she discovered I had given the boys some yogurt that was two days past its prime, I had to prove it was OK by grabbing the yogurt away from them and eating it myself.

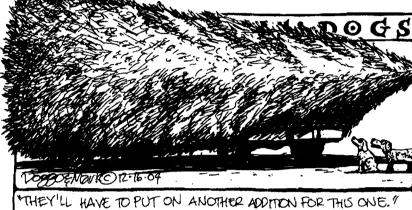
This is not a good example for children.

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The Op-Ed Page





Visit the Grosse Pointe Dogs website: http://gpdogs.keenspace.com

<u>Streetwise</u>

Question of the Week:

Do you have any special memories or " thoughts about the Park Branch Library now that it is closed?



Barb Widener

As a teacher at Pierce, I loved being able to walk directly from the school into the library where the librarians were so helpful."

Barb Widener Grosse Pointe Park

"I was a student at Pierce in the 1950's. The library was a fun place to meet with your friends and it was warm place to wait on cold days for your mother to pick you up.

Jeanette Dehn Grosse Pointe Park



Jeanette Dehn



Sue Lindberg

"Oh, gosh. It was so convenient for me when I was going to Pierce. Sue Lindberg

"I just said 10 minutes ago that I wish the library was open. I ran over there all the time. The head librarian is the nicest man in the world."

Patty Murie Owner of Lloyd David Antiques, Grosse Pointe



Patty Murie



Jennifer Woodman

two daughters there; as a kid growing up in Grosse Pointe Park, I went there all the time. I'll miss the quaint old library but I excited for the new one. Jennifer Woodman

"Not only did I take my

Grosse Pointe Park

"I like getting books from there.

RaeAnne Woodman Grosse Pointe Park



RacAnne Woodman

If you have a question you would like asked, drop us a note at 96 Kercheval on The Hill in Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236 or email to editor@grossepointenews.com

Soot suit

Tom Trefzer, 59, modestly doesn't recall ever kissing a pretty maid on her wedding day to bring good luck, but he has shaken many hands to accomplish the same end.

After 26 years of getting a Santa's-eye view of the Grosse Pointes and sticking his head in fireplaces, Trefzer has decided to turn over his chimney sweeping company and his black top hat to his associate, Justin Karr, 30, of the Park.

The tradition of kissing a chimney sweep on your wedding day or shaking his or her hand goes back to a tale of a sweep who fell from a roof and was hanging from a gutter by one foot when a maid reached through a window and pulled him to safety. They fell in love and were married, according to a tale posted on the Internet.

Trefzer, of the Park, does admit to almost kissing a critter one time during the years of staring into thousands of fireplaces

An elderly lady pointed out her fireplace, and Trefzer put his head in and opened the damper and discovered himself eyeball to eveball with a raccoon. Trefzer shrieked and jumped back, scaring his customer, and the coon shrieked and headed up the chimney. (Actually raccoons don't shriek, they have sort of a chittering click when they are upset, but that is

another story.) That leads us to Trefzer's best piece of advice for folks opening dampers. Keep



by Ben Burns

After 26 years, chimney sweep Tom Trefzer, 59, is handing over his trademark top hat to the next generation, Justin Karr, 30, of Grosse Pointe Park

your head out of the fireplace. Early in his career, he pulled on a chain to open a damper and about 30 bricks fell right where his head would have been if he had inserted it in the fireplace to see what he was doing.

"I wouldn't be here to talk to you if I'd had my head in there," he said.

The black top hats and clothes worn by traditional chimney sweeps date to the 1700s, according to Trefzer, when they were at the bot-tom of the employment rungs and got their clothes as cast-offs from funeral directors.

One time, an elderly woman, German I think, almost fell out an upstairs window she was so excited to see me arrive across the street to clean a chimney. She shouted, 'I haven't seen a chimney sweep since I was a little girl in the old

Trefzer and Karr have

worked together for three years. Karr was originally a customer why asked if Trefzer would teach him the trade. "Not if you are going to be my competition," the owner of Safe Flue Chimney Service said. "But I'll train you if you are interested in buying my company."
"My body is now saying I

can't do this any more,' Trefzer said.

So Trefzer has turned his black top hat over to Karr He says the customers all think "he is my son. He looks more like me than my son, Tom Jr." As Dick Van Dyke

phrased it in what may be the sweeps' theme song in Mary Poppins:

Chim chiminey "Chim chiminey

Chim chim cher-oo! "Good luck will rub off when

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Points about the Pointes

Experience is a powerful teacher. Can it lull us into becoming prisoners of the past?

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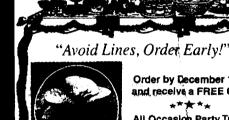
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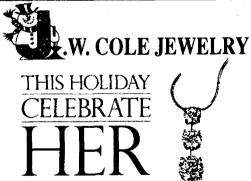
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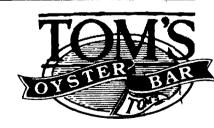
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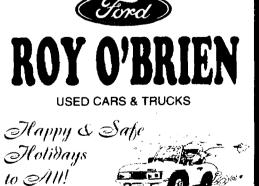
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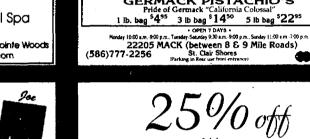
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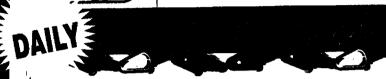
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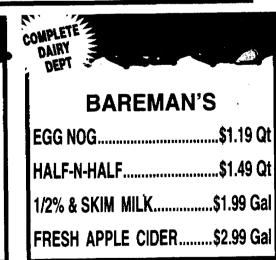
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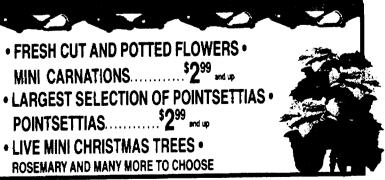
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Students' Book Brigade links old and new libraries

Staff Writer

In a once-in-a-lifetime event, approximately 1,100 children of Trombly and Defer elementary schools and Pierce Middle School ceremoniously passed the 100 last children's books of the former Park Branch Library to the new Carolyn & Ted Ewald Memorial Branch Library in the first-ever Children's Book Brigade on Tuesday, Dec. 14.

During the cold, crisp winter afternoon, the bundled-up children participated in a walking field trip with their teachers to a designated area along the brigade route, which followed west on Kercheval and south on Lakepointe to the future Ewald Branch Library at Jefferson.

Promptly at 2 p.m., the last books began their journey from the former Park Branch, being passed by hand from one student to the next until they reached the final destination at the new library. The first book to arrive at its new home was "The Incredible Journey of Lewis and Clark" by Rhoda Blumberg and the last one was "The Little Red Hen" by Margaret Zemach.

The children counted out loud the number of books as they handed them to the person next to them.

The route was closed to vehicles, and police were in attendance for the children's

Student's Book "The Brigade is a wonderful opportunity for our students to be a part of a historical event in our city," said Walter Fitzpatrick, Trombly principal, "The children will



A group of Grosse Pointe elementary students moving the books along Lake-

forever have a personal connection to the new Ewald Branch Library that will serve their learning needs for years to come."

The logistics of the brigade were planned by Fitzpatrick, Defer Principal Ronald Wardie, Pierce Assistant Principal Margaret Steele, Grosse Pointe Park Police Chief David Hiller and Grosse Pointe Library Foundation Director Marcia Scavarda.

Pierce librarian Caren Villagas was the first person to receive the books and send them on their journey to their new home. The books were passed to Pierce seventh and sixth grade students who stood along Kercheval.

Pierce eighth graders were not involved due to space limitations along the brigade route. Since they will not be attending the school when construction is

completed on its new science labs and classrooms which will occupy some of the empty library space, the school's adminstration decided to have the lower classes participate.

"The eighth-graders are involved in other activities; this gives the underclassmen something special to do," Steele said.

When the books got to Lakepointe, the Pierce stu-dents handed them to Defer fifth graders. The Defer classes lined up in descending grade order, accompa-nied by the school's librarian Libby Vande Putte.

Defer sent out a letter inviting the school's parents and morning kindergartners to partake in the ceremony.

We consider our connection to the public library to be very important since teaching our students to read is one of our highest priorities,".Wardie.said.-

youngest. Trombly kindergartner Marie Troscinski of Grosse Pointe Park was the final link in the chain. She handed the books to Grosse Pointe Central Library circulation staffmember Lanev Corrado who then handed the books to Grosse Pointe Library Director Vicki Bloom. She neatly placed the books on a cart. "I'm just happy that the

kids are a part of this," Bloom said. "I'm pleased that the library is opening soon so they all can come in and enjoy the books."

John Bruce, president of the Grosse Pointe Library Board of Trustees, was another enthusiastic participant in the brigade.

"This is such a great event," he said. "Having the The last Defer kindergartkids being the link between ner handed the books to Trombly Librarian Rachel the old and new libraries is so symbolic of the 75 years Warpole who passed the books to her school's fifth that the library has been is invited to attend. part of children's lives in

Bruce took a moment to reminsce about his own childhood memories of the Park library. "Every week I would go to the library and make a right hand turn to the two shelves that housed books about sports," he said.

While he admits that the significance of retiring the Park library is "just starting to hit me," he is looking forward to opening a state-of-

the-art library.
"Seeing one of the final steps of the Ewald Branch Library completion is very exciting for us," Bruce, said. "This new library will fulfill a need within the community and among this generation of students who will benefit for years from the upgrade in technology and services."

The dedication ceremony is planned for 2 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 8. The public



Trombly kindergartner Drew Agley hands books to classmate Marie Troscinski who was the last student in the Student's Book Brigade.

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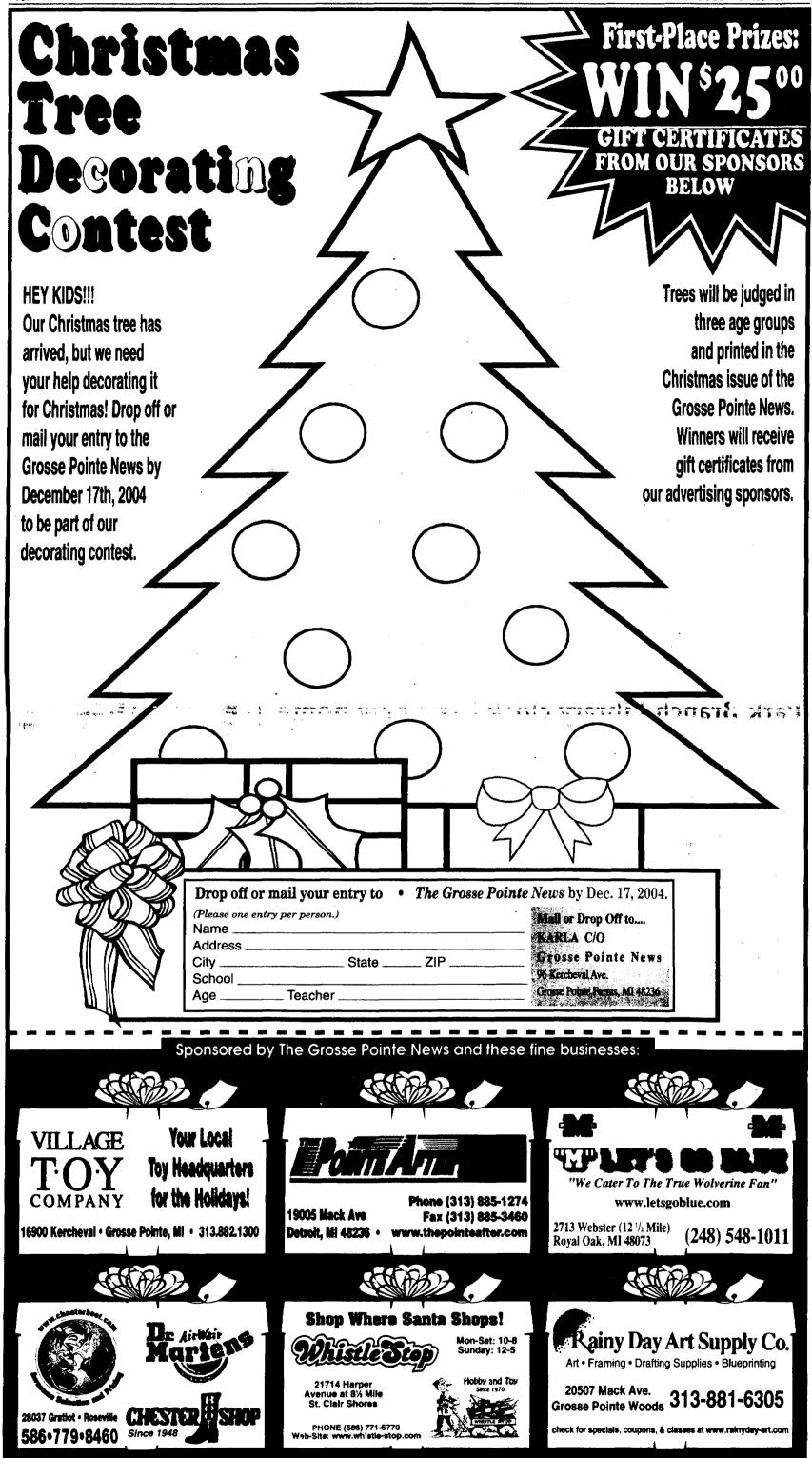
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Renee Marian Gebeck

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Renee Marian Gebeck, 87, died on Thursday, Dec. 9, 2004 in St. Benedict's Center in Minnesota.

Mrs. Gebeck was born on Dec. 30, 1916 in St. Cloud, Minn., to John and Genevieve (Ernst) Stafford. She married Lawrence H. Gebeck in 1939.

She was a supervisor at Northrup King & Co. for 27 years. She lived in Minneapolis for 30 years and in St. Cloud for the past 30 years.

Mrs. Gebeck was a volunteer at the St. Cloud Hospital. She enjoyed quilting, baking, classical music and opera.

She is survived by her sons, Dr. Thomas R. Gebeck of Grosse Pointe and Lawrence H. "Kip" (Georgia) Gebeck Jr. of Coon Rapids, daughter. Minn.; her Gretchen L. (Dr. Richard D.) Smith of Walnut Creek, Calif.; 10 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

She is predeceased by her husband, Lawrence, her parents and a sister, Patricia Ladner.

A funeral Mass was celebrated on Dec. 14 at St. Marcus Catholic Church in Clear Lake, Minn. Interment will be in the

Charities Food Shelf.

Betty Joy Gentile

Betty Joy Gentile, 87, of Grosse Pointe Farms died on Saturday, Dec. 11, 2004.

Mrs. Gentile was born on Nov. 18, 1917, in Detroit. She graduated from St. Theresa High School and Michigan State University.

At the time of her retirement, she was the City of Detroit Board of Education

Administrator. She was also ball and basketball in high a radio pioneer performer on

She was a longtime volunteer of many community organizations including the Girls Scouts of America.

She is survived by her children, Christopher (Ann), Jeffrey, Michele and Jon (Jan), her grandchildren, Gloria Gentile, Christine Kline (Ken) and Michael Gentile (Nadia Tremonti) and her great-grandchildren, Angelica, and Jack

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at St. Paul Catholic Grosse Pointe Church, Farms on Dec. 16 at 10 a.m., immediately followed by a gathering of family and friends.

Valentine Guenther Former Grosse Pointe resident Valentine Guenther, 100, died in Dallas, Texas, on Wednesday, Nov. 28,

2004.

Born on Dec 27, 1903 in Peoria, he was raised in Sheboygan, Wis. He graduated from the University of Wisconsin in 1925 and from the University of Wisconsin Law School in 1927.

Mr. Guenther practiced law in Peoria, Ill. from 1927 to 1942 when he joined Hiram Walker and Sons, Inc. as President in 1968.

He is survived by his wife, Jane Guenther of Delray Beach, Fla.; his sons, James Guenther of Grosse Pointe Woods and Frank Miller Guenther (Johanna) of Dallas, Texas; his grandchil-dren, Christopher Guenther of Jacksonville, Fla., Valerie Guenther Unger (Paul) of Dallas and Peter Guenther (Nicette) of Frisco, Texas; and his two great-granddaughters.

He is predeceased by his parents and his first wife of 60 years, Jeannette Morgan Miller Guenther.

Private family services in Peoria will be scheduled at a later date.

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Peter L. Hage

Peter L. Hage, 58, of Grosse Pointe Woods died on Tuesday, Dec. 7, 2004 in St. John Hospital in Detroit.

Mr. Hage was born in Detroit on May 12, 1946, to Deeb and Adele Hage. He attended St. Philip Grade School in Detroit and graduated in 1964 from St. Martin High School in Detroit.

He played football, base-

Joseph P. Hourihan Joseph P. Hourihan, 86, on Sunday, Dec. 5, 2004, in Buffalo, New York.

Joseph P. Hourihan

While Dr. Hourihan was a native of Buffalo, he spent most of his professional life in metropolitan Detroit.

He received his Bachelor of Science degree from Buffalo State College in 1939, and was awarded his Master's (1942) Doctoral degrees (1952) in Education from Wayne State University. He was granted his MSSW degree from the Columbia University School of Social Work in 1948.

He taught elementary school in Grosse Pointe from 1939 to 1942, and after he returned from WWII in 1946. During WWII (1942-Aleutian Islands, In 1948. Dr. Hourihan became a "visiting teacher" ((now called a school social worker) in the Grosse Pointe School System, where he served until 1958

He joined the Wayne State Work faculty in 1953 and taught part-time in both Social Work and the School in N. Fort Myers, Fla. of Education until 1958. Associate Professor in the

promoted to full professor in coach of his son's team. He 1963. He served as the Assistant Dean of the School school, earning First Team of Social Work from 1968 to Mr. Hage was president of Mattress 1970, and as Associate Dean until his retirement, at which time he was named Professor Emeritus.

Dr. Hourihan's work was known nationally and was instrumental in defining the role of school social workers. He taught courses in social work practice methods throughout his tenure at Wayne State University

He was active in the community, as a board member and trustee of the Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) for over 40 years. He was elected president of the CYO board twice, and received the Joe Glazer Award for outstanding service as a board member.

In addition to ecumenical activities for the Archdiocese of Detroit, he was a founding board member of the United Way agency now called Caregivers. Working with students was his great joy, and in 1999 he established a scholarship fund at the Wayne State University School of Social Work to financially support students interested in pursuing careers as social workers in inner-city schools.

Many people, including Dr. Hourihan, agreed that the following description of him, which appeared in the program for his retirement dinner, captured who he was: "Dr. Hourihan is known as a volunteer with a plethora of community services, an administrator, a teacher, a communicator of condolences and congratulations, a tender of turtles, keeper of the store, a sartorial trend setter, custodian of tradition, a proud son of the Emerald Isle, a main minglier, chief celebrant of special occasions, and with great affection as Uncle Joe.

He is survived by his sister, Mary Meegan of Buffalo, several nephews and many grand-nephaws and grandnieces, as to genera-tions of school social workers whom he taught.

Memorial services were held on Dec. 10 at the Holy Family Church in Buffalo, N.Y. Interment will be in Buffalo.

Memorial contributions may be made to a charity of your choice, or to the Joseph Hourihan Endowed Scholars Award Fund in the School of Social Work at Wayne State University. For more information on the endowed Scholars Fund, contact Marguerite Carlton, Office of Development, (313) 577-8807.

James Thomas Pendy

Former Grosse Pointe resident James Thomas "Jim" Pendy, 46, of Cape Coral, Fla., died on Sunday, Dec. 5, 2004 at Hope Hospice in

Detroit.

He graduated from Grosse Pointe North High School and attended Community Macomb College.

For 15 years, Mr. Pendy worked in the lumber busi-University School of Social ness, first with Causeway Lumber and recently with Raymond Building Supply

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was a communicant of St. Andrew Catholic Church in Cape Coral.

He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth Pendy, his children, John M. II and Kathleen Pendy; his mother, Elizabeth Pendy of St. Clair Shores; his brother, David Pendy (Susan) and his sister, Margaret Zimmerman of Sterling Heights.

He is predeceased by his father, Dr. John M. Pendy A memorial service was

held at the chapel of Coral Ridge Funeral Home in Cape Coral. A service in Michigan will be planned for a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hope Hospice, 2430 Diplomat Pkwy. E., Cape Coral, Fl 33909.



Katharine Walker Pingree

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Katharine Walker Pingree of the City of Grosse Pointe, 95, died on Monday, Dec. 13, 2004 at Bon Hospital.

On February 13, 1909, she Emery was born to Emery Lafayette and Mabel Claire Walker Philadelphia, Pa.

She graduated from Ohio Wesleyan University in Delawater the Delawa Tingree memmber of Delta Gamma fraternity, the Country Club of Detroit, Founders Society Detroit Institute of Arts, Junior Group of Goodwill Industries and the Michigan Humane Society.
She is survived by her

children, Suan Hooker Dotson and Jay Scott Hooker; her step-children, Lewis Lee Smart III, Stephen Elliot Smart and Charles Hazen Pingree; her grandchildren, Kelly Katharine Pingree and Paige Dotson Peabody; her great-grandchildren, John Robert White, Michael Jay White, Patrick Dotson White and Charlotte White Worthington Peabody.

husband, William Plumber Hooker, her second hus-band, Lewis Lee Smart Jr. and her Cape Coral.
Mr. Pendy was born to Dr.
husband, Gilbert Bissell
Pingree; her parents and 45) he served with the John M. and Elizabeth Van her sisters, Elizabeth Mays eleventh Air Force in the Walleghem Pendy in Peters and Virginia Lou Whittaker.

A private memorial service will be held on Sunday, Dec. 26.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Michigan Humane Society, 7401 Chrysler Drive, Detroit, MI 48211.

Anne Watkins **Taliaferro**

Anne W. Taliaferro, 90, of Loveland, Colo., died Wednesday, Dec. 1, 2004, at McKee Medical Center in Loveland.

Mrs. Taliaferro was born October 29, 1914, in Grand Rapids, Mich. to Charles G. and Cecil (Hastings) Watkins.

She spent her childhood in Grand Rapids and graduated from Grand Rapids Central High School.

On June 29, 1940, she married William Muir "Bill" Taliaferro at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Grand Rapids. They met as a result of a friendship between Bill and her older brother John

The couple spent their Paul On early years living in Columbarium.



Anne Watkins Taliaferro

Minneapolis, Des Moines. Seattle, and Pittsburgh, while Mr. Taliaferre was establishing his career in sales and management. During these years, they made many lifelong friends.

By 1953, they settled in Grosse Pointe with their two young daughters. Mrs. Taliaferrő was a homemaker and an active volunteer in the community, as a member of Christ Episcopal Church of Grosse Pointe and the Junior League of Detroit. For 47 years, she volunteered at the Foundation for Exceptional Children in Grosse Pointe, where she loved the children and the work.

She was a passionate bridge player. She was also an avid letter writer and loved challenging crossword puzzles.

Since 1954, many of her happiest times were spent near Frankfort, Mich., at a family cottage on Crystal Lake. She eagerly anticipated

visits with her children, grandchildren, and greatgrandchildren for months in advance.

In 2001, Mr. and Mrs. Taliaferro moved from Grosse Pointe to Loveland Colo. to be closer to their

daughter and her family. She is survived by her husband, Bill Teliaferro, of Loveland, Hail Studenters Cee Ward (John) of Poteau, Okla.; Page Frick (Bud) of Fort Collins, Colo. her grandchildren. Ed grandchildren, Palmquist (Pam) Palmquist (Pam) of Columbia, Miss., Ginger Palmquist-Atencio (Roderigo) of Orlando, Fla., Dianna Frick of Helena, Mont., Lauren Tremblay

Kyla Frick, of Fort Collins, Colo., and three great granddaughters. She is predeceased by her brother John Watkins. A memorial service was held on Dec. 5 at the Spiritual on Dec. U.L. Life Center at Village at Good

(Dave), of Denver, Colo., and

Loveland, Colo. Memorial contributions may be made to The Foundation for Exceptional Children, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms; or to third The Benzie Snores District Bissell Library, 630 Main P.O. Box 631, Frankfort, MI 49635.

Katharine D. Theisen

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Katharine D. Theisen, 92, died on Monday, Dec. 6. 2004, in St. John Hospital in Detroit.

Mrs. Theisen was born in Detroit on Sept. 14, 1912 to Felix and Helen Doetsch.

She was president of the Detroit Archdiocese Council of Catholic Women and of thw Council of Catholic Women at St. Paul Catholic Church.

St. Paul's Altar Society, the Red Cross Blood Bank and the Cancer Foundation. Mrs. Theisen's interests

She was also a member of

included reading, travel and the theater. She is survived by her

daughter, Mary K. Weber (David) and her grandson, Craig M. Weber.

She is predeceased by her husband, Harry W. Theisen.

A funeral Mass was celebrated on Dec. 10 at St. Paul On The Lake Catholic Church, Grosse Pointe Farms Interment is in St. The Lake

MUNICIPAL BUILDING HARPER WOODS, MICHIGAN 48225 PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Harper Woods will be holding a Public Hearing or Monday, January 3, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of obtaining public input and comment on a request from Sharmock Cad Company to increase their rates and charges a permitted by section 24.5 of the Harper Woods Code of Ordinances.

CITY OF HARPER WOODS

Residents who are unable to attend this hearing may submit their written comments regarding this matter to the City Clerk's Office prior to the hearing date.

City of Harner Woods Mickey D. Todd,

POSTED: December 7, 2004 PUBLISHED: December 16, 2004

City of Grosse Hointe Harms, Michigan **SPECIAL NOTICE RUBBISH SCHEDULE for CHRISTMAS 2004**

There will be no interruptions of residential or commercial rubbish pick up during the Christmas week.

All Rubbish Routes regularly scheduled for Friday, December 24, 2004 will be collected before 11:00 a.m. Please have trash ready by 7:00 a.m.

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City of Grasse Painte Mands, Michigan

NOTICE TO BIDDERS-PRINTING OF 2006, 2007 AND 2008 CITY CALENDAR

Sealed bids will be received by the City at the offices of the City Clerk, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan, until 3:30pm, Friday, January 28, 2005 at which time and place the proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud for furnishing the following item as follows: Printing of City Calendar. Copies of Specifications and bid sheets may be obtained from the City Clerk. The City reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to waive any irregularities in the bidding and to accept any proposal it deems to be in the best interest of the City.

Louise S. Warnke, City Clerk

G.P.N.: 12/16-2004

to be in the best interest of the City.

G.P. Park Branch Library closes its doors forever

By Beth Quinn Staff Writer

The library that opened its doors to all seeking knowledge, closed them permanently at 5 p.m. on Dec. 10. With a simple turn of a lock, the Grosse Pointe Park Branch Library ended 75 years of service to the com-

Perhaps it was fitting that the graceful old library spend its last night with the people who knew it hest. After the last patron, Austin Jones, left, librarians and staff from the other Grosse Pointe Branch libraries joined the Pierce staff in a simple but spirited celebra-

"Most of the staff at any of the other branches worked here at one time or another," Central Pointe branch reference librarian James Moffet said.

The ones at the library last Friday were happy to reminisce about the times they spent there.

Clare Kre, who works in tech services at Central, talked about her father taking her to the Park library as a young girl. "It is a par-ticularly fond memory because he died when I was 11," she said.

Romances, similar to those in fairytales, have started at the library. Former Grosse Pointe librarian Christine Mueller met her husband, Peter, at the intimate little library. The day they got engaged, they to commercrate returned that fateful meeting.

Retired staffmember Paula Preuthun took part in the moving of the director's office from the basement of the Grosse Pointe Park City Hall to the Park branch in

time when the other Grosse

Pointes used the Park library as a distribution cen-

ter for the book collections. "The Park library had a little red station wagon which we loaded up with books once a week and took to smaller libraries in other Grosse Pointes," Preuthun

Much of the final day was like any other day though it was filled with last events --the last phone call, last checked out book and the last patron.

As the doors were being locked for the last time, the sound of the last books falling into the drop box got the attention of the librari-

"Our last children's story time was bittersweet," Children's Librarian Cheryl Quinlan said. "Mothers came with cameras in their hands and tears in their

While the staffmembers were sad to leave the library, they were also philosophical

about the move.
"I liken it to the moved from Tiger Stadium to Comerica Park," Pierce Branch head librarian John Clexton said. "The library, like the stadium, is a place full of history; so it was sad to leave, but when you go into Comerica Park, you say, 'Wow! We really needed this."

Clexton and his staff will spend the next few weeks preparing for the opening of their new workspaces at the library, but for a few minutes they celebrated the old

Though champagne is not permitted on library property, corks flew out of bottles of sparkling apple juice.

The bubbly was poured into plastic champagne She also remembers a glasses, and toasts were made to the grand old space.



Park branch library staffmembers, from left to right, John Clexton, Cheryl Quinlan, Tammy ivers. Rachel Dombi and Debby Dumler stand in front the doors with a simple plastic sign that the Park branch library doors forever closed.

Defer Elementary School third grader Austin Jones was the last patron to pass through the Park through the Park Branch's book detector before the doors closed at 5 p.m., below



James Moffet, reference librarian at the Central branch library, pops a bottle of sparkling apple juice during the closing celebration.

Park Branch Library clock has a new home

Grosse Pointe Public Schools gave the new Ewald Branch Library a house-warming gift — a hand-carved wooden clock from the Park Branch Library formerly located in Pierce Middle School.

Its relocation is part of a goal to bring architectural and design features of the old library into the new one. During the planning stage of the Ewald library, a committee of library board members, staff members and patrons discussed various ways to physically move pieces of the Park branch to the new library. They talked about using some of the old bookcases, but they found that not to be feasible.

"Relocating the clock is a real link, not just a symbolic link, between the two libraries," said John Bruce,

Since its opening in 1939, the clock has kept time over the Park's library main desk. At the Ewald Branch, it will be located in the main foyer.

- Beth Quinn



Holding the Park Branch clock in the new Ewald Branch Library are left to right. Gross Pointe Library Director Vicki Bloom, Grosse Pointe Library President John Bruce, Grosse Pointe Schools Superintendent Suzanne Klein and Assistant Superintendent Chris Fenton.

Teen event planned for winter break

The next Teen Activities Pointe Woods Parks and Group event will occur durwinter break on Wednesday, Dec. 22, from noon to 2 p.m. at Harbor Pier Park at 343-2405. Lanes Bowling, Jefferson, just past 10 Mile, in St. Clair Shores. This event is open to

all teenagers in the area. Children may be dropped scholarships off at 11:45 a.m. and picked up at 2 p.m.

The cost is \$10.00 for bowling, shoe rental, pizza and pop.

Deadline for registration is Monday, Dec. 20, at 8 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe Farms Pier Park any day between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., or drop off registration at the white mailbox behind city hall; include name, address, phone and school and a check made payable to the City of Grosse Pointe Farms.

This activity is co-sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Farms Parks and Recreation Department and the Grosse

Recreation department. For more information, call

the Grosse Pointe Farms

TopKid

TopKid will be presenting scholarship checks totalling \$40,000 at its award ceremo ny on Tuesday, Dec. 21, at noon. The award ceremony will be held at Mac & Ray's Banquet Center ,30675 North River Rd., Harrison

Township, MI.
TopKid is a national nonprofit organization dedicated to serving members of the United States Armed Forces by providing scholarships for their children. Grosse Pointer John Selden is executive director of the group.

For more information call (313) 824-8500.

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G.P. schools ask voters to renew, renew, restore

Staff Writer

In a special school election, Grosse Pointe voters will be deciding whether to renew three school millages that they approved in 2000.

Voters will be asked to approve the Hold Harmless Gap" Millage of 8.0784 mills on homestead property for five years. This millage also incorporates the technology millage which was created 10 years ago when the Grosse Pointe Library was part of the school district.

there will be two non-homestead millage proposals.
Non-homestead property commercial property along with rental and second homes. It does not affect owner-occupied residential property.

millage will be a renewal of the current millage of 16.7875.

Originally, voters approved 18 mills for nonhomesteads, but due to of tax revenue due to rising

or the rate of inflation, mately 25 percent in the last whichever is less, that nine years.
amount has been reduced "If the school district's over five years to the 16.7875 mills today.

be to restore 19 mills in order for the school district to receive its full foundation grant, or funding, from the state.

While the third millage has a starting point of $\bar{1}9$ mills, state law requires that no more than 18 mills can be levied on non-homestead. property.

Chris Fenton, assistant On the February ballot, superintendent for business affairs, estimates that the 19 millages allows the school district to levy the millages affect business and full 18 mills for two years. After two years, the mills will again be rolled back to less than 18 mills due to the Headlee Amendment.

The gap millage is entire-The first non-homestead ly based on the number of elections in February in case students enrolled in the school district as mandated by Proposal A. Since 1995, changes to the budget and to the state has limited to notify affected teachers \$1,893 per pupil the amount about job termination before the Grosse Pointe school sys- May. Headlee Amendment roll- tem can collect in "gap millbacks, which limits growth age" taxes. That amount has longer be conducted by the not changed even though

enrollment goes up, then 6.7875 mills today. homestead taxes go up,"
The second proposal will Fenton said. "The homee to restore 19 mills in stead millage is not based on taxable value of property."

Fenton estimates that the district's enrollment will be flat over the next few years.

The three millages provide 23 percent of the school's operating budget. Even with the approval of the three millages, Fenton estimates a budget deficit of \$3 million to \$5 million in the 2005-06 school year.

The state has also made changes to the way school elections can be conducted. School elections can be held in only four months February, April, August and October.

The Grosse Pointe school board decided to hold the the millages are defeated so it can make necessary

School elections will no school district. Now each

Voted and Levied Millages on <u>Homestead</u> Property			
Year	Voted "Gap" & Technology (What Voters Approved)	Levied "Gap" & Technology (What Voters Actually Paid)	
2000-û i	8.0/84 mills	7.4234 mills	
2001-02	8.0784 mills	7.1340 mills	
2002-03	8.0784 mills	6.8291 mills	
2003-04	8.0784 mills	6.7021 mills	
2004-05	8.0784 mills	6.5107 mills	
2005-06 (proposed)	8.0784 mills	6.3500 mills (est.) Millage rate will be set by the Board of Education in September 2005.	

Year	Voted (What Voters Approved)	Levied (What Business Owners Actually Paid)
2000-01	18.0000 mills	17.8236 mills
2001-02	18.0000 mills	17.4207 mills
2002-03	18.0000 mills	17.3632 mills
2003-04	18.0000 mills	16.9777 mills
2004-05	18.0000 mills	16.7875 mills
2005-06 (proposed)	18.0000 mills	18.000 mills(max.) The millage rate will be set by the Boar of Education in September 2005.



MARSHALL FILLD'S ORIENTAL RUG GALLERIES ROBLEWERDS STREETS AT

Marshall File

in conjunction with the ously held school elections. county clerk, will oversee Voters will go to the polling the election. Polling places places where they vote in will no longer be at the three municipal, state and federal middle schools which previelections.

Star of the Sea collects coats.

the National Junior Honor Society at Our Lady Star of the Sea School in Grosse Pointe Woods is collecting gently used winter coats for all ages through Wednesday,

children and adults served as well as scholastic achieve by Crossroads. Coats in good ment.

The Starlight chapter of condition may be dropped off at the school office or the Parish office, located at Fairford and Morningside, through the 22nd.

NJHS students are selected on service, extra-curricu-The coat drive will benefit lar activities and citizenship

Monteith students donate gifts

Students, faculty and families at Monteith Days.

lementary School recently Using the proceeds from Elementary School recently participated in a holiday fundraising project for the Salvation Army. The school raised \$1,100 to buy toys and gifts for needy children.

The fundraising project was organized by the Monteith Student Council. It sponsored two Spirit Days, Hat Day and Silly Sock Day as well as a bake sale to raise money for this project.

Students who participated in the Spirit Days paid \$1 feel good because they may to the Salvation Army collection. Teachers and staff also Lindsay Gallagher, a first participated by donating \$3 grader in Mrs. Trefney's

fundraisers, Gallagher, Schudlich and Healy families from Monteith shopped for toys and gift cards.

They were able to purchase 40 gift cards and over 70 toys and games. All toys and gift cards will be given to the Salvation Army for distribution to needy chil-

dren.
"Buying all the toys for makes me for the opportunity to wear room, said.

Thespians work to end hunger

schools have local food programs as a part organization whose mission of a national food collection campaign - Trick or Treat So Kids Can Eat (TOTS-EAT). More than 206,000 pounds of canned and nonperishable food was collected by more than 250 opment, and advocacy Thespian troupes from 26

TOTS-EAT is a community service initiative of the theatre arts.

Thespian troupes from International Thespian Grosse Pointe South High Society (ITS), a division of School and other high the Educational Theatre collected Association (EdTA) which is 13,255 pounds of food for an international nonprofit is to promote and strengthen theatre education as a means of lifelong learning.

The Association's major areas of effort- educational development, teacher develaccomplish this mission by helping to improve the learning environment in the



Detroit teen arraigned in GPF & City B&Es

Second 19-year-old susptect not yet caught

Brad Undberg Staff Writer

"You're William Lee Sampson?" said, not asked, the judge.

Sampson, 19 years old and veteran of the criminal justice system, rose from a swivel chair in the wings of Pointe Grosse Farms Municipal Court.

He'd been swiveling to keep his face away from a news camera.

Sampson relocated to the defendant's chair. Four straight legs. No swiveling. 'Yes, your honor."

He was arraigned Dec. 8 on multiple felonies stemming from two home invasions, both toward the end of November in the Farms and City.

Arraignments for both crimes were handled in Farms court to accommodate Sampson's other legal commitments.

He was due the next day in Wayne County Circuit Court for arraignment on fleeing and eluding plus in the 700 block of Notre felonious assault. Charges Dame in the City, and on

came from allegedly trying to run down a Detroit police officer while speeding away from authorities in a car stolen during the Farms B&E.

"I never knew me trying to run over a police officer," Sampson protested. "CCW - that's the only charge I got pending."

Sampson was referring to an arrest earlier in Detroit for carrying a concealed weapon.

He was out on bond for that offense when he and an accomplice allegedly committed the Pointe burglar-

In further reference to Sampson's criminal record, Farms court officers mentioned his 2003 conviction in

Detroit for unarmed robbery.
"I understand that had been expunged off my record," he said.

Farms Judge Matthew Rumora arraigned Sampson for home invasions and car thefts committed on Nov. 24 Nov. 28 in the 200 block of Fisher in the Farms. Charges included:

Home invasion first degree, carrying up to 20 in prison and or \$5,000 fine,

· Larceny, carrying a maximum four years and or

 Breaking and entering a garage with intent to commit larceny, a 10-year term,
• Auto theft, a five-year felony, ar d

 Receiving stolen property, carrying five years.
"Do you understand the

charges?" Rumora asked. Yes, your honor."

"You're being charged as a second offender," Rumora Sampson's felony record qualifies him for a sentence

1 1/2 times the normal maximum if convicted of the home invasions and related Rumora entered a not guilty plea on Sampson's behalf and agreed to appoint

Farms Detective Mike



Mike McCarthy, a Grosse Pointe Farms detective, explains to Municipal Judge Matthew Rumora why William Lee Sampson, seated right, rates a high bond on charges of two home invasions.

McCarthy explained why Fisher alone," McCarthy this week's Grosse Pointe Sampson should face a high said.

"Mr. Sampson's only 19 \$200,000 cash. years of age, but he has what we believe (to be) four

Rumora set total bond at

hearing in Farms court separate felony arrests at Wednesday, Dec. 15, after

News deadline.

Police are still looking for Sampson's alleged accom-The next step is a pretrial plice, reportedly a 19-yearold Detroit man.

Mug =
From page 22A

She called police. Officers already had been

alerted by the victim's call. "As I was talking to the dispatcher squad cars were coming down the street," she

Police arrested Moore walking on Calvin toward Mack. It was about 13 minutes after the first 911 call. One block away on Touraine, officers arrested

Wadlington.

the courtroom

him a lawyer.

"I was watching his eyes more than anything because he was looking around a lot," said the wife.

Her husband said, "It was 7:30 at night. Lighting was-The husband and wife n't all that good. It wasn't couldn't identify Moore in like we were standing next

to each other."

The examination ended early due to a change in Woodside's schedule. Testimony from police officers was due Wednesday, Dec. 15, after the Grosse Pointe News deadline.

Wadlington and Moore remain in Wayne County Jail, each on \$150,000 cash bond.

Woodside asked Rumora to lower Wadlington's bond.

"I'm not inclined to do anything with the bond until the exam's over," Rumora said.

Moore's attorney, Shirley Ann Saltzman, also requested lower bond.

"Thus far there is nothing resented in this courtroom that implicates Mr. Moore in this matter," Saltzman said. "I agree," Rumora said.

"He has no felony record whatsoever," Saltzman continued. "He's 20 years old. He's been with his girlfriend, who's present in the courtroom, for four years. They have a home in Detroit and a child who's going to be 3. I ask for a low bond of \$2,500 (of which Moore

would have to post only 10 percent). I know he will return. The family will post certain he is here."

"Given what we've heard so far, there's nothing implicating him," Rumora said. "But there's more discovery. I'm going to continue with it at this point.'

Mark Brecht, the detective handling the case, expects to complete the hearing with police testimony and DNA evidence found on the woman's recovered items.

"Unfortunately, (testing) takes a while," Brecht said. "The officers circumstantially will put the person at this incident.

PSOs honored

By Bonnie Caprara Staff Writer

As Grosse Pointe Woods Public Safety Director Michael Makowski put it: paramedics who risk their lives or do something that makes them outstanding in their careers.'

In the Woods, there are six such officers.

Cpl. Richard Dutcher, public safety officers Jeffry Martel and Dennis Scott Walker and paramedics Charles Krantz and James Thompson were recognized by the Grosse Pointe Woods Department of Public Safety with letters of commendation.

Public safety officer Daniel Marietta was granted a lifesaving award.

Satetu From page 27A

Suspected

their neighborhoods.

female peeking through the

windows of a house on that

block at several times between 7 p.m. on Tuesday,

Dec. 7, and 1 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 8.

A resident in the 2000

block of Anita and a resident

in the 2000 block of Roslyn

both reported a man dressed

in black lurking in back yards in their neighbor-

prowlers

Marietta was given the choking victim is still receivaward for his work in recuscitating a 2-year-old girl who had been a choking victim on Oct. 22.

was blue and her airway blocked," Makowski said. "His quick response and action was the correct procedure, and what he did saved the child's life. The child might not have survived if it had not been for Officer Marietta and the rest of the crew."

The rest of the crew, which included Dutcher, Krantz, Thompson and Walker, who assisted in transporting the child to a nearby hospital, were presented with letters of commendation for their

Makowski added that the ver of the vehicle.

ing in-patient therapy treatment and is expected to return home by Christmas.

Martel was awarded with "Every day there are police "Officer Marietta, when a letter of commendation in officer's line in high teles and whe arrived, found the child his diligence in handling a a letter of commendation in not-so-routine traffic stop on

While assigned to the patrol division, Martel observed a vehicle being dri-ven erratically on River Road. He made a traffic stop, and the driver was unable to roll down the window on his vehicle. He subsequently opened his car door, and Martel observed a .38-caliber revolver within reach of the suspect. Martel weapon before any harm was done to him or the dri-

was able to control the driver and take custody of the

Park either on Friday, Dec. He was also found to be in

10, or Saturday, Dec. 11. Tools taken

A hammer drill, a battery-powered drill, an electric Drunken driver The Grosse Pointe Woods Department of Public Safety sawzall and an electric saw received four separate calls were taken out of a van on suspected prowlers in parked in the 21800 block of Van K in Grosse Pointe Two residents in the 1600 Woods sometime between 5 block of Bournemouth and 5:40 p.m. on Friday, Dec. reported seeing an unknown

Grinched

Four lighted glass bulb ornaments were taken from a display in front of a house in the 1300 block of Brys in Grosse Pointe Woods sometime between 10 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 10, and 10:45 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 10.

hoods between 9 and 10 p.m. Fake ID

A 37-year-old Detroit man drugs tried but failed to get out of trouble during a traffic stop in Grosse Pointe Woods on Sunday, Dec. 12.

The man did not have a driver's license but provided Woods officers with the verbal identification of another person, who had a suspended driver's license and an arrest warrant issued out of the 46th District Court.

When the man revealed his true identity, it was discovered he, too, had a suspended driver's license and was wanted for a warrant out of the 36th District

violation of his parole by driving a motor vehicle.

A 20-year-old Grosse Pointe Farms woman claiming to be the only one of her friends sober enough to drive people home from a party was arrested for drunken driving at 3:14 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 11.

The woman was spotted by Grosse Pointe Woods officers at Cook near Chalfonte after being tipped off by an anonymous cell phone caller who warned of a black 2002 Volkswagen Jetta driving "all over the road.

Caught with

Charges are against a 17-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods male who was caught with drugs and drug paraphernalia in his car found during a traffic stop on Sunday, Dec. 12.

Officers pulled over the teen on Vernier near Marter just after 10 p.m. for not wearing a seat belt while driving.
The officers found a "dime

bag" of mushrooms, small plastic bags filled with suspected marijuana, a marijuana pipe and a scale during a search of the car.

– Bonnie Caprara



Electrical fire Grosse Pointe Park firefighters responded to a fire in the ceiling of a house in the 900 block of Westchester at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. The fire was put out by cutting an electrical fixture.

Cell phone

on Wednesday, Dec. 8.

stolen A Nextel cell phone was taken from a 2004 Jeep parked in the 1300 block of Cadieux in Grosse Pointe

Farms history group blocks demo of 60 Lakeshore

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

A 102-year-old lakeside mansion in Grosse Pointe and Gothic style.'
Farms has too much historic Elsewhere up worth to be torn down and replaced with condominiums, according to a city commission formed to protect the community's heritage.

"The house can be and should be preserved," said Michael Farley, chairman of the Grosse Pointe Farms Historic District Commission.

Commissioners last week recommended the house at 60 Lakeshore be designated for inclusion in a proposed historic district.

The decision means a demolition permit requested for the 5,100-square-foot structure can't be issued until a ruling by the city

"The commission feels strongly that this house is significant both historically and architecturally," Farley said. "I think there are a lot of other people who feel that same way.

Sixty Lakeshore dates to

The house was built on land given by Joseph H. Berry, the Farms' first president of the city council (the early days equivalent of mayor — his photo hangs in the upper landing of city hall), to his oldest daughter Alice upon marrying Dr. Edwin Lodge.

Lodge was great uncle and attending physician at the 1901 birth in Detroit of the famous aviator Charles Lindbergh Jr.

This is certainly one of the oldest houses left on Lakeshore," Farley said. "It was designed by Smith, Hinchman and Fields, the predecessor to Smith, Hinchman and Grylls and is now known as the Smith Group, the oldest continually operating architectural

eclectic house. Basically it was built as Tudor revival with elements of Shingle

Elsewhere up and down the Farms signature street bordering Lake St. Clair, an age of massive and increasingly expensive to maintain manors largely has yielded to development of smaller luxury dwellings clustered in subdivisions.

Inklings of lost estates in the neighborhood of 60 Lakeshore survive in street names marking their former locations:

Rose Terrace, Fair Acres and even Edgemere, the Queen Ann home where Alice Berry grew up before marrying Lodge and moving a few hundred feet down the street to a house of her own.

One of the era's few mansions still standing, The Moorings of Frederick M. Alger, was donated to the community in 1959 and survives as the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

The War Memorial bought and neighboring 50 Lakeshore in 2003 for about \$8 million

Officials made the purto remove deed chase restrictions barring non-residential use that also applied to residential property the community center owns at 40 Lakeshore and would like to expand upon.

Once restrictions were lifted, 60 Lakeshore was returned to the market. No one made an offer, according to War Memorial representatives.

Given the lack of interest buyers, among Memorial officials plan to replace 50 and 60 Lakeshore with three structures each containing four luxury condominiums costing an estimated \$2 million apiece.

Hence the application for a demolition permit, which triggered involvement by the Historic District



Photo courtesy of Grosse Pointe Historical So The interior of 60 Lakeshore is replete with panel-

Commission.

The commission, established in 1999 by Farms ordinance, is separate from but often confused with the Grosse Pointe Historical Society

According to ordinance, the commission is to "promote the use of historic districts for the education, pleasure and welfare of citizens of the city and state."

Its seven members serve three-year terms by appointment of the city council.

"The ordinance was enacted to safeguard the heritage of Grosse Pointe Farms by preserving historic districts in the city," Farley said.

Historic districts in the Farms include houses on Beverly Road (the city's first

subdivision), the water filtration plant and Joy Bells on Moross, the water pumping station on Chalfonte and Kerby, and the Provencal-Weir House (owned by the Grosse Pointe Historical Society) on Kercheval.

"We are charged with helping identify and promote the creation of additional historic districts,' Farley said.

He said 60 Lakeshore is a historic recourse, defined under the ordinance as a "publicly or privately owned building, structure, site, object, feature or open space that is significant in the history, architecture, archeology, engineering or culture of Grosse Pointe Farms, of the state of Michigan or United

Farley is convinced there is an appropriate way to satisfy the War Memorial's plans while saving the

plans by the War Memorial," Farley said. "We're not opposed to condominiums. We're not opposed to some development of that property. But we do feel historically that house should be preserved.'

He supports adaptive reuse of the property.

"We on the commission have suggested making condominiums out of the building," Farley said. "Add onto it if you have to. We talked currently listed on the about moving it to a differ-ent location in Grosse Pointe Historic Places."

Farms or elsewhere in Grosse Pointe."

The house hasn't been occupied for two years and is getting run down.

"With some restoration it house.

"The commission has no could be an absolute show-interest in trying to suborn piece," Farley said. "It was built at a period when Grosse Pointe was transitioning from a colony of summer cottages to more year-round houses. This being one of the first examples of a year-round house."

In a side note on the Farms' heritage, Farley said, "Mr. Berry also gave property to his other daughter when she was married. That house is still standing at 59 Lakeshore. That house is

SOC given early Christmas gift

Services getting an Citizens is advance on next year's financial contribution from the City of Grosse Pointe.

City officials decided this week to forward \$15,235 of unspent federal block grants to the organization.
"I'm recommending this

money represent our 2005 contribution to SOC," said Brian Vick assistant city manger.

Each year Pointe municipalities donate money to the senior organization. The City has given anywhere from \$10,000 to \$40,000 "depending on what was going on at the time," Vick Funds are used for such

things as helping seniors maintain their homes

performing minor mainte-

"The SOC minor home repair program provides residents with assistance in

Older nance jobs, such as painting, storm window replacement and leaky plumbing," Vick said.

Work is contracted for a small fee.

The City's early contribution comes from \$43,165 in Community Development Block Grant money allocated last June for economic development and planning in the Village commercial district.

Work took the form of a marketing analysis. The analysis cost less than the grant, leaving the balance

"That money has to be used by the end of the calendar year," Vick said.

Although members of the city council agreed with Vick, the transfer requires county approval. Wayne County administers federal block grants.

- Brad Lindberg



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Woman, 84, testifies to purse snatching in G.P. Farms

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

This is what it's like to get

mugged. "I was by myself," said the victim, an 84-year-old woman from Harper Woods.

It was 7:25 p.m., Oct. 27. She'd driven her compact car to the rear parking lot of a church on Chalfonte in Grosse Pointe Farms. She'd arrived a half-hour early for

"I backed into a parking space about 40 or 50 feet from the entrance," she said. 'I took my keys out of the ignition. I reached over to the passenger side for my black leather purse and released the door so I could get out. At the same time there was a loud rapping on phone but doesn't use it the glass. I looked up. I looked into a face.

"It was a round-faced, baby-faced person. About my height. Five-foot-4 or 5. He looked short, or he would have been bent over."

The face was of a short man wearing a black knit cap, black jacket and holding what appeared to be a black pistol.

"I could see the face, a cap, a jacket, a gun. It all happened at once."

The victim's account came during a Dec. 8 pretrial hearing in Farms Municipal Court. As she spoke, two Detroit

men arrested for the crime, Curtis Laron Wadlington, 39, and James Lewis Moore, 20, slouched in chairs less than 10 feet away, hands cuffed in their laps.

The hearing was held to see if enough evidence existed to try the pair in Wayne County Circuit Court.

The woman guessed her assailant's gun was made of

"What else would it be?" she said. " I don't know anything about guns. I thought I saw striations that parallel the top and an aperture. He grown a beard since the line-

jerked the door reached into my lap. The gentleman grabbed at my purse. We were both hanging onto the top of my purse.

The tug-of-war lasted "a

second," she said.

"I let go. It was gone."

She said the mugger

never spoke.

her car.

"He was gone." She sat for a moment in

"I've never had an experience like that. I wasn't very, comfortable about it." The purse contained a

wallet with less than \$30 cash, credit cards, identification and one of her house

She owns a cellular tele-

"I ran right inside the church and called 911."

Police responded. She went home and notified Harper Woods police that a thief had on her house keys. She also spent \$116 for a locksmith to change the locks on her house.

Later that night a Farms officer picked her up at home and took her to headquarters for an interview with detectives.

In a Nov. 17 line up of five suspects downtown at the county jail, she identified only one, Wadlington, as a possible candidate.

"Do you see that person in the courtroom today?" asked Marianne Krajedke Davis, assistant prosecuting attorney in Wayne County's Elder Abuse Unit.

"I'm pretty sure," the vic-tim said. "It's not a positive identification."

Asked to point to a susect, she instead named Wadlington, the shorter of the two seated close by

"I figured it was the short gentleman," she said.

If Wadlington has a baby face, it's hard to tell. He's

up.
"Three weeks have gone said the "Anything can happen with facial hair.

In court the woman iden-tified photos of her recovered purse and partial contents, including voter identification and auto club cards which she said had been stored in a "zipper compartment" in the purse.

The victim held firm under questioning from Wadlington's court-appoint, ed attorney, Sharon Clark Woodside.

"I saw what I saw," said

Woodside asked for more specific recollections. Did the victim notice shades in the robber's facial

"I wasn't inspecting him," the victim said. "I was look-

ing at a gun."

Then came testimony from a husband and wife who live on Calvin near Chalfonte one block from where the crime occurred.

"My wife and I were (outside) putting up Halloween decorations," said the husband. "There was a young man crouched down beside our car." "We asked him what he

was doing," said the wife.
"He said he was hiding. He said his brother had been shot about six blocks over." "He was younger, very

well spoken, polite, dressed in all-dark clothing," said the husband.

"He was thin, 5-11 or so," said the wife. So is Moore

"We suggested we call police," said the husband.

"He responded, 'No, no. Don't do that," said the wife. "He asked my husband if he could have a ride home." "I declined," said the hus-

band. "My wife went in the house."

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Parked car entered in GPC

Thieves took a purse out of a 1989 Buick parked Tuesday, Dec. 7, from 4:15 to 4:55 p.m. in the 18100 block of Mack in the City of Grosse

The victim, a Detroit woman, said her purse contained a \$200 Sprint cellular telephone, \$130 personal check and \$30 cash. Police searched the area and recovered other items removed from the vehicle.

Hunter bags leather coat

An unknown man wearing hunting fatigues stole a \$400 leather coat shortly before noon Tuesday, Dec. 7, from a thrift shop in the 17100 block of Waterloo in the City of Grosse Pointe.

"(He) went north down the driveway on a 10-speed bike," said a shop employee.

Hubcap caper

Four hubcaps worth a total \$140 were taken off a 2004 GMC Envoy parked from noon to 8 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 3, in a lot behind shops in the 17100 block of Kercheval in the City of Grosse Pointe.

The vehicle owner, Grosse Woods Pointe woman, discovered the theft upon leaving work at a nearby store. She said the hubcaps were chrome and had "GMC" written in red let-

Patient's purse purloined

A Detroit woman suspects her wallet was stolen while being treated Nov. 27 at a hospital in the City of Grosse Pointe.

"She was taken into radiology at which time her purse was left in her wheel chair," police said. "This is the only time her purse was

it card representative contacted the woman about fraudulent charges made

"She checked her purse and discovered her wallet missing," police said.

Suspicious car

On Monday, Dec. 6, City of Grosse Pointe police impounded a white 1994 Dodge Stealth reported parked in a driveway in the 17800 block of Maumee. "In plain view on the front

seat was a car stereo pulled from the dash," police said. Tools were in (the) passencompartment. woman's purse was on the floorboard. There was minor damage to the ignition."

vehicle identification num- stored on the center floorber on the top of the dashboard.

"(The) vehicle is not to be released until proper ownership and licensing are shown," police said.

Gas 'n' go

On Saturday, Dec. 11, at 10:50 p.m., at a service station in the 17800 block of Mack, an unknown man pumped more than \$18 worth of gasoline into a black Chevrolet pickup truck and drove away without paying.

said police from the City of

Grosse Pointe.

Car B&Es

A cellular telephone in a Coach purse stolen last week from a vehicle parked overnight in the 400 block of Lakeland provided a clue to at least four similar thefts last week in the City of Grosse Pointe and five in the Farms.

The theft occurred during the night of Wednesday, Dec. 8, from a sports utility vehicle parked all the way up a residential driveway.

A City policeman called the stolen phone and learned the following:

"(I) heard two black males and one black female in the background talking about the larceny they just did," said the officer. "(The) perps thought they hung up, and one male was talking about the only reason they answered the phone was (that) they thought it was Jessica."

Police learned Jessica's telephone number and traced her residence to the 4300 block of Neff in Detroit.

Other incidents in the City that night consisted of the following:
A Honda Accord parked in

an open garage in the 800 Washington was entered between 7 and 10

Losses included of a pair sunglasses and keys taken from the glove box.

Also that night in the block, someone same entered an unlocked Ford Taurus and Aerostar parked in a driveway behind a The victim reported miss-

ing an undetermined amount of change and a \$10

Again on that date in the 800 block of Washington, a woman reported her car's glove box rifled sometime between 6:30 and 10 p.m. The car was parked in an

open garage. The woman ported losing a pair of sunglasses and a \$1 bill. More than \$1,400 worth of

tools and supplies was stolen out of a Ford Econoline van parked in the driveway of a self-employed builder living in the 700 block of University.

The builder said someone broke the rear window of his van and entered sometime after 4 p.m.
Stolen items consisted of

screw guns made by Dewalt and Porter, a cable saw and other tools.

Criminals also were active last week in the Farms:

· Thieves broke into a locked 1998 Dodge Dakota parked Tuesday, Dec. 7, from 3 to 11 p.m., in the receiving lot of a high school.

The vehicle's owner, a Detroit woman, said she lost A parking sticker hid the \$200 cash from a purse board.

> neous items found scattered on the rear patio of a house in the 400 block of Madison have been traced to an unlocked 2005 Chrysler Concord owned by a resi-dent of the 400 block of neighboring Calvin.

> The car was broken into sometime after 6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 10. As with other instances reported last week in the Farms and City, thieves rifled the glove box

• Two vehicles parked in "(The) vehicle was reported the driveway of a house in ed stolen out of Warren," the 400 block of Madison the 400 block of Madison were entered during the

POINTER OF INTEREST

night of Friday, Dec. 10. Loss consisted of a \$400 eather jacket taken from a 2005 Cadillac. A 2005 Jeep Grand Cherokee also was entered and ransacked but nothing was taken.

• Sometime overnight Saturday, Dec. 11-12, a tan wallet containing \$60 cash and credit cards was stolen from a car parked in the 300 block of Hillcrest. Thieves entered the vehicle by breaking a passenger side window.

Soon thereafter the female victim received notice from a bank representative of fraudulent activity. "They stated a person

attempted to take out cash at an automatic teller machine," police said. The victim also reported

someone tried to make an ATM withdrawal using her stolen debit card.

House entered

A woman living on Lakeside Court told City of Grosse Pointe police her purse was stolen off the kitchen table sometime during the night of Wednesday, Dec. 8. She'd placed her purse on

the counter at about 10 p.m. upon returning from the theater. "Entry to (the) house was

gained through an unlocked side or front door," police

Sofa trashed

On Thursday, Dec. 9, at 6:25 p.m., a man living in the 300 block of Touraine flagged down a Grosse Pointe Farms patrolman to report the theft of his pink

and white Henredon sofa.

He'd placed the \$2,000 sofa in front of his house in preparation for transporting it to his daughter's home. "(He) stated it could not

have been mistaken for garbage," police said. Two men were seen load-

ing the furniture in a dark pickup truck and driving eastbound on Williams.

Kitchen fire Grosse Pointe Farms pub-

lic safety officers doused a kitchen fire Saturday, Dec. 11, at about 10 a.m., in the 400 block of Fisher. All units responded to the

alarm, including two fire "The homeowner met us

upon arrival stating everyone was outside (the) house and the microwave was burning," said an officer. Firefighters switched off

the electrical supply and put out flames with a water fire extinguisher.

A thermal camera was used to confirm flames hadn't spread behind walls or

Car damaged

Sometime between 6 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 9, someone smashed the Mazda Protege parked in the 200 block of Ridgemont in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Christmas weed

Two men hurrying from a store to a waiting vehicle standing in a no parking zone raised eyebrows of Grosse Pointe Farms police monitoring a parking lot at Mack and Moross Tuesday, Dec. 7, shortly before 4 p.m.

Officers stopped the men's lack 1998 Mercury black Mountaineer as it was driven south to the lot exit.

Investigation turned up a known gang member from Detroit with nearly 10 grams of marijuana in his pants pocket. The 35-yearold man admitted buying the "Christmas weed" in Detroit. State records listed him as

an "active gang member."

A female passenger of the vehicle was wanted in Detroit on two traffic warrants. She and a male passenger were released at the scene. Police impounded the Mountaineer.

Antisocial

A female social worker at a middle school in the 200 block of Chalfonte in Grosse Pointe Farms reported her gray Coach purse stolen from an office cabinet drawer on Tuesday, Dec. 7, between 8:20 a.m. and 3:35

Bloomin' drunk 22-year-old West Α

Bloomfield woman didn't like being arrested for drunken driving on Saturday, Dec. 11, at 2:09 a.m. in Grosse Pointe Shores. She failed field sobriety

tests and refused to take a Breathalyzer test to determine her blood alcohol Shores Judge Lynn Pierce

signed a search warrant for the woman's blood to be drawn and tested for alcohol at a local hospital. "Fingerprints were

attempted, but (she) was uncooperative," police said. Officers had caught her peeding 50 mph in a 1999 Ford Escort on southbound Lakeshore near Woodland

Silent night

Grosse Pointe Shores police, responding to a citicomplaint zen's Thursday, Dec. 9, at 7:10 p.m., told two young men in the area of South Deeplands and Lakeshore to stop soliciting Christmas

EVERYONE

carols for money. Soliciting violates
Shores ordinance.

Dryer fire

A burning clothes dryer triggered a smoke alarm on Renaud in Grosse Pointe Shores on Tuesday, Dec. 7, at 9·15 a.m.

Officers responded and unplugged the appliance. were estimated at

-Brad Lindberg

Slashed

An inflatable Christmas decoration in front of a house in the 1900 block of Hunt Club in Grosse Pointe Woods was found slashed several times the morning of Saturday, Dec. 4.

Bikes stolen again

A red Rhino boys' BMX bike and a silver and blue Schwinn mountain bike were taken from a back yard in the 600 block of Hampton in Grosse Pointe Woods sometime between 6 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 4, and 11 a.m. on Sunday, Dec. 5.

The resident reporting the incident claimed two other bikes were stolen at that house in June.

7-time offender

A 39-year-old Clinton Township man was arrested for driving under the influence for the seventh time after leading Grosse Pointe Woods public safety officers on a high-speed chase. The man was pulled over

at the northern city limits on Mack after his silver 1988 Suzuki was clocked at speeds up to 60 mph at 12:57 a.m. on Monday, Dec. The man had perfect dri-

ving record in Michigan but had six prior charges for dri-

ving under the influence of drugs or alcohol California where he had a revoked license.

Candle fire

A burning candle was the cause of a fire in a four-family dwelling in the 800 block of Beaconsfield in Grosse Pointe Park at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 7.

The flame from the candle caught fire to a computer monitor.

Neon a no go

Grosse Pointe Park public safety officers believe someone tried to steal a 2000 Dodge Neon that was parked in the 1400 block of Bedford during the night of Tuesday, Dec. 7. The ignition was broken.

but the car could not be

Smoked out

A 19-year-old Grosse Pointe Park man was arrested on Tuesday, Dec. 7, after he was pulled over by Park officers in the 1300 block of Maryland for driving without headlights on his car.

Officers smelled the odor of marijuana smoke in the car and believe the driver's suspected use of the drug may have been a factor in the traffic violation.

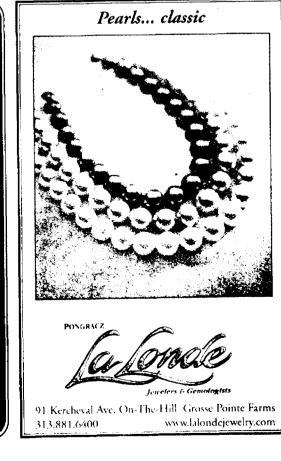
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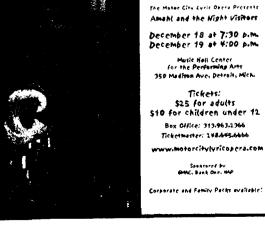
A store in the 19300 block of Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods was the target of shoplifters twice in two days. A portable DVD player

was taken from the store on Wednesday, Dec. 8, and a Motorola 5 gigabyte MP3 player was taken from the store on Thursday, Dec. 9.

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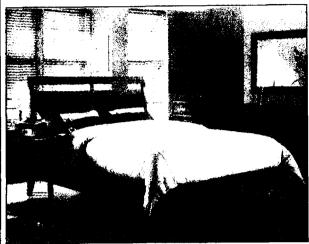


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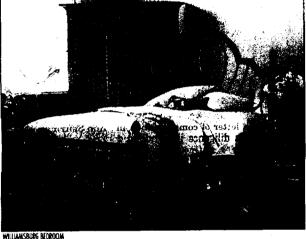
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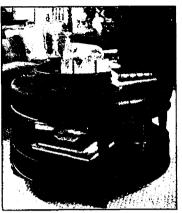




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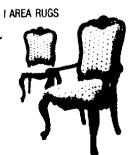
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of a luxury vehicle

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New wheels for their wheels

Worn, old tires are not only unattractive, but they could also be unsafe. If an older vehicle still has steel wheels, try replacing them with new aluminum alloy wheels that freshen the look of any car. A true car enthusiast knows that good tires improve the ride, response and handling of any vehicle, helping to make the ride safer and more enjoyable.

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If your car aficionado spends plenty of time behind the wheel, then make the trip more pleasurable with the perfect accessory, the States, set to launch the latest in portable satellite car enthusiast in world's first luxury hybrid radios. With a satellite radio this holiday season

receiver, you can enjoy dozens of channels of music, news, sporting events, talk radio channels, and local traffic and weather across the country. With today's digital sound quality, you won't miss your college alma mater's next game, even if it's being played half way across the country. Another gift to consider is a trip to a renowned automotive con-cours, such as the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance in California, one of the premier concours in the world, exhibiting prewar and postwar automobiles as well as concept car designs. For more ticket and visitor information on the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance, visit the Web site theconcours.com.

For a stocking stuffer idea, a traveling car-care kit includes everything your car lover will need to clean and detail a vehicle away from home (items include cleaners, polish, wax, mitts, towsponges, etc.). Also, a digital tire pressure gauge would come in handy.

With a little more thought and a few new gift ideas, you might be able to surprise the car enthusiast in your life

Custom car accessories make great gitts

(ARA) — Looking for the vative, fun styling products perfect gift for that car-crazy let car owners express their young man or woman on personality and customize your list? If the sports car with the custom paint job that they've been eying isn't in the budget, give them the gift that will let them add the cool factor to the car they already have.

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their vehicles," says Lund International's Jay Lusignan. Sold under the AVS (Auto

Ventshade) brand name, the components can be purchased as individual pieces or as complete kits, and include front and rear air dams, a down draft, side skirts and fender flares. They're made of a ABS polylines of today's vehicles, and mer blend which is lighter can be custom painted to weight than either fiberglass or polyurethane. These

popular sport compact vehi-cles such as the Ford Focus, Dodge Neon, Honda Civic, Acura RSX, Toyota Celica, Integra Acura Mitsubishi Lancer

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Automotive

The '04 Sebring sedan still looks nice

By Derek Price

With all the flashy new cars on Chrysler lots, it's easy to forget about the company's more traditional models. The 2004 Sebring sedan doesn't have the flashy looks of Chrysler's newest models, but it's still attractive. Its driving feel, however, is slightly unrefined compared to some of

its more recently designed competition.

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You may not have known Chrysler still makes this model — its convertible sister gets all the attention, after all — but it's worth noticing if you're looking for a traditional, sensible,

affordable, good-looking car. The first thing you'll notice about the Sebring is its style. Swooping curves and sleek lines make it look slightly sporty and very elegant, a combination that's hard to find at its sub-\$20,000 starting price. A new front fascia shows off a large grille and sloping headlights, while modest fender bulges give it a hint of athleticism. For a midsize sedan, the look is better than average, despite its aging platform.

The driving feel, however, doesn't quite match the pretty body. The engine feels a tad rough and unre-fined; the cabin lets in too much noise at highway speed; steering and brakes feel competent but don't excel; and the suspension offers neither superb handling nor luxurious comfort.

For basic trips around town, the Sebring gets the job done. The 2.7-liter V6 engine on our test car had plenty of power for confident acceleration, but the delivery just didn't feel

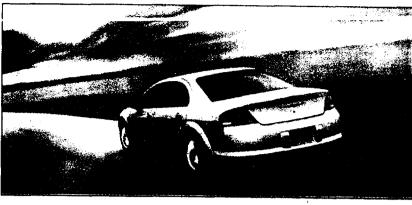


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The 2004 Chrysler Sebring Limited

tery competition from Japan. Likewise, the ride wasn't harsh or particularly mushy, but it also didn't match the refined feel of some other mid-size sedans, most notably the Honda Accord, Toyota Camry, and Volkswagen Jetta. Even the new Chevy Malibu feels more upscale from the driver's seat.

On the upside, the Sebring has a slight size advantage over some of its competitors, and its price compares favorably. Also, the interior has features that might not come standard on other cars, and

there's plenty of room in both the front and back seats. For carrying big pay-loads, the back seat can fold down to let you pass cargo into the trunk.
This sedan is also note-

worthy for its safety. In government crash tests, the Sebring scored a perfect five stars for frontal collisions. Safety features include multistage air bags that deploy with different levels of force depending on the severity of the wreck, optional side curtain air bags, and available antilock brakes.

All in all, the Sebring is still worth checking out

despite its slightly unrefined driving feel. It's not as hot as the newest Chryslers, but that doesn't mean it's not worth taking out for a spin. Roomy front and back seats make the 2004 Chrysler Sebring feel bigger than some of its midsize competitors. It has a large trunk with rear seats that fold down for extra cargo room, too.

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wedding is planned. Sandercott earned a Bachelor of Science degree in psychology from Western Michigan University. She is a provider service representative with Health Plan of

Michigan. Cotton earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in business administration from DePaul University. He is a senior accountant with Health

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Margaret Mary **Nicholson**

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Section B

Beauty through and through

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

He's from Italy. Ciao.

His wife is from New York City. Yo.

They both collect glass artworks from the Venetian island of Murano. But their passions for glass are fired for reasons as different as their native countries are distant from each other.

He's seduced by shape. To him, form follows art. She's fascinated that objects as functional as a vase can be transformed into eloquent expres-

sions of distinction. So, what happens when time comes for Nancy Olnick and

husband Giorgio Spanu to add a piece to their worldrenowned collection of 20th century Murano glass? Who gets the final say?

"We're still married," Spanu said, leaving it at

"Giorgio and I have a similar aesthetic," Olnick said. "We're lucky that way." The public can share the

couple's good fortune by viewing "Murano: Glass from the Olnick Spanu Collection" through Feb. 27 at the Detroit Institute of Arts. "We really fine-tuned this exhibi-

tion to what we thought was the creme de la creme," Olnick said. "There's not one piece we felt iffy

"High quality and design together, that was the main thinking," Spanu said. "Using the old techniques of skilled glassmakers but also with modern design. That is what made the pieces interesting." About 300 vases, from monochro-

matic to brilliantly colored, occupy four galleries of the museum's American wing. A fifth gallery contains 20 objects

comprising "Detroit Collects Murano Glass," an exclusive coda to the main show featuring glass lent by local cells fors.

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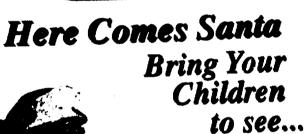
by diffused illumination that reveals but doesn't blind. Light draws out patterns, color and texture that con-noisseurs say makes the medium so

intriguing. "Glass is magical," Olnick said. "Glass is an amazing material. It comes alive when you have beautiful lighting. Glass without light is nothing. Somehow the two of them come together and turns into this magical feeling. It emanates a sort of joy, some sophistication.'

Almost all works are colored



Photos by Brad Lindberg A boldly colored chalice, above, receives prominent display at Murano: Glass from the Olnick Spanu Collection' at the Detroit Institute of Arts through Feb. 27. Other works include, left to right, are an absract chicken vase. Nancy Olnick and husband Giorgio Spanu happened upon the blue and green hourglass by Paolo Venini to begin their collection of Murano glass. Details of a red and white vase featured in an accompanying exhibition, "Detroit Collects Murano





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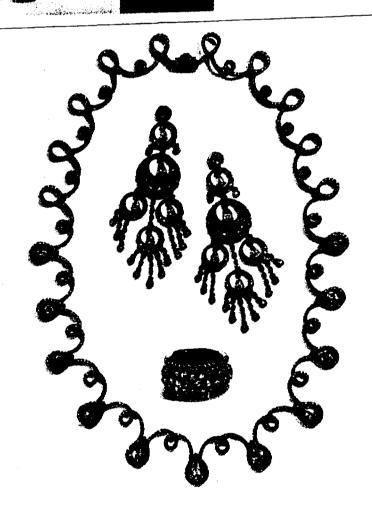
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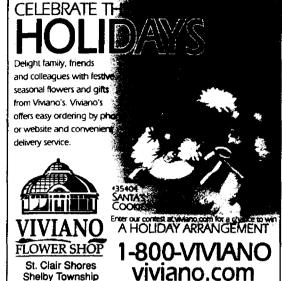
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By Deacon Rich Shubik Paul Catholic Church

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Who thinks about Lent during Advent?

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If you have any questions, please call Deacon Rich at St. Paul: (313) 885-8855.

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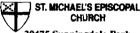
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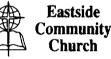
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I'm talking about the Picking of the Tree.

Those of you who have done this without kids are probably thinking,
"What's so bad about that? You just go to the lot, pick one, and voila!"

"Ha! Ha," I say. Once you have kids, the Picking of the Tree becomes one of the most mind-boggling experiences you can have, other than, I imagine, starring in your own reality TV series. Let me explain.

Each year, not being organized or outdoorsy types, we usually wait until the last possible minute so we have to choose our tree from one of the lots in the middle of a discount store parking lot. As everyone knows, this experience is just like going to the forest, except for all of the shopping carts and halogen lights.

Sure, everything starts out fine. We eagerly enter the parking lot filled with holiday spirit and high hopes. Heck, we may even make it past a tree or two in this very same mood. Inevitably, someone will point and say something upsetting such as, "Hey, what about this one?"

That's when a major fight breaks out.

'm not sure why this

always surprises me. Because, let's face it, there is something about the Picking of the Tree that causes even the most apathetic person to suddenly have a wildly passionate opinion.

Take, for instance, my 12-year-old daughter. Mind you, she is the type of person who doesn't even know that trees exist during any other time of the year. But, come December, she must find one that's exactly six feet tall, at least 24 inches in diameter, with bluish-green needles, and preferably in the Pinus Strobus family.

Then there's my 9-yearold son, who claims he doesn't care what kind of tree we get, as long as it doesn't look too tall, too short, too bushy, too twiggy, too green or too flocked, which, if you're not in the know, is a chemical spray that creates artificial snow.

He also doesn't want the tree to look too much

like, well . . . a tree. But don't feel sorry for me. Save it for my friend, Julie. After spending three hours meticulously studying every tree (including the ones planted between the cars in the parking lot), breaking up six fist fights and getting two dozen splinters in her hands, her kids suddenly decided that the only true, ecologically correct thing to do would be to go to the local nursery and buy a live tree.

Maybe I should be more like my friend, Barb. At her house when she suggests, "Why don't we go get the tree," her husband sighs, and then goes into



the garage and pulls down a cardboard box.

The whole family spends a nice, non-stressful evening drinking hot apple cider and unfolding branches.

But where, I ask you, is the adventure in that?

Face it, despite the cold and all of the yelling, there's something special about picking out a Christmas tree together. I'm not sure why. Maybe it's the anticipation. Or perhaps it's from being outside in the fresh air or is related to the effect of the fumes from all the cans of flocking.

Whatever the reason. one thing's for certain: Once the tree is decorated, no one cares what kind it is anymore anyway. In fact, by the time New Year's Eve rolls around, people go out of their way to avoid it altogether.

Nobody ever said that the Picking of the Tree makes any sense.

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• Purify water — Trees improve water quality by slowing and filtering rain water.

• Cost reduction — Trees provide shade and shelter, reducing yearly heating and cooling costs by \$2.1 billion.

 Climate control — Trees moderate the effects of sun, wind, and rain. Increase property value

Well-maintained landscaped properties are 5-20 percent more valuable than non-landscaped estates. Protection — Trees pro-

tect us from downward fall of rain, sleet and hail and reduce storm run-off and the possibility of flooding.

· Glare and reflection control

Wind break, deflection and filtration

Sound barrier

"Since trees are a growing asset to any property, maintenance of the trees is crucial for long-term health, safety, and aesthetic value, said Tim Gamma, president of Gamma's Trees Service and an ISA Arborist. Certified

Many people do not realize that trees have a dollar value of their own. Competent tree appraisers can determine the dollar value of your trees and plants by evaluating the size, type (classification), condition, and location of the trees. With a professional evaluation, you may be able to recapture your loss if they are damaged or destroyed through an insurance claim or as a deduction from your federal income

However, the best way to prepare for an unfortunate, unexpected loss is to take precautionary measures. Even though trees provide many values," Gamma said, hazardous trees can cause significant damage to peo-

Imagine a world without ple's homes if the conditions

Taking the following sim-

ple preventive steps can improve the value of your trees, and might prevent financial loss in the future:

• Plan your landscape for both beauty and functional value.

• Protect and preserve to maintain worth.

• Take pictures of trees and other landscape plants while they are healthy. · Check your insurance.

• Keep accurate records of your landscape and real estate appraisals.

· Consult your local ISA Certified Arborist at every stage in the life of your landscape to ensure unnecessary financial loss when casualty

Trees are alive, like us, and require an investment

nance. Take the above preventive measures to protect your trees.

The International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) is a monprofit organization supporting tree care research around the world. Headquartered Champaign, Ill., ISA is dedicated to the care and preservation of shade and orna-mental trees. For more information, contact a local ISA Certified Arborist or visit www.treesaregood.com.



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Last-minute gift suggestions package with key ingredi-

ents inside. You can even

pre-measure ingredients in

enthusiast, here's a great

idea: Buy vases when you

see them on sale. When you

need a quick gift, pick flow-

ers from the garden, and tie

on items in your home that

they love, remember that

the next time you need a gift

for them. Either wrap up the

one you have (if you no

longer need it), or get them

ful last-minute housewarm-

ing gift, fill a mailbox with

• For a quick but thought-

another one.

When people comment

a ribbon around the vase.

· If you're a gardening

glass jars or bottles.

The best way to prepare for last-minute gift-giving is to have some generic gifts on hand that are wrapped and ready to go. This is something that can be done yearround, so that if someone comes over and/or the mood strikes you, you'll be ready.

Here are some great gifts you can prepare in advance: Books are handy because vou can write a note on the inside to make it a

personal gift for anyone. • Give a batch of your favorite recipes as a lastminute gift. Just handwrite them on colorful index cards. Wrap in a decorative

Sen. Scott asks seniors to luncheon

Sen. Martha G. Scott (D Highland Park) invites senior citizens of the second senate district to join her for a free holiday luncheon from noon to 2 p.m. Friday, Dec. 17, at St. John's NorthEast campus, 4777 East Outer Drive in Detroit.

The second senate district includes all of the Grosse Pointes, Harper Woods, Highland Park, Hamtramck and parts of Detroit.

Space is limited. Those who plan to attend should make a reservation.

Call (800) 726-8878.

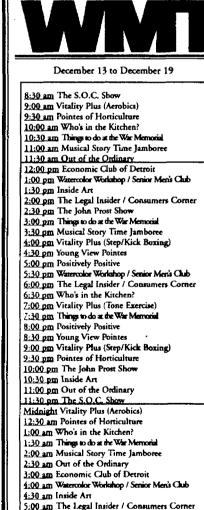


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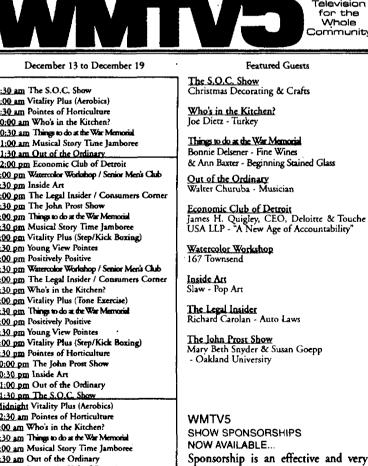
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7:30 am Young View Pointes 8:00 am Positively Positive

6:00 am Things to do at the War Memorial

6:30 am Musical Story Time Jamboree

7:00 am Vitality Plus (Step/Kick Boxing)



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Glass

From page 1B but translucent, allowing examination of a piece through and through down

to its core. The composition and conat the individual glass blower's often secret recipe of sand, soda, ash and minerals, and the centuries-old techniques of how those ingredients were melted in said. workshop furnaces to the consistency of honey.

Works are then blown, rolled and sometimes etched to levels of skill that has made Murano a center of glassmaking for more than 700 years.

"To watch the practice is incredible," Olnick said. "It never ceases to fascinate us to go to Murano and into the furnaces and see them using these ancient tools and ovens.

In 1291, Venetian rulers ordered all glassmaking furnaces moved to Murano as a way to protect Venice from fire risk. Centuries of design and technical innovation fol-

"Our collection only has glass made on the island of Murano, mostly from the 20th century," Spanu said.

During the early 1900s, the process of conceiving glass objects underwent revolutionary change in the shops of Murano. Until that time, the glass blower, or maestro, lorded over the design and manufacture of

Then designers and architects began arriving in Murano. Unlike the old craftsmen, these newcomers would design a piece, yet step back during construction and oversee the crafts-

The partnership resulted in works of extraordinary design and manufacture.

That was a new collaboration, something that had never been done in Murano before," Spanu said.

Most designers had never touched a blowpipe in their

artists in our collection who were able to do the entire process: choosing the right sands, picking the right pigments, designing the piece, building the piece, eventualeven marketing the piece," Spanu said.

Carlo Scarpa, an architect born in Venice and represented in the exhibition by more than 50 pieces, belonged to this new wave.

"Scarpa would never make glass," Spanu said. "Scarpa would use his pen and draw the design. One of his biggest capabilities was to be able to convey to his

glass blowers his idea. People like Thomas Sterns (a sculptor and part-time Cranbrook student at Academy of Art before heading to Murano in 1961) were pioneers. He had no slight idea of how glass was made."

Olnick and Spanu started their collection by happen-

"It was a fluke," Olnick couple was The

Sotheby's auction house in New York picking up a catalog on an upcoming contem-porary art show when they decided to browse.

"I said let's see what they have on view," Olnick said. "From a distance I saw a piece. I didn't know if it was ceramic or glass. But it struck me. The colors. The form." It was a cobalt blue and

emerald green hourglass, than a foot tall, designed by Paolo Venini of Milan. "Giorgio thought of it as

French," Olnick said. "When he doesn't know what something is, he thinks it's French.

They placed a winning

"I was off and running," Olnick said. "We were going on instinct by the beauty of the piece. As time went on, we looked all over the world and found pieces in extraordinary places. It's developed into this collection."

Olnick said certain works of glass trigger an instinctive response.

"I get this twinkle," she "You feel something about it. At least I do. The moment we hold it in our hands is the time we decide to acquire it or not. Glass is very sensual material. When you hold it in your hands you have a feeling for it. There are subtle things in City of Detroit.

it. Colors, form, texture Each piece has its own.

As with many collectors, the real reward of Olnick and Spanu is in the chase, not the conquest.

"Finding an object is exciting, but not nearly as meaningful to us as how this process has enriched our lives," Olnick said. "I can't tell you what great friends Giorgio and I have made along the way. This was a really great adventure we did together."

"We have an amazing show," said Rebecca Hart, DIA assistant curator of contemporary art. "It's a privi-lege for the Detroit Institute of Arts to host a show of this

"We are thrilled to have our collection here at the DIA," Olnick said. "The welcoming and warmth that has gone into their show has been fabulous. I don't think it's ever looked better than it does here. I hope you enjoy it and have fun.

Tickets for "Murano: Glass from the Olnick Spanu Collection," through Feb. 27, are \$10 for adults, \$5 for ages 5-17, \$8 for groups of 20 or more and free for members of the Detroit Institute of Arts. Tickets include a hand-held acoustic tour and museum admission.

A 312-page, \$45 exhibition catalog with full-page color photographs of pieces on display also features essays by Nancy Olnick, Giorgio Spanu and others.

The exhibition is circulat-Exhibitions bу International, New York and sponsored by Venini USA. In Detroit, additional support comes from the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs and the

Make New Year's resolutions that work

If you have trouble keeping New Year's resolutions, here are some suggestions:

• Focus on one resolution at a time. Divide and conquer the activities to achieve your desired results. Break larger tasks into smaller

 Create a sense of accountability. Designate a friend, mentor or companion for sharing successes, monitoring progress and offering

The benefit of involving others in your goals and plans is instant access to experience, knowledge and wisdom. It also raises the

bar of responsibility.

· Persist until completed. A resolution achieved is a combination of consistency and hard work

If you fall behind schedule or are sidetracked for any reason, try to refocus - and don't give up.

Don't surrender to temptation, difficulty or temporary failure. Persist until you achieve the goal.

Cultivate integrity. Have a clear purpose, commit to success and be accountable.

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Exercise claims: true or false?

come by, but not so easy to assess. There is no shortage of experts offering the latest the newest theories, research and the only routine or gauget you'll ever need to get in shape — until the next one comes along.

Below are five fitness claims - some new, some old standbys. They've been reviewed by physiatrists also known as physical medand rehabilitation physicians. Physiatrists are doctors who are experts in exercise physiology and bone, joint, muscle and ligament health. They prescribe exercise to treat various conditions, help patients develop fitness routines to fit their needs and abilities, and treat the injuries caused by unsafe or inappropriate exercise. Here's what physiatrists say about five fitness

Stretching, once thought to be crucial for preventing injuries during exercise, provides no benefit.

While a recent study from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention found that stretching before exercise does little to prevent injury, stretching has plenty of other fitness benefits, especially as we age.

Stretching helps increase flexibility and ease aching muscles. There are, howev er, some stretching dos and don'ts.

Do warm up before stretching, don't bounce and don't stretch a joint beyond where it normally moves. For maximum benefit, make stretching part of your daily routine. If you have pain from an injury or condition such as arthritis, consult an expert. A PM&R physician can help you determine the stretching routine that's best for your body and the type of exercise you want to

Don't be afraid to train through the pain. That's the only way to get the

Pushing yourself through some muscle soreness or minor pain that subsides as you exercise is probably fine. But significant discomfort that continues for more than 45 minutes after you have exercised, or sudden or severe pain should not be ignored. It could be a sign of an injury or medical condition, and continuing to work through the pain might cause more damage.

A PM&R physician can help you determine if pain during or after exercise is normal or a sign of trouble, and may also help you manage or eliminate the pain by prescribing medication or special exercises.

New fitness fads that emphasize short, intense bursts of exercise are just as safe and effective as longer workouts.

Two 10-minute walks are as good as one 20-minute walk for burning calories, and any amount of exercise is better than none. But be wary of exercise programs or clubs that promise dramatic results by rushing you through routines. Lifting weights too quickly, rushing from one exercise to another doing cardiovascular exercises with weights increase your chances of injury, especially if done without warming up.

PM&R physicians have seen lots of patients who have injured their knees, ankles or shoulders through programs that rely on short, intense workouts.

for burning calories, and cardiovascular health, but if you want to avoid knee damage, including arthritis, you should give up running and switch to a low-impact exercise.

If you're healthy with no history of joint injury or pain, running short to moderate distances a few times a week has not been shown to lead to arthritis. If you have

arthritis or if you start to develop problems, however, consider alternating running with lower impact exercise like bicycling or aquatic activities like swimming or water aerobics. PMaR physicians frequently recommend elliptical trainers or stationary bicycles such as recumbent bicycles, to patients who want to minimize impact during cardiovascular exercise. The rule of thumb for avoiding chronic joint pain is to stay active but avoid over-training. Over-training, especially when using weights, increases your risk of injury and can lead to arthritis.

It is important to consult a doctor before starting an exercise program. Consulting a doctor before starting a new exercise program is standard advice

that most people ignore. If you're healthy and have had regular physical exams, you can safely begin a program such as daily walking or

Check with a doctor, however, if you are significantly overweight, especially sedentary or haven't been to a doctor in awhile or if you have chronic pain or are recovering from an illness,

injury or surgery.

A physiatrist can design a safe and effective exercise program tailored to your specific needs and limitations, and also work with you to help you stick to your program and meet your fitness goals.

The American Academy of Running may be great Physical Medicine Rehabilitation (AAPM&R), which represents more than 7.000 physicians who are specialists in the field of physical medicine and rehabilitation, has a new brochure on overcoming fitness challenges. Consumers can find a physiatrist in their area or obtain a brochure, "Choose to Move: Overcoming Obstacles," Fitness

Recovery is greatest gift of all

The holidays are a time of giving and receiving, exchanging good wishes and looking forward to a brighter year ahead.

But for someone trapped in a cycle of addiction to alcohol and other drugs, the holidays can be a nightmare. Family arguments and the financial chaos that often result from addiction can make the holidays a time to dread rather than cherish. That is exactly what many people caught in addiction do: They run as fast as they can from this time of year

is too painful. This time of year is also one of renewal. For those who have tasted what recovery has to offer, the holidays may conjure up painful images of the past. They also offer the chance of memories filled with hope and personal discov-

Mark is a recovering alcoholic who now sees the holidays as a time of grati-

It wasn't always that

"I've got 10 years of sobriety," Mark said. "That first day I walked into an Alcoholics Anonymous meeting was the lowest of

"It was the first week of January, and the holidays were mercifully over. It had been another year of promising to buy gifts for family and friends, and another year when I didn't. My drinking came before anything else.

"I wasn't very good at sharing personal problems. So every holiday I'd show up at my family's door and do my best for a week to hide the shame I felt. Leaving brought great relief.

"Sobriety has brought me than now to change and many gifts — gifts that have been hard-won. My self-respect, for one. It started coming back as I listened to people at AA meetings share stories nearly identical to mine. It was good to know I wasn't alone.

"But the best gift is the ability to have a healthy relationship — something not possible when I was drinking.

Within the past year I've met and married the most wonderful woman in the world. I never thought nappe

"I look forward to the holidays now. I have done my best to make amends to those I hurt during my drinking years. The adults in my family still don't acknowledge my alcoholism. But I do talk to my nieces and nephews about it, and I'm gratified by their love and support.

"Recovery is the greatest gift of all I have ever received. It gave me my life back. No other gift can hope to do that. What I enjoy most about the holidays now is that I get to celebrate that gift and realize that nothing in my life would be possible without

"I've also had the privilege to speak to a number of groups and tell my story. Every time I do, I multiply that gift many times. I am truly grateful."

Mark's story can be told over and over. The characters and circumstances may change, but it's still the same story of wellness personal growth, hope and gratitude, no matter who's telling it.

Maybe you or someone you love knows the first part of Mark's story all too well. There's no better time

stop the pain. You don't have to hit bottom to get help. There is hope and there are many helpful, confidential sources that can tell you about recovery

opportunities. AA and Narcotics Anonymous chapters in your area can help. Many employee assistance programs and county social services offer 24-hour help lines that can give guidance. Or call a chemical dependency treatment center near you.

Help is also available for memb. another painful year with an addicted loved one.

Al-Anon and Nar-Anon are mutual-help support groups for loved ones of alcoholics and drug addicts, respectively.

They help members care for themselves. Many treatment centers offer special family programs to help people cope during their loved one's disease.

Hazelden offers a toll-

free help line at (800) I-DO-CARE for family members and friends of chemically dependent people. Call that number to eceive a free booklet titled What Can I Say to Get You to Stop?"

This health column offers information to help prevent and address addiction and substance abuse problems. It is provided by Hazelden, a nonprofit agency based in Center City, Minn., that offers a wide range of information and services on addiction and recovery.

For more resources, call Hazelden at (800) 257-7800 or check its Web site at www.hazelden.org.

Direct your inquiries to mduda@hazelden.org.



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Community under construction at 21260 Mack Avenue

Tips to ease holiday overindulgence

more than usual. According to a recent online survey conducted by the National Foundation Headache (NHF), 75 percent of respondents indicated that they plan to consume alcohol this holiday season.

Quite possibly, one of the most dreaded aspects of the holiday season is the hangover headache, caused simply by excessive alcohol consumption. Ninety-three percent of the online survey respondents have suffered from a hangover headache.

The discomfort of hangover headache is experienced the morning after because alcohol causes the blood vessels to swell or dilate which, in turn, triggers headache pain and may cause slight sweating. The alcohol also acts as a diuretic, which leads to dehydra-

To help avoid or lessen the suffering associated with hangover headache that often accompanies these annual festivities, the NHF offers some advice and a headache-free drink recipe.

If you choose to drink alcohol, do so in moderation. Try to sip your drink slowly. Mixed drinks containing fruit or vegetable juices will probably have less effect than straight alcohol. Avoid red wine, which contains naturally occurring chemicals called congeners. Fortytwo percent of survey respondents listed red wine as the type of alcoholic beverage that most frequently causes hangovers

Congeners impart the specific characteristic tastes to different types of wine and other alcoholic beverages. Unfortunately, they also may play a role in causing headaches. Congeners are more common in red than white wine.

It is advisable to reduce the actual number of alcoholic beverages you consume. Spend time catching up with an old friend at the snack table with a soda or glass of water.

Eat some honey. Honey supplies fructose, a sugar that helps the body metabolize the alcohol ingested, is rich in vitamin B6 and can reduce any hangover symptoms. Two tablespoons of honey on a cracker or piece of toast, before or after drinking, may prevent a hangover. Tomato juice, another good source of fructose, also allows the body to burn alcohol faster. The sugar in fruit and fruit juices may also reduce some symptoms of hangover; so consumption of these products can be beneficial

Drink fluids containing minerals and salts. Liquids rich in minerals and salts offer relief from the dehydration caused by alcoho consumption. A cup of broth

Diabetes center

The Bon Secours Cottage Health Services Diabetes Center offers individuals with diabetes educational literature, videotapes, and private outpatient counseling to help them "live well"

The holidays provide the or bouillon, for example, will opportunity to eat and drink replace fluid and will not Foundation suggests the cause nausea. In general, replacement of fluids with beverages, such as sports drinks or water, is helpful.

Drink a cup of coffee. Caffeine may provide some relief in alleviating the headache symptoms and decreasing the duration of pain. The caffeine acts as a vasoconstrictor and eases the dilated blood vessels. Consider drinking a cup of coffee as soon as you wake

up the next morning.

Take Ibuprofen. While aspirin is OK, Ibuprofen is typically less irritating to the stomach, and can also ease the pain of hangover headache. Thirty-two percent of survey respondents stated that taking Ibuprofen is the hangover treatment that has been the most effec-tive, more than any other treatment they tried.

Alternate nonalcoholic beverages with alcoholic beverages. Drinking one nonalcoholic beverage between each alcoholic beverage reduces overall alcohol consumption and helps replenish fluids. An easy way to achieve this is when ordering a drink at the bar, ask for a glass of water in addition to your alcoholic beverage of choice.

Eat greasy food before consuming alcohol. While it is wise to be health-con-scious and avoid too much of these foods in general, this is a situation where eating fatty foods may be helpful. If consumed prior to drinking alcohol, these foods help line the intestines, which causes alcohol absorption to take longer. In other words, a burger or burrito before your beer or Bloody Mary might call (888) NHF-5552. be beneficial.

"Champagne Fooler," headache-free recipe, for this festive time of year.

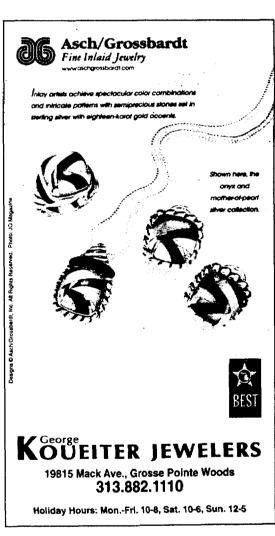
Champagne Fooler 1 1/3 cups apple juice 1 teaspoon lemon juice 12 ounces club soda

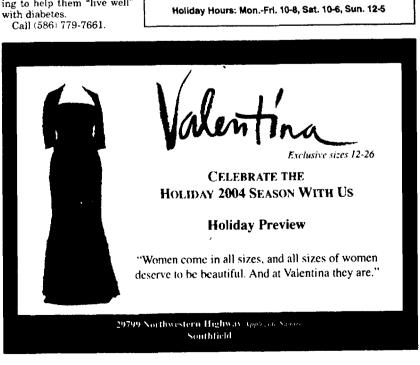
Chill four glasses. Mix together apple juice and lemon juice. Add club soda and stir gently to blend. Pour into glasses and serve immediately. Yields four servings.

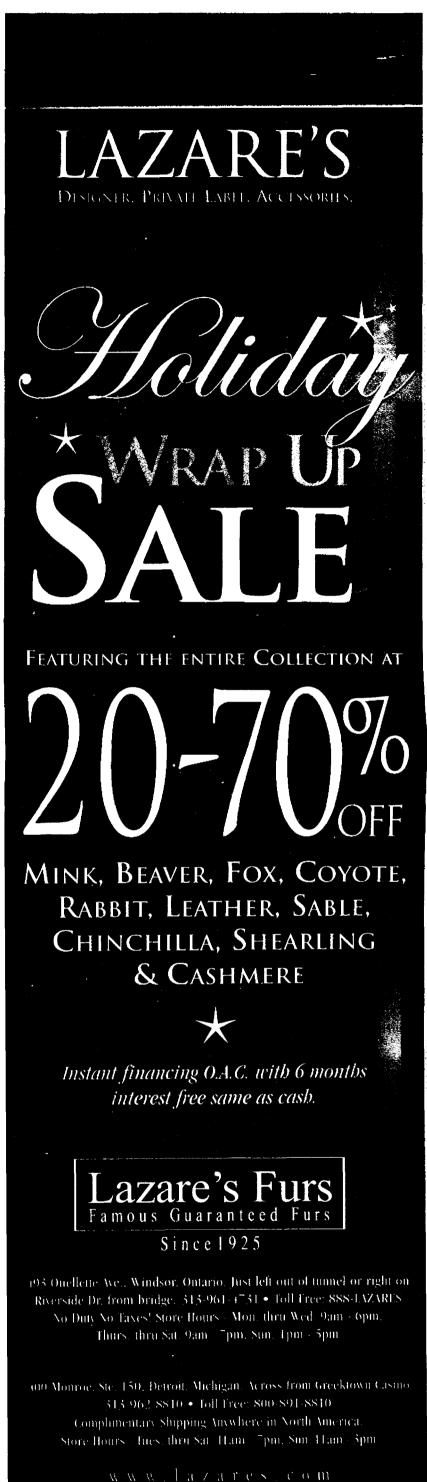
While a headache caused by drinking too much may be more common at this time of year, chronic headaches can be a problem at any time. In fact, 28 percent of survey respondents experience at least one hangover headache every month.

Headaches are a legiti-mate biological disease, which are treatable. If you are experiencing headache pain on a routine basis, make a specific appointment with your healthcare provider to discuss your headache problem and seek diagnosis and accurate treatment.

The National Headache Foundation (NHF), founded in 1970, is a nonprofit organization dedicated to serving headache sufferers, their families and the healthcare providers who treat them; promoting research into headache causes and treatments; and educating the public to the fact that headaches are a legitimate biological disease, and sufferers should receive understanding and continuity of care. For more information,







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Know Your Skin by Lisa A. Manz-Dulac, MD



Hives. Patients who experience a rash with itching may be suffering from a condition known as urticaria. Urticaria in and of itself is not a disease, but rather indicates your skin's reaction to another

A sudden onset of hives may be linked to an allergic reaction, such as to a new medication, lotion, and chemicals or in rarer occasions, food. Rashes may also result from an infection. For some, winter cold air can cause a rash known as cold-induced urticaria.

Hives are usually the result of the release of a chemical called histamine from cells in the skin. Histamine causes the blood vessels to dilate and leak fluid, and this causes the skin to swell, which irritates nerve endings, which results in the itching sensation. A feeling of nausea, vomiting and dizziness may also be present in severe reactions.

Patients with urticaria are most commonly treated with oral antihistamines and topical or oral steroids. Hives which do not resolve with typical treatments may require blood tests or biopsies to help determine the cause.

To learn more about hives, contact your dermatologist or call us at Eastside Dermatology, Dr. Lisa A. Manz-Dulac and Associates with offices in Grosse Pointe and New Baltimore. You can reach them at (313) 884-3380.

Well-child visits

By Dr. Peter Francis Special Writer

Pediatric well-child visits are an important part of every child's health care. The objective of these examinations from birth through adolescence is to assess the child's overall well-being, meniter growth and developmental mile stones, administer immunizations, give

parents anticipatory guidance and catch problems in the early stages. The frequency of well-baby visits dur-

ing the first few months of life may vary

depending on the infant's specific situation. After delivery, a newborn is evalu-For more information, call ated daily in the hospital for two or Secours Cottage three days until discharge. Some moth-Health ers prefer to be discharged 24 hours Promotion at (586) 779-7900 after delivering their baby. This is OK between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. for a healthy baby with an uncomplicat-

ed pregnancy and delivery, but the newborn should still be seen in an outpatient setting within 48 hours of discharge. Typically, breast-fed babies need to be fed babies because establishing the

evaluated sooner after birth than bottlebreast-feeding process often takes time. To assure that the baby is getting adequate nutrition, visits to the pediatrician should be fairly regular until the baby has reached or surpassed his or her birth weight.

First well-baby visit

At your baby's first check-up, a medical assistant or nurse measures the baby's weight, length and head circumference to make sure baby is growing at a healthy rate. The baby's heart rate. breathing rate and temperature also are checked. The physician may then inquire about some of the following:

· How feeding is going.

 Number and frequency of stools, and number of wet diapers a day.

· Family medical history such as food allergies, asthma, etc.
• Home environment, including who

lives in the home and if there are smok-

Mom's sleeping and eating regimen,

and if she is experiencing mood changes.If the baby is looking at faces and responding to voices.

Physical examination

After discussing the baby's adjustment to home, the physician will perform a thorough physical examination of the baby. This will include:

Checking the eyes, ears, and throat. Listening to the heart for murmurs and the lungs for normal breathing.

Feeling the baby's belly.

Moving the legs back and forth to check the hips. · Examination of the genitalia, and

healing of a baby boy's circumcision, if

 The umbilical cord is checked. The skin is checked for rashes, jaundice or birthmarks.

Immunizations and general care

In the first 18 months, many of your baby's visits to the doctor will also include immunizations. Recently there have been some misconceptions that immunizations may harm the baby's immune system or cause certain neurological disorders. There is no scientific evidence to support these fears.

Despite all the cutting-edge technology and spectacular life-saving procedures now available, immunizations are still the single greatest medical advance of the last 100 years. One must only think back to the 1950s and the paralyzing fear of polio that Americans faced prior to the Salk polio vaccine.

If your baby does catch a cold, cough, or a fever within the first few months, do not administer infant Tylenol or overthe-counter decongestants. During these early months, his or her physician should see the baby if there is any sign of illness.

New parents are reminded that babies should sleep on their backs, without fluffy blankets or stuffed animals in their cribs. However, babies should not spend all of their waking time on their back. They need to spend some supervised awake time every day on their tummies in order to build up neck, arm, and shoulder muscles. This develops the strength that helps babies hold up their heads and also prepares them for important future skills such as scooting and crawling. Tummy time also decreases the chance of developing a flat or misshapen head.

Many parents are eager to start their babies on cereal, hoping that a full belly will help them sleep through the night. This is a myth. Evidence shows that babies who are fed cereals and baby foods too early (prior to 4 months of age) are at a much higher risk of developing Type II diabetes. These babies also have a higher chance of developing food aller-

The first year of a baby's life seems like a whirlwind of sleepless nights and doctor visits. But immunizations will slow down around 15 to 18 months of age, and then a child is finished with shots until age 4.

If your child is healthy, he or she still needs to be seen yearly for a well-child visit to monitor his or her height, weight, blood pressure and various organ systems

These visits also give the physician a chance to discuss healthy lifestyle and a es with the child or adolescent

Dr. Francis is a board-certified Bon Secours Cottage pediatrician and founder of Northpointe Pediatrics in Warren. For an appointment, call Bon Secours Cottage Physician Referral at (800) 303-7315.

Teen cancer support program is Jan. 10

Look Good . . . Feel Better for Teens with cancer is scheduled for 6 to 8 p.m., Monday, Jan. 10, at St. John Hospital's Van Elslander Cancer Center.

A parent support group with a child psychologist will take place at the same time elsewhere in the center.

The Look Good . . . Feel Better for Teens program is open to boys and girls ages 13 to 17. Topics include nutrition, social issues and

possible changes in skin, nails and hair during chemotherapy and radia-

The class also includes a 12-step hands-on makeup application lesson, a com-plete bag of makeup, hairloss information, and wig and accessory demonstra-

The teens can experience the best ways to keep skin looking fresh, see the latest looks for bandana and turlearn how to "take charge" in awkward social situations, and meet other teens in similar situations. This is all done in a private setting with the help of experienced cosmetologists.

The program, scheduled quarterly, was developed on a national level by three organizations: Cosmetic, Toiletry, and Fragrance Association, the National Cosmetology Association and American Cancer Society.

To register for the teen program, call the Van Elslander Cancer Center at (866) 246-4673.

For more information, contact the American Cancer Society at (248) 657-5353 or log www.2bme.org.

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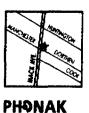
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Bananas, nutmeg add flavor to this cookie

If I am the head chef of my family, my sister Colette is surely the head baker. Everything that Colette bakes is unquestionably the best ever. Whether it's carrot cake or cookies, you can always count on the most flavorful choices at the Rouleau family dessert

I turned to my sister for a Christmas cookie recipe that would be tasty (of course) but not make the baker a prisoner in the kitchen. Colette delivered a tasty recipe for a festive cookie that is not only easy to put together but also boasts the highest success rate for consistency.

Colette's Christmas Cookies

3/4 cup (1 1/2 sticks) butter at room temperature

- 1 cup sugar 1 cup mashed banana
- 1 egg
- 1 1/2 cups flour I 3/4 cups oatmeal
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon 1/2 teaspoon nutmeg 1/2 teaspoon baking

1 cup Christmas M&Mg.

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. In a large bowl, beat together everything



except for the M&Ms. Fold in the M& Ms. Spoon out the batter in rounded tablespoons onto a baking sheet that has been coated with nonstick spray. Bake the cookies at 400 degrees for 12 to 15 minutes, or until set on top and golden brown on the bottom.

Remove from oven, place the baking sheet on a cooling rack for 5 minutes, then use a spatula to transfer the cookies to the rack to finish cooling.

This recipe will yield about 3 dozen cookies. Colette's Christmas cookies are a refreshing change to the ever so

popular sugar-loaded cookies that show up around the holidays. These yummy cookies draw flavor from bananas and spice.

Enjoy this cake-like cookie all year. Chocolate chips can replace the M&Ms after the holidays. Thanks to Colette, way up there in Petoskey.

Sign up for 35th annual New Year's Eve Fun Run

The Belle Isle Runners and the Downtown Runners and Walkers will sponsor the 35th annual New Year's Eve Belle Isle Family Fun Run/Walk, on Friday, Dec.

Runners, fitness walkers and race walkers will meet at 3:30 p.m. at the U.S. Marine Corps Training Center, 7600 E. Jefferson, just east of the Belle Isle Bridge.

There will be a one-mile fun run for children 12 and under, an open one-mile run/walk, a four-mile run and a four-mile race walk/fitness walk.

Runners will celebrate after the race at the Marine Training Center at an awards ceremony that includes refreshments.

All children 12 and under will get a trophy. Early registration begins

Service of lessons, carols

Christ Church Grosse Pointe will Candlelight offer its Christmas Service of Lessons and Carols at 4:30 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 19. The traditional service was designed by the Dean of Truro Cathedral and popularized by King's College, Cambridge.

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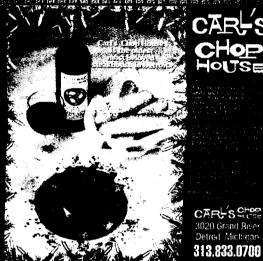
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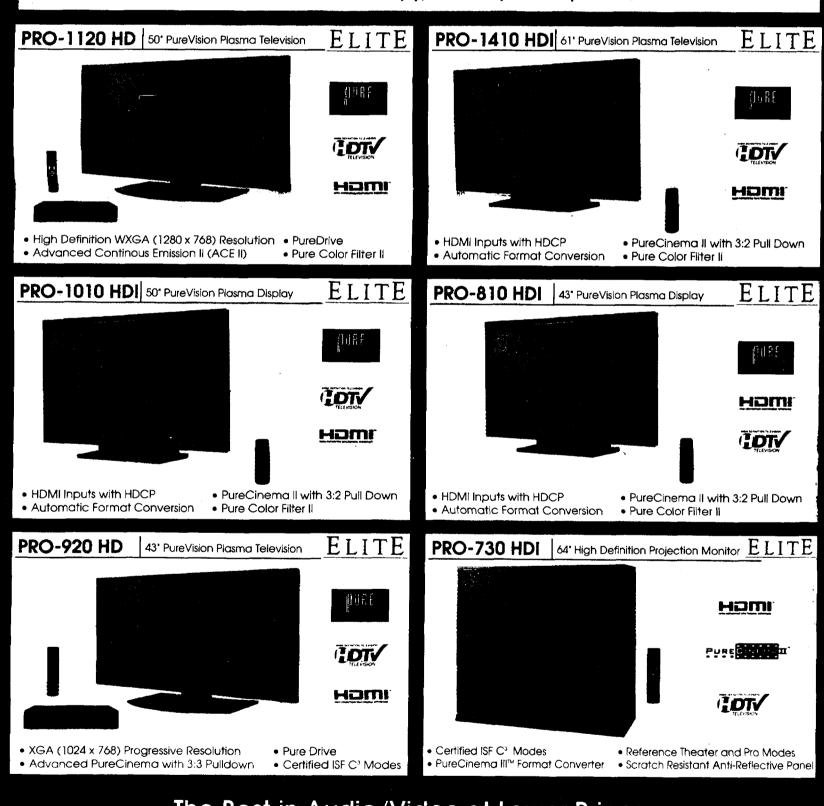
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It's a night of firsts for several Blue Devils players



Photo by Dr. J. Richard Dunlap Grosse Pointe South's Ali Morawski scores top shelf against University Liggett

North beats Pioneers in opener

There's some pressure on Grosse Pointe North's basketball team this year.

The Norsemen are in most of the state Class A rankings, and they're expected to do well with several key players back from last year's 21-3 squad that won league and district championships.

"I think the kids felt some pressure to do well because of the rankings," coach Matt Trombley said after North opened the season with a 59-50 non-league victory over a

strong Harper Woods team. "We just want them to worry about doing the best they can in every game. As a team, I don't think they were really pleased with the way they played in our first game, even though we got the win. It was a good first game for us. It showed us some things that we have to

get better at." Several of the North players have played basketball during the offseason with many of the Pioneers play-

"Harper Woods is an excellent team, and we had a lot of respect for them," Trombley said. "We didn't look at this game as being a game against a Class school. Our kids have a lot of friends on the Harper Woods team, and it's always fun to play against your friends."

The Pioneers jumped out to an early lead and led by as many as seven points in the first half before North went on a run to lead by two points at halftime.

They have some excellent offensive players, but we did a decent job defensively," Trombley said. "I pleased with the way we didn't panic when we got behind in the first half, and with the way we never gave up the lead in the second

North's biggest lead in the second half was 11 points.

Marcell Maxwell lo North with 18 points, David Klein had 14 and Michael Bramos added 10.

"Marcell was the recipient of some nice passes for layups," Trombley said. "We ran the floor well."

Bramos, who has signed a letter of intent to play basketball at Miami University, scored all 10 of his points in the first half.

"Michael is such a smart player and he does a good job of getting his teammates involved. He made some nice passes to Marcell and David," Trombley said. "Now that he's signed, he's under no pressure to put up big numbers."

One of the newcomers to the team also made an impression on Trombley.

"Adam Miller, who played on the JV last year, gave us a big defensive spark and

got our run started in the first half with a couple of breakaway layups. He's going to give us a nice spark off the bench," Trombley said.

Trombley was a little disappointed that his team didn't have a game last Friday before playing Detroit Country Day on Tuesday.

"I wish we could have played Friday because you hate to have a week off this early in the season, but sometimes that's the way the scheduling goes," he

"Maybe the extra time to work on things in practice will help us. too.

North will host Redford Catholic Central on Friday.

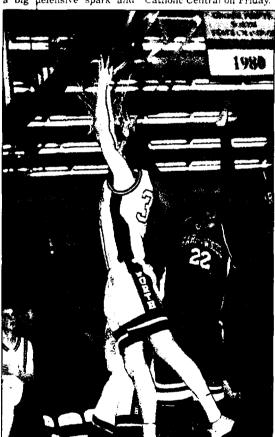


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Grosse Pointe North's David Klein scores on a layup against Harper Woods.

South improves in second game

By Chuck Klonke Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's basketball team made progress from its first game to its second, and that's exactly what coach Jay Ritchie was look-

"We tried to go so fast in the first game," Ritchie said after the Blue Devils beat Warren-Mott 55-42 in a Macomb Area Conference crossover game.
"We had more composure

against Mott. We got some layups off our trap, and we played good, unselfish basketball. We also did better with our ball handling and our big guys, especially Dave Baldwin, did better at ping him.

establishing position under the basket."

South jumped out to an early 7-1 lead, but by half-time the Marauders were

leading 25-20. "We got a little sloppy in the second quarter," Ritchie said. "But in the second half we regrouped. The kids played really hard and played excellent defense.

One of the keys to the defensive performance that allowed Mott to score only 17 points in the second half was the play of J.C. Cruse.

Mott's best player T.J. Webber, scored 12 points in the first half so the Blue Devils concentrated on stop"J.C. Cruse guarded (Webber) alone and held him to two points in the second half." Ritchie said.

Cruse, a sophomore, also had 10 rebounds.

"He's a good passer, rebounder and defender," Ritchie said. "He gives us a

Christian Conrov led South with 16 points and Baldwin finished with 10.

"Brendan Howe played well early," Ritchie said. "He got the start at center and had four rebounds in the first four minutes. He was instrumental in getting us off to the early lead."

Clintondale on Friday.

Grosse Pointe South's 10-victory over Bloomfield Hills in a girls hockey game last weekend was a memorable one for several of the South players.

the first goal of the game, Liz McCaughey, Katie Gerow and Linda Stanek each scored her first goal of the season for the Blue Devils. Jenna Huitsing and Maria Hartman assisted on Hughes's goal.

It was also the first win and shutout for South goalie Caroline Sweeny, who Thirty-eight seconds later, played the whole game, but the Blue Devils regained the wasn't very busy as South outshot the Knighthawks

Annie Shepard, Ali Morawski and Hilliary Inger each tallied twice for the Blue Devils. It was the second straight multiple-goal game for Shepard and the third in a row with at least two goals for Morawski.

Inger also had a pair of assists for a total of four points. Sarah Parker and Alex Rentz had three points each, while Amanda Marsh, Hughes, McCaughey, Mary Dosch, Shepard, Morawski and Stanek collected two points apiece.

A five-goal second period Erin Hughes, who scored carried South to its victory over previously-undefeated

> Marsh opened the scoring 56 seconds into the game, assisted by Katie Dosch. The Knights' Kimberly Dickinson tied the game at 5:20, with assists from Krista Murray and Alexis Bohlinger.

lead on a goal by Shepard, assisted by Morawski and

ULS played a strong first period, intercepting several South passes and foiling the Blue Devils' breakaway attempts with good team play. Each team had seven

shots in the period.

The shots were even at nine apiece in the second period, but South outscored the Knights 5-1.

Shami Entenman made it 3-1 from Parker and Katie Dosch at 2:26, and Shepard tallied her second goal of the game at 3:57 when she knocked in a rebound from Morawski's shot.

Rentz slapped a feed from Ali Merritt into the net at 6:08, and at 7:46 Morawski scored an unassisted goal on a speedy break into the crease. Morawski also crease. scored South's final goal of the period, assisted by line-

mates Shepard and Marsh. ULS's Elizabeth Palmer scored the first of her three goals with 42 seconds remaining in the period.

Palmer's unassisted goal at 4:01 of the third period cut South's lead to 7-3, but Entenman scored Parker at 8:45.

Palmer completed her hat trick at the 10-minute mark a nice pass from Bohlinger, who played effectively at the blue line the entire night.

Dickinson scored an unas-

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Photo by Dr. J. Richard Dunlap

Grosse Pointe South's Ali Morawski, left, and Maria Hartman battle for the puck with University Liggett School's Ingrid Moss.

Late free throw saves Knights

By Bob St. John

Staff writer School boys basketball team kicked off its 2004-05 season in grand fashion last week,

edging South Lake 57-56. "It wasn't a pretty win, but it was a win," head out it was a win," head coach Dean Ristovski said. We didn't defend well: didn't run the offense well and we didn't play the way I thought we would, but the guys did enough things right to come out on top, which is

great for our confidence." Ristovski lost several seniors from last year's squad, which is now composed of 10 underclassmen and only two seniors, Adam and Heaney Jonathan

"We're young and inexperienced at the varsity level," Ristovski said. "My seniors have to take charge until the underclassmen get used to playing varsity basketball. They have talent, but they have to learn how to use those skills."

Wright and Heaney played pivotal roles in the season-opening victory.

Wright, who scored 18 points and grabbed six rebounds, scored the winning point on a free throw with 13.3 seconds left, and Heaney added seven points.

South Lake had two chances to win the game, but both shots it fired missed the mark.

Freshman Nick Waller

made a big splash in his first high school basketball game, The University Liggett scoring a game-high 21 chool boys basketball team points, grabbing a game-icked off its 2004-05 season high 12 rebounds, and block-

ing a game-high seven shots. His presence in the paint forced the smaller Cavaliers to change their shots and shoot more from the outside

Waller helped the host Knights iump on top early, taking a 16-9 first quarter lead that was extended to 36-28 at the half.

South Lake head coach Mike Francis made some adjustments at the half that got his team back in the game.

Despite the adjustments. the Knights still led 47-39 when the third-quarter horn sounded.

We had a decent lead in the fourth quarter, but our kids made some poor decisions with the basketball that allowed South Lake to get back in the game," Ristovski said.

Poor shot selection and turnovers helped the Cavs eventually take a 54-53 lead with two minutes left.

Waller converted a threepoint play to give ULS a 56-54 lead, but Alan Greason hit a basket for the Cays to tie it at 56 with 31.5 ticks left in the fourth period.

Wright was fouled going to the basket and made oneof-two free throws to provide the final margin of victory.

"We allowed South Lake back in the game, and that comes with inexperience, Ristovski said. "Every game is a learning experience for

our underclassmen." That was the case a few

nights later when ULS beat the Academy of Oak Park The Knights were trailing

19-13 with six minutes left in the first half when Ristovski called a timeout. His words must have been

outscored the Rams 13-0 for the rest of the half to lead 26-19 at halftime.

"Our biggest thing is to play together and run the offense, and that's basically what I reminded them of during the Ristovski said. timeout,

"Sometimes we get into a helter-skelter mode. We have to be patient."

Oak Park scored the first four points of the second half but Knights answered with a 9-0 run that included putback baskets by Heaney and Wright, and the ULS lead was in double digits the rest of the game.

Waller was even more spectacular in his second varsity game than he was in his first one. He had 10 points, including an alleyoop dunk on a pass from Wright that provided the thrill of the game for the crowd, 17 rebounds and six blocked shots.

Wright led ULS with 23 points and he grabbed nine rebounds. Matt Langston came off the bench and played well on both ends of the court while scoring 10 points.

Gary Davis-Headd had a good defensive performance and contributed nine points.

South wins another tournament but schedule gets tougher

By Chuck Klonke Sports Editor

The tuneups are over. Now the real tests begin for Grosse Pointe South's hockev team.

The Blue Devils took a 5-0 record into their game against perennial power Trenton on Wednesday night, and coach Bob Bopp hoped that his team would be ready for the step up in competition.

In its five victories so far this season, South hasn't really been challenged.

One of the Blue Devils' closest games so far came in Saturday's championship game of the tournament South hosted at City Sports

The Blue Devils posted a 4-2 victory against Utica Eisenhower to win its second tournament of the season. Earlier, South won the

Big Rapids Invitational.

"It's a little disappointing that we haven't really been tested because I think we have a great team," Bopp

"It's going to get a lot tougher the rest of the seawe've been playing, and I said.

hope we'll be able to keep up with them."

South will play against a solid Dearborn team on Saturday at the Adray tie the game, and 48 seconds Arena. After playing a South later. Shield scored again to alumni team on Dec. 26 at City, the Blue Devils will in the Alpena Tournament on Dec. 28-29.

"Then in the first two weeks of January we'll play Divine Child, De La Salle, Allen Park and Grosse Pointe North," Bopp said.

South had expected to play St. Clair Shores in the championship game, but Eisenhower upset t Shores team in overtime.

"We were looking forward to playing St. Clair Shores because we thought it would be a great rivalry game," Bopp said.

Eisenhower scored the first goal of the game at 4:40 of the first period. It was the first time the Blue Devils have trailed this season.

"They made a nice pass in the neutral zone and their player got behind our defenseman and went in alone on (goalie) David Hollidge, and beat him in son. Trenton's going to be a the top corner of the net lot quicker than the teams with a great shot," Bopp

South to erase the Eagles' lead. Tim Shield scored a power play goal at 11:12 to tie the game, and 48 seconds give the Blue Devils the

They were the first two varsity goals for the South freshman.

"Tim has been playing some great hockey for us, and I'm sure his first two goals of this season will be just the start of a long list of goals he'll score over the next four years," Bopp said. Bryan Mansfield and Ryan Abraham assisted on

Shield's first goal, and Mike Lewandowski and Frankie DeLaura picked up the assists on the second.

Tom Porter scored power-play goal, assisted by Joey Parke and Mac Brookes, early in the second period, and Taylor Ryan scored the Blue Devils' final goal at 8:06 of the second period. Parke had the only assist on Ryan's goal.

"We made some changes in our power play," Bopp said. "It's a different system that gives us a little more explosiveness."

South concentrated on

It didn't take long for defense in the third period, Bopp the most and Eisenhower scored the only goal on a power play at

> "We weren't worried about getting any more goals," Bopp said. "We didn't want to give up any good scoring chances, and if (Eisenhower) made a mistake we would take advantage of it."

Hollidge made 16 saves in

posting the victory.

South reached the championship game with a 7-1 victory over Notre Dame in a game that also counted in the Michigan Metro High School Hockey League standings.

nine days for the Blue Devils and Bopp was a bit concerned that his team might be rusty from the lay-

That was hardly the case. Abraham opened the scoring 56 seconds into the game and South had a 5-0 lead before the game was 9 1/2 minutes old. Abraham scored two more

goals in the period, including one shorthanded, while Porter and D.J. Rentz also

Porter's shorthanded tally was the goal that impressed nament team.

Frankie DeLaura broke in on the wing and I was on the bench thinking, 'shoot it,'" Bopp said. "But Frankie made a great pass across to Tom Porter, who beat the goalie. It was a very unselfish play by Frankie.

The goals by Porter and Abraham came during the same Notre Dame power play.

Porter and Ryan scored second period goals for South, while George South, Ambrozy scored the Irish's only goal on a screen shot with about two minutes left in the game. Kyle Lawrence It was the first game in assisted. It was the first goal allowed by South this sea-

> Brad Allemon made 10 saves in goal for the Blue Devils.

Mike Lewandowski and DeLaura each had two assists for South, while Shield, Sam Mott, David Altshuler, Taylor Flaska, Parke, Tom MacEachern and Jimmy Marshall collected one apiece.

South's three senior captains — Parke, Anthony Swancoat and Porter were named to the all-tour-

of goals right now, but he has six assists in our five games, and he is such a hard-working player," Bopp said. "He never takes a shift off and he plays hard in all three zones. You'll see guys who play great in the offensive zone, but it doesn't matter where Joey is. He'll play just as hard in the neutral

zone or the defensive zone.
"Swancoat has been dominating in all of our games, and Porter has been piling up the points for us."

South had some other fine performances in the tourna-

"David Hollidge had another strong game in goal," Bopp said. "So far, everyone on the team is playing well.

"We have a lot of depth at forward. We have three lines that are scoring. If a team focuses on stopping the line of Parker, Porter and Brookes, we have the line of Abraham, Lewandowski and Shield, which came up with 10 points in the tournament. Then you have somebody like Frankie DeLaura, who has been outstanding in the first five games, so we have



Here are several of the winners in the Pierce Middle School Turkey Trot. In front, from left, are Torie Palffy, Sarah Ventimiglia, Shelby Stone and Caitlin Rivera. In back, from left, are Edwin Gay, Will Kelly and Nick Pavle.

Record number runs for turkeys

A record 150 students participated in the Pierce Middle School's annual Turkey Trot.

the top six runners in each grade for the half-mile and mile runs.

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Ventimiglia, Shelby Stone, Palffy, Edwin Gay and Will

Caitlin Pieroni.

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Medals were awarded to Connor Ray, Alex Bedan, Kelly. North students do well in 7-on-7 lacrosse tournament

North's girls lacrosse pro-

gram. A team of 11 North students, called the New Girls, took first place in their bracket at the Ann Arbor 7on-7 lacrosse tournament. The New Girls won all six of their games.

The team was made up of two varsity players from last year's North squad — goalie Kristin Glovac and attack Vanessa Kuczera nine players from the North junior varsity team that posted a 7-3 record last spring.

The JV players who were on the team were Phelicia VanOverbeke, Kate Zemenick, Natalie Tocco, Christine Rabaut, Katie Szynkowski, Lyndsey Rader, Megan Moore, Lara Zade and Caitlyn Kelly.

The New Girls breezed through their first four games. They started by beating East Lansing by four goals, then defeated the Ann Arbor TBAs, rolled past the Brighton Bulldogs 10-3, and beat the Ann Arbor Tinkerbells 9-5.

VanOverbeke scored 11 goals in the first four games and Kuczera scored 10. Rabaut, Tocco, Zemenick and Kelly also collected goals.

e ahead for Grosse Pointe New Girls defeated East played well in goal through-Lansing 10-4 behind the bal- out Szynkowski, Kuczera, Zade

> In the the Ann Arbor TBAs 10-3.

Glovac, who attended a summer lacrosse camp at

ment. and Kelly. championship Larry game, the New Girls beat coached the team. He was

It looks like better days
In the playoff round the Northwestern University, the tournament. anced scoring of Rabaut, VanOverbeke, who attended Rader, VanOverbeke, Tocco, a Penn State lacrosse camp, had an outstanding tourna-

> VanOverbeke assisted VanOverbeke.

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PEE WEE HOUSE Hawks 7, Chill 2

Jonathan Roberts Justin Martin 2, Jimmy Mattes 2 (Hawks), Isaac Piepszowski Troy Marowske, Assists:

Christian Alber, Adrian Gatzaros, Peter Nelson (Hawks); Erik Roche Comments: The Hawks took an

comments: The Hawks took an early lead and forced the Chill to play from behind. Jordan Teets played well in goal for the Chill, allowing only one goal in the third period. Jimmy Palmer and James Shopped played well as a defension. Shepard played well as a defensive pairing for the Chill.

Chill 8, Mustangs 4
Goals: Greg Griffin 3, Jacob
Swindell 2, Albert Ford 2, Isaac
Piepszowski (Chill; Karl Supal 2, Zachary Ratsek, Samuel Stevenson

Assists: Clark Wells, Griffin, Piepszowski 3, Erik Roche 2, Alex Dane 2, James Palmer, Mac Decker (Chill): Ratsek, Stevenson, Supal, Max Steiner, James Brophy (Mustangs).

Comments: The Chill came out of the first period with a 2-1 lead and never looked back. The Mustangs

scored a pair of third-period powerplay goals. Jordan Teets played well in goal for the Chill, holding off a flurry of shots in the third period. forward line of Ford, Griffin and Swindell had an outstanding game as it combined for a season-high seven goals.

Chill 6, Rangers 2

Goals: James Palmer, Jacob Swindell, Albert Ford 2, Isaac Piepszowski, Erik Roche (Chill); Alex Atsalakis, Sean Milavec (Rangers).

Assists: Albert Ford 2, Alex Krebs, Swindell, Roche, Clark Wells, Piepszowski (Chill); William Hogan, Patrick Gushee (Rangers).

Comments: The forward line of Ford, Roche and Piepszowski controlled play for the Chill. Krebs and Palmer had outstanding games on defense for the Chill, controlling the puck and skating it into the offensive zone. Palmer opened the scoring 30 seconds into the game on a shot from the blue line, but Atsalakis scored 10 seconds later on a breakaway to tie the game Patrick Thomas played well in goa for the Chill, turning away several shots in the second and third peri-

Missed chances frustrate North Cranbrook would probably

By Chuck Kionke Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North hockey coach Scott Lock has watched the film of the Norsemen's 3-1 loss to Cranbrook Kingswood a couple of times, and he still can't believe what he saw.

"Every time I've watched it, I've said, how did that not go in?" Lock said of the many times that North's shots either hit a goal post, the crossbar, the Cranes' goalie or just went wide of the net.

"I can't believe how many good chances we had, but it was one of those games where the puck just didn't go into the net."

North had a 31-19 advantage in shots, and that doesn't count the ones that weren't between the pipes.

"It's disappointing to lose because we did everything we wanted to do," Lock said.
"If you put the three divisions in the state together,

be No. 1, but it's still a game we should have won.

"A couple of nights later, Cranbrook went up to East Grand Rapids and beat them 10-0. We held (Cranbrook's) top two scorers pointless, and they've been averaging seven points a game."

The day started badly for North even before the Norsemen arrived at Cranbrook's rink.

coupled Heavy traffic, with an accident Woodward, made the trip from Grosse Pointe to Bloomfield Hills an hour and a half *rek.

"We got to the rink 20 minutes before game time, so we didn't get a chance to warm up," Lock said. "We had a really flat first period

and fell behind 2-0. North's play picked up considerably in the second period and the Norsemen Port Huron Northern on

North's Mike Rourke scored the only goal of the period on a power play, assisted by Jim Solomon and Julien

Horrie. Cranbrook scored an insurance goal with five minutes left in the game, but North continued to press

"We had four or five golden opportunities in the third period," Lock said.

North, which fell to 4-1 with the defeat, had a good team effort, but several players stood out.

"Jon Tibaudo was a big force in the game, and Solomon and Andrew Tignanelli had good games on defense," Lock said. "Rourke continued to play well at forward, and Jeff Rohrkemper didn't score, but he created a lot of scor-

ing chances." North's next game is at

Canton-Salem beats Norsemen

Grosse Pointe North's big saves. girls hockey team came up short on offense and on defense in a 6-3 loss to

The torpedo style that the Norsemen had been working assisted. on all season exploded.

"We might need to change our game plan," said coach Tim Van Eckoute. "We just defense we've built our profind a fix, and adjusting our third period. system is one step."

shots at North goalie Angela Lee, who came up with some

Emily Nelson got the Norsemen going in the first period when she went endto-end to score the first goal of the game. Janel O'Keefe

Canton-Salem answered with three straight goals. Nelson made it 3-2 midway through the second period, aren't playing the style of but the Penguins added a goal before the period ended gram around. It's my job to to take a 4-2 lead into the our mistakes.

The Penguins fired 41 third period determined to the newer programs playing

shots on goal in the final period, and defenseman Rachel Lenz lifted a nice shot over the Plymouth goalie midway through the period, but the Penguins sealed the win with two late

"PCS is a quality program and they deserved the win," Van Eckoute said. "They shot better, played better

"As disappointing as the North came out for the loss is, it's good to see a lot of stay in the game. The good hockey It makes the Norsemen had 16 of their 35 entire league better."



Holiday cheer

Each holiday season the Grosse Pointe Red Barons football club donates gifts to an area school or organization. This year the gifts from Barons players, parents and officials went to the St. Jude Eastside Catholic Elementary School. The presents were recently delivered to the school. Showing off the gifts are in front, from left to right, Drew Tech, Chad Tech and Adam St. Hilaire. In back, from left are Barons official Cindy Tech, Barons coach Doug Luttenberger, Father Brian Cokonougher of St. Jude and Barons president Rene St. Hilaire.

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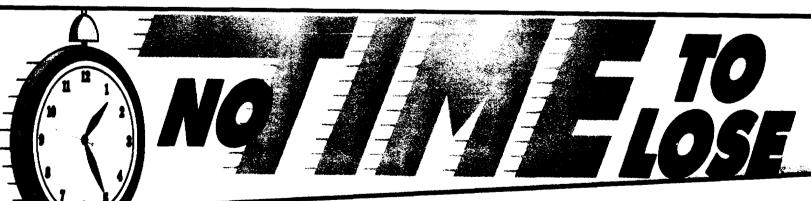
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Winning Thankgiving tournament is as much a tradition as eating turkey for the St. Paul sixth grade basketball team. St. Paul finished first in the St. Margaret's Thanksgiving tournament, beating Our Lady Queen of Martyrs in the final game. In front, from left, are Nick Pangori, Dan Dusina, John Laciura, Mike Esse, Trip Wagner and Chris Cahill. In back, from left, are Christian Koppin, Charlie Miller, Will Quinn, Corbet Conroy, Matt Starrs and Nicky Diehl.

St. Paul wins another Thanksgiving weekend basketball tournament

toumaments has become a tradition for the St. Paul sixth grade basketball team.

The team won its third consecutive Thanksgiving competition, beating three opponents to finish first in eight-team Margaret's Thanksgiving Tourbament.

St. Paul had won the St. Clare tournament the last two years.

"I thought we played well," said John Conroy, who coaches the team with Phil Laciura. "We played solid and patient offense and very aggressive defense.

St. Paul was at its best in

Thanksgiving Lady Queen of Martyrs, winning 35-24. St. Paul had a 21-20 lead before pulling away in the fourth quarter.

Corbet Conroy led the way with 10 points in the championship game, while Nicky Diehl, John Laciura and Will Quinn each scored seven. Chris Cahill and Christian Koppin added two points apiece.

Dan Dusina, Nick Pangori and Mike Esse played strong defensive games, while Matt Starrs, Charlie Miller and Trip Wagner also played well.

Conroy and Laciura did a good job running the offense in the final game, while the championship game Diehl, Cahill and Dusina did against a very talented Our a good job of shutting down

the opponent's top scorer. "Defense was a real key," John Conroy said. "We scored some key baskets off our press."

. Paul beat St. Clement 27-20 in the semifinals and defeated St. Kieran 30-15 in the opening round.

Conroy scored eight points Clement, against St. Laciura had seven and Pangori and Quinn each scored four. Diehl and Koppin had two points

Quinn led a balanced attack against St. Kieran with eight points. Diehl and Laciura each scored six, Conroy and Starrs had four apiece and Miller scored

South spikers young but eager

y Chuck Klonke ports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's vollevball team got off to a good art last weekend at the

roy Athens Invitational. "It's our usual tuneup, oach Kevin Nugent said of the tournament. "It was pod to get some experience ecause we have only one eturning all-around player from last year's team.'

South won three of the ual matches and split the ther five.

The Blue Devils beat Farmington 25-20, 25-19; efeated Sterling Heights 6-24, 25-18; and beat Utica

lisenhower 25-17, 25-21. The splits came against offense. Warren-Mott (24-26, 26-24), Nuge Birmingham Seaholm (13-25, 25-11), Warren Woodsand Athens (16-25, 25-20). "I was really pleased with

our two players at the six position," Nugent said. "Brooke Ziehr, especially, came into her own in this tournament. You could see the switch go on. She's figured out just what this is all about. Kelly Springborn also played well at the six "

Rachel Sullivan, a thirdyear returning starter at the important setter position, had an excellent tournament. "Rachel did a terrific job of

setting all day," Nugent said. "She recognized that we have a young team and she took control. When we were having some trouble hitting, she created her own

5, 25-11), Warren Woods-senior middle hitter Ashley "They've picked up a lot bwer (20-25, 25-22), Ann Read, and Allison Fennell early in the season, and I Arbor Pioneer (14-25, 25-21) also played well at the posithink we should be a fine

tion. "Our two junior outside most of our goals."

hitters, Margi Scholtes and Dana Schweitzer, are doing a nice job of learning the hitting techniques," Nugent said.

Jessica Ogden was used sparingly because of an injury, but Nugent is counting on her to be a key player when the Blue Devils begin defense of their Macomb Area Conference Division championship in January.

Other players who will be counted on to make contributions in backup roles are Lauren Russell, Mary Kate Peltz, Valentino LoSavio and Emily Walton.

"We're young and inexperienced, but the girls have Nugent said that the shown a great work ethic in offense worked well around practice," Nugent said. Nugent said. team that will accomplish

South volleyball camp starts Dec. 30

camp series will be held on Thursday, Dec. 30.

The first session of the stress passing fundamentals

third annual camp will and four will run from 8 to \$20, but if campers enroll for the period, and Morawski

Grosse Pointe South Blue will be held on Saturday, Devils winter volleyball Jan. 22, will feature attacking and serving fundamentals.

> Level 1 for grades three 10 a.m. Level 2, grades five and six, will be from 10 a.m. \$35.

North wins Armada tourney Camp Series was created

Grosse Pointe North's wrestling team had a successful week, taking first place in the Armada Team Tournament and beating crosstown rival Grosse Pointe South in a dual meet.

The Norsemen won all five rounds at Armada, defeating the host Tigers, St. Clair Shores Lakeview, Canton, Sterling Heights Stevenson and Warren Cousino.

Five North wrestlers won all five of their matches, led by Scott Gawel at 215 pounds, who pinned his way through the tournament. Gawel has won 10 of his 11 matches this year by falls.

The other undefeated Norsemen were Mike Kurdziel at 119 pounds, Mike Czarnecki at 135 and 140, Mike Murphy at 171 and heavyweight Spencer Channel.

Arsenio Hall at four wins at 130 points, while Jack Todd, wrestling at 140 and 145, had three wins.

In the dual meet against South, North won 11 of 14 matches on the way to a 56-

18 victory. The Norsemen will com-Anchor Bay High School on cast.net.

Friday and Saturday.

The second session, which until noon. Level 3 for seventh and eighth graders will be from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. All of the sessions will be

at Grosse Pointe South High School. The cost for each is both sessions, the cost is

and is run by current and former members of South's volleyball program. The camp is overseen by the Blue Devils' coaching staff which includes Kevin Nugent, Becky Scholtes, Patti Hunter and Melissa Criteser.

All participants will receive a T-shirt. There will be no fewer than one coach and one player for every eight participants.

participants.

For more information or a pete in the Macomb County registration form, contact Individual tournament at Nugent at kpnugent@com-

South swimmers have a productive opening meet

Grosse Pointe South's boys swimming team opened the season with a pair of decisive victories in a double-dual meet with Plymouth Salem and Ann Arbor Huron.

The Blue Devils defeated Salem 134-49 and beat Huron 116-70.

South won all three relays in state-qualifying times.

In the first race of the sea son, the Blue Devils' all-senior 200-yard medley relay team of David Richardson-Rossbach, Luke Richard, Pete Stevens and Ryan Gunderson qualified for the state meet in 1:42.40, beating second-place Huron by three seconds.
South's B relay of Robby

Browning, Andrew Graham, Michael Manos and Wilson Holm was third in 1:47.17.

Gunderson, Richard, Jon Sax and Casey Browning won the 200 freestyle relay in 1:31.91. The 400 freestyle relay was won by the team of Sax, Jeff Tompkins, Richardson-Rossbach and Casey Browning in 3:24.04.

South's B teams finished fourth in both of the freestyle relays, showing the depth of the Blue Devils' ros-

ter.
"I was very pleased with how the team did, considering this was our first meet and it is still quite early in the season," said South coach Bill Thompson.

Hockey

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sisted goal on a breakaway at 11:28. Rentz completed the scoring with her second goal only eight seconds later.

Morawski finished with two goals and two assists, while Marsh and Shepard collected three points apiece and Parker, Entenma, Rentz and Katie Dosch had two points each.

Inger was a plus three for South, while Katie Dosch led the defense with a plus five. Stanek and Hartman also played well for the Blue Devils.

A productive second period was the difference for South in its victory over Ann Arbor.

Although the Blue Devils had a 9-1 shot advantage in the first period, Parker scored the only goal of the game from Shepard and Caitlin Lariscy with 6:42 left in the period.

South fired 27 shots at Pioneers goalie Kristina Walker in the second period and scored five goals.

Shepard started the outburst with just under 10 minutes left in the period on a slapshot from the goalie's right, assisted by Lariscy and Morawski.

The Blue Devils got goals from Morawski in the period, and one apiece from Inger, who stuffed who Entenman's rebound into the net, and Marsh, who tucked in a rebound during a power play.

Morawski's second goal of the period with 16 seconds remaining came on a nice breakout play with assists

from Inger and Katie Dosch. Parker had two assists in Hartman had one and apiece

Ann Arbor scored twice in the third period. Alexis Bourne scored on a breakaway with 6:33 left, but Hartman scored for South with 2:08 to go, assisted by Morawski and Marsh. Annelise Heeringa scored the Pioneers' final goal with seconds remaining.

South held a 44-7 edge in shots. The Blue Devils got a strong defensive game from Merritt, Stanek and Katie Dosch.

Whitney Hughes played the first two periods in goal Each level is limited to 36 for South, and made two saves to post the win. Sweeny relieved and made three saves.

South, 6-0, hosts Walled Lake tonight, Dec. 16, at 7:30 at the City Sports Arena.

mers on the team, and the seniors did a great job making sure they were all ready for their first high school

competition."
Three of the individual events were dominated by Blue Devils.

Casey Browning took first in the 200 freestyle and the 500 freestyle, posting state cuts in both events. In his first meet of the season the South junior qualified for the state meet in four

Sophomore Danny Basile narrowly missed the cut, finishing second in the 500 freestyle in 5:00.88. He was fourth in the 200 freestyle.

South swept the 100 backstroke, led by Robby Browning, who finished in 56.73 to achieve another state cut. Richardson-Rossbach was second and Holm was third.

Sax, Stevens and Richardson-Rossbach finished third, fourth and fifth in the 200 individual medley behind Salem's Nick Dixon and Chris Berloth from Huron. In his first meet for South, freshman Jack Hessburg was ninth in 2:31.59.

Gunderson just missed a state cut as he swam to second place in the 50 freestyle in 22.90. He finished just ahead of teammates Richard Alex Bordyukov.

"We have nine new swim- Huron's Steve Weinberg won the event.

Robby Browning finished second in the 100 butterfly in 54.63 and Richard was third in 55.89. Both were state-qualifying times. Graham was fourth and Joe

Ryan came in seventh. In the 100 freestyle, Sax, Gunderson and Alex Gabarino finished third, fourth and ninth, respective

Stevens outswam Huron's Berloth to win the 100 breaststroke in 1:05.45. Manos was third in 1:08.80 and Jamie Handley was sev-

South divers took four of the top five spots in the onemeter event. Huron's Paul Dorsey won the diving competition, but South's Justin Linne was second with a score of 194.15 points. He was followed by Ty Lattimore (161.10), Kieran Connolly-Ng (156.20) and Alex Oddo (116.90).

Thompson anticipates an exciting season, and is looking forward to the Blue Devils' next meet - a relay meet hosted by Birmingham Brother Rice on Saturday.

"The team is excited for our next meet," Thompson said. "There will be some high quality competition there, so it will be a good test to see how we stack up against some of the best teams in the state

Knights win thriller

University School's hockey team made sure none of its fans left early from the Knights' game with St. Clair.

Most of the action in ULS's 2-1 victory came in the third third period.

After trailing 1-0 for most of the game, Adam Rock scored the tying goal, assisted by Mike Zukas.

Zukas then got the winner with nine seconds remaining

ULS swimmers have four wins

Michael Fisher won two events to highlight University Liggett School's season-opening swimming meet with Lake Shore.

The Shorians won the non-league meet 89-73. Fisher won the 100-yard

freestyle in 57.55 and came back to win the 200 freestyle in 2:13.20.

Sam Troyanovich gave the Knights a first place in the 100 backstroke with a time of 1:10.42, while teammate Chris Andrecovich was second in 1:10.92.

The two switched places in the 200 individual medley. Andrecovich won in 2:36.43, while Troyanovich was second in 2:48.15

Liggett with the assists going to Rock and Jake Keith.

Alex Brooks was solid in goal for ULS, while Steve Molnar, Ryan Deane and Charlie Warren played well in front on him on defense.

Last weekend, the Knights dropped a 4-3 decision to Saginaw Nouvel Catholic Central. Stone Hazlett, Zukas and Keith scored the ULS goals.

Rock collected two assists, while Zukas and Keith each had one.

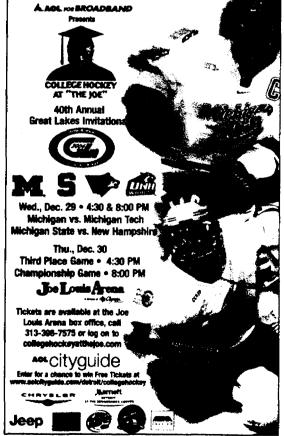
Once again, the Knights received solid defensive work from Molnar, Warren and Deane.

North wins swim opener

Michael VanBeek and Mike Kedzierski each won two events as Grosse Pointe North's boys swimming team opened the season with a 130-55 victory over

Chippewa Valley. VanBeek was first in the 200- and 500-yard freestyle races, while Kedzierski won the 200 individual medley and the 100 butterfly.

North's other individual firsts came from Chris Blunden in the 100 freestyle and Mike Walton in the 100 backstroke.



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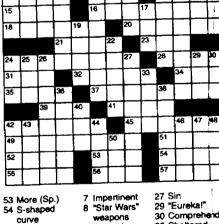
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