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**FRIDAY, JAN. 16**

◆ The 17th annual AutoGlow, the 2009 North American International Auto Show Charity Preview pre- and post party is from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Westin Book Cadillac. The charity preview is from 8:30 p.m. to midnight. Tickets are \$250. For more information, call (313) 262-1112.  
 ◆ The musical comedy, "The Boy Friend," will be performed at 8 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. For tickets, call (313) 881-4004.

**SATURDAY, JAN. 17**

◆ Grosse Pointe North High School hosts the Norsemen Classic wrestling tournament beginning at 9 a.m. in the high school gym.  
 ◆ The musical comedy, "The Boy Friend," will be performed at 8 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. For tickets, call (313) 881-4004.

**SUNDAY, JAN. 18**

◆ The musical comedy, "The Boy Friend," will be performed at 2 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. For tickets, call (313) 881-4004.

**MONDAY, JAN. 19**

*Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday recognized.*  
 ◆ Banks will be closed  
 ◆ Post office will be closed  
 ◆ Federal and state offices will be closed  
 ◆ County offices will be closed  
 ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods City Council meets at 7:30 p.m. in council chambers, 20025 Mack Plaza.

**TUESDAY, JAN. 20**

◆ Grosse Pointe Shores council meets at 7 p.m. in village hall, 795 Lakeshore.  
 ◆ Grosse Pointe Township board meets at 8 a.m. in the township hall, 795 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores.  
 ◆ Jewelers and certified gemologists from St. Clair-based American Diamond Importers hold a charitable gold party to benefit the Grosse Pointe War Memorial from 4 to 7 p.m. at the War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. A fair

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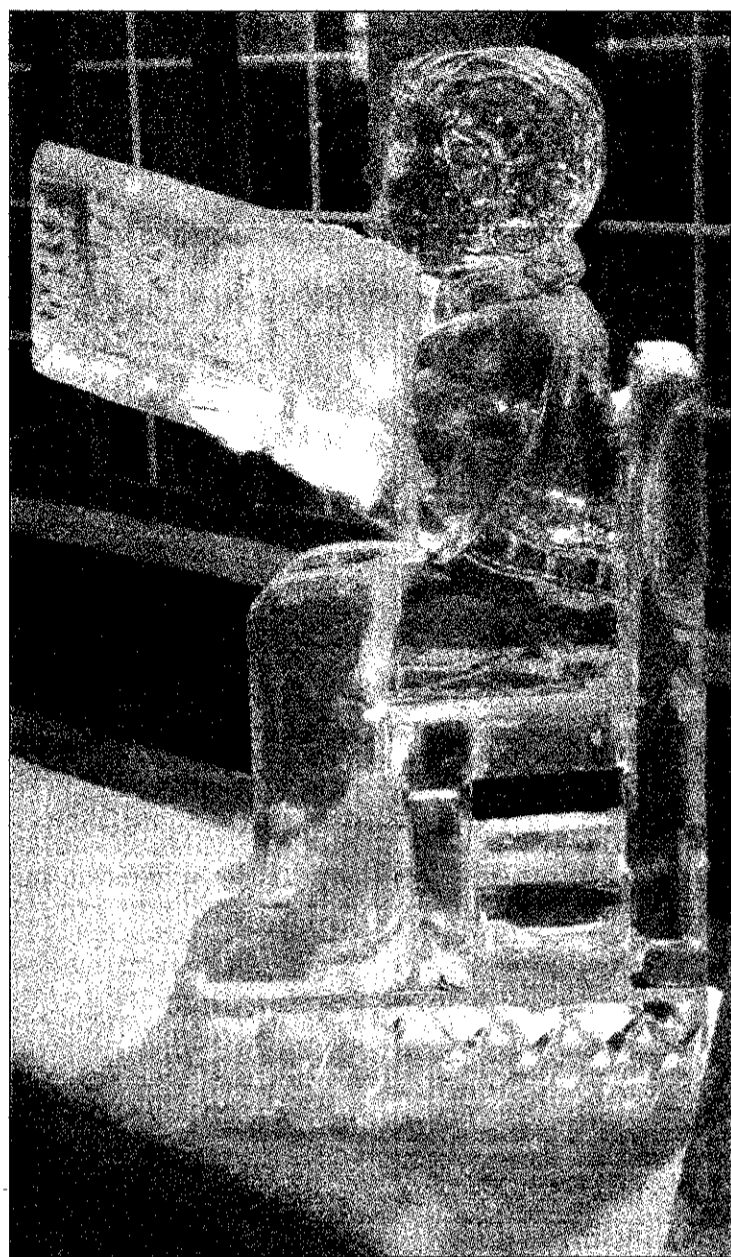


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## Snowy Winterfest a blast

Hearty souls braved 20 degree weather with high winds blowing snow all day to take part in the third annual 2009 Winterfest on the Hill Saturday, Jan. 10.

Bundled up, families sampled secret-recipe chili and viewed sparkling ice sculptures, that resembled the Eiffel Tower, a ladder-climbing firefighter rescuing a dog and a dolphin riding a wave. They decorated sugar cookies, an event sponsored by Henry Ford Cottage Hospital. More than 300 cookies were covered with icing and sprinkles and devoured on the spot.

At the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce table, children toasted marshmallows.

The Thunderfeet Kennel Dog Sled Team had a sledding demonstration at Richard Elementary Mesner Field.

The Over the Hill team took on a team from Grosse Pointe Farms in a friendly, competitive game of broom ball.

Winterfest was a joint venture between the Grosse Pointe Farms Parks and Recreation Department and the Hill Association. For more pictures, turn to page 20A and 21A.

Above, the Grosse Pointe News-sponsored ice sculpture is a man reading the newspaper. Left, Shea, Macy and Monte Baasch bundle up when they ventured out to visit the 2009 Winterfest during a snow storm on Saturday, Jan. 10.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Daisy Bledsoe pins a gold state representative pin on the lapel of her father, State Representative Tim Bledsoe. His wife, Mary, is at left.

## Representatives aiming at ethics

By Brad Lindberg  
 Staff Writer

College professor-turned-state representative Timothy Bledsoe no sooner had graduated from the school house to the State House when he started handing out homework assignments to his constituents. "My work (is) only just beginning," Bledsoe last month told more than 200 supporters at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial during local swearing-in ceremonies as the new 1st District State

Representative. "Your work should be understood as ongoing as well." He asked supporters for their ongoing advocacy and "organizational connections" to help advance his ethics-based legislative agenda in the state capitol. "I need you to stay active and involved in politics in the 1st District," Bledsoe told the audience. "I need you, in other words, to watch my back while I'm working in Lansing." His tone was of a commencement speaker encourag-

ing graduating students to keep learning despite the end of classes. Bledsoe has stepped away from teaching political science at Wayne State University to begin a two-year term in elected office. "It was my name on the ballot," he said to the group. "But it was very much your effort which did the trick. Ultimately, we are here today because, together, we are on a mission to bring about positive changes in our communities and state."

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**GROSSE POINTE FARMS**

## Hill bank robber flees with nearly \$10,000

By Amy Salvagno  
 Staff Writer

A man with a white scarf wrapped around his face got away with almost \$10,000 in \$50s and \$100s Jan. 12 from Bank of America on the Hill, according to Grosse Pointe Farms Public Safety officials.

The armed robber, described as an old man using a cane, wearing a hunter-type hat with ear flaps, approached a teller around 1:30 p.m. and demanded money, saying he had a gun. When the teller asked if he was joking, he threatened to shoot her, though no weapon was produced.

According to Public Safety Director Dan Jensen, the bank's as-

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**POINTER OF INTEREST**

*'I feel like I'm riding a roller coaster. I just hang on.'*

## Mary Fodell



**Home:** City of Grosse Pointe  
**Age:** 57  
**Family:** Husband, Joe; daughter, Amy; son, John  
**Claim to fame:** Coordinator of Full Circle Upscale Resale Shop  
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## Yesterday's headlines

1959

50 years ago this week

## ◆ TEENS CHARGED IN PHONE COMPANY THEFT:

Four Grosse Pointe teenagers were arrested for stealing equipment from Michigan Bell Telephone Company trailers in the Pointes. The boys were accused of taking telephone receivers, wire, tools and other items.

One of the boys said he used some of the equipment to install an extension phone in his bedroom.

Two other boys, who live next door to each other, strung wires from their upstairs bedrooms so they could talk to each other without leaving their houses.

◆ THUGS ROB HOUSE IN SHORES: Two ex-convicts were charged with armed robbery in connection with a

home invasion in Grosse Pointe Shores. The two bandits broke into the house and terrorized two teenage girls, ordering them into the kitchen at gunpoint and telling them to "be quiet and you won't be hurt."

The robbers were in the house about 10 minutes, during which time they pulled out drawers, searched closets and looked through rooms on the first floor. They took a tape recorder and two girls' coats.

◆ CIVIL DEFENSE PREPARATIONS: Representatives from Grosse Pointe organizations were invited to discuss the need for community preparedness in civil defense. Under the leadership of the Public Affairs Committee for the Junior League of Detroit, a Committee for Civil Defense was formed to promote action in civil defense of the Grosse Pointe area.

1984

25 years ago this week

◆ TO DRINK OR NOT TO DRINK?: It's official. Grosse Pointe City residents will decide if they want liquor served in their community. City council members unanimously voted to put the issue to a referendum vote at election time. First, petitions signed by 956 registered voters must be submitted to council.

◆ ROBBERY LEAVES HOUSE IN SHAMBLES: According to Grosse Pointe Park police, the mess made in a Park house by intruders was the worst they'd ever seen.

Robbers gained entry by prying the wood molding off a basement stairway door and removing the glass. They systematically ransacked the house, strewing the contents of drawers and closets.

Items taken valued at \$3,000 included jewelry, a camera and a 100-ounce bar of silver.

◆ CITIES TO PERFORM JOINT STUDY: The five

Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods have agreed to study ways they might cut costs by combining some police functions. The study will be funded with a \$20,000 grant from the Metropolitan Affairs Corp.

1999

10 years ago this week

◆ YACHT CLUB PROPOSAL: For the first time, the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club has revealed to the public details of a proposal to renovate what it called the "functionally obsolete" harbor it shares with Grosse Pointe Shores.

The project would be implemented over a 10- to 15-year period. Club-funded studies state the project won't harm the environment or infringe upon property rights.

◆ CAUGHT IN SNOW: Grosse Pointe Woods patrol officers were contacted by a Roslyn Road resident who had chased two youths away from his car after he caught them breaking in. The teenagers fled in a white Pontiac and the resident followed in his car.

When officers arrived on the scene, they learned the youths had driven their car into a snowbank and were kept inside their vehicle by their victim.

◆ G.P. WAR MEMORIAL TURNS 50: The Grosse Pointe War Memorial celebrates 50 years of service to the community. For half a century, the memorial has been an education, cultural and civic center in perpetual memory of those who served and died in combat for the United States.

2004

Five years ago this week

◆ ACETONE IGNITES FIRE: A container of acetone being used to remove glue



FROM THE JAN. 15, 1959 ISSUE OF THE GROSSE POINTE NEWS

## 1959: Devils natators set national record

Grosse Pointe High School's 160-yard medley relay team set a new national record for 10-yard pools last Friday, swimming in the local pool against Wyandotte. In the back row are the timers, Coach "Ole" Olson, Coach Edward Wernet and Coach Robert Kurvink. In the front row left to right are Mike Bremer, backstroke; Dick Law, orthodox breast stroke; Jim Carne, butterfly stroke; and Mark Gregory, freestyle.

from a basement floor was the catalyst of a fire in a house on Oxford in Grosse Pointe Woods. The acetone was accidentally knocked over during a remodeling project and ignited by an unknown source. Firefighters from the Woods, Grosse Pointe Shores and Grosse Pointe Farms battled the blaze for two hours.

◆ CUSTOMERS TO BEAR BORER COSTS: Property owners will be responsible for the safe disposal of ash wood

trimmed during Detroit Edison's line clearance program.

Edison's tree contractors normally haul away the bulk of trimmed material. However, a state-mandated ban on transporting ash wood outside 13 counties in southeast Michigan means DTE and its contractors who work outside those counties can no longer take the wood with them. Officials suggest using the trimmings for firewood.

◆ BURGLAR WITH A SPORTS CAR: A man suspected in about a half-dozen B&Es in the Grosse Pointes is believed to be driving a red sports car. Police report the man knocks on the front door to make sure occupants are gone. Several witnesses near burglarized houses in the Shores, Farms and Park have given similar descriptions of the man and his red sports car.

—By Karen Fontanive

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# Hickey's Walton Pierce set to say goodbye

Couple hang it up after years of service

By Amy Salvagno  
Staff Writer

They've spent decades dressing up customers at the downtown Grosse Pointe staple that has been the site of changing fashions, evolving colors and top trends.

But next month, Bill and Mary Jo Huntington will forever close the doors of Hickey's Walton Pierce, ending an era on a faithful community and setting off on an endeavor they've longed to embrace.

The couple of 40 years started the New Year off with a surprising announcement to their longtime patrons, one that while understandable, is for some still difficult to accept. After 34 years in the retail business on Kercheval Avenue, they have decided to retire, freeing up time to travel among three states — Georgia, Connecticut and Indiana — for three children and six grandchildren, whose ages range from 3 months to 5 years old.

"We want to be there for births and baptisms and birthday parties," said Mary Jo.

The plan has always been to retire. We have to go forward, step by step," said Bill, who revealed that the idea has been on their minds since last Christmas.



While the couple plans to close the store at the end of February, it's not known yet whether the business will be sold.

"We have a lot of irons in the fire. The coals are just lukewarm," Bill added.

They are planning on launching a Web site at the end of March that will sell the store's "basic resources."

Since 1945, three generations of the family has been involved with Walton-Pierce and Hickey's. Bill's grandmother, Henrietta Pierce, stepped into a scene of evolving fashion in 1925, one influenced by the glamour of movie stars and the emerging role of women, from the parlor to politics to the big black-and-white screen. With seamstress Margaret Walton, Pierce — known to have a "color eye" — decided to create a couture business that catered to Detroit's elite.

The pair dressed ladies from head to toe — in hats, gloves, undergarments and skirts, the hemlines of which rose visibly and silhouettes of which turned boyish with a straight, dropped waist. Everything was custom-made, simple and elegant.

Bill's mother, Anita Huntington Kerr, suggested to Pierce in 1947 that she not only relocate the shop to downtown Grosse Pointe, but also include top name, ready-to-wear lines. Kerr took over for her mother in 1975 and then asked her son to help and leave behind his banker position in a small town in Illinois. In 1985, upon his mother's retirement, Bill decided to purchase the store. Though neither he nor Mary Jo had any prior retail experience, it was still an easy decision: for Bill, it was what he'd been taught by his grandmother and mother in providing for the customer; for Mary Jo, who



PHOTOS BY AMY SALVAGNO

Bill and Mary Jo Huntington are closing the doors of the longtime Village staple, Hickey's Walton Pierce. The couple is pictured at the antique desk of Bill's grandmother, Henrietta Pierce, the store's founder.

grew up looking through her grandmother's catalogs, it was a love of clothing.

Shortly after, the couple pur-

chased the E.J. Hickey Company — catering to men's needs — that was located just up the block, and ran both in-

dependently until they merged the two in 1991, along with the name.

Over the years, they've watched fashions change — even a few return — and the store, having been in three different locations on Kercheval, evolve. They've provided exclusive services, including special ordering and custom tailoring, and offered selections of top-name brands for men, women and even children, including Lilly Pulitzer, Burberry, Polo and Lacoste.

Both agree they'll most miss the relationships they've developed with customers over the years.

"The outpouring has been gratifying," said Bill, as they both noted the numerous handwritten cards and emotional calls they've received since their announcement, some from those who have shopped at the store since the '30s. "They realize we've been a staple part of the community."

"We tried to fulfill the customers' wishes to always provide the best service," Mary Jo added.

Despite the absence of Hickey's Walton Pierce, Bill says he believes the community will still rebound.

"The change isn't comfortable, I understand. But this is a personal choice," he said. "And the community is as ready as any to make a recovery."

## School director oversees safe place to play and learn

By Ann L. Fouty  
Features Editor

Learning through play is the philosophy at Assumption Nursery School. It is monitored by Anne Chilingirian, who was appointed the school's director last fall.

Chilingirian said her priorities are to carry on and advance the curriculum and provide a safe and orderly environment for the school located on Marter in St. Clair Shores.

"I want to maintain the excellent standards and elevate them," Chilingirian said of Assumption's program. "I am excited to help the school move forward and continue its excellent education."

Her role as director is to oversee the curriculum for 320

children from toddlers through kindergartners and their teachers and staff. She also has the role of fundraising and keeping the newly remodeled building in tip-top shape.

The school building has been renovated to include 11 self-contained classrooms, a gym, nature trail with gardens, outdoor play yard with new playground equipment and enclosed courtyard for the children.

She encourages the children to play outside every day, not only for their health but to support the school's philosophy of learning through play.

"Assumption has been a play-based curriculum," she said.

Play focuses on their natural curiosity, she said.

"Play fosters the whole child,

through socialization, language, gross and fine motor skills," she said.

A resident of Macomb Township, she said she is proud of the 40 staff members, noting that some have been with Assumption more than 20 years. This illustrates their loyalty to the school and the community, she said.

Chilingirian earned a Bachelor of Arts in package engineering from Michigan State University. She worked for General Motors and the United Distiller and Vinters for several years before attending Wayne State University to obtain her Master of Arts degree in teaching. She taught at Assumption for three years, beginning in 2001 prior to taking a few years off to begin her family.

Chilingirian returned in 2008 as the director of the Assumption School.

"She brings a calm, peacefulness and is welcoming," said Kate Butler, who is a teacher of 4-year-olds. "She has a good rapport with the children and staff. She is warm."

Chilingirian said it's good to be back in the educational atmosphere, greeting the parents and children in the morning and supporting the teachers through her frequent classroom visits.

Assumption provides developmental classes for toddlers through kindergarten. Activities include cooking, exercise, dance, literacy, computers and foreign language.

For more information, call (586) 772-4477.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Assumption Nursery School Director Anne Chilingirian believes play taps into the child's natural curiosity.

## Pierce sworn in as circuit court judge

Newly sworn in Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Lynne A. Pierce said she is taking the advice of her father, who was also a judge.

"Remember, you aren't better than anyone else just because you are more privileged," she quoted him as saying.

Pierce was elected to the county position in November, giving up her Grosse Pointe Woods municipal judge seat, to which she had been elected five times, serving 16 years. Pierce served 12 years as the Shores municipal court judge. She was re-elected to the bench in November, 2007. She also serves as a visiting judge in Macomb and Wayne counties. A resident of Grosse Pointe Woods, she is married to attorney Ray Andary and has three grown children.

She will assume her Wayne County duties in January.

The 1979 Detroit College of Law graduate has also been a municipal judge in Grosse Pointe Shores and a visiting judge in Wayne County.

Michigan Supreme Court Judge Marilyn Kelly administered the oath of office as Pierce's family watched. They were joined by Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy, 32A District Court Judge Roger LaRose, Wayne County Circuit Court Judge David Allen,



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Michigan Supreme Court Judge Marilyn Kelly administered the oath of office to newly-elected Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Lynne A. Pierce. Her husband, Raymond Andary, holds the Bible during the ceremony which was attended by her children, Raymond Jr., Lauren and Elizabeth Andary.

Judge Benjamin Stanczyk and Wayne County Circuit Court

Chief Judge Virgil Smith, Pierce thanked her family,

friends and the volunteers who assisted with her campaign.

## General membership meeting scheduled

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce hosts its fourth annual general membership meeting beginning at 6 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 27, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

A strolling dinner is at 7 p.m.

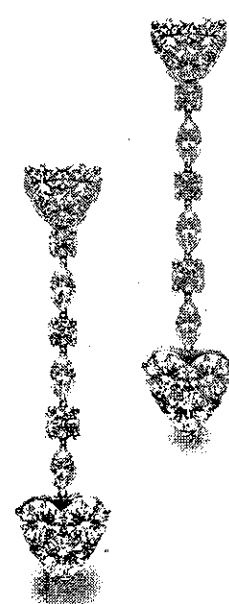
Pointer of Distinction awards begin at 8 p.m. followed by an afterglow.

This year's corporate sponsor is Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe, chamber president Mary Huebner said.

The 2008 Pointer of Distinction Awards are presented in the following categories: Youth Achievement, Community Service, Excellence in Business and New Business Enterprise will be presented.

Tickets are \$40 for chamber members and \$45 for guests. Call the chamber at (313) 881-4722 for more information.

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## POINTER OF INTEREST

**Mary Fodell** has traded her art smock for wedding gowns, as she and Full Circle Upscale Resale host a Bridal Fashion Show.

# Art teacher completes Full Circle

By Kathy Ryan  
Staff Writer

Someone forgot to tell Mary Fodell she retired.

Though she may have put aside her lesson plans and hung up her smock after 33 years of teaching art in the Grosse Pointe Public School System, Fodell is hardly sitting with her feet up. As coordinator of the Full Circle Upscale Resale shop, a joint venture between the Grosse Pointe schools and the Association of Retarded Citizens, Fodell is using not only her teaching skills, but learning a set of business skills.

"I've been on the board of the ARC for a year and like most parents of special needs children, you have to step up and get involved," she explained. "One of the questions so many of us face is why can't our children have the same opportunities in their home communities, whether it's to live or work, that other young people have. We also know that oftentimes we have to step in and come up with our own solutions."

Faced with the special needs of her daughter, Amy, 28, Fodell, other parents and school personnel began seeking job opportunities for those young people.

"I was familiar with an organization in St. Louis called The Scholar Shop, a non-profit that provides scholarship funds for students by selling gently used upscale clothing and accessories. Nancy Salassa, who was a classroom aide in the special education department for several years before she passed away last year, always had a dream, which was to open a resale shop. We took her idea and brought it to life."

The Scholar Shop shared its business plan and advice with Fodell which led to the program's first fundraiser, 1,000 Fancy Dresses. Following the success of the sale, which offered donated designer homecoming and holiday dresses for \$15, the shop shifted its focus to upscale winter wear.

"We can't believe how well we are doing," Fodell said. "So many people have contributed so much. The administration, beginning with (superintendent) Suzanne Klein, has been so supportive. And the individual schools have been great.



PHOTO BY KATHY RYAN

Mary Fodell shows off the \$7,000 Kenneth Pool silk wedding gown with Swarovski crystals and genuine pearl appliques that has been donated to Full Circle's Bridal Fashion Show Feb. 7. While the dress does not have a set price, brides are encouraged to make an offer.

The students and staff have donated both dresses and coats, along with holding fundraisers, like jeans days. We are so encouraged by the support we have received."

So encouraged that Fodell is looking for a permanent location. The shop currently operates in the Grosse Pointe North High School Performing Arts Center lobby from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays. Staffed by those with special needs, they are overseen by parents and staff of the Grosse Pointe schools, all under the guidance of Fodell.

"We hope to have a more permanent location very soon," Fodell said. "We did not want to attempt that until we

were financially stable and we have reached that point. We have some leads and we appreciate any assistance people could give us.

"Of course, our ideal location would be in a very heavy traffic area like The Village, so if anyone knows of an empty store..." Fodell added with a smile.

And what Fodell is finding is that "assistance" comes in many forms, including another fundraising idea.

A local teacher canceled her wedding plans and found herself with a \$7,000 Kenneth Pool wedding gown. She decided to donate the silk dress, adorned with Swarovski crystals and pearls, to Full Circle. The dress will be the featured item at the Bridal Fashion Show, Saturday, Feb. 7 at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

Vendor exhibits of invitations, cakes, flowers, photographers and wedding-related

Village.

"We are offering (the dress) for sale that day and all offers will be looked at. It's such a beautiful dress, with elaborate detail. It's a size six, but we have someone who will do alterations, so don't let that discourage you from looking at it. It could be a great deal for someone."

Fodell isn't quite sure how she went from paint brushes to wedding gowns, but she laughs at the experience.

"I feel like I'm riding a roller coaster," she said. "I just hang on."

Born in Zilwaukee, Fodell graduated from Saginaw Arthur Hill High School before heading to Michigan State University, where she majored in art education.

"My father was an artist and I always loved doing crafts and creating projects, like weaving and macramé, and I was a potter in college."

That was where she met her husband, local tennis professional Joe Fodell. She was hired by the Grosse Pointe schools after her graduation in 1973. The Fodells lived in Detroit before moving to Grosse Pointe in 1979. Both her children attended Grosse Pointe schools. Daughter, Amy, now works in the lunch program at Brownell Middle School. Son, John, a graduate of Albion College, is the head coach of the Gators Swim Club and the Shores park team and assists with the Grosse Pointe South boys swimming program. He recently completed his master's degree in adaptive physical education from Western Michigan University.

Fodell taught art at all levels during her 33 years and spent most of her career at Parcels Middle School.

"I loved teaching middle school kids. They are such a great age, very spontaneous and open to lots of new ideas. I used to teach them lots of "hip-

pie" projects, like tie-dyeing and candle making. They loved it. I also loved being in the middle school. The staff is like family."

Even though she retired from full-time teaching, she has been working as a substitute teacher and says she loves the experience.

"I hardly ever do art classes," she said with a laugh. "I love the diversity of subbing, as one day I could be teaching a physics class, the next day a home ec class. But Grosse Pointe teachers are known for leaving detailed lesson plans, so it's easy to step in."

Stepping in and stepping out is second nature to Fodell.

When faced with limited housing options for her special needs daughter, Fodell and some other parents set up a program that allowed their daughters to live on their own in rental apartments by Grosse Pointe North. Once the girls finished school, the parents found a house for them, and serve as "house parents," assisting the young women with household tasks, while still allowing them to live independently.

"Every month we have a meeting, with the parents splitting duties. The girls are busy with work and social activities and they all share responsibilities within the house. They all have their strengths and like everyone else, they all have their disabilities. But it is the sum total of all their abilities that make for a complete person. They are a strong family unit and love one another just as a family does."

It is the same success of this program that Fodell wants to ensure for the Full Circle Resale program.

For information on Full Circle and its upcoming Bridal Fashion Show, contact Fodell at (313) 884-2868, or visit fullcircle.org.

## Artwork on display

The work of local artist Catherine Peet is being showcased in the Manoogian Arts Wing at University Liggett School, 1045 Cook Road, Grosse Pointe Woods, through Feb. 6.

Peet's work has been shown at local venues including the Wildlife Interpretive Gallery at the Detroit Zoo and Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe.

Peet attended Oakland Community College and Wayne State University. She

has taught drawing classes for all audiences, from pre-school age to college.

In addition to creating art, Peet has served on the exhibition committees for the Paint Creek Center for the Arts in Rochester, as well as the Detroit Artists Market. She has lectured and been interviewed about her work for local cable television and other media outlets.

For more information, visit [uls.org](http://uls.org).

## Open house

Fifth-graders planning to attend Pierce Middle School next year are invited with their families to the annual Coney Island Night and Open House from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Jan. 22.

Students and staff representing extracurricular and elective activities will be on hand to answer questions.

The dinner is sponsored by the Pierce PTO and supported by volunteers of Pierce Student Council.

Tickets will be sold at the door. Call (313) 432-4700 for more information.

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# MEETINGS

## Eastside Republicans

Local entrepreneur Robert G. Liggett Jr. of Grosse Pointe Shores will address the Eastside Republican Club Forum at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 20 at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Liggett owns the Grosse Pointe News, Big Boy Restaurants International and other enterprises which include the Shores Theater in St. Clair Shores, Speednet, LLC, and five radio stations in the Port Huron area.

He got his start in the business side of broadcasting in 1970 when, just after graduating from law school, he bought his first radio station, Lansing's WFMK.

Liggett's love of broadcasting dates back to Utica High School, where he "fell in love" with radio as a 14-year-old disc jockey for WBRB in Mount



Robert G. Liggett Jr.

Clemens. Subsequently, Liggett worked his way through Wayne State University doing voice-overs, announcing at Olympia Stadium, as a Flint radio DJ, and performed a stint with WJR AM.

Over the years he established the Liggett Broadcast Group, owning more than 25 stations in Michigan, Ohio, Minnesota, New York, and California. In 2000, Liggett sold the company to Citadel

Communications.

In addition to entrepreneurial activities, including the recent investment with Walsh College trustee Jack Krasula in a Tampa-based bank, HomeBancorp Inc., Liggett has established a philanthropic trust to assist people in need, fund medical research, and support the arts.

Liggett also serves on the board of the Wayne State University Foundation, the board of Detroit's WTWS public television station, the Detroit Historical Society, and the St. John Hospital Foundation.

The public is invited to the free forum.

## Pointes for Peace

Frida Berrigan, senior program associate of the Arms and Security Initiative at the New America Foundation, will address the Pointes for Peace public forum at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 22, at St. Clare of Montefalco School, 1401 Whittier, Grosse Pointe Park.

The title of her presentation is "100 Days to Close Guantanamo and End

Torture." The program is free and open to the public.

Berrigan is the organizer of the 100 Days Campaign, designed to educate and raise awareness on President-elect Barack Obama's pledge to close the controversial military prison at the U.S. Army Base at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

Previously, Berrigan served for eight years as deputy director and senior research associate at the Arms Trade Resource Center at the World Policy Institute, New School in New York City. She is a published author of reports on arms trade, human rights and national security issues, a featured expert on national and regional radio outlets, and a conference speaker.

Sponsors of the 100 Days Campaign include Witness Against Torture, an organization of the Catholic Worker; Pax Christi USA; School of the Americas Watch; September 11 Families for Peaceful Tomorrows; Torture Abolition and Survivors Support Coalition International; and several peace and human rights organizations.

The initiative will feature

events and activities for the first 100 days of the new Obama administration.

Pointes for Peace is a community-based group committed to educating for conflict resolution and other strategies to work for peace on local, na-

tional and international levels.

Pointes for Peace meet weekly at 7 p.m. Sundays at Panera Bread on Kercheval in the Village.

For more information, call Carol Bendure at (313) 882-7732.

## ROBBERY: Information sought

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Assistant manager pushed the alarm when the man walked into the building. Something didn't look right, she told police. The suspect fled the scene by the time officers arrived.

During a search of the building, police found a man on the second floor matching the suspect's description, but without a cane. He was released. Surveillance footage shows the man entering a getaway car — a four-door, light-colored Dodge Intrepid — located at the rear of the bank. Officers

were unable to view a license plate number.

Nearby Richard Elementary School was placed under lockdown for about a half-hour.

As of press time, officers were still looking for information on the suspect, described as black, in his 50s, around 6 feet 2 inches tall, with a raspy voice. Anyone with information is asked to call the detective bureau at (313) 885-2100.

Jensen said the holdup was not completely unexpected.

"We've kind of been fearing this all along. Bank holdups are up across the country, with layoffs and banking institutions in nice neighborhoods trying to make the lobby like a living room," he said, noting that overall crime is down in the city. "We're hoping we can keep it down."

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- ◆ The Local Business Network, Grosse Pointe Chapter, meets from 8 to 9:15 a.m. in the AAA Michigan offices, 19299 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. For more information, call (586) 206-4958.
- ◆ All elementary schools will have a 7 p.m. informational meeting about extended day kindergarten. To find out which school to attend, call (313) 432-3058. All necessary school forms are online at [gpschools.schoolwires.net](http://gpschools.schoolwires.net) under the parent section.
- ◆ The musical comedy, "The Boy Friend," will be performed at 8 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. For tickets, call (313) 881-4004.

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market value will be used on items brought and checks will be written on-site. The event is free.

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the City of Grosse Pointe Woods, County of Wayne, State of Michigan (the "City"), intends to issue and sell its general obligation limited tax bonds in one or two series pursuant to Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan, 2001, as amended, in an aggregate principal amount of not to exceed Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) for the purpose of paying all or part of the cost of acquiring, constructing, improving, equipping and re-equipping improvements to the water supply system of the City including without limitation a new water storage facility and related pumps, housing, piping, valves and meters, supervisory control and data acquisition system, site security provisions, transmission and distribution lines and related pumps, piping, valves and meters (together, the "Project") and associated fees and costs of issuance of the bonds.

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THIS NOTICE is given pursuant to the requirements of Section 517, Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan, 2001, as amended.

Lisa Kay Hathaway, MMC  
City Clerk

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## ETHICS: Bledsoe faces challenges

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Bledsoe, of the City of Grosse Pointe, is the first Democrat to represent the district, which comprises the five Grosse Pointes, Harper Woods and a portion of eastside Detroit.

The swearing in was official and administered by Michigan Supreme Court Justice-elect Diane Hathaway of Grosse Pointe Park.

"I know he's going to make all of you very proud of him," Hathaway said.

City of Grosse Pointe Mayor Dale Scrace moderated the evening.

Scrace told Bledsoe, "The issues and challenges you'll be facing are monumental: The economy, balancing the bud-

get, education, health care, jobs, prison reforms, renewable energies, taxes, committee assignments — taxes. You are going to be a very important part of all of our lives. I know you'll do that work being as true and honest in a professional manner as you have done with everything in your life."

The War Memorial event preceded a repeat swearing in scheduled Jan. 14, the first session of the new House.

### Bills, bills, bills

Bledsoe ran for office as a reform candidate bent on boosting political accountability.

"We face tremendous challenges in Michigan, perhaps challenges unlike any other state," he said.

"We (can) prepare to meet those challenges by remaking our state government into one that is responsive to the people, accountable for its successes and failures and transparent in the workings of the political

process." His first legislative action has focused on ethics. He submitted a package of bills that, he said, "offer the potential to change the political landscape in Lansing and in Michigan."

Bledsoe's bills address:

- ◆ limits on lobbyists-purchased meals,
- ◆ prohibitions on gifts and travel purchased by lobbyists,
- ◆ more frequent disclosure of lobbyists' expenditures,
- ◆ financial disclosure statements by all candidates for office and office holders,
- ◆ a restriction on lobbying former colleagues for two years upon leaving office and
- ◆ campaign finance reform designed to enhance citizen influence by allowing each person a 100 percent tax credit for the first \$50 in candidate contributions.

"This, I think, is the most effective way to break the back of the current system in which politicians rely primarily on lobbyists to fund their cam-

paigns," Bledsoe said.

- ◆ adjusting the salaries of Michigan elected officials according to the change in inflation-adjusted gross domestic product of the state.

"If we see prosperity as a state, elected officials will be rewarded with a raise," Bledsoe said. "If we see a decline in the total output of goods and services, as we have seen for the past two years, salaries of officials would be adjusted downward."

### Crossing lines

Bledsoe crossed party lines to cite Democrat and Republican leaders by whom he's been inspired.

Referring to Democrat President-elect Barack Obama, Bledsoe said, "In early 2007, a young freshman (Illinois) Democratic senator was the lead sponsor on important legislation that reshaped the political scene in Washington restricting the influence of special interest lobbyists in our na-

tion's Capitol."

Referring to Louisiana's Republican Gov. Bobby Jindal, Bledsoe said, "(Jindal) held a special session of the Louisiana legislature and over the course of three weeks succeeded in passing the most comprehensive set of ethics reform bills in the nation."

He added, "Although they are on opposite ends of the political spectrum, Barack Obama and Bobby Jindal both recognized that political reform is not something that you do at the end of the day if there's time left over. It's when

you begin to change society to make the government work better for the people. Voters of the 1st House District have given us a mandate to pursue that mission."

Bledsoe knows that it's easier to sponsor legislation than to get it passed into law.

"If we aim too low, we'll always come up short of our goal," he said. "My goal has never been just to win the office. My goal has always been to win the office so we can accomplish our objectives of changing our communities for the better."

## It's a good time to stay indoors

By Joe Warner  
Editor

Man and man's best friend should take it easy as we continue in the deep freeze this week.

That's also good news for youngsters, if you take the advice of a Henry Ford Cottage Hospital physician.

"I hate video games more than anyone, but I'll be dragging them out for my kids when the weather is like this," said Dr. Nicolo Leone. "Anytime it gets below 15 degrees, you should stay inside."

Leone said terms like "wind-chill" thrown out by meteorologists should mean something to us.

"It's real," he said. "Limit any time spent in the cold when temperatures are like this."

Low temperatures have hovered near zero the last two

nights, while highs are predicted to stay in the single digits today and Friday. According to The Weather Channel, temperatures should moderate some Saturday, all the way to 25 degrees. It's a good time to skip outdoor activities.

The first signs of frostbite, according to the doctor, include a tingling sensation and a red nose, fingers or ears. The color will change to white during the next stage, followed by numbness.

"That's when you need to put down whatever you're doing and get inside," Leone said. "You are doing damage at that point."

The best way to warm the skin is by submerging it in warm, never hot water. Hot water will cause further tissue damage as the skin goes from hypothermia to hyperthermia. Leone also advises against

rubbing hands or feet together, as that can cause more damage.

If you have to be outside, a pocket handwarmer can help.

"It doesn't take long when temperatures are like this," Leone said. "Especially if you're sledding. Then you have a 40 mph wind adding to your problem. And if you're shoveling snow or using a snowblower and the wind is throwing the snow back at you, exposed skin will freeze even faster. It doesn't pay to go outside."

For pets, the issue is the same. Despite having a nice built-in fur coat, their extremities are susceptible to frostbite just as easily.

"We tell people to bring the pets inside in the winter, especially in this weather," said Corinne Martin, executive director of the Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society.

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I SAY By Amy Salvagno

# My resolution? Go against the grain



"If it bleeds, it leads."

In this around-the-clock industry of mine, it's that age-old adage that keeps sad stories and tragic tales on the front page of every newspaper and at the top of each nightly newscast.

I'm not sure who decided

long ago that we needed a daily overdose of disappointment and distress, but it seems inescapable, especially lately with Wall Street's woes, a bailout for the Big Three and record-high unemployment — which I was part of last month.

I often wonder if we remain in such a glass-half-empty mentality because, subconsciously, the mass media tells us to. They give gloomy economic forecasts and, in response, shoppers seal up their pocketbooks. Then they report that we're not spending money.

So in the face of downheart-

edness and worrisome reports of a recession, I have come to a decision: I'm not participating.

It's a detox of sorts; a diet from the depressing. And while I'm not much into setting New Year's resolutions — I believe you can start fresh at any time of the year — this is one I am making.

I want to spend 2009 focusing on the hopeful, reflecting on the inspiring.

I want to hear about stories of promise, of neighbor encouraging neighbor and stranger helping stranger. I

want to dig deep and discover successes I know are tucked in there somewhere, in between statistics of childhood obesity and the latest political scandal: a job that finally comes through; a family that steps outside of its own struggles to serve others in deeper need; a charity whose donations are surpassed; a faith that is restored; and a realization that whether or not a prayer is answered, there is a bigger plan at work.

I want to celebrate daily accomplishments, even if they are as simple as smiling at

those who pass by me on the sidewalk and finishing the 56 ounces of water I lug around with me.

I want to take time to count my blessings, and to strive each day to have an attitude of gratitude, even when the road gets a little foggy.

This resolution may not always be easy to stick to, especially when we're so used to reacting to the worst. But I have a feeling that of all the places to search for inspiration, the Pointes are a great place to start.

So, if you're up for it, I invite

you to walk alongside me in my challenge of finding the extraordinary in the everyday, of searching for happiness in simplicity, of tuning out the negative and turning to the cheerful. Be surprised by joy. Dare to wonder what it would be like in a world with less worry and more wit.

And don't laugh off what might seem like a lofty dream or an unattainable goal. For as Mark Twain once said, "Don't part with your illusions. When they are gone, you may still exist, but you have ceased to live."

STREETWISE By Renee Landuyt

## Do you text more than you use your cell phone to call someone and why?

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



'I do text more because it is quicker and I can't always talk, so it is easier to send a message.'

PAIGE COUNSMAN  
Grosse Pointe Woods



'I text more because it's comfortable, if I don't want to talk, then I can text. It helps keep me in touch and it's more informal.'

LUISA MYAVEC  
Grosse Pointe Woods



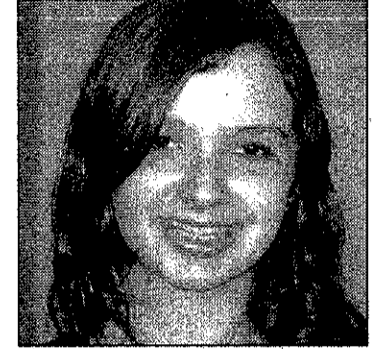
'I text and call equally because I am in college and I'll talk on the phone for a long time, but I text as well.'

ANNA MYAVEC  
Grosse Pointe Woods



'I do text a lot and once I went over by 5,000 texts. Sometimes it is easier to call but I can get specific information when texting.'

CAROLINE HARTMAN  
Grosse Pointe Farms



'Yes, I text more because it is easier and faster and you can have a conversation without talking.'

RACHAEL HARRISON  
Grosse Pointe Farms

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# Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s 1968 speech



Part one of a three-part series.

The Nobel-prize winning activist Martin Luther King Jr. gave a speech at Grosse Pointe High School (now Grosse Pointe South) on March 14, 1968, three weeks before he was assassinated. His speech, entitled "The Other America," was delivered in the school gym to a capacity crowd of 2,700, according to a Grosse Pointe News article. Some 200 pickets from the right-wing organization, Breakthrough, demonstrated in front of the building, but the evening proceeded without incident.

King was invited to speak by the Grosse Pointe Human Relations Council, a group of concerned citizens who worked for things like fair housing.

An exhibit which includes a copy of the speech, pictures of King's appearance and comments from members of Breakthrough and the Human Relations Council can be seen at gphistorical.org.

This situation was so volatile, according to accounts in the society's files, the Grosse Pointe Farms police chief actually sat on King's lap in the car ride to the high school to protect him.

The speech:

"I need not pause to say how very delighted I am to be here tonight and to have the great privilege of discussing with you some of the vital issues confronting our nation and confronting the world. It is always a very rich and rewarding experience when I can take a brief break from the day-to-day demands of our struggle for freedom and human dignity and discuss the issues involved in that struggle with concerned people of good will all over our nation and all over the world, and I certainly want to express my deep personal appreciation to you for inviting me to occupy this significant platform.

I want to discuss the race problem tonight and I want to discuss it very honestly.

I still believe that freedom is the bonus you receive for telling the truth. Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall set you free. And I

do not see how we will ever solve the turbulent problem of race confronting our nation until there is an honest confrontation with it, and a willing search for the truth and a willingness to admit the truth when we discover it. And so I want to use as a title for my lecture tonight, "The Other America." And I use this title because there are literally two Americas.

Every city in our country has this kind of dualism, this schizophrenia, split at so many parts, and so every city ends up being two cities rather than one.

There are two Americas. One America is beautiful for situation. In this America, millions of people have the milk of prosperity and the honey of equality flowing before them. This America is the habitat of millions of people who have food and material necessities for their bodies, culture and education for their minds, freedom and human dignity for their spirits. In this America children grow up in the sunlight of opportunity. But there is another America.

This other America has a daily ugliness about it that transforms the buoyancy of hope into the fatigue of despair. In this other America, thousands and thousands of people, men in particular walk the streets in search for jobs that do not exist. In this other America, millions of people are forced to live in vermin-filled, distressing housing conditions where they do not have the privilege of having wall-to-wall carpeting, but all too often, they end up with wall-to-wall rats and roaches.

Almost 40 percent of the Negro families of America live in substandard housing conditions. In this other America, thousands of young people are deprived of an opportunity to get an adequate education. Every year thousands finish high school reading at a seventh-, eighth- and sometimes ninth-grade level. Not because they're dumb, not because they don't have the native intelligence, but because the schools are so inadequate, so over-crowded, so devoid of quality, so segregated if you will, that the best in these minds can never come out. Probably the most critical problem in the other America is the economic problem.

There are so many other people in the other America who can never make ends meet because their incomes are far too low if they have incomes, and their jobs are so devoid of quality. And so in

this other America, unemployment is a reality and under-employment is a reality. I'll just wait

until things are restored and... everybody talks about law and order.

Now before I was so rudely interrupted and I might say that it was my understanding that we're

going to have a question and answer period. See KING, page 10A

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The band suddenly stops and the fans scream for one more. The band plays, "Riding the Storm Out." How appropriate.

BOB GORSKI  
City of Grosse Pointe

## SOC gives many thanks

To the Editor: What an amazing holiday season we had at Services for Older Citizens.

I would like to thank this opportunity to thank the community for all its help in making sure area seniors were remembered.

Through generous donations of food, household supplies, games, puzzles, etc., children and adults were able to gather together on Dec. 17 to assemble more than 350 gift baskets that were later distributed to local senior citizens.

School-age children, scout troops and church groups helped make hundreds of beautiful cards and treat bags.

Gifts poured in thanks to the help of Brendan and Marian Battersby of Home Instead Senior Care. And as the gifts arrived, the girls basketball team, Lady Blue Devils, at Grosse Pointe South High School made sure each package was beautifully wrapped. Ahmed Ismail and his son, Alex, played Santa Claus and delivered presents to seniors in the midst of a full-blown snow storm.

Grosse Pointe Sunrise Rotary Club organized the Meals on Wheels delivery for Thanksgiving and Christmas. Volunteers helped deliver 130 hot holiday meals to homebound seniors on Thanksgiving and Christmas.

It was a great community effort with spectacular results that will be remembered by young and old alike for years to come.

Thank you to all of the following: Sara Barba's, third-

grade class at Maire Elementary School; Grosse Pointe Academy; Fraternal Order of Police, Grosse Pointe No. 102, Sgt. Steven Johnson; Sister Lucy's Secret Santas; Stefek's LTD; Grosse Pointe Farms Garden Club; Grosse Pointe North High School Qwate; Trombley Elementary School; Kerby Elementary School; Mason Elementary School; Parcels Middle School, Lend a Hand; Richard Elementary School; Ferry Elementary School; Monteith Elementary School; Defer Elementary School; St. Clare of Montefalco School; Monteith Troop 2908; Girl Scout Troop 686; Brownie Troop 742; St. Paul Religious Education; Ferry Daisy Troop 1180; Pierce Middle School; University Liggett School; and all of Santa's elves who assembled baskets.

Wishing you all a healthy, happy New Year!

MARY ROSE NELSON  
Director of Volunteer Services  
Services for Older Citizens

## Lara's Legacy

To the Editor:

We are proud of the combined efforts of our friends, neighbors and the Grosse Pointe and tri-county business communities for their three years of support to the Lara Rutan Endowed Scholarship at Wayne State University for the benefit of the Physician Assistant Studies program.

The Eugene Applebaum College was the site of this year's "Cats Meow" party and fundraiser. Three hundred people enjoyed "signature" dishes from 19 of our area's finest restaurants.

As the 18-piece Rhythm Society Orchestra played old standards, our guests strolled from special scallops on a spoon with spicy avocado to sushi to tenderloin sliders to elegant veal and chicken cannelloni and beyond.

Everyone's palate was satisfied thanks to the special epicurean efforts of the following restaurants: The Beach Grill, Bob's Boathouse, Centaur Bar, Chelli's Chili Bar, Da Edoardo Foxtown Grille, Dylan's Raw

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Also contributing to the success of the evening were the generous donations of the following companies and individuals: edmund t. AHEE jewelers, Joseph DuMouchelle Auction House, LaLonde Jewelers & Gemologists, Catherine and Ken Schreiner, Kloka Design Group LLC, Sue and Don Armbruster, Connolly Travel Inc., Cathy and Skip

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Seeber of the Cat's Meow Resort, Sinbad's at the River, WJR News-Talk 760 and Ticketmaster.

We share the following names of individuals and com-

panies for their generous help and support: Drew DeFour for his outstanding piano entertainment; Tom Pettit & Curzon Piano Co.; Cafana Cleaners; Chuck Dyer; Einstein Bros. Bagels, Kercheval; Grosse Pointe Moving & Storage; Grosse Pointe News, Ben Burns, Peter Birkner and Julie Sutton; Maurer's Linens; Party Adventure; Tom Rusinow; and Tina Sills.

We gratefully make note of the many local businesses that

contributed to the evening's excitement: Andiamo Lakefront Bistro, Atheneum Suite Hotel, Antonio's in the Park, Blue Goose Inn, Cadieux Cafe, Crews Inn, Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Detroit Opera House, Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, Edwin Paul Salon, Eastside Dermatology, Elizabeth Meda Design, English Gardens, Forton's Mower Service, Gifts Afloat, Joe Girardi, Godiva Chocolatier, Shey Dehring;

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The LARA committee wants to thank everyone who participated in this event. It was due

to your involvement that we set a record for attendance. As a result, we raised more than \$65,000 for the Lara Rutan Memorial Scholarship for Physician Assistant Studies at Wayne State University. This brings the endowment to \$135,000 over the past three years.

We are grateful to the general chairman, Mike LeFevre, and his entire committee for their tireless work. A special thanks to Lisa Whitmore Davis and the development office staff at Eugene Applebaum College.

We extend our thanks to everyone for your thoughts, prayers and kind words. You are a priceless part of Lara's legacy. Visit LaraRutan.com and know that you are all loved.

CHARLES R. RUTAN FAMILY:  
JUDY, RICK, RACHEL AND NICK

Love Always Remember  
Always Committee

KING:  
G.P. High School speech

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swer period, and if anybody disagrees with me, you will have the privilege, the opportunity to raise a question if you think I'm a traitor, then you'll have an opportunity to ask me about my traitoriness and we will give you that opportunity.

Now let me get back to the point that I was trying to bring out about the economic problem. And that is one of the most critical problems that we face in America today.

We find in the other America unemployment constantly rising to astronomical proportions and black people generally find themselves living in a literal depression. All too often when there is mass unemployment in the black community, it's referred to as a social problem and when there is mass unemployment in the white community, it's referred to as a depression. But there is no basic difference.

The fact is, that the Negro faces a literal depression all over the U.S. The unemployment rate on the basis of statistics from the labor department is about 8.8 percent in the black community. But these statistics only take under consideration individuals who were once in the labor market, or individuals who go to employment offices to seek employment. But they do not take under consideration the thousands of people who have given up, who have lost motivation, the thousands of people who have had so many doors closed in their faces that they feel defeated and they no longer go out and look for jobs, the thousands who come to feel that life is a long and desolate corridor with no exit signs.

These people are considered the discouraged and when you add the discouraged to the individuals who can't be calculated through statistics in the unemployment category, the unemployment rate in the Negro community probably goes to 16 or 17 percent. And among black youth, it is in some communities as high as 40 and 45 percent. But the problem of unemployment is not the only problem.

There is the problem of underemployment and there are thousands and thousand, I would say millions of people in the Negro community who are poverty stricken — not because they are not working but because they receive wages so low that they cannot begin to function in the main stream of the economic life of our nation.

Most of the poverty stricken people of America are persons who are working every day and they end up getting part-time wages for full-time work. So the vast majority of Negroes in America find themselves perishing on a lonely island of poverty in the midst of a vast ocean of material prosperity.

This has caused a great deal of bitterness. It has caused a great deal of agony. It has caused ache and anguish. It has caused great despair, and we have seen the angered expressions of this despair and this bitterness in the violent rebellions that have taken place in cities all over our country.

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Now I think my views on non-violence are pretty generally known.

I still believe that non-violence is the most potent weapon available to the Negro in his struggle for justice and freedom in the U.S.

Now let me relieve you a bit. I've been in the struggle a long time now and I've conditioned myself to some things that are much more painful than discourteous people not allowing you to speak, so if they feel that they can discourage me, they'll be up here all night.

Now I wanted to say something about the fact that we have lived over these last two or three summer with agony and we have seen our cities going up in flames, and I would be the first to say that I am still committed to militant, powerful, massive, non-violence as the most potent weapon in grappling with the problem from a direct action point of view. I'm absolutely convinced that a riot merely intensifies the fears of the white community while relieving the guilt. And I feel that we must always work with an effective, powerful weapon and method that brings about tangible results. But it is not enough for me to stand before you tonight and condemn riots, it would be morally irresponsible for me to do that without, at the same time, condemning the contingent, intolerable conditions that exist in our society.

These conditions are the things that cause individuals to feel that they have no other alternative than to engage in violent rebellions to get attention. And I must say tonight that a riot is the language of the unheard. And what is it America has failed to hear?

It has failed to hear that the plight of the Negro poor has worsened over the last 12 to 15 years. It has failed to hear that the promises of freedom and justice have not been met. And it has failed to hear that large segments of white society are more concerned about tranquility and the status quo than about justice and humanity.

Now every year about this time, our newspapers and our televisions and people generally start talking about the long hot summer ahead. What always bothers me is that the long hot summer has always been preceded by a long cold winter.

And the great problem is that the nation has not used its wintertime creatively enough to develop the program, to develop the kind of massive acts of concern that will bring about a solution to the problem. And so we must still face the fact that our nation's summers of riots are caused by our nation's winters of delay.

As long as justice is postponed we always stand on the verge of these darker nights of social disruption. The question now is whether America is prepared to do something massively, affirmatively and forthrightly about the great problem we face in the area of race and the problem which can bring the curtain of doom down on American civilization if it is not solved. And I would like to talk for the next few minutes about some of the things that must be done if we are to solve this problem.

The first thing I would like to mention is that there must be a recognition on the part of everybody in this nation that America is still a racist country. Now however unpleasant that sounds, it is the truth. And we will never solve the problem of racism until there is a recognition of the fact that racism still stands at the center of so much of our nation and we must see racism for what it is.

It is the nymph of an inferior people. It is the notion that one group has all of the knowledge, all of the insights, all of the purity, all of the work, all of the dignity. And another group is worthless, on a lower level of humanity, inferior.

To put it in philosophical language, racism is not based on some empirical generalization which, after some studies, would come to conclusion that these people are behind because of environmental conditions.

Racism is based on an ontological affirmation. It is the notion that the very being of a people is inferior. And their ultimate logic of racism is genocide.

Hitler was a very sick man. He was one of the great tragedies of history. But he was very honest. He took his racism to its logical conclusion.

The minute his racism caused him to sickly feel and go about saying that there was something innately inferior about the Jew he ended up killing six million Jews.

The ultimate logic of racism is genocide, and if one says that one is not good enough to have a job that is a solid quality job, if one is not good enough to have access to public accommodations, if one is

not good enough to have the right to vote, if one is not good enough to live next door to him, if one is not good enough to marry his daughter because of his race.

Then at that moment that person is saying that that person who is not good to do all of this is not fit to exist or to live. And that is the ultimate logic of racism. And we've got to see that this still exists in American society. And until it is removed, there will be people walking the streets of life and living in their humble dwellings feeling that they are nobody, feeling

that they have no dignity and feeling that they are not respected. The first thing that must be on the agenda of our nation is to get rid of racism.

Secondly, we've got to get rid of two or three myths that still pervade our nation. One is the myth of time.

I'm sure you've heard this notion.

It is the notion that only time can solve the problem of racial injustice. And I've heard it from many sincere people. They've said to the Negro and to his allies

in the white community you should slow up, you're pushing things too fast, only time can solve the problem.

And if you'll just be nice and patient and continue to pray, in 100 or 200 hundred years the problem will work itself out.

There is an answer to that myth.

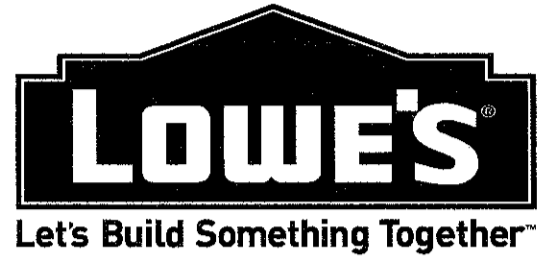
It is the time is neutral. It can be used either constructively or destructively.

And I'm sad to say to you tonight I'm absolutely convinced that the forces of ill will in our na-

tion, the forces on the wrong side in our nation, the extreme right-ous of our nation have often used time much more effectively than the forces of good will and it may well be that we may have to repent in this generation not merely for the vitriolic words of the bad people who will say bad things in a meeting like this or who will bomb a church in Birmingham, Alabama, but for the appalling silence and indifference of the good people who sit around and say wait on time.

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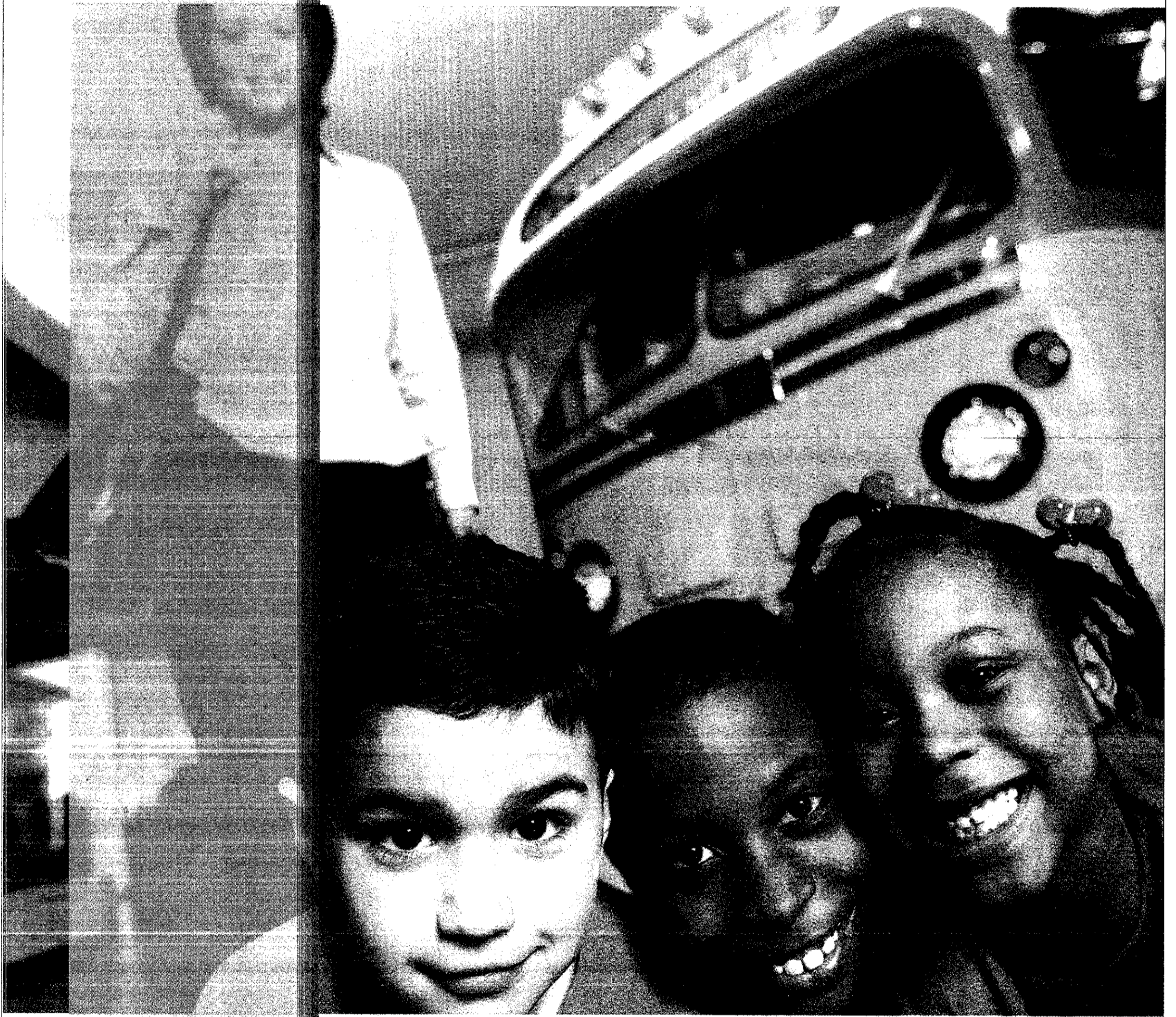
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GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

## Donor wall creates lasting legacy

By Amy Salvagno  
Staff Writer

From far away, it's an impressive image of crystal blue, with devilish eyes peering over a sea of spectators.

But up close, it's a meaningful tribute to those who have made an investment in the district, who went the extra distance to help make possible the state-of-the-art natatorium inside the John and Marlene Boll Athletic Center.

Called the Wall of Honor, the bubble-shaped discs that make up the face of the Grosse Pointe South High School mascot create a unique tribute to those who have donated to the 12-lane, 425,000-gallon pool that opened with much anticipation last fall. The wall honors those who have given, from the very little to the generous, and in the name of grandparents, parents or children.

And it will continue to grow. According to Dutch Mandel,

president of the South Athletic Booster Club, the design can hold enough discs to generate nearly \$477,000 — both for the facility and the school's athletic program.

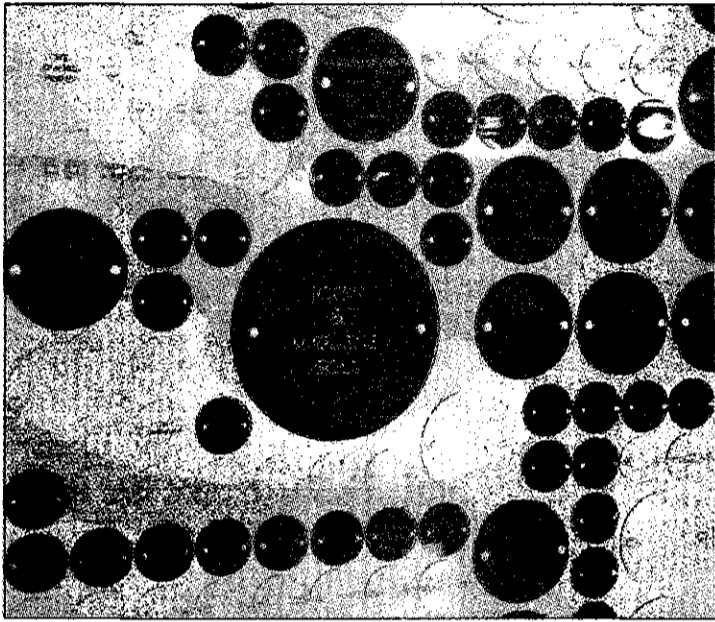
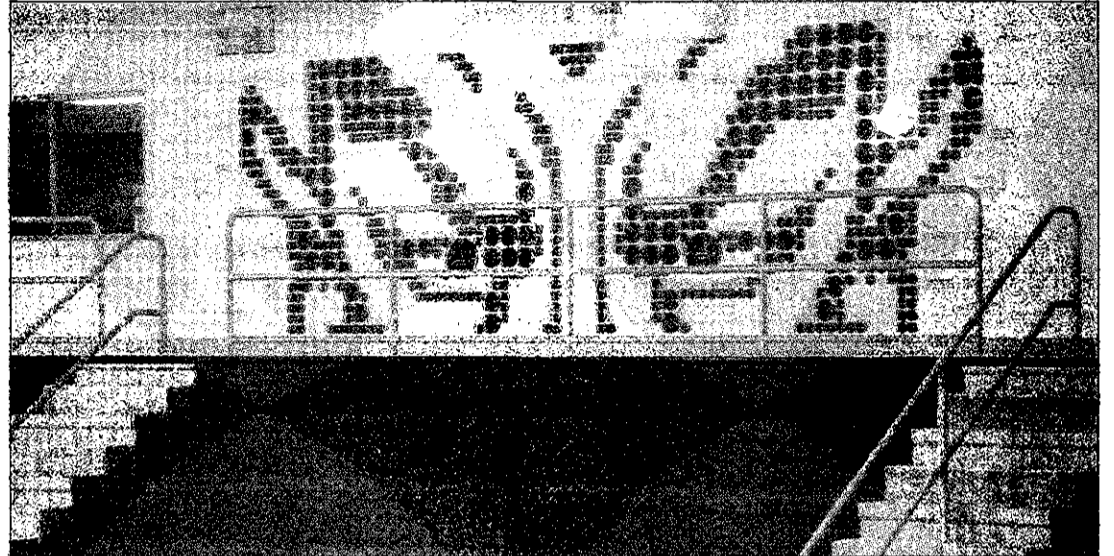
"Future swim teams can use it as a fundraiser instead of peanut brittle or wrapping paper. It's a way to go about leaving a legacy, about recognizing a state-of-the-art facility. And you don't have to be a swimmer to be part of it," he said.

Contributors from the swim community, past and present, are encouraged, as are members of the Pointes just looking to make a difference.

Names currently visible are of those who purchased individual swim lanes and diving boards through the Friends of the Grosse Pointe Pool — which committed to raising \$320,000 — as well as those who contributed the minimum \$180.

South dad Daniel Hughes came up with the design after hearing about the desire for a donor wall. The president of Grosse Pointe Farms-based OPTIMideas, LLC, a research and communications firm, spent almost two months working on and completing the project, which debuted in late December.

"We always try to do things unusual, and not cookie-cutter, for recognition. The people are



PHOTOS BY AMY SALVAGNO

The new Wall of Honor at the John and Marlene Boll Athletic Center recognizes those who have contributed to the 12-lane pool that opened this fall. The colorful discs create the shape of the Grosse Pointe South High School mascot — a blue devil.

special who have donated to a worthy cause and we feel they should be recognized in a proper way. If we can do something that is unique and appealing that would possibly prompt others to get involved, then it has done its job," said Hughes, who has more than 35 years of marketing and advertising experience with such major agencies as J. Walter Thompson and McCann-Erikson.

He said the distinctiveness of the project prompted him and his colleagues to "think a little more out of the box."

"That evolved into a concept that married the pool and water: drops of water. In this case, larger drops. The water discs represent the water and the

unique design of a dot pattern forms a shape, in this case the Blue Devil. With the large discs on the wall, you are not quick to recognize the pattern that forms the Blue Devil logo, in much the same case as a television screen or a blow up of printed material. The dots form a shape. The main impact is for the opposing team to look up into the stands and see the Blue Devil logo, looking menacingly down upon them."

Hughes said the wall is still not complete, and plans on adding new names to it every few months.

"I am very pleased. It looks exactly like I thought it would. I am also happy that it has received such great comments, and I hope that people contin-

ue to give to the pool fund."

Brandon Slone, South's assistant principal and athletic director, is also excited about the colorful addition.

"It's certainly unique. A lot of time and thought went into how they were going to create this. What turned out is what I'm sure other schools and companies will try to emulate, as well," he said. "It's pretty impressive to have a wall that captures the school mascot and shows donors' names."

Those interested in giving can visit [gpsnewpool.org](http://gpsnewpool.org) or [gpsathleticboosters.com](http://gpsathleticboosters.com) and download a donation form. All gifts go to the 501(c)(3), tax-deductible Grosse Pointe Public School System Fund for Excellence.

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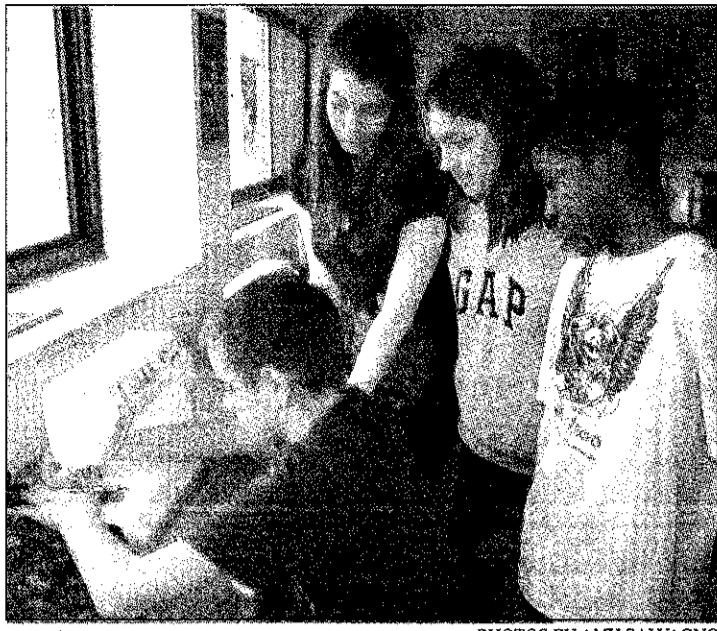
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PARCELLS MIDDLE SCHOOL

# Sewn for a smile

Parcells students create pillowcases for children at local hospitals

By Amy Salvagno  
Staff Writer



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Parcells Middle School students, from left, Jon Bevier, Catherine Schneider, Maddie Gafa and JaRon Houston, work on pillowcases during their Lifeskills class.

Tucked into bed in a quiet hospital room, unsure of what lies ahead, a child is smiling. All because of a pillowcase.

It may be the softness of the material or the brightness of the fabric that brings out that toothy grin, but it's likely due to the silent wishes stitched into each seam.

For several students at Parcells Middle School, the thought of such a simple reaction was enough to inspire them to work a little harder in class — and on something they would receive no credit for, at

least in the academic arena.

The 23 seventh- and eighth-graders, spread across four of Karleen Viviani's Lifeskills classes, volunteered to each spend two weeks sewing together pillowcases for ConKerr Cancer, a national nonprofit whose internationally aimed project, "A Case for Smiles," strives to comfort children battling life changing illnesses, from a neurological disorder to diabetes.

Its founder, Cindy Kerr, began making pillowcases in 2002 when her son was diag-

nosed with cancer. Soon, she began to do the same for other children in the oncology unit at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. Since Kerr's first efforts, the organization has provided nearly 30,000 pillowcases throughout the U.S., Canada and South Africa.

With donated fabric — a navy and blue hockey-themed print for boys and one woven with lavender, green and pink for girls — the students learned something new for those in need of a little hope.

"They were very eager to as-

ist and help other children. They are very aware of cancer these days, and had such pride in what they were doing," said Viviani, who had just taught her classes to make chef's aprons. "I personally feel that middle school kids have a lot of energy, and if they know of causes they can contribute to in the community, they're very willing."

The pillowcases were given to Metro Detroit chapter coordinator Sue Ellen Kosmas, who delivered them to Children's Hospital of Michigan, the Ronald McDonald House, Royal Oak Beaumont Hospital and St. John Hospital in Detroit.

Kosmas, a 22-year Grosse Pointe Woods resident who now lives in Macomb, started the chapter in December 2007 after hearing Kerr tell her story on TV: often, the only way she could get her son to smile was to bring him a pillowcase.

"The whole experience has just been unbelievable. To take such a simple thing and see what it does to a child and the difference it makes in that child's day is something that is hard to describe," Kosmas said.

Within the last 12 months, the chapter has locally delivered 2,316 colorful pillowcases, or "smiles," as Kosmas calls them.

Some are from church groups, others are from scout troops.

She has even received monetary contributions for the project.

"The neat thing is this helps children right in our backyard," she said. "Every single pillowcase or monetary donation is so very, very important. Without that, we could not have made this kind of progress in a year's time."

In her first opportunity to personally deliver a pillowcase, Kosmas witnessed the face of one little boy light right up.

"It filled my heart more than I could have ever imagined. I can't describe the feeling when

I know who these pillowcases are going to. Some are not in a good place, but if I can provide a smile to a child who hasn't had one, that's what it's all about."

She says she was personally touched by the Parcells donation, which was home to both of her children for three years.

"It's so exciting seeing children doing this for other children. It's a very simple concept, but the profound effect it has had on kids and their families is amazing. It gives them a choice. Many of them don't get that chance."

The Parcells students attached a little note to each pillowcase, though they don't know who will receive them.

"I really enjoy sewing and I thought it was a cool way to help out children in the hospital and give them something fun to enjoy," said seventh-grader Maddy Vyletel about why she volunteered for the project. "I hope they'll smile and use them and be glad they have them."

"I thought it would be a really good idea, not for class, but

to help someone else. It felt really good doing it for someone in need," added eighth-grader Jackie Snyder. "I hope they'll have a smile on their face and be glad someone made it for them."

"It made me feel good, the idea that I can do something for other kids," said seventh-grader Jonathan Bevier. "I hope they feel that they know someone special made this for them and I hope they will cherish it forever."


Viviani says through the project, she saw her students put in genuine, heartfelt emotion.

"You could see they really cared. We're trying to make kids aware that they are very fortunate and they have many blessings and need to be thankful for those," she said. "We try to teach compassion and this was actually an action."

For information on making a pillowcase for or giving a monetary donation to ConKerr Cancer, contact Sue Ellen Kosmas at [conkerrcancer-skdet@yahoo.com](mailto:conkerrcancer-skdet@yahoo.com) or (586) 948-2684.



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AUTOS By Jenny King

# Auto Show: Lots of food for thought



Press days preceding the public opening of the 2009 North American International Auto Show were subdued compared with previous years.

Gone was the beloved coffee bar at the Acura stand where cheerful attendants served countless cappuccinos and we stuffed biscotti and chocolate-dipped pretzels in our Michelin carryalls.

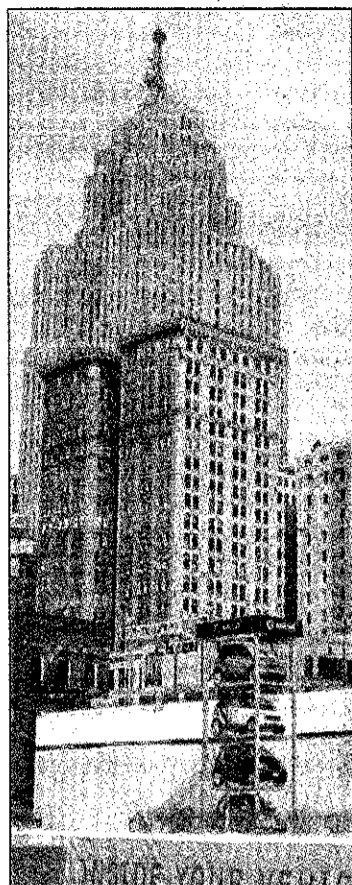
Gone were the lunches that ranged from enormous buffets at the General Motors stand to nifty lunches provided by Chrysler — complete with Dove Bar desserts.

Gone was the Jeep waterfall. Once upon a time Toyota even had gymnasts performing at its stand and celebrities were brought in for cameo appearances when concept cars were unveiled.

Conservation is the theme of this year's press and show days. Everyone is talking green. Even Bentley, which says it will build some vehicles that can run on flex fuel or E85 ethanol.

In addition to countless engine displays, including cut-aways of gas-electric hybrid powerplants, there were demonstrations of vehicle interiors that use greater amounts of sustainable materials and materials that can be broken down and recycled.

Ford introduced its 2010 Taurus full-size sedan and the latest Shelby 500GT Mustang. Ford drove away with the 2009 North American Truck of the Year award, and Hyundai



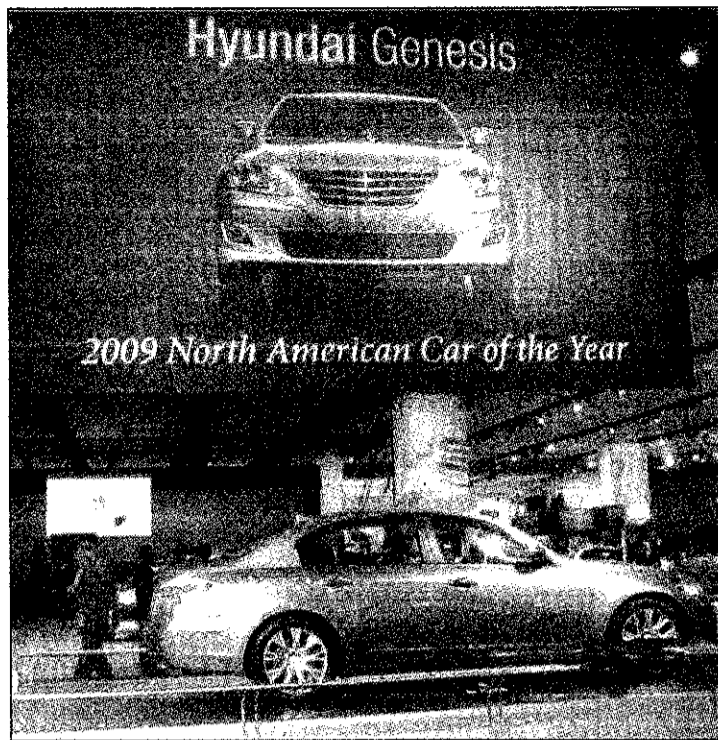
A stack of smart cars across Washington Boulevard from Cobo Center was eye-catching but failed to measure up to the Penobscot Building in the rear.

snagged 2009 North American Car of the Year with its luxurious new Genesis.

Bentley unveiled a new GTC Speed coupe that's capable of a zero-to-60 run in 4.5 seconds. This four-passenger ultra luxury convertible will set you back \$231,400.

Detroit was the second major North American auto show stop for Lamborghini's Gallardo LP 560-4 Spyder. The sports car sells for a bit less than the Bentley: \$221,000.

But then there is room for only two passengers in the Spyder, which is powered by a 560-horsepower 10-cylinder engine.



Hyundai's new Genesis luxury sedan earned the 2009 North American Car of the Year award.



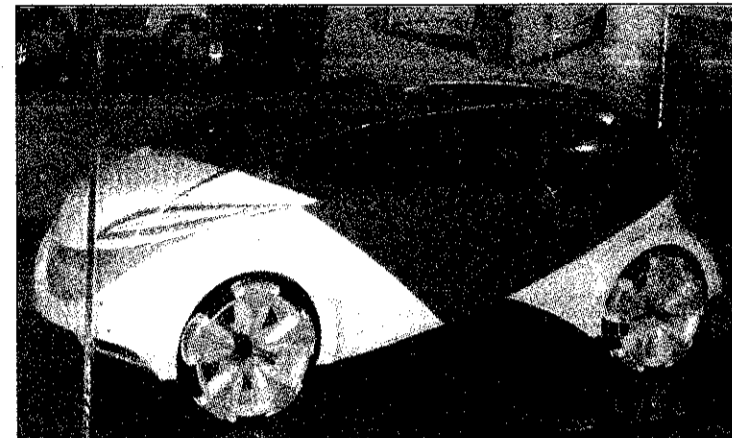
Johnson Controls developed this demonstration car on a Kia Ceed. Thin seats create greater interior space in this plug-in electric vehicle. Much of the material is from sustainable sources.

Both these imports boast top speeds of 200 mph.

The auto show opens to the public Saturday, Jan. 17, at Cobo Center, Detroit.



Lamborghini is offering this Gallardo LP 560-4 Spyder as a new 2009 model. It is priced at \$221,000.



This Hyundai family-class concept that would be clad in solar panels to capture energy for use in separating water into oxygen and hydrogen for fuel is the work of Nicholas Stone, College for Creative Studies senior. Look for it at the CCS main floor stand across from Volkswagen.



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**AUTOS** By Jenny King

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# '09 Subaru Legacy is snow road warrior



Case in point: The 2009 Legacy 2.5GT Limited, with its 2.5 liter intercooled turbocharged Boxer engine, a four-cylinder powerplant that produces 243 horsepower. And, as driving companion Pat Linklater noted with some surprise, that engine takes you on to a busy interstate quickly and efficiently.

**A**long with its renowned all-wheel drive system, Subaru now offers drivers a growing number of models and equipment levels that have turned the practical, go-anywhere vehicles into serious road machines.

The quiet packaging of the five-passenger Legacy is betrayed only by the mid-hood air scoop that lets observers know this sedan is capable of a serious workout.

To underscore that point,

Subaru has added Subaru Intelligent Drive performance control, which gives the driver the option of custom tailoring the car's driving characteristics. The choices include "Intelligent," "Sport" and "Sport Sharp." There's a rotary dial on the center console.

Subaru explains Intelligent Drive affects transmission shift performance on Legacy and Outback models with the five-speed automatic transmission. The Intelligent mode cuts down acceleration and peak torque.

It can also bring the modest driver improved fuel economy.

The Sport and Sport Sharp modes provide greater acceleration. The "sharp" mode will hold models with automatic transmission in lower gears longer for increased power and a greater sense of performance.

Need we mention that in a holiday weekend return trip from Traverse City through a seemingly endless snow storm,

we were in the Intelligent mode — not only for the car, but for what remained of personal consciousness after hours of driving through fast-falling white stuff.

As for the 2009 Legacy 2.5GT Limited, this nameplate was significantly redesigned from the previous model year. So for 2009, customers can look for a

fancy Harman-Kardon sound system with no fewer than nine speakers; nifty steering wheel audio and other controls, an eight-way power driver's seat, and a power-operated moonroof.

There's a new Legacy 3.0R and new turbocharged Legacy

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The Subaru Legacy 2.5GT Limited returned to Indiana, the state of its final assembly, for a trip to the LaPorte County Historical Society Museum.

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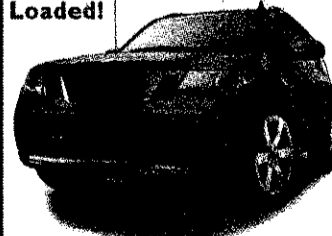
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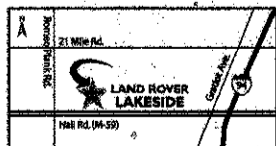


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# OBITUARIES

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## Robert R. Garey

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Robert R. Garey, 82, died Tuesday, Jan. 6, 2009 at Beaumont Hospital Grosse Pointe.

Mr. Garey was born Aug. 9, 1926 in Williamsburg to Garfield W. and Mable A. Garey. He attended Central Michigan University, Iowa State University and University of Michigan. He earned his law degree in 1951 from Wayne State Law School.

He worked as a systems analyst for a number of companies including U.S. Army Tank-automotive & Armaments Command, Ford Motor Co., and Chrysler Corp. He was a corporate trust officer for Detroit Bank & Trust and was a private practice attorney at Qually, Larson, Jones & Garey.

Mr. Garey was a U.S. Navy seaman 2nd class and served in the Pacific Theater during World War II.

He was a member of Habitat for Humanity in Savannah, Ga. and volunteer at Candler Hospital in the same city. He enjoyed golfing and following his investments and the stock market.

Mr. Garey is survived by his wife, Elizabeth A. Garey; daughter, Susan E. (Paul) Koch; son, Kirkland W. (Rebecca Sue) Garey; grandchildren, Jacob J. Koch, Kellie A. Koch, Hannah E. Garey and Jackson K. Garey; and his sister, Gladys April.

A funeral service was held at Chas. Verheyden Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Park. Interment will be in Arlington National Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, 20450 Civic Center Drive, Southfield, MI 48076 or the American Heart Association, 24445 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, Southfield, MI 48075.

## Louis R. Dimitry

Former Grosse Pointe resident Louis R. Dimitry, 103, died Tuesday, Jan. 6, 2009, at his residence in Northville.

Mr. Dimitry owned the Dimitry & Moody Custom Tailor and Design Shop in Detroit for 65 years before retiring. Prior to moving to Northville, he was a 75-year resident of Grosse Pointe.

Mr. Dimitry was a 50-year member of Rotary International and belonged to the Grosse Pointe Rotary Club and the Detroit Rotary Club.

Mr. Dimitry is survived by Dorothy, his wife of 75 years; children, Carol Pappas, Gary (Carole) Dimitry and Christopher (Cheryl) Dimitry; eight grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at St. Thomas Orthodox Church, Farmington Hills, with interment in Rural Hill Cemetery in Northville.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Thomas Orthodox Church, 29150 10 Mile Road, Farmington Hills, MI 48336.

Arrangements were handled by Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Home in Northville.

## George P. Squiers

Former Grosse Pointe Park resident George P. Squiers, 93, died Monday, Jan. 5, 2009.

Mr. Squiers is survived by Dorothea, his devoted wife of 57 years. He was a loving father and is survived by his son, Gary, of Kalamazoo, and daughters, Gail (Edward) Waltermeyer of Columbus, Ohio and Mary Squiers of Needham, Mass. He loved children and was the proud grandfather of six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Mr. Squiers donated his body to Wayne State University for research purposes.

## Frances Gentile

Frances Gentile, 64, died Wednesday, Dec. 3, 2008, after a long battle with pulmonary disease.

Mrs. Gentile was born March 6, 1944, in Detroit and raised in Grosse Pointe. She graduated from Our Lady Star of the Sea grade school and was a 1962 graduate of Grosse Pointe High School.

She worked in advertising at the Detroit News and as a legal secretary for 20 years. She worked in the prosecutor's offices in both Roseville and St. Clair Shores. Mrs. Gentile also worked as membership secretary at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club.

Her husband, Tom, lovingly described her as having both beauty and brains and being a wonderful wife and mother.

She is survived by Tom, her husband of 43 years; sons, Carl (Linda) and Christopher (Kathy); grandchildren, Sarah, Jake, Clara, Emma and Leah; and her sisters, Donna (Steve) Staples and Patricia Gattney.

## Clarence F. Wascher

Saline resident Clarence F. Wascher, 86, died Tuesday, Jan. 10, 2009.

He was born April 12, 1922 in Lyons, Ill. to William and Alma Wascher. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

Mr. Wascher was general manager of Jacobson's in Grosse Pointe. He retired in 1988. He is a former president of the Grosse Pointe Rotary Club.

He enjoyed painting, dancing and golf.

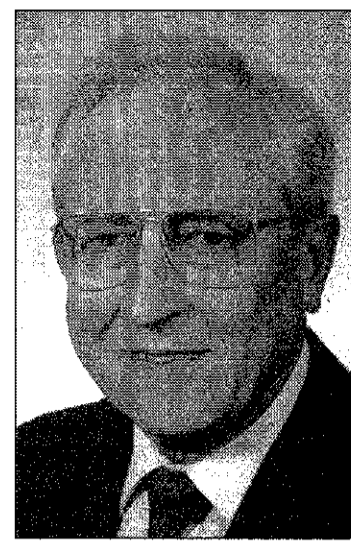
Mr. Wascher is survived by his daughters, Carol Wascher, Janet (Douglas) Manley, Barbara (Jean) Runel, Mary (Michael) Straus, Della Frieman; son, James Wascher; six grandchildren;



Robert R. Garey



Frances Gentile



Clarence F. Wascher

three great-grandchildren; and sisters, Elinor Grimm and Grace Kokuska.

A funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 17, at A.H. Peters Funeral Home, 20705 Mack Ave., Grosse Pointe Woods. Interment will be in the Columbarium at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe Farms.

## Robert J. Williamson

City of Grosse Pointe resident Robert J. Williamson, 84, died Friday, Jan. 2, 2009.

Mr. Williamson was born July 25, 1924, in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., to Leo and Rose (nee Helfrich) Williamson. He attended St. Nicholas elementary school and high school in Wilkes-Barre, where he was honored as class valedictorian. He graduated from King's College also in Wilkes-Barre.

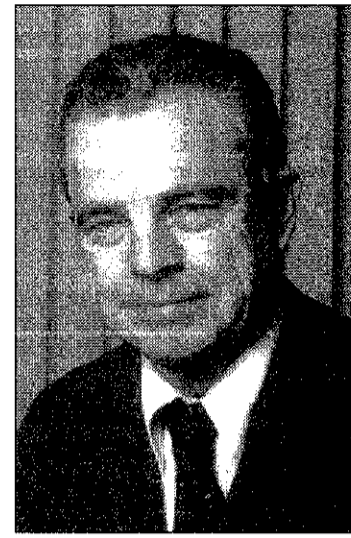
Mr. Williamson served in the U.S. Coast Guard during World War II and was honorably discharged in 1946. He was an executive for the Brotherhood of Maintenance

of Way Employees, the international railroad labor union, in Highland Park for 25 years, retiring in 1986. His work involved frequent trips to Washington, D.C. to cover legislative issues for the Brotherhood and on one matter met with President Lyndon Johnson.

Mr. Williamson was a devoted and adored husband, father and grandfather. He was a devout Catholic and regularly attended St. Philomena's Church with his loving wife of 46 years, Helen. He was a skilled figure skater, a pursuit he consistently enjoyed into his late 70s. He also enjoyed playing tennis. He was an avid gardener and loved opera.

Mr. Williamson is survived by his wife, Helen; sons, Michael (Renata) of Chicago and John (Elizabeth) of Grosse Pointe Farms; and grandchildren Kathryn, Alice, Rose, Adam, Kristin, Ivona and Johnny.

He was predeceased by his parents; sisters, Elizabeth Hendrickson and Agnes Beaney; and brother, Leo.



Robert J. Williamson

A funeral Mass was celebrated Jan. 5 at St. Philomena's. Burial is planned at St. Nicholas Cemetery in Shavertown, Pa.

The Williamson family wishes to thank all of the dedicated and caring medical professionals who kindly and gently cared for Mr. Williamson while he was ill.

Memorial donations may be made to the Capuchin Mission Association, 1820 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207.

## Boike to chair county commission

Commissioner Edward A. Boike, Jr. (D-Taylor) has been elected to chair the Wayne County Commission for the 2009-2010 legislative sessions.

Boike will oversee the 15-person legislative body for two terms and is responsible for the commission's 72 employees and its \$11.3 million

annual budget. The commission provides fiscal and legislative oversight of Wayne County's \$2.25 billion budget.

"It is truly an honor to be selected chairman," Boike said in his acceptance speech. "I will work to uphold the Wayne County charter, set policy and provide financial accountability for the taxpay-



Wayne County Commission Chairman Edward A. Boike Jr.

ers of Wayne County."

His agenda for the commission includes streamlining the organization and finding ways to make it work more efficiently and effectively.

With Wayne County facing its worst economic downturn since the Depression, Boike said the challenge facing the commission is minimizing the reduction in services and programs the county provides to citizens and its communities.

"Our task is to balance the needs and resources available for all 43 communities and be attuned to their needs," he said.

"We must seek additional funding sources to improve roads, maintain drains, fight foreclosures and redevelop underutilized properties."

Citing the common denominator for all 43 communities is the need for jobs, Boike said the commission will work with County Executive Robert Ficano to diversify Wayne County's economy, create new employment and generate additional tax base.

"We are not a county of city and suburb. We are one Wayne County," he said.

Boike is the longest-serving member of the commission. He was first elected in 1988, and has been re-elected 10 times by the voters of District 15 which includes Brownstown Township, Flat Rock, Gibraltar, Huron Township, Rockwood, Romulus and Taylor.

Commissioners also elected Keith D. Williams as vice chair and Ilona Varga as vice chair pro tempore.

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DRIVEWAYS By Frank A. Aukofer

# 911 Carrera: There's still no substitute

The 2009 Porsche 911 Carrera is new in an inside-out way. It's no surprise. The iconic sports car still looks essentially the same as the first U.S. model in 1965.

Then, as now, the 911 featured a horizontally opposed six-cylinder engine mounted behind the rear wheels. It has three cylinders lying down on each side of the crankshaft, feet to feet, instead of leaning to the side or standing up as in V-designed or in-line engines. Originally air cooled, it now has liquid cooling.

By remaining conservative in styling over the years, Porsche protects its lineage as well as owner loyalty. There's little imperative to buy a brand new 911 every few years. It also serves to keep the used-car values high.

But for 2009, there are a lot of reasons, mainly unseen inside the sculptured bodywork, for another to hanker after a 911 Carrera. Two all new engines, as well as a new seven-speed automated manual transmission, are part of the lure.

But the 911 also gets 21st century enhancements. For the first time, it is available with Bluetooth cell phone connectivity, a six-disc in-dash CD changer, DVD-based audio system, and connections for an iPod or MP3 player as well as USB memory sticks. A naviga-

## 2009 PORSCHE 911 CARRERA TWO-DOOR COUPE

**Engine:** 3.6-liter horizontally-opposed six-cylinder, 345 horsepower.  
**Transmission:** Porsche-Doppelkupplung seven-speed twin-clutch manual with automatic mode.  
**Overall length:** 14 feet 7 inches.  
**EPA cargo volume:** 12 cubic feet—front and rear.  
**Weight:** 3,120 pounds.  
**EPA city/highway fuel consumption:** 19/27 miles per gallon.  
**Base price, including destination charge:** \$76,550.  
**Base dealer cost—estimated:** \$67,100.  
**Price as tested:** \$90,945.

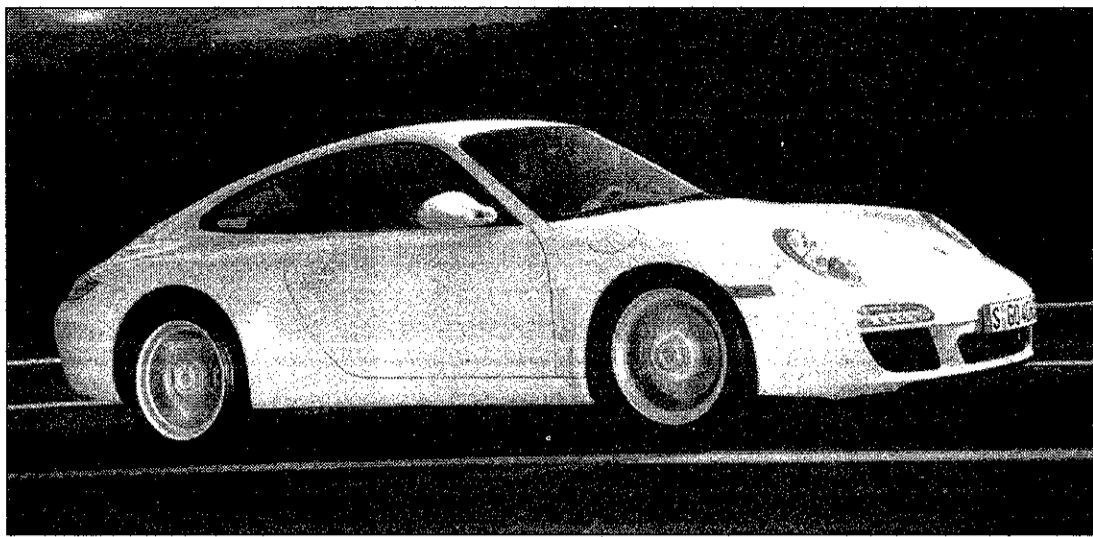


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The 2009 Porsche 911 Carrera is new in an inside-out way.

tion system with a 40-gigabyte hard drive also is an option.

That's frosting, of course, but important in this era of high-tech personal communications and entertainment devices.

More compelling, however, are the changes in the performance areas in which Porsche has always been in the vanguard: engines, transmissions and brakes.

The biggest game changer is the new seven-speed automated twin-clutch transmission, which will force Porsche aficionados to learn new terminology. It's called the Porsche-Doppelkupplungsgetriebe.

As a concept, it's not new. Porsche used a version on a race car as far back as 1983. Similar transmissions have been offered recently by Audi, Volkswagen and Nissan on the

GT-R super car.

The PDK essentially is two transmissions with two clutches and two drive shafts. On the 911, one side contains reverse, first, third, fifth and seventh gears; the other side has second, fourth and sixth.

There's no clutch. You shift manually with the console mounted shifter or paddles on the steering wheel. Using sensors and computer wizardry, the transmission preselects the next gear you want, up or down, and the shift happens instantly and smoothly as the clutches open and close. It is possible to fool the system, but at least nine times out of 10, it will know your intended gear.

The PDK shifts more quickly than a skilled human. Porsche

lists the zero-to-60 acceleration time on the 911 at 4.9 seconds with the six-speed manual gearbox and 4.7 seconds with the PDK. On the more powerful Carrera S, the manual time is 4.7 seconds, compared to 4.5 with the PDK.

If you don't feel like shifting, simply choose the automatic mode and it shifts as smoothly as any automatic. The PDK is so capable that Porsche is dropping its Tiptronic automatic transmission in all of the 911s, though it will be continued on other models.

Until now, according to Porsche statistics, about 60 percent of 911 buyers chose the standard six-speed manual gearbox, with 40 percent ordering the Tiptronic. They now

expect the reverse, with manual models accounting for as little as 30 percent and up to 70 percent spending an additional \$4,080 for the PDK.

Two all-new engines deliver the power, both with direct fuel/air injection into the cylinders. They also feature variable intake valve timing and lift, as well as revised intake and exhaust systems. On the 911, the 3.6-liter engine is rated at 345 horsepower, up from 325 in the previous model. The 911 S, at 3.8 liters, delivers 385 horsepower, up from 355.

The new engines are lighter than their predecessors, and both deliver improved fuel economy, escaping the government's gas guzzler penalty. The 911 Carrera is rated at 19/27

miles per gallon on the city/highway cycle with the PDK, and the Carrera S comes in at 19/26. Ratings with the manual gearbox are slightly lower, at 18/25 for both engines.

Both models get bigger brakes, with vented rotors on all four wheels that are nearly 13 inches in diameter.

Outside cues to the 2009 911 are LED tail lights, stoplights and running lights. Other than that, and slight differences in the tailpipes, anyone would be hard-pressed to distinguish the new models.

On the road and the race track, the new Carrera exhibits the balanced performance, handling and braking that have attracted enthusiasts through six generations of the 911, except that now everything works incrementally better.

On the highway, road and engine noise intrude into the cabin, but that's part of the sports car experience. Comfort is first-rate, although there is one glaring shortcoming. The tiny sun visors do not slide on their support rods—a simple thing to fix—and so provide no side protection from the sun.

The tested 911 started at \$76,550 and, with the PDK and other options, topped out at \$90,945.

Frank A. Aukofer is an automotive writer for Scripps Howard News Service.

## LEGACY: Snow road warrior

Continued from page 16A

2.5GT spec.B for 2009. The Legacy 3.0R has a 245-horsepower six under its hood.

Subaru says it introduced its first Boxer engine more than 40 years ago. It works well with the all-wheel drive because it is compact, Subaru says. The layout concentrates the engine's mass in a small area and, with a lower center of gravity, improves handling and steering.

The engine is mounted front-to-back, with the transmission directly behind it. Power travels in a straight, near-horizontal line to the rear differential, thus minimizing frictional loss, Subaru says. This layout also provides good left-right balance to the vehicle.

The test Legacy 2.5GT Limited included power driver and passenger seats, perforated leather-trimmed upholstery, heated front seats plus heated mirrors and windshield wiper deicer, of which we were not aware. But in spite of the relentless snow storm plus enormous and blinding splashes from passing vehicles, the wipers kept visibility as clear as possible.

Traveling pal Linklater thought the brushed silver interior trim, especially the door handle areas, were very attrac-

tive. Any front seat passenger would love the heated seat as winter bears down on us once again.

She admired the bright red lights marking the various climate and sound system controls on the instrument panel as we plowed slowly through the heavy snowfall between Flint and Troy on the Sunday following Thanksgiving.

We were very happy to be making good contact with the

soggy road and to know we had both all-wheel drive and antilock brakes. The heated exterior mirrors did their job well.

This particular Legacy 2.5 GT Limited had a price tag of \$33,060, which included its transport from final assembly in Lafayette, Ind.

Its EPA fuel economy numbers were posted as 18 miles per gallon average in the city and 24 out on the highway. It appeared, when driven with a

light foot and occasional cruise control, to be doing considerably better than that.

The Outback is the five-passenger station wagon or crossover vehicle that is built on the Legacy platform. It too has the 2.5 liter four or 3.0 liter

Forster, a crossover restyled

for 2009 riding on a new platform. Subaru likes to say it's "sport utility tough, car easy." The Tribeca crossover, available with seating for seven, bowed for the 2006 model year and got a big 256 horsepower 3.6 liter six under its hood for the 2008 model year.

The Evolence ad that ran on Thursday, December 16th (7B) used the term "available exclusively" in an unclear context.

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## CITY OF HARPER WOODS WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING JANUARY 5, 2009

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:30 P.M.

**ROLL CALL:** All Councilpersons were present except Councilperson John M. Szymanski.

### MOTIONS PASSED

- 1) To excuse Councilperson John M. Szymanski from tonight's meeting because of a prior commitment.
- 2) To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held December 15, 2008 and furthermore, receive and file the minutes of the Planning Commission meeting held December 17, 2008 and the Library Board meeting held December 18, 2008.
- 3) That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

### RESOLUTION PASSED

- 1) To approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: (1) Approve the Accounts Payable listing for Check Numbers 86134 through 86356 in the amount of \$1,125,449.53 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing. (2) Approve payment to Statewide Security Transport in the amount of \$6,001.13 for prisoner lodging and maintenance for the month of November 2008. (3) Approve payment to Douglass Safety Systems, LLC in the amount of \$14,349.42 for the purchase of turnout gear for the new cross trained officers and for two fire fighters. (4) Approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$13,819.90 for professional services during the month of November 2008 for the following projects: 2007 Sewer Cleaning & TV Inspection, #180-100; Kelly Road Sidewalk - Alley CDBG, #180-102; 2008 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-105; EB Harper Resurfacing - Manchester to Vernier, #180-109 and the SRF Project Plan Preparation, #180-113. (5) Approve payment to Care's Youth Assistance in the amount of \$15,827.66 for our City's proportionate share of the funding of the Grosse Pointe/Harper Woods Youth Assistance Program for 2009.
- 2) To approve payment to AAA Pipe Cleaning Corp. in the amount of \$48,911.71 for Progress Payment No. 13 on the 2007 Sewer Cleaning and CCTV Investigation Project, #180-100.
- 3) To adopt the Performance and Indemnification Resolution related to the City's Annual Permit to Work on State Highways

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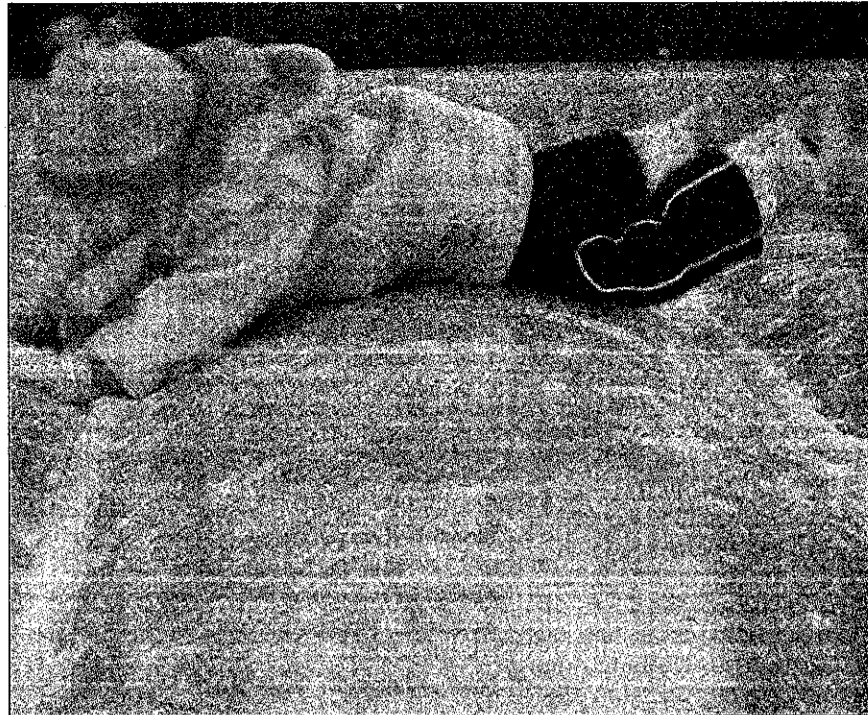


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Abby Brink has trouble staying on her feet in the moonwalk because the snow from the children's boots made for a slippery surface.

# 2009 Winterfest on The Hill



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

William Weiss blows steam from the hot chocolate he and his brother, Charles, were drinking as a way to warm up during the blizzard-like weather during Winterfest.

The broom ball hockey teams featured a mix of athletes, past and present, along with community leaders, business owners and residents. The weather was perfect for the game, and for the festival. Several inches of snow fell during the annual festival.



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Lily Lathon, Catherine Crow, Chase Bartoszewicz and Stephanie Bloink look at the dolphin riding a wave ice sculpture next to the Richard Park gazebo. The ice sculptures at the Winterfest included the Stanley Cup, Superman and this dolphin. At right, a likeness of the Eiffel Tower sponsored by Mutschler Kitchens Inc.



It was the perfect temperature for ice sculptures this year, along with some fresh snow for the sled dogs from the Thunderfeet Kennel Dog Sled Team.



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# 2009 Winterfest on The Hill



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The sculpture sponsored by Salon Seventy Six.

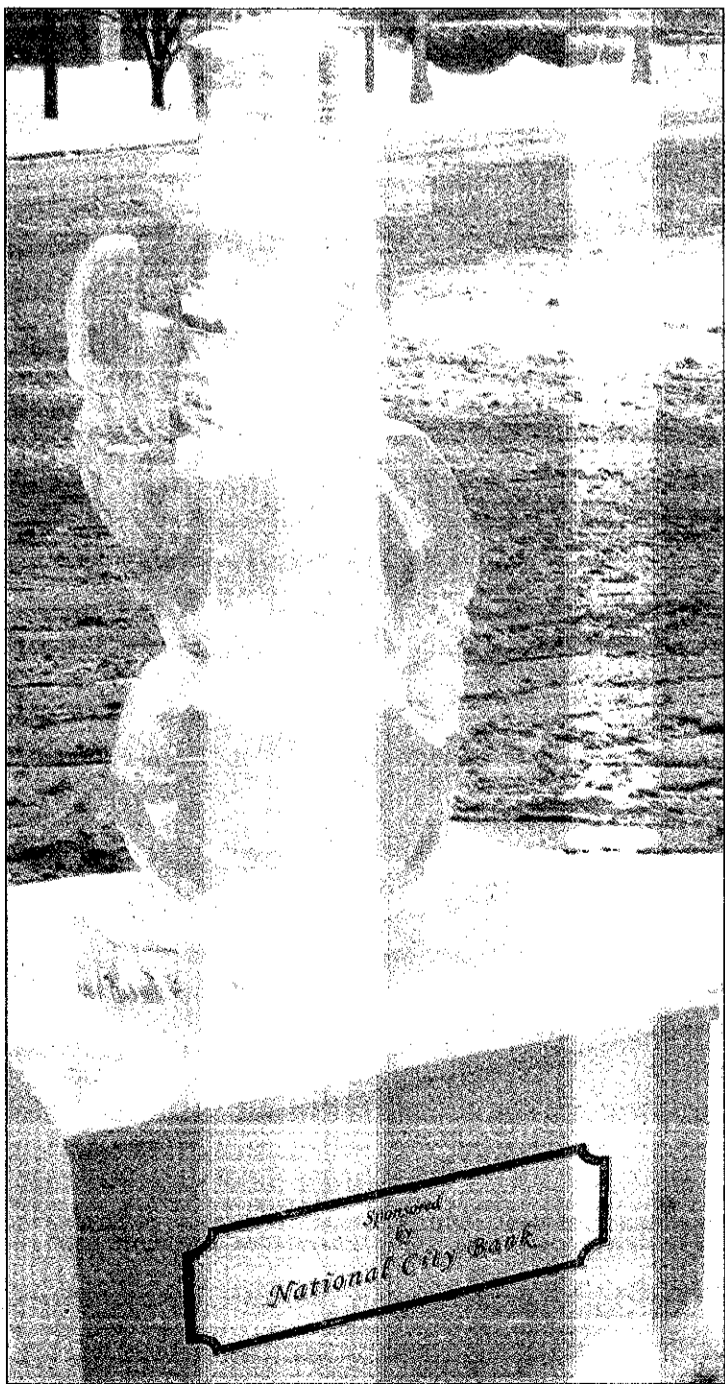


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From left, Farms Parks & Recreation Director Richard Huhn, Henry Ford President and CEO Tony Armada and developer Edward Russell draw the grand prize winner at the end of the day's festivities.



The warming tent offered refreshments and musical entertainment from "Passage."



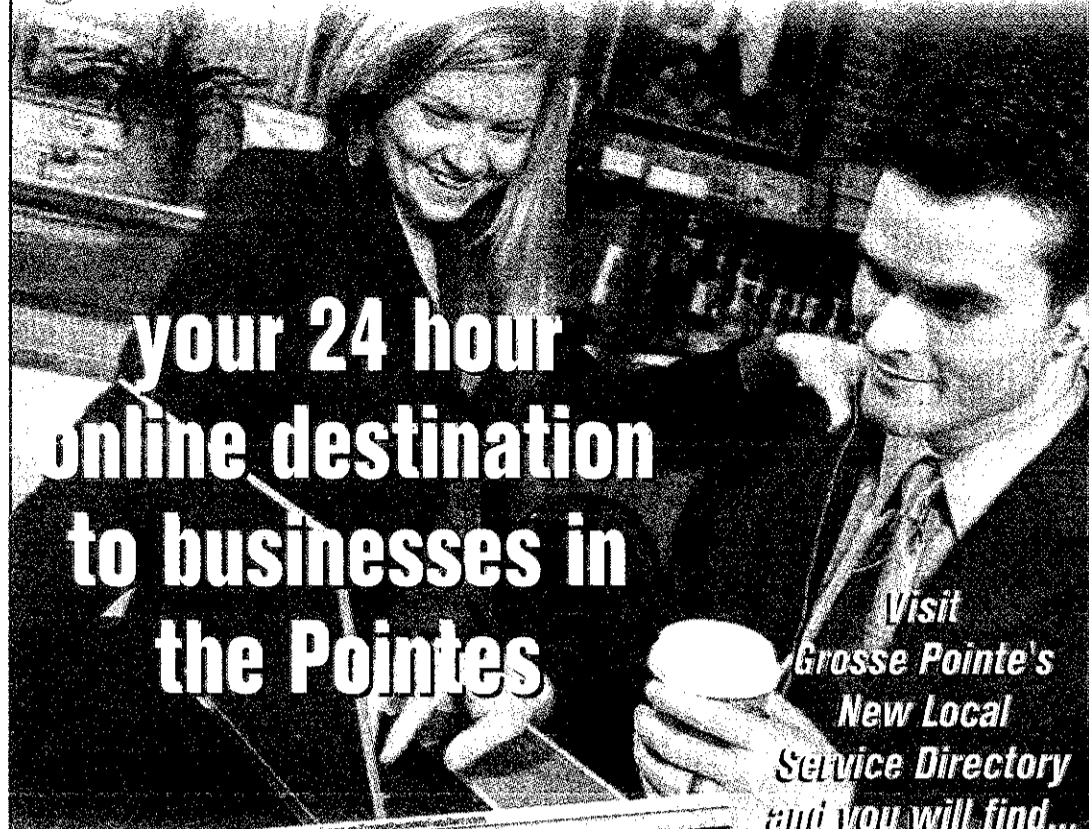
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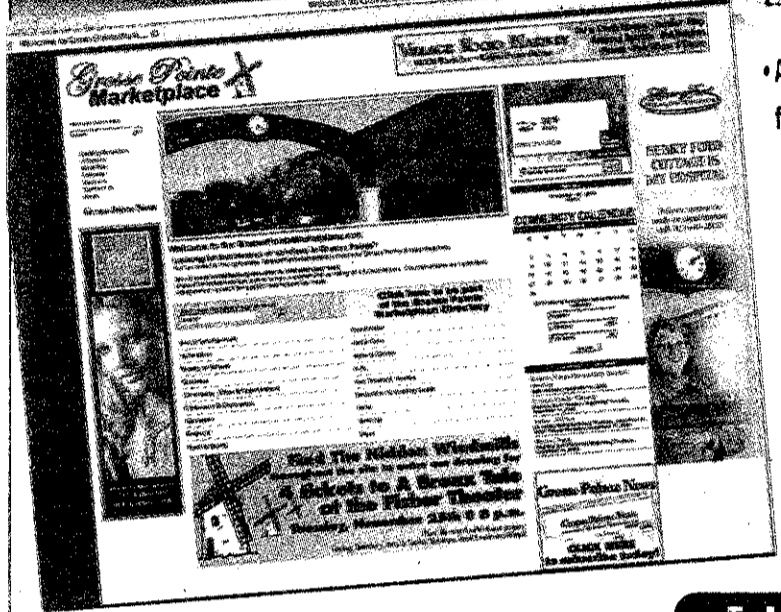
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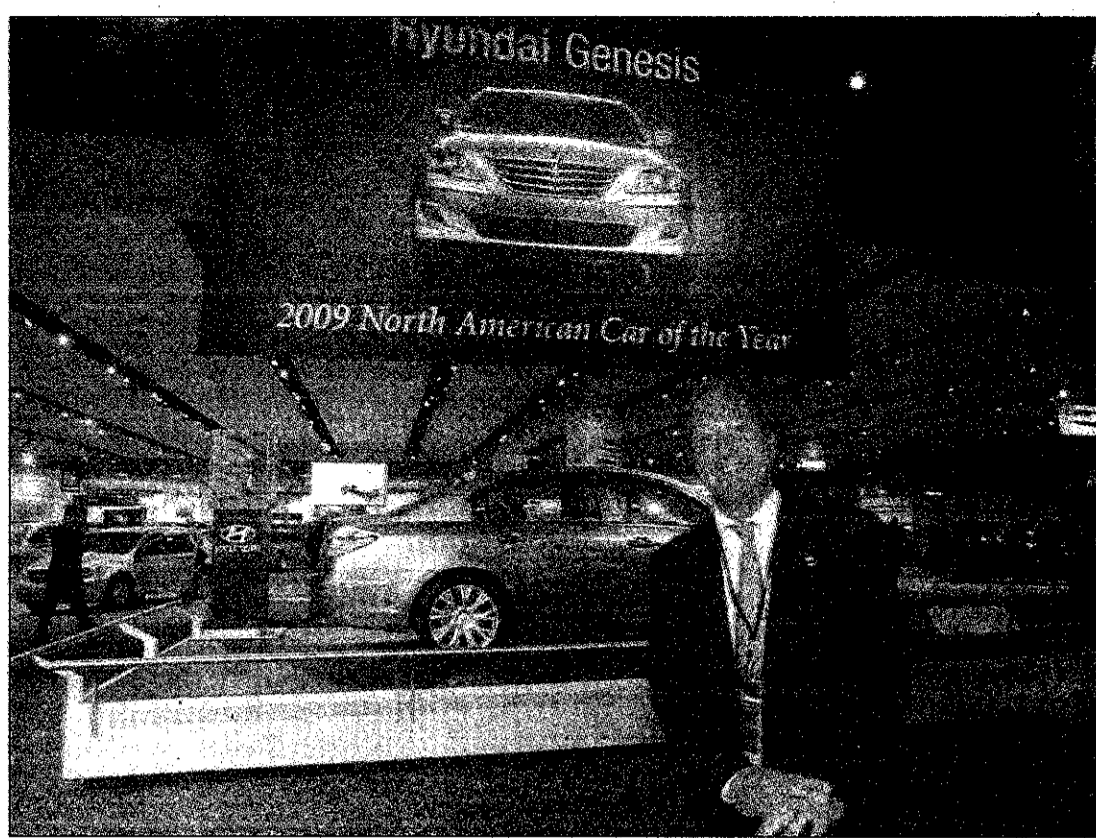
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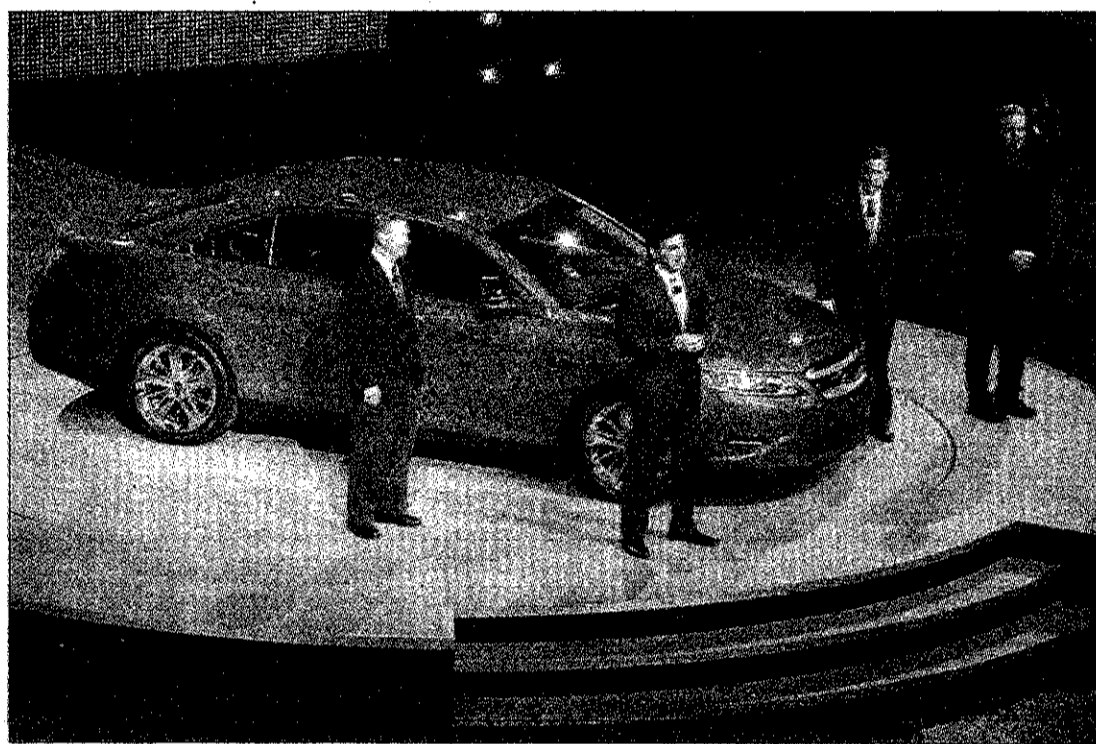
**NORTH AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL AUTO SHOW**



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## All smiles

Above, Grosse Pointer Doug Fox, co-chair of the 2009 North American International Auto Show, is in front of the Car of the Year, the Hyundai Genesis, while below, Bill Ford Jr, second from the right, and other Ford Motor Co. executives stand on one of the Ford exhibits.



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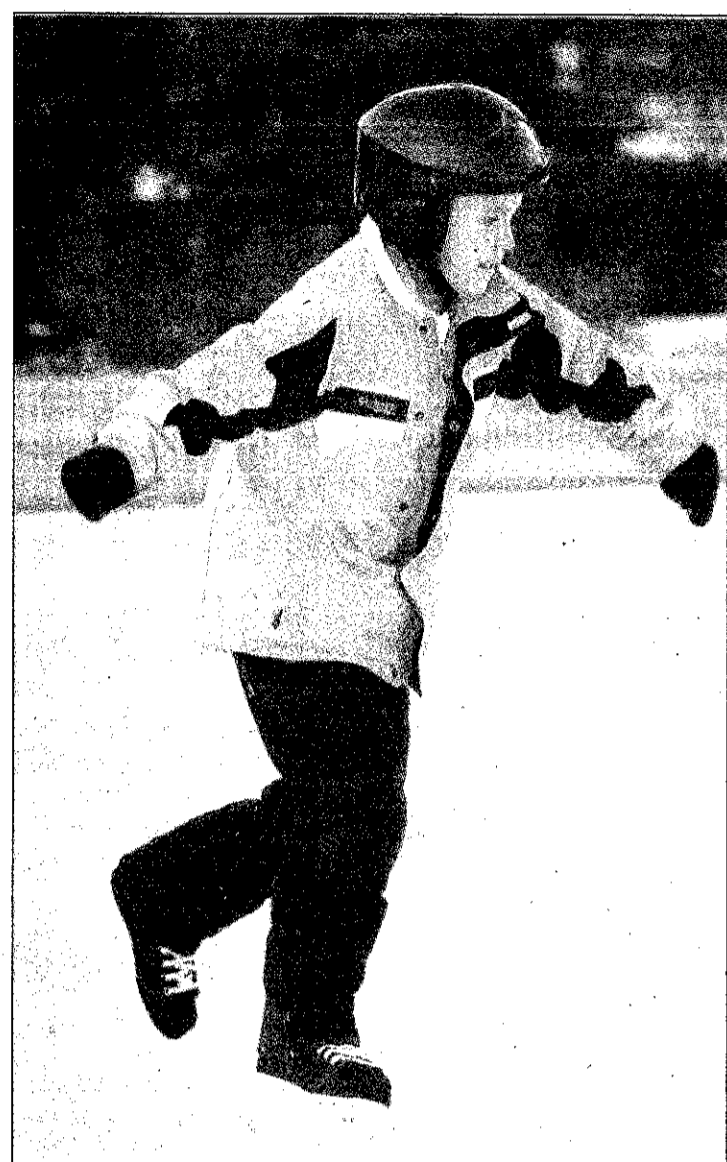


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PHOTOS BY WILL HARRAH

Parker McKowen, 8, of Grosse Pointe Park found skating at Three Mile Park most enjoyable. Ice skating is just one of the many activities available for Grosse Pointers at their local parks.

*'It seems like the worse the weather, the more people turn out to play.'*

MELISSA SHARP  
 Grosse Pointe Woods recreation supervisor, talking about the Woods platform tennis courts

Are the walls closing in? Are you bored? **Head to a park.** They are open year round and offer a variety of activities to break through cabin fever which strikes Michigan families.

## Park it here

By Kathy Ryan  
 Staff Writer

The parks of Grosse Pointe aren't just for summer anymore. Long known for their pools, marinas and summer breezes, the lakefront havens of the five Grosse Pointes have embraced the winter season as well. All offer cabin fever antidotes for residents who want to make the most of what Michigan has to offer this time of year, including snow, ice and cold temperatures.

Ben Semmler, recreation coordinator for the City of Grosse Pointe, said that the winter recreation programs help develop a sense of community.

"We're a small park, but we see the same faces over and over," he noted. "Sure it's important to get people out of the house over the winter, to get them active, but I really feel that keeping the sense of community going that we build up over the summer when the pool and marina are open is even more important."

Ice skating is a favorite pastime at all the parks, and the City's Neff Park has ensured a



Jacqueline and Alexandra Koerner are sledding with their father, John Koerner, of Grosse Pointe Shores.

longer skating season by offering a refrigerated rink that can operate virtually all winter unless the temperatures are un-

seasonably warm.

Skating and sledding are popular winter options for Grosse Pointe Shores resi-

dents, with an ice rink at the city's lakefront park and a

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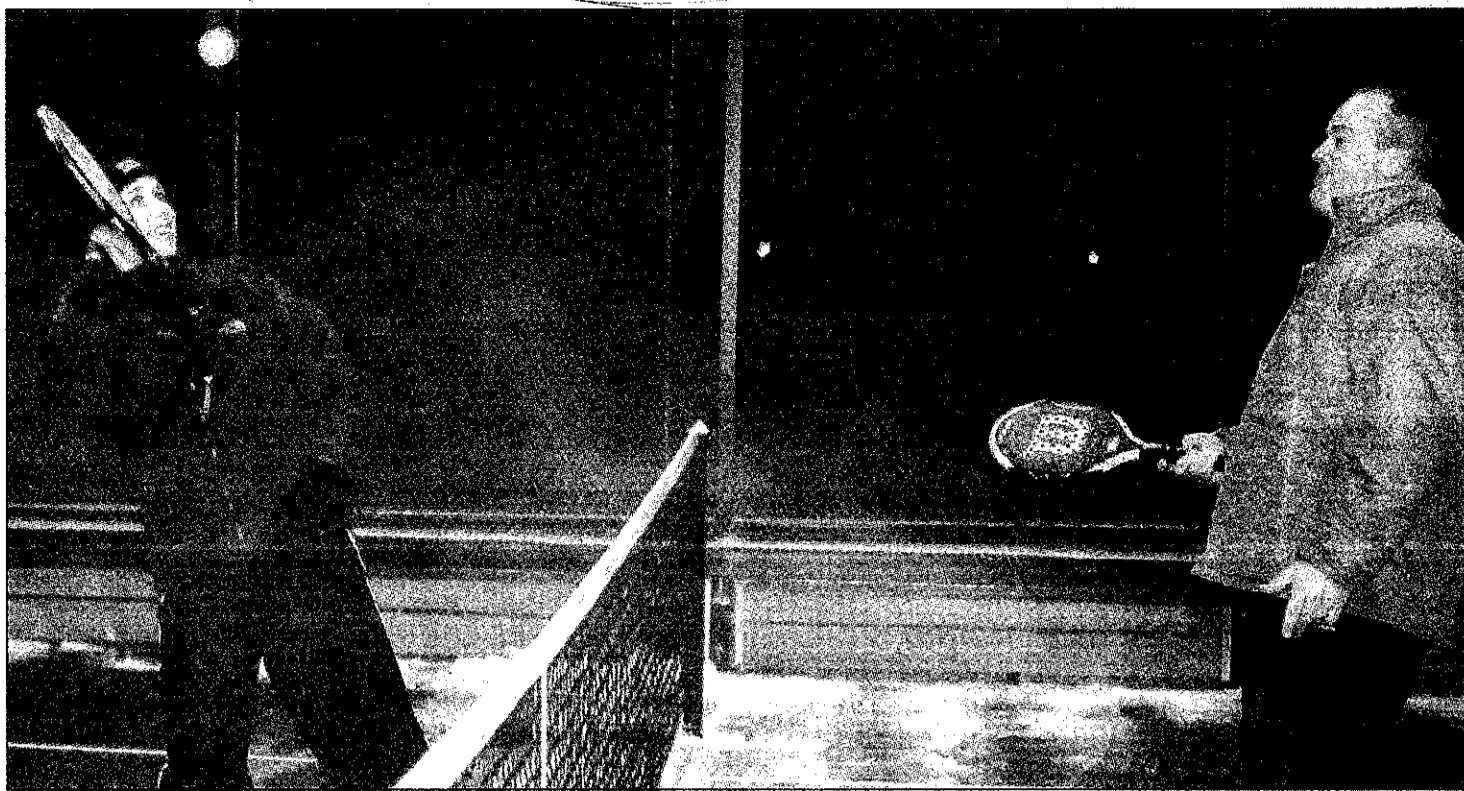


PHOTO BY WILL HARRAH

Jennifer and Dave Barthel are playing paddle tennis on Grosse Pointe Farms outdoor courts.

## PARKS: Sites for outdoor fun

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sledding hill just across Lakeshore.

It's with just a little hometown pride that Terry Solomon, director of Parks and Recreation for Grosse Pointe Park, points out that her city has had a permanent ice skating rink for the past 13 years.

The Hutton Ice Rink at Patterson Park serves skaters during the winter, then becomes a reflecting pond during the spring and summer months. Skating operations begin in November and end mid-March - later if Mother Nature keeps the area in a deep freeze pattern. Lights allow the rink to remain open until 8 p.m.

Ice skating lessons bring clusters of youngsters to the

rink on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons.

Parker McKowen, 8, was already doing turns around the rink, just a week after starting lessons, according to his mother, Cheryl. He had left summer days long behind.

"I think I like skating better than swimming," he said.

Shawn Henry and Cheryl Maraldo were watching their children glide tentatively across the ice under the watchful eye of instructors.

"This is an amazing facility," said Henry, who recently moved to Grosse Pointe Park from Princeton, N.J., as she watched her 6-year-olds, Atticus and Haven, participate in their skating lessons.

"We came the other day, and we were the only people here. It had just been freshly groomed by the Zamboni, so the ice was like glass. It was perfect."

Before Maraldo even started her five-year-old twins, Katie and Maria, in lessons, they would come down to the rink just to watch and share hot

## Winter celebrations

Cold, snow and residents are the guests of honor at winter celebrations hosted by area Parks and Recreation departments. Upcoming events include:

Grosse Pointe Woods Winterfest from noon to 2 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 31, at Lakefront Park. Residents are invited to participate in the annual chili cook off. A cookie cook off has been added this year. Lunch and refreshments will be served.

City of Grosse Pointe Fifth Annual Winter Fest and Pig Roast at 1 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 31, at Neff Park. Dog sledding, curling, ice sculpting and broomball will be featured.

Grosse Pointe Park Chilly Fest from noon to 3 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 7. A horse-drawn trolley will shuttle residents between ice skating and a snowboarding demonstration at Patterson Park and lunch and ice sculpting at Windmill Pointe Park.

Additional information may be obtained from your city's parks and recreation departments.

chocolate in the warming house.

In addition to ice skating, Patterson Park offers a sledding hill and a boardwalk that is cleared in the winter time to allow walkers and joggers year-round access to a lakefront path.

The walking paths at Lakefront Park in Grosse Pointe Woods are also cleared for winter walking, according

to Melissa Sharp, recreation supervisor for Grosse Pointe Woods. Cross country skiing is popular, along with snow shoeing.

But that's about as passive as the activities get, as two skating rinks are up and going, one for hockey, one for recreational skating. The Woods maintains skating rinks at several other parks throughout the city including Ghesquiere, Chene-Trombly and Sweeney.

Woods residents may participate in platform tennis thanks to two courts at Lakefront Park.

Long a fixture on winter sports agendas out east, platform tennis is enjoying a revival in the Pointes. The City of Grosse Pointe and Grosse Pointe Farms recently installed platform tennis facilities at their parks as well.

With heating elements that keep snow off the court and overhead lighting, platform tennis, or paddle tennis, as it is often called, may be played day and night. It offers a great outdoor workout close to home, as evidenced by a four-some that took to the Farms' court on a snowy Saturday morning.

Ed Gottfredson, Shawn Coyle, Mike Shields and Rich Carron try to play at least once a week at Pier Park, and last weekend's snow storm did not deter them from playing a few sets.

"It's a very quick game, and it's very social," said Carron. "You're constantly moving, so it's a great workout."

"What else can you do outside in a sweatshirt in weather like this," joked Coyle. "And pretty soon you're down to a turtleneck."

The Farms' recreation department is offering paddle tennis lessons and instructor Judy Sarvis explained its popularity.

"It's very invigorating and refreshing, and very social," she said. "It's a doubles game, so it's very social. It's a great winter sport. And it was nice for the Farms to recognize how popular it is becoming and install the courts."

Sarvis was getting ready to take to the court with her students, Paula and Michael Labadie and Eileen Dixon. They were all looking forward to their first lesson, even as the snow fell and the wind blew.

"I love to play tennis," Dixon said, "but I have always heard what a blast platform tennis is. That gave me reason to try it, even on a day like today."

But if standing in a snow storm in tennis shoes is not your idea of fun, or if you prefer flip-flops to ice skates, take heart. The pools open May 23.

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# AREA ACTIVITIES

## G.P. Theatre

The musical comedy, "The Boy Friend," is performed at 8 p.m. Jan. 15 through 17 and Jan. 21 through 24; and 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 18, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

Call (313) 881-4004 for tickets or visit the theater's Web site [gpt.org](http://gpt.org).

## Garden Center

The Grosse Pointe Garden Center holds its annual meeting from 12 to 3 p.m. Friday, Jan. 16 in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Reception Room.

Lunch will be served at 12:15 p.m. followed by a business meeting at 1 p.m. and a presentation by Lillian F. Dean at 1:30 p.m.

Dean, who will discuss "Trees for Tomorrow," worked as an environmental planning and education consultant for government agencies and non-profit groups throughout Michigan. Much of her work involves intergovernmental cooperation and public education strategies to protect the state's water and land resources.

She offers a "Healthy Lawns and Gardens" education program that includes citizen and municipal education on topics such as healthy soils, rain gardens, composting, earth-friendly lawn care, native plantings, her "Treekeeper" program, and more.

The price for the luncheon and lecture is \$23 for members, \$25 for non-members or \$5 for the lecture only. Reservations are required by Jan. 9. Make checks payable to G. P. Garden Center, Inc. and mail to Grosse Pointe War

Memorial, 32 Lakeshore Road, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

Call the Garden Center at (313) 881-7511, extension 206 for more information.

## Soup City

The 2009 Soup City fundraiser for the Coalition on Temporary Shelter is from 5:30 to 10 p.m. Monday, Jan. 19, at the Gem Theatre and Century Grille, 333 Madison, Detroit.

Radio personality Blaine Fowler is the host. The event features Devin Scillian and Arizona Son, salsa dancing, music with Akil Dawkins and magician Ron Aldrich.

Participating restaurants include Trattoria Andiamo of Grosse Pointe Woods, Atlas Bistro, Century Grille, Chartreuse Tea, Chili's Grill & Bar, Detroit Beer Co., Elwood Bar & Grill, Exclusive Affairs Catering, Fishbone's, Java Exchange, Majestic, Slows Bar BQ, Union Station and Zoup!

Tickets are \$35 and may be purchased by calling (313) 576-0223 or by visiting [cotsdetroit.org](http://cotsdetroit.org).

## Friends of Vision

Friends of Vision, a support group for the visually impaired and blind, meet from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 21, at the Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology, 15415 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

For more information, call Nancy Pilorget at (313) 824-4710, ext. 225.

## Woman's Club

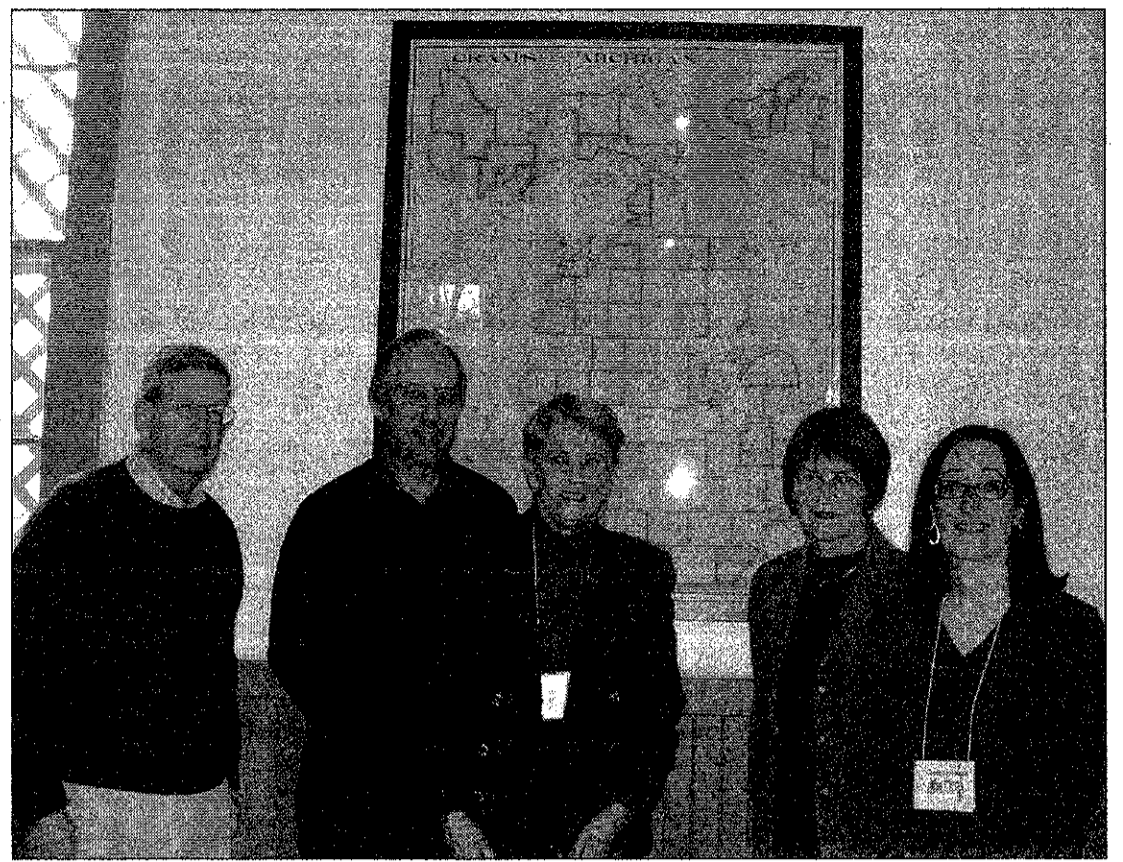


Lynette Brown will impersonate Elizabeth Cady Stanton at the Grosse Pointe Woman's Club meeting on Jan. 21.

The Grosse Pointe Woman's Club meets at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 21, for lunch in the Crystal Ballroom of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The featured speaker is Lynette Brown, who will be impersonating Elizabeth Cady Stanton and discussing her role as a suffragette. Stanton worked with Susan B. Anthony.

Brown is a member of the American Association of University Women and is on the Michigan Women's Hall of Fame/Michigan Women's Studies Association Board of



## Schoolhouse map

A framed historical Michigan map was donated to the Cook Schoolhouse by the Louisa St. Clair Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution of Grosse Pointe. John Parthum, Grosse Pointe Woods Historical Commission member, said the map is dated between 1910 and 1920. He also pointed out there are no roads indicated, only railroads and interurban lines, such as the one running through the Grosse Pointes to Port Huron. Pictured, from left are historical commissioners Mason Ferry and Parthum; Myrna Smith, DAR member; historical commissioner Mary Kaye Ferry; and DAR historian Carol Pokladek.

Directors. She has degrees from Michigan State University and Wayne State University.

Call Susan Plath at (313) 884-5081 by Saturday, Jan. 17 for reservations.

For more information about the club, call Janice McManus at (313) 886-9098 or club president Marilyn Richardson at (313) 884-4056.

## Spanish Meetup Group

The Grosse Pointe Spanish Language Meetup group gathers at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 21, at Caribou Coffee in the Village.

For more information, visit [meetup.com](http://meetup.com).

## Women's Connection

The Women's Connection of Grosse Pointe meets at 6 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 22, at the

Lochmoor Club.

Olga Tecos of artée Therapeutic Wellness Spa & Café will discuss "Back to the Spa."

Dinner is served at 6:30 p.m. and the program is from 7:45 to 9 p.m.

The cost is \$27 for members and \$29 for nonmembers. The program alone costs \$5.

For more information or for reservations, call Marcia Pikelek at (313) 884-4201 or Nancy Neat at (313) 882-1855.

## Neighborhood Club

The Neighborhood Club is offering Microsoft Excel Step-by-Step, running two consecutive nights for a total of four hours of instruction, from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 20, and Wednesday, Jan. 21, at the club, 17150 Waterloo, City of Grosse Pointe.

The fee is \$49.

◆ An e-mail and digital pho-

to computer class is being offering from 6 to 8 p.m., Feb. 9, 10 and 11, at the Neighborhood Club.

The fee is \$69.

Students will learn about Google's free e-mail service, and how to create slide shows, organize digital photos at your computer and export them to CDs for back up.

◆ Classes in CPR and AED for certification are offered from 6 to 9 p.m., Mondays, Feb. 9 and 16. The fee is \$55.

The course teaches adult, child and infant CPR with and without an automated external defibrillator.

American Red Cross Adult, Child and Infant certification will be awarded following the completion of the course.

Registration for these classes may be done online at [neighborhoodclub.org](http://neighborhoodclub.org) or in person at the club between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information, call (313) 885-4600.

# PRIDE OF THE POINTEES

Katie McPharlin, a 2003 graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School and 2007 graduate of Michigan State University, was selected as a mentee by Delta Kappa Gamma, Alpha Mu Chapter, a professional teacher society.

The Teacher Mentorship program provides the new teacher with the support and fellowship of seasoned teachers, a gift certificate to a teacher store and membership fee to the professional organization of the mentee's choice.

McPharlin is a first year teacher at Dakota High School

in the Chippewa Valley School district.

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Greg Ryan, son of Anne Ryan of the City of Grosse Pointe and Michael Ryan of Grosse Pointe Woods, passed his bar exam and graduated with honors from the University of Detroit Law School.

The 2000 Grosse Pointe South graduate is employed at Comerica.

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Alexander Hands graduated from McGill University in Montreal, Quebec, Canada

with a Bachelor of Arts degree in international development studies in May 2008. The 2005 graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School is the son of David Hands and Lori Zurvalec of the City of Grosse Pointe.

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Lauren Taflinger, daughter of Steve and Linda Taflinger of the City of Grosse Pointe, is a member of Phi Sigma Theta National Honor Society at Michigan State University.

She is a 2005 graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School.



## The summit reader

Jamie Chasteen of Grosse Pointe Shores took a copy of the Grosse Pointe News along when he visited the summit of Mount Kilimanjaro. Chasteen also visited the sphinx and pyramids of Egypt and a Masai village in Tanzania. When you travel, take along a copy of the Grosse Pointe News and have a photo taken of yourself in front of a local landmark. Send the picture, along with a few words to: The Grosse Pointe News Reader, 96 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236; or e-mail [editor@grossepointenews.com](mailto:editor@grossepointenews.com). Your picture will appear in an upcoming issue.

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**Breakfast**

Grosse Pointe Ecumenical Men's Breakfast meets from 7:15 to 8:15 a.m. Friday, Jan. 16, in Grosse Pointe Memorial Church's Fellowship Hall, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The speaker will be Rev. Brad Whitaker of Christ Church Episcopal, Grosse Pointe.  
For more information, call (313) 882-5330.

**St. Michael's**

St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 20475 Sunningdale Park, Grosse Pointe Woods opens its new ministry, Solo, with a bowling event at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 21, at Lakeshore Lanes, 31025 Jefferson, St. Clair Shores.  
For reservations, call (313) 884-4820.  
Solo is for single men and

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**Bereavement**

Henry Ford Hospice is offering a six-week bereavement support group series in Grosse Pointe Woods to assist those dealing with loss.  
The series will be held from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Jan. 21 through Feb. 25 at First

English Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier Road, Grosse Pointe Woods.  
The series is free, however registration is required. For registration and further information call (248) 585-5270.

Henry Ford Hospice also provides bereavement support groups throughout metro Detroit. To find the nearest location, call 1-800-492-9909.

**Memorial Church**

Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, presents a panel discussion on the respective theologies of the sacraments by six local pastors from 7 to

8:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 22 in the church's sanctuary.

Participating pastors are: the Rev. Brad Whitaker, rector of Christ Church Grosse Pointe; the Rev. Jerry Spice, pastor of St. James Lutheran Church; the Rev. Fred Harms, pastor of St. Paul Lutheran Church; Monsignor Patrick Halfpenny, pastor of St. Paul Catholic Church; the Rev. Jim Rizer, pastor of Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church; and the Rev. Peter Henry, pastor of Grosse Pointe Memorial Church.

**Tea house**

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## A prayer for the new year

Oh God —  
God of Our Fathers,  
of God of the Holy Mother Church,  
or the God we don't believe in,  
or the Denial of Denials  
God,  
or the name we utter in fear,  
or awe, of as a curse,  
hear us, speak to us!

We stand on the brink of a new year  
having teetered on the precipice of disaster in the year now gone.

We raise our voices and our hopes.  
We raise them because we can,  
because we are still here,  
some standing erect,  
some bowed down,  
some desperately clinging to ragged edges.  
Hear our voices.

Feel our hopes.  
Bless this new year.  
Bless us.

Waken us to life.  
Lead us not into the temptation a new year brings.  
Lead us not into the temptation of  
365 days of resolutions  
or 12 months of hoped-for change.  
Lead us not into the illusion of something that was never promised us —  
an endless year or succession of years.

Remind us not only to pray, or even how to pray,  
but what to pray for:  
not a year's worth of change in us,  
or 12 months worth of prosperity for us,  
but, rather, our daily bread.

What we need,  
what we can do,  
what we might change,  
comes not by the yearful, or the monthful,  
but by the only time we have: this day.

Remind us to pray for daily bread.  
Incline us to savor whatever crusts we may be given as if there were manna.  
Indeed, every precious moment of every precious day IS manna.

Oh God of many names,  
and many peoples, and much history,  
give us this day our daily bread.

*The Rev. John Corrado is the minister at Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church.*

## NEW ARRIVALS

**Henry Wallace Maitland**

Kathleen and Gordon Maitland of Plymouth are the parents of a son, Henry Wallace Maitland, born Oct. 9, 2008.

Maternal grandparents are Marilyn Mooney of Shelby Township and the late James Mooney.

Paternal grandparents are Betsy and Gordon Maitland of Grosse Pointe Farms.

**Madelyn Eleanor Schroeder**

Jeremy and Lindsay Schroeder of Brooklyn, N.Y., are the parents of a daughter, Madelyn Eleanor Schroeder,

born Nov. 16, 2008.

Richard and Lyn Law of Vero Beach, Fla., formerly of Grosse Pointe Farms, are the maternal grandparents.

Paternal grandparents are Robert and Mary Schroeder of Grosse Pointe Farms.

Great-grandmothers are Madelyn Cummiskey of Grosse Pointe Woods and Eleanor Schroeder of Grosse Pointe Shores.

**Claire Ann Markey**

Frank and Chantal Markey of London, England, are the parents of a daughter, Claire Ann Markey, born Dec. 13, 2008.

Maternal grandparents are Pierre Hegy of Glen Cove,

N.Y. and Nancy Roenfeldt of Glen Cove, N.Y.

Francis and Marilyn Markey of Grosse Pointe Woods are the paternal grandparents.

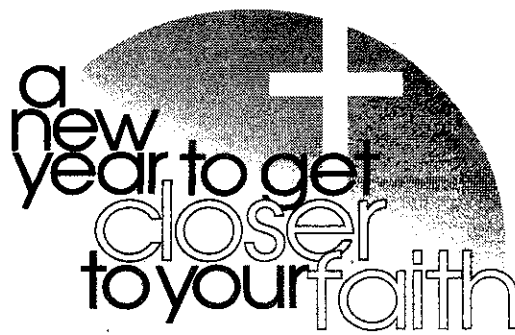
**Isaac Thomas Marzan**

Cherilyn and Christian Marzan of St. Clair Shores are the parents of a son, Isaac Thomas Marzan, born Dec. 16, 2008.

Maternal grandparents are Joe and Cher Caramagno of Grosse Pointe Farms and Linda and Tony Mannino of Harper Woods.

Lenardo and Jackie Marzan of Harper Woods are the paternal grandparents.

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# Individuals, companies honored as heroes

Several companies and individuals, including a Grosse Pointe Farms doctor, were recently honored at the 14th annual Heroes of Breast Cancer Awards by the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute.

Following is a list of recipients and the awards they received for their leadership and inspiration in the fight against breast cancer.

◆ **Leadership Awards** — Recognizes those who "help bring about a society that encourages people to speak out about their illness, a society where funding for breast cancer research is improving each year, and a society where more and more people are learning about breast cancer."

◆ **Individual Award** — Sen. Patty Birkholz, R - Saugatuck, and Sen. Buzz Thomas, D - Detroit.

In 2007, Gov. Jennifer Granholm signed legislation allowing for two new income tax check-off boxes: Amanda's Fund for Breast Cancer Prevention and Treatment and the Prostate Cancer Research Fund. Senators Birkholz and Thomas worked collaboratively, generating bipartisan efforts to accomplish this. Dollars collected for Amanda's Fund go to the Michigan Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program to provide free breast and cervical cancer screening services to low-income women. Money collected for the Prostate Cancer Research Fund will be given to prostate cancer researchers in Michigan.

◆ **Organization Award** —

Tobacco-Free Michigan.

Tobacco-Free Michigan is a grassroots organization dedicated to promoting tobacco-free environments and to improving health and quality of life through education and advocacy. Comprised of more than 200 Michigan organizations and individuals, TFM leveraged its network to protect the Healthy Michigan Fund in Michigan's 2009 budget. The coalition worked with health care providers and patients, and with lawmakers and their constituents to protect funding of services spanning multiple chronic diseases and many kinds of cancer. This included the Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program, through which low-income women have access to cancer screening services.

◆ **Media Award** — Recognizes "online and television work that communicates important messages about breast cancer."

WDIV Local 4 News Morning Team - Rhonda Walker, Guy Gordon, Paula Tutman, Lauren Podell and Eric Braate. The station was recognized for its coverage of breast cancer education, screening and early detection and as a major media sponsor of the Susan G. Komen Detroit Race for the Cure, the 2008 Komen Detroit Circle of Promise.

◆ **Philanthropy Awards** — Recognizes those who "dedicate resources and talents to benefit the cause of breast cancer."

◆ **Individual Award** — Sean

Shearon.

Cancer survivor Shearon set a goal of walking 18 marathons in 18 days through Michigan — The Victory Walk — to raise awareness and money for breast cancer programs at the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute. He began in Sault Ste. Marie July 27, 2008, and completed his more than 450-mile walk Aug. 14. Shearon, now 43, was 12 years old when he was diagnosed with rhabdomyosarcoma, a cancer that formed in the soft tissue and muscle of his shoulder. In 1984, his mother lost her battle with breast cancer.

◆ **Organization Award** — Plante & Moran, Southfield office

On a weekend retreat last winter, a group of the female partners brainstormed about a charity project, selected the Komen Race for the Cure and set a goal of raising \$50,000. Their efforts totaled \$53,643.

◆ **Scientific Distinction Award** — Recognizes demonstrated leadership in breast cancer research.

Wei-Zen Wei, Ph.D., a Grosse Pointe Farms resident, is a professor at the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute and Department of Immunology and Microbiology, Wayne State University School of Medicine. Wei and her team have been working on a series of cancer-fighting vaccines to help prevent HER2-positive breast cancer, which accounts for 20 to 30 percent of breast cancers. The new vaccine may be used to prevent cancer from recurring in women and may prevent

HER2-positive breast cancer from occurring.

◆ **Community Service Awards** — Recognizes those "whose efforts reach the community with the importance of breast cancer early detection, cancer care, and/or survivorship in a volunteer capacity."

◆ **Individual Award** — Adnan Hammad, Ph.D., director of Community Health & Research Center, ACCESS. Hammad established and directs the health services program for the Arab American Community Center for Economic and Social Services. His holistic approach integrates public health research with environmental, mental health and primary and specialty medical care. A volunteer professor at Wayne State University and a consultant at the University of Michigan School of Public Health, Hammad serves in regional, national, and international organizations.

His breast cancer research has focused on examining trust and cancer literacy, reducing health disparities and barriers of access to heredity breast cancer assessment. One of Dr. Hammad's community programs offers extensive breast cancer education, outreach, and screening.

◆ **Organization Award** — Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants.

This professional organization provides education, information, tools and resources to 18,000 members around the state. A Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure sponsor for five years, the organization's New

Professionals Task Force has spearheaded involvement in the battle against breast cancer. Contributions range from strategic planning, financial oversight, decorating pink ribbons, welcoming dignitaries and producing videos to reviewing grant applications. The group has also leveraged its resources to focus the attention of lawmakers on breast cancer public policy.

◆ **Compassionate Caregiver Award** — Recognizes a health care professional "whose treatment of breast cancer patients has been marked by exceptional technical skill, combined with sensitivity and compassion."

Michael Simon, M.D., M.P.H. Medical Oncologist, Karmanos Cancer Institute and Wayne State University School of Medicine. At the Karmanos Cancer Institute and Wayne State University School of Medicine, Simon serves as a professor in the Department of Internal Medicine, Division of Hematology and Oncology. He is a member of Karmanos' Population Studies and Prevention Program, director of its Genetic Counseling Service and a member of Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure's African American National Advisory Council.

Simon's research has focused on adherence to screening guidelines; risk management; diet, nutrition and exercise; drug interactions; genetics and genetic counseling; early-stage, advanced and metastatic disease; clinical trials; medical ethics; cultural atti-

tudes; and treatment disparities.

The Geri Lester Courage Award — Presented to individual whose battle with breast cancer has "inspired family, friends and community." Lester was one of the leaders of the Komen Detroit Race for the Cure and integral in the development of the Heroes of Breast Cancer Program.

Deanna Stephens was a breast cancer research nurse at Wayne State University and the Karmanos Cancer Institute for 22 years. As a breast cancer survivor, she comforted patients with personal and professional expertise, shared her experiences and kept in contact with her patients after they left her care.

Stephens traveled to breast cancer research seminars, workshops and symposiums increasing her knowledge of the latest breakthroughs in the disease and in her last year, she participated in her first dragon boat race as a breast cancer survivor.

Deborah Shavers, who continues her battle with breast cancer, volunteered to participate with Karmanos Cancer Institute researchers in using the Computerized Ultrasound Risk Evaluation (CURE), a new breast imaging methodology based on the principles of ultrasound tomography. The technology, which does not use harmful radiation and does not compress the breast, will overcome limitations of current breast imaging techniques, and could help detect breast cancer in its earliest stages.



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ASK THE EXPERTS By Kathy Rager

## Providing children with proper nutrition



**Q.** "How can I get my child to eat?" "My child needs to lose (gain) weight." "My child will only eat cookies!"

**A.** Toilet training and eating are the two biggest areas of conflict for parents of young children. The eating issue continues into the teen years.

Elly Statter a nutritionist, counselor and author of "Child of Mine: Feeding with Love and Good Sense" and "How to Get Your Kid to Eat...But Not Too Much,"

says there is a division of responsibility in regard to children and food. "The parent is responsible for what, when and where. The child is responsible for how much and whether," she said.

Combining psychology and nutrition, Statter addresses the emotional impact of food and its relationship to social connections. She believes parents are typically "restrained eaters" and attempt to control their own food intake.

In this effort, they become over involved with managing their children's eating. Parents eat everything — because they pay for it and don't want to waste it. Children do not eat for this purpose. They

eat because they like it today, but maybe not tomorrow.

Eating problems later in life can often be traced to relationships with food as children. These relationships are often established based on messages and behavior that has been forced on them in their early years.

Statter says children become overweight for four reasons: Someone in the family is encouraging them consistently and persistently to overeat; a child gains weight during a crisis such as the death of a parent or a divorce; the result of restrained feeding — withholding food from an overweight child; and a predisposition to being overweight.

She encourages parents to trust their children. They can support or disrupt children's food acceptance and food regulation.

Statter suggests parents decide when the child eats and provide healthy choices. The child decides if he/she wants to eat and how much to eat.

It is a parent's job to provide, it is a child's job to decide.

Kathy Rager is the executive director of Community Assessment Referral & Education of Fraser and Grosse Pointe Woods.

To learn about The Family Center's 2009 Partners In Parenting series visit [familycenterweb.org](http://familycenterweb.org).

## Dancing feet

Ingeborg Dabrowski dances with Milt Meininger at the Services for Older Citizens Christmas party. Festive holiday decorations enhanced the afternoon's dinner and activities. For more information about SOC's activities, call (313) 882-9600.

## Make, decorate Valentines for area seniors

Individuals, families, church groups and schools can join Services for Older Citizens from 10 to 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, to make Valentines at the Neighborhood Club.

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DOWN TO EARTH By Kathleen Peabody

# Bay has been chosen as the herb of 2009



Each year an herb of distinction is named and 2009 claims Sweet Bay (*Laurus nobilis*) as its own.

Many of us know the herb simply from using it dried in soups and stews. But there is much more to this herb of choice, especially if you'd like to grow it.

Bay is a fragrant robust plant with glossy, dark green leaves that is native to the Mediterranean. This bush can grow to 60 feet in height but pruning, such as a topiary, will keep it manageable.

Bay is marginally hardy to Zone 7 (we are Zone 6) or where the temperature stays above 38 degrees. As a result, most northerners pot them for indoor winter growing. It does quite well as a house plant and provides an opportunity to use the leaves fresh in your winter dishes.

Grow it indoors in a south or west facing window. Keep moist, but not too wet.

In the summer, plant bay outdoors in rich, moist well-drained soil in full sun to partial shade. My bay grows each summer in large pot on the patio. Kept moist, cuttings from



PHOTO BY KATHLEEN PEABODY

Bay, sweet bay or bay laurel are all names for the same Herb of the Year for 2009. Grow it, use it in cooking, decorating, in pot-pourri or check out its medicinal properties.

fresh green shoots taken in fall are easy to grow, but may take 3 to 6 months to see results.

Select stems 4 to 6 inches long, cut 1/4 inch below a leaf node. Using a pencil, dig a hole in soil placed in a gallon jug, keeping the depth about an inch and a half above the bottom of the jug. Keep the soil moist and cover the jug. Place in indirect light. Resist tugging on the stem to check for rooting and by spring it should have roots.

Bay has a yellowish flower, but it is inconspicuous and rarely blooms in pots. The plant is mostly pest-free but

can develop a scab, which if caught early, can be removed with rubbing alcohol and a cotton swab.

Add whole leaves to soups and stews at the start of cooking, as bay holds its flavor for a long time. The use of fresh leaves enhances the flavor of dishes, but rub or crush them to release their essence. The flavor of dried bay lasts only a year. Remove before serving, as the leaf can be bitter and may be dangerous if swallowed.

Bay can also be added to a bouquet garni or broth posy, a small bag filled most often with

## What's going on?

Gardening Smarter in 2009 — 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturdays at Historic Trinity Lutheran Church. Topics are: Jan. 24, Favorite Plant Picks for Your Garden; Jan. 31, Saving Time and Staying Healthy in the Garden; and Feb. 7, The Refined Native Plant Garden. The cost is \$25 per class or \$65 for the series. Call (313) 259-6363 to register. Hosted by the Detroit Garden Center.

fresh bay, thyme and parsley. Add this to a recipe and remove before serving.

Along with soups and stews, add a bay leaf to the water when poaching fish or in marinades. If growing your own plant, be sure it is a "Laurus nobilis" as it is the only one to safely use in cooking.

Dr. James A. Duke, author of "The Green Pharmacy," writes of the medicinal properties of bay in treating diabetes, arthritis and Staphylococcus aureus, known as MRSA.

In 2008, Japanese scientists identified two chemicals in bay leaf extracts that were active against MRSA and other bacteria. He speaks highly of Old Bay Seasoning, used with seafood and readily available in grocery stores. The bay, as well as other spices, combine and are useful in treating arthritis.

And, finally, sprinkle bay in kitchen pantries to repel storage pests.

Sprigs of the herb were wo-

ven into crowns in Roman times. This tradition gave the plant its name — "Laurus," meaning praise and "nobilis" denoting noble or excellent. Greeks and Romans bestowed wreaths of bay as crowns upon accomplished athletes, war-

rior-heroes and poets.

Let's crown bay as a multi-talented herb of choice for 2009!

Kathleen Peabody is an advanced master gardener who lives (and gardens) in Grosse Pointe Woods.

## Poached pears with sauce

We often make poached pears as dessert during the winter. Here's a different version I hope to try soon. It's from award-winning cookbook author, Pat Crocker.

### Poached Pears with Apricot Ginger Sauce (makes 8 halves)

1 1/2 cups apple juice  
1/2 cup white wine  
Half vanilla bean  
1 3-inch licorice root  
1 bay leaf  
4 pears, halved  
1/3 cup finely chopped dried apricots  
1 tsp. finely chopped candied ginger  
1 cup yogurt, optional, for garnish

In a large skillet, combine apple juice, wine, vanilla, licorice and bay. Bring to a gentle boil over medium-high heat. Add pear halves, cut side down. Cover, reduce heat and gently simmer for 7 minutes or until pears are crisp-tender.

Remove pear halves and set aside. Remove and discard vanilla, licorice and bay from poaching liquid. Add apricots and ginger and bring to a boil over high heat. Reduce heat and simmer, stirring occasionally for 15 to 20 minutes or until liquid is reduced and syrupy.

Meanwhile, remove and discard core from pear halves. Arrange pears on individual plates and spoon on apricot sauce. Garnish with yogurt if using. Serve immediately.

A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

# Bring sweet potatoes to dinner



We tend to reach for sweet potatoes around the holidays while in fact, the southern potato is a super food that's good for you. I paired sliced sweet potatoes with caramelized onions and goat cheese to create an easy gratin you can enjoy with dinner tonight.

### Gratin of Sweet Potato with Caramelized Onions and Goat Cheese

7 tablespoons olive oil, divided



PHOTO BY VIRGINIA O. MCCOY

Sweet potatoes are for more than just the holidays. This vegetable, rich in vitamin A and a good source of potassium and vitamin C, is good for tonight's dinner.

2 large onions, halved and thinly sliced  
2 lbs. sweet potatoes, peeled and cut into half inch thick rounds

1 teaspoon each salt and pepper  
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon  
1/2 teaspoon nutmeg  
4 oz. goat cheese

Heat 2 tablespoons of olive oil in a medium no-stick skillet over medium heat. Add onion and stir for several minutes until thoroughly cooked and light brown in color. (This takes time, so don't turn the heat up too high or you'll burn the onions.) Spread the cooked onions over the bottom of a greased medium baking dish.

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Place the sweet potato slices in a medium bowl and toss with 3 tablespoons olive oil.

In a small bowl, combine salt, pepper, cinnamon and nutmeg. Sprinkle the mixture

over the potatoes and toss well to evenly coat the potato slices.

Arrange the potatoes in standing rows over the caramelized onions. (The rows don't have to be perfect.)

Drizzle the remaining 2 tablespoons of olive oil over the potatoes and bake at 350 degrees for 40 minutes. Remove from oven and carefully crumble the goat cheese over the potatoes.

Return potatoes to the oven and cook for another 30 minutes, until they are soft and the goat cheese is beginning to brown.

Serve the sweet potato gratin with roasted chicken or turkey meatloaf (or any meat or fish).

The flavor combination of the caramelized onions with the goat cheese is the perfect compliment to the sweet potatoes. This scrumptious side dish is even good for you. Really.

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The Detroit Zoo's Wild Winter Weekends annual series of events through March continues with a Mardi Gras celebration Feb. 7-8.

All activities take place from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Ford Education Center and are free with regular zoo admission.

Wild Winter Mardi Gras features live entertainment, storytelling and a colorful parade.

Children can create a special Mardi Gras mask for the parade and collect a few prizes.

On March 7-8, Wild Winter Zoobilee focuses on animal arts and crafts, face painting, animal enrichment activities and talks by zoo keepers. Live performances by Gemini both days round out the weekend.

For more information, visit [detroitzoo.org](http://detroitzoo.org).



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

## Down hill all the way

Above, Casey Murphy and her cousin Paige Murphy found the snow packed just right as they flew down Patterson Park's hill. Right, Steven Kelly tried cross country skiing in snow that was deep enough to cover his shoes but not the tips of his skis.



## View rare chess sets at DIA

Make a move to the Detroit Institute of Arts to see a collection of rare and unusual chess sets.

The world-renown collection of Dr. George and Vivian Dean will be on display in the exhibition, Master Pieces: Chess Sets from the Collection, through March 22. The collection includes more than two dozen sets ranging from the 16th to the 20th centuries from Asia, the Middle East, Europe and the United States. The exhibition is free with museum admission.

Dean, a physician, said the hobby started when he and his wife took a trip to the Middle East in 1962. In the lobby of their hotel, Vivian fell in love with a silver and gold chess set made by a Yemeni craftsman. The couple's \$200 souvenir budget was spent on an impulse purchase that sparked a hobby.

"After that, whenever we went on a trip, we would buy a chess set," said Dean, founder and president emeritus of Chess Collectors International. "Then we got the bug and started going on

'chess set safaris.' We would pick a country, learn how to say, 'Do you have any antique chess sets?' in the language of that country, then rent a car and drive around and buy them."

Today, the Deans have the most extensive collection of antique and fine art chess sets in the world. Included in the collection is the only Fabergé chess set ever made.

Featuring a wide range of materials and designs, pieces and boards in the DIA exhibit demonstrate how differently artists throughout history and across the globe have interpreted the game of chess. The artists' craftsmanship and creativity are explored, with sections featuring ivory and porcelain examples, including sets by Sèvres and Meissen. Some sets include tiny insects, sea creatures and a variety of bejeweled objects.

Several themes are explored in the exhibition, including the ideological oppositions that the game of chess has been used to evoke, such as good versus evil or Communism versus Capitalism; the stories

of set ownership, such as one commissioned from Fabergé and another once owned by Catherine the Great; and the variety of artistic styles, including abstract and modern. Some of the modern artists featured are Man Ray and Salvador Dalí.

To continue the theme, several chess related activities are planned. Three chess stations will be positioned near the exhibition during business hours for attendees to play at their leisure.

The Detroit City Chess Club

meets at the DIA every Friday from 5 to 9 p.m. for chess practice and will offer lessons from 5 to 7 p.m. The club's mission is to teach students the game and life lessons.

The DIA is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays; 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Fridays; and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Admission is \$8 for adults, \$6 for senior citizens, and \$4 for youth ages 6 to 17. DIA members are admitted free.

For more information, call (313) 833-7900 or visit dia.org.

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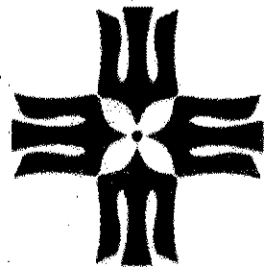
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### WRESTLING

# Grapplers win division openers

## North jumps all over Port Huron

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

After competing with a schedule front-loaded with state-ranked opposition, the Grosse Pointe North wrestling team came back to Earth last week.

Head coach Bryan Lorenzo couldn't have been happier after watching his Norsemen dismantle Port Huron, 63-12, in the Macomb Area Conference White Division opener for both teams.

They were also scheduled to wrestle Utica Eisenhower, but miscommunication led the schools to postpone the match for a later date.

"The tough early season schedule got us ready for tonight," Lorenzo said. "Our guys wrestled very well and it was nice to open our division matches with a victory."

"The guys earned it." Alex Doetsch started the route with a four-point victory at the 160-pound class and Evan Lock followed with a pin

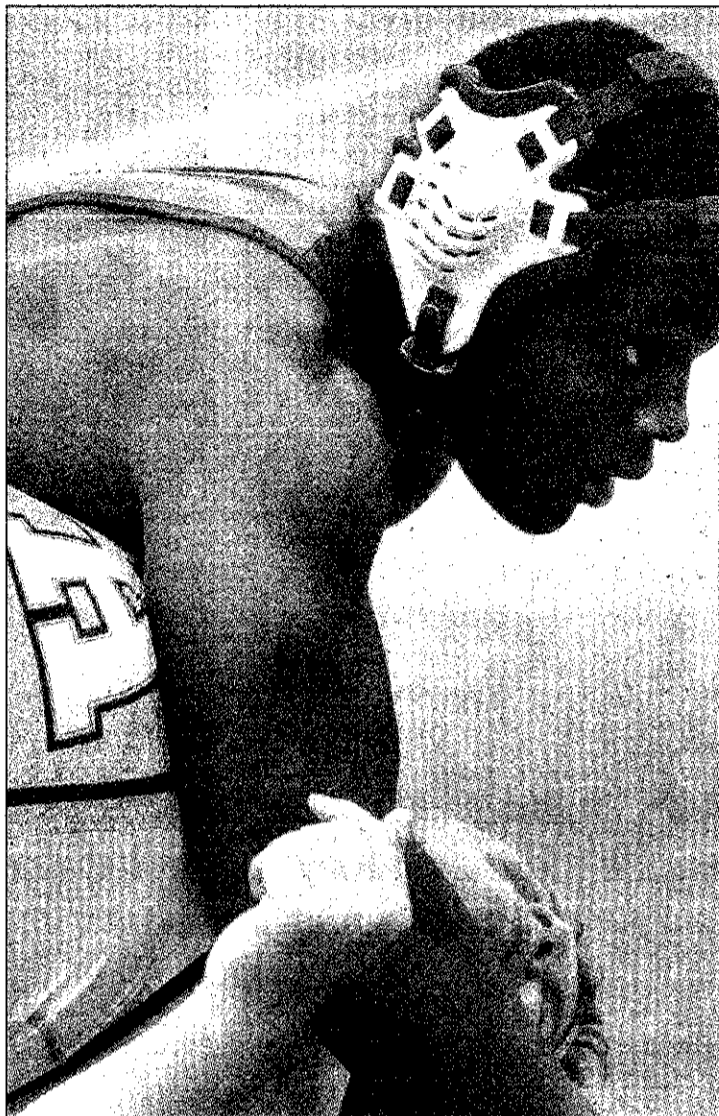


PHOTO BY RANDY WILCOX

Senior Josh Franklin had little trouble pinning his opponent, which helped North's wrestling team crush Port Huron.

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## South rocks to lopsided victories

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's wrestling team cruised to two

easy wins in its MAC Blue Division openers last week.

The host Blue Devils beat undermanned Mount Clemens 66-18 and New Haven 60-6.

"We knew going in we would win both matches since neither Mount Clemens and New Haven had more than seven wrestlers," South head coach Pat O'Donnell said. "Even though only a handful of our

kids wrestled, they did a wonderful job.

"Our guys are getting better and learning what it takes to truly win big matches and I love that about our program."

Against Mount Clemens, Josh Rothenbuhler, 140-pound class, Undreas Hudson, 145 pounds and Dan Sutton, 215

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PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

South's Dan Sutton pinned his Mount Clemens foe late in the first period to help the home team easily beat the Bathers.

### ALBION COLLEGE

## Grosse Pointers shine

Albion College cross country coach Hayden Smith recently announced the names of 18 women who earned varsity awards this fall.

Emily McLaughlin, the daughter of William McLaughlin of Grosse Pointe Park and Suzanne Antonelli of the City of Grosse Pointe and a Grosse Pointe South graduate, will receive a fleece jacket designating her second-year award. She achieved All-Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association status. Her time in the MIAA jamboree was 20:23 and her time in the MIAA Championships was 24:06.

Erica Meier, the daughter of Timothy and Amy Meier of Grosse Pointe Woods and a Grosse Pointe North graduate, will receive a certificate designating her first-year award.

### Basketball

Albion College sophomore guard J.C. Cruse, a Grosse Pointe South graduate, established career highs of 14 points and seven rebounds to help the Britons beat Heidelberg College 95-84 in a non-league men's basketball game Wednesday, Dec. 3.

Cruse played 27 minutes and made 6-of-13 field goals and 2-of-4 free throws. He also had two steals.

On Saturday, Dec. 6, Cruse earned his first-ever start and he made the most of it, posting his first career double-double,



PHOTO COURTESY OF BOBBY LEE

J.C. Cruse, a Grosse Pointe South graduate, is playing well in his sophomore year at Albion College.

netting 11 points and 10 rebounds in the Britons' 70-60 loss to Spring Arbor University.

He was 4-of-11 from the field and 3-of-4 from the free-throw line.

Cruse scored a career-high 20 points in the Britons' 69-57 loss to the University of Wisconsin-Superior in the championship game of the

Cactus Jam Dec. 30 in Phoenix.

Playing 32 minutes, he made 8-of-14 shots and 4-of-6 from the free-throw line. He also grabbed seven rebounds and blocked a shot for the Britons, 5-5 overall.

In the nine games he has played, Cruse is averaging 9.3 points and 5.9 rebounds per game.

## Register for baseball camp

Dan Griesbaum presents the Dan Griesbaum Baseball School Indoor Camp, which will be held Saturday, Jan. 17, and Sunday, Jan. 18, at the high school gymnasiums.

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## GYMNASTICS

# Krieger pulls off another school record

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

It's back to business for the Grosse Pointe Unified Gymnastics team.

Last week, they beat Dearborn Edsel Ford 131.05-121.05 as a tuneup for the Fraser Invitational.

Madi Kaiser placed second on vault, bars and beam and tied for second on the floor exercise.

Heather Koresky and Brittany Rizzo tied for third on vault, while Rizzo also earned points on the other three events head coach Cathy Hubmeier said.

"Lauren Krieger won the beam and the floor exercise with some fantastic routines," Hubmeier said.

Other standouts were Lydia Fuller on the vault and floor exercise; Fran Kay on the bars, beam and floor exercise; Anna Liang on the beam; and Danielle Haggerty on the bars.

In the Fraser Invitational, Hubmeier's squad finished second with 133.95 points. Birmingham Unified won the invitational with 137.3 points. Fraser's 'A' team was third with 131.8, followed by Edsel Ford with 125, Royal Oak Unified with 116.1, Troy with 105 and Fraser's 'B' team with 98.25.

Krieger was third in the all-around scoring, earning 34.40 points. Kaiser was fifth and Koresky was ninth with all-around scores of 34.20 and 32.70.

"We have a very strong team this year and the girls proved just how tough they are at the Fraser Invitational," Hubmeier said. "Each and every one of these girls is such an integral part of this team and they go up and give it their all."



PHOTO BY DANA KAISER

The Grosse Pointe Unified gymnastics team won its division opener and took second in the Fraser Invitational last week.

On the vault, Kaiser was second and Krieger third with scores of 8.65 and 8.60, while Koresky tied for fifth at 8.5 and Rizzo tied for seventh at 8.4.

Koresky and Kaiser took ninth and 10th on the bars with scores of 7.9 and 7.85, respectively, while Krieger won the beam event with a 9.05.

Kaiser was second on the beam with a 9.0 and Sarah Fentin tied for seventh with a score of 8.3.

On the floor exercise,

Krieger once again took first with a 9.45, which was another school record. Kaiser was third at 8.7, followed by Koresky, who tied for fourth at 8.6, and

Fentin, who tied for eighth at 8.35.

The Grosse Pointe gymnastics team is 1-0 in its division and 2-1 overall.

## NORTH: Norsemen rack up pins

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to give the home team a quick 10-0 lead.

Dwanta Hall, 189 pounds, won a five-point match, while Nathan Strickland and Josh Franklin quickly pinned their foes at the 215-pound and heavyweight divisions to make it 27-0.

There was no looking back for the Norsemen after that point as the wrestlers gained more and more confidence.

Patrick Salazar and John Testori pinned their foes in the 103- and 119-pound classes and in between, Stu Haigh, won a decision.

Lorenzo voided his 125-pound class to give the Big Reds one of their two victories.

Jake Brazil, 130 pounds, and Dave Kubecki, 135 pounds, each won by pin and John Johnson won the tightest match, earning a 9-8 decision.

Johnson led 8-4 in the final minute of the third period, but lost four points on a couple of take downs to square it at eight in the waning seconds.

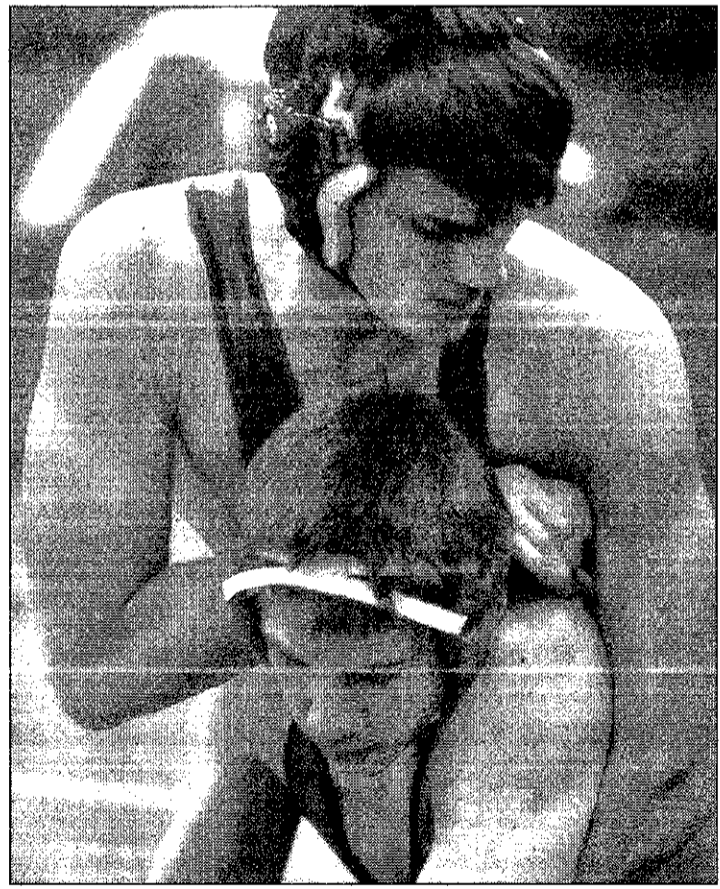
Johnson was able to escape out of the hold, earning the winning point with 10 seconds

left. Leyoun Harbin won by a pin and the Norsemen's final grappler, Ryan Corsentino, lost by a pin to round out the final score.

"We have seen some tough teams, like Saline, which has made our kids better wrestlers as we head into our division

matches," Lorenzo said. "I would think we can contend for the division title, but teams such as Lakeview and East Detroit are good and will be tough to beat."

Grosse Pointe North improved to 1-0 in the MAC White Division and 2-8 overall.



PHOTOS BY RANDY WILCOX

Evan Lock has the upper hand on his foe and eventually won his match with a pin.



Dwanta Hall quickly controlled his opponent and turned his match into a victory to help North win.

## SOUTH: Blue Devils utilize depth

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pounds, won by pin. Sergio Rodriguez, 103 pounds; Andrew Stieber, 112 pounds; Griffin Forton, 119 pounds; Joey Konen, 125 pounds; Alex Romer, 130 pounds; Neil Leising, 135 pounds; David Carter, 160 pounds; and Max Thomas, 171 pounds, won by void.

Duncan McDonald in the 189-pound class and Jack Thomas, 152 pounds, wrestled well, but lost their matches.

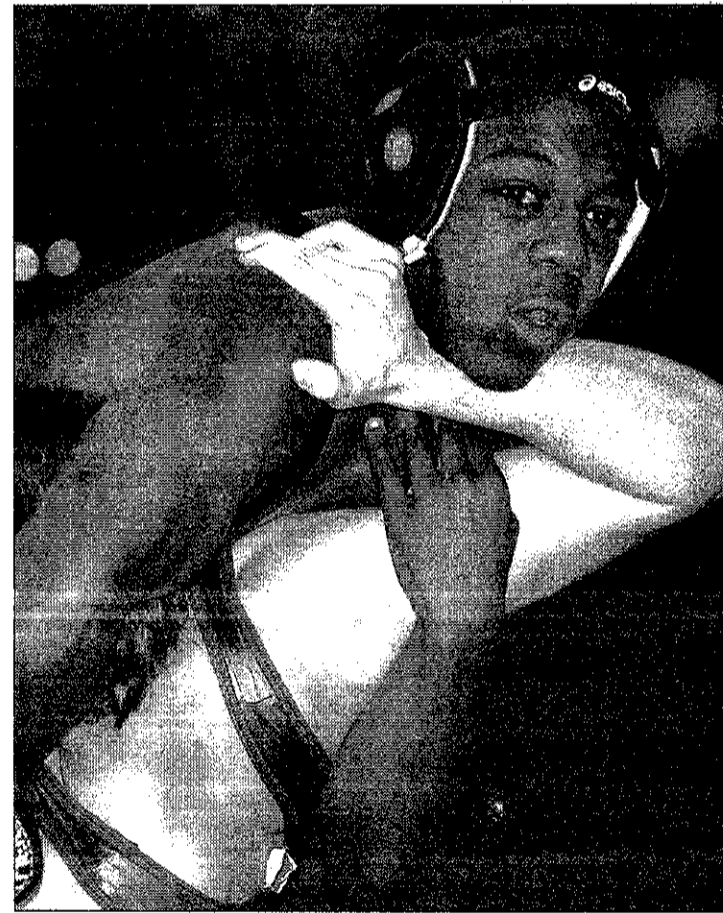
Both squads voided its heavyweights in each match.

Against New Haven, the Blue Devils earned 42 points via voids, including Paul Zambito at 112 pounds.

Neither squad wrestled at 145 pounds.

Forton, Leising and Hudson earned six points with pins, while Romer and Sutton wrestled well, but lost decisions.

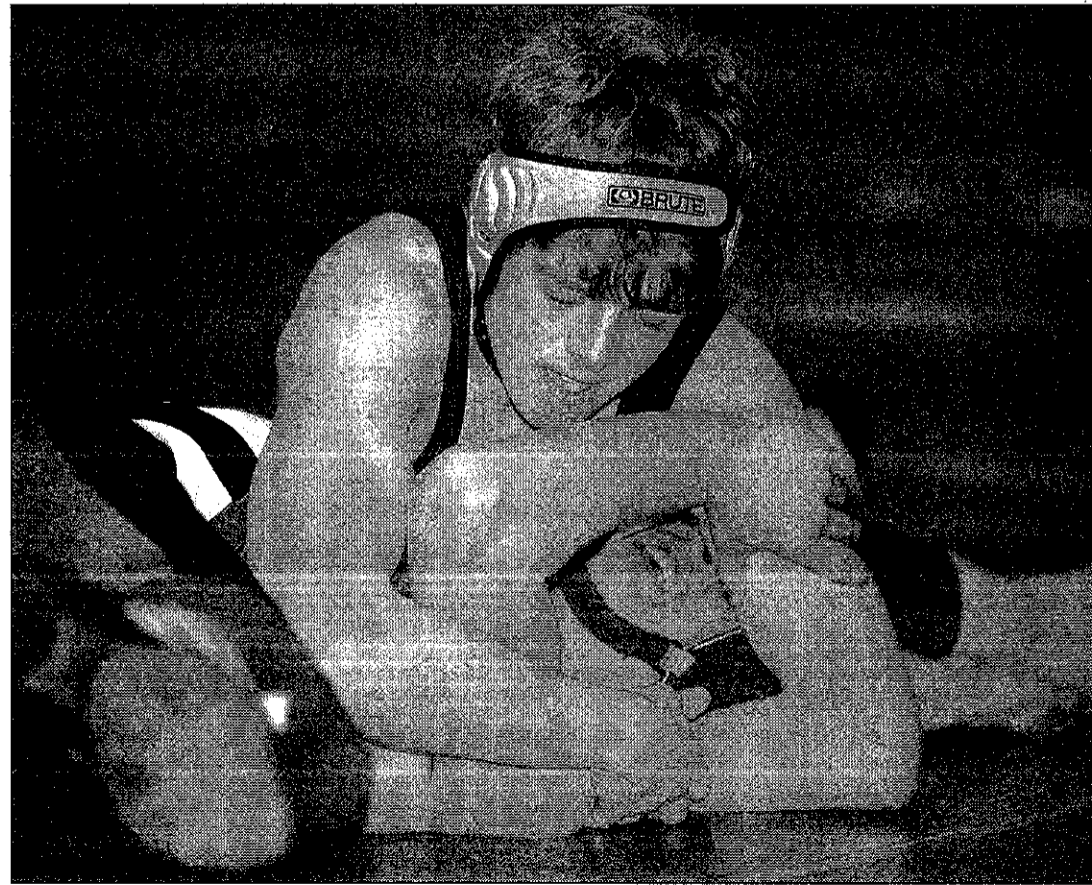
"I want our program to gain respect and we're heading in that direction," O'Donnell said.



PHOTOS BY BOB BRUCE

Undreas Hudson, shown here pinning his New Haven opponent, also won by pin in his first match against Mount Clemens.

South improved to 2-0 in the Blue Division and evened its Macomb Area Conference record at 8-8 overall.



Josh Rothenbuhler, top, pinned his Mount Clemens opponent and won his New Haven match by void as South went 2-0.

University Liggett School

CO-ED SWIMMING

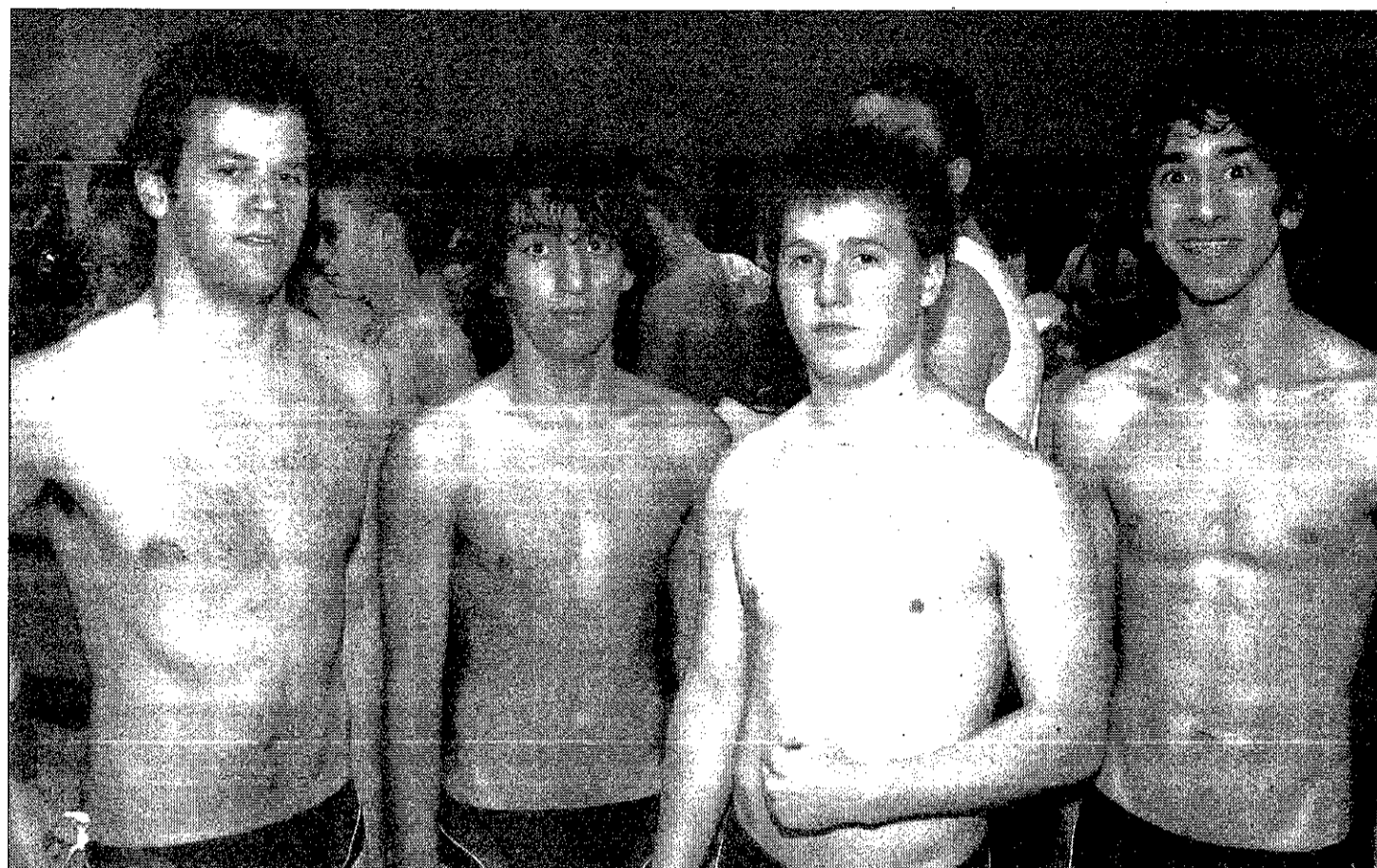


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On a roll

The University Liggett School co-ed swim team ran its record to 4-0 last week, beating Clawson behind a solid team effort, head coach Meg Painter said. Having a hand in the victory were, from left, Chris Brownell, Stavros Bricolas, Jake Osborn and Morgan Walker. The Knights also placed fourth in an invitational meet last week at St. Clair Shores Lake Shore.

GIRLS HOCKEY

Lady Knights net two victories

Head coach Laura Owczarski and her University Liggett School girls hockey team had two weeks of practice to lament on a tough 3-2 loss to Farmington Hills Mercy.

The extra practice did the Lady Knights a lot of good as they began the new year with an 8-0 win over Bloomfield Hills Unified and a 3-2 victory over Plymouth-Canton-Salem.

The wins kept the Lady Knights within two points of division-leading Mercy, which is 5-2, and Owczarski's squad improved to 4-2 in the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League.

Everyone got in the scoring act against the winless Knighthawks, but it was a nip and tuck affair against PCS, the 2007 state champs.

Junior Paige Counsman led the way with two goals and one assist, while freshman Haleigh Bolton had the other goal.

Senior Alex Boll and sophomore Kinaya Smith chipped in with three combined assists to help senior goalkeeper Janaya Gripper earn the victory.

Uls improved to 5-3 overall.

Coming up for the Lady Knights are away games Saturday, Jan. 17, against Warren Regina at St. Clair



PHOTO BY RENATO JAMETT

Junior Paige Counsman scored twice in University Liggett School's big win over Plymouth-Canton-Salem in a Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League game.

Shores Civic Arena and Mercy at Eddie Edgar Arena in home ice Dec. 16. Wednesday, Jan. 21, against a rematch of the 3-2 loss on

—Bob St. John

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Lady Knights fall to Cranes

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Knights held on to beat Warren Michigan Collegiate 69-64.

The University Liggett School girls basketball team dropped its Metro Conference opener last weekend, losing 54-29 to host Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood.

The visitors built a 20-point halftime lead, but the Cougars stormed back to make a game of it.

"We trailed by only seven points at the half, but Cranbrook made some defensive adjustments at the half that we didn't respond to," head coach Adam Beck said.

"We played a very good first half and then went a little cold in the second half," Beck said. "It was the same thing with Cranbrook except this time we held on to win."

Earlier in the week, the Lady

Freshman Madison Ristovski scored 49 points to lead ULS, which stand 0-1 in the Metro and 4-2 overall.

BOYS BASKETBALL

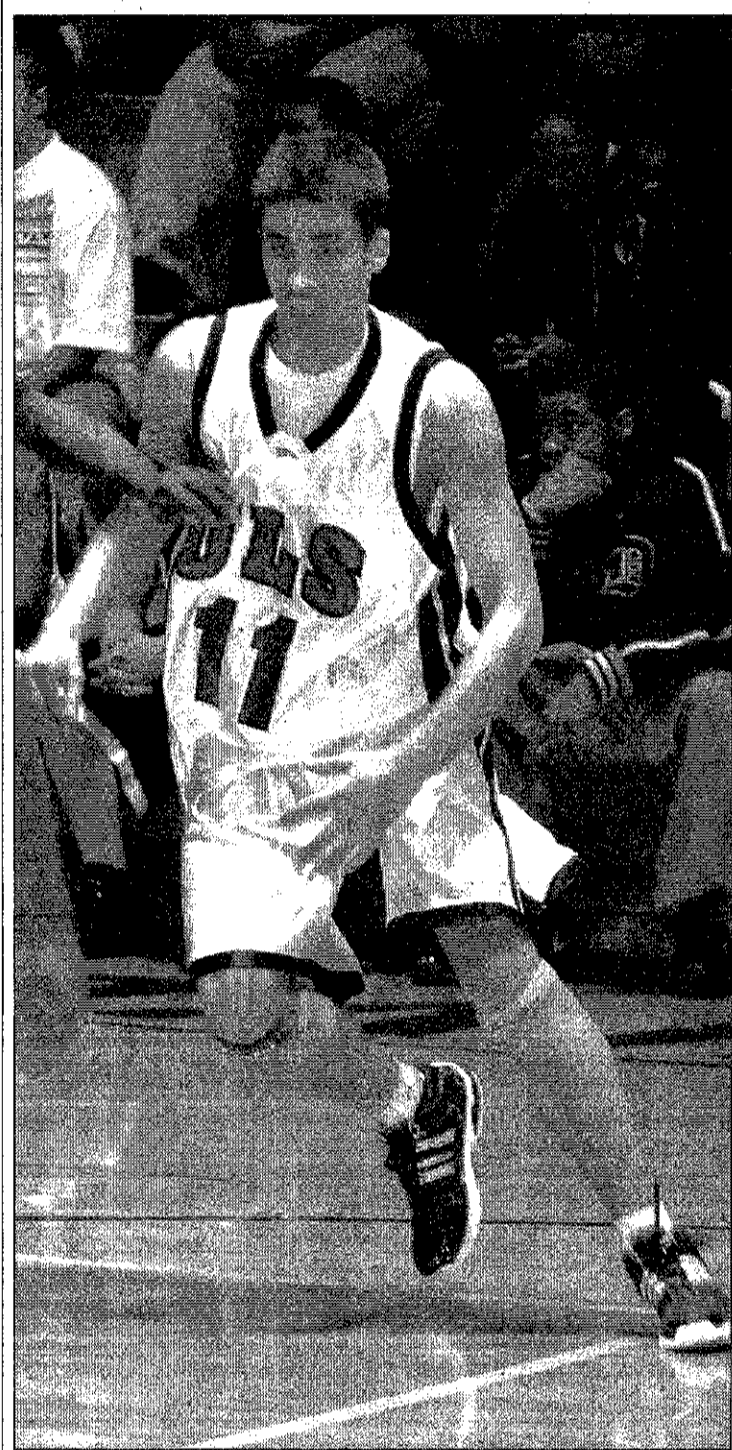


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Home sweet home

Junior forward Joe Shannon, No. 11, cuts to the basket awaiting a pass during the University Liggett School boys basketball team's 71-60 home win over the Warren Michigan Collegiate Cougars last week. Junior point guard Mark Ghafari had 20 points to lead the Knights while sophomore center Dominic Jamett added 14 points as the team improved to 2-3 overall.

SAILING



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Sunshine sailing

Several members of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club competed in the Orange Bowl Regatta in Miami, Fla., during the holidays. Approximately 700 sailors, including 100 from 23 foreign countries, rode the wind and waves of Biscayne Bay competing with the Optimists, green, white, blue and red; and the Lasers, 4.7, radial and full-rig; for the top spot. Along with the United States, sailors from Argentina, Austria, Bermuda, Brazil, British Virgin Islands, Canada, Cayman Islands, Colombia, Denmark, Ecuador, France, Great Britain, Israel, Italy, Netherlands Antilles, Peru, Puerto Rico, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, U.S. Virgin Islands and Venezuela competed. Pictured above are the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club members, front row from left, Emily Johnson, Kelly Seago, Katie Bill and Kristie Listwan; and back row from left, Troy Marowske, Ryan Seago, Connor Flaska, Charlie Trost, Chris Bill, Blair Listwan and Michael Seago, who competed.

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## Grosse Pointe North

## BOYS BASKETBALL

## North crushes foes

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Two up, two in the win column for Grosse Pointe North's boys basketball team in its division opener last week.

The wins also extended the Norsemen's record to 6-0 overall.

The Norsemen began division play with a 67-32 win over visiting Port Huron Northern.

"The guys really played well at both ends of the floor, especially defensively where we limited Northern to only 14 first-half points," head coach Matt Lockhart said. "Offensively, our scoring was spread out and everyone chipped in."

Senior Damien Davis led the team with 15 points, while senior Kyle Nadeau had 13 points.

Senior Gregg Blunden had a double-double, netting 12 points and 11 rebounds, while senior guards Daniel Calcaterra and Darin Willis had eight and seven points, respectively.

Lockhart's squad kept up the pressure three nights later, blowing out host Sterling Heights Stevenson 61-36.

After the opening week of the Macomb Area Conference White Division schedule, the

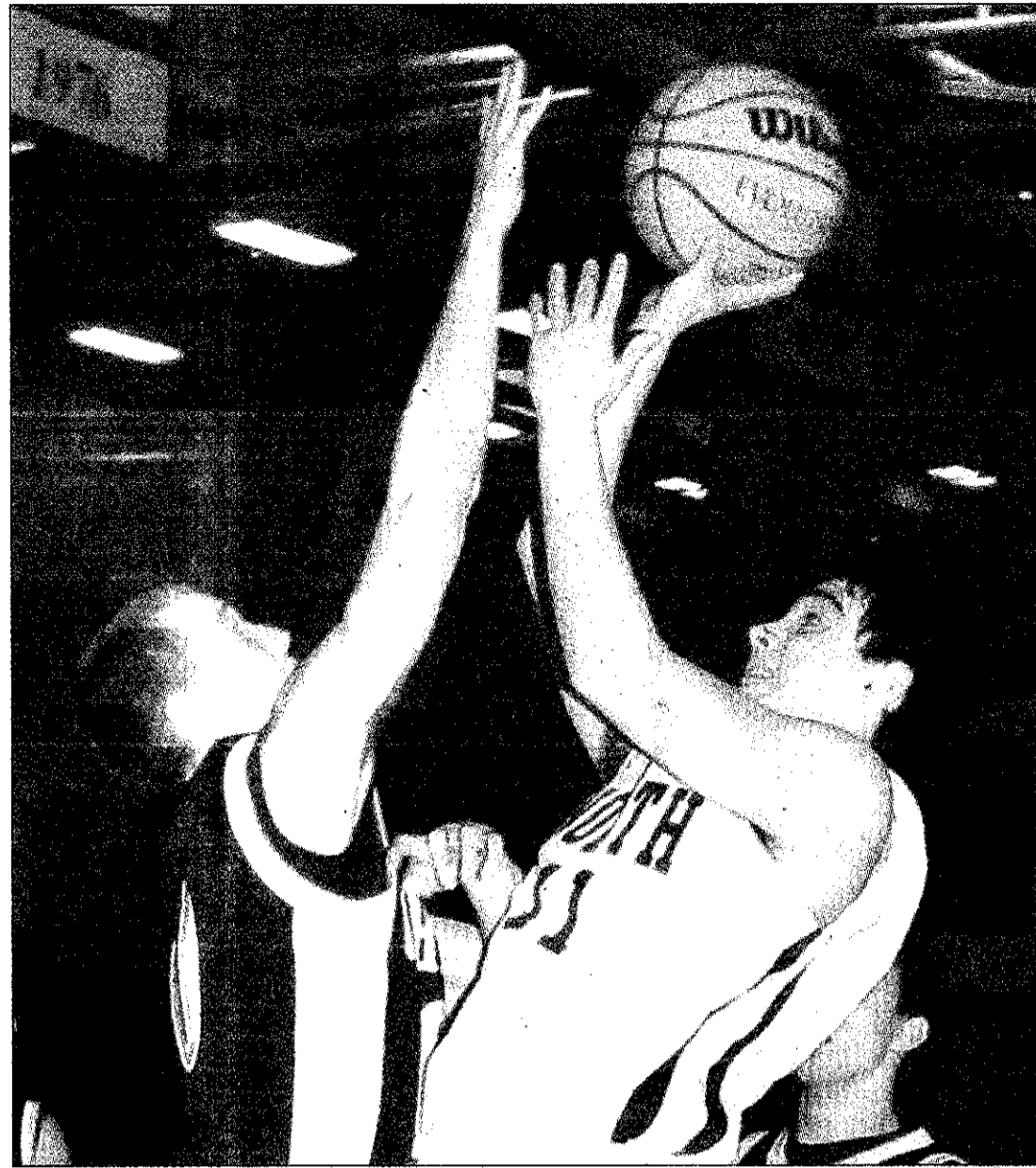


Senior Kyle Nadeau, No. 12, scores two of his 13 points in the Norsemen's blowout home win over Port Huron Northern.

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Norsemen are 2-0, followed by Roseville at 1-0, Warren Cousino, Port Huron Northern

and Utica at 1-1, Grosse Pointe South at 0-1 and Stevenson at 0-2.



Senior guard Daniel Calcaterra, right, goes up strong and is fouled during the opening half of North's league opener against Port Huron Northern.

## BOYS SWIMMING

## Norsemen win

Grosse Pointe North's boys swimming and diving team remained perfect on the season last week, beating Romeo 112-74.

Michael Lane and Andrew Paige were double winners. Lane won the 200-yard individual medley with a state-qualifying time and 100-yard freestyle, while Paige notched wins in the 50-yard freestyle with a state-qualifying time and the 100-yard butterfly.

Single event winners were Justin Rakowicz in the 500-yard freestyle and Christian Mellows in the 100-yard breaststroke, which was a state-qualifying time.

The Norsemen's 200-yard medley relay team of Lane, Mellows, Paige and Matt Peyser

also posted a state-qualifying time.

Head coach Mike O'Connor also noted season-best times were recorded by Paige, Peyser, Maxwell Hunt and Bob Rader in the 50-freestyle; Peter Shea, Radar and Michael Seago in the 100-freestyle; Rakowicz in the 200-freestyle; Robert Tripp, Louis Saravolatz and Connor Yeager in the 100-backstroke; Mellows and Tommy Milne in the 100-breaststroke; Zack Hanna and Stephen VanBeek in the 100-butterfly; Mellows, VanBeek and Tripp in the 200-IM; and Mitchell Gross, Connor Holm and Evan Williams in the diving event.

The host Norsemen improved to 1-0 in the MAC Red Division and 3-0 overall.



North senior Michael Lane swims the backstroke leg of the 200-yard individual medley, which he won against Romeo.

PHOTO BY RANDY WILCOX

## GIRLS HOCKEY

## Offense rolls in win over Mercy

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Make it two wins in a row for Grosse Pointe North's girls hockey team.

Last week, the Lady Norsemen beat host Farmington Hills Mercy 6-2 behind freshman goalie Emma Huellmantel.

"We played a good first period and Emma played very well, making several tremendous saves," North head coach Scott Dockett said. "All-in-all, it was a good win against a good team."

"This was a nice way to start

the new year."

Sophomore Kailey Sickmiller scored two short-handed goals and senior Alexa Quinlan tallied two goals to lead the Lady Norsemen.

The win gave North a 4-3 mark in the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League and 4-5 overall.

Coming up next for the Lady Norsemen are home games Saturday, Jan. 17, against Livonia Ladywood and Wednesday, Jan. 21, against Ann Arbor, which is the co-leader of Division I of the MMGSHSL.

## GIRLS BASKETBALL

## Ladies cruise

By John McTaggart  
Special Writer

The Norsemen shook the rust off a long holiday layoff and cruised to a 48-27 victory over host Chippewa Valley Friday, Jan. 9.

Junior Ariel Braker paced the squad with 13 points in limited action, while senior Jasmine Kennedy added 12 points. Junior Kayla Womack and senior Olivia Stander each finished the game with eight points.

"Honestly, I don't think we played real great today," head coach Gary Bennett admitted. "We stood around on offense a lot, especially in the first half."

After the intermission, however, and leading the Big Reds by eight, 20-12, North dominated the third quarter and pushed the lead to 39-14.

Key plays by Braker, senior Madeline Kent and Kennedy helped spark the squad, which opened the third frame of the contest with a 12-0 run.

"We found a little something in the third quarter," Bennett said. "We always talk about winning the third quarter. Hopefully, we can be a good third quarter team all year. We feel that's important."

The win was also an important one for North, given it was the Macomb Area Conference Red Division opener - a division the squad is certainly expected to win.

That said, this means teams

will be focused on ousting the favorite each night.

This, according to Bennett, means the team's defensive effort each game is even more important.

"I was very happy defensively with how we played tonight," Bennett explained. "We were able to limit them, and Brittney Simon, and that was important. So much of what they do goes through her. She's a very good player. I thought, as a team, we played good defense."

A solid defense is vital to North if they hope to make a run at another title, whether it be in the division or in the state, and Bennett believes his team is making progress in that facet of the game.

"We're coming along," he said. "We had a layoff and we were a little rusty, but we're getting there."

The win also allowed Bennett to spread out minutes and give the entire squad some added, meaningful experience. This may seem unimportant at the time, but the more meaningful experience the squad gets - from top to bottom - the better served it will become deeper into the campaign.

"It was a nondescript first half for us offensively, for sure," Bennett said. "But I'm not too concerned about that because I know we can be better."

The victory moved the Norsemen to 4-3 overall, 1-0 in the Red.

## YOUTH HOCKEY



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## Gracious host

The Grosse Pointe-based 1997 Michigan Ice Hawks hockey club welcomed The Ohio State University head coach John Markell, standing far right, and assistant coach Jason Lammers, standing far left, for a late summer three-day camp at Grosse Pointe Community Rink. The '97 Michigan Ice Hawks, together with other select Grosse Pointe skaters from other travel teams, enjoyed the rare opportunity to learn high-level hockey skills from Division I coaches. Team members also attended the OSU-U of M game Nov. 1 and watched Markell and Lammers' team beat the Wolverines 6-1. The Michigan Ice Hawks, under head coach Greg Cheeswright, standing center, play in the Howe East Division of the LCAHL.

## YOUTH BASKETBALL

## Basketball tryouts

Tryouts for the AAU club, The basketball City Hoopers, are listed below.

For the seventh- and eighth-grade boys' team tryouts are 6 to 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 26; 6 to 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30; and 6 to 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 2, at Basketball City, 16400 Eastland Dr., Roseville, 48066.

The cost is \$25 for all four tryouts.

This team is for the serious basketball player and more information can be found at bbchoopers.com. Contact coach Cleage at (313) 549-2905 or Steve Benard at (313) 580-0351 for any questions about the tryout process.







