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THURSDAY, MARCH 24

- ♦ The Eastside Senior Alliance hosts a complimentary evening of wine, cheese and desserts from 7 to 9 p.m. at Heartland Health Care Georgian East, 21401 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. For more information, call (313) 882-9600.
- ♦ The Faith Communities
 Coalition on Foster Care discusses foster home care from 7
 to 8:30 p.m. at Grosse Pointe
 Memorial Church, 16
 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe
 Farms. Speakers are Tanya
 Griffith, a foster home recruiter, and Philip Hemkie, director of church relations,
 Lutheran Social Services of
 Michigan. For more information, contact the Rev. Kate
 Thoresen at
- kthoresen@gmail.com.

 •University of Michigan professor John Whittier-Ferguson leads a discussion on D.H.

 Lawrence's "Women in Love," the sequel to "The Rainbow" at 7:30 p.m. at Grosse Pointe
 South High School, 11 Grosse
 Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe
 Farms. Admission is \$10.

FRIDAY, MARCH 25

♦ Entries for The Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods LEGO Artist Challenge are due by 4 p.m. at the center at 20090 Morningside Drive, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236. Entry fee is \$15. For more information, vist familycenterweb.org.

SATURDAY, MARCH 26

♦ The Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Women's Beat the Winter Blues Fashion Show is at 19950 Mack. Silent auction bidding begins at 11 a.m.; lunch is served at noon; and the fashion show follows. Tickets cost \$15 and can be purchased at the door. For more information, call the church at (313) 886-4301. Rock bands, The Relics, Hot Peppers and The Thrift Shop Cowboys, perform from 7 to 10 p.m. in the Coffee House. St. Clare of Montefalco, 1401 Whittier, Grosse Pointe Park. There is an open mic. Tickets cost \$10 or families pay \$20. Refreshments are included. For more information, call Ed Fleming at (313) 702-2404. St. Joan of Arc Catholic

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Drug sweep kept secret

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — Preparations were on the QT for a drug sweep last week at Grosse Pointe South High School.

Police commanders planned the sweep in such hushhush fashion that most officers involved weren't informed until about a half hour before deployed.

See SWEEP, page 7A



Officers and K-9 units from several metro departments converged on Grosse Pointe South High School Wednesday, March 16, for a surprise drug sweep. The school passed the test. More coverage, page 1A II.

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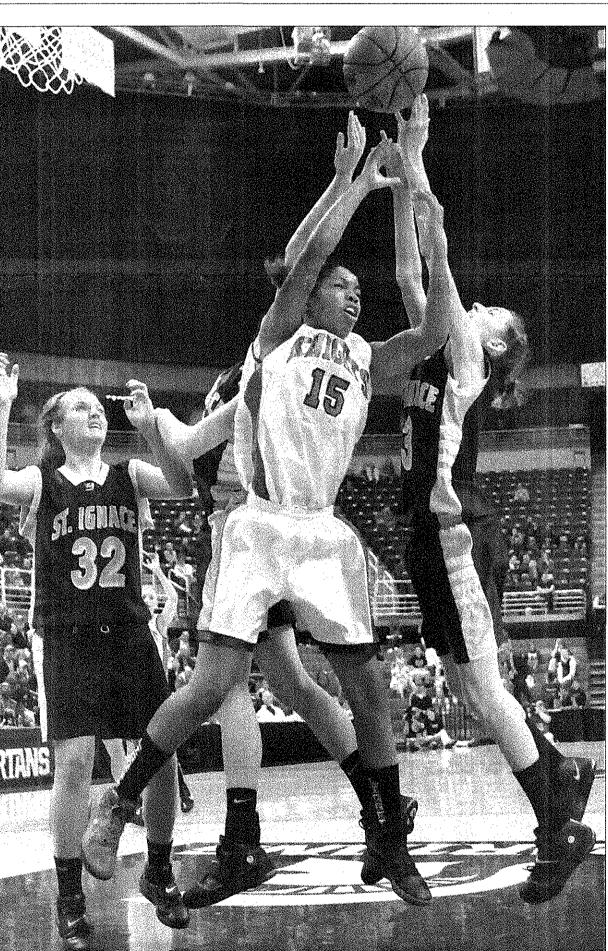


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Breslin battle

Freshman Bre Andrews works for the ball under the basket at Michigan State University's Breslin Center, where University Liggett played in the state championship game. See Page 1C for details of the battle with St. Ignace in the Class C finals.

Moving on with dispatch

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Two of the five Grosse Pointes are formalizing an agreement to share public safety dispatch services.

A bid by the Farms last week to assume duties of the Shores communications center included the winning consideration to employ displaced full-time dispatchers.

"Our intent is to interview those dispatchers," said Shane Reeside, Farms city manager. "They will be considered for a position with Grosse Pointe Farms."

"That drove a lot of the conversation and allowed us to focus on one municipality versus another," said Brian Vick, Shores city manager.

Shores officials plan in principle to close their public safety emergency call desk and contract duties to the Farms.

Terms feature the Shores making a \$125,000 first-year payment to the Farms and \$95,500 annually thereafter.

The deal saves the Shores \$550,000 over four

years, according to Vick.

The Shores also can access CLEMIS (Courts

and Law Enforcement Management Information

See DISPATCH, page 3A

Woods project hearing reset

By Kathy Ryan Staff Writer

A public hearing on a proposed senior housing development in Grosse Pointe Woods has been rescheduled for 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 26, in the city council chambers.

The hearing, originally scheduled for this week, was postponed at the request of the developers of the Rivers of Grosse Pointe.

According to building official Gene Tutag, the developers asked for an extension following a meeting held last week with homeowners whose property adjoins the 14-acre site on Cook Road.

Feedback from the neighbors on the proposed

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Make it a double

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE - Two restaurant owners in the Village are on tap to receive liquor licenses.

Final rulings by the state Liquor Control Commission are anticipated within six months.

Yet, the optimistic owners of SideStreet Diner and Green Zone Pizza figure their beer and wine glasses are half full. They'll continue making plans during the approval process to round-out their menus with alcoholic beverages.

Although daytime business at SideStreet has tripled since opening last September in the former Clairpointe Restaurant on St. Clair, boosting dinner traffic remains a struggle, ac-

Spicer, of Royal Oak.

"Many people want a glass of beer or wine with their meal," she said.

Green Zone's executive chef, John Rodemich, regards tavern service as integral to the success of the gluten-free restaurant, due to open two months from now in Kercheval Place off of Notre Dame.

"Green Zone is all organic, natural and local," Rodemich said. "Our beer and wine is going to be as well. We're going to try to make it a healthier lifestyle for everybody who comes in."

Owner Marcus Wiederkehr, of Grosse Pointe Woods, envisions the Village business as the first in a chain of restaurants.

"I want to build the first one,

cording to co-owner Megan strong," Wiederkehr said. "I know it will work. There's nobody here who has organic piz-

SideStreet is a full-service restaurant with a waitstaff and seating for 75 people.

Green Zone will be a counter-service business, similar in character to Panera Bread. The pizzeria's menu includes sandwiches and salads. Seating will accommodate up to 70 people. A small bar is planned for three or four pa-

Members of the City of Grosse Pointe council, during a special meeting March 16 on the matter, supported both proprietors with liquor license endorsements.

The main decision came down to which owner got

One, a quota license, costs \$1,000 and can be transferred anywhere in Wayne County.

"It is owned by (the recipient) and can be transferred to a different location outside the city," said Peter Dame, city manager.

Quota licenses are allocated to cities based on population. The City has four, all — assuming SideStreet goes through - issued to restaurants in the Village.

The other type of license, a redevelopment license, costs \$20,000 and can only be used in the location granted.

Both applicants wanted the for the \$1,000 license. less costly quota license.

At the council meeting, seven members of the public supported SideStreet. Speakers included, but where not limited

◆ Mike Kramer, president of the Grosse Pointe Village Association: "It's a proven concept. It would provide the greatest benefit to the Village right now;"

◆ James Bellanca, represent-

ing the restaurant's landlord: "Marcus is looking to test the concept. He could take the license with him. SideStreet needs a night business to survive" and

♦ Glenn Stevens, a fan of Spicer's cooking since she was original owner of the Mack Avenue Diner and then Meagan's on Mack, both in Grosse Pointe Woods: "It's a Pied Piper thing for me. I'm in the Village all the time now because of this restaurant. It would enhance my meal."

A majority of the council endorsed SideStreet's application

"With SideStreet, we have a known entity," explained Councilman Donald Parthum Jr. "Given the unknown of Green Zone, and that this license is portable, I have a hard time leaning in that direction, especially when there are other options available."

"Green Zone is a business concept, not in reality," added Councilman Chris Walsh.

Council members supported

Green Zone for the redevelopment license.

The license was available to the city under state laws governing redevelopment project areas, including the City's Downtown Development Authority, encompassing the Village commercial district.

"We have sufficient investment that has been made in our DDA area that we qualify for additional liquor license,' said Peter Dame, city manager. "There is no limit to the number of redevelopment licenses. As long as we keep having new investment, we can qualify for more."

Wiederkehr this week took a third, less expensive option. He announced the purchase of an unused quota license issued originally for Antonio's restaurant in Grosse Pointe Woods.

"We hope both of us can be really successful," Spicer said. 'There's room for all of us. He's going to make a great place. This wasn't about who's idea was better or who was here first."

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Retiree plan update

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES -The city council took another step this month toward reducing the cost of retiree health care benefits.

Council members told administrators to vet recommendations by an ad hoc cost-containment committee to replace existing employee defined benefit plans with those defining costs instead.

"Grosse Pointe Shores" proactive health care benefits plan should be a model for others to learn from and follow," said Mayor James Cooper.

The recommendation, contained in a report released early this month by the ad hoc citizens' volunteer Blue Ribbon proposed plan. Committee and reported in the

supplants open-ended, city-financed retiree medical costs.

The 12-member committee (everyone who volunteered to serve was allowed to do so) unanimously advised Shores officials to establish an employee fund. Employees would contribute to the fund each year of employment and withdraw money after retirement to pay their health care ex-

The proposal applies to all employees, whether or not they belong to one of four unions.

A committee spokesman said the city could reduce its \$8-to-\$11 million unfunded post-retirement health care liability by \$100,000 to \$300,000 per employee switched to the

City council members re-March 10 Grosse Pointe News, sponded last week by directing

manager Brian Vick to gather feedback from actuaries, legal counsel and a health care consultant about actual cost savings of implementing the recommendations.

"We'll want labor counsel involved because they're involved with all of our negations," Vick said.

Feedback will be used to discuss implementation.

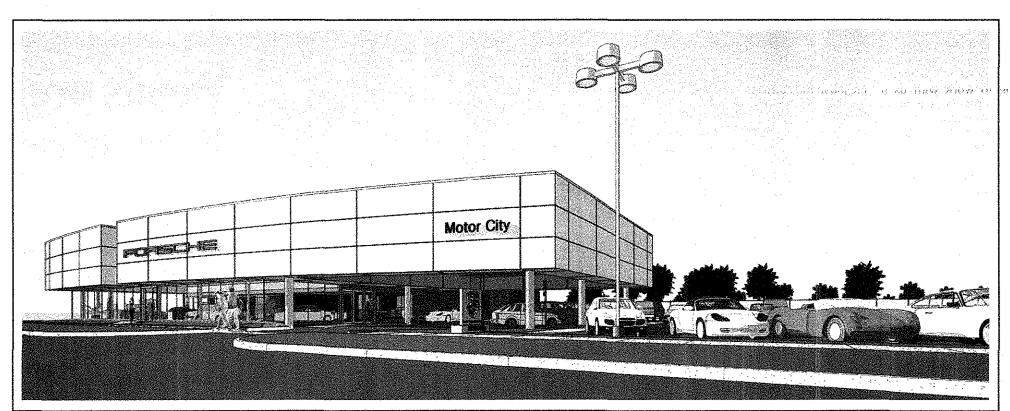
"The report validates steps the city council and administration have taken towards cost containment and concessions we have been seeking through collective bargaining with the four unions," Cooper

Actuarial fees are expected to range from \$5,000 to \$8,000 to determine cost savings per

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Don't be alarmed

By Kathy Ryan Staff Writer

A false alarm may soon cost real cash in Grosse Pointe Woods.

City officials have proposed charging home and business owners when a burglar alarm goes off and police are dispatched only to find that the alert has been tripped by the owner forgetting to turn it off or an employee not familiar with the system.

"Last year we had 2,350 calls that an alarm had gone off," administrator Fincham told council members at a recent committee of the whole meeting. "We dispatched a car to the scene, and every one, 100 percent, were false alarms."

As a result, Fincham is proposing some type of a fee be charged a home or business owner when police are required to check out false alarms.

"Each time we respond, it's our resources,' taxing Fincham said. "We estimate a call costs \$75 to \$100 per response."

Part of the problem, Fincham explained, is that the city has no idea how many alarm systems actually exist in the city, so it is difficult to tell which calls are repeats, oftentimes caused by occupants simply not knowing how to work their alarm system the correct way.

'We have no way right now of tracking calls to one particular address," he said. "Our offi- proposed fee schedule.

cers on the street oftentimes know which house requires repeat calls, but the city has no way of knowing."

Realtors inadvertently contribute to the problem as well, Fincham explained.

'Several calls involve Realtors using a lock box to enter the house who don't know how to operate the alarm system," he said.

While city officials endorsed Fincham exploring an ordinance that would impose a fee or fine for false alarm runs, they stopped short of calling for such severe measures as forcing an alarm owner to disconnect a system for too many false alarms.

"We can't go too far," said councilman Todd McConaghy. "And I'm not even sure if legally we can order someone to disconnect an alarm."

Councilman Art Bryant endorsed the idea of having alarm owners register with the city and charging a registration

"Requiring an alarm owner to register with the city would provide us with much needed information." Fincham said. "That way we could have secondary contacts in case we couldn't reach the homeowner, especially in the case of an outside audible alarm."

Fincham said several cities have such ordinances on their books. The council asked the city attorney to draft of an ordinance for review that would establish procedures for the city to handle false alarms and a



Dance party

The ever-popular song, "YMCA," brought a crowd to the dance floor at the Grosse Pointe Daddy Daughter Dance at Grosse Pointe South High School Saturday, March 19. The event was a collaborative effort of the five Grosse Pointes' parks and recreation departments.







Above left, Mark and Emmie Rieth, of Grosse Pointe Woods, and Mackenzie Driscoll, of Grosse Pointe Park, show off their dancing style. At left, Sydney Eickhorst, of Grosse Pointe Woods, steps onto the dance floor with her father, Bradley. Above, Grosse Pointe Woods resident Greg Westrick swings his daughter, Stephanie, high above the floor.

UPDATE: Everything is on the table

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category of employees and re-

"It comes down to implementation," said Councilman David Galbenski, liaison to the Blue Ribbon Committee. "If I were to look at a next step, it's

budget impact." "We need to include whatever findings we get out of the actuary and legal counsel in our budget discussions," Vick said. "The budget has to be adopted by the end of June."

terms. 'We should be aggressive

about looking at everything we possibly can," said Councilman Brian Geraghty about cost sav-

"I think that future hires

should be the first group that

participates in these important

changes," Cooper said. "It will place a cap on the future num-

ber of employees in our cur-

rent plan and remove a large

amount of uncertainty. The

next step would be to approach

current employees and aggres-

sively negotiate individual

DISPATCH: Changes have been discussed for more than a year

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System) through the Farms.

The Shores doesn't subscribe to the system, which provides considerably more information on suspects than driving records in the LEIN (Law **Enforcement** Information Network) database.

"CLEMIS allows officers to share information, to send fingerprints out and back," said Stephen Poloni, Shores public safety director.

Also, the Shores is alone among the Pointes in not having computers in police cars. Officers, thereby, are limited while doing background checks of suspects during street investigations.

"If you get computers in the vehicles, which we intend doing, officers would be able to get that information directly on a stop," Poloni said of access to CLEMIS. "They'd know what they're dealing with. They'd get a picture of the subject. There is a ton of things CLEMIS encompasses."

'We'll be transitioning to that," Vick said of the enhanced database. "The Farms is willing to work with us if there is a gap to help us move

as quickly as possible." during this month's meeting authorized Vick to pursue CLEMIS. The system has startup costs of about \$35,000 and a \$15,000 annual fee, according to Vick.

"This is the first step," he told the council about consolidation efforts. "I will be providing you new information at every meeting from here moving forward."

Change

"This is not a provision to take officers out of the community," Vick said.

comes compromise.

"There will be change on the non-emergency side of the equation," Vick said. "Now, we have somebody sitting at that desk 24/7. If you want to come in and get a dog license or ask a question, there's someone there to answer that question. Is that the most efficient model or service? No."

routed directly to the Farms in what Vick foresees as a seamless transition of existing service levels.

Current staff

The Pointes employ a combined 15 full-time dispatchers. Their average salary and benefits total \$65,145 per employee, according to the report.

The cities together have 14 part-time dispatchers. Individual pay is about \$17 per hour.

The breakdown is:

♦ City: Two full time, four part time.

◆ Farms: Five full time, no part time. Park: Four full time, no part time.

◆ Shores: Two full time (a third resigned recently), six

◆ Woods: Two full time, four part time.

Non-emergency telephone changes," Dame said. calls to the Shores will ring at Shores headquarters. If no one is available to answer the call, it will be routed to the Farms.

Shores payments to the Farms during the agreement's first three years total \$325,000.

Payments are \$25,000 more than the Shores would pay during the same period to the City of Grosse Pointe, which offered to handle dispatching for \$100,000 annually.

The City lost by not offering to hire the Shores two, full-time dispatchers. A third dispatcher quit last week for a comparable job in the Park. He's not being replaced.

"I am very pleased that the Shores council members recommendation to pursue dispatch services with Grosse Pointe Farms was unanimously supported by the Shores city council," said Shores Mayor James Cooper "One of the key components that the Farms offered was the opportunity to employ our remaining full-

time dispatch officers." "I am disappointed that our proposal was not selected, as it was a way that we could both reduce costs and I could preserve City employee positions," said Peter Dame, manager of the City.

The Park and Woods also of-Yet, with consolidation fered the Shores \$100,000 per year, according to Vick.

"None of them took into consideration our current employ-

ees," he said. The City, meanwhile, is fielding and tendering offers at the

same time. "We have proposals from the Park, Woods and Farms," said City Mayor Dale Scrace.

"I have informed (our) em-Emergency 911 calls will be ployees that we are seeking proposals from other communities, and will work in good faith to negotiate the potential impact on these potential

Pointe-wide savings

Consolidation is supposed to save costs.

A single dispatch operation also would end the need for individual Grosse Pointes to duplicate their sister cities' staff and communication equipment.

"We all spend about the same for dispatch, about \$250,000," Scrace said.

The Pointes spend a combined \$1,281,594 on dispatching, according to a report released this month by the Ad Hoc Grosse Pointe Public

Safety Committee. The committee is comprised of the Pointe mayors, city managers, one council member from each city and a single Southeast Michigan Council of

Governments facilitator. Its members began convening about six months ago to research ways the cities could cut costs by sharing services.

The committee's six-page report eyed the ultimate goal of full-blown consolidation of dispatch departments into one, centralized operation and prisoner lock-up.

Given the high cost of doing so, the committee put forward the intermediate step of partial consolidation into two or three call centers.

Partial consolidation lets cash-strapped cities delay paying collectively for construction of a central facility costing \$400,000 to \$500,000, according to Vick.

Neither the intermediate step nor ultimate goal has a deadline, other than as soon as possible, given the recession's impact on each city's financial outlook. Representatives of at least three Pointes announced shortfalls of at least \$400,000 for next fiscal year.

Dame hasn't set a date for implementation, nor will he predict cost savings of municipal agreements that have yet to be made.

"But, I do expect the City will be moving ahead with sharing dispatch services with another Grosse Pointe, and only after (the city) council formally reviews and approves the proposed arrangements," Dame said.

He'd also like to save jobs.

"The dispatchers are excellent, hard-working people, and I am grateful for their service to the City," Dame said. "However, we have to pursue options to reduce City costs, given the financial straights we are in due to the declining property tax and state rev-

enues.' Shores officials have been discussing changes to their dispatch department for more

than a year. "Our 2010-2011 budget was approved on the basis of achieving greater efficiencies and savings from our dispatch

service," Cooper said. Shores savings would add to those going back to at least 2004, when the position of deputy public safety director was eliminated. More cost-cutting came this year by shifting personnel.

Equipment savings

Even partial consolidation lets cities save on communications equipment.

Shores equipment costs \$255,000, according to Vick.

All of the Pointes' communications equipment is outdated and expensive to replace, according to the ad hoc committee's findings.

"The equipment is no longer being supported by the manufacturer in terms of parts and could at any time fail, with no option other than replacement," according to the report.

"We have been notified that, at some point, that equipment will have to be replaced, whether in two years or 10 years," Vick said. "Does it make sense to replace it once for all five communities or twice for the subdivisions?"

While municipal officials move forward on matters of dispatch, the ad hoc committee is moving to other things.

"Discussions and research will continue by the committee to explore potential efficiencies of one future Grosse Pointe dispatch," Cooper said.

Fundraiser supports retreats

A Friday, March 25, pasta dinner fundraiser supports The Respite Center for Women, which provides weekend retreats for women diagnosed with cancer.

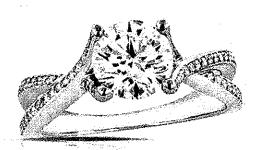
The dinner is from 7 to 11 p.m. at the Fern Hill Country Club, 17600 Clinton River Road, Clinton Township. Tickets cost \$25 and are avail- respitecenterforwomen.com. able at the door.

The evening features a silent auction from 7:30 to 9 p.m., a 50/50 raffle, a cash bar and entertainment by Hogan Says!

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For more information about the organization and the event,

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POINTER OF INTEREST

Life through a lens

By A.J. Hakim Staff writer

In every photograph is a shared moment in time and space, memories and experi-

It's in the sharing of these experiences that has the City of Grosse Pointe resident Michael Florian attracted to photography.

"You get published, that's nice," said Florian, who recently retired from AAA Michigan, where he worked for 25 years. "For me, it's the personal satisfaction, sharing the images with people."

As president of the Greater Detroit Camera Club Council,

vanced photoshop elements, as well as participates in competitions and assignments.

The local member club, the Grosse Pointe Camera Club, which Florian also heads, has been active since 1937 and meets two Tuesdays per month at Brownell Middle School. Its objectives are to provide educational opportunities, stimulate community interest in photography through classes and offer members educational and productive associations with people of common interests, often accomplished through competitions and assignments.

"With the camera clubs

Especially with black and white (photos) because you watch the image appear miraculously on this blank sheet of paper. It never gets boring watching that happen.'

MICHAEL FLORIAN, City of Grosse Pointe

sionally, is that it does keep your creative juices flowing

> year round because you're constantly competing against other amateur photographers year round."

Despite his passion, Florian hardconsidered joining the professional ranks. There was a time --when he younger he that dreamed of being published and of working as a professional

photographer. But photography to him has mostly been hobby, sparked at an early age Portage.

Florian

a position he's held since there is competition," said by his father, who built a darkroom using 25 percent of his bedroom and who dabbled in the art during his childhood.

But it wasn't until he graduclasses on digital camera fun- But the thing with the club, as ated from Western Michigan University that Florian took a

more serious approach and travel across the country and began spending more time in Canada in search of national darkrooms. He eventually became a teacher at a school in the Madison School District in Adrian that gave him the responsibility and authority to take over its darkroom. From the national parks," Florian grossepointecameraclub.org. there, he had a stint in Detroit in the 1970s before settling in Grosse Pointe with his wife, Judy, in 1988. All the while, he made sure he had access to a darkroom.

"It's a much more organic experience," Florian said of developing a photo in a darkroom. "It's a very involved effort from the time you prep until it comes out to wash and dry. You're monitoring temperature, monitoring time. Any temperature shift or time shift is going to goof up your print. The computer took a lot of the luxury out of making a

"Especially with black and white (photos) because you watch the image appear miraculously on this blank sheet of paper. It never gets boring watching that happen."

In recent years, Florian has developed a liking to nature photography. Birds, especially. He's traveled to several areas, including the Galapagos Islands, Costa Rica, Africa and Ecuador, among others. He even had a picture from his trip to Africa published by the Detroit Free Press during a 2001 contest.

"It won first place in the international division," Florian said about his photograph of an elephant at sunset in Chobe. "It was supposed to be published the week after 9/11. Needless to say, it wasn't published until about a month later. But the Free Press never notified me that I was the winner. I was just looking in the travel section one day and while grow- there it was. That's probably ing up in one of my most successful things.'

Now that he's retired, was first ex- Florian hopes to delve further to into nature by taking time to Florian said.

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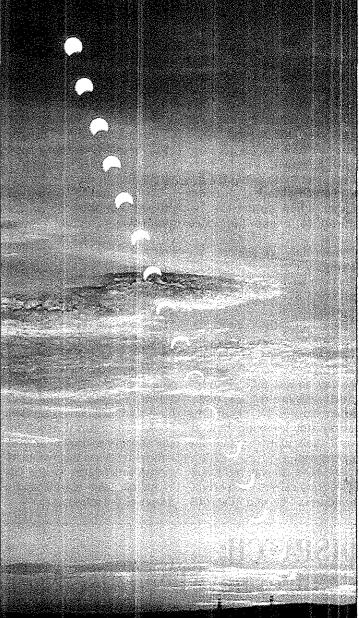
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parks.

"What I'm hoping to do soon is, I was hoping to do a lot of traveling through the U.S. and Canada and visiting

said. "Our country has an awful lot of wonderful parks and a lot that many Americans don't know about.'

For more information on the Grosse Pointe Camera Club.



Above: Florian's favorite of his pictures. A multiple exposure on film of a partial solar eclipse. He used 17 exposures on one frame of film, with the sun images taken five minutes apart, and the sky captured 10 to 15 minutes after the sun set.

Below: 'I visited Italy in the fall of 2006. This shot of the exterior of the famous Collosseum is a time exposure, which created the paths of light as cars passed in front of the structure,"





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Auto Home Life Retirement

SWEEP: South passes test again this year

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Nor were school officials let in the loop until minutes before officers with drug-sniffing German shepherds surrounded campus and entered hallways at 9 a.m. Thursday, March 17.

"We were afraid word would leak out," said coordinator Lt. Detective Richard Rosati, of the Grosse Pointe Farms public safety department. "We told the midnight shift to hold over for transferring bottles of chlorine bleach at the water plant, a hazmat situation."

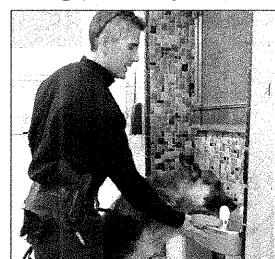
The sweep's quick-time kick-off cut down chances for quislings in the community to spread warnings through cyberspace, whether by cell phone, e-mail or text mes-

Officers and 11 dogs from about 10 metropolitan Detroit agencies took part.

"The dogs got all excited and were barking," Rosati said. "The school went on lockdown."

A February sweep of South was canceled because an overnight snowstorm forced closure of the public school

Officers upped the ante on last week's make-up edition by adding a few random classrooms to their checklist of student lockers, plus cars parked



Almeranti lets City of Grosse Pointe police dog, Raleigh, whet his whistle during a drug sweep last year of **Grosse Pointe** South High School.

Sgt. Michael

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on and around campus.

'Students were removed from the classes and their backpacks were left at desks," Rosati said. "The dogs went in and sniffed."

"Nothing was found inside the school," said Sgt. Michael Almeranti, handler of the City of Grosse Pointe police dog, Raleigh. "Raleigh hit on a couple lockers, but nothing was found inside."

Dogs detect the odor of drugs, including residue, not necessarily the presence of a drug itself.

A car parked in the S Lot off of Fisher contained a pipe and prescription bottle half filled with marijuana, according to Rosati. The car belonged to a male upperclassman from the City, he added.

No criminal charges have on their stuff."

been filed.

"The school was going to handle anything that was marijuana," Rosati said. "We were going to handle hard drugs."

"We were very happy that we found only a very little amount of marijuana - no hard drugs," said James Fox, City chief.

A sweep of lockers and cars at South last April turned up a small amount of marijuana and drug paraphernalia - including a pipe fashioned from a plastic bottle - in four lockers and two vehicles. There were no arrests.

"The kids know better than to bring the stuff to school," Almeranti said. "I think the message is clear that, between South and North, they're going to be subject to periodic checks

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AHEAD:

SATURDAY, MARCH 26

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Church's third annual electronics recycling event is from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The cost is \$5. The church is located at 22410 Overlake, St. Clair Shores.

- Health and fitness expert Peter Nielsen offers a free 11 a.m. seminar at Better Health Market, 19850 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. For reservations, call (313) 885-5000.
- ♦ Secretary of State offices will not accept driver's license applications and renewals or process card correction or re-

placements because a national computer system is down for upgrades. Driver's licenses expiring March 26 and 27 are considered valid through March 28.

MONDAY, MARCH 28

- ♦ Pajama-Rama, for children 3 to 5 years old and their caregivers, is from 7 to 7:45 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe Public Library, Woods branch, 20680 Mack. To register, call (313) 343-2072.
- Grosse Pointe Park city council meets at 7 p.m. in council chambers, 15115 E. Jefferson.
- ♦ Grosse Pointe Public Library Board of Trustees meets at 7 p.m. in the Woods branch, 20680 Mack. The agenda is available at gp.lib.mi.us.

TUESDAY, MARCH 29

◆ The animated movie. "Tangled," can be seen at 7 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe

Public Library, Woods branch, 20680 Mack. The event is free. ♦ Richard Thomas, of Soulscape, discusses "Fanciful Floral Arrangements" at 7:30 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore,

Grosse Pointe Farms. Admission is free. For reservations, call (313) 881-7511, ext.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30

- ♦ Kim Steggles presents "The 40 Developmental Assets" at 6:30 p.m. at Assumption Nursery School, 22150 Marter, St. Clair Shores. Partners in the free presentation are The Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods and Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe.
- ♦ The animated movie, "Aladdin," is shown at 2 p.m. in the Grosse Pointe Public Library in the Ewald branch. 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

PROJECT: Officials says it's 'on track'

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condominium section of the project prompted developers to rethink the exterior of the main building, he said.

"There are some design elements shown on the detached cottages that they would like to incorporate into the façade of the mixed use or main building," said Tutag. "I agree with what they are proposing and have been involved in discussions about the changes.

"The project is still on track." · The Rivers of Grosse Pointe

is a proposed continuing care retirement community proposed on land that was once the Children's Home of Detroit. Plans call for condominium units, an independent living section, an assisted living component and a skilled nursing unit.

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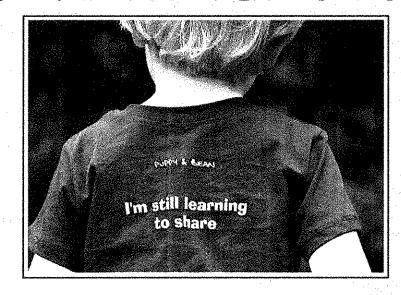
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GUEST OPINION By Glenn Scherer

Abolish the EPA and NRC

he New York Times revealed as long ago as 1972, the United States Atomic Energy Commission — precursor to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission - knew of fatal design defects in the General Electric nuclear reactors now gone critical in Japan. But instead of banning the design, they stamped it as "safe" for nearly four

decades. That jaw-dropping revelation caused me to reconsider recent Tea Party demands for the death of the Environmental Protection Agency. Despite my staunch environmentalism, I'm now willing to consider ridding us not only of the EPA, but also NRC and every federal regulatory agency irrevocably corrupted by big corporate influence.

This is my thinking: We might actually be safer if we eliminated all regulatory agencies and the false sense of security they provide. Agencies like NRC and EPA lull us with promises of environmental compliance, while conniving with big corporations to fast-track pet projects as they shove horrific public safety risks under the regulatory rug.

The NRC case is damning: In 1972, a federal safety official eerily described the disaster now unfolding at Fukushima, saying GE's Mark I nuclear reactor presented an unacceptable safety risk and should be discontinued. His supervisor, Joseph Hendrie, nixed the idea, arguing a ban could "well be the end of nuclear power."

Like so many corporate toadying Washington bureaucrats, Hendrie was rewarded for siding with industry over safety. He was made head of NRC. Now, 23 Mark I reactors are in service across the U.S. - with the same fatal engineering flaw built in-

As with NRC, so with EPA. Corruption has often turned EPA into a rubber-stamp for unsafe corporate projects and practices. Observe, for example, natural gas companies clamoring to drill thousands of new wells across the U.S. using a controversial technique called hydraulic fracking. The New York Times last month revealed the EPA has suppressed numerous studies showing fracking to be seriously harmful, but the agency never acted on the danger.

Unpublished EPA studies concluded radioactive fracking wastewater cannot be fully diluted in waterways. But despite wastewater radioactivity levels - sometimes hundreds of times higher than the maximum federal drinking water standard — the EPA has not required frequent tests of radioactive treated wastewater before it goes into streams such as Pennsylvania's Delaware River, serving more than 15 million people with drinking water.

As with the NRC and EPA, so with the U.S. Mineral Management Service — renamed the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management after its shameless, arguably illegal, performance in the lead-up to the BP Deepwater spill. MMS employees regularly rotated between the regulator and big oil companies they were supposed to police — a common practice among corporations and agencies. Sexual misconduct, drug use and graft marked the MMS in the Bush administration, and misconduct continued during President Barack Obama's watch as billions in harm was done to the Gulf economy and environment by the BP disaster.

No matter where you look, you'll find federal regulatory agencies in the same chummy relationship with big business. The Army Corps of Engineers, for example, is known for its close relationship with big water polluters such as Occidental Chemical, and big shipping interests that support harbor dredging over ecological and public health concerns.

The Department of Interior's Bureau of Land Management an agency that is supposed to protect public resources regularly offers ridiculously low leasing prices to big mining and drilling companies, allowing them to ravage our public

The U.S. Department of Agriculture — like many federal regulators - often invites big industry to help write the environmental and safety rules used to regulate new products. So it was that agribusiness giant Monsanto was invited by the Bush administration to literally "cut-and-paste" its findings into the federal environmental assessment that resulted in the Obama administration's approval of Monsanto's controversial genetically engineered crop known as Roundup Ready alfalfa. Frankly, environmental protection is not served when industry spin substitutes for real science.

After 9/11, Americans understandably became obsessed with national security. Today, I'd argue if you're afraid for your children, don't just urge government to hunt down Al-qaeda. Demand it slam shut the revolving door between big corporations and regulatory agencies and lift the veil of secrecy that conceals undue corporate influence.

Most importantly, prosecute federal officials and corporate managers who subvert public safety and the common good to make rich corporations even richer.

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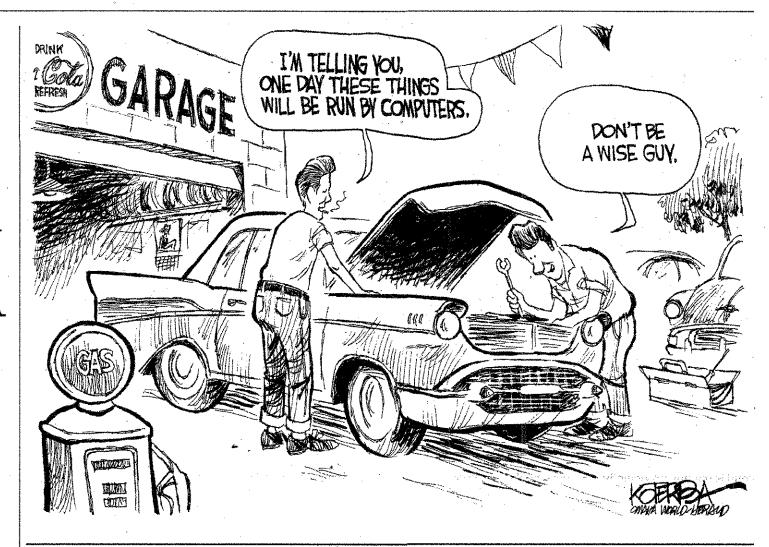
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GUEST OPINION By James M. Hohman and Paul Kersey

Budget takes on government employee compensation

n Open Government **Employment Law** would allow employees to decide whether a union has earned their support and end taxpayer support for union politics.

Recent public-sector union protests in Ohio and Wisconsin captured headlines, but have not yet occurred on the same scale in Michigan. Gov. Rick Snyder is seeking cooperation from labor leaders to prevent this conflict, but he's also taken a bold stand on government employee compensation in hisexecutive budget. Considering employment costs are a primary reason why government spending continues to grow, this is a commendable move.

Unlike our Midwestern neighbors, Snyder is not targeting unionization, but rather its effect of protecting and increasing compensation regardless of government's ability to pay. In the past decade, Michigan's public-sector compensation gained on average while the private sector shrank. Wages fell in the private sector by 7 percent and the value of benefits fell 28 percent. It's been almost the exact opposite in the public sector. Wages increased 7 percent, while benefits packages increased a substantial 32 percent.

To contain employment costs, the budget calls for \$180 million in employee concessions with the state government's unions. While there are fewer state employees, increased employment costs negated the net savings of a smaller workforce. According to the Michigan Department of Civil Service, there were 54,866 full-time equivalent employees in 2003, costing \$3.8 billion. The figure has grown to \$4.7 billion in fiscal 2010, a massive gain, despite an 8 percent drop in full timers.

School districts that get employees to pick up a larger share of health insurance costs will be eligible for a piece of a new \$300 million incentive. Local governments and universities will be offered similar incentives to control expenses.

In the past decade, Michigan's private-sector employers made substantial changes to control health insurance costs. They've moved toward health savings accounts and required employees to contribute a greater percentage to the costs of their own monthly health insurance premiums.

Meanwhile, state and local governments largely refused to reform. The Mackinac Center for Public Policy's analysis of teacher health insurance coverage offered by every Michigan school district shows nearly half do not have any form of premium sharing. And for those that do, the average percent teachers contribute is only 5 percent.

While the governor called for pre-funding the state's health care benefits for retirees, the budget also recommends reducing the benefit. Providing health insurance benefits to retirees costs more than \$1 billion a year for state and school employees. It's also a benefit rare in the private sector.

An analysis of 25 major Michigan employers found only two offer any retiree health benefits. The recommended actions indicate offering retiree health care is a fiscal problem that needs to be addressed.

Overall, Snyder recognizes employment costs at all levels of government need to be addressed and nudges all governments to follow suit. More can be done to equip local governments with the tools to lower government expenses without harming services.

The biggest piece of assistance the state can offer is to change unionization rules, as 60 percent of Michigan's government workforce is unionized. But the people elected to serve the public interestschool board members, trustees, council members and others - should have the freedom to walk away from union negotiations.

Likewise, governments should stop being tax collectors for union dues. Right now, nearly every government union's dues are paid for via payroll deductions as part of union contracts. But paying for union representation should be a private matter between employees and their union.

An Open Government Employment Law would allow local employees to decide whether the union has earned their support and end taxpayer support for union politics.

The governor's reforms begin to address the growing disparity between public and private employees at all levels of government in Michigan. But this only broaches the subject of bringing benefits in balance. There's a lot more that needs to be done.

James Hohman is a fiscal policy analyst and Paul Kersey is director of labor policy at the Mackinac Center for Public Policy.

GUEST OPINION By Russ Harding

Government mandate on toilets

overnments at all levels have enthusiastically jumped on the green bandwagon.

Government intervention in the name of saving the planet from environmental destruction usually comes in the form of product bans or mandates that place restrictions on the purchase or use of products by consumers on a daily basis.

Government's green intervention often causes more problems than it solves. Nowhere is this more evident than in San Francisco, where

the city council mandated low-

flush toilets. According to an article in the San Francisco Chronicle, lowflush toilets have literally caused a big stink. The lack of water from low-flush toilets has caused sludge to back up in sewer pipes, resulting in a rotten-egg stench in various areas of the city.

To combat the problem, the city poured 8.5 million pounds of bleach down the drain at a cost of \$14 million to taxpay-

In recent years, Americans have been subject to an onslaught of government mandates including the type of light bulbs we can use, what dish detergent is acceptable and how much ethanol we put into the gas tank. Government's attempt to control every aspect of Americans' lives seldom turns out the way government officials envision.

Most government officials in mandating environmental requirements act out of ideological or political motivations and either lack the technical expertise to understand the ramifications of their actions or do not

Michigan officials should take a time out from any new environmental mandates until we fully understand the unintended consequences.

Gov. Rick Snyder should reinstate the Michigan **Environmental Science Board** operated during Gov. Engler's administration. The board served a valuable function in bringing technical and scientific analysis to environmental issues.

Russ Harding is director of the Mackinac Center for Public Policy's Property Rights Network

GUEST OPINION By Jarrett Skorup

Raising the sub-minimum wage

conomist Thomas Sowell once characterized minimum wage laws as a disconnected third party - the government - preventing those directly affected -a potential employer and employee - from doing what they have both agreed.

Legislation has been intro-

duced in Congress to increase

the wage below which restau-

rant servers and other tipped

working. This sub-minimum wage would rise from \$2.13 to \$3.75 this year, and to \$5.50 by 2013. In Michigan, these workers may not work for less than \$2.65 per hour before tips.

workers are prohibited from

This urge to micromanage the employment decisions of restaurants and their employees stands in contrast to the practice of most elected representatives who use unpaid interns to perform a range of duties in their offices.

If members of Congress were truly "focused like a laser" on job creation, they could lower the minimum wage, or even eliminate it for younger workers, such as those who work as their interns — for free. A high minimum wage prices low-income and low-skilled workers out of the job market. When an employer is forced to pay more than the value added by a particular employee, the job is

eliminated. The mandate also has a disparate impact on mi-

Economists are in near-universal agreement: Raising the minimum wage almost always generates unemployment higher than it would be otherwise and is a net loss for society and the poor.

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I SAY By Ann Fouty

Reading is good for Janet, you and me



lementary parents are surely aware that March is reading month. With classroom challenges of who can read the most and stop, drop and read activities, children are setting aside time to read all sorts of literature from picture books to chapter books and comic books or graphic novels.

I was talking with Bob, the father of a kindergartner and a third grader. He said his eldest child is reading proficiently while the kindergartner is

mastering Dr. Seuss books one of which is "Hop on Pop."

Our household members read that book frequently and enjoyed the "hopping on pop" suggestion. One child, in particular, literally followed through with the hopping part. And Pop endured. After Dr. Suess, we progressed to poetry, fairy tales and classics. Since those elementary days, reading tastes have matured and splintered and I get to read something of my own choosing.

Lately, I've been meshed in history.

I read the "Bath Massacre," by Arnie Berstein, about America's first school bombing in 1927. Andrew Kehoe set off enough explosives in the basement of a school to kill 38 school children and seven

was rebelling against paying school taxes. Luckily, not all the homemade bombs planted in the basement went off, so not all the children, teachers and administrators were injured or killed.

How gruesome were the pictures painted by the author and those archived photos that illustrated the book. What a tragic part of Michigan history and what a good read. This had followed on the heels of the story of the 1968 murder of the Richard Robinson family in their Cross Village summer house. Another true story from Michigan history.

Whew. I needed some lighter reading.

I moved on to Egyptian history, "River God," by Wilbur Smith. This was fiction. I

adults and injure 58 others. He slogged through the 900 pages of a eunuch, Taita, explaining his exploites as an inventor, scholar, architect, doctor, storyteller, musician, psychologist and war strategist while serving the pharaoh's wife. The usual betrayals, wars, flights to escape a conquering horde, infidelity and captivity keep the story flowing along the Nile.

It was on to "The Pillars of the Earth," by Ken Follett. Set in 13th century England, it centers around building a cathedral.

After reading those two tomes, I wondered how anyone lived. Between the unsanitary conditions, the poisonings, slaughter, killings, retaliation, hangings and stabbings, it's a wonder civilization made it through the centuries. Granted they were fiction, yet

there is real evidence of illgotten gains, thrones, property, wives and husbands, making it believable, not far from today's history of death, destruction and demented thoughts and actions.

It was time for a change and a different war.

I recently finished "The Book Thief," by Markus Zusak. Qualified Young Adult fiction, I wouldn't let that stop anyone from reading about a teenage girl living in Germany during World War II.

The narrator is Death who is overworked during those long years, yet he follows illiterate Liesel Meminger from the graveside of her brother, where she steals her first book, and her life through the end of the 1930s and into the 1940s.

My next book was written more than 100 years ago. It was a gift. While I carefully turn the very yellowed pages, I will try to guess what type of person previously read it. Did M.E.W. Bates, who authographed the front in ink, buy the book? Or was it a present? Did she or he devour it? Or just set it on the shelf?

Next, Janet Courtney signed her name in pencil. And how did she obtain the book? Did she enjoy it? Or was it assigned?

Shall I write my name as the third reader of Mary Hartwell Catherwood's "Mackinac and Lake Stories?" It would note I, too, sat under the lamplight to read short stories about Mackinac Island, Cross Village and Beaver Island.

I will stop, drop and read.

STREETWISE By Renee Landuyt

What do you want to be when you grow up?

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



'A famous basketball player for the Clippers and donate part of my money to charity.

MICHAEL HAMILTON Grosse Pointe Woods



'A quarterback for the Green Bay Packers or a first baseman for the Detroit Tigers.' JAKE TEDESCO Grosse Pointe Woods



'A guy who builds houses because I am really good with LEGOs.'

MICHAEL VILLENEUVE Grosse Pointe Woods



'A dentist because I like teeth and I can't wait to have all my own.' STEPHANIE WESTRICK Grosse Pointe Woods



'A scientist so I could make potions and an at-home science experiment kit.3 JORDAN WILLIAMS Grosse Pointe Woods

GUEST OPINION By Jack McHugh

Autism insurance coverage mandate

obbyists and activists working to impose a state insurance mandate for autism coverage in Michigan are extremely active. Less than two hours after I recently blogged on this topic, I was contacted by two of them.

One of the observations I made in that post was proponents for a particular mandate always claim their mandate will actually save money in the long run, which raises the question: "So if it's cost effective, why don't insurance companies just add the desired coverage in all policies without a mandate?"

Apparently the autism mandate proponents aren't even pretending it will save on overall medical costs. In an email one said to me, "The money saved is not from the insurance company's bottom line. It is taxpayer money saved because ... resources will not have to be used to fund less efficient treatment options such

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as public schools and Medicaid." In other words, the putative savings are speculative "second order" effects for society as a whole.

The mandate's costs are not speculative, however, but quite concrete, and are imposed on a very identifiable group - all health insurance consumers. Such non-transparent, unaccountable cost-shifting is one of the misguided policies that has made our current health care system a morass of skewed incentives and unintended negative consequences.

If as a society we decide families with an autistic child should be helped by redistributing to them a little wealth from everyone else, then the honest, transparent and democratically accountable way to do it is by giving these families

a direct subsidy from the government.

Although it's not the kind of position one expects from a free-market think tank analyst, I have no problem with this. I have a huge problem, however, with sneaking the subsidy through the back door of a state insurance coverage mandate.

The Council on Affordable Health Insurance is an industry-sponsored group that for years has been the source for comprehensive information on the number and cost of state insurance mandates.

It's worth noting that estimates of how much autism mandates add to insurance costs has risen from "less than 1 percent" in past reports, to 1 to 3 percent today. CAHI points out, "The cost estimates come

from a working group of actuaries and not CAHI staff."

Accompanying the latest tabulation is a brief paper, "Trends in Mandated Benefits, 2010." Here are some relevant excerpts:

Emerging mandates: Several mandates are growing in popularity, and we expect to see much more legislative activity on them in the near future. For example:

Autism: Autism and treatment for its various complications is becoming one of the most discussed mandates. Autism is a brain disorder that affects three areas of development: Communication, social interaction and creative or imaginative play. In the past, autism has fallen under the broader category of mental health, but one of the latest state legislative trends is to pass a stand-alone autism mandate separate from mental health benefit mandates.

Thus far, 25 states have passed autism mandates, but the number of bills introduced has grown each year. With advances in the diagnosis - including a new rapid test to screen for autism — and treatment, autism mandates will likely remain high on legislative priority lists.

◆ Trends in mandated benefit studies: Legislators often receive conflicting information on the cost of mandates. While individually most mandates cost very little as a percentage of premium (with many mandates costing less than one percent of premium), when all mandated benefits are combine on a health insurance policy, the costs can be very high. Therefore, it is vital legislators

understand these costs before voting on any new mandate. There are now at least 30 states that require a mandate's cost to be assessed before it is implemented.

◆ Trends in state "Mandate-Light" policies: A few states are getting the message: Mandates make health insurance more expensive. There are at least 10 states that allow individuals to purchase a policy with fewer mandates. Plans can be tailored to the individual's needs and financial situation.

Jack McHugh is the Mackinac Center for Public Policy's senior legislative analyst and editor of MichiganVotes.org.

GUEST OPINION By Rich Lowry

Keep off my mental activity

udge Gladys Kessler is a great friend of ObamaCare. The **United States District** Court judge in Washington, D.C., delivered a more telling blow against the law by ruling it constitutional than critics have in assailing it as a travesty.

At issue is the individual mandate. Two other district court judges struck ObamaCare down on grounds Congress doesn't have the power under the Commerce Clause of the Constitution to require everyone to buy health insurance. If someone doesn't purchase insurance, he hasn't done anything wrong. He isn't engaged in activity that may or may not affect interstate commerce. Never before has anyone thought Congress could regulate non-events.

The easy-to-grasp distinc-

tion between an activity and inactivity is one of the most powerful legal arguments of ObamaCare opponents. But they hadn't yet run up against a jurist as ingenious as Kessler. She brushes the activity/inactivity distinction aside because not doing something is a choice and therefore "mental activity."

Why hadn't someone thought of this before? The sophists in Eric Holder's justice department must be embarrassed they didn't dredge up this killer rejoinder themselves.

The fundamental question in the ObamaCare case is whether there is any constraint on the ability of Congress to regulate economic activity. Do we still live in a system of dual sovereignty, split between the federal government and the states, as set

out by the Constitution? Does the federal government only have certain enumerated powers? Is anything beyond its ambit? Kessler's argument is a ringing "no" on all three counts.

Kessler, a liberal Clinton appointee, takes what has been a Commerce Clause case and practically makes it a matter for the First Amendment. Kessler writes, "It is pure se-

mantics to argue that an individual who makes a choice to forgo health insurance is not 'acting,' especially given the serious economic and healthrelated consequences to every individual of that choice. Making a choice is an affirmative action, whether one decides to do something or not do something."

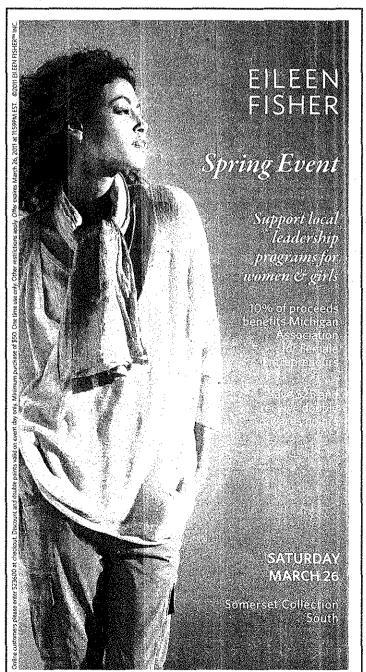
Under the Kessler principle, there's no nonconduct the federal government can't reach.

Every day most Americans engage in nonactivities that affect interstate commerce. If you decide not to buy a house, Chrysler or Snuggie, you've impacted interstate conduct through affirmative mental actions. We've gone from the **Constitution giving Congress** the power to "regulate commerce with foreign nations, and among the several states, and with the Indian tribes," to regulating on the basis of the mental activities of individuals deciding not to do something.

Opponents of ObamaCare say if it's blessed by the courts, there will no longer be any limiting principle on federal regulatory power. If that seems far-fetched, behold the mental activities of one Judge Gladys

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

City of Grosse Pointe

Stuff's gone

A man said his Garmin global positioning unit and cellular telephone power chord were missing last week from his former residence in the 800 block of University Place.

The man tried to retrieve the equipment during the evening of Tuesday, March 8.

"The home has very few items left inside other than some furniture," the man told police.

The house may be in foreclosure, police said.

— Brad Lindberg If you have any information about these or other crimes. call the City of Grosse Pointe

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BOARD OF REVIEW

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Roll for the City of Grosse Pointe Farms, Wayne County,

TUESDAY, MARCH 29, 2011

From 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

and 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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Hearings will be scheduled by appointment. Please contact

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Michigan, will be held by the Board of Review on:

OFFICE BY THURSDAY, MARCH 17th.

public safety department at (313) 886-3200.

Grosse Pointe Farms

Down and dirty

Police arrested a 21-year-old St. Clair Shores man on Newberry Place at 12:58 a.m. Sunday, March 20, for drunken driving, plus possession of marijuana and narcotics paraphernalia.

A resident of the block flagged down a patrolman and said the man had knocked on his door, mistaking the residence for another's.

The suspect appeared disheveled, unkempt, dirty and unsteady on his feet, according to police.

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"(He) smelled like intoxicants and marijuana (and) overwhelmingly freshly-applied cologne," said officers.

Officers searching the man's silver-colored 1999 Toyota four-door found two packages of marijuana totaling more than 11 grams, plus a pipe containing marijuana residue, according to police.

Paint scribbling

Two discarded cans of spray paint were collected as evidence last week during the investigation of graffiti discovered on the outside wall of a commercial building in the 18400 block of Mack.

The vandalism is believed to have taken place during the night of Thursday, March 17.

"The (unknown) suspect (climbed) on top of a small storage shed located at the rear of the building and started painting," determined a public safety officer.

I.D. theft

A Farms man learned last week that identity thieves used the Social Security number of his deceased wife to purchase \$720 worth of goods over the Internet.

Thieves also used the stolen information to file an income tax return, the man told offi-

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The house's female owner

March 20, she'd lost her purse and house keys in downtown Detroit. .

Officers met her at the residence and searched it to make sure it was safe.

Cruiser damaged

A suspected drunken driver last week on eastbound Vernier turned out to be a 56year-old Detroit man needing medical attention.

Harper Woods police warned Shores counterparts that the man was heading their way in a pickup truck.

Shores officers in two squad cars pulled over the pickup at 8:08 p.m. Friday, March 18, in front of Mason Elementary School. The man didn't stop until bumping a cruiser, damaging its front bumper, hood and sidelight.

"It was determined the (man) was suffering from a medical condition," said a public safety officer. "(He) was treated (by medics) and released. (He) thanked (us) for getting him to stop before he hurt anyone."

False alarm

Four officers in two fire trucks and two squad cars responded at 11 a.m. Friday, March 18, to a residential fire alarm on Regal Place.

"Officers found workers in the basement sanding, which set the alarm off," according to police.

Safe than sorry

A few minutes after 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 15, officers investigated a report of smoke coming from the eaves of a house on Willison.

"The smoke was steam from the dryer vent," said an officer.

Egged

Two empty egg cartons were found near a house and car parked in the driveway on Colonial that someone pelted last week with an estimated two dozens eggs.

The incident was reported during the evening of Sunday,

Two high school-aged males from Grosse Pointe Woods and

told police at 1:20 a.m. Sunday, Harper Wood are suspects.

-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

Money taken

A fundraiser for the drama department at Parcells Middle School netted zero after more than \$1,000 was taken from an unattended cash box. The theft took place around 8:30 p.m. Saturday, March 19, from a classroom at the school. Also taken was a Samsung camcorder. Police continue to investigate.

Jackpot

Police investigating a Ford Escort parked at Sunningdale and Holiday Road at 3:20 a.m. Sunday, March 20, found two teenagers and a bag of suspected marijuana. According to police, when the passenger opened his door, the officers detected a strong smell of marijuana. The driver allowed police to search the car, and they found the bag and a pipe. The car was impounded and the teens released to their parents.

Furniture taken

A homeowner on Vernier brought in two pieces of furniture delivered to the house and placed on the front porch the afternoon of Tuesday, March 15. An hour later she discovered a bed frame, a chest of drawers and a dresser left at the side of the house were missing. The missing furniture is valued at \$588.

Medical emergency

Police received a report at 8:05 p.m. Friday, March 18, of a 1997 Dodge Ram pickup driven erratically on Vernier near Mack. Police followed the truck being driven at a slow speed over grass berms, veering into oncoming traffic.

The truck eventually came to a stop after it struck a Grosse Pointe Shores police cruiser, causing minor damage to both vehicles. The driver told police he suffered a diabetic emergency. Medics were called, but the driver refused treatment. Once the driver was stabilized, he was released.

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

Grosse Pointe Park

Fleeing fails

An officer on patrol at 6 a.m. Saturday, March 19, attempted to pull over a speeding vehicle on Mack near Wayburn. The driver accelerated and went through a red light and several police cars joined in the pur-

The driver attempted to ram the police cars before stop sticks were deployed to force the driver to stop. The occupants fled on foot and ran into a house on Hickory Street in Detroit. They were found in the basement and arrested.

The driver, a juvenile, was turned over to Wayne County authorities, while the 17-yearold passenger was arrested and charged with resisting arrest, possession of drugs and obstructing police. He pleaded guilty at his arraignment and sentenced to 30 days in jail.

Disturbance

Police were called to a restaurant in the 15000 block of Kercheval at 11:40 a.m. Wednesday, March 16, when a customer began yelling and causing a disturbance. The customer had left by the time police arrived, but was located and told to stay out of the restaurant.

Felony arrest

A 23-year-old Detroit resident walking in the street at Vernor and Wayburn interfering with traffic at 10:45 p.m. Friday, March 18, was wanted on a felony warrant out of Detroit. He was arrested and turned over to Detroit police.

--- Kathy Ryan If you have information on these or any other crimes, call Grosse Pointe Park police at (313) 822-7400.

CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY CLERK'S OFFICE WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

VOTER REGISTRATION NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all residents in the City of Harper Woods who meet the following qualifications by April 4, 2011 shall be entitled to be registered as an elector in the precinct in which he or she resides for the scheduled May 3, 2011 election.

Shall be a citizen of the United States:

Shall be a resident of this State;

Shall be at least 18 years of age by May 3, 2011 Shall be a resident of the City of Harper Woods for at least 30 days.

Interested and qualified persons may make application to become a registered voter at the City Clerk's Office, Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. or any Michigan Secretary of State Office. Voter Registration Applications can also be obtained on line at www.harperwoodscity.org or www.michigan.gov/vote. The last day to register for the May 3, 2011 Election is Monday, April 4, 2011. If you are unable to come at the above times, or if you are in doubt as to the status of your registration, or if you need assistance, please call 313-343-2510.

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> CITY OF HARPER WOODS Mickey D. Todd City Clerk

PUBLISHED: March 24, 2011 POSTED: March 14, 2011

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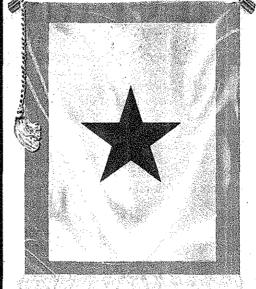


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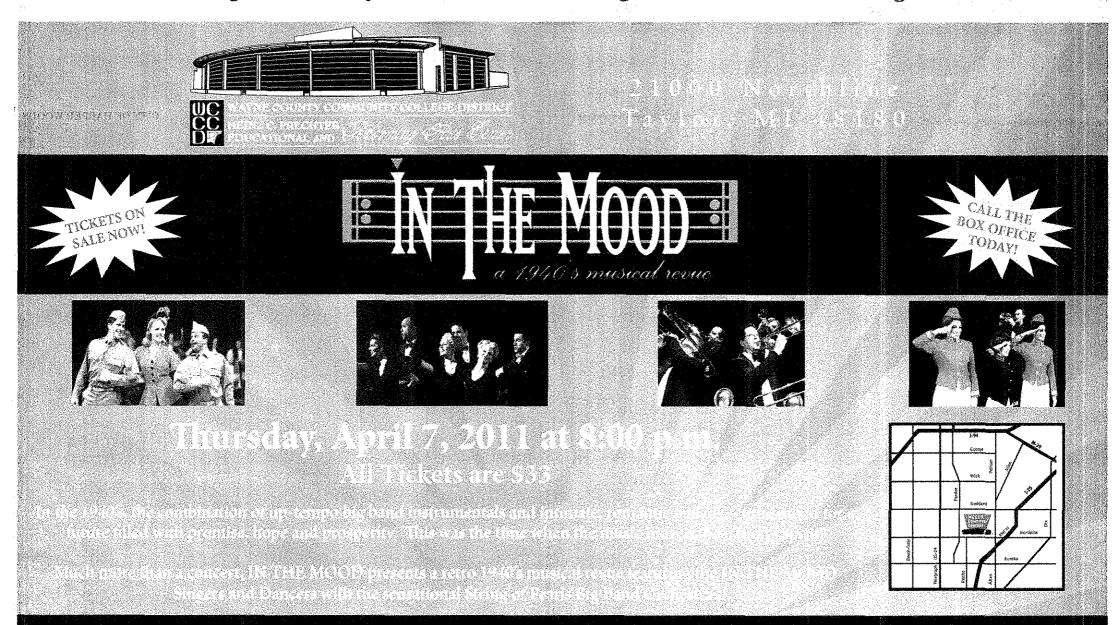
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A week of giving and learning Sweep nets little



Lower school students create gifts for homeless children

Grosse Pointe Academy Lower School principal Jennifer Kendall wanted to try something different this year.

Kendall, in her third year as principal, usually reserved the Friday afternoon before spring break for movies, storytelling and other such events. But this year, she wanted the first, second and third graders to keep in mind children from other, less fortunate communities. So, she and third-grade teacher Debby Wolney contacted a friend at Project Night Night, a charitable organization based in Los Angeles that delivers "night night" packages to homeless children across the country. The organization has five Detroit-based shelters and another 14 in the metropolitan area.

Working in groups of four to five, students put together packages containing no-sew blankets, children's books, cards (attached to stuffed animals) and bookmarks for homeless chil-

"I thought it would be nice," Kendall said of the shift in focus. "This organization is on their level and their mission something the students will connect with."

Above, Grosse Pointe Academy Lower School students spent time making Night Night packages for homeless children. Packages consisted of a no-sew blanket, children's book, stuffed animal, card and bookmark. All materials either were donated by parents and teachers or purchased by principal Jennifer Kendall.

At right, Christina Leigh, left, and Charlotte Brecht experienced what it's like for children with physical disabilities during last week's workshop.

Students get lesson in awareness

Students at Richard Elementary School participated in a hands-on workshop last week as part of the district's disabilities

The workshop - started seven years ago by Jill Leone and Mary Ann Cafagna to help promote empathy for, and a better understanding of, others with disabilities - offered fourth-graders within the Grosse Pointe schools the chance to experience what it's like to live with a disability.

It lasted about two weeks, and Leone and Cafagna traveled to each school separately.

Split between the gymnasium and library, with physical disability stations in the gym and hearing and vision stations in the library, the 74 fourth-graders at Richard learned about braille, dyslexia, weight vests, exercise putty, wheelchairs, reachers, and numerous items used by those with disabilities.

Afterward, the students were provided a worksheet and asked to answer questions about what was learned and what they were thankful for having.

"This is a great way for the kids to get to know about what it's like to develop empathy for other kids with disabilities," Leone



A random drug sweep at Grosse Pointe South last week turned up few results.

Police from multiple jurisdictions coordinated with Grosse Pointe Farms and the City of Grosse Pointe and searched the school and surrounding parking lots for about 90 minutes.

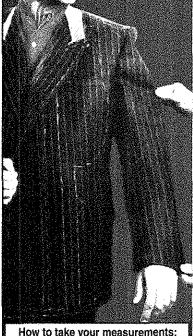
The search yielded a single positive hit. Inside a car parked along the street were a prescription bottle with a small amount of marijuana and a small pipe. According to police, no arrests were made and a course of action against the car's owner hasn't been determined.

During the search, the school was locked down, preventing anyone from leaving. Police used about six drug dogs, including Raleigh with his handler City of Grosse Pointe, Sgt. Michael Almeranti, and selected five classrooms at random, as well as lockers.

The classrooms yielded no results, but there were hits on five lockers. A more thorough search of the five lockers and those adjacent - turned up a few baseball cards, but nothing drug related.

Police also searched the S-Lot, J-lot and K-lot outside the school, and along Grosse Pointe Boulevard and Fisher Road. Any time a dog tapped on a car, the student was brought out and the car searched. That's how police found the marijuana and pipe.

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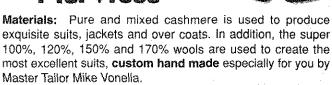
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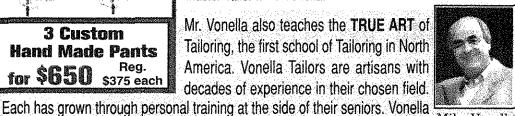
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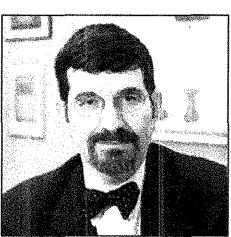
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The production, based on Roald Dahl's "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory," features more than 50 students to perform the story of Charlie Bucket and his golden opportunity to tour Willy Wonka's chocolate factory.

Performances are 7 p.m. Thursday, March 31, and Friday, April 1, and 2 p.m. Sunday, April 2.

Jack Ryan Williams, of Grosse Pointe Park, brings to more life the character of Willy

Wonka, while Joshua Colina takes on Charlie.

Others involved in key roles include: Julia Roarty and Matthew Lujan, both of Grosse Pointe, as well as, Shanleigh Conlan, Thomas Barrow, Sophie Elrick, Emily Elrick, Arianna Barnes, O'Meara, Maya Milton, Katie Kuhr, Fred Saffold, Joshua Piepszowski and Aureaun Rias-Tribble.

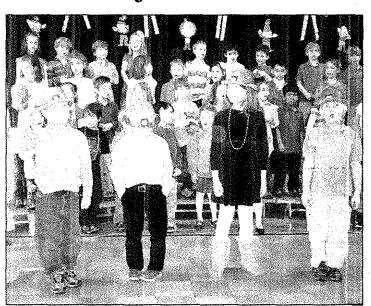
Set to direct the production are music and drama teacher Kim Korba and her husband, Russ, with Paul Roache providing orchestral direction.

Advanced tickets are available for \$10 by calling (313) 647-5100 or at the door. For information, stclarem.org.



Above: Anna Trempus, left, and Addison Erikson sang a song about flowers. At right, from left to right: Elena Simon, Andrew Kolojeski, Will Jordan and Maddy Zampardo took center stage as part of Kerby Elementary School's Kindergarten Vocal Concert organized by Maria Barkley, the vocal teacher at Kerby.

Kerby kindergartners put on St. Patrick's Day concert



Wu draws picture for peace

A.J. Hakim Staff Writer

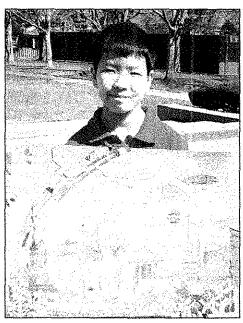
He started with a blank sheet of loose leaf, a theme and a reference to world ar-

Four days and about four drafts later, Andrew Wu had himself a pastel drawing recognized amongst the international ranks of this year's Lions Club Peace Poster contest.

"I needed a reference (to world architecture) because I didn't know a lot about them," Wu, a sixth-grader at Grosse Pointe Woods University Liggett Middle School, said of the architecture and buildings used in his drawing. "And I didn't want to draw something inaccurate.

"Then, I got a piece of loose leaf and just started."

Wu's poster - of doves and olive branches, of children planting trees and flowers in a garden, of peace balloons and blimps, of a rainbow with flags from countries around the world, and of famous statschool, district, regional, state and nation- and among the couple hundred entrants nates on everything."



Grosse Pointe Woods University Liggett School sixth-grader, Andrew Wu, proud-

ly displays his peace poster.

selected for international judging.

In all, there were more than 350,000 participants - limited to sixth and seventh graders around the world — in the contest, whose theme this year was 'Children Know Peace."

With the success of his poster, Wu, who worked on his drawing in between piano lessons and homework during Thanksgiving break, also became the first student at Liggett to advance to the international round.

"I'm very surprised," Wu said of his accomplishment. "I never believed I would've really done this well."

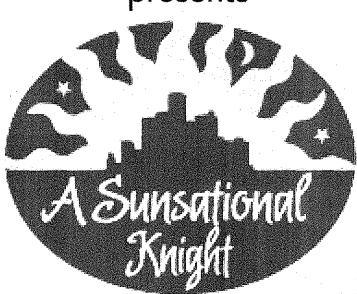
An artist at heart, Wu began drawing at an early age, creating basic shapes and lines for a couple hours upon awaking each morning. He sees art as a steppingstone to what he hopes to be as an adult a doctor.

"Finding out points," Wu said of the main similarity between being an artist and a doctor. "It's important for a doctor because if someone asks you to perform a ues and buildings representative of their al levels. He became one of 50 winners in surgery you'll know where to look berespective countries - advanced past the the United States (one from each state) cause there's always imaginary coordi-



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Teacher of the week

They play a key role in every child's development and inspire excellence in and out of the classroom.

This week, it's Monteith Elementary School fifth-grade teacher Theresa Comilla.

She was nominated by Sydney Semack: "She is always organized. When you have something to say, she loves to hear about it. She always has you doing something, and she gives lots of time to work on projects.

"She always never lets you down on things that are going to happen, and she always has a smile on her face."

Years at the Grosse Pointe Woods school: Four years at Monteith (five in the district)

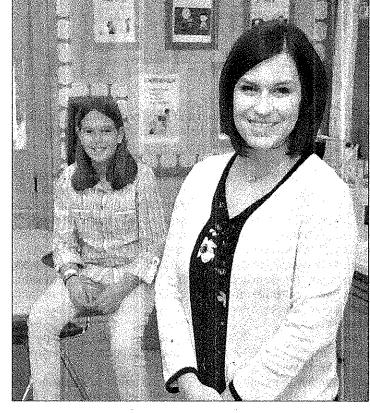
Previous work: Before becoming a teacher I had many fun and interesting jobs, all of which taught me many things. I worked at a nursery, a laboratory doing research, a shoe store, the local parks and recreation camp, and C.J. Barrymore's. After college, I had the opportunity to teach at St. Lawrence Catholic School before coming to Grosse Pointe public schools.

Why did you become a teacher: Growing up I had some great teachers that I looked up to and admired. As I entered college I declared my teaching major and became involved with many volunteer opportunities in classrooms to get involved with student learning. From these experiences, I knew I wanted to be a

How do you feel about being nominated: I was truly honored to hear Syndey nominated me. I am grateful to have the opportunity to work in a great school district with great teachers, students and families.

Favorite subject to teach: That's a tough one. I love having the opportunity to teach each subject for a different reason. I enjoy teaching Language Arts where I can listen to children read and see them get their amazing ideas on paper. In science I have the opportunity to see them discover new things and work together as a group. And in math it's fascinating when students grasp a new concept and work together on a variety of problem solving skills.

- A.J. Hakim



Monteith Elementary School fifth-grader Sydney Semack, left, with her favorite teacher, Theresa Comilla.

Star of the Sea hosts annual fundraiser

It was lights...camera...auc- a volunteer committee of partion! at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club as Our Lady Star of the than 300 parents, alumni, stu-Sea hosted its annual auction.

Held each year around spring, the event, whose theme Star of the Sea. was "lights, camera, auction" is the largest fundraiser the school has had each year for ter textbooks, computers and more than 20 years. It's run by

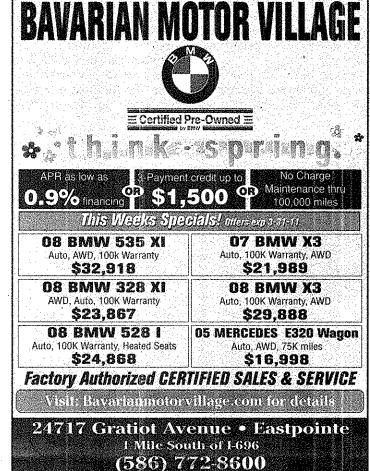
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Money raised during last year's event went toward betprinters.



Above, honorary chairs George and Mary Ellen Dakmak. At left, teachers Mallory Milczarski (far left), Julie Borushko (left), Michelle Mitchell (right) and Ashley Zimmerman (far right) pose alongside principal Julie Aemisegger (middle).







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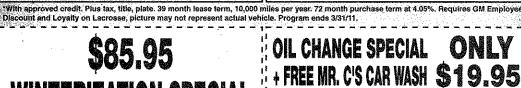
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Jeffrey W. Strauch

Jeffrey W. Strauch passed away suddenly Saturday, March 19, 2011, after a lengthy battle with cancer. He was wellknown in the Southeastern Michigan building industry, and highly sought after as a steel estimator.

Mr. Strauch was born in Detroit in May of 1957. He was a graduate of Denby High School and attended the University of Michigan before leaving to work in the construction industry. He started as a self-employed general contractor before joining Corvo Iron Works, which later became Raven Iron Works, as an estimator. He finished his career working for Michael Fabrication before having to retire.

Mr. Strauch was generous, caring and always available to help others. He especially en-

joyed time spent with family Mr. Strauch many years of life and friends. Paula Dirkes was after his diagnosis. especially important in his life and spent many generous merklefuneralservice.com. hours helping care for his needs as he lived alone.

Mr. Strauch is survived by his five brothers, Mark (Elizabeth), Todd (Susan), Bill, Craig and Dreux (Misty); three nieces and four nephews.

He was predeceased by his parents, William and Mary Ann

A gathering to celebrate his life will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 26, at the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club, 655 Cook Road, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Donations may be made to the Josephine Ford Cancer Center or the Hermelin Brain Tumor Center henryford.com or Pine Street Foundation at pinestreetfoundation.org. All three organizations played key roles in giving

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Share a memory

Lena Connolly

Longtime Grosse Pointe resident Lena Connolly, 86, passed away Thursday, March 3, 2011.

She was born and raised in London, England, in a large Italian family of 14 children. From a young age she worked in the family café. As a teenager, at the start of World War II. she moved out of London to escape the bombing and worked at her sister's café in High Wycombe, England, There she met Peter Connolly, a Scottish soldier in the British Army. After the war, they married and in 1950 immigrated to the United States. They enjoyed the opportunities and excitement of America and became avid ballroom dancers.

After raising one daughter, Mrs. Connolly continued her career as a waitress. She worked at many notable downtown Detroit restaurants, including the Pontchartrain Wine Cellars, where she worked for 15 years until it closed in 1991. From there she worked in Grosse Pointe at 123 on the Hill and finally, Vintage Bistro for 13 years.

Being a waitress was not just



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Jeffrey W. Strauch

her job; it was her passion. Mrs. Connolly loved to serve others and greeted every customer as though they were part of her family. When Vintage Bistro closed in 2005, even at the age of 80, she was sorry to stop working and missed all her coworkers and customers. She stayed active however, and in retirement, could often be seen walking in Grosse Pointe with

the family terrier, Kelly. She loved her career, but family always came first. For many years, she and her husband enjoyed the company of her sister, Tina, who also immigrated to the U.S., and her husband, Fred Zelewski. Mrs. Connolly made frequent trips to England to visit her brothers and sisters and her many nieces and nephews. When her two grandsons came along, she devoted herself to them. They remember her not only as their Nonna, but also their friend. She was always ready to play a game or take them somewhere special. As they grew up, she

was very proud of them both. Mrs. Connolly was a great cook and often baked shortbread to share with others. Few things pleased her more than preparing food for her family and friends and her door was always open to visitors. Her deeply-held Christian faith and love of God inspired her spirit of generosity. Mrs. Connolly will be remembered by those fortunate to have known her as a kind, gracious woman with a grand sense of humor and a selfless devotion to sharing all she had with those around her.



Lena Connolly

Mrs. Connolly is survived by her daughter, Tina and grandsons, Damian and Nathan. Of her surviving sisters, Tina (Fred) Zelewski lives in the U.S. Her remaining sisters, Angie, Rene, Inez, Netta and Rose reside in England and Australia. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews in the U.S. and abroad.

She was predeceased by her husband of 30 years, Peter and her brothers Jackie, Mario, Desi and Nando and sisters. Mary, Clemy and Florrie.

Her life was celebrated at a memorial service March 5.

Donations may be made to the Michigan Anti-Cruelty Society, 13569 Joseph Campau, Detroit, MI 48212-1948 or a charity of the donor's choice.

Share a memory of Lena or express condolences at Lee-EllenaFuneralHome.com.

Robert Whitefield **Powell**

Robert Whitefield "Whitey" Powell, 59, died Tuesday March 15, 2011, of esophageal cancer, at his home surrounded by family.

He is survived by his wife of 31 years, Barbara (Azeka); three children, Adriane, Nolan and Lenny; his brother, George; sister, Tinker and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his father, George M. and mother, Mary Leonard.

After serving four years in



Robert Whitefield Powell

the U.S. Navy during the Vietnam War, Mr. Powell graduated from the University of Delaware with a bachelor's degree in economics and then received a juris doctorate from the University of Michigan Law School in 1980. He had a distinguished law career as an appellate attorney at Dickinson Wright PLLC and Ford Motor Co. He was well-known and well-respected for his legal writing.

Mr. Powell and his wife, Barbara, lived in Grosse Pointe Park for 28 years and loved to travel. Together they visited friends and family all over the United States and would always make special trips to fairs and festivals. They loved live music and saw many living legends in concert.

Many friends were surprised to find out Mr. Powell was a talented amateur artist. Everyone who knew him enjoyed his sense of humor and memorable laugh.

Mr. Powell was a life-long sports fan, cheering especially for the Arkansas Razorbacks and St. Louis Cardinals. He was an avid golfer and traveled all over to play new courses with friends and coworkers.

A memorial gathering was held March 18.

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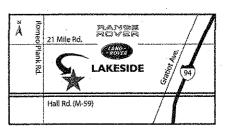
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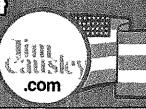


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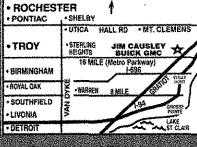
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his week, we're driving Honda's performance bred 2011 Civic Sibase price: \$24,205; price as tested: \$24,995.

With excellent mechanicals inside and out, Civic Si may be one of the best dollar for dollar buys in "performance land" as \$24,995 retail will put you in Honda's top class Civic with

Hybrid Sedan is also available starting at \$23,950.

Now in its eighth generation following its "cute" stateside debut in 1972 as a 1973 model, Civic continues to evolve as one of Honda's hottest properties. This customer satisfaction comes both from the aforementioned bevy of models available and excellent dependability. Honda's sedans are also the largest compact car in class, thanks to a 106.3 inch wheelbase that results in

sedan.

Power comes from Honda's proven 2.0-liter, 197 horsepower (at 7,800 rpm), 16-valve i-VTEC 4-cylinder engine. Under full throttle, this little engine performs similar to competitors' 4-cylinder cars until you reach about 5,500 rpm. From there on up to 7,800 on an 8,000 redline, it feels like another 40 horsepower kicks in, thanks to i-VTEC technology. Specifically, i-VTEC, founded by Honda, features intelligent variable valve timing and two distinct camshaft profiles that switch back and forth electronically when needed. The end result is Si's "mountain lion" power in the high RPM range offset by pussycat manners at low rpm.

This extra power burst is also assisted, thanks to Si's 11.0:1 compression ratio and light curb weight. This performance experience is clearly a by-product of Honda's involvement in motorsport, be it the Honda 10,000 RPM IndyCar series "spec" engine or its numerous road racing develop-

Si's power band is transferred to the front wheels by a fine shifting 6-speed transmission, which happens to be the only trans available with the sporty Si models. Si also offers a most impressive 21 city and 29 highway EPA estimate when driven in less than full



navigation - including \$750 destination. Si also takes you from 0 to 60 mph in about 6.9 seconds, and keeps climbing with even more authority.

Granted, not all Civic consumers desire the performance a Civic Si dishes up, and many happy motorists drive "normal" Civics that deliver great value and excellent reliability at low prices. Matter of fact, the base DX Civic starts at \$15,605 for the coupe and \$15,805 for the 4-door sedan. Pricing moves up to include the LX, EX and top line Si. A

those who are younger, or younger at heart, will find the coupe Si model a most interesting and exciting car to drive. Underneath is a sport-tuned suspension while a high revving 4-cylinder performance engine is standard fare.

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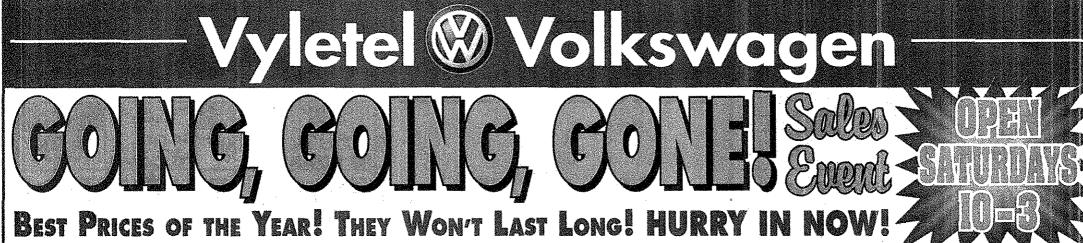
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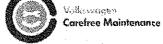
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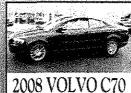
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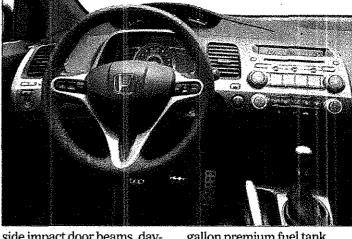
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Greg Zyla is a syndicated auto columnist.

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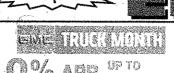
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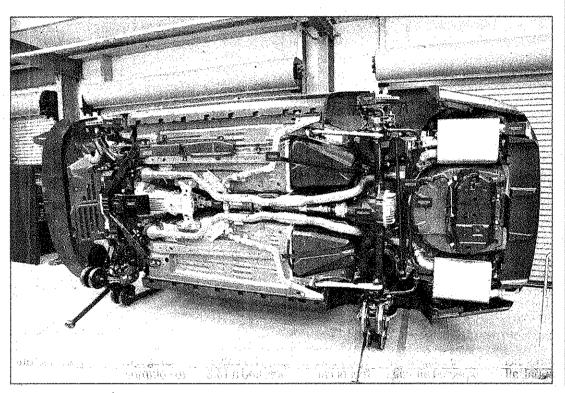
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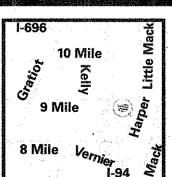
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AUTOWIRE.NET By Derek Price

The new Jeep Grand Cherokee, completely redesigned for 2011, has a sleeker, more sophisticated look.

New Grand Cherokee goes upscale

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As it entered its later years, years, the Chrysler the Jeep Grand Cherokee was the same way. It had rugged good looks on the outside, but inside it was putting on pretensions of luxury. It won people over for its off-road ability

more than its cabin construc-The big Chrysler 300 sedan

is another great example. Its "gangsta"-styled body was gorgeous, almost Bentley-like, but the interior was just the opposite. It was roomy, but cheap and chintzy, a big drawback for buyers who cross-shopped with models from Ford and GM.

There's a new Chrysler now - and it's finally fixed the plasticky interior problems. The new 2011 Grand Cherokee shows how Chrysler has turned a corner. Granted. there's a lot more to the new Grand Cherokee than its snazzy cabin. But that's what you'll notice most if you've spent much time in its predecessors.

It's classy inside. It feels solid. You want to touch it, love it and treat it carefully. That might seem odd for a roughand-tumble brand like Jeep, but it makes you feel like royalty when you sit inside.

Soft materials help with the upscale feeling, but you also get the sense designers were paying a lot more attention to the little things. Switches feel more precise; panel gaps are almost nonexistent; wood trim and strips of chrome make you wonder if you're in something much more expensive — and European.

The driving feel, though, isn't as big an improvement. It still feels like a Jeep, with a relatively firm suspension and that heavy, built-from-pig-iron sensation over the road.

Acceleration is excellent with the 5.7-liter V8, although it's also available with a more efficient Pentastar V6 that gets up to 23 miles per gallon highway.

One relative, who admittedly isn't a car buff, mistakenly thought it was a Lexus. The styling is sleek, at least by Jeep standards, and provides a wonderfully fresh interpretation of what a Jeep ought to look like.

Overall, the new 2011 Grand Cherokee is a sign Chrysler is getting back on track. It's a major improvement over the old model, especially inside the cabin, without sacrificing the off-road capability that made Jeep famous. Best of all, it's not just a car that can get you to the middle of nowhere; it's a

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\$43,455. Why avoid it? That off-road suspension means you'll have to live with a rough ride. It's smooth by Jeep standards, but far firmer than crossovers designed for driving around

Why buy it? The new cabin is amazing. It feels luxurious and classy, but retains its legendary off-road driving ability.

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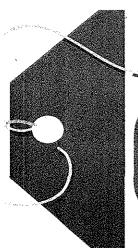


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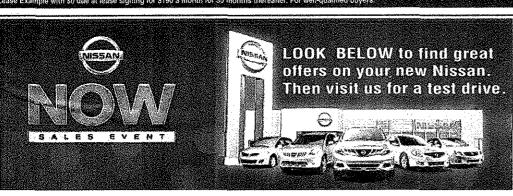


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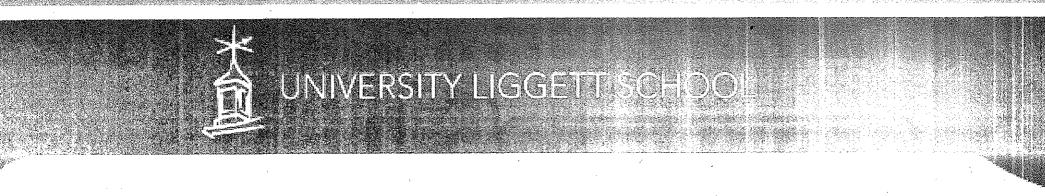
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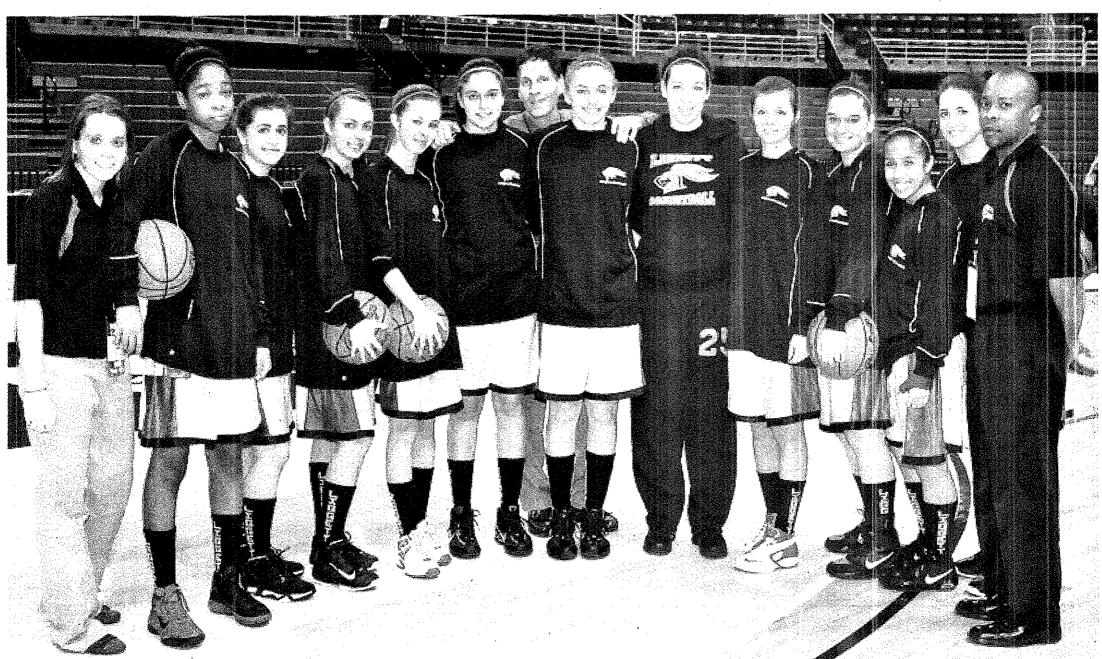


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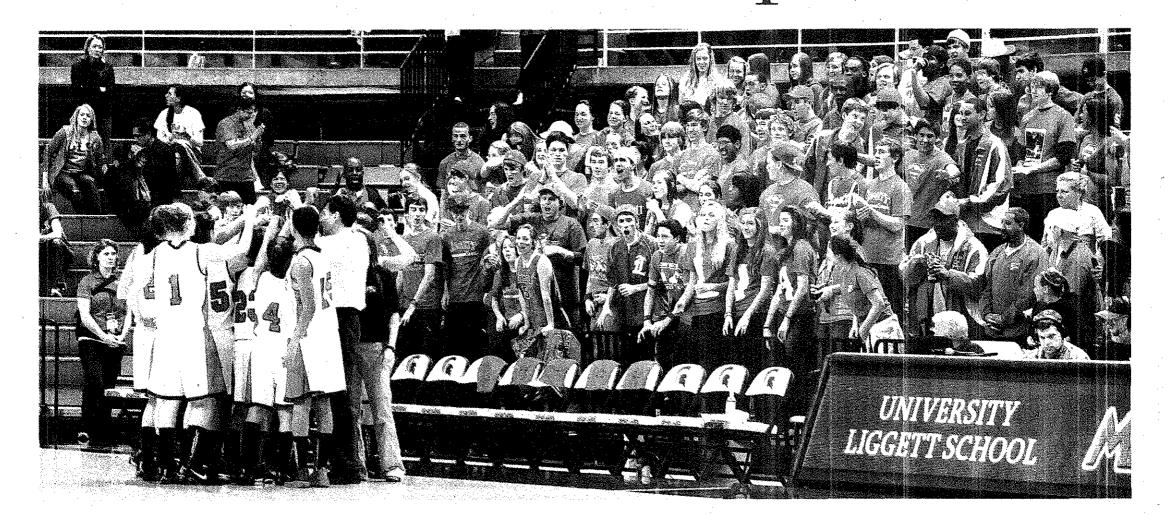
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Banana recipe takes the (cup)cake

The Family Center 10th anniversary celebrated

By Ann L. Fouty Features Edito

In the final voting, it was Carla Whitton's Banana Cupcakes taking top honors during The Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods' second annual Cupcake Challenge Sunday, March 13.

Based on flavor, presentation, an accompanying story and originality, three judges read eight cupcake recipes, discussed and tasted each. Whitton's cupcake was hands down the fa-

The St. Clair Shores mother explained because two of her four children have food allergies, she had to devise a recipe so her entire family could enjoy the dessert.

"I didn't play with recipes for a long time," she said adding she had to learn so her menus weren't repetitive. She said she likes to use the Energ Egg Replacer not only because of her two children but they do "something different to every recipe.'

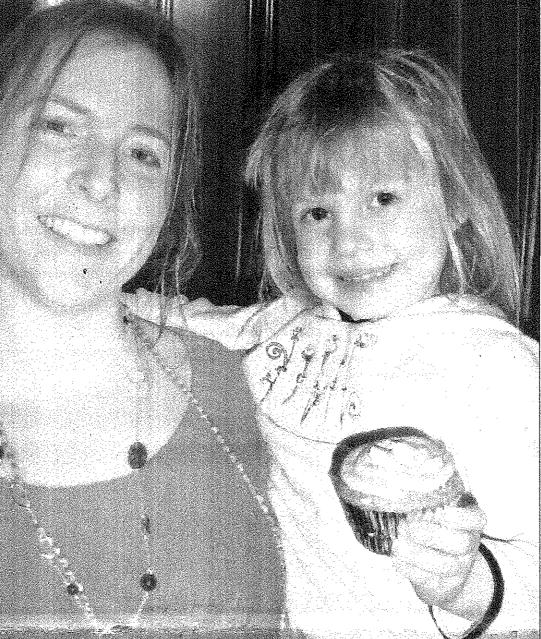
Marie High and Madeleine Glasser, both of Grosse Pointe Park, created the second place winner, Mocha Cupcakes with Peppermint Frosting, specifically for Glasser's brother, William. The duo combined William's two favorite flavors, chocolate and peppermint, and added coffee to give him energy.

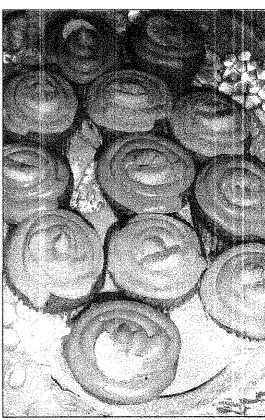
Hadley Roy, of Grosse Pointe Farms, was named third place winner with her Joyful Cupcakes.

"I bake every weekend," she said. "Either cupcakes, brownies or cookies. I have a chocolate chip cookie recipe that's my favorite."

Judges were Grosse Pointe Hunt Club Head Chef Frank Chero, operations manager at The Hill Seafood and Chop House Julie LaVigne

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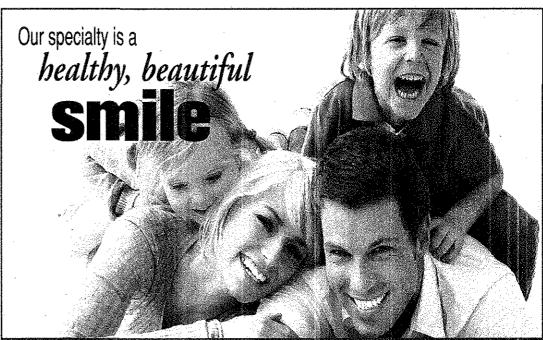
The winning cupcake, Banana Cupcake, tasted similar to a moist banana bread and was made by Carla Whitton of St. Clair Shores. Left, Carla Whitton and her 4-year-old daughter, Jillian, who has food allergies.

The three winning cupcake recipes appear on page 8B.



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Yesterday's Headlines

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

50 years ago this week

*** CENTER PARKING LOT** APPROVED: The Farms council approved a zoning ordinance amendment that will permit the War Memorial Center to proceed with its plans to develop its parking lot and build its auditorium.

* POLICE SAVE WOODS BABY'S LIFE: Two Woods police officers submitted a routine report on the saving of a 15-month-old baby, but the parents of the child are gratefully aware that the experience

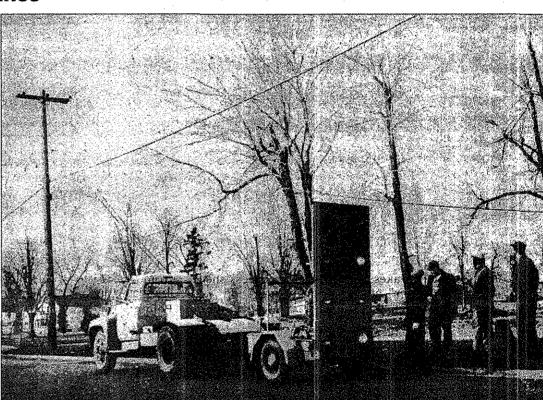
was anything but routine. Patrolmen Kenneth Metcalf and Thomas Kerving responded to an emergency call on Stanhope where the child was not breathing. The officers performed mouth-to-mouth rescue breathing until the Harper Woods ambulance arrived. By the time Harper Woods personnel arrived, the baby was revived and breathing properly. Harper Woods was called because the Woods ambulance was wrecked in an accident the

week before. ◆ \$50,000 IN MINK STOLEN AS THIEVES VISIT STORE AGAIN: Three hold-up men, in a daring daylight robbery, held up the manager of Kay Anos Furs on Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods and escaped with approximately \$50,000 in mink furs.

The manager said that three minutes after he opened the store, a man dressed in a uniform similar to that worn by messengers, asked for admission to deliver a package he was carrying.

As soon as he admitted the man, the manager was handed a note on which was written "This is a hold-up" and the bandit pulled a blue-steel .45 caliber automatic pistol from his pocket and forced the manager to the rear of the store.

This is the fourth time the store has been robbed since October 1959.



FROM THE MARCH 23, 1961 ISSUE OF THE GROSSE POINTE NEWS

1961: Underground

The familiar overhead electrical and telephone wires seen along Lakeshore road, and the poles dotting the roadside, will soon be a thing of the past. Detroit Edison workers are shown removing the electrical wiring as the first step toward helping to beautify the Pointe bordering Lake St. Clair. Not only is this project being carried out to remove the unsightly wires and poles, but also to eliminate the danger of broken high voltage lines so often caused by heavy storms.

25 years ago this week

◆ COMMUNITY RE-SPONDS TO CRY FOR **HELP:** Last week five reported drug overdoses by students at South High School made headlines all over Detroit. It is not clear that the students were attempting suicide, but television and news-

papers reacted as if they were. Experts in adolescent problems disagree on the effects of the media blitz. **POINTES IN PATH OF** INCINERATOR POLLU-TION: The effects of the fu-

ture emissions of the planned Detroit incinerator depend on where you live and which direction the wind blows.

Grosse Pointe Woods, although it is furthest from the incinerator, is more in the direct line and will receive somewhat greater fallout than the Park or City.

10 years ago this week

◆ MURDER SUSPECT FOUND DEAD IN GROSSE POINTE FARMS:

Murder suspect Orlando Pedro Amezcua was found dead in a driveway in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Amezcua, 32, was wanted for the murder of his supervisor in their place of work, Metro Machine Works in Romulus.

According to reports, Amezcua called his wife via a cellular telephone shortly after the shooting and told her he was going to kill himself.

Authorities tracked Amezcua to the Grosse Pointe area through his cell phone.

♦ PARAMEDICS AP-PROVE CONTRACT: Paramedics have agreed to a new contract in Grosse Pointe Woods.

The agreement, which includes dispatchers in the public safety department, provides a three-year, 3.5 percent raise. In addition, paramedics will receive an additional \$1,000 the first year of the contract, and \$500 for each of the remaining two years.

♦ CRIME DOWN IN CITY: 2000 was a very good year, crime-wise, for the City of Grosse Pointe. Most crime statistics in 2000 were down. when compared to 1999.

Five years ago this week

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♦ TEEN PARTIERS TRIP BURGLAR ALARM: Teenage partiers accidentally tripped the burglar alarm of their 17year-old hostess' residence on Renaud, resulting in a visit by . Grosse Pointe Shores police. Police discovered five guests,

aged 17 and 18 from the Shore's and Woods plus a "small amount" of alcohol.

◆ PARK PURCHASES 5 NEW CITY VEHICLES: Grosse Pointe Park's city council approved the purchase of

four new public safety vehicles and one administrative vehicle. Compiled by Karen **Fontanive**

AREAACTIVITIES

Grosse Pointe Library

Master Gardener Kristine Michigan State Hahn, University horticulture educator, lectures on the "Power of 'Gardening" at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 24, at the Grosse Pointe Public Library Woods branch, 20680 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

She also speaks at 7 p.m. Monday, March 28, at the Ewald branch, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park. Both lectures are free.

Master gardener classes are offered beginning April 6 at Wayne County Community College University Center, 19305 Vernier, Harper Woods. For more information, contact gcumming1@wcccd.edu or call (313) 886-2425.

Junior League

The Junior League of Detroit hosts "Coping with Bullies," a free workshop for parents and children, from noon to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 26, at Monteith Public Library, 14100 Kercheval, Detroit.

Separate sessions for parents and children run simultaneously.

The workshop, presented by Girls and Boys Empowered, feature role-playing and interactive discussions to teach children and parents coping strategies and conflict resolution techniques for dealing with bullying and negative peer pressure situations.

Center of Lifelong Learning

Speaker Marlene Hamel discusses the Detroit Institute of and sweatshirts for a south-Arts current exhibit, "Fakes, west Detroit homeless shelter, Forgeries and Mysteries" at nonperishable food for 10:30 a.m. Monday, March 28, at the Center of Lifelong Learning for Active Adults, St. Peter Parish House, 19851 Anita, Harper Woods. A freewill offering is accepted.

For more information, call (313) 885-8063.

Grosse Pointe Rotary

The Grosse Pointe Rotary

Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The speaker is club past president, Mary Asmus. His topic is the history of the club in anticipation of its 75th anniversary in 2012.

A euchre tournament begins at 7:15 p.m. Friday, April 1, at the Alger House, Grosse Pointe War Memorial. The cost is \$25. Beverages and snacks are provided and prizes are awarded.

In April, the Grosse Pointe and Detroit clubs host six Australians working with ProLiteracy Detroit as one of the Rotary International's Vocational Training Teams. Club member Mike Carmody leads a team to East Timor and Australia in late April with three midwives and two pharmacists to provide training and assistance in remote regions.

To date, the Rotary clubs have gathered 2.5 millions pounds of clothing, books and food for the 3 Million Pound challenge. Donations are given to charities in the metro Detroit and Windsor areas.

The club also provided funding for ShelterBoxUSA to assist displaced Japanese, provided a year's tuition for a student to attend school in Kenya and gave support for people affected by the cyclone in Australia and New Zealand.

Sunrise Rotary

The Grosse Pointe Sunrise Rotary Club meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 29, at The Hill Seafood & Chop House, 123 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Club members have gathered coats, blankets, sweaters Detroit's Peace Lutheran Church's pantry and food for Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets for the club's preteen girls project.

Henry Ford Medical

Certified Henry Ford Medical group plastic surgeons, Dr. Donna Tepper and Dr. Merman Houin, discuss

Club meets at 12:10 p.m. why cosmetic surgery isn't just Monday, March 28, in the for the rich and famous, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 30, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Edsel & Eleanor Ford House

Author and curator Ulrich Leben visits Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores, at 6:45 p.m. Wednesday, March 30, to share stories of the Waddesdon Manor in Buckinghamshire, England.

His topic is "A Family Affair: Treasurers from Rothschild Collection at Waddesdon Manor." Tickets are \$20 or \$15 for members.

In 1872, Baron Ferdinand de Rothschild purchased a 2,600 acre Buckinghamshire farming estate from the Duke of Marlborough. Rothschild filled the interiors with an art collection including portraits by Gainsborough and Reynolds.

Parkinson's support group

The Eastside Parkinson's Support Group meets at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, March 31, at St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 20475 Sunningdale Park, Grosse Pointe Woods. Debra Wagner, Medicare/Medicaid assistant program counselor, discusses new preventive assistance services.

For more information, call Betty Rusnack at (313) 884-

War Memorial

The Chancel Bells perform from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 5, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe

The cost is \$23. Reservations are necessary and may be made by calling (313) 881-

Charles Ferguson discusses, "Everything Everyone in Modern Society Should Know About Oil," from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, March 24. The fee is



Services for Older Citizens hosts "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling" afternoon tea from 2:30 to 4 p.m. Tuesday, March 29, at 17150 Waterloo, City of Grosse Pointe. The Golden Tap-ettes provide the afternoon's musical entertainment. The cost is \$5. For more information, call (313) 882-9600. From left, Betty Wilk, Pat Nurse, Shirley Waun and Betty Fennell at the February tea at Services for Older Citizens.

The class takes a look at the history of the resourse in the United States and the country's annual seven billion barrel consumption.

Valade Healing Arts

The Valade Healing Arts Center, 19229 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods, offers a sixweek beginner tai chi class from 1 to 2 p.m. Wednesdays, March 30 through May 11. The last day to register is Tuesday, March 29. The cost is \$70.

A six-week therapeutic chair tai chi class is offered from noon to 1 p.m. Wednesdays, March 30 through May 11. The class costs \$70 and the last day to register is March 29.

A reiki II class is from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, March 26, and costs \$195.

An aura photography class is offered in 20-minute sessions for \$30, from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, April 9.

A yoga retreat is from 9 a.m. register is Friday, April 8.

To register for tai chi or the yoga retreat, call St. John paid online or by mail to received education, sports and Health Connect at (866) 501-

ra photography, call (313) 647-

Acting class

Professional stage and screen actor Bob Cafagna hosts a series of Saturday workshops in April to help local talent prepare for an audition. The workshops are every weekend from 1 to 4 p.m. April 2 through 30 at the Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, 17150 Maumee, Grosse Pointe

Classes are open to students ages 12 to adult. Class size is

Students receive training and learn skills needed to succeed at auditions, cold reads and callbacks with local agents and managers. Candidates receive hands-on training in resume preparation, improvisation, cold reading and on-camera TV and monologue deliv-Cafagna has performed on

to noon Saturday, April 9. The stage in New York and on TV Geologist and author cost is \$55 and the last day to and film both nationally and internationally.

The cost is \$160 and can be Cafagna Arts, 1443 Bewick community service awards.

3627; to register for reiki or au- Ave. Detroit, MI, 48214. All registrations must be paid in advance and are non-refundable. For more information, visit cae-network.com or call (313) 822 2486.

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Louisa St. Clair Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, this year gave its Outstanding American history Teacher Award to Rodger Hunwick Feb. 12.

Hunwick teaches eighthgrade American History at Parcells Middle School.

During his 17-year career, Hunwick has used technology, creativity, drama, humor, news writing, debate, storytelling, research, discussion, sing-alongs, quiz games, creative video, puppet plays, and multimedia to help children understand lessons.

He has a Master of Arts in history with a concentration in the United States Early Republic. Hunwick has served on district-wide school improvement committees, designed American history curriculum and lessons and has

Members of the Daughters of Penelope Grosse Pointe Chapter Thamyris No. 272 gave the Liggett Breast Center a \$5,000 donation.

Liggett Breast Center recipient of donation

Penelope Grosse Pointe Chapter Thamyris No. 272 presented LaJuana Fuller, manager of East Region Mammography Services, with a \$5,000 donation for the Liggett Breast Center Jan. 5.

The donation is proceeds of the first viewing of the "Festival of Tables," Oct. 17.

Chapter president Dori Daskas, vice president Elena Kerasiotis, event chairwoman Sandy president Dori Daskas.

Representatives from the Daughters of Moisides and co-chairwoman Natalie Simon, were on hand for the presentation.

"We value our relationship with the breast center staff at St. John Hospital and we look forward to continued success with our fundraising event. Our contributions over the years have helped many women who need financial assistance and emotional support," said chapter

Church votes to welcome LGBT community

Grosse Unitarian Church is now recopenly welcoming to all, regardless of sexual orientation.

The March 6 decision was accomplished with the guidance of the Boston-based ent sexual orientations. Universalist Unitarian Association.

"We're thrilled to have finally earned the right to hang our and affirms its special responrainbow flags," said Janet Peplin, chairwoman of the ticipation of persons in all of Welcoming Committee.

A year-long series of forums to race, color, gender, disabili-

which a majority of the ognized as a Welcoming church's membership partici-Congregation, meaning it is pated led up to the voting. The rums helped lead people into goal of the workshops was to reduce prejudice by increasing understanding and acceptance among people of differ-

The church's bylaws include the following language: "The congregation declares sibility to promote the full par-

Pointe and educational events in ty, affectional or sexual orientation, age, or national origin."

"The workshops and foconversations they've never had before," said church vicepresident John Owens. "I couldn't be more proud that GPUC is opening its doors and hearts to the LBGT community.

The church is located at 17150 Maumee, City of Grosse Pointe.

For more information its endeavors without regard e-mail Peplin at janetleighp@ gmail.com.

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<u>12:00 pm</u> Economic Club of Detroit 1:00 pm The Soc Show 1:30 pm Great Lakes Log

2:00 pm The John Prost Show 2:30 pm Legal Insider

3:00 pm Things to Do at the War Memorial 3:30 pm Art & Design 4:00 pm Vitality Plus (Tone)

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JHURCH EVENTS

Ecumenical breakfast

The Grosse Pointe Men's Ecumenical breakfast begins at 6:45 a.m. Friday, March 25, with coffee at the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe

A buffet breakfast is served at 7:15 a.m. followed at 7:45 a.m. by the speaker, the Rev. Matthew Parker Wrzeszcz, associate pastor of Grosse Pointe Memorial Church.

For more information, call Bruce Vick at (313) 881-9661.

St. Paul's

St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church holds a Mom 2 Mom sale from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, March 26, in the school gym, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Christ Church

"The Complete Organ Works of Johannes Brahms" is performed at 4:30 p.m. Sunday, March 27, at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe

Scott Hanoian, director of music and organist at the church, performs.

A freewill offering is accept-

♦ The series, "Our Spiritual

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Food prep

Some 20 St. James Lutheran Church parishioners of all ages trekked to Gleaners Community Food Bank March 5 to pack food. Divided into two groups, half packaged 2,000 pounds of noodles into family-size bags. The second group filled backpacks with enough food for two to three meals. The backpacks are distributed to Wayne and Macomb county schools on Fridays so families have food for the weekend. Right, Anna Maria Garberding packaged noodles. Holding packages of noodles at top, front, from left, Anna Maria Garberding and Hailey Martin; in the back from left, Julie Ohlsson and Tomas, Cristina and Andrea Garberding, Maddy Ohlsson and Alssia and Sue Martin.



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PASTOR'S CORNER By Rev. Ben Van Arragon

Giving up Facebook for Lent

hat are you giving up?" is a question often overheard this time of year. It's a question asked by Christians around the world — including many who don't participate actively in other church rituals. It is, of course, a reference to the annual season of austerity known as Lent.

Lent is the 40-day period leading up to Easter. The significance of the 40 days is drawn from the Gospel accounts of Jesus' 40 days of trial in the wilderness (recounted in Matthew 4:1-11, Mark 1:12-13, Luke 4:1-13). As part of their observance of Lent, countless Christians give something up. Traditionally this has taken the form of a fast from food or drink. Contemporary Lent observers sometimes give up vices like chocolate, caffeine, or alcohol. More recently some have taken a break from cherished habits such

as television or Facebook. There are purists who claim that proper Lent observance should be fasting from something you'd consume for sustenance. After all, Jesus fasted from all food during his 40 days in the wilderness. Giving up an

activity for Lent, they say, misses the point. Actually, it gets right to the point. The point of Lent observance is depriving yourself of something you think you can't live without. In the process, you rediscover the true source of your sustenance — the true source of your life. When Satan tempts Jesus to break · his wilderness fast, Jesus responds, "People don't live by bread alone, but by God's every word."

We don't worry much about where we'll get out next meal. Instead our anxiety is focused on getting personal affirmation; wealth; the assurance of security.

We turn to the latest stock market update for our good news; we check e-mail obsessively for proof we matter; we Tweet incessantly in the hopes that someone cares. In a spiritual and emotional sense, these are the places from which we derive life. Maybe unplugging isn't such a bad idea. Maybe if we turned off the TV, walked away from the computer, and put the smartphone in a drawer the world wouldn't end. We'd continue to be human. We might even find our affirmation, our fulfillment, and our security somewhere else. We could start by turning to the place Jesus found his.

Van Arragon is the minister at First Christian Reformed Church in Grosse Pointe Park.



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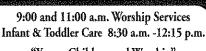
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ASK THE EXPERTS By Zonya Foco

Preparing balanced, healthy diet is an art



'm raising a family of three teenagers and trying to make sure we all get a balanced healthy diet. Here are some questions we have:

Oatmeal is so blah. How can we make it healthier, but still satisfy our taste buds? Instead of automatically A. trading sugar for one of those pink, blue or yellow packets, put a full teaspoon of cinnamon on your oatmeal. Cinnamon provides the illusion of sweetness so you can use half the sugar. Cinnamon also contains polyphenols that help the body metabolize sugars efficiently. A full teaspoon is the amount used in the studies to determine this benefit.

What are some natural • sugars besides the destructive pink, blue or yellow packets?

And it tastes great!

Instead of drinking a A. huge glass of fruit juice with your oatmeal, put this natural sugar into your oatmeal. Add chopped apple, peach, strawberries or 2 tablespoons of raisins. The natural sugar provided in the fruit means you won't have to add sugar or artificial sweeteners to give it an acceptable sweet taste. In addition to learning to enjoy your oatmeal a little less sweet, you're getting beneficial antioxidants, polyphenols and extra fiber!

What else can we drink besides sugary soda and juice to fulfill our sweet tooth? People think they need A. sweet soda every day to be satisfied, but water is a wonderful thirst quencher and hydrator. It's also very satisfying with a slice of lemon or packet of True Lemon, True Lime or True Orange added for a hint of flavor.

I also put 2 ounces of 100percent fruit juice in a tall glass of water to make my own fruitflavored water. My whole family does this and now we can't drink a glass of undiluted fruit juice or can of soda because it's too sweet.

How do we get away from tempting tastes and unhealthy artificial addi-

When you're ready to re-A. duce the amount of sugar and related calories in your diet, your first step is to tame your sweet tooth. Train your mind to think outside the pink, blue and yellow packets and choose natural sweetness from food "close to the farm."

Remember, artificial sweeteners are just that - artificial. Splenda is made by putting a chlorine atom onto the sugar molecule, rendering it zero calories to the human body.

Foco is a registered dietitian, professional speaker, host of TV specials on national public television and author of "DIET FREE Lifestyle Program," and "Lickety-Split Meals" cookbook.

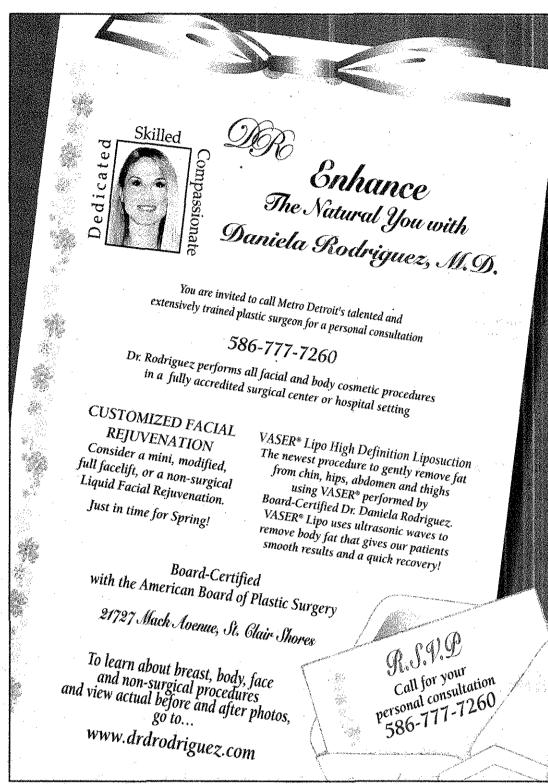
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GM chairman and wife head fundraiser

Chairman and chief executive officer of ing partner in the fight against cancer. We look General Motors Company, Dan Akerson, and his wife, Karin, chair the 2011 Karmanos Cancer Institute's the 29th annual dinner, on

The event raises funds to support cancer research, patient care and education at Karmanos.

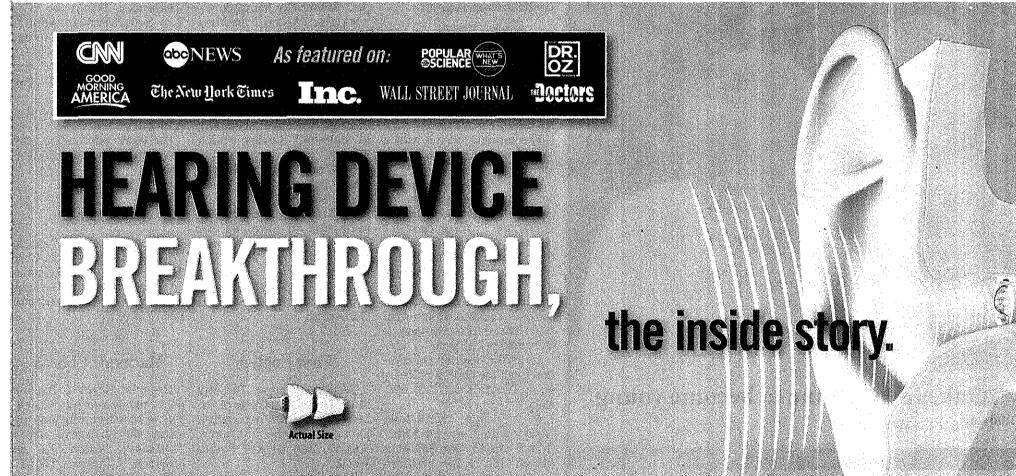
"We are extremely pleased the Akersons will chair this wonderful event that helps support our continued ability to provide the very best in cancer care," said Gerold Bepler, M.D., Ph.D., president and CEO of Karmanos, "General Motors has been an important and long stand-

forward to an exceptional evening to celebrate with our greatest supporters and advocates in the community."

The black tie event features a reception, an elegant dinner, entertainment, a live auction, and a raffle sponsored by Tiffany & Co.

"Karin and I feel privileged to serve as chairs for Karmanos' annual dinner," Akerson said. "As a company, GM strongly believes research must continue so we can all benefit from the latest scientific advancements in cancer care and

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SENIOR SCENE By Ruth Cain

Living to 100 isn't that unusual today



iving to age 100 isn't quite the outstanding achievement it once was. This year, Guinness World Records will have a listing of 100 verified supercentenarians, those living to 110 years of age or more.

To make this list requires three sets of documentation submitted and validated by an international body specifically dealing in longevity research.

Only seven supercentenarians are still living, three in the United States, three in Japan and one in Italy.

It's interesting to note which country has the longest living persons. The U.S. is the clear winner, with 42 people on the list. Japan is second with 14. United Kingdom next with 8, France with 5, and the remainder in even lower single digits.

And how did the women do? The listing is according to age at death or if still living. There are 10 women before a single

male is listed. Thereafter only eight males make the list. Proves that females are either stronger, or less stressed, or genetically blessed, or who

The oldest person was 122 years and 164 days old when she died in France in 1997. The youngest on the list was 113 years and 219 days old when she died in January of this year in the U.S.

Living to 100 won't get you into the Guinness World Records. But your family will still be impressed.

Some other items I've found interesting: Farming is more dangerous

than fighting fires, according to labor department statistics. Some 38.5 farm and ranch workers in 100,000 receive fatal work injuries each year. compared to only 4.4 fatalities per 100,000 firefighters.

More than half of adult men in China smoke. Each year, one million Chinese die of tobaccorelated illnesses and that figure will undoubtedly double in the next 10 years. China's State Administration of Radio, Film and Television has ordered producers to restrict smoking to scenes necessary for character development and those

scenes must be as short as pos-

Our country has become much more restrictive. In New York, smokers with a lighted cigarette will be prohibited from entering beaches or crowded public gathering places. Hospitals and health organizations, such as the Cleveland Clinic, are requiring urine tests of prospective employees and warning that they're refusing to hire anyone who tests positive for nicotine. Such groups say smoking leads to illnesses that raise health care costs.

Some employers are even demanding current employees give up smoking or be fired. And that's going too far, say

They believe it could likely happen that soon workers may be required to pass a "body mass index test" or take a urine test for salt or sugar. Sounds unlikely, but Jeff Sullum on Reason.com believes when government takes an "ever-expanding role" in health care, every taxpayer acquires "a stake in his neighbor's lifestyle."

Jeff Jacoby in the Boston Globe says let's take this jihad to its next logical step and

bring back Prohibition. Alcohol has wrecked more marriages, caused more accidents and fueled more crime than smoking ever has, he says. Cigarettes may make you sick, but they don't "ruin your character" in the process as does alcohol.

And speaking of character, he suggests, let's also ban the coarse language, "leering raunchiness" and mindless crudity that now passes for popular culture. But then, Jacoby adds, "Oh, that's right. Our modern moral crusades

don't think about character. They're too busy making sure that we all live forever."

I have trouble believing that the following object even exists. The Bugatti Veyron Super Sport car is now on the market for \$2.4 million. Only 40 SSs will be built.

Road & Track says the car can be driven every day and is smooth, quite and comfortable. But hit the gas and you're "violently slammed into the seat back as though tackled by an NFL linebacker.'

Motor Trend notes the vehicle's top speed of 268 mph is a world record for a production car. It compares the speed of the car by saying it could travel the length of a football field, including end zones, in one second. This is a car "without equal on this planet."

Can you imagine the bidding when the many more than 40 billionaires decide they need the car to proclaim their wealth to their peers.

Reach Cain at ruthcain@comcast.net.

Beating colorectal cancer with early detection

Cancer Awareness Month and colon cancer cases have been steadily decreasing the past two decades.

What's the bad news?

It remains the third most common cancer in both men and women. And here's the kicker: Colon cancer is a preventable disease with a 90 percent survival rate when diagnosed early.

In other words, it's a beatable cancer. But screening is

Last year, an estimated 102,900 Americans were diagnosed with colon cancer and 91 percent were age 50 or older. In Hispanic or Latino men and women, colon cancer is the second most commonly diagnosed cancer. Early stage colon cancer (when it is most treatable) usually does not

March is National Colorectal have symptoms. Screening is rassed to get screened. often the only way to determine a diagnosis before it's too

> "If we diagnose it early enough, it is curable," said Martha Trout, director of health initiatives for out-state Michigan for the American Cancer Society Great Lakes Division. "If we're doing adequate screening in our communities, we don't need to have a disparity in the incidence of colon cancer and death rates."

So why aren't more people getting screened? According to American Cancer Society research, the top seven reasons people say they aren't getting screened include:

- ♦ They don't think it will happen to them.
- ◆ They don't understand the benefits of getting screened.
- ♦ They are afraid or embar-

- ♦ They don't have time to go in for a screening.
- They believe they can't afford a screening.
- ◆ They don't know where to go to get screened.
- ♦ And the No. 1 reason? Their doctor never talked to them about it.

"Bottom line, getting screened for colon cancer can save your life," Trout said. "Colon cancer is one of only two cancers that can be prevented through screening. It almost always starts with a small growth that can be removed before becoming cancerous. If you are 50 or older, talk to your doctor about getting screened, even if you have no symp-

For more information call (800) 227-2345, anytime, or visit cancer.org.

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ner with such a worldrenowned cancer institute right here in our own back-

Funds from this year's event support the new Joseph Dresner Family Bone Marrow Transplant and Hematologic pand Karmanos' ability to con-

treatment. GM is proud to part- to open later this year at Karmanos.

The Dresner Center will benefit hundreds of patients each month being treated for benderm@karmanos.org. leukemia, multiple myeloma, lymphoma and other hematologic disorders. It will also ex-Malignancies Center, planned duct future cancer research

and clinical trials focusing on these diseases.

General Motors is the host sponsor for the gala. Compuware Corporation is the executive sponsor.

For sponsorship opportunities, contact Maureen Bender at (313) 576-8111 or e-mail For additional information

and reservations, call Lisa Koltunchik at (313) 576-8106 e-mail koltuncL@ karmanos.org. ing wildered sealoud vin isc

EVENTS: Lenten service, workshop

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Journeys: Listening to God," is in the Gospels" is the topic of The Rev. Scott Hunter, dean of St. Paul's Cathedral in Detroit, is the Tuesday, March 29, speaker.

The evening begins with a soup and salad potluck supper 27. at 6 p.m.

speaker, children can participate in the FaithWeavers, an children, preschool through fifth grade. Children learn Bible stories through songs, games, skits and crafts. Middle school-age children can participate in an informal Bible study. Nursery care is from 5:45 to 7:45 p.m.

To make supper reservations, call the church office by noon Tuesdays at (313) 885-4841.

♦ A prayer workshop, "Praying in Color of Kids," from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 26, is for children kindergarten through fifth

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grade. The cost is \$10. To register, call the church office at the aforementioned number.

• "Praying with the Breath" is the topic of the seminar, supper is offered. Experiments in Prayer: All Sunday, March 27, the topic Course for Men, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, March 30. • "The Passion Narratives

offered from 6 to 7:30 p.m. services from 10:10 to 11 a.m. Tuesdays through April 12. Sundays through the Lenten season. The Rev. Joe Healey, priest

associate, speaks on "The Passion Narrative According to Matthew," Sunday, March

The Feast of the While adults listen to the Annunciation begins at 7 p.m. Friday, March 25.

The Eucharist celebrates the interactive learning class for revelation to Mary by the Angel Gabriel that she would conceive the child, Jesus. The service features Schubert's "Mass in G. D. 167" and the Christ Church Schola and Orchestra.

First English

"Jesus Teaching on The Way to the Cross" is the title of the Lenten series at First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Wednesday services are at

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10:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. After the morning service, a free-will luncheon is served and prior to the evening service a free-will

is "Parable of the Tenants;" Wednesday, March 30, "The Two Sons;" Sunday, April 3, "Parable of the Wedding Banquet;" Sunday, April 10, "Parable of the Talents;" and Wednesday, April 13, Anointing at Bethany."

Holy Week begins Sunday, April 17.

For more information, call the church office at (313) 884-5040.

St. Paul

St. Paul Lutheran Church, 22915 Greater Mack, St. Clair Shores, offers a free preschool art class at 4 p.m. Tuesday, March 29. To register, call (586) 777-0215.

Mariners' Church

Organist Kevin J. Bylsma performs music by Franck, Vierne, Messiaen and Alain following the 12:10 p.m. service Thursday, March 31 at Mariners' Church, 170 E. Jefferson, Detroit.

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What's ahead at the War Memorial

Trek to the mysterious time of the Pharaohs or explore a Great Lakes mystery during programs and events presented at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. To register and for more information, call (313) 881-7511.

Upcoming programs include:

Oil 101: Everything Everyone in Modern Society Should Know About Oil -7 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, March 24. Geologist and Wayne State University professor Charles Barker discusses key issues regarding the strategic resource, petroleum. Cost is \$24 per person.

Pruning — 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, March 26. Learn the proper way to prune flowering and shade trees, shrubs, vines and perennials. Bring a pair of sharpened hand pruners and loppers. Cost is \$28 per person.

See It and Believe It with Vision Boards — 7 to 9 p.m., Monday, March 28. Discover how to chart the road to success through vision board. In this program, led by Alyce Hartman, students learn how to develop a sense of positive direction and set clear goals on their voyage of discovery. Cost is \$24 plus \$6 materials fee.

Build a Twig Chair Workshop -6 to 10 p.m. Tuesday, March 29. Each participant will complete a full-sized adult chair for use in the garden, yard, porch or house. Basic chair frames are built prior to class. Following a demonstration, each participant completes the back and arms of the chair. Cost is \$53 plus \$75 materials fee.

Sibling Teasing and Bullying Family Workshop — 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, March 31. This Girls Empowered program for sibling ages 6-14 helps children understand the impact of everyday meanness and how they can make different choices in treating one another. Parents participate a workshop and learn how to manage sibling conflict and make a family contract. Cost is \$49 for two siblings and parents (\$16 for each additional child).

The Trail You Leave in Ink: Handwriting Analysis — 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday, March 31. Learn the meaning of pen strokes in a pro-

gram led by instructor Ruth Holmes, a professional handwriting and document examiner. Cost of the program is \$25 per person.

Mom 2 Mom Sale — 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, April 2. The sale features new and gently used children's clothing, toys, games, books, videos, furniture and more. Admission is \$2 per person for early birds, 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.; and \$1 after 10 a.m.

The Edmund Fitzgerald Investigation — 7 to 8:30 p.m. Monday, April 4. Former Great Lakes sailor Frank Frisk leads the program exploring the shipwreck. Discussion includes the latest evidence, new theories and a new documentary. Cost is \$24 per person.

A bell choir performance -12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 5. Eat a light lunch at the Alger House, followed by a concert featuring The Chancel Bells. Cost is \$23 per person.

Hands-On Knife Skills -- 6:30 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 5. Instructor Pam Gustairs covers knife safety. the various types and their purposes. Students learn how to maintain and sharpen knives. Bring a chef's knife and a cutting board (no glass boards). Cost is \$39 per person.

Negotiating Your Salary — 7 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 5. Preston Banks of Resume Solutions, LLC provides advice on recognizing opportunities and working with them. Cost is \$24 per person.

The Egypt Experience: Secrets of the Tomb — 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 6. The War Memorial leads a tour to the Toledo Museum of Art, where two mummies and more than 150 objects from their era are displayed. The exhibit is set in a labyrinth of small halls that appear to be freshly unearthed. Cost is \$39 per person and includes bus transportation and docent tour. Reservations are due by March 25.

Money Origami — 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, April 6. Learn the art of transforming paper money into shapes, such as hearts, flowers, butterflies and more. Sandra and Arlene Whitworth lead the program. Cost is \$24 plus \$5 materials Lifee with the state of the complete

A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

Chowder includes variety of shellfish

any meals I prepare have everything to do with what's on hand in my refrigerator or pantry. Finding myself with a variety of

cooked and canned), I decided to venture into chowder, New England style.

Most New England chowders call for bacon but in the spirit of the

Lenten season, I substituted cooked lobster meat.

New England Shellfish Chowder

115-oz. can chicken broth

3 cups cubed potatoes (with skin) 1/2 cup plus 1/4 cup butter, divided

2 cups chopped onion

1 cup chopped celery

1 cup chopped bell pepper (your choice)

1/2 cup flour 4 cups water

28-oz. bottles clam juice

26.5-oz. cans clams (whole or chopped), with juice

8-oz. fresh scallops, cut into bite-sized pieces 8-oz. fresh shrimp, peeled

1 cup cooked lobster meat

2 cups whole milk

salt and pepper to taste

1/2 cup chopped fresh parsley

Blanch potatoes in chicken broth (the potatoes will finish cooking in the soup) and set aside (with the broth). Melt 1/4 cup butter with small amount of olive oil in a large pot over medium heat. Add onions, celery and pepper and saute for 5 to 7 min-

utes, or until the vegetables begin to soften. Add remaining 1/2 cup butter and flour and cook and stir until butter is completely melted with flour to coat vegetables. Raise heat level and add water and clam juice. Bring

mixture to a boil and add canned clams (with juice), scallops, shrimp and broth-potato mixture. Cook for 5 minutes or so, then lower to a simmer. Stir in lobster meat and milk. Taste and season with salt and pepper. Stir in fresh parsley.

Ladle hot chowder into bowls and garnish with homemade croutons. Delicious.

The fun thing about making chowder is you can make it your own by adding whatever seafood you like.



Annie's New England chowder is made with clams, scallops,

shrimp and lobster.



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Winning cupcake recipes

irst place winner in the second annual cupcake challenge was Carla Whitton of St. Clair Shores with her "Banana Cupcakes." Each contestant submitted the recipe and a short story of the recipe's significance. Whitton's story:

"This recipe has been shared and enjoyed with countless family, friends and acquaintances. It came into being just after my third child was born. We discovered that she had several strong food allergies. I created this recipe for banana cupcakes so our whole family could enjoy celebrations together.

"Baked goods were especially hard to find without ingredients that would make my little one sick. My 'momma heart' filled with guilt when we would go someplace and my little one would be left out. With this recipe, no more worrying whether or not there would be food that she could eat. When I first started making this I would explain to fellow celebrators that this was an 'allergy free' recipe.

"It won't taste normal to you," I was careful to warn.

"There are no dairy, egg or nut products used. I quickly learned that no explanation was needed. Everyone who shared our cupcakes loved them. I had to start carrying copies of the recipe with me whenever I would bake for an event, since someone was bound to ask for the recipe.

"Now my sisters, nieces, nephews, parents, in-laws, mail carrier, children's teachers, kids' classmates' families. staff at our pediatrician's office, neighbors, friends and even strangers have all shared and enjoyed our family favorite. I hope you will too!"

BANANA CUPCAKES PEPPERMINT

- 13/4 cup flour
- 1 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon salt I teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon vanilla 1/2 cup vegetable oil
- 1/4 cup plus 1 tablespoon butter soy milk

pour 1 teaspoon vinegar into the 1/4 cup soy milk

2 bananas, over ripe, mashed

2 imitation eggs (by Ener-G Egg Replacer)

In large bowl, mash bananas. Add oil, soy milk, vanilla and imitation egg. Stir to combine. Add flour, sugar, salt and baking soda. Mix well by hand.

Pour into cupcake liners. Bake at 325 degrees for approximately 30 minutes or until cupcakes test done. Cool on wire rack.

This recipe does double well.

Second place winner was the "Mocha Cupcakes with Peppermint Frosting" created by Marie High, of Grosse Pointe Park, and Madeleine Glasser, of Grosse Pointe Park.

Their story as told by Madeleine:

"Marie and I baked these cupcakes for my little brother, William. He was born with cerebal palsy. This means his legs aren't as strong as most peoples. His two favorite foods are chocolate and peppermint so we combined the two. It was Marie's idea to combine coffee to give William energy, since just walking is so hard for him. We hope you enjoy our recipe.' Love, Marie and Madeleine

MOCHA CUPCAKES WITH PEPPERMINT FROSTING

CUPCAKE

- 2 cups all purpose flour 2 cups white sugar
- 2/3 cups unsweetened cocoa powder
- 1/2 cup vegetable oil 2 eggs
- 1 cup buttermilk
- 2 teaspoons baking soda 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon baking powder 1 tablespoon instant coffee powder
 - 1 cup hot water
- Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease cupcake pans.
- Measure flour, sugar, oil, eggs, buttermilk, baking powder, baking soda and salt into mixing bowl. Beat for two min-
- utes. Bake for 30 to 35 minutes, or until an inserted toothpick
- comes out clean. Frost cooled cupcakes.

FROSTING

- 2 cups powered sugar 1/2 cup (4 ounces) tub-style light cream cheese
- 1/8 teaspoon peppermint

16 hard peppermint candies, finely crushed (about 1/3

After frosting, melt semisweet chocolate baking squares or chips in double boiler. Drizzle chocolate around top outside edges, letting it run down sides or over top.

"Joyful Cupcakes" captured third place and were created by Hadley Roy of Grosse Pointe Farms. The homeschooled teen said she is in the kitchen every weekend baking either brownies, cupcakes or cookies.

Her story:

"These cupcakes are inspired by a recipe I made for my senior piano recital I played in ninth grade. It was a 45-page solo performance, complete with nine pieces, two intermissions with a 30-person audience. It was a wonderful celebration and one of the most memorable days of my life.

"Throughout my life I've found that piano and baking have a lot in common. Both of them require 'cold reasoning and a warm heart.' The expression stems from one of the reasons I play piano. It's from a Swiss film about a piano prodigy called 'Vitus,' and it is some part due to that film that I pursued piano.

"Piano and baking are both, at the most fundamental level, very scientific things. If you want you can turn a cake into a mere series of chemical reactions, just as you can tune a piano piece into a string of mechanical movements. In both cases, however, the science leaves out one of the best aspects of the art. Making people happy.

"When I played my recital I brought together guests from age 8 to 85 to celebrate the joy of music and I felt that baking creates a miniature celebration that can bring generations together just like piano does. My celebration was one of community and one of the joy of music and it is a joyful celebration to be able to share these cupcakes with you."

JOYFUL CUPCAKES

Double vanilla cupcakes

- 13/4 cups cake flour 13/4 teaspoons baking pow-
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 5 tablespoons butter at room temperature
- 1 1/4 cups sugar 1 - 2 vanilla beans
- 3 large eggs 4 large egg yolks
- 3 teaspoons vanilla extract 1/3 cup vegetable oil 1/3 cup buttermilk

FILLING Earl Grey buttercream

- 2 sticks butter
- 1 1/4 cups powered sugar 1/4 heavy cream 4 teaspoons vanilla
- 2-3 bags Earl Grey tea 1 teaspoon lemon juice

FROSTING chocolate ganache

3 tablespoons corn syrup 6 ounces heavy cream

12 ounce bittersweet chocolate chips

1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract 1/2 instant coffee powder

LEMON CANDIED PEEL

I cup sugar 1/2 cup water Zest of 1 - 2 lemons in thin

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Line a cupcake pan and grease the top with non-stick

Sift together cake flour, baking soda and salt. Set aside.

Split vanilla beans and scrape the seeds into the bowl of a stand mixer. In the same bowl cream butter, vanilla beans and sugar until light and fluffy (about 2 minutes). Add eggs and egg yolks one at a time, beating thoroughly after each addition. Add vanilla extract, mix to combine. Add vegetable oil, mix to combine. Alternate mixing in the flour mixture with the buttermilk. Fill cupcake pan 3/4 of the way and bake for about 18 minutes, cool 20 minutes before assembling. (Note: you will have batter left over after filling all 12 wells.)

Meanwhile make the filling: In the bowl of a stand mixer, cream butter. Gradually add powered sugar and mix until combined. Add cream and mix, then add vanilla, lemon juice and contents of the Earl Grey tea bags into the mixing bowl. Combine and beat until fluffy. Place in a zip top bag and reserve for filling cupcakes.

Frosting

In a sauce pan, combine corn syrup and cream. Bring



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Pianist Hadley Roy, of Grosse Pointe Farms, took home third place with her Joyful Cupcakes.

to a simmer and add the chocolate and instant coffee. Turn off the heat and add the vanilla. Transfer to the bowl of a stand mixer and beat until fluffy.

Lemon peel

Place lemon peel in a sauce pan, cover with water and boil 20 minutes. Drain and set aside. In sauce pan, heat water and sugar until it reaches 230 degrees F. Stir in peel and reduce heat. Stir and simmer mixture for about 5 minutes.

Remove peel and sugar syrup and roll in white sugar. Cool on wire rack for several hours.

Assemble cupcake

Use a melon baller to scoop out center of cupcakes, forming a well. Cut the tip of the zip lock bag with the filling and pipe it into the wells. Use a piping bag or zip lock bag to top with frosting.

Place lemon peel on top of cupcake before the frosting

CUPCAKE: Showcasing area talent

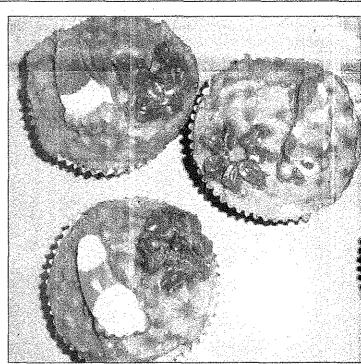
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and Grosse Pointe News features editor Ann L. Fouty.

All agreed the decision was more difficult this year and even had to go back for seconds to make sure the second and third place winners were correctly selected.

"It was a heartwarming family and friends event that showcased the talent of children and adults who enter The Family Center's second annual cupcake challenge," said Debbie Liedel, the center's executive director."

Other entrants were last year's first place winner,

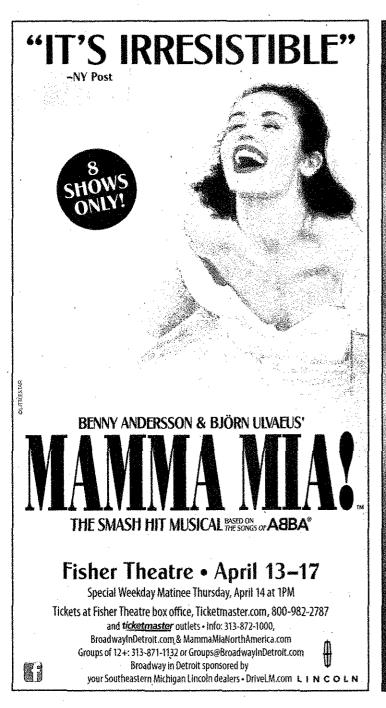


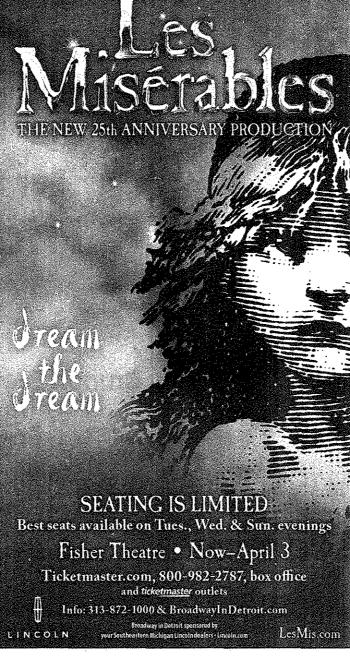
Ending Hunger Cupcakes were created by Claire Yeamans, of Grosse Pointe Park, and Anna Mello, of Grosse Pointe Park. Cupcake judge Frank Chero suggested they bake their cupcakes in his oven at the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club prior to their participation in the May CROP walk.

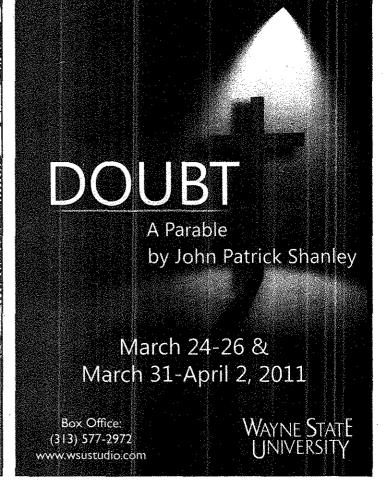
with her "Oh Baby Cupcakes;" Claire Yeamans and Anna Mellos both of Grosse Pointe Park with "Ending Hunger Cupcakes;" Riley Engel of Grosse Pointe of Metamora with "Apple Pie Grosse Pointe City.

Cindy Kopchak of Warren Cupcake;" and Greta Lang of Grosse Pointe Park with "Stay Awake Cupcake" using expresso beans.

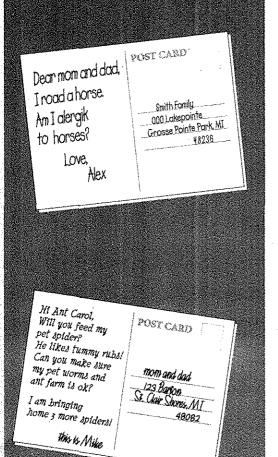
Winners of the coloring contest were: Jack Ryan of Grosse Pointe Park, Katelyn Farms with "Lucky Shamrock Gloster of Grosse Pointe Cupcakes;" Mackenzie Moyer Woods and Christina Leigh of











Tips on picking a camp

By Myra Pravda, RN, MSN Special Writer

SIGN-UP DAYS

As you begin to explore the many options, keep in mind your child's interests and maturity level.

Think about the following items and discuss them with your child:

- How much can you afford to spend on summer camp?
- · How far away is the camp from your house? This might incur additional costs.
- •Do you want a large or small camp?
- How many weeks does

your child want to spend at you are ready to begin your camp?

- · Do you want a co-ed or single sex camp? What kind of activities will
- your child enjoy? There are camps that offer a variety of activities. Some camps concentrate on one area like sports, the arts, academics,

There are special needs camps for specific populations, for example children with cancer, diabetes, physically challenged, etc.

After answering and thinking about the above questions

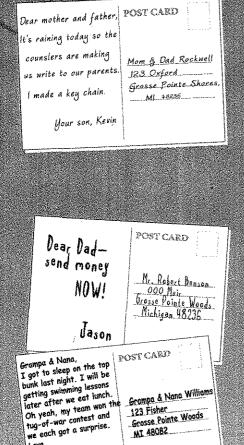
search for a summer camp. There are thousands of camps in the United States. How to choose the right one?

Items to consider about when reviewing camps and speaking with the Camp Director:

- •What is the camp philoso-
- phy? Camp program? • What is a typical day like at camp?
- What is the quality of activities and facilities?
- What is the counselor to camper ratio?
- · What is the age and background of the counseling

staff? How is the staff trained? What is the percentage of

- staff members who return each year? · How does the camp ensure the safety and security of its
- campers? · What is the camp's drug/al-
- cohol policy? · What kind of health care is
- provided? · What medical facilities do
- you use?
- · What is the satisfaction level of previous campers?
- What is the food like?
- What is the policy on phone calls and family visits?







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Preparing for camp

By Myra Pravda, RN, MSN Special Writer

It is important to prepare your child for a camp experience, whether it is for a oneweek sleep away camp near your town or a four-week camp out-of-state.

Here are some tips to go by: •Visit the camp, if at all pos-

sible, and meet the camp director. • Talk to other families who

have gone to the camp in years past to familiarize yourself with what goes on. ·Have your child spend a

weekend with a friend. No phone calls. Talk about it with command" at camp for hanyour child afterwards. How did your child feel the second

surprises. Learn as much as sounds. Practice walking in you can about camp life.

 Teach your child how to care for him/herself. Children need to know how to select appropriate clothing, make a bed with clean sheets, put clothes away, set a table, carry out chores, handle laundry, etc.

•Problem solve with your child by using "what if" situations to prepare for unexpected events. What if you lose your baseball glove? What if you don't get along with another child? What if you don't feel well? Let your child brainstorm for solutions and make sure they know the "chain of dling problems.

 Familiarize your child with the outdoors. Many city chil-•Go over the daily schedule dren are unfamiliar with total

the dark with a flashlight.

·Homesickness is fairly common. Missing home, parents, pets or friends is pretty normal. It is part of growing up and leaving home. Speak openly about it and your child will experience these feelings with less anxiety and more understanding. Camp staff is trained to help your child

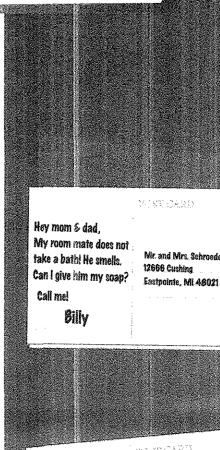
through these ups and downs. •Discuss communication at camp. Does your camp allow phone calls? Letters or postcards are best although now camps have fax and email. Give your child stamped envelopes and postcards already addressed. Practice letter writing. The more your child writes to others, the more mail he/she will receive!

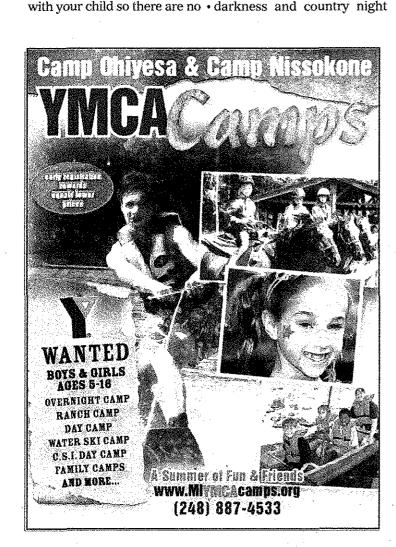
Communicate with camp

officials. Let them know if there are special circumstances or considerations regarding your child's well being or behavior.

·Send letters to your child before camp begins so mail is waiting when he/she arrives. Write daily keeping it simple. Send the sports or comics from the local newspaper, a cute card, a package with a word game, etc.

· Prepare yourself for your child going off to camp. You have chosen the best camp for your child and he/she will have a wonderful summer full of fun, new friends, new songs and many exciting experi-







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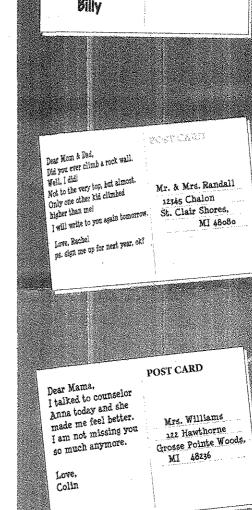
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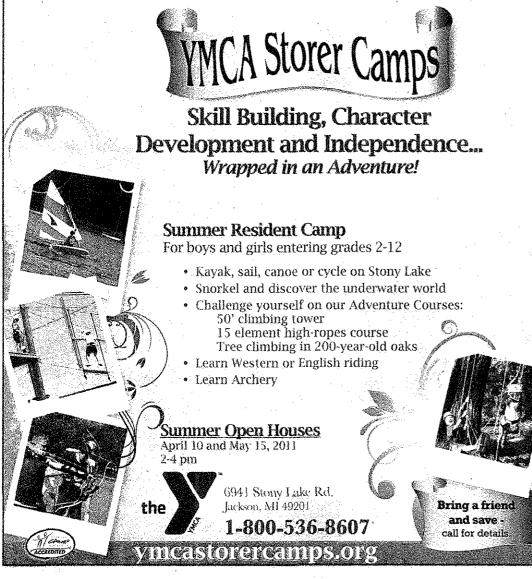
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UNIVERSITY LIGGETT

So close!

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

University Liggett girls' basketball team was tied at 48 early in the fourth quarter of its Class C state championship game against St. Ignace.

It was No. 2 against No. 3 and the third-ranked Knights were playing in their first state championship game at Michigan State University's Breslin Center.

Sophomore sharpshooter
Haleigh Ristovski just fouled out,
leaving the Knights without a
needed weapon during the stretch

Several missed shots and a slew of free throws led Liggett to a 65-54 defeat.

Liggett finished the magical season 25-2 overall. This was the best season in the girls' basketball history and paved the way for what the Knights hope is a return trip to the state finals a year from now.

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Everyone except senior Grace
Edmonds returns, including AllState guard Madison Ristovski,
who will go on to play her college

basketball at the University of Michigan.

"We gave it everything we had and left it all on the court," head coach Wayne Gigante said. "We ran out of gas. St. Ignace is a very good team and we had trouble rebounding and we didn't shoot the ball well (35 percent).

"We had to play better to win this game. But, after the first couple of minutes I knew we were in this game and we could win it.

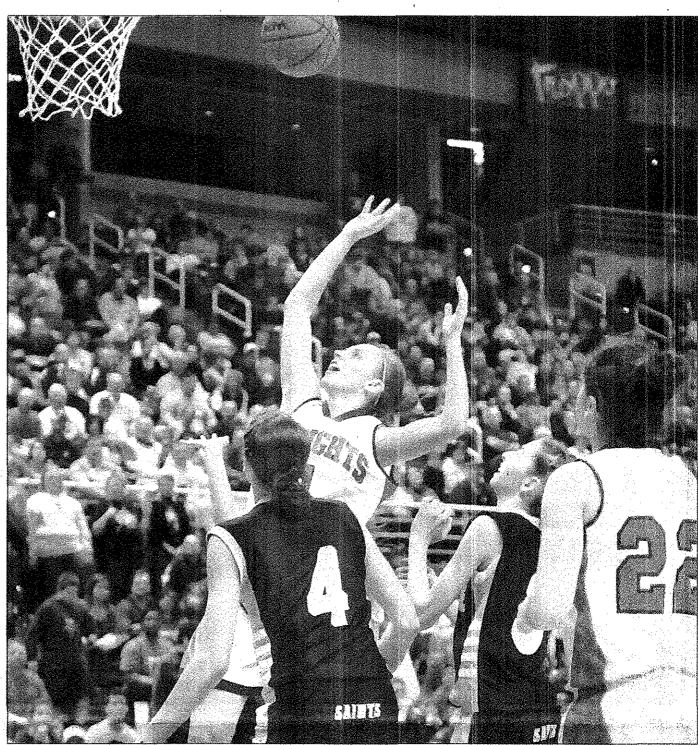
"It was a great high school basketball game. I think a lot of fans came out to see two of the best high school players (Liggett's Madison Ristovski and St. Iganace's Nicole Elmblad) play against each other."

The Knights had chances to lead at the half. The score was tied at 28-28, they shot the ball better than St. Ignace, 43 percent to 32 percent, but gave up seven second-chance points.

Gigante's squad trailed 60-55 with a couple of minutes left and had possession. They missed a shot and St. Ignace grabbed the re-

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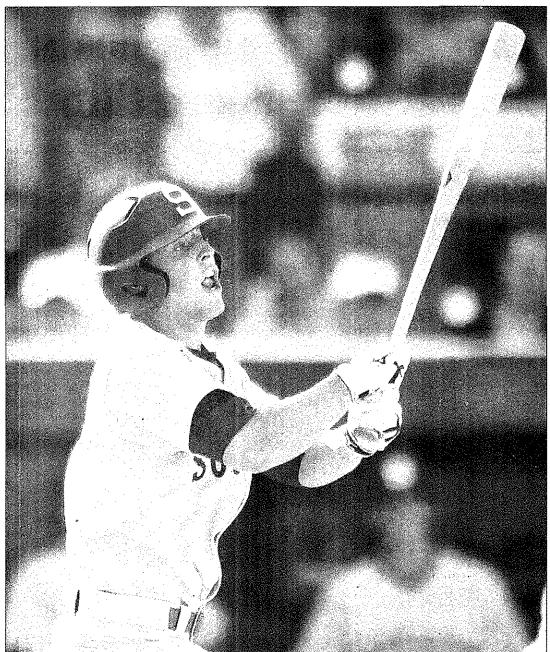
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Madison Ristovski puts one up in the lane as St. Ignace defenders swarm and teammate Andriana Evangelista gets in position.



BASEBALL

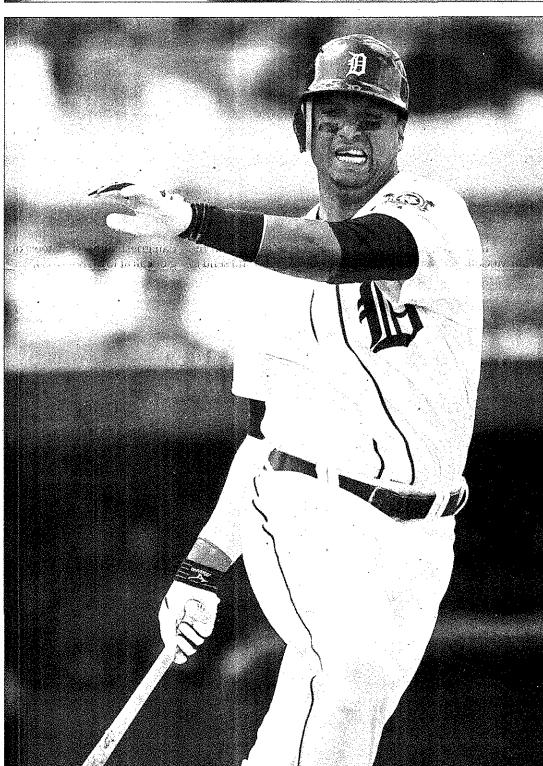


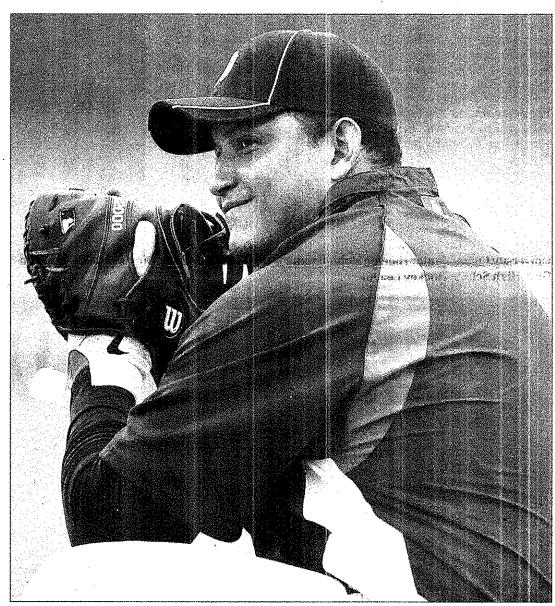


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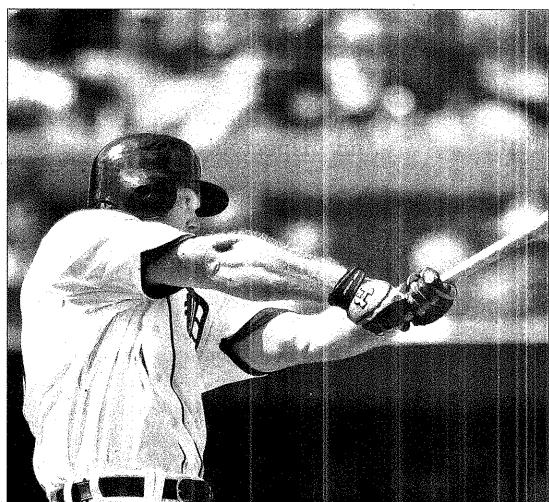
Grosse Pointe North 2006 graduate Adam Miller, hitting left, is a red-shirt senior at Florida Southern. Miller was 1-for-2 in Florida Southern's exhibition loss to the Detroit Tigers at Marchant Stadium in Lakeland. Miller played in North's 2006 Class A state championship game and plays outfield and designated hitter for the Division II Moccasins, which is consistently ranked in the top 10, winning several national championships.





Miller had the opportunity to meet and play against some of the best players on the Tigers' roster, including third baseman Brandon Inge, top right; first baseman Miguel Cabrera, above; catcher and designated hitter Victor Martinez, left; relief pitcher Ryan Perry, below left; and outfielder Brennan Boesch, below.





GIRLS HOCKEY

Bolton, Moody earn spot on all-state team

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Taylor Moody and University Liggett junior Haleigh Bolton earned Division 1 All-State First Team honors this season.

Moody, a defenseman, was one of the Norsemen's top scorers, netting 12 goals and 12 assists in 20 regular season games. She had the team's lone goal in a 2-1 semifinal loss to Ann Arbor.

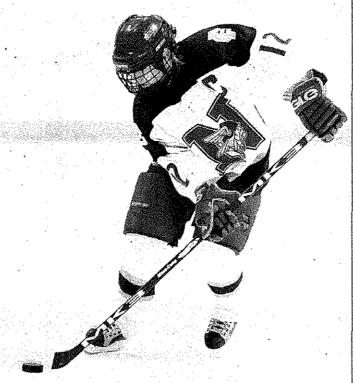
Bolton switched between and Rachel Freeman. defense and offense for the Knights. She had 22 goals and 10 assists to lead the team, which lost to North in a state

quarterfinal game.

Joining Moody and Bolton on the first team are Grosse Pointe North senior Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood senior Caley Chelios and junior Colleen Jacoby, and Northville senior Lauren Grigg.

> Second Team members are Grosse Pointe South junior Claire Boyle, Grosse Pointe North sophomores Jennifer Cusmano and Natalie Skorupski, and Ann Arbor's Taylor Cook, Beth Johnson

> Boyle was the state tournament's most valuable player, scoring eight goals in the Blue Devils' run to the state title.



Grosse Pointe North senior Taylor Moody played an instrumental role in helping the Norsemen win a division title and get to the state semifinals this winter.

During the regular season, Boyle had 14 goals and 22 as-

Cusmano was one of the league's top scorers, collecting 14 goals and 25 assists in the Norsemen's 20 games.

Skorupski didn't finish among the top 20 in league scoring, but her defensive skills were among the best in the state. She had the job of shutting down some of the state's top players in Cranbrook Kingswood's top

All-State Honorable Mention players Cranbrook Kingswood's Julia Blecznak and Amanda Schimpke; Northville's Avery Allman, Katelyn Meck, Allison Holden and Lindsay Kreichelt; Ann Arbor's Julia Franceschi, Sydney Supica and Emy Guttman; Grosse North's Pointe Megan Bergeron Kailey and Sickmiller; Grosse Pointe South's Andrea Marshall and Dylan McColl.

GOLF

Lochmoor hosts Challenge Cup

closest result yet.

This is the fifth year and South brings a perfect 4-0 mark into the annual challenge, set for Monday, May 9, at Lochmoor Club.

The golf event benefits the athletic departments at Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South. It pits golfing parents from each school against each other.

The ultimate goal is to raise funds - some \$70,000 has been distributed to each school, thanks to this event -the "real" trophy is bragging rights to see which booster club can field the best top six

"This is a joint effort between the two schools, local businesses and most importantly, our booster clubs," said

Last year's competitors in Grosse Pointe North club vice the Challenge Cup enjoyed a president Bill Doetsch. "Both successful fourth season of a clubs donate 100 percent of friendly rivalry which had the cup profits to their respective school's athletic programs. It is like its own stimulus package."

Monies come from team participation, auction items and community support.

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Those interested in making a donation to the auction, attending the dinner or playing in the event which includes the dinner/auction, contact John Conroy at (313) 884-0986.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

South hosts camp

Grosse Pointe South hosts a Dan Griesbaum, 11 Grosse spring baseball clinic from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 26, in the main gymnasium.

It is for children in second through eighth grades and players will be grouped according to age. Coaches may attend for free.

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Direct any questions to clinic director Dan Griesbaum at dan.griesbaum@gpschools.or



University Liggett junior Haleigh Bolton, right, is one of the top players in the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League.

YOUTH HOCKEY



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State finalist

The St. Clair Shores Longhorns Squirt B hockey team composed of Grosse Pointe and St. Clair Shores boys, swept the Michigan Amateur Hockey Association District No. 3 championship Feb. 12. The Longhorns head to Cadillac this weekend to compete for the state championship. Pictured above in the front row from left are Ray Morris, Sammy Sieracki, Michael Lenhardt, Evan Kolinski, Eric Satterlund, Gavin Smith and Brennan Ryan; second row from left are Chase Pieknik, Matthew Ryan, Joseph Tagliavia, Nick Kettler, Wyatt Smith and Alex McEnroe; and back row from left, coach Mike Langewicz, coach Mel Lenhardt, head coach Emmet Baratta, manager Tony Sieracki and coach Joey Baratta.

YOUTH HOCKEY

Bruins state champions

The St. Clair Shores Bruins Bantam B Hockey team clinched the Michigan Hockey Association's state championship Sunday, March 13, at Eddie Edgar Arena in Livonia.

The Bruins were undefeated in the championship tournament going into the final game, but were matched against the Livingston Lightning.

The Bruins took the lead with an opening goal from forward Trevor Pode, assisted by Pete Shalawylo at 1:56 in the first period. Matt Lenhardt followed with the second off an assist from Pode.

The Lightning followed those plays with three goals to take the lead in the third.

"They capitalized on our penalties," head coach Stewart Gardiner said. "They scored two power play goals and that third goal to take the lead came just as our guy was coming out of the box.'

Pete Shalawylo scored the tying goal with just 17.3 seconds left in regulation off a pass from Pode. Kochanski also earned an assist on the tying goal.

The Bruins depth is evident from the fact that each player on the team has earned one of second goal at 11:39 in the the following awards this season: Hat Trick (three goals in a game), Play Maker (three

assists in a game), or Shut-Out (goalie award for no goals scored against.)

Going into the overtime period Gardiner did not spend the break time plotting strategy or line plays with the team. He was sitting on the bench and smiling at the players.

The good advice worked as Tyler Quatrine got an assist for his pass to Pode who scored the game-winning goal.

The Bruins aren't quite done with the season, having earned a playoff spot in the Adray League Championships the weekend of March 18 in Lapeer.

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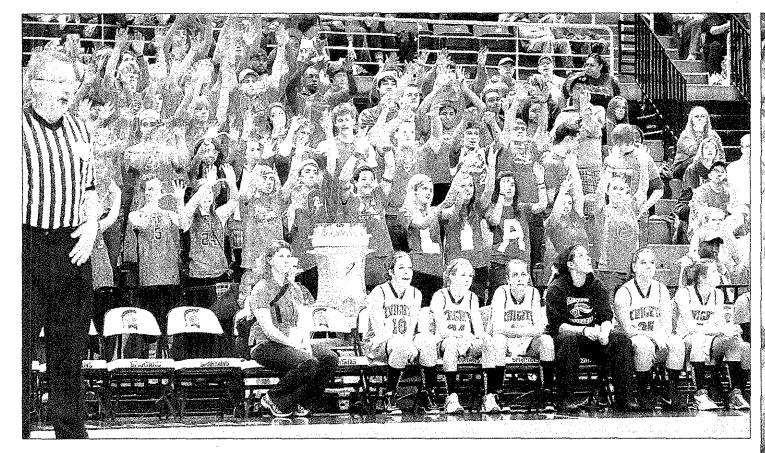
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NEWS



The Liggett crowd kept the Breslin Center buzzing during the Class C championship game.





Above left, Coach Wayne Gigante proudly holds the runner-up trophy. Above, Haleigh Ristovski during the game. Below, Angelia Evangelista hustles for a loose ball.

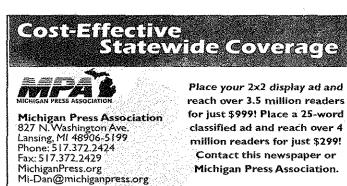


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Junior Andriana Evangelista sets a play during the state finals at Breslin.

CLOSE: Team showed heart in finals

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bound. After a foul, St. Ignace made the free throws to turn a potential two-point lead into a seven-point cushion.

Game over.

"It was a much closer game than the final score indicated." Gigante said. "That shot falls and we're only down a basket, but it missed and St. Ignace made its free throws. Our girls showed a lot of heart and played great.

"We will be back next season and the girls can use this experience as movitation for next winter."

Elmblad led all players with 33 points and 19 rebounds.

For the Knights, Madison Ristovski had 30 points and five assists, followed by freshman Bre Andrews with nine points, freshman Angelia Evangelista with eight and Haleigh Ristovski with seven.

Liggett had its "A" game in its rather easy 49-29 semifinal victory over Sand Creek at the Breslin Center.

reer-low nine points, but was deadly in other areas of her game, nearly netting a tripledouble. She had eight rebounds and seven assists to go with two steals and one blocked shot.

Many of her assists came during the Knights' two big first-half runs of 11-0 and 16-5 that helped them build a huge 37-15 halftime lead.

Haleigh Ristovski and Andrews picked up the pace, hitting several open jumpers during the runs, including a couple of three-pointers that got the motor running.

Once the lead was at a comfortable level, Gigante told his girls to spread the court and there was a three-minute lull between baskets, which helped the Knights run off valuable time.

Sand Creek, 24-3, couldn't hit enough shots to trim the deficit to single digits and began to intentionally foul with five minutes in the fourth quarter, hoping the Knights would miss free throws and they would convert those into baskets.

No such luck as the Knights hit enough clutch shots and free throws down the stretch to win and make it to their first state championship game.

Haleigh Ristovski had 18 points, six rebounds, four assists and one blocked shot, while Andrews had 14 points lead the Knights. Sophomores Ariana Castillo and Amber Baldwin rounded out the scoring with a basket Detroit Country Day.

apiece.

In the quarterfinal game at a packed Saginaw Heritage High School, Liggett built a big lead and had to hold on for a 65-62 victory over Saginaw Valley Lutheran.

"The crowd was unbelievable," Gigante said. "It was hot in there and a packed house. It was really a great atmosphere for a big high school basketball

"Our kids played hard and they worked countless hours for this moment. I tell the girls to live for today and they are doing that."

The Chargers, champions of the Tri-Valley Conference under head coach Tom Roekle, blitzed their way to the Elite 8 appearance.

They kept the magic going, leading the Knights 16-15 after the first quarter, but Haleigh Ristovski hit three triples and Andrews had one during a big second quarter in which the Knights built a double-digit halftime lead.

"They manned us up, which Madison Ristovski had a ca- I couldn't believe," Gigante said. "It allowed Madison to dribble penetrate and kick the ball out to Haleigh and Bre. They hit some big threes to open it up for us."

The Chargers couldn't stop Madison Ristovski and midway through the third quarter the Knights had a 14-point lead.

Throughout the fourth quarter, the lead dwindled and with 1:30 left, Madison Ristovski fouled out.

Haleigh Ristovski was able to quell the Chargers' furious rally, hitting three big free throws in the final 30 seconds to seal the win.

"We can't believe we gave up 62 points, but they could flatout shoot the ball," Gigante said. "Our girls had a hand in their face, contesting all their shots, but they still made them.

"Despite that, our girls played hard defense with Ariana and Lia (Evangelista) getting into the opposing guards' space and Haleigh was tough on the boards. All I know is we gave up 62 points, but scored more points and won to move on."

Madison Ristovski finished with 25 points, followed by Haleigh Ristovski with 20, Andrews with 12 and junior Andriana Evangelista with six, all of which came in the fourth quarter.

The Chargers made it a close game by scoring 23 points in the fourth quarter. They finished the season 23-2 with their only other loss coming to

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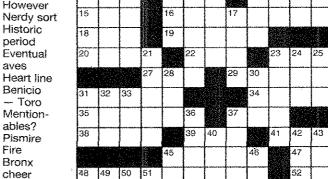
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