

Complete news coverage of all the Pointes

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THURSDAY, DEC. 24

Christmas Eve ♦ Grosse Pointe and St. Clair Shores U.S. Post Offices close at noon. Secretary of State offices are closed.

FRIDAY, DEC. 25

Christmas

+ Federal, state and local municipal offices are closed. No mail delivery. Garbage pick-up delayed one day.

SATURDAY, DEC. 26

◆ Registration is accepted from noon to 3 p.m. at Belle Isle Park for the 2009 Fifth Third Bank 40th Annual Belle Isle New Year's Eve Family Fun Run/Walk. For more information, call organizer Jeanne Bocci at (313) 886-5560.

SUNDAY, DEC. 27

 The Knights of Columbus of St. Paul's on the Lake Catholic Church, 175 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, sponsor an American Red Cross blood drive from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the cafeteria of St. Paul School. For more information, call Greg Nehra at (313) 919-3556 or visit greg@ littlestonepartners.com.

MONDAY, DEC. 28



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Dear Santa

Quinn Sahutske of Grosse Pointe Woods will have a hard time sleeping tonight wondering if the time she spent with Santa Claus at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House will result in a joyous Christmas morning. She did her best, flashing a big smile, reminding him she had been a good girl.

Coyote killed on dead run

Perking houses with **boat slips?**

Enticement advertising: Will it work for the Shores?

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

A "buy a house, get a well" promotion could be tall drink of water for people thirsty to boost house sales and boat slip rentals in Grosse Pointe Shores.

The proposal, if approved, would give anyone who buys a house in the city a free boat well in the municipal marina.

Wells would be free for one year, a savings of \$755 to \$3,720, depending on size.

"It's a marketing idea that will draw consideration from somebody who might not have otherwise been looking at that as an option," said Randi Repicky, branch manager of Johnstone & Johnstone Real Estate in Grosse Pointe Farms.

The idea came from Shores Councilman Dan Schulte, liaison to the harbor committee and a public relations professional.

"If someone is on the fence about moving here or one of the other Pointes, and they can get a boat well free the first year, that's a pretty attractive deal," Schulte said.

He and fellow harbor committee members have been consid-

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 Grosse Pointe Park Council meets at 7 p.m. in council chambers on the fourth level of the municipal office complex, 15115 E. Jefferson.

THURSDAY, DEC. 31

New Year's Eve Grosse Pointe and St. Clair Shores post office closes at noon.

 Secretary of State offices are closed.

A blood drive is from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Pointe Fitness & Training Center, 19556 Harper, Harper Woods. For more information or to sign up, call (313) 417-9666.

 The 2009 Fifth Third Bank 40th Annual Belle Isle New Year's Eve Family Fun Run/Walk begins at noon on Belle Isle. All children 12 years and under receive trophies; all other participants receive medals. Registration is accepted prior to the race. For more information, call Jeanne Bocci at (313) 886-5560.

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By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

Police don't know if the coyote they shot to death last Thursday morning at the Country Club of Detroit in Grosse Pointe Farms was the one that killed a pet cat two nights earlier on bordering Provencal.

Even if it was, the hunt is not over.

On Thursday night, another coyote mauled a 13-pound pet dog on Belle Meade in Grosse Pointe Shores, about 1 1/4 miles from the club. The dog survived.

Pointes.

"On the night shift we see them," said Sgt. Dan Pullen of Shores public safety.

At least one of the animals has --- or had, given the shooting - been bedding down on a compost pile in a wooded area of the country club adjacent to the polo field.

Officers in three of the Grosse Pointes where

Dog survives attack

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

Kathy Rinaldi walked around the corner of her house and into the stare of the coyote that had just tried to eat her dog.

"There he was, standing big as life, bold as can be," Rinaldi said.

"Get the hell out of my yard," she yelled.

The coyote stood a moment longer.

"Not even afraid." Then he took off. "They trot like a horse," Rinaldi said.



See ATTACK, page 2A Lola is all bandaged up and recuperating at home.

covotes have killed or injured pets recently -Farms, Shores and City - have been authorized to kill the predators if a clear shot can be had.

At about 7:45 a.m., Thursday, Dec. 17, a contractor at the country club told Farms police a coyote was roaming the grounds.

Lts. Jack Patterson and Brian Belinski responded, armed with shotguns. Belinski staked himself out east of the polo field. Patterson, also on foot, tried to flush the animal from the woods.

Other officers in patrol cars -- "The covotes hate our cars," Patterson explained. "They Police estimate four coyotes remain in the know their sound," set up a perimeter to funnel the target toward the lieutenants.

"The coyote was moving (east) toward Irvine Lane," Patterson said. "Brian came from there."

Police learned they may have come upon a pack of coyotes.

"I went to the back end of the club and saw a

See COYOTE, page 4A

Former bookkeeper enters guilty plea

Church embezzler to be sentenced in January

By Kathy Ryan Staff Writer

Frederick Petz of Grosse Pointe Woods entered a plea of guilty in Wayne County Circuit Court on four counts of embezzlement. The plea was entered on Thursday, Dec. 17 in front of Judge Deborah Thomas, who

set a sentencing date of Jan. 25. According to the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office, Petz pleaded guilty to four counts of embezzlement, including one charge of embezzlement of more than \$50,000 involving funds from Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish, one count of embezzlement more than \$20,000 involving funds from the Renaissance Vicariate and two counts of embezzlement over \$1,000 from a nonprofit organization.

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POINTER OF INTEREST

'My parents taught me to treat everyone fairly.'

Ted Metry



Home: Grosse Pointe Woods Age: 42

Family: Wife, Lillian; daughters, Alexandria, 4, and Gabriella, 3 Claim to fame: New municipal court judge for Grosse Pointe Woods and Grosse Pointe Shores See story, page 4A

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GROSSE POINTE SHORES

Citizens advisory committee set aside

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

A citizen task force to help municipal officials brainstorm their way out of a structural province of the City of Grosse Pointe.

Suggestions to establish a force in Grosse Pointe Shores have been put aside.

Instead, Shores officials are committee meetings to let anyone from the public have a say.

Members of the city council who support the creation of what they characterize as mini town hall meetings cite their duty not to sluff off municipal obligations to non-elected freelancers appointed to an advisory board.

Cooper. "That's our job and responsibility. Residents need to be involved, (but) we should be responsible for this budget."

At least one backer of an advisory committee foresees inefficiencies with the free-for-all nature of a town hall format.

"I like a town hall," said Councilman Dan Schulte, "but plan on spending a lot of time. Everybody wants to speak. You have different levels of expertise. You spend a lot of time edpeople who know most of the something." answers get bored and leave."

The answer will reveal itself at the 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 5, committee of the whole, formed last month to meld the this decade, was concerned an mayor and full council into the advisory committee in the finance committee.

The meeting will be held in traction." an annex of the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House to handle

services, raise services or cerns." maintain services.

"It would be open to everybody," said Councilman Dr. Brian Hunt, committee chairdeficit will remain the local man. "Citizen input is very important. Instead of being exclusionary, I'd rather include anybody and everybody."

Councilman Ted Kedzierski endorsed the town hall concept. Yet, like his freshman colstressing that time is available league Schulte, preferred to at the end of monthly finance create an ad hoc citizens advisory committee of about five members. Kedzierski envisioned the group as a non-voting subset of the finance committee.

"They would make recommendations and suggestions to the finance committee," he said.

Although Cooper and City "We were elected to make a Manager Brian Vick were conbudget," said Mayor Dr. James cerned that a citizens committee would inject a layer of nonelected and unaccountable people into the administration, Councilwoman Victoria Boyce didn't want to limit participation.

"I like the idea of targeted expertise," she said, "but I hate to limit it to five people if we have 15 people who are interested, who may not want to commit to an ongoing (meeting) every two weeks for six months; but who want to stop by at a meetucating some people while ing and offer an opinion on

Sidetracked

Vick, who was assistant city manager in the City earlier Shores would "create a dis-

He said, "There's a learning curve (on municipal matters). an anticipated crowd of people For me to educate a diverse lined up to suggest ways to cut group in the community who and the second second second and the second se

taxes, increase efficiency, cut ry, that's one of those con-

In addition, the City and Shores have different working environments.

In the City, the council has closed fissures from a few years ago regarding redevelopment of the Jacobson's building in the Village downtown district. The mayor and council appear to work as one.

With the exception of two people who regularly attend City council meetings and have complained that their First Amendment rights are being violated when not allowed to interrupt the mayor, there are no wide-ranging complaints from the same people repeating themselves. In the Shores, politics rule:

 Kedzierski and Schulte the first and third most votegetters, respectively, in last February's six-seat council election — often vote together. Cooper, unopposed in the

election, and four remaining council members do the same.

◆ Schulte and an unsuccessful council candidate have filed campaign complaints with the state against Cooper, Vick and city attorney Mark McInerney. The state is investigating the claim.

 The complaint is independent of a federal lawsuit filed 10 years ago by a group of residents belonging to NYCE (Neighbors Concerned about Yacht Club Expansion) against a former mayor and council. Because some of the disbanded NYCE group are active opponents of the new mayor and his voting block, the campaign grievance has been criticized as a variation on the lawsuit theme by people who can't put down the past.

◆ Dr. Robert E. Lee, a counexpenses, raise revenues, cut is not beholding to the citizen- cil candidate during the NYCE



The longer Shores Mayor Dr. when tallying qualifications he would want of citizen advi-SOTS

> "They need to have some finance background to be able to make annual budgets, fiveyear budget models (and) capital improvement budgets," Cooper said.

His criteria included candidates with experience in:

- management,
- human resources,
- training and evaluating employees,
- risk management assesment,
- coordinating insurance

advisory committee, all of mechanics of a citizens adviwhom want to remain anonymous, suspect the proposal's real purpose is to do an endrun around the electoral process and install critics of Cooper et al.

Vick said he and City of Grosse Pointe Manager Peter Dame considered the their city's respective political envi-Many critics of a citizens ronments when discussing the Shores."

coverage, ◆ purchasing,

- planning and development,
- directing public service,
- municipal experience,
- understanding public sector operations and
- having an advanced college degree.

"On top of that, maybe 10 years of experience," Cooper said. "What I've described is someone we already have. That's the resume of (City Manager) Brian Vick. He's the guy whose going to lead us."

-Brad Lindberg

sory committee.

There was no concern (in the City) when putting together (a committee) that equal representation from different sides of the aisle had to be represented," Vick said. "That was stressed by Mr. Dame and myself that (it) would generate a unique situation for the

accounting, finance, legal, health professionals, marketing and public relations, busi-negotiations,

era and member of a four-person "Clean Slate" ticket, none of whom won office, is heading a recall campaign against Cooper and four council members. Recall supporters are circulating petitions in response to a 1-mill tax increase. Kedzierski and Schulte opposed the increase

GROSSE POINTE SHORES

In quest of state's **Clean Marina status**

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

Park.

'The program supports

A few years ago, Grosse management of Pointe Shores officials worked to achieve Tree City profitable businesses, Then they won Keep while protecting and USA for the community. Michigan Beautiful's top hon- enhancing the quality

or for improvements to Osius of Michigan's

The next goal is to achieve waterways."

Department of Environmental Quality. The program supports the management of profitable businesses, while protecting and enhancing the quality of Michigan's waterways."

Schulte said the designation is "on par" with being a Tree City USA.

"It's an honorable designation," Schulte said. "We're looking into it at this point."

THERE'S MORE

ness owners (and) labor experience. We all have municipal experience."

He made a similar conclusion

James Cooper said he consid-

ered the breadth of experience

he'd want represented on a

citizen financial advisory com-

mittee, the more he recog-

nized those qualifications in

members of the current city

"We're looking out when we

should be looking in," Cooper

said. "On our council, we have

council.

and are not targets.

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Clean Marina status from the state.

"The program encourages technically sound and economically feasible approaches to reducing waste and preventing the release of hazardous substances in marinas," said Councilman Dan Schulte, harbor committee liaison.

"Participating marina operators will have an opportunity to learn about proper management practices and environmental stewardship," according to a profile provided by the Michigan Sea Grant. "One-day workshops will be scheduled based on interest and availability.

"The Michigan Clean Marina Program is a public-private partnership between Michigan Sea Grant College Program, Michigan Boating Industries Association and the Michigan

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ATTACK: Leash saves small dog

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She and her husband wrapped their injured dog, a 13-pound, nearly 3-year-old Havanese named Lola, in towels and rushed her to a 24-hour veterinary clinic.

"She has about six puncture wounds and a laceration," said Rinaldi. "She's lucky to be alive. She has to be on antibiotics for two weeks."

The attack happened at about 11:15 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 17, in the Rinaldi's illuminated, unfenced backyard on Belle Meade in Grosse Pointe Shores.

Lola had just been let out, hooked to a leash so she couldn't roam, before bedtime. Rinaldi had just sat back down inside the house when the dog cried out.

"It was almost like a human scream," Rinaldi said. "My husband and I flew up. I opened the door. She was scooting around from the backyard to the patio. She was holding her leg up, bleeding and howling."

Rinaldi said the vet who treated Lola was the same one who tended the Cavalier King Charles a coyote killed two Woods.

Other matters before the harbor committee include relocating the park's jet ski rack.

"It would be a little more accessible and allow more jet ski ramps if the demand is there," Schulte said.

There's also the possibility of adding a dedicated kavak launch area, according to Committee Chairman Brian Geraghty's monthly report.

The committee continues to consider cracks in the renovated harbor breakwall.

'We're going to see if they progress," Schulte said. "Some cracks will have sealer put in them. Some won't."

"We have identified some sealers that we can apply in a test area and are working to obtain small samples for our use," Geraghty said.

> weeks ago on Dodge Place in the City of Grosse Pointe.

> "The vet said these animals (coyotes) are capable of getting over fences to attack their prey," Rinaldi said. "The vet told me I may have been fortunate to have Lola on a leash because coyotes usually just grab them and run."

She's been seeing coyotes on the street for about 2 1/2 years.

"We have tons of small dogs on this block," Rinaldi said. The coyotes are ready and waiting."

She also frequently babysits her nearly 2-year-old granddaughter.

"I'm afraid to have her in the backyard," Rinaldi said. "She's little, too. A lot littler than a coyote."

Rinaldi feels guilty for putting Lola at risk.

"My husband's been telling me not to put her out on the leash at night by herself," she said. "That's what I did. She was like bait. My wish is that (people) know they can't leave their animals unattended in the vard."

Rinaldi said her sister-in-law on Oxford near Holiday in Grosse Pointe Woods sees coyotes regularly.

The sister-in-law suspects Holiday has become a coyote corridor linking open spaces at the country club in the Farms and Lochmoor Club in the

NEWS



Holiday décor

Lights on the trees, lights on the house and around the windows, Snoopy by his doghouse, snowmen and candy canes can be seen in the yard of a house on Colonial Court in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Cost-cutting measures

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

Shores is set at absolute zero. "There's a hiring freeze,"

said Brian Vick, city manager. In addition, Vick said there's

been no wage increases for ment constitutes the city's non-union employees.

"This is the way it is," he said.

Vick last week aired what he called a "short laundry list" of cost-cutting measures the city has taken within the last 18 months

His presentation followed repeated criticism by some residents that the city isn't doing much to cut costs in line with declining property tax revenue.

hands," said Vick, hired last winter to replace retired longtime manager Mike Kenyon.

"I bring these up not to say we're done," Vick said of costcutting measures undertaken. "I bring these up to say that work is being done. I know things aren't happening as fast as everyone would like, and we are in a state of economic concern with regard to taxable values and our revenue stream. But, I want to reiterate costs. that (the city) council, staff and department heads are looking at these things." His biggest financial concerns are legacy costs, employee costs and services

some residents don't want touched.

When someone says 'Don't The thermometer in the per- cut services,' the only thing we sonnel office in Grosse Pointe can talk about are employee benefits," Vick said. "We are a service-oriented organization. Staff is our No. 1 expense."

The public safety departlargest expense.

"You'll hear people say don't cut public safety," Vick said. "OK. You've just asked me to (cut costs) with one arm tied behind my back. Fifty percent of my budget is slated public safety. You can't look at these things without looking at the whole picture."

He kicked off his list with reference to his own compensation.

When this council hired "No one is sitting on their me, they ratcheted down my pay," he said. "My compensation is not what my predecessor's was."

Other changes include:

♦ Leaf hauling by department of public works employees.

'This is something we contracted out before," Vick said. "We took care of it in-house (and) saved significant dollars.

 Collecting leaves this year without incurring overtime

"This was active manage-

"In the last year, Brett (Smith, head of public works), and his staff fabricated pieces to the street sweeper and a garbage truck to extend the life of equipment that another municipality would have put up for sale," Vick said.

He added that fabrications resulted in "significant savings."

◆ 17 percent reduction in the cost of grounds maintenance.

 Municipal vehicles are being kept in service longer than before.

"Public safety used to get new police vehicles every year," Vick said. "A change was made X number of years ago to go to every other year. Now, we're in a position where we're extending that and will continue to look at it."

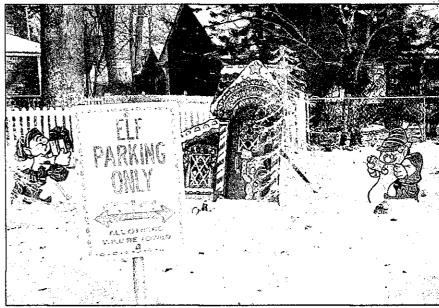
◆ A 67 percent decline in public safety overtime from 2008 to 2009.

♦ A 65 percent decline in gate guard costs at Osius Park. • Fees were begun this year for municipal tennis and swimming programs.

"We are actively monitoring those expenses (and) shifting costs to users," Vick said. • Union contracts having

less benefits settled within the last three years.

"Some provisions are



A house on Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods was the best place for an elf workshop. Due to the size of the lot, a runway, complete with landing lights, has been prepared for Santa.

Fugitive caught in raid

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

A Tennessee fugitive hiding in Grosse Pointe Farms no longer has to pine about missing the green, green grass of home.

Stacy Dennis Watson, 40, has been extradited to Fentress County, Tenn., for violating probation on unspecified charges. His arrest capped a 12:15 p.m. Friday, Dec. 11, raid of a house in the 100 block of Muir.

"Officers forced their way in and found him hiding in a rear bedroom closet of his girlfriend's apartment," said Farms Detective Mike McCarthy. Five Farms officers and three

Wayne County sheriff's deputies conducted the raid.

house wouldn't let police inside, 6-foot-7 Farms Officer Frank Zelinski kicked open the back door with his size 14 standard-issue police boot.

Zelinski said of Watson. "He Ford Ranger with Tennessee

didn't quite seem to know what plates. to do."

Watson has been known to Farms police for at least two months.

Watson has a history in our city of domestic assault," McCarthy said.

A patrolman arrested Watson in October on behalf of Tennessee authorities.

He was wanted in Fentress County for missing a probation hearing and not paying "monetary obligations," according to Tennessee officials.

"He was turned over to the Wayne County Sheriffs Department for extradition," McCarthy said. "Due to a delay in the paperwork from the state, he was temporarily released from custody and he re-When occupants of the turned to the Farms."

When the paperwork came through, the raid took place.

During the October arrest, Watson was uncooperative when pulled over on Kercheval "He was pretty meek," near Lewiston driving a red

"(I) grabbed (his) arm and removed him from the vehicle and onto the ground," **PSO**

at



Matthew **GROSSE POINTE FARMS** DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY Hurner reported the Stacy Dennis Watson

time. Officers said

Watson possessed pills and a knife locked in the open position

"He has charges pending in the Farms for possessing a switchblade knife and prescription pills, which are being examined at the Michigan State Police crime lab," McCarthy said

Also pending is a charge of obstructing justice.

Car chase ends in car wreck

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

Edgewood said the Neon registered 67 mph on radar. The stolen due to (it having) no

"He knew the vehicle was

ment on behalf of the DPW to capped on the opt-out for make sure we did not have an- medical, restrictions (were) cillary costs associated with that collection," Vick said. ◆ In-house truck repairs.

placed on retiree health care, pension benefits were reduced," Vick said.

to the driving skills of a suspected car thief who muscled a 14-year-old putt-putt to nearly 100 mph before wiping out on Lakeshore. Skid marks in southbound

lanes near Clairview show where the driver spun backwards into a light pole.

Police gave grudging credit

"The driver's seat broke (on impact)," said Sgt. Dan Pullen. "He went flying backwards into the back seat and ended up with his feet hanging out where the driver-side door had been."

Officers arrested the 20vear-old driver and 15-yearold passenger, both Detroit males.

(I) had both occupants exit the vehicle at gunpoint," said Officer Terry Brown, in a report of the incident at 9:55 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 16.

The suspects had sped into the Shores on Lakeshore from St. Clair Shores in a red 1995 Plymouth Neon. The car had been reported stolen the day before in Warren.

A patrolman near South

Money down the drain

By Kathy Ryan Staff Writer

percent.

to \$1.65 CCF.

House guest arrested in attempted robbery

By Kathy Ryan Staff Writer

An alert victim and a fast police response resulted in quick closure to an attempted purse snatching at a Grosse Pointe Woods drug store shortly after midnight Thursday, Dec. 17.

A 35-year-old Flint man was expected to be arraigned on

several charges Wednesday, Dec. 23, after the Grosse Pointe News deadline.

The suspect faces charges of assault with intent to rob while unarmed, a felony with a sentence of up to 15 years in prison. He was expected to be charged under the state's habitual offender statute.

See ROBBERY, page 4A | ministrator Mark Wollenweber,

water rates weren't increased in 2009 because the city had not made a final determination Grosse Pointe Woods resion whether to separate from Detroit Water and dents will pay a little more at the the tap starting Jan. 1, when Sewerage Department, and water rates increase about 7 was waiting for funding approval from the state's The city council approved a Drinking Water Revolving water rate increase from \$1.22 Fund.

> While the council voted to raise the water rates, it tabled recommendations from AEW on infrastructure repairs until the council's Jan. 4 meeting.

> "I simply don't have enough information to make any of those recommendations," said Mayor Robert Novitke. "I would like to see these recommendations go to the construction committee and then to the finance committee."

wreck happened when the keys," Pullen said. "(He) stated two other cars, according to Brown, who had backed off his chase for safety reasons.

The driver and passenger, reported by his 33-year-old mother as a runaway, received medical attention, police said. Both suspects soon were ready for questioning.

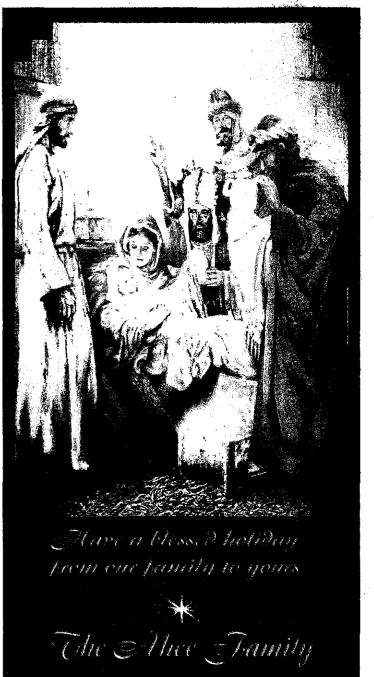
The driver said he found the Neon idling unattended in Harper Woods, according to Pullen.

fleeing driver swerved to avoid he was trying to get to a location he knew better so he could lose (the police)."

> The passenger said he had been picked up by the driver and was "just riding around," Pullen said.

> '(He) further stated no knowledge of the screwdriver he was carrying," Pullen added.

> The pair are suspected in car thefts in St. Clair Shores, police said.



Meanwhile, leaf collection this year ended early. "Due to dry weather, we were able to make many passes through the village as opposed to years past," Smith

their leaves to my house, rak-

ing my yard and then dump-

ing all (leaves) in the street."

said. "We were able to sweep our streets before snow fell (Tuesday, Dec. 15). This is the first time I can remember ever getting that amount of work done before Christmas."

Loads weighed less than usual due to lack of rain.

"We were able to get all of that work done without overtime," Smith said.

per hundred cubic feet to \$2.45

per CCF. Some of the increase

is offset by a decrease in the

sewer rates from \$2.48 per CCF

The rate changes were based

on recommendations from the

city's engineering firm,

Anderson, Eckstein and

Westrick, Inc., and city audi-

According to Woods city ad-

tors. Plante and Moran.

He hopes the policy would Dan Schulte. "That would be By Brad Lindberg address the problem of conone way to deter people from tractors leaving behind large going to one city, bringing

piles of leaves that blow onto

ply only to contractors, not

residents. Contractors now

must haul away leaves raked

in the community. They're al-

leaves in the Shores raked

Residents who rake their

own leaves are exempt from

the rule. They can pile their

leaves curbside for municipal

Separate rules for contrac-

"It also provides a mecha-

tors were intended to benefit

the Shores by reducing the

nism to ensure that contrac-

tors are not dumping leaves;"

Vick said. "It is a very difficult

it, we make a very, very stiff

penalty for anybody caught

dumping," said Councilman

"I recommend if we change

cost of collecting leaves.

ordinance to enforce."

elsewhere.

pickup.

The amendment would ap-

neighboring properties.

Shores leaf collection may change

getting No one likes dumped on.

Staff Writer

An ordinance prohibiting contractors from dumping leaves in Grosse Pointe Shores might be changed to make enforcement easier.

City Manager Brian Vick so not supposed to dump said he and Brett Smith, head of public works, have "kicked around" the idea of tweaking the rule.

Rather than hunting down violators and, when not found, cleaning up their dumpings, it would be easier to let contractors deliver leaves to the public works yard for processing by the city along with leaves the city collects from residents.

"The cost to dispose of dry leaves that have gone through the impeller are significantly cheaper than the amount of time it takes to go in front of a house (and pick them up)," Vick said.

NEW/S AΑ

POINTER OF INTEREST

Ted Metry looks forward to serving citizens from other side of the bench.

Woods passes robe and gavel

By Kathy Ryan Staff Writer

Ted Metry's roots are firmly planted in the law and the Grosse Pointes. These two factors hold him in good stead when he grasps the municipal judge's gavel Jan. 1. The Carl Since his election in November, Metry has been pouring over a new set of law to" books and studying what every municipal judge needs to know. "I received a box of books that weighed about 45 pounds

from the Michigan Judicial Institute," Metry said with a laugh. "There won't be a 'new judges' school this' year, but there will be a three-day seminar I'll be attending along with our court administrator. I think I'll be ready."

Metry was sworn in as the Woods' new judge Monday, Dec. 21

During the campaign, he said his commitment to the citizens of Grosse Pointe Woods was to keep families safe and secure; while treating everyone who comes before him with dignity and respect.

"I think everyone needs to be treated fairly," he said. "For many of the people who appear in municipal court, this will be their only time in their entire life that they will be in court. You don't want them to leave with a bad experience." That's not something, ac-

cording to Metry, one can learn in "judge school."

"I learned from my parents to treat people with respect, no matter where they come from," he said. "Everyone needs an opportunity and everyone deserves to be heard and listened

The lesson was taught by Fred and Alice Metry as he grew up in Grosse Pointe Park. "My parents built their home on land that was owned by my grandparents," he said. "My family goes back 70 years in the Park and my parents still live there."

Metry attended Defer Elementary School, Pierce Middle School and Grosse Pointe South High School. graduating in 1985. He graduated from the University of Michigan in 1989 and attended University of Detroit Law School. After graduating and passing the bar in 1992, Metry worked with a law firm for a few years before joining his father's Detroit law practice. The firm, Metry & Metry, has since moved to Mount Clemens, where Metry practiced a wide variety of law, including criminal, personal injury and real estate, all areas he will deal with



Ted Metry was sworn in as Grosse Pointe Woods Municipal Court judge Monday, Dec. 21. Doing the honors was Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Michael Hathaway. It was a special occasion for both jurists. Hathaway was Metry's first boss when the then new attorney Metry worked for Hathaway at the law firm of Vandeveer Garzia in the early 90s.

as a municipal court judge.

"I will be trying the same kinds of cases I've been representing people for," he said "One of the things I spoke about during my campaign was the 17 years of experience I have doing this kind of trial work. I feel like I'm well prepared to take on the position." According to Metry, the five Grosse Pointes are the last re-

maining municipal courts in the state handling traffic cases, landlord-tenant disputes and small claims issues with a \$3,000 threshold. The system also handles arraignments and some courts employ probation officers

Municipal courts give communities a sense of autonomy,"

dividualized sentencing, and leeway in sentencing, which the state is now favoring. I've seen some very unique sentences through my practice, so I'm sure I'll be drawing from that experience."

When not in a courtroom, Metry enjoys spending time with his family. His wife, Lillian, he said. "They offer a judge a is also an attorney and works great opportunity to practice in- with the Wayne County

audit conducted by the

Department of Children and Family Services developing after-school programs for at-risk youths. The couple has two daughters, Alexandria, 4, and Gabriella, 3.

"They are already pretty active with gymnastics and dance and ballet," said their proud father.

Metry volunteers at Services for Older Citizens and sponsored its recent flu shot clinic and a Father's Day activity.

"I'm so impressed with the work SOC does for the seniors of this community," Metry said. "It's very rewarding and a great way to give back."

He also enjoys golf and music, blending work with pleasure by having some musicians as clients.

For now, Metry is enjoying holiday time with his family and preparing to take over judicial duties from William Giovan, who handled the courts for the past year. Giovan was appointed to the bench after longtime municipal Judge. Lynne Pierce was elected to the Wayne County bench. Metry will serve the last two years of her term.

'I'm already looking forward to 2011," Metry said. "I learned a lot about my city and its residents. I really consider it an honor to serve them."

ROBBERY: Purse snatching averted

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According to police, poveral their hands. As he shook the homeowner, she said her employees of the CVS drug hand of one of the female em- daughter loaned the car to a store on Mack had just closed ployees, he grabbed her the store for the night. They purse. She resisted and were in the parking lot when fought back and the suspect a car driven by the suspect released the purse and ran thought he had just been

pulled into the lot. He got out back to his car. The employ-and approached two employ- ees were able to get the licar, which they gave to police, along with a description of the car and assailant.

Officers traced the car to an address on Bournemouth Court in Grosse Pointe Farms. They found the car in the driveway with the engine still warm.

When police questioned the friend who was visiting from Flint, but they weren't certain of his last name. They also picked up by another friend. The homeowner then agreed

PETZ: **Guilty plea** entered

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According to a plea agreement. Petz will serve five years probation., including one year on a tether, as well as pay a total of \$90,600 in restitution. If he pays \$10,000 of that restitution

of Detroit. "It saddens the the prosecutor, who then auparish community when events like this occur, but we want parishioners to know that we take these things very seriously."

The case dates back to May, when a lawyer for the Archdiocese of Detroit provided Woods police with copies of checks an employee for the parish had written and cashed over a two-year time span. He also gave police a copy of an

thorized charges.

Petz, 60, a twice-disbarred lawyer, was arraigned on the charges in Grosse Pointe Woods municipal court Sept 2. He told the court he could not afford an attorney. His courtappointed attorney, Michael Hennigan of St. Clair Shores, did not return a request for comment by press time.

"People need to be assured that money they put in the collection plate goes exactly to

ees, asking them for directions to Moross. After they pointed toward Moross, the suspect shook

cense plate number on the to allow the police to search the house.

Police found the suspect hiding in the basement of the house and arrested him. He was positively identified by the drug store employees and is being held in the Wayne County jail in lieu of a \$10,000 bond.

85 Kercheval Avenue

Plans are available at City Hall for review.

reviews:

date and time.

GPN: 12/24/2009

at the time of sentencing, the Archdiocese that revealed from a nonprofit will be dropped.

"We're grateful for the fine work done by police agencies and the civil authorities in bringing this case to a resolution," said Joe Kohn, spokesman for the Archdiocese

Matthew J. Tepper

City Clerk

two charges of embezzlement thousands of dollars in missing funds. Woods police turned their investigation information over to

> **COYOTE: The hunt** continues

coyote on top of the compost dump," Paterson said. "It took off. As I went to the top of the hill, another officer said there was another coyote coming up from behind me. We were chasing two, if not three."

Belinski stayed put east of the polo field.

"As we started pushing one in that direction, it came by him on a dead run," Patterson said.

SALES: Enticing house buyers

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ering ways to increase marina occupancy, which was 77 percent this year. The Shores also has its share of unsold houses, typical of the whole state during economic down times.

are empty wells.

"If we don't need to fill boat wells anymore, we kill the program," Schulte said.

"It's a pretty creative idea," said Councilman Brian Hunt.

where they believe it is going," Kohn said. "They need to know that we will continue to be vigilant in assuring that happens."

Belinski shot from about 25 yards. The coyote growled at Belinski and died.

"The other coyote stayed on the edge of houses on Provencal and came back down," Patterson said.

Dog walkers showed up and officers called off the action. The hunt took nearly an hour.

"We were frozen to the bone," Patterson said.

The next morning, Friday, Patterson returned to the club.

"One if not two more are still over there," he said. "I checked all three suspected dens and did not see them. We're going to give it a few days and let them get comfortable again."

He foresaw the promotion increasing sales of houses and wells.

"By giving (home buyers) a free boat well, you're selling a boat well," Hunt said. "The next year, instead of going to the yacht club or somewhere else, they stay here."

Repicky lives in Grosse Pointe Park. He said he's been on that city's waiting list for a boat well for "what seems like 15 years."

"For somebody to have access to the water immediately is going to be an added perk," he said of the Shores. "One thing about the Pointes, the parks are almost like what somebody else would use as a club."

"The (harbor) committee needs to work out some details," said Brian Vick, city manager. "The recommendation would come from their body to the city council."

In related action, the committee members are considering ways to convince residents with boats moored at other marinas to relocate to the Shores.

Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce requests you please



City of Grosse Pointe, Michigan

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF GROSSE POINTE PLANNING COMMISSION MONDAY, JANUARY 11, 2010 - 7:00pm 17147 MAUMEE, GROSSE POINTE, MI 48230

KROGER CO. - SPECIAL USE REQUEST RETAIL USE OVER 5,000 SQ. FT.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Grosse Pointe Planning Commission will hold a public hearing as noticed above to consider the Special Use Application made by Kroger Co. for a permitted retail use that is over 5,000 square feet located at 16919 Kercheval.

This project is being proposed for development under Section 90-298, Permitted Uses after Special Approval, of the City of Grosse Pointe Zoning Ordinance which allows retail uses over 5,000 square feet subject to special use approval. The following specifications are proposed for the projects:

RETAIL USE OVER 5,000 SQ. FT.

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1. Project TypRetail use approximately 42,000 square feet2. Current Zoning:C-2. Central Business District3. Total Parcel Size:Less than one acre

4. The applicant is requesting special use approval for a retail space located at 16919 Kercheval

The proposed plans for this project are available for inspection by the public at the Building Dept. at City Hall during regular busi-ness hours Mon Fri 8:30 am - 5 pm, Telephone 313-885-5800. Public comment is welcome. If you are unable to attend the hearing, written comments will be accepted until 12:00 noon on January 8, 2010.

> Julie E. Arthurs City Clerk

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING MONDAY, JANUARY 11, 2010 - 7:00pm

City of Grosse Hointe, Michigan

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

On Monday, January 11, 2010 at 7:00 p.m., a Public

Hearing will be held at Grosse Pointe Farms City Hall, 90

Kerby Road, for the following variances and/or site plan

Written comments will be accepted till noon, on Friday,

January 8, 2010, or you may appear at the above scheduled

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ZONING VARIANCE REQUESTS

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of Public Act No. 110 of 2006 the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, as amended, and the Grosse Pointe City Code, that a Public Hearing will be held on Mon., Jan. 11, 2010 at 7:00 pm at the Grosse Pointe Council Chambers at 17147 Maumee Avenue, Grosse Pointe, MI. The Zoning Board of Appeals will consider the variance requests for the following property owner: - Marine Street State

The Kroger Co. of Michigan - 16919 Kercheval

- 1. Storefront opening: 90-305(4)b; requires a variance from the minimum of 70% clear windows between one and eight feet from the ground.
- 2. Number of loading spaces: Section 90-160; requires a minimum of four 12 x 50 loading spaces. The applicant is proposing one loading space and other designated loading areas. The applicant is requesting a variance from the loading requirements.

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Julie E. Arthurs City Clerk GPN: 12/24/09

'We believe this initiative would possibly have home buyers more favorably consider Grosse Pointe Shores as a place to buy a home, as well as getting more boats in the harbor in the longer term," said Brian Geraghty, harbor chairman, in

his monthly report. If approved by the city council, the promotion would last year-to-year, only when there

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OBITUARIES

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

William Charles Beckenhauer Jr.

Former Grosse Pointe resident, William Charles "Bill" Beckenhauer Jr. passed away Sunday, Nov. 8, 2009, from complications arising from his struggle with Alzheimer's disease. He was 90.

Mr. Beckenhauer was born March 6, 1919, in Detroit to William and Jeanette (nee Steffens) Beckenhauer. He was a 1940 graduate of Wayne State University where he played basketball and football.

He married Madeleine "Billie" Beckenhauer in 1941 in Rodger Gach, Gina (Tony) Detroit. The couple lived in Grosse Pointe, Horton Bay, and Green Valley, Ariz. before retiring to Henry Ford Village in Dearborn.

He was a lifetime honorary member of Lochmoor Club where he was an avid golfer and his family was active on the swim team. He was devoted to God and his church.

For more than 50 years, Mr. Beckenhauer owned and operated Eastside Tool and Gear on Detroit's east side. His love for sports led him to open The Golden Lion restaurant with Detroit Lions football players as hosts.

His family said Mr. Beckenhauer was known for his selfless generosity. Throughout his life he gave everything he could to help others, asking only that they pass it forward when they were able. The beneficiaries of his gifts included many professional athletes who credit him for helping them become better people, athletes and students.

Mr. Beckenhauer is survived by his loving wife, Billie; chil-(Tom) Tranter and Lisa (Julian) Hoerder; sister, Patricia Kennedy; 10 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Paul Gach

Former City of Grosse Pointe resident Paul Gach, 91, died Thursday, Dec. 3, 2009. He had been living in Clinton Township.

Mr. Gach was a photographer whose studio was located on Fisher Road in the City for many years. He photographed many portraits, weddings and debutante balls of prominent Grosse Pointe families.

Mr. Gach is survived by his wife, Valerie Gach; children, Dr. Jerald (Rochelle) Gach, Dr. Iacona, Charles Albert, Jacquelyn (the late Warren) Karla (Charles) Galke, Robinson and John Dobbins; 12 grandchildren and 13 greatgrandchildren. He also is survived by his brother, Richard (the late Bernice) Gach.

He was predeceased by his first wife, Rosalie Gach; son, Joseph Dobbins and brother, Robert Gach.

A funeral service was held Dec. 4 with interment in Beth El Memorial Park Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to Detroit Rescue Mission, 150 Stimson Street, Detroit, MI 48201-2410; Gleaners Food Bank, 2131 Beaufait, Detroit, MI 48207 or at gcfb.org; or to the charity of one's choice.

Doris Kelly

Former longtime Grosse Pointe Woods resident Doris Kelly, 95, died Tuesday, Dec. 15, 2009. She had been living in the Petoskey area.

She was born June 27, 1914, dren, Rusty (Tricia), Leslie in Marine City, the daughter of James and Matilda Young. Her father served as the chief engineer on the Great Lakes freighter 'The International He was predeceased by his Harvester.' She was a graduate parents and siblings, Jay of Eastern Michigan University, Detroit's west side, she was a Institute of Chicago. earning a degree in education. tute teacher in the Grosse Memorial donations may be Pointe Public School System made to St. Jude Children's and later became head of the worked at J.L. Hudson Co. sellco-op nursery school at Grosse ing girls clothes and training to Pointe Congregational Church. become an assistant buyer.

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She also taught kindergarten for several years in Bad Axe. She and her husband, Bob, lived in Grosse Pointe Woods for more than 50 years, where they raised their three children, James, Patricia and Robert Jr.

Mrs. Kelly's family said she was loved by everyone who met her. Her warm smile and intense interest in what was going on in the lives of those around her was her trademark. She will be dearly missed by all who knew her.

Mrs. Kelly is survived by her children, Robert Kelly Jr. and Patricia (Dan) Steffes; grandchildren, Kim (Joe) Casares, Brian Kelly, Tammy (Rich) LaForest, Wendy (Sean) Sachen, Jessica "Casey" (Rick) Maicki, Steve (Lindsay) Steffes, Rebecca Steffes and Matthew Kelly; and great-grandchildren, Scott (Jamie) Conway and their children, Ryan, Justin and Jason LaForest, Drew and Jessie Sachen and Jack, Grace and Lydia Maicki. She also is survived by many cousins, nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her husband, Bob and her son, James.

A memorial mass is planned for 11 a.m. Jan. 9, at St. Christopher Catholic Church, 1000 Michigan, Marysville, with interment in Mount Hope Cemetery in Port Huron.

Share a memory with the family at stonefuneralhomeinc.com.

Zenia Chargot Lowe

Former Grosse Pointe Woods resident Zenia C. Lowe died Monday, Dec. 21, 2009, at Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe. She was 84.

Until recently, she was a resident of ShorePointe Village Assisted Living, St. Clair Shores.

1947 graduate of Marygrove Mrs. Kelly served as a substi- College, where she majored in economics. After graduation, Mrs. Lowe



William C. Beckenhauer Jr.

Those plans were laid aside after she married and started her family. But her finesse, creativity and good taste continued to shine as a housewife and moth-

Her family described her as a loving, gracious and elegant woman.

children, Mark (Shawn) Chargot, Clem Patricia Chargot, (Per Kjeldsen) Chargot and Karen (Paul) Gauthier and sisters. Aurelia Amnotte, Donna (Michael) Powers Claudette (Jack) Rourke. Also surviving are 14 grandchildren and many nieces and nephews

She was predeceased husbands, Clement A. Chargot and Edward Lowe, and grandchildren, Patrick and Katie Gauthier.

A private funeral service was held.

Memorial donations may be made to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, 1820 Mount Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207.

Condolences may be shared at ahpeters.com.

Carolyn Barnhart Mosher

Longtime Grosse Pointe Farms resident Carolyn Barnhart Mosher, 68, died Wednesday, Dec. 16, 2009.

Born and raised in New York, N.Y., she attended the Sacred Heart Academy, The Ursuline Academy and received her Bachelor of Arts degree from St. John's University. She went on to receive her Master of Fine Born Zenia Theresa Panfil on Arts degree from the Art

Mrs. Mosher moved to



Carolyn Barnhart Mosher

tion and international buying.

She was an active communi-

ty volunteer and served on vari-

ous committees for such chari-

table organizations as the

Detroit Artists Market, the

Pointe

Association and the Grosse

In 2003, she founded the

Warehouse of Detroit, a non-

sion is to keep building materi-

als out of landfills through ar-

Mrs. Mosher is survived by

her daughter, Jennifer (Dr.

Michael) Fozo; grandchildren,

Madison and Stephen Fozo and

sister, Connie Serchuk of New

A gathering to celebrate Mrs.

Mosher's life will be at 4 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 29, at Christ

Church, 61 Grosse Pointe

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Zenia Chargot Lowe



Gertrude J. Richerzhagen

the Detroit Public Schools at Barber Intermediate School and Eastern High School where she taught special education and retailing.

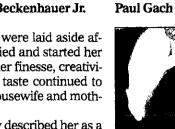
She also co-founded the Di-Con Welding Company in Eastpointe with her husband, Werner, and was active with the company during its 29-year history.

Mrs. Richerzhagen was an honorary life member in the American Association of University Women, past president of the Detroit chapter of the Business and Professional Women's Foundation and also served as a district director of BPW. She was a life member of Beta Sigma Phi Fellowship and member of Delta Kappa Gamma Society.

She played violin at an early, age until a car accident injured her hand. She then took up piano and organ.

Mrs. Richerzhagen is survived by her son, Mark.

She was predeceased by her parents; husband and sister, Helen Folski. Private funeral services have been held. Memorial contributions in memory of Gertrude Richerzhagen may be made to Michigan Animal Rescue League 790 Featherstone, Pontiac, MI 48342.



Mrs. Lowe is survived by her (Patrice) and

Beckenhauer and Virginia Thill. A private ceremony will be held at a later date.

Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Grosse Pointe in 1968 when her husband took a job with General Motors. In 1969, they had a daughter, Jennifer, to whom she was a devoted and loving mother.

Professionally, Mrs. Mosher spent several years working in retail at Bloomingdales in New York City and then shifted her attention to social work and child welfare issues. After moving to Grosse Pointe, she worked at Jacobson's in sales promotion, fashion coordina-

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Gertrude J.

Longtime Grosse Pointe Woods resident Gertrude J. Richerzhagen, 92, passed away Wednesday, Dec. 16, 2009, at Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe from complications due to a stroke.

She was born Feb. 5, 1917, in Detroit to Kurt and Freda (nee Zbinden) Jubelt and earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Wayne State University and a master's degree from the University of Michigan.

Mrs. Richerzhagen taught in

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Some Restrictions apply

Reading to the



Brian Vick hates to referee bouts between neighbors, especially when an argument can't be settled by citing provisions of an ordinance.

Complaints about a resident's jumbo-sized compost pile have exposed a lack of regulations about such things in Grosse Pointe Shores.

Vick, city manager, wants the city council to plug the gap. He'd like an ordinance regulating compost piles.

Photos of the offending pile convinced the council to take up the matter.

"That's an excessive pile of leaves," said Councilman Dr. Brian Hunt.

Attempts to resolve the problem haven't worked. Public works crews have hauled away some of the leaves.

"The city hates to get in the middle of residential disputes," Vick said.

If an ordinance were written every time residents disagreed, Vick said "our ordinance book would probably be twice as thick. However, the size of the (compost) pile, the location, whether it needs to be screened - all those types of things, we can look at those."

-Brad Lindberg



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PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

Lost and found

City of Grosse Pointe

Get a plate

A 35-year-old Detroit woman at about 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 16, tried to keep police from noticing she didn't have a license plate on her 1994 Corvette by parking backwards in a lot off of Mack near Lincoln.

Police said the ruse made her car stand out.

"It was like a red flag, 'Hey, stop me," said Detective Ron Weiczorek.

The woman pleaded guilty in City Municipal Court to not having plates, Weiczorek said. – Brad Lindberg

If you have any information about these or other crimes, call the City of Grosse Pointe public safety department at (313) 886-3200.

Grosse Pointe Farms

Church vandalized

Vandals during the night of Thursday, Dec. 17, caused an estimated \$1,000 damage to St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church in the 300 block of Lothrop.

Someone opened a water spigot and let water flow into a window well that drained into the choir room and another part of the church basement.

"(The) outside spigot showed fresh marks, possibly by a wrench or pliers," said an officer.

'Round she goes

A 45-year-old female motorist from the Farms had heads spinning at about 3 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 16, by repeatedly driving her gray Honda Odyssey mini van past the ticket booth of a municipal parking lot on the Hill.

"On the last incident, (she) did not have a ticket and attempted to pay with a baby wipe," said an officer. "(The attendant) further stated the (woman) backed her vehicle

A black 1995 Jeep Cherokee stolen overnight Tuesday, Dec. 15, in the 200 block of Chalfonte was found two days later partially stripped in Detroit.

Officers from the ACTION team, a multi-jurisdictional anti-car theft task force that includes a Grosse Pointe Park officer, found the Jeep in the 14800 block of Mayfield.

The vehicle's ignition had been damaged. The dashboard was torn apart. The radio and wheels were gone. Every window was smashed.

Stolen car

Whoever stole a 74-year-old Detroit man's maroon 1993 Plymouth Acclaim from a lot at Mack and Moross is believed to have left behind a maroon 1992 Plymouth Voyager.

The switch occurred while the victim was shopping between 12:30 and 1 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 15.

— Brad Lindberg If you have any information about these or other crimes, call the Grosse Pointe Farms public safety department at (313) 885-2100.

Grosse Pointe Park

Fire run

All apparatus responded to a report of smoke at a house on Balfour at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 19. A fire in the fireplace backed smoke up into the family room.

Garage larcenies

A garage on Grayton was entered the morning of Friday, Dec. 11 and a radio and miscellaneous tools were reported missing.

A bicycle was taken from a garage on Maryland overnight Friday, Dec. 11.

A resident on Wayburn reported to police a bike theft was in progress at 3:15 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 17. Police arrived in time to arrest a 49into a parked GMC Acadia, year-old suspect. The bike was ---- Kathy Ryan

Tree. The man didn't have a concealed weapons permit, police said.

Officers had pulled him over because the pickup's windows were tinted too dark.

Car B&E

Someone during the night of Monday, Dec. 14, smashed the side window of a 2006 Honda parked on Shorecrest Circle and stole a \$350 radar detector. -Brad Lindberg

If you have any information about these or other crimes, call the Grosse Pointe Shores public safety department at (313) 881-5500.

Grosse Pointe Woods

Punch drunk

A female customer at a cigar bar on Mack wasn't happy

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with the unwanted advances of 27-vear-old Brighton а Township resident at 2 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 20.

When he was asked to leave, a fight ensued among several patrons. Police took the rejected suitor to a hospital with a head injury. He struggled and had to be handcuffed to the stretcher.

Be on the lookout

Jewelry store employees notified police of the suspicious behavior of two customers at 3:15 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 19.

Employees told police a male entered the store, followed by another male a few minutes later. The two seemed to not know each other, but one employee said they appeared to be signaling each other. Both were in the store for about 10 minutes and left without incident. A review of surveillance tapes showed the two men ar-

rived in the same car, driven by a third individual, and left together in the same car, a white or silver late-model Tahoe.

Hide valuables

Windows were smashed and **Global Positioning Systems** stolen from two cars parked within a block of each other behind businesses on Mack during daytime hours Friday, Dec. 18.

Wheels up

Wheels stolen from one vehicle and an attempt on another has Grosse Pointe Woods police advising residents to take precautions.

Overnight Sunday, Dec. 20, four wheels were taken from a Yukon parked on Wedgewood. An attempted theft on Allard, where lug nuts were removed from the tires on both a truck and an SUV parked at the same house, was discovered by the homeowner Sunday morning.

Police urge residents to utilize outside lighting, turn on the vehicle's alarm system and park cars in the backyard or garage. They also remind residents to report any suspicious persons or vehicles.

-Kathy Ryan. If you have information on these or any other crimes, contact Grosse Pointe Woods police, (313)343-2400.



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causing minor damage and recovered. then left the location."

While the officer investigated the fender bender, the woman returned in her Honda. "(She) appeared confused,"

said the officer. "(She) had pinpoint pupils. (I) asked (her) what she was on.'

The woman reportedly had a 29 percent blood alcohol level. nearly four times the state's legal limit.

Video evidence

A 16-year-old Grosse Pointe Park girl enrolled in 11thgrade at Grosse Pointe South High School appears on a store security video selling a cellular telephone reported stolen in an on-campus bathroom from a 17-year-old female classmate, according to police.

The \$150 Samsung Alias phone and a \$250 iPod Classic reportedly taken were Wednesday, Dec. 16, from the purse of a South senior in a girl's bathroom.

The victim used a friend's phone to send a text message to the missing phone.

A man called back from Boost Mobile on Mack at Buckingham in Detroit, police said. The man said he'd recently bought the phone from a girl for \$50, but would sell it back for \$25, according to police.

A school administrator told police the 16-year-old suspect admitted selling the phone, but not stealing it. The suspect said she found the phone on the bathroom floor and believes another student took the iPod, police said.

Failed theft

Thieves tried to steal a blue 2003 Dodge Durango parked during the evening of Tuesday, Dec. 15, on Ridgemont near Beaupre. The attempt occurred between 8:40 and 9:05 p.m. The owner discovered the pickup truck had a broken window and ignition.

Grosse Pointe Shores

Car crash

A 17-year-old Shores girl was driving a Nissan Altima too fast during slushy road conditions when at 8:52 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 19, she failed to stop on Willison and Lakeshore, according to police. Her car entered Lakeshore

and hit a southbound GMC Envoy operated by a 67-yearold woman from Grosse Pointe Park.

Car B&E threat

When the sun rose Sunday, Dec. 19, it revealed suspicious footprints in the snow around a car parked in the 800 block of Lakeshore.

The resident called police. They tracked the prints to nine houses on Hawthorne and one on Willow Tree, where a Chevrolet Colorado had been broken into overnight and an iPod stolen.

"An unknown subject was dropped off via motor vehicle in front of 535 Hawthorne," according to an ongoing investigation by Sgt. Ken Werenski. '(The) subject walked east on Hawthorn and approached the vehicles.'

Tracks led up Hawthorne to Willow Tree, north through a yard to 25 Hampton were "it appears the subject reentered the vehicle and left the scene,' Werenski said.

Several vehicles had been entered. Nothing was taken except on Willow Tree.

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There is a Santa



ight-year-old Virginia O'Hanlon wrote a letter to the editor of New York's Sun, and the quick response was printed as an unsigned editorial Sept. 21, 1897. The work of veteran newsman Francis Pharcellus Church has since become history's most reprinted newspaper editorial, appearing in part or whole in dozens of languages in books, movies, and other editorials and on posters

and stamps. "Is there a Santa Claus?"

"We take pleasure in answering at once and thus prominently the communication below, expressing at the same time our great gratification that its faithful author is numbered among the friends of The Sun:

"Dear Editor: I am 8 years old.

- "Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus.
- "Papa says, 'If you see it in the Sun it's so.'
- "Please tell me the truth; is there a Santa Claus?
- 'Virginia O'Hanlon.

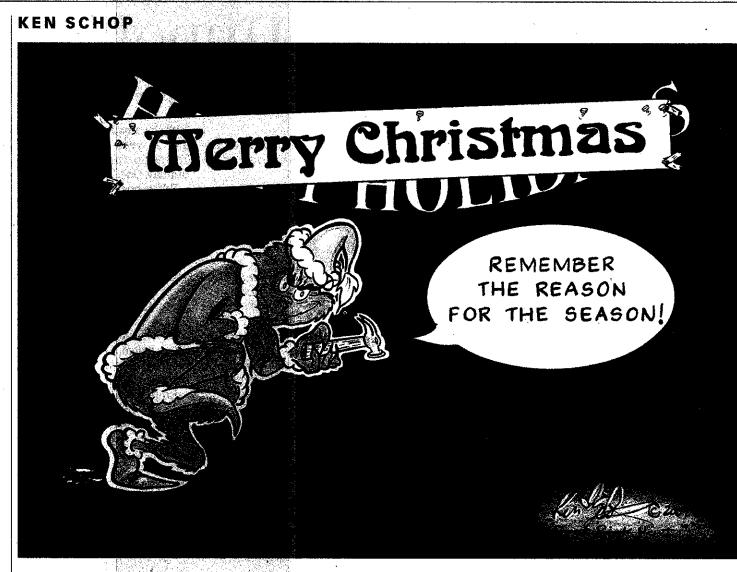
"115 West Ninety-Fifth Street."

"Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except (what) they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus. It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

"Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

"You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.



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Wild coyote

To the Editor:

At 6 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 22, my wife and I encountered a coyote at the corner of Marter and Hawthorn.

Grosse Pointe Woods police and reported it.

response was: To the Editor: The According to the Department of Natural Resources, coyotes are in their natural environment in Grosse Pointe Woods. Therefore, they will not be trapped or shot.

blocks from Ferry Elementary

deal with it before a child or,

are wild carnivores in our community. In spite of what the DNR may say, they don't belong here.

ERIC POMBER Grosse Pointe Woods

My wife and I called the Michigan deserves more

Recently, Michigan again proved why it is racing toward the bottom of the educational world.

nor and the legislature cannot our leaders. Instead, we get This animal was three fully fund Michigan's public term-limited political hacks dents at "The High," friends, schools, education funding bent on breaking unions medical personnel at St. John has fallen to its lowest level in This is a difficult problem for decades, the percentage of college educated professionals is up change, not a top-down the police, but they need to already a structural unemployment problem, Michigan con-Keep in mind these animals tinues to baffle the mind.

needed to create global citizens. The "Race to the Top" political game disenfranchises school leaders and teachers and takes the education of Michigan's children away from educators and places it in the hands of politicians.

Michigan deserves more from its leaders.

Michigan should be adopting changes that create 21st century learners.

the beacon, the lighthouse, that other states look to for Huntington recently. Saying change.

Our public schools, taught by highly-qualified educators, are the center for making Michigan a world leader. Our students need to acquire 21st I must so sadly leave the comcentury skills --- creativity, critical thinking and problem solving - to become competitive. Our students must learn how to be innovative learners, and learn to be financially literate and globally competent.

It is what we as a state In a state where the gover- should be demanding from this last opportunity to say

further and more exciting stories and adventures in my long life here in Grosse Pointe are almost too many to list.

But now it seems the end has sadly arrived.

For me, from a family who has lived in what is now Grosse Pointe since the late 1700s, it is such a sad Christmastime. The personal and financial issues and the loss of my birth home due to a Michigan should become fallen 350-year-old oak tree that destroyed my home on goodbye and looking to the unknown future is so sad for Mitchell (my old black lab) and me.

> But fate has determined that munity that after growing up, teaching and over a 29-year span serving in the military, I must now move on to an unknown future.

The lease of a home will shortly expire and with the future in doubt, I wanted to take goodbye to those former stuand neighbors who have shown such thoughtful love and friendship for Mitchell and myself. I wrote a Christmas story that is my goodbye card for all the many Grosse Pointers I will always consider the warm and loving family that this and every Christmas season is all about. It's always hard to say goodbye, but I leave my future in God's hands and Mitchell and I will shortly depart Grosse Pointe, I want you all to know you will always be in my thoughts and prayers. Merry Christmas to one and

"No Santa Claus! Thank God! he lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, 10 times 10 thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood."

Merry Christmas!

GUEST OPINION By Bill Kalmar

Made a list and check'n it

e all know Santa is checking his list to determine who has been naughty and who has been nice. There certainly are a lot of candidates for the "naughty" list, but

Tiger Woods probably heads it up.

As one of Santa's helpers, I reviewed the list and noticed all the readers of the Grosse Pointe News were on the "nice" list - except, of course, for those few scoundrels who take the weekly paper without paying. Santa knows who you are.

During the last couple of weeks, I suspect Santa and Mrs. Claus are also making sure all is in preparation for the holidays. There are millions of addresses to load into their database, the reindeer have to be groomed and ready for their long trip and all the elves have to complete the wrapping and get ready for the recognition banquet that Santa conducts every year.

Santa, being the altruistic guy he is, often invites "The Grinch" to the banquet, although two

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or three of the elves well versed in pugilistic activities are often assigned to keep the Grinch under control.

school.

pet is attacked.

Likewise, I am reviewing our list of holiday preparations to make sure we have not forgotten something. So here goes:

 Christmas tree is up and decorated. Our artificial tree is now 20 years old and it may be time to transport it to the Christmas tree cemetery. Once it is fully decorated, it resembles a Currier and Ives scene and would also make Martha Stewart proud.

 Cement goose on porch is wearing "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer" costume the goose welcomes all visitors to our home and its wardrobe changes to match the season.

♦ Outdoor Christmas lights are twinkling—I won't win any contest this year, but at least all the lights are working.

◆ Eggnog is in the refrigerator — guess I am the only one in the family that enjoys this holiday drink. What is Christmas without eggnog.

Moose mugs ala "Christmas Vacation" movie, are clean - our son and I are huge fans of the Chevy Chase "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation" movie and thus we each

> have our own moose mug. Clark Griswold and cousin Eddie have nothing on us.

Christmas cards and

Hanukkah cards have been mailed - as is our custom, Christmas and Hanukkah cards are mailed the day before Thanksgiving.

 Determine the Christmas Mass schedule — we used to attend midnight Mass when we were younger, but those days are long gone.

 Ham and turkey breast are thawing in the refrigeratorwe have a coupon for a free turkey we won in a contest.

Michigan deserves more from its leaders.

Why is it we're willing to push through 20 years of educational reforms in 72 hours, but we can't provide the schools with the funding needed to make changes?

Why is it we're willing to jump through federally suggested hoops to secure a chance at school funding, but we, cannot impart on our schools the money needed to make real changes?

Michigan deserves more from its leaders.

Sure, reforms to help struggling learners and schools are needed, getting kids to be strong 21st century learners is needed — but, is rushing to meet an arbitrary deadline set by the secretary of education the smart thing to do for Michigan?

Michigan deserves more from its leaders.

The smart thing for Michigan is to create its own dynamics for education, transform our schools and create our own model for 21st century learning.

Instead of racing with the rest of the nation to make changes that are temporarily funded, Michigan needs to revolutionize the way we, as a state, fund education.

If you can't provide for an adequate tax structure that values the education of our children, how can we honestly compete in the long run with the rest of the world?

Michigan deserves more from its leaders.

To become competitive, our Sad to leave schools need to be the arsenal of learning in our ever-growing global economy.

Our teachers and school administrators must be empow- Pointer of Interest that the See LIST, page 9A | ered to make the changes years that have passed with

rather than fixing the education system. This is a bottom mandate.

Michigan deserves more from its leaders.

Investing in education is the best investment we can possibly make. Improving our human capital will have a greater return than tax cuts and subsidies for existing or emerging markets.

In the same breath they talk about cutting funding for schools, our leaders are touting tax abatements for projects that have no oversight or proof of success.

Michigan needs to create a all. fair, stable and equitable tax structure to fund our schools. There is an undividable link between investing in education and a healthy economy. Michigan's children deserve better than they're getting.

Sure, political leaders will hail the changes made in the dark of the night as a step to Empty seats improve education in Michigan, but at what cost?

Sure, improving failing address, but fixing failing schools takes a concentrated effort by Michigan's leaders to fully fund our schools. Michigan's children deserve better than they're getting.

So as political leaders pat themselves on the back for making tough choices, we must challenge them to make even tougher choices.

Stop giving arbitrary tax cuts to special interests and begin paying it forward. Invest in public education, schools, colleges, children, our future and Michigan.

> DAN AND SUSAN QUINN Grosse Pointe Farms

To the Editor:

It's been so many years since I was selected to be the

GREGORY PISCHEA Grosse Pointe Woods

Editor's note: The Christmas story authored by Mr. Pischea is too lengthy for publication, but can be found at grossepointenews.com through the end of the year.

To the Editor:

There were empty seats in schools is a charge we need to Parcells Middle School Auditorium Sunday, Dec. 13, for the "Holiday Pops" performed by the Grosse Pointe Symphony Orchestra.

It should have been standing room only.

The selections included Leroy Anderson's "Christmas Overture," "The Nutcracker Suite," "The Messiah" and the Grosse Pointe North High School choir.

Something for everyone and beautifully performed.

We are privileged to have had a symphony orchestra in Grosse Pointe for 50 years. It's within the community and the price is right. Give it a try. Support them.

Two opportunities remain for the current season, March 14 and May 16. Mark your calendars. You won't be disappointed.

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I SAY By Ann L. Fouty The night before Christmas visions



'Twas the night before Christmas When all through house Not a creature was stirring, not even the cat nor her mouse

The neat stockings and presents were hung over there With full understanding no one opens with care.

My daughter was nestled all snug on her bed

While visions of CDs and

skinny jeans danced in her head;

And me in my apron and Dad in his chair Had just settled down for a pre-football game stare.

When from under the sink a thin stream of goo

From out of the plumbing started to spew.

A mess made from peelings and fat cut from lean. A holiday mess that I'd

soon have to clean. Away from the table I flew

like a flash Removing the supplies

from where they were stashed. The light overhead seemed to glow a bit more

On the liquid now gushing to my freshly washed floor. And what to my wondering

eyes should appear But more water and bubbles were pouring out there With a little old drip so live-

ly and quick I knew in a moment it must

be a leak. As I stooped to the floor and jiggled the trap

then turned off the tap

stop leaky old pipes. Close crack and weak

'Yikes!" To low spots on the floor

and under the chair

This soapy, gunky liquid I was now made aware Of just how much junk we

flush down the sink. We'll be more careful in the

heard coming out his chair The creak and the shuffle of a man's two slippered feet.

As I drew out my head and was turning around Out of the big chair came

He was dressed in black slacks and a dapper red sweater.

had never looked better A bundle of newspapers he

"Not trouble or maybe an accident, I fear." With a wink of his eye and

His clothes freshly pressed

asked if it leaked.

on here?

I said a solution to this is now what I seek.

He sprang into action and this was the proposal.

"We need to fix this (that's the garage disposal)." "Is good Plumber Brown

the number to call?" His answer was "no" as he

jumped without stall. "I'll fix it," he said. "I'll head

straight to the store

The day after Christmas, when it opens once more."

So happy Christmas to all and a good one I think

Because I can still wash but in the small bathroom sink.

Benjamin A. Fouty contributed to this narrative.

Slovak Christmas Eve traditions shared

By Bob Hrtanek Special Writer

The Christmas season is tremendously important for Slovak families as they celebrate the miracle and the mystery of the birth of Jesus.

Christmas Eve ("Stedry Vecer," Slovak for "Bountiful Evening") is a noteworthy highlight of the season with its unique customs and traditions. And so it was in the 1950s and '60s for people of Slavic descent living in Owosso like the Hrtanek family -- Mom and Dad, Grandma Hudek, my two younger sisters and me.

The Slovak Christmas Eve dinner is more than a meal, it's a reunion. It's held late in the day so everyone can attend, even those traveling from distant places. For the Hrtanek family too, the meal was held in the early evening, but I suspect the real reason was that Mom and Dad didn't leave their factory jobs until 4:30 p.m. and had to do some last-minute grocery shopping on the way home.

Protocol for the meal requires the table to be elegantly decorated. At our house, Mom's prized wedding china and silverware was fittingly placed on an elaborately crocheted tablecloth handmade years before by Grandma. Gracefully folded linen napkins replaced the paper ones used during the workweek. The occasion commences with a solemn prayer of thanksgiving led by the head of the family. Dad, of course had the honors at our house and everyone joined him in the standard grace; "Bless us, O Lord, and these thy gifts that we are about to receive from thy bounty through Christ our Lord. Amen." The first course for the Slovak Christmas Eve dinner includes oblatky, thin rectangular or oval pieces of unleavened bread --- like communion wafers, only a little larger. Each oblatka has a relief of a religious image, such as the nativity scene, sculpted onto it. The custom symbolizes the bread and wine offerings at the Catholic Mass and reminds Slovaks that Jesus is the bread

of life.

In some parts of Slovakia, each person at the table is served his own oblatka. Also in some areas of the country honey is spread on the wafer. In other regions the local custom is to pass one oblatka around the table to emphasize the sharing spirit of Christmas. At our house, Mom would place an oblatka on each plate before dinner. Dad would pass the honey bowl.

A ceremonial toast is an essential element of traditional Slovak Christmas Eve festivities. Either wine or champagne can be served. Since Mom and Dad were by no means wine connoisseurs and Owosso is far from the Burgundy Region and the Napa Valley (in more ways than one), our toasts featured an inexpensive red table wine served in Mom's pressed glass wine glasses. As we raised our glasses, Dad declared: "Vasele Vianoce! A Stastkivy Novy Rok!" (Slavic for "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!")

Other special Slovak Christmas Eve customs abound. For example, some families place garlic on the dinner table to ward off evil spirits. And, some families decorate their tables with fresh fruits and nuts.

toes and one or two other cooked vegetables. The Christmas Vigil was a day of abstinence for American Catholics in the 1950s and '60s, so Mom served baked salmon or white fish.

Every year our dinner conversation was nearly the same. Grandma told us about the Mikulas (St. Nicholas) and described her childhood Christmases in Slovakia. The kids speculated aloud about the presents they might receive. Dad quizzed my sisters and me about our school work. Mom provided instruction on table manners and reconfirmed the agenda for the rest of the evening.

Even livestock benefit from the Slovak Christmas spirit. They receive a bigger portion of their normal feed on Christmas Eve and can usually expect something special as well. We didn't live on a farm, but I suppose we observed the tradition in our own quaint manner: To Mom's dismay, Daisy, our pet cocker spaniel, surreptitiously received scraps of food under the dinner table from the kids.

Slovak pastries are custom-

clude lighting a fire and burning candles. Both have deep religious connotations. The Christmas tree custom came to Slovakia from Germany and Austria in the latter part of the 18th century and spread quickly throughout the native Slavic society. A crèche near the Christmas tree is also a tradition for Slovaks. And it is customary for carolers to visit the houses in the neighborhood or for individual families to gather in the largest room of their own homes to sing carols and religious hymns.

At our house in Owosso, the primary activity following Christmas Eve dinner wasn't nearly as conventional. As soon as the kitchen was tidied up, the kids would gleefully race to the colorfully decorated Christmas tree in the living room and wait (impatiently) for Mom's cue to open gifts.

When we were very young, Mom would insist that that we only open one on Christmas Eve. We were forced to wait until the next morning to attack the rest. But by the time we were in our pre-teens, nothing she did could prevent us from ripping through the wrapping

My family belonged to St. Joseph's Parish, which to this day is considered by many residents to be the Slovak parish in Owosso. The church was always elaborately decorated for the season. Tall, natural pine trees with dazzling ornaments and colorful lights stood at either side of the altar and big bright red poinsettia plants were set on the steps. A largescale, detailed crèche was erected on a side altar for the first Sunday of Advent, but it was not until Dec. 24th that The Child wasplaced in the manger.

Even a generation ago. Christmas Midnight Mass was a grand and memorable ceremony at St. Joseph's Parish. An hour before Mass started, the choir began singing carols and hymns in Slovak, English and Latin. Our pastor, Father John Daniels, dressed in a white chasuble and wearing a biretta, initiated the ritual by processing from the back of the church with a band of eighth-grade altar boys. The servers wore red cassocks and white surplices and carried dark red luminaries (candles on poles). The boys considered it a very spe-

His sermons were uplifting and contained ingredients of his charming wit. He was such an engaging speaker that even the children (who were still awake) could appreciate his messages. He focused on the things everyone should be grateful for because, as he reminded us, Christmas truly is a time of great joy. The Our Father and Great Amen were magnificently performed by the choir and the Communion procession was so long they had enough time for two or even three Christmas songs.

After Mass, Mom and Dad normally wanted to remain in church a little while to hear the choir reprise their favorite hymns, but the kids would be really tired by then. As we made our way to the car, I saw many of my friends with their families, too. Greg Yanik, Bob Malik, Tony Mlynek, Greg Havlik, Connie Rohac, Mary Sovis, Carolyn Ocedek, Eddie Bartos, Paul Skok, Jim Zelensky, Tom Jankovic and Jim Blaha were there. We cheerfully greeted each other with, "Vasele Vianoce!" and, "Merry Christmas!"

As the years go by, the an-

I mumbled this chant and Stop drizzle, stop droplet,

joints now or I will shout

future, I think. And then in a twinkling, I

my husband with a bound.

had under his arm

wave of his hand, I knew my troubles were soon to be canned.

He lifted the sprayer and

For he was going to recycle

His eyes - how concerned!

The end of a candy cane he

And the fresh smell of pep-

His mouth was drawn up in

a smile, saying "What's going

permint hung like a wreath.

His cheeks were like red

roses or maybe like berries.

them quick as a charm

His dimples how merry!

held tight in his teeth

Mom always prepared a large bowl of oranges, apples, bananas and red grapes. She artistically mixed in whole walnuts, almonds, Brazil nuts and unshelled peanuts. It is customary for Slovaks to crack open nuts or slice open apples to gain insight into the coming year. According to tradition, if someone finds a nut or apple decaying inside, he can expect bad health or another personal misfortune. Our family maintained the tradition of cracking walnuts. I don't recall anyone ever finding a bad walnut, but I wonder now whether it was only fate or if Mom had something to do with it?

Traditional Slovak Christmas Eve dinners include a cabbage, lentil or bean soup. Fish is the main course for Catholic families, while Protestant households enjoy smoked meats and sausages. Also on the menu were potaary for desert. Mom and Grandma would have been baking kolace for many days and nights prior to our banquet. They unwittingly tempted me by piling stacks of the flaky little nut and cinnamon-filled rolls on large platters on the kitchen counter. I recall I could barely manage one or two kolace for my Christmas Eve dessert. I'm not sure now whether I was simply stuffed or because I had sneaked so many kolace in the days before that I'd already had my fill.

Another Slovak tradition is that the food and drinks are supposed to remain on the table after the Christmas Eve meal as a symbol of hospitality for deceased members of the family who are expected to arrive later in the night when everyone else is asleep. We did not practice that tradition at our house. Mom was too efficient, so we had to help her clear the dishes immediately after dinner.

Other ancient Slovak Christmas Eve festivities in-

LIST: Checking it twice

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Gotta love those contests. Not everyone in the family though likes ham and some don't enjoy turkey, so we have both.

• Dinner reservations for New Year's Eve have been made --- this is not our year to host the extravaganza so we only have to show up. Been with the same two couples for close to 50 years to welcome in the New Year. Friendships such as these are priceless.

 Driveway markers are in place awaiting snowplow ---now that I am retired, there are certain activities I disdain and shoveling snow is one of them. But the 4 a.m. arrival of the

truck to clear the driveway can sometimes be disconcerting to us and the neighbors.

♦ Driving route to St. Louis to visit grandchildren has been confirmed.

♦ Camera batteries are fresh --- seems as if we never have enough batteries. Our new camera takes pictures and movies. If only I knew how to work it.

♦ Make sure my elf hat and shirt are laundered — besides the elf outfit, I have dress pants embroidered with small Christmas trees. We used to live in Grosse Pointe, so that should answer the question you posed: "why are there Christmas trees on your pants?"

♦ Locate "Night Before Christmas" poem to read to grandchildren — a tradition in our home. I always read this classic to the grandchildren on Christmas Eve. I think it gives more joy to me than it does

them.

 Recheck luncheon reservations for week after Christmas with friends.

◆ Call out-of-town friends and wish all a happy holiday yes, we send out cards but a personal call is always appreciated. I know we like to receive a call from friends in other states.

So that should cover it. I've checked it once and rechecked it twice.

Hope your list is complete and it includes lots of activities with family and friends. And if you are like us, there will be an ample amount of food and, of course, loads of laughter.

Let me know if you want to borrow my Christmas tree pants! That should provide lots of laughter.

Bill Kalmar is the former director of the Michigan Quality Council and a former resident of Grosse Pointe.

paper on all our presents on Christmas Eve.

High Mass at Midnight is also a very important Christmas tradition for Catholic Slovaks. Following the somewhat chaotic post-meal gathering in our living room, the Hrtanek family dressed for church. Inevitably, the present I was allowed to open on Christmas Eve was a new shirt or sweater. Mom described it as a miraculous coincidence because she said it was exactly what she would have wanted me to wear that night.

cial honor to be selected for the assignment.

During Mass, the smoke from burning incense permeated the air throughout the entire church. It made eyes water, even many rows from the altar. The Gloria was performed in ritualistic Latin and the Kyrie in Greek — it was, of course, the age before Vatican II. Father Daniels walked up and down the main aisle with his silver aspergillum sprinkling Holy Water on the congregation during the penitential rite.

cient ethnic traditions are bound to evolve. But I suspect they will still help future generations of Slovaks appreciate the wonders of the Christmas season and, later in life, help them recall fond childhood memories. Inspired by the miracle and the mystery of Christmas, those unique traditions will also help Slavic Christians overcome difficult times and reflect on the true joys of life.

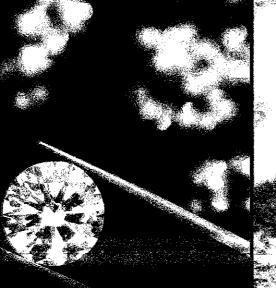
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Pierce looks for the positive

By Amy Salvagno Staff Writer

By the time children reach first-grade, they've heard "no" some 40,000 times.

At Pierce Middle School, staff want students to experience "yes" twice as much: To holding open doors for classmates; to helping someone who has dropped books and papers in cafeteria without prompting; to going above and beyond; to school officials wanted that to school-wide party. simple acts of kindness.

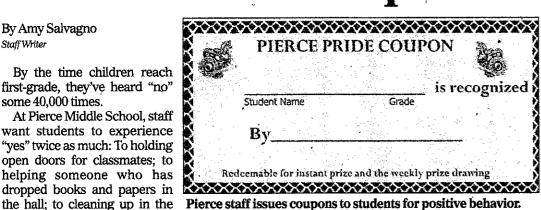
The Grosse Pointe Park spotlight and encourage positive behavior among its sixth-, seventh- and eighth-graders.

Through funding from Wayne County RESA, officials have implemented the Positive Behavior Support program for the 2009-10 school year. PBS focuses on positive reinforcement, rather than negative.

Students are taught schoolwide expectations - aspects of being responsible, respectful and safe - and rewarded for following them.

A building-wide committee - school psychologist, special education staff, classroom teachers and principals --- studied the system for a year, looking at strategies to encourage students to act in a positive way, said committee chair Anne Holman.

teacher says so much attention prepared. Those who have five as the program itself. is focused on what students or less infractions listed each aren't supposed to do - and quarter can participate in a



change.

school has initiated steps to running really smoothly. There are a lot of children looking for opportunities to go above and beyond what they're supposed to do," she said. "And there are a lot of kids who do that just naturally."

> Students are motivated by the positive aspects of the program: they're recognized for acts of kindness with coupons good for candy or a pencil. Their name also goes into a drawing — two win from each grade — at the end of every week for gift cards to local shops and eateries, including TCBY, Sanders, Moosejaw and Panera Bread.

Holman said PBS is more individually-tailored to each stu- kids are well behaved on a regdent, rather than the class as a whole. In student planners, a signature card keeps track of infractions, from chewing gum

The first, held before "The whole atmosphere is Thanksgiving, drew almost perfect attendance: only 40 students were unable to come.

"Most of the time, it's a small population who have to have discipline used," said Holman.

"They (students) have a very clear idea of what our expectations are and they appreciate being acknowledged when they go above and beyond," said assistant principal Judy Gaffrey. We were looking for a comprehensive approach to teaching behavior and something that was really a system with various elements that worked together to teach to our kids, lay out our expectations, put them in place and be consistent.

"Truly, the majority of our ular basis and this offered the opportunity to recognize that. That's what we liked."

Gaffrey said comments from The seventh-grade math to talking in class to coming un-teachers have been as favorable

See PROGRAM, page 2A II | by band students from accepted.



Wrapping up the holidays

Claire Nyboer, left, and her sister Grace, work together with their mom, Ann Nyboer, to wrap a Christmas gift for a customer at Village Toy in the City of Grosse Pointe. The students and their fellow classmates from Maire Elementary School volunteered to wrap presents for no charge this past weekend, but accepted tips to raise money for the annual school camping trip.

Band-O-Rama concerts ring in New Year

mental music students tary schools, Brownell North High School School, and Ferry, participate in Band-O-Rama 2010 at 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 9, in the Grosse Pointe South High School gym, 11 Jazz Band and Blue Grosse Pointe Blvd., Devil Pep Band. Grosse Pointe Farms.

The program in- attend the concert, cludes performances though donations are

More than 300 instru- all south-end elemenand Pierce middle schools and South High School, with special appearances by the South

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Grosse presents Band-O- Monteith, Mason Rama at 7:30 p.m. and Poupard ele-Thursday, Jan. 7, in the North gym, 707 Vernier. Grosse Pointe Woods.

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2A II SCHOOLS Teacher of the Week

Elementary School first-grade teacher Michelle Hunwick.

She was nominated by 6year-old student Cade Morrison: "Mrs. Hunwick is really nice and gives us two recesses. She doesn't make us put on our coats if it's warmer than 63 degrees. She also gives us a lot of Math Links, which I love. "She's also really funny and jokes with us a lot. She makes school fun."

Years at Maire: 14

Previous work: At St. Clair of Montefalco School, I taught second-grade from 1995-96 and was the library and art teacher for grades K-8 from 1994-95. Prior to that, I was the Kids Club director at Defer Elementary School while also teaching computer classes and early childhood fine motor classes skills at the Neighborhood Club.

worked in the maintenance department for two summers in the Grosse Pointe School System, made waffle cones and served yogurt at the TCBY in Grosse Pointe Woods and worked many years as a contingent at Jacobson's in the Village akset perof Grosse Pointe. Of course there were many,

years of babysitting in there, as well. My friends in high school would always say, 'Are you babysitting again?'

since I completed a masters in counseling, also.

teacher? There are several reasons cess in school and in life. why I became a teacher. One is because of so many inspirational teachers I had as a student in the Grosse Pointe lives by maintaining a safe and natives, create challenges, re-

This week, it's Maire my husband, Rodger, who teaching them about respect, studies at Parcells Middle School, and I met in college and acted as springboards for one another to continue our passion and devotion to children and teaching.

Also because my parents believed in me and supported any career decision I made. My mom told me as a little girl I would always say that I wanted to be a teacher when I grew up. Back then, this might have had something to do with birth order and the fact I am six and eight years older than my siblings and wanted to be in charge, but my passion for teaching grew through the years.

I am fascinated with the developmental stages of children and wanted to be a part of this amazing journey and experience.

I became a teacher because it is an outstanding honor every day to walk through those Going back even farther, I doors and see young smiling children who are eager and ready to learn.

I get to ignite the spark of curiosity in children, share my love of learning and intuitive: sense of children's needs to help them discover their maximum potential.

Fostering students' success at of thought in mind. simple or complex tasks, no matter how small the goal, is what I am exposed to every day. I have the opportunity to affect the future by teaching children It has been several years about life's most valuable virtues: kindness, patience and understanding, while teaching them how to read, write, prob-Why did you become a lem solve, analyze, self reflect and set them on the path of suc-

I also have the opportunity and great responsibility to make a difference in children's accept differences, offer alter-School System. Two, because positive environment while arrange the furniture, practice people.

teaches eighth-grade social responsibility, accountability, diversity and citizenship.

I also became a teacher because my own children can relate to what I do and where I go each day. They witness the importance of helping others.

Every day is a new beginning with new sets of challenges and it is a privilege to be a part of the spiral staircase in the teaching profession.

What do you enjoy about teaching?

Where do I begin? With firstgraders, their honesty, innocence and unconditional compassion is not only endearing but humorous many times. I enjoy daily their charismatic behavior and exuberance. There is nothing quite like being greeted in the morning with a smile or hug from a sixyear-old or tears that need to be nurtured because they are having an off-day.

It is always a favorite moment to be handed a first-grade piece of art: "smART" or 'heART" work that a first-grader has worked on for days. It might be a pencil taped with gobs of string and tissue or a masterpiece made out of clay with pieces of beads stuck in it. Whatever it is, there was plenty

I enjoy incorporating art with literature and math along with music daily into my program. This helps to cultivate their creativity and retain important information. It also helps to build self esteem and motor skills.

I appreciate and enjoy that I get to model respect, establish boundaries, diagnose students' progress, reward positive behavior, be flexible, encourage originality, foster cooperation, earn trust, create anticipation,



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Cade Morrison, 6; nominated his first-grade teacher, Michelle Hunwick.

patience, promote bonds, encourage opinions, recognize effort, handle problems, instill students? goals, turn mistakes into learning and work with outstanding colleagues and families of this community. Most of all, what I love about teaching is seeing a smile overcome a child's face when they learn how to read and write or their eyes light up with understanding and I get to witness that moment.

How do you feel about being nominated?

I feel incredibly honored, humbled and appreciative. I think every teacher is the teacher of the week for all they do. I am just one small piece of the puzzle. After all, it does take

all and so the

Favorite book to share with

Teachers love so many books. I have favorite books and authors for different lessons. For my first-graders, I love to read "Frog and Toad" collections. I laugh right along with the children as I change my voice to sound like Toad in his deep scratchy one. Any story by Jan Brett proves to be a delight with the incredible artwork and sequential text.

I enjoy reading "The Legend of the Blue Bonnet," by Tomie Depaola and "The Empty Pot," by Demi. These are stories about courage and honesty. "Ten Black Dots," by Donald Crews and "Inch by Inch," by Leo Lionni are favorites in my a village to shape these young room for math. "Leo the Late Bloomer," by Robert Kraus, "A

Color of His Own," by Leo Lionni and "The Kissing Hand," by Audrey Penn are loved by first-graders since they are about emotions and differences.

I love to read "Strega Nona" by Tomie dePaola when we learn about foods and culture. I share stories about my Polish and Italian heritage at this time. Ultimately, I love to read the story "Now One Foot, Now The Other," by Tomie dePaola. It is a timeline story made up of tender moments that depict loving family relationships and shows the great love between a child and grandparent. The children always want me to read the story again and again since we discuss the importance of family and it is our foundation.

Amy Salvagno

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"It seems to be creating this climate where we're really focusing on the positive things kids do," she said.

Eighth-grade math and honors algebra teacher Gina Walker, who was able to garner the gift cards from area merchants, said the program has

had great results. It's completely revamped my thinking. I had to change my view to not look for bad behavior," said Walker, who looks for genuine good deeds. "It's working unbelievably well."

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down the road. Above, fifth graders Abby Schuetze and Kate Satterfield paint festive holiday vases. Right, fourthgrader Lauren Sancya makes a

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AUTOS By Jenny King

The 2010 Kia Forte offers a unique combination of horsepower, fuel efficiency and advanced standard features. When it comes to safety, Forte has you and your family covered.

Kia Forte: big value in small package



ia's marketing tagline is "The ower to sur- 🕯 One nontechnical surprise

the new vehicle generated was the enthusiastic praise of persons closely related to competing automakers.

A neighbor's son-in-law, the son of a retired Ford Motor Company executive, was impressed with the compact sedan. Among other things, he loved the addition of satellite radio.

Another man, a retired General Motors engineer, thought our bright-white Kia Forte a handsome vehicle. Check out the close fit of body panels, he and his neighbor suggested.

Kia chose the 2009 Chicago Auto Show to introduce its 2010 Kia Forte — a new nameplate for Kia in North America. Sales commenced early last summer. The Forte is available in three trim levels: LX, EX and

SX. The profile of the sportier SX trim is affected by 17-inch alloy wheels paired with P215/45R17-sized premium tires and a rear spoiler.

Kia says the specially tuned suspension plus high torsional stiffness in the body give the front-drive Forte a smoother ride plus responsive handling on curved roads.

The SX model line features a sport-tuned suspension

which Kia says gives the chassis a firmer feel and responsiveness. The SX model also features larger front brakes for beefed-up stopping, should you need it.

A look and listen inside

Kia claims its Forte offers ne of the roomiest interiors in its class with seating for up to five passengers. The Forte's interior comprises full cloth seats, the usual cupholders and a couple of 12-volt power outlets on the center console. There is some road and engine noise inside this small sedan. The latter comes from one of two four-cylinder powerplants. Forte LX and EX are powered by a 156-horsepower 2.0-liter four-cylinder engine with continuously variable valve timing and multi-port electronic fuel injection. The Forte SX features an upgraded 173-horsepower 2.4-liter inline fourcylinder engine which Kia says competes more than favorably with engines in rival products from Mazda and Toyota.

Several transmission options are offered, including a standard five-speed manual transmission or an optional fourspeed automatic transmission on LX and EX models. The SX model features a standard sixspeed manual transmission or an optional five-speed automatic transmission with paddle-shift Sportmatic.

The test Forte EX included the optional \$600 fuel economy package, available with the 2.0-liter powerplant, with the five-speed automatic transmission. Motor Drive power steering and low-rolling resistance

silica tires with aero improvements help contribute to a welcome highway fuel economy of 36 mpg.

Forte comes with a standard four speaker AM/FM/CD/MP3 audio system outfitted with SIRIUS Satellite Radio capabilities with brief complimentary service. Standard on all models is an auxiliary audio input jack and USB port for connecting personal MP3 players. Standard Bluetooth connectivity enables hands-free operation for compatible cell phones. A six speaker surround audio system and steering wheel controls are standard on EX and SX models.

The test Forte EX with the Fuel Economy Package, plus \$695 for shipping, priced out at \$18.090. A Kia Forte LX has a base price of around \$13,700.

Safety is standard

Forte safety equipment includes active front headrests, front seat-mounted and side curtain air bags, a four-wheel antilock brake system, electronic stability and traction control.

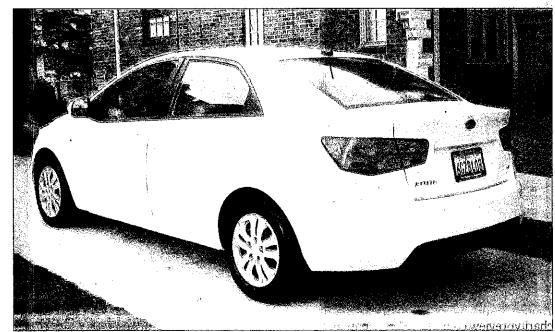
EX and SX models offer a number of features including power windows and door locks, remote keyless entry, air conditioning and steering wheel-mounted audio and cruise controls. Forte EX and SX models also include standard cruise control with an optional sunroof and leathertrimmed seats. Also standard on SX models is a telescoping steering column as well as sport cloth seats adorned with red stitching.

Jenny King is an automotive columnist who lives in the City of Grosse Pointe.



PHOTOS BY JENNY KING

Kia's new Forte is an affordable five-passenger compact that boasts fuel economy of up to 36 miles per gallon.



The 2010 Forte has a slippery shape with pleasing sheet metal details.





AUTOMOTIVE 5A II

2010**AutoGlow** benefiting Children's Center

Tickets are available for the 18th annual AutoGlow party that adds to the festivities of the 2010 North American International Auto Show Charly Preview Friday Jan 15.

The Westin Book Cadillac Hotel is the setting for the evening's, after glow event, which benefits The Children's Center.

Ford Motor Co. is the presenting sponsor, joined by Caesars Windsor, Team Derroit, DENSO and the Dow Chemptel Co Fvent co-chairs are Lise and Bill Ford and Nicki and Alan Mulally.

There is a pre-reception from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m., with continuous private shuttles to Cobo Center for the Charity Preview and back to the Westing Book Cadillac as AutoShiw continues from 8.

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chor. Tickets are \$225 per person. Space is limited and only **Charity Preview ticket holders** can attend.

To purchase AutoGlow tickets, call (313) 262-1220 or visit autoglow.org. For Charity Preview tickets, call (888) 838-۰. TO 7500 visit charitypreview.com



New Buick models

Buick Marketing Director Graig Bierley with the new 2011 Buick Regal, center; and two other Buick models, the Enclave, left, and the LaCrosse at the 2009 Los Angeles International AutoShow. The new 2011 Buick Regal four-cylinder sport sedan with an estimated 30 miles per gallon, will go on sale in the U.S. in the second quarter of 2010.

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CAR CARE CORNER By Greg Zyla

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Tips for your vehicle during cold weather

Throughout the cold weather months, make it a weekly routine to wash your car or truck. A weekly wash will prevent road and weather contaminants from harming the vehicle's paint. Washing the undercarriage is just as important as washing the hood.

Use a good quality car wash additive, available at all auto stores. These additives are specially designed to remove road grime without hurting the wax coat.

Waxing the vehicle should be done a minimum of three times a year --- once in spring, < Manufalled in edited in - 3034 S 1745 6

fall and, if possible, again in good coat of wheel polish and January. Apply a good coat of wax specially formulated to protect, preserve and enhance the finish.

Use wax safe for clear coat paint — some are not. Carnauba wax is perhaps the sure will also drop one pound most popular for the clear in all tires. That's why many coat finish and available in newer cars have tire pressure many brands.

Today, most vehicles come from the factory with alloy or chrome wheels, which are also attacked regularly by road salt, brake dust and chemicals necessary. There is nothing during snow and ice situations. Take care of them with a snow and ice start pelting the

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glass. You might also want to use some of the windshield washers that cut right through ice. Have enough windshield washer fluid in the car-+ three times as much is used in the winter than in summer.

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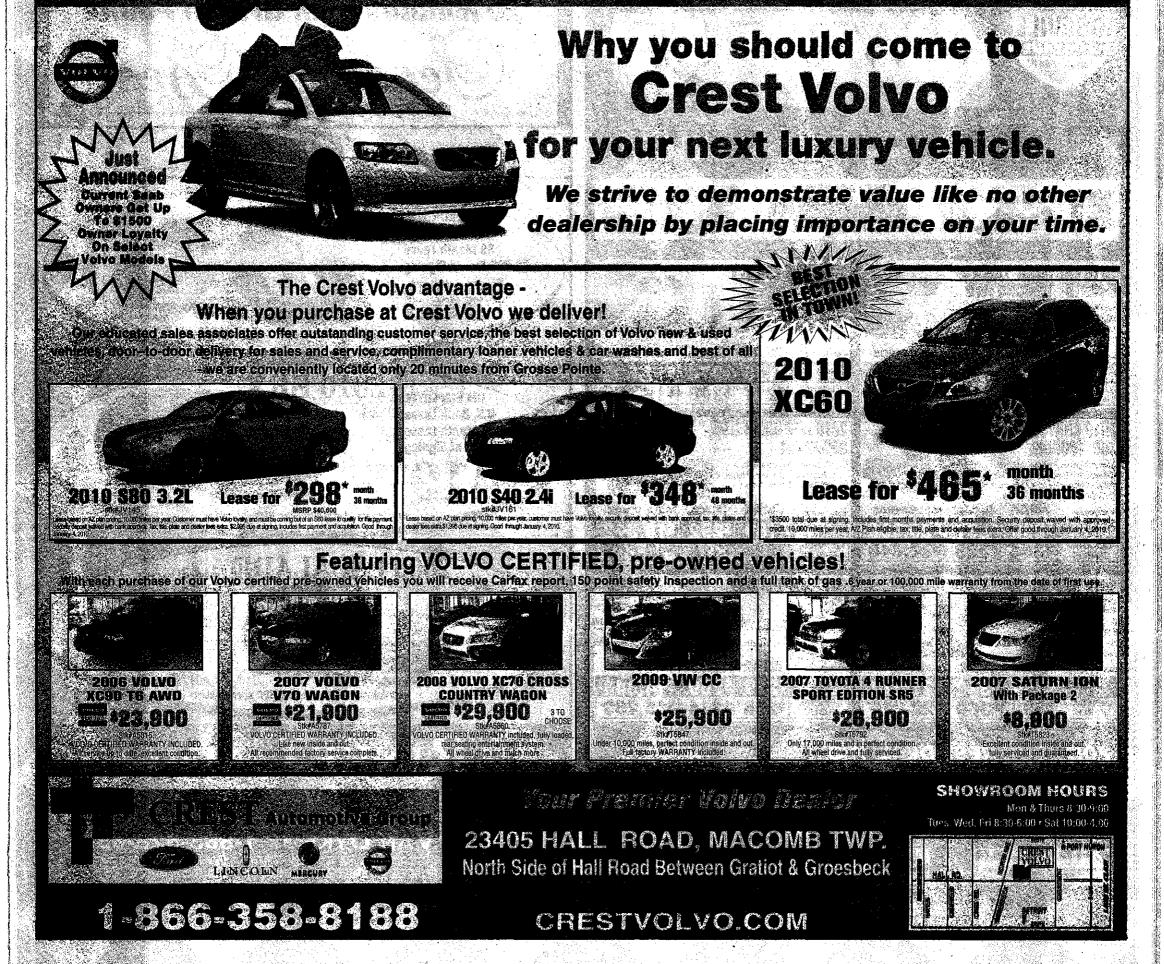
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TEST DRIVE By Greg Zyla

Not surprisingly, the 2010 Acadia is a "Top Safety Pick" award from the "Insurance Institute For Highway Safety," another good reason to include GMC Acadia on your test drive list.

2010 GMC Acadia SLE AWD



his week, we're driving GMC's popular and good looking 2010 Acadia, one of the

General Motors survivors that shares platform time with **Chevy Traverse and Buick** Enclave — base price: \$36,365; price as tested: \$37,665.

Acadia is a 7- or 8-passenger SUV/Wagon-style vehicle that can be ordered either with AWD or front drive modes. Eight different model trims are available, from the base SL 2WD, \$31,740; to top line SLT-2 AWD, \$42,185. Our tester fell direct in the pricing middle, an SLE AWD that seats eight seven passenger seating is also available at no extra cost.

Of the aforementioned three similar GM models, I feel Acadia is the best looking, thanks to a unique front end that is more muscular than Traverse and Enclave. And, that's how GM wants it as GMC's large red badge has always been attached to "toughness.

For the record, GMC came about to offer Pontiac, Oldsmobile, Buick and Cadillac dealers the same Chevy trucks sold at Chevy dealers that are extremely popular to this day. The only difference was the actual logo badge.

Furthermore, with the shakeup at GM, I'm not exactly sure these GM platform models, is

tributed other than the Acadia and GMC lines will be around for some time, and probably mated with Cadillac and Buick dealers in the future. If GM decides to sell every-

thing under one roof, then GMC may be the badge for all trucks in the future - maybe not

how the Chevy, Cadillac,

Buick, GMC lines will be dis-

Acadia's feature the sevenor eight-passenger seating depending on bench or captain chair seating arrangements in the second row. Our tester featured standard eight-passenger seating with split bench seats in the second and third rows. All three seating areas are zoned for climate control, while XM Satellite with XM Nav Traffic, MP3 compatible AM/FM/CD Bose stereo, universal home remote and rear seat/steering wheel audio controls are all standard.

Inside, Acadia's interior is roomy and well appointed. SLE features Bluetooth for phones, cloth seating, remote vehicle start, power rear liftgate, ultrasonic rear parking Assist, leather-wrapped steering wheel with audio controls, Halogen fog lamps, inside rearview auto-dimming mirror, ultrasonic rear parking assist and a rearview camera system integrated into rearview mirror. All expected standard features are present, including all the powers (including front seats), cruise, one year of OnStar and much more,

Driving manners are good and the ride is ultra comfortable. What still surprises me, as I've now driven all three of

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the power available from the 3.6-liter V6, which puts out 288 horses and 270 pound-feet of torque. When I fully pressed the acceler-

The top of the line 2010 GMC Acadia SET-2.

ator to the floor, the V6 feels like a V8.

This torque all comes thanks to GM's utilization of its 6speed automatic transmission, which is now standard across the Traverse. Enclave and Acadia line.

Those who need to tow a small travel trailer or row boat can safely complete the task up to 5,200 pounds. Our tester came with a towing option for \$525 that include a towing hitch and extra cooling for the transmission and engine. If you need more towing, you'll have to move up to a Yukon, which can pull 7,500 pounds but is based on a truck chassis instead of Acadia's more carlike, and comfortable, unibody construction.

Acadia's overall body mass, be it 2-wheel or AWD, is a positive when it comes to ride comfort and the ever important safety aspects in case of an impact. Notably, GMC's Acadia scores 5-Star ratings for both front and side crash testing for

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thanks to a rollover sensor equipped six air bag system that encompasses the entire vehicle with front. side and head curtain protection for all three rows. Significant, too, is 4-wheel ABS disc. brakes, GM's StabiliTrak electronic stability control and traction

control sys-

all occupants,

tems, which add to the vehicle's overall built-in security.

Important numbers include a wheelbase of 118.9 inches, curb weight of 4.944 pounds. 7.4 inch ground clearance, 22 gallon fuel tank and 16 city and 23 highway EPA estimates. .છાળા સંસ્તરાહે

seats folded. Currently, GMC is offering a

lowers the final price to \$36,165 with \$775 for destina-

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Cargo space goes from 24.1 behind the third seat to a spacious 116.9 cubic-feet with all

\$1,500 cash incentive, which

tion included. Likes: Muscular looks, power, interior room, safety ratings, GMC quality. Dislikes: Limited towing abilities. Greg Zyla is a syndicated automotive columnist. N 9449 1

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was the night before Christmas, when all through the house Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse.

The stockings were hung by the chimney with care, In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there.

The children were nestled away! Dash away all!" all snug in their beds,

While visions of sugarplums danced in their the wild hurricane fly. heads.

chief. and I in my cap,

Had just settled our brains for a long winter's nap.

When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter, I sprang from the bed to heard on the roof see what was the matter.

Away to the window I flew of each little hoof. like a flash.

Tore open the shutters was turning around, and threw up the sash.

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to objects below. When, what to my wondering eyes should appear, But a miniature sleigh, and eight tiny reindeer.

With a little old driver, so lively and quick,

I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick.

coursers they came.

And he whistled, and shouted, and called them by es, his nose like a cherry! name!

Dasher! now "Now Dancer! now, Prancer and was as white as the snow. Vixen!

On, Comet! On, Cupid! on, on Donner and Blitzen!

To the top of the porch! To the top of the wall! Now dash away! Dash

When they meet with an

And mamma in her 'ker- obstacle, mount to the sky.

coursers they flew, With the sleigh full of

toys, and St. Nicholas too.

And then, in a twinkling, I

The prancing and pawing As I drew in my head, and

Nicholas came with a jerk.

He was dressed all in fur. from his head to his foot,

And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and soot. A bundle of toys he had

flung on his back, And he looked like a ped-

dler, just opening his pack.

His eyes-how they twin-More rapid than eagles his kled! his dimples how merry!

His cheeks were like ros-His droll little mouth was

drawn up like a bow, And the beard of his chin

The stump of a pipe he held tight in his teeth,

And the smoke it encircled his head like a wreath. He had a broad face and a little round belly,

That shook when he As dry leaves that before laughed, like a bowlful of jelly!

He was chubby and So up to the house-top the plump, a right jolly old elf And I laughed when I saw

him, in spite of myself! A wink of his eve and a twist of his head,

Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread.

He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work. And filled all the stock-Down the chimney St. ings, then turned with a

And laying his finger aside of his nose,

And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose!

He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle, And away they all flew

like the down of a thistle. But I heard him exclaim, 'ere he drove out of sight,

"Happy Christmas to all, and to all a good-night!"

-By Clement Clarke Moore

ILLUSTRATION BY KENNETH SCHOP





Toys for Tots

More than 300 people gathered at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial for the 2009 Toys for Tots celebration. From left, Lisa Cornell, Susan Azar and Cindy Sommerville, all of Grosse Pointe Park, and event chairwomen Patti Theros of Grosse Pointe Farms and Leslie Rentschler of Grosse Pointe

Park attended the Dec. 5 party. **Right, Grosse Pointe Farms resident** Janet Cornillie and Grosse Pointe Park resident Donna Satterfield were the cochairwomen of the event. Some 16 couples were hosts of the event during which hundreds of toys were gathered for the annual U.S. Marine Corps happening. Below, hostesses for the evening were Lynne Williams of Grosse Pointe Farms and Marita Maffesoli and Peggy Shine, both of Grosse Pointe Park.







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It's the time of year to reflect back on what has been and look forward to what is to come. My wish for each of you, my readers and advertisers, is that your hearts would find joy, rest and fulfillment as you ponder those things in stillness. I am grateful for each of you. The fullest blessings to you this holiday season and into the New Year.

Sally A. Schuman

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YESTERDAY'S HEADLINES

Editor's note: The following excerpts appear as they were printed in the Grosse Pointe News.



50 years ago this week

 ♦ YOUNG WOODSMEN: A homeowner on Hunt Club in Grosse Pointe Woods reported a stolen tree. She told police she noticed three lads carrying a six-foot fir tree as they ran across her front yard the evening before, but didn't give it another thought — until the morning when she noticed the tree was hers. The boys had chopped it down from her yard.
 ♦ MORE PARKING FOR

MACK AVE.: Efforts on the part of the City of Grosse Pointe council to improve the parking facilities at the rear of Mack Avenue businesses between Rivard and Washington took a step forward.

The council directed its city attorney to proceed with the condemnation of lot 15 of the D and H subdivision. The property is currently a vacant lot and the owner has refused to sell. The condemnation will make it necessary for her to sell.

Council also authorized the parking facilities committee to negotiate the purchase of parcels of land abutting the backs of the Mack businesses.

• HIGH BUSHES CAUSE ACCIDENTS: The Grosse Pointe Park police department and city traffic engineers discovered the cause of many accidents on the streets and intersections are the fault of poor visibility as a result of bushes and shrubs being too

high. A city-wide survey by the two agencies showed that 40 residents throughout the city are in violation of an ordinance which limits the height of bushes and shrubs to three feet.







1959: Having a ball

In a most beautiful 18th century French setting at the Country Club Monday evening, Charlotte Ford was presented to society. The Fords stood in the receiving line to greet the 1,000 guests for more than two hours, but managed to enjoy every minute of one of the most memorable parties given here in a quarter of a century. Anne Ford, the debutante's sister, left, Charlotte, Henry Ford II, Mrs. Ford and young Edsel Ford, show delighted party faces to the glamorous guest line.

♦ VILLAGE BUYS GAS

GENERATOR: It's one of those things that may never be needed but is nice to have just in case.

Shores village trustees last month ordered a gas-powered generator for its sewer pump station in the north end of the village. The generator will supply power to the pump should electricity be knocked out in the area.

◆ VERNIER MACK CROSSING SAFER: A renovation project in 1979 at the Vernier-Mack intersection in Grosse Pointe Woods has trimmed the number of automobile accidents at that site by one-third.

There were 63 accidents reported during the period of 1974 to 1979 and the number

The announcement came during ground-breaking ceremonies for what now is the Van Elslander Cancer Center.

Named after the family of Art Van Elslander of Grosse Pointe Shores, the facility is scheduled to open in late 2001.

♦ POLICE ASK FOR

HELP: Police need help finding a hit-and-run driver who put a 74-year-old man in the hospital with critical injuries.

The hit-and-run took place during a light snow storm about 11:35 a.m. on Saturday. The victim was hit while crossing Notre Dame at the alley on the north side of Kercheval in the Village shopping district.

♦ NEW YEAR, NEW LIGHTS: Declaring that the City of Grosse Pointe didn't want to interfere with the. Village's busiest shopping season, officials have decided to wait until after January to install the pedestrian crossing lights.

◆ ZONING OVERLAY SET FOR CONDOS: A developer

wants Grosse Pointe Farms officials to hurry up and rule on month-old plans for 12 condominiums on Lakeshore,

The developer has teamed with the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, owners for more than two years of adjacent houses at 50 and 60 Lakeshore, to replace the vacant dwellings with three manor-like structures.

◆ CRESCENT SAIL CLEARS DECK: Member of a nearly 80-year-old sailing club who pride themselves on running a tight ship are weighting anchor to renovate their property on Lake St. Clair.

The club's 280 members have approved spending \$2 million to improve the club's facilities near the foot of Kerby Road in Grosse Pointe Farms. ◆ CABLE BILLS TO RISE: The cost of watching cable television at home in the Pointes will be going up an average of 6.2 percent. The increase is lower than rate increases of previous years which averaged closer to 7 percent per year.

La Belle Intiques



Merry Christmas from Dawn LaBelle-Kaake and all her vendors! LaBelle's will be closed on Christmas day and will reopen Tuesday, January 5th, while the gang is roasting chestnuts on an open fire and Jack Frost is nipping at their noses. But they'll be back to ring in a new year of beautiful antiques and collectibles ... all at affordable prices! Have a happy New Year! www.labelleantiques.com. **PETITION:** A request by Cadieux Road residents for enforcement of traffic laws on their street will be taken under advisement, the Grosse Pointe City Council agreed at a recent meeting.

The petition, similar to one presented to Park council last month, asked that speed limit and traffic signal laws be enforced and that traffic from Mack to Kercheval be made one way, going south. dipped to 42 for the five-year period, 1979 to 1984.



♦ VAN ELSLANDER CAN-CER CENTER: The new St. John cancer center has been named after one of its largest benefactors. 2004 Five years ago this week

Compiled by K. Fontanive



Just for the holidays, give the gift of Ahhhh and get some for yourself. Jennifer O'Shea, massage therapist, has put together the perfect holiday gift package: Purchase a gift-pack of 3 One-Hour Massages for someone you love (or just like a lot!) at her regular price

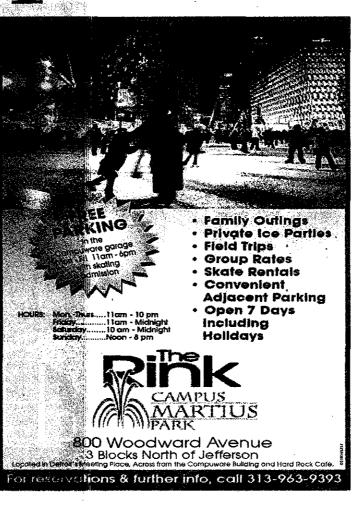
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To advertise your specials, products or services in Shopping Reviews call Sally Schuman @ 313-343-5586 sschuman@grossepointenews.com ASK THE EXPERTS By Gail K. Rodgers Wash your hands!

> ou've heard it again and again, from your mom, your doctor and

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medical experts in the media. It's the cheapest and best way to stop the spread of germs responsible for colds,



flu and a whole medical dictionary of other illnesses. But has anyone every

taught you how to wash your hands?

A cursory swipe with soap, a quick rinse and towel dry aren't enough. The soaping process alone should take at least 15 seconds - about the time it takes to sing the "Happy Birthday" song or your ABCs.

Here's a step-by-step guide to do it right.

• Wet your hands, soap them up thoroughly and rub vigorously throughout the process.

There is no need to use antibacterial soap.

The purpose of soap is to make the germs slippery so they'll rinse off, not to kill them.

◆ Interlace your fingers "steeple-style" and rub up and down.

Make sure you create friction from the fingertips down to the creases between fingers.

◆ Take your palm and rub it in circles on the top of your opposite hand, making sure your hand travels up to the wrist.

Repeat with the opposite palm.



◆ Scrub your nails against your opposite palm. Repeat with nails on opposite hand. Use a brush or nail file if you have visible dirt under your fingernails.

• Rinse thoroughly holding your hands in a downward direction. Turn off the faucet using a towel to avoid re-contaminating your now-clean hands.

Use the towel to open the bathroom door if you're using a public restroom and toss it in the trash.

Rodgers, B.S.N., is an infection control practitioner at Beaumont Hospital in Grosse Pointe. She can be reached at (313) 343-1514.

The Family Center, a 501 (c) 3, non-profit organization, serves as the community's centralized hub for information, resources and referral for families and professionals.

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E-mail questions to info@familycenterweb.org. To volunteer or contribute visit. familycenterweb.org or call (313) 432-3832.

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CAREGIVING CONCERNS By Terri Murphy

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The importance of caregiver respite



he word respite is frequently used in the world of caregivers, paid and unpaid. How many know its meaning or its importance?

Respite is defined by Merriam-Webster as an interval of rest or relief.

It is estimated 45 million people in the United States are caring for someone who is disabled or sick. Millions of these caregivers provide full-time care. Studies and surveys by The National Family Caregivers Association and 24.6 1.5 1.1

other organizations have found many family members have not even identified themselves as a caregiver until months or years into providing care. Some have taken on this full-time responsibility as a positive choice, some have chosen full-time care as a cultural obligation, and others feel they have no choice.

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significantly. Your ability to deal time to quibble. with stress will determine the toll that full-time care giving can take on your health. Care giving is difficult in any situation, and the job does not come with an instruction booklet. You learn as you go.

Some families have time to research and learn as much as they can and unfortunately others are thrown into a care giving situation with little or no warning.

If you are a caregiver, I am sure you have heard you need to take care of yourself. With the holidays upon us, this becomes even more difficult. If you are like most, you have never put yourself on the priority list, so taking care of yourself is a foreign concept.

Self care is a process and must be added to the to-do list. Never has self care been more important than when you find yourself in the care giving role. We all need respite. Many take a week's vacation once a year as our respite from life's responsibilities.

When you are a full-time caregiver, a vacation may seem like a luxury, but you can and should - have regular respite. Even if you find care giving a delightful and positive experience, admit there are those days.

The following tips might help you better cope with the additional holiday stress:

♦ Divvy up the workload. Send out an e-mail or make a few calls. List the menu and other "chores" that have to get done and don't leave out a thing. Ask for help. Give choices and accept help. Even if you like your pie recipe better, let

◆ Lower your standards. What can be done easier? If you don't feel like cooking a 25pound turkey, order from a restaurant or catering company. Yes, it will cost more, but not that much when you factor in the work that goes into cooking the mammoth bird.

♦ Keep what matters most. Ask yourself what the holidays mean to you...and for your loved ones. Do you have a fondness for sweet potato soufflé? Do you like to go out caroling? Keep the traditions that are dear to you, but begin to let go of the to-dos that exhaust you.

• What is the hardest part of the holidays for caregivers? Not overdoing it. We try to please our family by creating the perfect atmosphere, but there is a price. Notching things down a bit can still allow you to incorporate the things you love ... and still make it manageable.

 Once the holidays are over, it will be more important than ever to take care of yourself. Preserving your own health should be a priority for all family caregivers. Respite is impor-

tant...it can be a critical component of preserving your health.

Respite can be obtained through support from family and friends, or through paid care. Tell them you need a break, even for just a few hours a week. Arranging for someone to come at a scheduled time each week to give you an interval of rest or relief will lessen your stress and preserve your health. You can use respite time however you like. I cannot describe the relief I have seen in family caregivers after they obtain some respite help. They usually say that they wish they had done this sooner.

Put yourself on the top of vour to-do list. Recognize you need to take care of yourself to take care of others. If you keep filling everyone else's glass and yours is empty, eventually you will have nothing to give.

You deserve time to yourself, and now understand the importance of your own health. Terri Murphy of Grosse

Pointe is a certified senior advisor and the owner of Home Helpers, a non-medical home care business. She can be reached at (313) 881-4600 or tmurphy572@comcast.net.

Rotary

AREA ACTIVITIES

Grosse Pointe Rotary meets at 12:10 p.m. Monday, Dec. 28, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

For more information, contact Bob Bashara at (313). or basharar@ 670-3461 comcast.net. ASANCI :

Play Central

Play Central is open for parents, grandparents and care- Nareh Arghamanyan givers to play with children from 9 to 11 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 29, in the upstairs gym at the Neighborhood Club, 17150 Waterloo, City of Grosse Pointe. Play Central is also available from 9 to 11 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 30, at Barnes Early, Childhood Center, 20090 Morningside, Grosse Pointe Detroit. Woods.

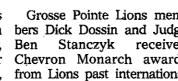
The cost is \$3 per visit. For more information, call (313) 432-3832.



Pro Musica of Detroit

Pro Musica of Detroit hosts pianist Nareh Arghamanyan in concert at 8:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 15, at the Max M. Fisher Music Center, 3711 Woodward,

A pre-concert dinner begins at 6 p.m. at the Paradise Café. For reservations, call (313)886-9074 or visit



service to the Lions club.

Grosse Pointe Lions mem-Stanczyk received Chevron Monarch awards director Larry Young.

Winter 2010 art education classes

The Grosse Pointe Art Center. 16900 Kercheval, City of Grosse Pointe, offers art Participants chose one. classes for all ages.

Mondays

and up) is taught by Roselyn Rhodes, from 10:30 a.m. to them make theirs...this isn't the | 12:30 p.m. The cost is \$160.

Mediums taught are water soluble oils or watercolor.

Watercolor still life is taught by Mary Aro from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m., Jan. 11, 18, 25, Teen to adult painting (13 Feb. 8, 22, March 1 and 3. The cost is \$100.

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PASTOR'S CORNER By Rev. Corey L. Kennard **Christmas reflection**

e are once again in the midst of what is called the

the experience I had to literally "shake it off" before I became an emotional victim of their circumstance.

God didn't go to all the trouble of sending his Son merely to point an accusing finger, telling the world how bad it was. He

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"most wonderful time" of the year.

However, during this "wonderful" time that is supposed to be full of cheer and celebration for the birth of Jesus, it has become a time of hardship and pain for many.

The stories we hear about massive job loss, families losing their houses, children going hungry, people struggling financially to make ends meet, and the emotional meltdowns due to worry and stress can leave us all wondering whether we will experience anything wonderful in the future. As a pastor who lives and works in the scope of this community, I have heard many of these stories and witnessed their effect on those who have shared them. I must say many times I have been so "sucked in" by

Nevertheless, as I reflect on what is going on in society, and what this Christmas season is all about. I can't help but think about how wonderful and timely is this season. Can you think of a better time to express love and hope? Isn't it when things are not going as we like we can really see the need for Jesus who embodies God's love and hope for all who are in despair and disarray? As a matter of fact, one of the most well quoted scriptures in the Bible, John 3:16-17, speaks to this.

In the message translation, this scripture says, "This is how much God loved the world: He gave his Son, his one and only Son. And this is why: so that no one need be destroyed; by believing in him, anyone can have a whole and lasting life.

came to help, to put the world right again." The word "world" in this passage actually means in its Greek origin: an apt and harmonious arrangement or order. In essence, Jesus' birth was because things were not in harmony and order. That's why God sent him. He was birthed to help us get our lives back in order!

So, with everything "bad" that is going on, this still is truly the "most wonderful time" of the year. Why? Because it gives all who are going through tough times an opportunity to pause and be refreshed with the "real" meaning of Christmas: A celebration of the one who was sent to help in every way imaginable! Merry Christmas. Kennard is the leader of spiritual care at St. John Hospital.

CHURCH ACTIVITIE

Career networking

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The Ecumenical Career Networking Group meets at 7:30 a.m. Monday, Dec. 28, at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms. The day's topic is "Spirituality's Role in the Job Search."

For more information, call Richard Gibson at (313) 885-4841. All Streets

First English

First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods, holds a New Year's Eve service at 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 31. For more information, call (313) 884-5040.

St. Albertus

St. Albertus Historic Church holds an 11 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 10, Mass in observance of Jesus' baptism and to pray for the members of St. Albertus.

Parishioners can park in a guarded lot on St. Aubin and Canfield.

For more information, call Theresa Manning at (313) 527-9321.

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Decorations

First English Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods, hosts its third annual Christmas Tree Walk and Tea from 1 to 5 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 30. Guests can view 35 themedecorated trees set up throughout the church on a self-guided tour. They may see the "Frosty, The Snowman" tree created by Virginia Duffy and "Visions of Sugar Plums" tree decorated by Kathy and Dennis Gates. Refreshments are available after the tour.

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FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY Saturday, December 26, 2009 MASS AT 4:00 P.M. Sunday, December 27, 2009 MASSES AT 8:30 A.M. & 11:15 A.M.

NEW YEAR'S DAY Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God Thursday, December 31, 2009 MASS AT 4:00 P.M. Friday, January 1, 2010 MASS AT 10:00 A.M.

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Sunday, January 3, 2010 MASSES AT 8:30 A.M. & 11:15 A.M.

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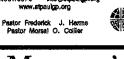
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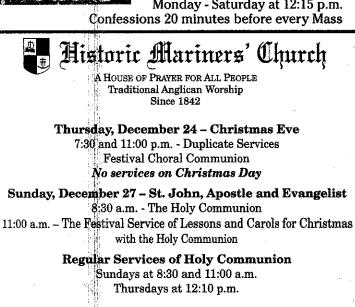
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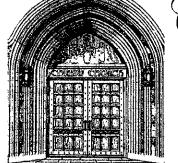
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A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

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Baked in a pool of white wine and Dijon cream sauce, this bone-in chicken will give your kitchen the aroma of a fancy restaurant. (Four stars plus!)

Chicken in White Wine & Dijon Cream Sauce

3 tablespoons olive oil 1 3 to 4 lb. whole chicken,

cut up 1 large onion, halved and thinly sliced

2 cups white wine

- 1 15 oz. can chicken broth
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 1/4 cup Dijon mustard

1 cup heavy cream 1 tablespoon fresh thyme leaves (or other fresh herb)

1 whole garlic head, halved horizontally

salt and pepper to taste Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Heat olive oil in a large, nostick skillet over medium heat. Season the chicken pieces with salt and pepper and sear in the hot skillet until well browned,



PHOTO BY VIRGINIA O. MCCOY

This bone-in chicken recipe is baked in a pool of white wine and Dijon cream sauce to make a meal worthy of a fancy restaurant.

> about 10 minutes on each side. Transfer to a large, greased

baking dish. To the same skillet, add sliced onion and cook over medium heat until the onions become soft, about 10 minutes. Add white wine and continue to cook until nearly all of the wine evaporates.

Stir flour into the chicken broth and add to the skillet. Stir in mustard, heavy cream and thyme.

Taste and season with salt and pepper. Place the garlic halves in the baking dish with the chicken. Pour the Dijon cream sauce over the chicken and bake for 45 to 55 minutes, until the chicken is cooked throughout.

Serve with fresh mashed potatoes and your favorite green vegetable. The flavor combination of the wine, Dijon and cream blend perfectly with the onion and thyme. Yummy.

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Drawing for kids I & II (ages 7-14) is taught by Rhodes from 4 to 5:30 p.m., Jan. 11, 18, 25, Feb. 8, 22, March 1 and 8. The cost is \$132.

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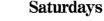
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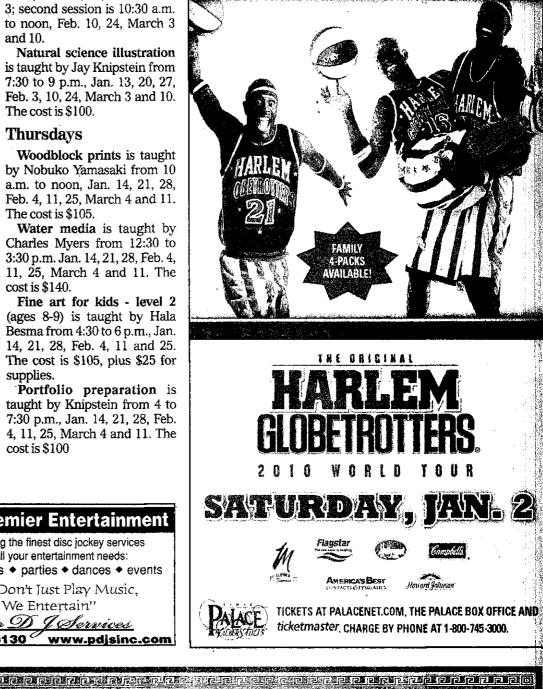


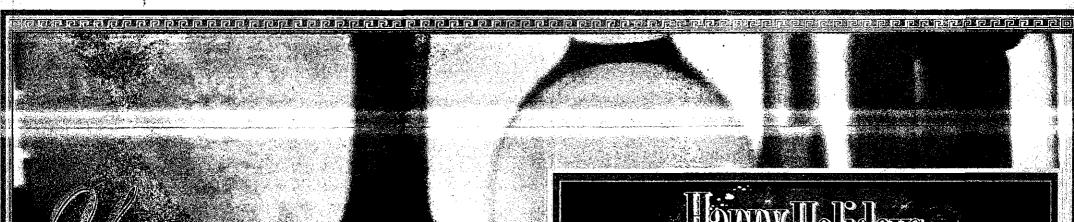
(ages 9-11) is taught by Besmar from 9:30 to 11 a.m., Jan. 16, 23, 30, Feb. 6, 13 and 25. The cost is \$105, plus \$30 for supplies.

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North, South earn county meet medals



Grosse Pointe South's Reggie Lewis, right, wrestled with determination at the county meet, earning a fifth-place medal.

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South and host Grosse Pointe North each had three medalists at last weekend's 36th annual Macomb County Wrestling Invitational.

For the Norsemen, Alex Doetsch and Jake Brazil were fourth in the 171-pound and 152-pound classes, while Patrick Salazar was sixth in the 112-pound class.

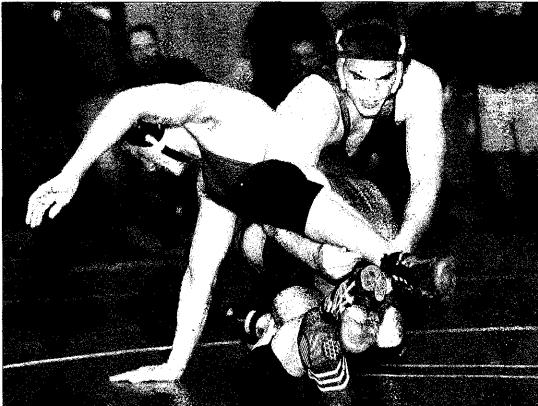
The Blue Devils were paced by Reggie Lewis' fifth-place finish in the heavyweight division. Sergio Rodriguez was sixth in the 103-pound class and Nolan Goodall took home a seventh-place medal in the 130-pound class.

"Reggie has been wrestling very well so far this season," South head coach Pat O'Donnell said prior to the tournament. "We're hoping he has a good tournament."

In the team standings, South finished 15th in the 32-member field with 65 points and North was tied with Marysville for 17th with 56.5 points.

"We entered 12 and had three placers," North head coach Bryan Lorenzo said. "It's not bad with a lineup consisting of a lot of freshman gaining experience."

The rest of the Norsemen's lineup consisted of Damon Barbee, 103 pounds: Paul



Grosse Pointe North's Alex Doetsch, right, wrestled well at the Macomb County Tournament, earning a fourth-place medal in the 171-pound division.

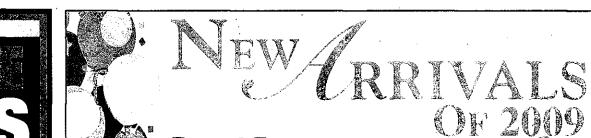
Menth, 119; Stu Haigh, 125; Josias Yglesias, 135; and Stevenson with 111, L'Anse John Testori, 130; Zach Kaiser, 🗌 135; Wilson Fisher, 140; Shawn and Tom Mulvihill, 215.

The rest of the Blue Devils' lineup consisted of Ethan Madison, 215; Dan Sutton, 189; Deonta Bryant, 152; Undreas Hudson, 145; Neil Leising, 140; Alex Romer, 135; 119.5,

Andrew Steiber, 112.

Anchor Bay won the tourna-Huron Northern with 131.5, Sterling Heights Marysville with 56.5.

Creuse North with 108.5, Utica Eisenhower with 108Miller, 160; Evan Lock, 189; ment championship with 194.5 Richmond's "B" team with points, followed by Roseville 99.5, Warren Woods Tower with 181.5, Chippewa Valley with 98.5, Macomb Dakota with 177, Romeo with 170, Port with 87, Center Line with 75, Grosse Pointe South with 65, Madison Heights Lamphere Warren Cousino with 57 and with 128, L'Anse Creuse with Grosse Pointe North and



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Girls basketball

GROSSE POINTE NORTH



Grosse Pointe North senior Ariel Braker, center, goes up for two of her 11 points in the Norsemen's win over Utica.

Norsemen playing well

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's girls' basketball team won its fourth straight game last week, beating Utica 48-27.

said Utica had some quick guards, but they weren't tall enough to handle the 6-foot-2inch all-state player Ariel Braker.

The senior forward recorded a triple-double and nearly had a rare quadruple-double, which is having double digits in statistical categories.

Braker had 11 points, 15 rebounds and 11 blocked shots to get the triple-double, and had eight steals to come close to the quadruple-double.

She helped the host Norsemen improve to 4-1 overall with the dominating performance.

However, several of the Norsemen had solid games, as home court victory

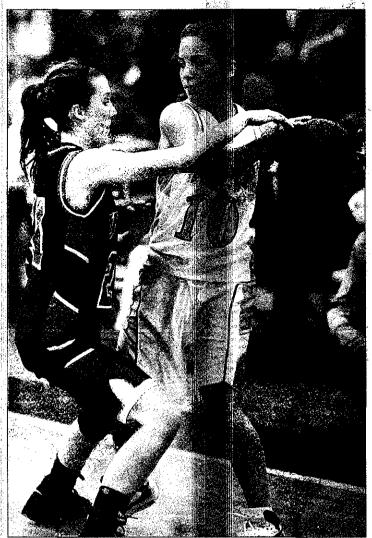
senior Kayla Womack had 12 points and four assists; junior Nicole Strickland had five points and played her best game as a varsity player, according to Bennett.

Senior Christine Bedway al-Head coach Gary Bennett so played well, scoring seven points and grabbing five rebounds and helped clamp down on the Chieftains on the defensive end of the court.

Utica was a one-person show as junior Eryn Maday scored 23 of the team's 27 points.

The Norsemen led 7-4 after the first quarter, but outscored the Chieftains 16-9 in the second period to take a 23-13 lead to halftime.

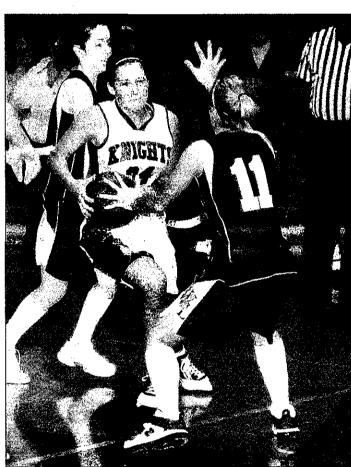
They continued to play tough defense, limiting the Chieftains to seven points in each of the next two quarters, while on offense, they were able to run out to 15 and 10 points to finish the dominating



Senior Kamille Hamzey, right, is playing well as one of the Norsemen's starting guards. She has helped the team start the season 4-1.

LIGGETT Youth doing well By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Liggett's girls' basketball team heads into the holiday break with a perfect 4-0 record. The Knights made four wins in a row last week, beating visiting Lutheran Westland 63-23 as sophomore Madison Ristovski scored 35 points, including 29 in the first half.



GROSSE POINTE NORTH Poor middle quarters lead to tough defeat

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's boys' basketball team played a carbon copy of its previous game when it hosted Chippewa Valley last week.

Against L'Anse Creuse, the host Norsemen played a great first quarter and a solid fourth quarter, but a dreadful middle

Norsemen cut the deficit to 63-56 with a couple of minutes

Boys basketball

"We have to play with more intensity and make our free throws," head coach Matt Lockhart said. "Missing layups and not making free throws is driving me crazy because we work on that a lot during practice."

The Norsemen were forced pens."

eled to Madison Heights Madison for a game against one of the best up tempo teams in the Macomb Area Conference.

"We have to play hard or else we could run out of the gym against a very good Madison team," Lockhart said. We will have a good day of practice and see what hap-

"We were ready to play today and it showed with a nice effort from the girls," head coach Wayne Gigante said. "We're happy with the win, but we're looking to get better since we're a pretty young and inexperienced squad right now."

The Knights cruised out to a 21-4 first-quarter lead and extended it to 44-6 at the half.

They slowed the game down in the second half, working the Hannah Baird had six and ball around to not run up the score as the Knights scored only 19 second-half points compared to 17 for the Warriors.

added 18 points, while senior Athletic Conference.

PHOTO BY RENATO JAMETT

Senior Hannah Baird, center, is fouled driving to the basket in the Knights' home victory over Lutheran Westland.

freshman Ariana Castillo had four to round out the Knights' scoring output.

Liggett improved to 2-0 in Freshman Haleigh Ristovski the Michigan Independent

After the break, the Knights will face two tough tests when they host Bloomfield Hills Kingswood Cranbrook Tuesday, Jan. 5, and Bloomfield Hills Roeper Friday, Jan. 8.

wo periods. Ditto that against the Big

Reds last week. The host Norsemen came out blazing, led 144 and 20-16 before scoring only 12 combined points in the middle two

quarters in a 70-61 defeat. In that 12-point scoring lull, the Big Reds poured in 16 and 18 points to turn the 20-16 deficit into a 50-32 advantage.

Behind senior Dean Butts, sophomore Will Ritchie and juniors George Greer, Nolan Rozich and Chris Collins, the

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

to foul and the Big Reds were able to make several free throws to win.

The Norsemen made only 13-of-31 shots from the foul line and only grabbed 21 rebounds.

Senior Bryan Brown led the team with 18 points, followed by Ritchie with 10, senior Troy Williams with eight, Greer with seven, sophomore Adam Andrzejczak with five, Collins with four and senior Balazs Juhasz with four.

Two nights later, North trav-

The Norsemen played with more intensity, but in the end, the talented Eagles won 66-55.

It was the first time this season the Norsemen played a solid four quarters, scoring 13 points in the first and second periods, 12 in the third and 17 in the fourth with Brown leading the way with 13.

Andrzeiczak had nine points, followed by Williams and Juhasz with eight apiece and Ritchie with seven.

Grosse Pointe North dropped to 1-4 overall.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Squad stays perfect

By John McTaggart Special Writer

One thing is becoming very apparent as the 2009-2010 girls basketball season rolls on ----Grosse Pointe South is a force in the Macomb Area Conference, particularly in the Blue Division.

"Let me tell you," Port Huron head coach Jeremy Rosenau said. "That is a very good basketball team,"

His Big Reds came to town Dec. 16 and became yet another victim of a Blue Devils squad that is potent on both ends of the floor.

"I think we've got a lot of work left to do," South head coach Kevin Richards explained. "But we're working hard in practice and getting the team's offense, it also frusbetter. There is room for improvement."

An improved South squad is poor decisions.



Freshman Cristina Flom, right, is fouled by a Port Huron defender during the Blue Devils' win over the Big Reds.

a scary thought to the rest of the division. A 62-31 thumping of Port Huron was typical of what the Blue Devils try to do night in and night out.

"It all starts with our defense," Richards said. "It all starts with that."

The Blue Devils' suffocating and intense defensive effort does more than fuel much of trates the opposition and forces squads into making

The Blue Devils are among the division leaders in team defense, allowing just 35.8 points per game.

In addition, the Blue Devils can also score, averaging 64.0 points per game.

Senior Chloe Sredernak scored 16 points to pace South in the victory over Port Huron with sophomore Caitlin Moore adding 13 and sophomore Catherine Palazzolo netting 10 as the Blue Devils improved to 4-0 overall.

It's a split

Grosse Pointe South senior Jarvis Wise, No. 4, drives in for two points as the host Blue Devils win their first game of the season, 65-53, over the Harper Woods Chandler Park Academy. Wise added 12 points three nights later when the visiting Blue Devils lost 75-50 to Macomb Dakota. Juniors Victor Mattison and Ben Fry each scored eight points as they fell behind 24-8 after the first quarter and 37-26 at the half. Grosse Pointe South is 1-3 heading into the holiday break.



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Boys swimming

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Team wins meets

The Grosse Pointe North boys swimming and diving team opened its season last week, beating Anchor Bay 112-74.

Christian Mellos, Justin Rakowicz and Robert Tripp each won two events for the host Norsemen.

Mellos won the 200-yard individual medley and 100-yard breaststroke with state-qualifying times, while Rakowicz placed first in the 200-yard and 500-yard freestyles with state times, too.

Tripp was first in the 100yard butterfly and 100-yard backstroke to help the Norsemen, under head coach Mike O'Connor, pull away from the Tars.

James McNelis won the diving competition and the 200yard medley relay team of Rakowicz, Milne, Leone, Tripp, Mellos, Zak Hanna and Andrew Kopacka, Matt Peyser won with a state qualifying time.

hosted Livonia Franklin and Russell, Michael Seago, won the meet, 127-51 as Peter Shea was a double winner, taking the top spot in the 200- and 500-yard freestyles.

Single event winners were Rakowicz in the 50-yard freestyle, McNelis in diving, Ryan Seago in the 100-yard freestyle, Matt Leone in the 100-yard backstroke and Mellos in the 100-yard breast- the stroke.

The 200-yard freestyle relay foursome of Tripp, Rakowicz, Hanna, Alex Fly Tommy Milne and Peyser won Saravolatz in the 200-IM. not we no the a visite.



Grosse Pointe North's **Christian Mellos won two** events in the Norsemen's season-opening win over Anchor Bay.

with a state-qualifying time to help the home team improve to 2-0 overall against teams from the MAC and OAA.

O'Connor said season-best times were posted by Tom Vigliotti, Hanna and Michael Rieth in the 50-freestyle; Later in the week, North Rakowicz, Shea, Gordon Matthew Toenjes and Dan Santalucia in the 100-freestyle; Shea, Scott Adelson and Michael Seago in the 200freestyle; Adelson, Eric Reardon and Evan Williams in the 500-freestyle; Leone, Louie Saravolatz and Connor Yeager in the 100-backstroke: Mellos. Steve Schoenith and Russell in 100-breaststroke; Santalucia in the 100-butterfly: Stephen Mack in diving; and and a consider of the

Blue Devils pound Mercy

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe South girls' hockey team has once again taken a seat on the top of the hill.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Last week, the host Blue Devils mercied Farmington Hills Mercy 9-1. It was their second straight mercy win and the third time in their five games they have won by the eight goal mercy rule.

Head coach Bill Fox has a big smile and a pat on the back for his players as they head into the holiday break with a 5-0 mark in the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League Division 1 standings. This time, it was seniors Ana with two goals apiece. Other Jessica Snella, senior Emma was able to score.

Hull, junior Elizabeth Clem, sophomore Claire Boyle and sophomore ' Marissa Monforton.

Girls hockey

Snella, from freshman Baylee McColl got the home team on the board just 2:30 into the first period and Gianino followed with her first goal 17 seconds later.

They also scored two goals within a nine-second span later in the opening period in which the Blue Devils led 5-0.

Boyle and freshman Meghan Polack had two assists apiece with Clem, Hull, McColl, junior Sam Taylor, senior Julia Solecki, sophomore Cara Monforton and Clem netting one assist apiece.

Senior Maggie Miller stopped 5-of-6 shots and came within 27 seconds of posting



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

Grosse Pointe South senior Jessica Snella, No. 5, got the ball rolling with her goal early in the first period.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH Norsemen get spirited win over PCS

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Despite spending 33 percent of the game in the penalty box, Grosse Pointe North's girls' hockey team beat Plymouth-Canton-Salem 4-1 last week.

It was another smothering defensive effort by the host Norsemen and sophomore time later with freshmen Jennifer Cusmano provided all of the offensive fireworks with her hat trick.

oprevious came when any

the home team's night when the Norsemen outshot the Penguins 21-0 in the first period, but the game remained

scoreless. Cusmano put the Norsemen on the board early in the second period, scoring a shorthanded goal.

She scored again a short Catherine McCarthy and Bryn Moody drawing assists.

The Penguins got right back Fans could tell it would be in the game at the 3:23 mark, McCarthy played flawlessly.

scoring a power play goal that cut the Norsemen's lead to 2-1 heading into the final period.

The Norsemen were whistled for four penalties in the period with the Penguins receiving zero.

PCS had nearly a full twominute two-man advantage, but failed to even get a shot on sophomore netminder Emma Huellmantel as defensemen Natalie Skorupski, Taylor Moody, Jaccelynn Sherry and

Cusmano put the finishing touches on her hat trick, scoring at the 10:29 mark and junior Megan Bergeron rounded out the scoring, tallying a shorthanded goal with 1:39 left in the game.

Twenty-four hours later, North traveled to Ann Arbor to face the Pioneers.

The Norsemen played another close game with the. Pioneers, but lost 5-4 in overtime, falling to 4-2 in the league and 5-3 overall.

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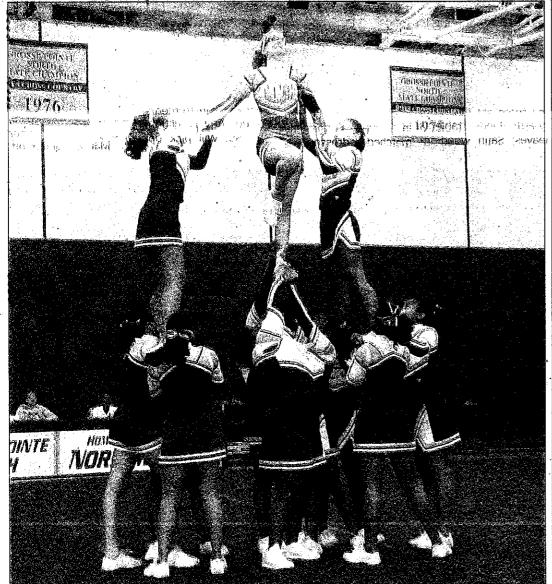


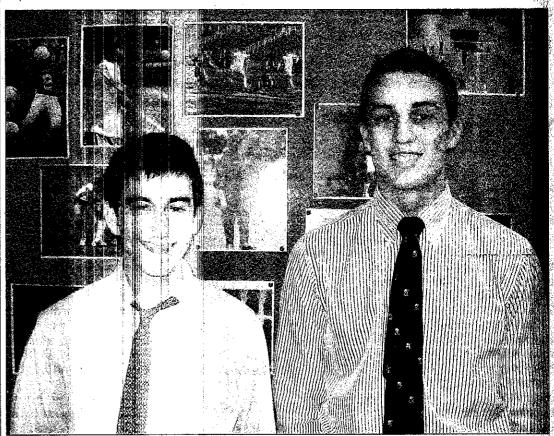
Solid finish

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Grosse Pointe South's competitive cheerleading team finished fifth, ahead of rival Grosse Pointe North, in last weekend's meet at North. Head coach Christine Maynard said the team's strongest showing came in round 3, the "open" round, in which they took third place.

"For our first competition, it was a huge win for us, especially considering that all of the teams we were competing against have been competing in the MHSAA format for at least a couple of years," Maynard said. "I look forward to our continued improvement throughout the season." Pictured above are Grosse Pointe South's cheerleaders in the middle of a routine, while pictured below are Grosse Pointe North's cheerleaders doing their routine.





Court kings

Liggett senior Skippy Faber, right, earned All-State tennis

as did the No. 1 doubles team

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The GPSA Breakers U-16 women's soccer team finished in first place in the Classic 1 division of the Michigan State Premier League during the fall season. Under the direction of second year coach Christian Graczyk, the girls finished another fine season with a 6-1-3 record. A potent offensive at

> tack, stingy defense, solid goalkeeping and a laser focus on teamwork led to the team's success. Pictured are team members are back row from left, Kallyn Conley, Jennifer Cusmano, Carly Mellos, Cathy Palazzolo, Jennifer Haas, Breanne Reisen, Somers Brush, Megan Brooks and Coach Chris Graczyk; and front row from left, Jessica Langer, Alyssa Lombardi, Patti Scherer, Gabriella Maniaci, Elle Wilson, Grace Rentschler, Sam Langer, Maggie Clevenger and Megan Bergeron. Tai'lor Lacey is not pictured.

YOUTH FOOTBALL

Local athletes win 'E' Division

The 2009 St. Veronica varsity area parish schools, including football team, led by a strong group of eighth-graders from the Grosse Pointes, Eastpointe and Harper Woods, finished 5-0 this fall to win the CYO Division "E" championship.

Their reward for the championship was an opportunity to play at Ford Field Oct. 24 as part of the Catholic League's 2009 Prep Bowl games. Supported by the St. Veronica Men's Club, the team is comprised of boys from several

Our Lady Star of the Sea, St. Paul Catholic Church, St. Clare Montefalco, as well as of the Grosse Pointe Public School System.

St. Veronica is coached by Bill Heinemann and has openings for boys grades fourth thru eighth for the 2010 season.

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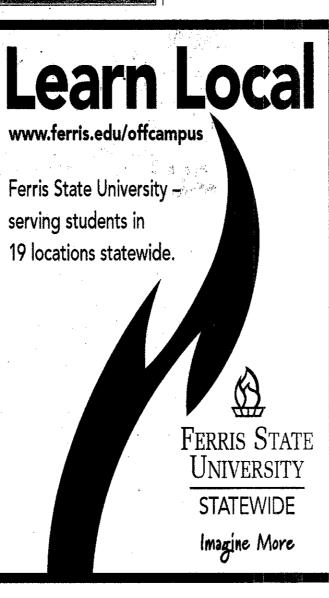


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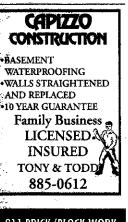
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