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♦ The Paul Keller Orchestra performs at a free 7 p.m. concert on The Village Festival Plaza at the corner of Kercheval and St. Clair. City of Grosse Pointe.

SATURDAY, JULY 23

- ◆ The seventh annual dog wash is from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the corner of Bedford and Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Park. The cost is \$10. All proceeds benefit the Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society. Rain date is July 24.
- ♦ West Park Farmers Market is from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the corners of Kercheval, Lakepointe and Beaconsfield, Grosse Pointe Park.

MONDAY, JULY 25

- ◆ Grosse Pointe North High School student Anna Tomovski hosts a scholarshipdriven American Red Cross sanctioned blood drive from 1 to 7 p.m. at North, 707 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods. The more people who donate blood the more scholarship money she is awarded. For an appoint-
- ment, visit givelife.org. ◆ Grosse Pointe Park city council meets at 7 p.m. in council chambers, 15115 E.
- Jefferson. Grosse Pointe Board of Education meets at 8 p.m. in Grosse Pointe South High School's Wicking Library, 11 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms.
- ♦ The Grosse Pointe Public Library Board of Trustees meets at 7 p.m. in the Grosse Pointe Public Library, Ewald branch, 15175 Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park. The agenda is available at gp.lib.mi.us.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27

◆ The acting troupe, Magic Carpet Theatre, holds a performance from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Grosse Pointe Public Library, Ewald branch. 15175 Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park. To register, call Kathleen Gallagher at (313) 343-2074, ext. 206.

THURSDAY, JULY 28

◆ The movie, "Morning Glory," is shown at 7 p.m. in the Grosse Pointe Public Library, Ewald branch, 15175 Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

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What's it worth?

Richard Haraszkiewicz, of Eastpointe, brought a recently-purchased blanket from the 1890s covered with cloth cigar boxes covers, featuring country flags and likeness of baseball players. Porcelain appraiser Kay Vandergraaf holds the blanket.







PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

At left, Don Jumisco, of Grosse Pointe Woods, was working in the downtown J.L. Hudson's fine arts department 45 years ago when he purchased a painting for its carved wooden frame which he brought to an appraiser at the Grosse Pointe Woods Historical Commission's antique appraisal event last week. Above, Holly Krupa, of Grosse Pointe Park, learned her appraised item is a coffee table top from the 1930s. Appraising the item is Henry Harper on right, and Harold Braggs, at left, of Harper Collections in Grosse Pointe Farms. Below, Mary Beth Graham, of Grosse Pointe Woods, received from her aunt in 1983, a china dish with an accompanying note saying: "Dear Mary Beth, This dish was a wedding gift [June 29, 1896] to Ann Bridget [Cahill] and Michael Darcy." The couple are Graham's great-great grandparents.



Liggett project gets nod

By Kathy Ryan Staff Writer

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GROSSE POINTE WOODS - It

was back to the drawing board last month for University Liggett officials when the Grosse Pointe Woods planning commission told them they had to develop a better traffic flow pattern for its Cook Road campus.

At issue was the increase in traffic the expected when ULS moves its middle school from its present location on

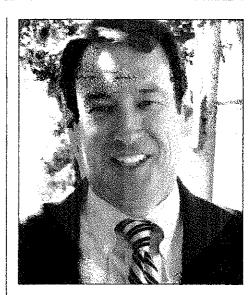
the fall of 2012. With 125 students and 25 staff members making the move, Grosse Pointe Woods Public Safety officials recommended ULS install a curb cut along Cook Road to handle the increase in traffic.

With a price tag of nearly \$200,000, it was not something ULS wanted to do. So it went back to its architects on school project, middle Centerbrook Architects Centerbrook, Conn., and together

Briarcliff to the Cook Road campus in they developed a plan that utilizes the campus' large parking lot, and essentially eliminates the daily queue at dismissal time on Cook Road.

> "Multiple access points will be eliminated," architect Hank Altman told the Woods city council at its July 18 meeting. "There will be one entry point, and one exit. It will simplify drop offs and pickups and make it safer for the students.'

> > See LIGGETT, page 7A



Thomas Harwood

Harwood named to top spot

By A.J. Hakim Staff Writer

The Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education didn't venture far for its next superintendent.

As it had with Suzanne Klein 15 years ago, the board promoted from within, electing Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources and Labor Negotiations, Tom Harwood, as her suc-

"I don't see us as a district in a crisis mode, having to drastically change the way we're doing business," trustee Tom Jakubiec said. "I don't see us as a district where we need somebody to come in and orchestrate major change. I see change coming in smart, knowledgeable increments.

"There's no doubt there's a lot of potential change coming to the district, and I think (Harwood's) background in human resources, his background with the

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Shared fire trucks next

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

High-ranking municipal officials from the five Pointes set themselves an October deadline to recommend mutual firefighting strategies at lower costs.

"We're trying to seek savings from shared use of equipment," said Dale Krajniak, manager of Grosse Pointe Park. "The question is, do we have more equipment than required for fire runs in the communities?"

The Pointe's managers, mayors and one city council representative from each community met Wednesday, July 13, as the Ad Hoc Grosse Pointe Public Safety Committee.

"We're looking at sharing fire services more efficiently," added Skip Fincham, Grosse Pointe Woods city administrator and former public safety chief.

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Zero, zilch, nada

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

When the Japanese sneak attack on Pearl Harbor forced the United States into World War II, Japan's air forces brought a switchblade to a gun fight.

Japan's frontline fighter plane at the start of the war, the Mitsubishi Zero, had speed and agility, but couldn't match the power and punch of Yankee craft soon to be deployed.

"The Zero was a sword, not a shield," said Warren Pietsch, pilot of a war surplus Zero. "It didn't have armor plating or anything to protect its components or pilot."

Pietsch and a wingman are scheduled to dogfight a squadron of U.S. Navy F4U Corsairs this weekend during the Yankee Air Museum's 2011 "Thunder Over Michigan" air show at Willow Run Airport in Ypsilanti.

More than 40 types of aircraft are scheduled to appear.

Performers include:

- ◆ the U.S. Navy Blue Angels in F/A-18 Hornets,
- ◆ an Air Force F-16CJ,
- ♦ the part-airplane, part-helicopter MV-22 Osprey and
- ◆ a jet fighter battle between Vietnam-era combatants, Douglas A-4 Skyhawk and a MiG-17.
- ♦ WWII dogfights augment reenactments of a Marine assault on a Japanese emplacement. Weapons include tanks and a live flamethrower. A European air battle pits a North American P-51 Mustang fighter against a German FW-

Zeroed in

The Zero was conceived as an offensive weapon. It reflects the Japanese folly that their forces always would have the advantage.

"It is very light," Pietsch said. "It has the ability to get in the air quick, fly like a banshee and turn on a dime."

Zeros max out at nearly 350 mph.

"Once it reached about 200 mph, the controls became very, very stiff," Pietsch said. "The pilot didn't have the strength to roll the airplane quickly. It became very hard to turn at higher speeds."

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Allied pilots learned to fight Zeros above 200 mph.

About a year into the war, the U.S. started turning out new aircraft. They were big, fast and absorbed hits that Zero. knocked out lesser adversaries.

The air show commemorates the 100th year of naval aviation. Corsairs are part of that heavy metal heritage of speed, weaponry and toughness.

"I'm bringing to the table 2,000 horsepower, a great big wing and a gorgeous airplane with lots of firepower," said Doug Rozendaal, one of the Corsair pilots in the show.

Corsairs are characterized by a wshaped, gull wing. Hence, the nickname Bent-Wing Bird.

Another name, Great Iron Bird, honors the aircraft's toughness. Whistling Death refers to its menacing sound in flight. Top speed approached 450 mph.

A derisive moniker makes fun of the Corsair's other main design feature: The cockpit of Old Hog-Nose is far behind a long, high engine cowling. Placement makes it hard for inexperienced pilots of the Ensign Eliminator to see where they're trying to land.

"The Corsair is an intimidating airslame to fly, but not a difficult airplane to Rozendaal said. "As much as we like to blow our own horns, we need to remember that these airplanes were flown by 20-year-old kids with 200 hours training time.

And, they did an amazing thing." The warbirds Pietsch and Rozendaal

fly belong to the Texas Flying Legends Museum in Houston.

Pietsch, a father of two from Minot, N.D., is the museum's chief pilot and vice president of operations.

"I've been flying my whole life," he said. "I built an airplane in high school that I've been airshowing for 30 years. I'm qualified for airshows in the P-40 Warhawk, Corsair, P-51 Mustang, Zero and TMB Avenger. I've also flown Russian jets."

Rozendaal, of Clear Lake, Iowa, grew up on a farm. He began his flying career in a DC-3 hauling freight.

"I migrated to warbirds in airshows," and stomp on my good friend, Warren, yankeeairmuseum.org/airshow.

at the end of the day this is all good fun. It's not about whose the better pilot or which is the better airplane."

He's received varied reactions to the

"A lot of vets said the last time they saw one of these, it was diving on their ship," Pietsch said. "There's still some hard feelings about the airplane."

Flying lessons

Rozendaal is passionate about using warbirds to tell the story of freedom.

"There was a time, not long ago, when our way of life was in jeopardy," he said. "The Corsair is an incredibly complex piece of industrial art. It is amazingly well designed. It represented everything about America: our ingenuity and determination."

Although Rozendaal expects to beat Pietsch's Zero, it doesn't matter to him who rules the skies this weekend ov

What matters was that 66 years ago, our team won," Rozandan said. "The Corsair is a symbol of what American ingenuity can do. That's the story."

In the heat of airshow aerobatics, warbird pilots are too saturated with the action to think of anything else.

Yet, flying home after a long weekend, they sometimes wonder what it was like back then.

"I remember flying the Corsair to Idaho for maintenance," Rozendaal said. "I was going across the north end of the Rocky Mountains in winter. As far as I could see in any direction, there was no civilization. It was awfully easy to imagine what it was like taking off across the North Atlantic with a 21-yearold navigator who'd never done it before. I can't imagine the courage."

The Yankee Air Museum's 2011 Thunder Over Michigan Air Show is Saturday and Sunday, July 23-24 at Willow Run Airport in Ypsilanti. Advance tickets cost \$25 per adult. Tickets at the gate cost \$30 for adults. Children 15 years and younger are admitted free. Parking is \$10. Gates open daily at 9 a.m. For advanced tickets and he said. "As much fun as it is to go out information, call (888) 695-0888 or visit

Coffee shop jazzing up

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS -The woman who opened one of metro Detroit's top-rated jazz clubs on the Hill wants to make her coffee shop just as spirited.

Gretchen Carhartt Valade, owner of the Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe and a life-long Grosse Pointer, has municipal support to seek a liquor license for her new Morning Glory Coffee & Pastries shop.

Both businesses are within a few storefronts of each other on Kercheval in the Hill district of Grosse Pointe Farms.

Valade is attempting to transfer a license from a business in Taylor. Although she owns the license, she can't use it until the city and state approve.

The city council July 11 unanimously endorsed the application.

Hill," said Councilman Terry Davis.

Her next step is the Michigan Liquor Control Commission.

If she wins state approval, Morning Glory's menu will expand with spirited coffees and table wines.

"It's not going to be alcohol in the way you get alcohol in a lot of places," said Tom Robinson, Valade's representative. "There are coffee shops that have international flavors that call for alcohol in some of their drinks. We're going to have a variety of alcohols on hand."

The shop also may operate beyond its current 9 p.m. closing time.

"As with any business, the customers are going to make determination," Robinson said. "If we start to develop a business that runs later into the evening, we'll probably try to stay open until about 11 p.m."

The Dirty Dog opened in early 2008. Two years later, Hour Detroit magazine rated it restaurant of the year.

If Valade sells the license to someone else for operation in the Farms, the buyer needs council approval.

"If you have restrictions as "Mrs. Valade has done a to a license at this location in tremendous amount for the the Farms, I suspect the applicant would be cooperative in terms of those conditions if the license is transferred," said Bill Burgess, the Farms' attorney.

Council approval isn't needed if a new buyer continues operating the coffee

DTE promises improvements

By Kathy Ryan Staff Writer

Thunderstorms are a fact of life in the summer, but for a small section of Grosse Pointe Woods power outages following those storms have become a fact of life as well.

The outages prompted city the city council, and more importantly, the residents involved, why these outages have become all too routine.

The problem, it appears, was work that was not completed when an upgrade of the system was done about five years ago, according to Ronald Gerken, power quality manager for DTE.

"When I investigated the problem, I found that work that was to have been done five years ago was never done," he told the council. "I have ordered that work to be done, and it should be completed by November."

The project will entail installing additional fuses on the affected circuit, which is identified by DTE as DC 1481 Vernier. Previous work on that circuit included installing larger wires and new transformers.

That work was completed after what Mayor Robert Novitke described as a "Come to Jesus meeting" with DTE Energy officials because of repeated power outages in the area of the Woods

that extends from Mack to Marter Road and from Vernier north to the St. Clair Shores city limits.

"I have seen a noticeable improvement in the problem," Novitke told Gerken. "but obviously, we still have a problem."

Gerken explained that administrators to invite DTE even with the improvement Energy officials to explain to in the equipment, the main problem is that trees interfere with the power lines and during a storm, tree limbs can easily bring down the wires.

"Maintenance has been done on the lines," he said, "and we have installed animal guards where squirrels have been a problem. But it is primarily trees that interfere with the wires, especially during storms."

But it was the power outages that occur without storms that brought comments from residents.

"I don't think we have any more trees or squirrels than any other community," one resident said, "but we have continual outages and brownouts."

DTE Energy's Joseph Cazeno Jr., regional manager for corporate and government affairs assured the council that he would speak with the resident after the meeting to address his con-

Novitke asked Cazeno and Gerken to return to the council on Dec. 12 to update city officials on the project.

Racing returns to Hill

GROSSE POINTE FARMS -The road is clear for another race car show on the Hill.

A stretch of Kercheval in the business district closes from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 31, for the street fair and charity auction, Racing For Kids to the Hill.

This is the fair's fifth year. It is organized by Patrick Wright, executive director of Racing For Kids, a national charity based in the Farms.

Racing For Kids uses the popularity of motorsports to raise money for children's

health care. "More than \$70,000 was

Beaumont Hospital Grosse Pointe, the Henry Ford Health System and DMC Children's Hospital of Michigan," according to Wright.

The 20-year-old charity's national spokesman is Grosse Pointe native, Robbie Buhl.

Buhl, a former Indy car driver and front-row starter in the Indianapolis 500, coowns Dreyer & Reinbold Racing. He competes in the Indy Racing League.

Buhl, in past years, arranged for one of his race cars and drivers to appear at the show. Drivers also visit sick children at local hospi-

--- Brad Lindberg



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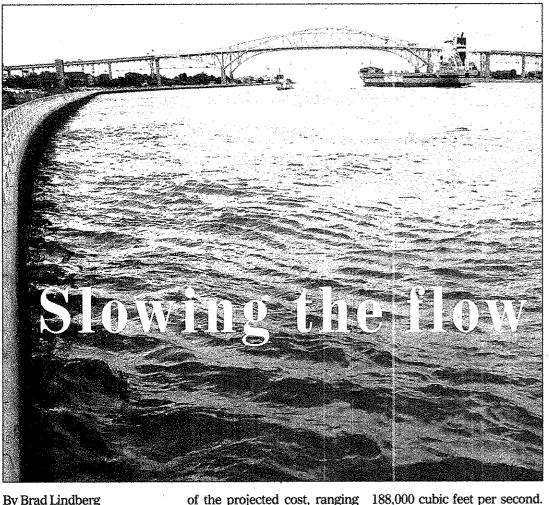
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By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

Phragmites, a seemingly indestructible wetland weed. don't need to be told to hit the highway.

They've already commandeered roadsides as avenues of expansion.

Phragmites' wandering ways conjure images of triffids, the peripatetic plants from outer space that try to take over the world in a 1960s science fiction film.

"We're not quite to that point," said Scudder Mackay, a down-to-earth environmental consultant from Chicago.

But, it could be envisioned. At least around Lake St. Clair, if water levels drop as a byproduct of manmade raising of water levels in Lake Huron.

A binational report on the project's benefits and costs is presented from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday, July 28, in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial reception room.

"This report examines if you were to put a series of underwater sills, or speed bumps, in the St. Clair River," said John lake to warm faster, which may Nevin, spokesman for the throw off the spawning time-International Commission, parent body of throw off fishing seasons."

the International Upper Great Lakes Study.

Sills at the river's headwaters in Port Huron would re-

tard the flow of water from Lakes Huron and Michigan which are considered a single lake, hydrologically, because their levels fluctuate as one enough to raise the lake four to 20 inches.

The study, conducted by United States and Canadian scientists, makes no recommendations.

Neither are there judgments River at a median flow rate of

of the projected cost, ranging from \$12- to \$222 million, depending on how high Lake Huron is backed up.

"It simply says how it could be done, where it is not technicality feasible, the costs and the parties advantaged and disadvantaged," said Kay Felt, a member of the study board's U.S. public interest advisory group and a lakeside resident of Grosse Pointe Shores.

Disadvantaged parties are likely to have interests in Lake St. Clair.

It would take 10 years after the installation of 30-foot-tall sills on the riverbed downstream of the Blue Water Bridge to raise Huron. During that time, restricted flows of water through the river would lower Lake St. Clair. The lake would rebound after a few

"Lowering lake levels by any means outside of natural would be crazy," said Kevin Backus, owner of a muskie fishing charter service in St. Clair Shores. "We've been fighting low lake levels this whole time. It may cause the Joint frame, and may, therefore,

> "That's one of the reasons municipal parks in the Farms we want to talk to the public to ask what do you think?" Nevin said. "Do you think there should be additional regulation, or should we try to leave things alone?"

"Lake St. Clair already is a shallow lake," Felt said. "Anything that would reduce the lake level would affect the

shoreline." The less than 430-squaremile lake collects 98 percent of its water from the St. Clair

PHOTO BY BRAD LINDBERG

Speed bumps on the bottom of the St. Clair River below the Blue Water Bridge in Port Huron wouldn't bother commercial ships, such as Dutch freighter, Victoriaborg, upbound Thursday, July 14, to Chicago with a load of general cargo. But, bumps designed to retard water flow into the river could interfere with the spawning grounds of lake sturgeon and reduce water levels of Lake St. Clair, spurring the spread of invasive wetland plants.

bra mussels, emerald ash borer and soon-to-come Asian carp, phragmites aren't supposed to be here. They're native to somewhere else, although their origin hasn't been determined.

They're an invasive pest, asyet immune to natural control, that takes over upon arrival. They also lay claim with roots that won't let go.

"They're very aggressive and hardy; very difficult to eradicate," Mackay said.

The rest comes from elsewhere

drainage basin. Water collects

in a broad, shallow valley with

marshy shores above the

bic mile of water. Mean depth

is 10 feet. Maximum depth is

19 feet, excluding the 18.5-

mile, 27-foot-deep dredged

shipping channel. The lake's

gently sloping bottom provides

shallow margins generally less

delta system, the largest in the

Part of that is its northern

It was during a trip to the

delta that Felt saw first-hand

the large problem phragmites

"The delta is covered with

The perennial reedgrass

grows up to 15 feet tall, has

two-foot leaves, sprouts 1 1/2-

foot purple-pink flowers and

produces up to 2,000 seeds

growth there is," Felt said.

"It was a shock how much

Phragmites also grow in ar-

eas of accretion along the

Grosse Pointe shoreline above

and Shores, including Felt's

"Low water contributes to

phragmites," Nevin said. "If

you had an additional period of

lower levels, and those plants

were allowed to spread even

farther, you'd never get rid of

Although phragmites lack

the Saturday matinee punch of

triffids, they're as troublesome

as a party crasher who's here

Like Dutch elm disease, ze-

than three feet deep.

Great Lakes.

Phragmites

have become.

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to stay.

phragmites," she said.

The lake holds about one cu-

4,890-square-mile

its

Detroit River.

Mackay is project manager of the study board's ecosystems technical working group. He also owns Habitat Solutions NA, a consulting firm specializing in aquatic habitat assessment.

"All of my work is focused on the Great Lakes," he said.

The best defense against phragmites is not to have them in the first place.

"They have a very dense and rapid-growing rhizome, or root system," Mackay said. "If water levels go up for a period time, it will drown out the upper part of the plant. But, the rhizome will remain in the lakebed in a dormant state. When water levels go back down, rhizomes reactivate quickly and reestablish themselves.

Spreading occurs at botanical light speed.

"If you were to draw down water levels, phragmites can migrate lakeward at rates two to four times faster than other species, such as cattails," Mackay said. "We're talking on the order of 40 to 50 feet per year."

Neither do roots sit still. "Rhizomes can be 30 to 50

feet long," Mackay said. They tolerate stagnant water

and, to some degree, salt.

"That's one reason cattails are disappearing along roads," Mackay said. "Phragmites are coming in. In winter, with road salt, you have salt concentrations that weaken cattails. Phragmites are happy in that environment. Roadways serve as paths of migration for phragmites.'

Georgian Bay

A proponent of higher water

levels in Lake Huron is a group of nearly drydocked property owners on the rocky shores of lower Georgian Bay.

Some of their boat slips are unusable. Propellers are getting dinged or lost. A lot of people on an archipelago can't get to their cottages during low water. Wetlands have dried out. Spawning areas are damaged.

They blame it on artificially high rates of drainage from Huron caused by dredging and gravel mining in the St. Clair River dating back to the late

And they're right.

"Those projects lowered the level of Lake Huron-Michigan about 16 inches," Nevin said.

Georgian Bay people want levels put back where they were. Artificially, if need be, the same way they were lowered.

Even with the manmade reductions, the lakes reached record highs in 1973, 1986 and nearly so in 1998.

"Imagine if these projects had not been undertaken, levels in Lake Michigan-Huron would have been almost one foot to 20 inches higher," Nevin

Mitigation was authorized during the 1960s when levels were low.

"But, when they reached record highs in the 1970s, people said, wait a minute, we might not want to do this, and it was never done," Nevin said. "Now, here we are in 2011 and the public is saying, let's go back and look at these decisions and wonder, what if?"

Plunking sills in the river could raise Lake Huron four to 20 inches. The latter figure restores levels to the late 19th century.

"It also would have impacts, of course," Nevin said.

The pebbly bottom of the upper St. Clair River makes a great place to sink house-sized sills. It also makes a great spawning ground for lake sturgeon, a threatened species.

"Fifty-two percent of the riverbed there has been classified as very high quality lake sturgeon spawning habitat," Mackay said. "The overall consensus from fisheries people is there is no way you'd like to disturb that type of habitat."

There'd also be an effect on fish in Lake St. Clair.

"Lake St. Clair is an important spawning and nursery area for many Great Lakes species," Mackay said. "Some are significant, like northern pike and bass. As water levels drop, you're disconnecting fish in deeper water from shallow water to spawn."

"Lake St. Clair is a hot spot" for fishing," Nevin said. "More than 40 percent of all Great Lakes fishing in Michigan is on Lake St. Clair."

On the rebound

One problem the Georgian Grosse Pointe Farms.

Bay people have is with the Earth itself. They're living on a geological trampoline that only bounces back.

It's called glacial isostatic adjustment.

Parts of the planet's crust comprising the northeastern Great Lakes basin are rebounding from weight of glaciers that melted 10,000 years

Conversely, western sections of the basin are subsiding.

Lake St. Clair is in the middle, on a fulcrum, staying the same level.

"Georgian Bay is going up at a rate of several inches every 100 years," Felt said.

Rates range from 6.7 to 10.6 inches per century.

"The opposite side of the lakes are going down," Felt said. "Duluth, Milwaukee and Chicago have more water than

in the past." Because Lakes Huron and Michigan are a single system, an extra foot of water in rebounding Georgian Bay could have less than a net, two-inch

impact after 100 years. On the other hand, a onefoot rise in Lake Michigan results in a net 1 1/2-foot rise in levels at Milwaukee, which is sinking nearly six inches per

century. "That tells you that building structures cause tradeoffs that you can't resolve," Nevin said. "You make problems worse in some areas."

Even a commercial shipping representative has second thoughts about manipulating higher water levels and, therefore, the ability of freighters to haul heavy cargos in the upper lakes.

"The study board was asked to determine if lake levels could be raised to days gone by," said Glen Nekvasil, vice president of the Lake Carriers' Association, headquartered near Cleveland. "The answer is yes, but there would have to be more studies and the cost could be astronomical."

The study hasn't bound Mackay's perspective.

There may be alternative adaptations that can occur so society can adjust to these water levels that allow all of us to do what we want without adversely affecting the ecosystem," he said.

Felt thinks a workable option is for people to adapt to change, rather than spend money on something that has little payoff.

"One thing I'm worried about is the costs are tremendous," she said. "When you add up all the costs, the most you could get is a few inches in Georgian Bay, which advantages the Georgian Bay people, but people on the eastern side of Michigan are up in arms."

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial is at 32 Lakeshore,

Caller threatens the High

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS -More than a dozen Farms officers and Michigan State Police troopers with two bomb-detecting dogs responded last week to a bomb threat at Grosse Pointe South High

School. The threat proved false.

Campus was evacuated shortly after the threat was telephoned to the school at 3:13 p.m. Thursday, July 14.

The caller seemed to be an adolescent male, according to the school administrator who answered the phone.

"You have a bomb in your quad under a bench or trash can," the caller reportedly

Officers enter the building with a bomb-detecting dog.

threatened. "I have a button to

press." The school official followed FBI protocol and questioned the caller.

"The caller became frustrated about the questions and hung up," the administrator told Farms Sgt. John Bruno.

South doesn't have a literal quad, an open, square area bordered on four sides by buildings, such as at the University of Michigan law school.

Farms officers figured the caller meant either an area adnear the student parking lot off Grosse Pointe Boulevard.

A campus-wide sweep commenced at 3:31 p.m. A public safety department training ses-



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jacent to the football field or Public safety officials respond to a bomb threat at Grosse Pointe South.

> sion was cut short to provide additional manpower.

"A suspicious package was found in a trash can near the bleachers to the football field, Bruno said.

State police bomb dogs sniffed the package for explo-

"The bomb squad deployed their robot, which determined it was not a bomb," Bruno said. Officers cleared the scene at 6:14 p.m.

The school employee told police the call came from an Ohio exchange. The number is no longer in service.

"He had too much informa-

tion to not be from around here," said Dan Jensen, Farms public safety director, of the

"That same phone number appears on blogs as being used for mortgage fraud," said Lt. Detective Richard Rosati.

Investigators are subpoenaing phone company records to aid tracking down the num-

"We've called a half dozen phone companies to see whose it could be," Rosati said. "They've said it's not their number and they don't know how someone commandeered

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POINTER OF INTEREST

Sharada Sarnaik hasn't let a career, being a mother and grandmother get in the way of training, competing and winning gold, silver and bronze medals as a senior Olympian

Competition is just a way of life

By Justin Hicks Special Writer

Next time you're about to mutter the words, "I can't," take a minute to think of Dr. Sharada Sarnaik.

At 65 years old, Sarnaik's life is a balancing act on

In between working as the Director of the Sickle Cell Center and staff hematologist/Oncologist at Children's Hospital of Michigan, Sarnaik is a Wayne State University pediatrics professor, a mother, grandmother, coach and an Olympic athlete.

"I think her staying busy is how she stays sane," said her son, Ajit Sarnaik. "There's not much time from when she gets up in the morning to when she goes to sleep late at. night that she's not doing something. Working hard and playing hard keeps her young.

The end of June marked a milestone for Sarnaik, of Grosse Pointe Woods. She earned three gold medals, a silver medal and two bronze medals in track and field at the 2011 Senior Olympics in Houston.

marked games Sarnaik's eighth year of combetween Michigan Senior Olympics and National

Olympics, but it was the first time she earned national gold medals, which came jump, long

a busuwork life and kids, others can do it in the triple if they try. SHARADA SARNAIK, and jump Grosse Pointe Woods 100 X 4 re-

If I can do it with such

lay.

Sharada Sarnaik, 65, shows off her seven 2011 Senior Olympic medals, including a world bronze and three national golds.

Senior ter and 200-meter dash.

Sarnaik competed in the 65 to 69 year-old group and earned an invitation to-World Masters

Championship

"The trick as

so much about the medaling, though if they come, that's icing on the cake. Who you're competing against is your-

Athletic upbringing

Sarnaik grew up in a field hockey family in Mumbai, India. Her father and sister with her first both played the sport, and she place finishes. picked it up in high school.

"I was actually pretty good," you get older she said. "I represented my came in the 400-meter dash, is to aim for a certain personal state and university in the naand the bronze in the 100-me-mark," Sarnaik said, "It's not tional (field hockey) competition as my team's captain, and we finished second.'

> After finishing up her schooling, Sarnaik moved to the United States where field hockey wasn't as popular.

"There was no field hockey when I moved over, and there's still no field hockey for older women, but soccer is similar," she said. "When the kids were playing and I was coaching, I was also participating.

Sarnaik coached soccer for her two sons, Amod and Ajit, in elementary, middle and high school, helping them both secure scholar athlete awards upon graduating from Grosse Pointe North.

Ajit Sarnaik recalls the races his mother would conduct at the conclusion of every practice.

"If anybody could beat her in the race, she would buy them a Coke... nobody ever beat her," he said. "Even back then she knew drinking pop was bad for kids and she would make sure nobody ever won."

Sarnaik and her husband. Ashok, made sports fun for their children because they knew how valuable sports could be.

"When you are a young person growing up, if you're for-

to keep up with them and your juices flowing and motitunate enough to be athletic, sports can really get you to fothere's always the fear of getcus more on your studies," ting injured."

Perseverance

games and practices to go to, vou do homework quicker Sarnaik has never smoked a day in her life, yet she suffers and you're more organized from asthma and chronic oband your time management is better. The team aspect is structive pulmonary disease.

good too, for the mind and "I think I inherited (asthma) from my mother, and the pollution in India probably led to Soccer has grown on a lot of lung damage," Sarnaik Sarnaik, who expressed dissaid. "I have COPD, but it hasappointment that there isn't a n't hurt me a whole lot be-50 and older league to play in cause I'm very compliant with "I still enjoy soccer, but my medications.'

cy," she said. "The ages are health as an excuse, she uses younger than my oldest child. them as motivation to continwhich makes it more difficult ue to stay active.

achievement list would build quite Sarnaik has full confidence that others can follow in her footsteps. "If I can do it

with such a busy work life and kids, others can do it if they try," she said.

"If they try, they can succeed. Not everybody has the same level of athleticism, but even with less you can always do something.

Competition gets vates you to work out."

Sarnaik returned Saturday, July 16, from the World Senior games in Sacramento, Calif., with another medal, earning a bronze in the triple jump.

"I tried to focus on what I learned to do and thought about what got me there and tried to do what got me there," Sarnaik said.

"It was really inspiring to see the older athletes, and I could learn from the younger athletes."

After earning her first Instead of using age or medal in a worldwide competition, she said she looks forward to the next world games in Brazil in 2013.



would

Sarnaik, right, with husband, Ashok, on the Grosse Pointe North High School track, where she trains in her free time. "I missed my husband at the world games," Sarniak said. "He's my



Sarnaik enjoys a cooldown between events at the National Senior Olympics in Houston.

Sarnaik said. "When you have

around Grosse Pointe.

there's a huge age discrepan-

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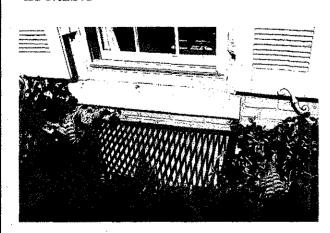
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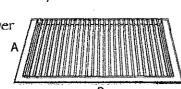
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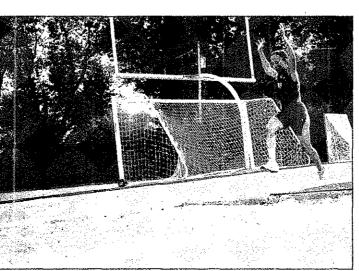
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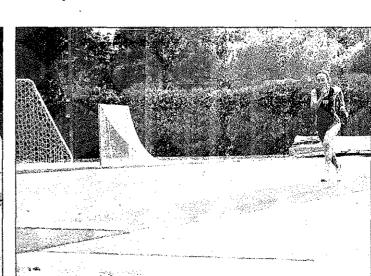
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Sarnaik practices a triple jump at Grosse Pointe North on Monday, July 18. She finished first in the event in her age group at the National Senior Olympics and third in the World Senior Olympics last weekend.

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City of Grosse Pointe

Bike stolen

A girl's 17-inch Giant bicycle was stolen while parked unlocked between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. Thursday, July 14, at Neff Park.

The \$400 bike is a Boulder SE model painted blue with silver trim.

Car entered

A window-mounted Garmin global positioning system was stolen out of a car parked at 1 p.m. Tuesday, July 12, in the alley behind Kroger in the Village.

Takes rail

Thieves caused \$500 damage during the night of Saturday, July 9, stealing a step-mounted handrail outside a house in the 300 block of Washington.

— Brad Lindberg

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

Grosse Pointe Farms

Lover's lane

There's an old navy song that starts:

"T'was a sunny day in June. "All the flowers were in

bloom "And the birds were raising

hell among the brush.

"I spied a shapely miss, "And I asked her simply this

The same kind of thing has been going on lately in the 300 block of Moselle Place, co-opted lately as a lover's lane.

Officer Edward Wierszewski of the midnight shift has been assigned to give the area extra patrols.

At 12:23 a.m. Saturday, July 16, he came upon a parked car containing a 21-year-old Farms woman and a 19-year-old man from Grosse Pointe Woods.

"These two have been in the areas two times prior," Wierszewski said. "Both were advised not to return and that the detective bureau might be in contact with them."

Damaged drain line

Vandals caused \$2,500 damage plugging a sewer line at Kerby Fieldhouse.

The line was reported backed-up at 7 p.m. Thursday, July 14. A plumber was unable to make repairs.

A public works crew the next Lights out day found gravel shoved down a manhole, blocking drains.

"A sandbag was found in the line," said Officer Traci Johnson. "The gravel and bag had to be deliberately placed. Someone had to remove the manhole and climb down to place the blockages."

Candy vodka

A 17-year-old Grosse Pointe Park girl was investigated during a traffic stop at 2:47 a.m. Friday, July 15, for possession of alcohol.

Police pulled her over on Mack eastbound 2009 Bournemouth. Her Hyundai had a broken taillight.

"(She) was nervous and un-

able to control her shaking," said a patrolman.

Officers searching her purse found open bottles of strawberry and raspberry vodka, plus a

brew of margarita mix. "The alcohol was disposed of at the scene," police said.

A 17-year-old female passenger from the Farms also was questioned.

"The passenger (said) she did have marijuana in her purse, although it belonged to her 'pregnant friend," said an officer. "(1) located a small bag (containing) a couple of suspected marijuana seeds."

Garage entered

A \$200 Sawzall saw, plus an electric hammer drill and rightangle drill worth a combined \$400, were stolen between Thursday, July 14, and Sunday, July 17, from a garage in the first block of Handy.

Four orange, solar-powered landscape lights were stolen at 4:50 a.m. Thursday, July 14, from the front lawn of a house in the first block of Cloverly.

The homeowner awoke and saw the unknown suspect flee.

Purse pinched

Someone swiped a woman's purse out of her vehicle while she gassed up at the BP station at Mack and Moross.

A security video shows the woman at about 1:40 p.m. Wednesday, July 13, filling her tank. Someone in a purple Nissan pulled along the opposite side of the woman's car and lingered.

"The vehicle stopped for 11 seconds," said a public safety

Doesn't care

A 62-year-old Detroit man reportedly shoved and elvestigation at 9:36 p.m. female," police said. wonday, July 11.

Police wanted to question Falls off ladder the man about a broken taillight on his tan Chrysler.

man on Mack near Calvin, but he didn't stop. He reportedly ignored the pursuing cruiser's emergency lights and siren until parking in the 5000 block of Ashley in Detroit.

"I didn't know you were back there," the man reportedly told

The man was violating three driving suspensions, according

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to records.

"I don't care," he allegedly said. "I'll do a year in jail."

Drunken driver

A man with a .156 percent blood alcohol level was arrested at 8:32 p.m. Sunday, July 10, at Mack and East Warren for drunken driving.

The 41-year-old St. Clair Shores resident was operating a light blue 2005 Toyota Camry.

A half hour earlier, officers noticed the car parked without a wheel behind a pub in the 18600 block of Mack. Officers were unable at the time to find the driver.

Mower stolen

Between Thursday, June 30, and Sunday, July 10, a lawn mower and gasoline can were stolen from a garage in the 100 block of Ridgemont.

Failed car theft

Someone during the night of Friday, July 8, tried to steal an unlocked Jeep Cherokee parked in the 300 block of Merriweather.

The owner said the vehicle's ignition and steering column was damaged, according to po-

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

Grosse Pointe Shores

Heroin

Officers called to a house on lower Vernier at about 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, July 12, found a man in the bathroom and heroin rolled in a dollar bill.

Witnesses said they last saw the man at 11 p.m. the day bebowed a public safety officer fore, "while he received his trying to conduct a traffic in- 'drop' from an unknown white

Shortly after 2:41 p.m. Police tried to pull over the Friday, July 15, a 36-year-old Detroit man fell off a 12-foot ladder on Stonehurst. Medics took him to a hospital.

Cleans up

An employee of a housekeeping service has been fired for stealing items from her em-

She's suspected of taking \$1,000 worth of gold necklaces and earrings from a Regal Place homeowner.

She admitted taking items from customers, but not on Regal Place, police said.

Forger

During a traffic stop at 9:45 p.m. Friday, July 15, in the 1100 block of Lakeshore, police arrested a 19-year-old Detroit woman on an outstanding warrant from Saline for forgery.

Shores police turned her over to Saline authorities that afternoon.

Power out

Residents in many neighborhoods reported power outages week. Interruptions stemmed from bad weather.

On Wednesday, July 13, a fallen and burning wire on Willow Tree was reported shortly after 4 a.m. The line was still burning at about 5:30 a.m. A DTE crew was on hand.

On Tuesday, July 12, an outage was reported shortly before 8 p.m. in the area of Ballantyne and on Deeplands.

At 6 p.m., a Hawthorn resident reported seeing a flash from a rear power line and smelling smoke. A line fell on Willow Tree, knocking out power to the 800 block of Lakeshore.

Wires also were arching on Deeplands.

On Monday, July 11, a wire fell at about 1 p.m. on Hawthorne. A pole supporting power lines on Willow Tree caught fire.

Hits tree

An allegedly drunken Detroit woman, 28, lost control of her white 1998 GMC Astro-Van, drove onto the median in the 1000 block of Lakeshore and hit a small tree.

The woman had a .178 percent blood alcohol level, police

Grass fire

St. Clair Shores firefighters extinguished a roughly 30-by-40-foot area of burning grass reported shortly after 4 p.m. Eleanor Ford House in the ficers who were pursuing a 1100 block of Lakeshore.

Heat exhaustion

Medics took a 17-year-old St. Clair Shores woman to the hospital at 1:37 p.m. Sunday, July 10, for treatment of suspected heat exhaustion.

The woman had been at the municipal park.

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

Vehicle entered

A Stanhope resident called police at 8:15 p.m. Friday, July 15, to report a strange man sitting in her car. When she confronted him, he fled. She provided police with a description. The car had been ransacked and the ignition was removed.

A man matching the description, a 52-year-old Roseville resident, was spotted a few blocks away.

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

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Grosse Pointe Park

Storm damage

Several trees came down during a thunderstorm around 1 p.m. Monday, July 11, blocking sidewalks and streets. There were spotty power outages as the result of four DTE lines that came down. In addition, public safety officers responded to several burglar alarms triggered by the out-

Lawn mower taken

A Craftsman lawn mower was taken from the backyard of a house in the 900 block of Nottingham sometime during the week of July 10.

Bike thefts

On Friday, July 15, a men's mountain bike was taken from a back porch in the 1300 block of Maryland.

On Saturday, July 16, a red Trek bike was taken from a yard in the 1100 block of Devonshire.

On Sunday, July 17, a blue Giant mountain bike was taken from the rack at Defer Elementary School.

At 7 p.m. Sunday, July 17, Sunday, July 10, in the field Park officers assisted City of Grosse Pointe Public Sa suspect in a bike theft. The suspect, 14 years old, was found in a garage in the 1200 block of Yorkshire and was taken into custody.

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

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GROSSE POINTE FARMS — It is a timeworn refrain that, compounded by its frequency and fruitlessness, has become a running joke in the Grosse Pointe Farms Public Safety Department:

People try to get out citations by invoking the name of one of the department's longest serving officers, Dan Jensen.

Jensen, a product of Grosse Pointe parochial schools and graduate of South High, worked himself up from patrolman to department director during a career that began in the 1970s.

He enjoys telling a story about someone he pulled over years ago who tried to scramble out of a ticket by saying, "I know Dan Jensen."

It didn't work then and it didn't work when two patrolmen responded at 3:24 a.m. Thursday, July 14, to a noise complaint in the 200 block of Touraine.

Officers said they came upon a shirtless, disheveled, 56-yearold, bare-chested, gray-haired

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NEWS

NAMED: District goes with one of their own

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contracts and, more importantly, his history with the district is going to allow our district to move forward without making miscues or missteps that would hurt the learning experience for our kids."

Harwood's approval passed, 4-3, following a second round of interviews with the three finalists. President John Steininger, vice president Joan Dindoffer - reluctant in her decision — and trustees Cindy Pangborn and Jakubiec supported Harwood.

Harwood, who also advanced as a finalist by a 4-3 vote, joined the district as executive director of student services in 2006 after three years as superintendent of Suttons Bay Public Schools and Glen Lake Community Schools.

Treasurer Brendan Walsh, secretary Judy Gafa and trustee Fred Minturn voted against the decision, which excluded any deliberation on the other two candidates -Richard Machesky (advanced as a finalist by a unanimous vote), assistant superintendent of secondary instruction in the Troy School District, and Michael "Jon" Dean (5-2), assistant superintendent of human resources of Birmingham Public Schools.

process was the result of Pangborn's motion (seconded by Jakubiec) — the night's first and only — to approve Harwood, who also interviewed for the Rochester Community Schools superintendent post in March. The motion led to a brief discussion justifying Harwood's qualifications and ended in his selec-

"I am surprised there hadn't been more board discussion through all this process," said Pangborn, who also was involved in the district's last superintendent search.

According to his supporters, Harwood's previous experience as a superintendent, his knowledge of the goings-on of the district, as well as his innovation, vision and ability to communicate collaboratively and effectively - exhibited through his role during the most recent labor negotiations --- were his main draws.

"I had a first-hand opportunity to observe Mr. Harwood in action, and that observation demonstrated to me that he was respected by both the members of the administrative team and the staffing group, and that's not an easy task," Steininger said. "It was clearly a collaborative environment.

"In this time of funding shortages, I would ask my fel-

Their exclusion from the low board members to consider this prior to voting, where we would be without Mr. Harwood's foresight ... I personally don't believe in change for the sake of change. We are striving right now and we are successful. To bring in someone else, there's going to be a learning curve. And while I'm not saying it's insurmountable, I'm saying we have to hit the ground running here."

Pending additional reference and extensive background checks, credentials, civil and court checks and salary negotiations, Harwood transitions into his new role, working alongside Klein until she officially retires at the end of December.

"It was clear (last week) that the majority of the board is favoring status quo and maintaining the excellent tradition we have," Grosse Pointe Association Education President Ranae Beyerlein said. "And it's not that there's anything wrong with what it is that we're doing. We are a successful district, and it's one of the reasons that we are the district we are because we have people in our unit who continue to function with the kids, day in and day out.

"We know Tom Harwood is dedicated, hard-working and has the best interest of the chil-

dren in his heart." Reaction story, page 1A II.

TRUCKS: More partnerships on the horizon

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"It is not a study of consolidating public safety departments," said Shane Reeside, Farms manager. "We want to look at the impact of cooperative efforts in fire service. If we didn't have boundaries, what would be the best scenario for providing fire services for the respective area?"

"We have significantly more equipment for the number of fires we engage," Krajniak said.

The group is exploring the joint purchase and use of fire apparatus without losing service levels in any of the communities.

"Implementation of any recommendations require city council approval from each municipality affected," said Peter Dame, City of Grosse Pointe manager and committee chair, in a news release.

The committee meets irregularly. Earlier work is leading to partial consolidation of public safety dispatch departments.

"We'll be collecting data from all of the Grosse Pointes regarding the number of apparatus from each community, types of apparatus and age to see if there's anything we can do to run the five Grosse Pointe departments more efficiently and share in the costs of equipment purchases going forward," Fincham said.

Study is progressing with advice from Ray Riggs, a consultant with the Southeast Michigan Council Governments.

Riggs is a retired assistant fire chief and union president in West Bloomfield Township. He participated in the Pointes' dispatch discussions and attends ad hoc committee meet-

Shared services have economic incentives beyond sav-

"This study is expected to qualify each of the cities under the service partnership fundEconomic Incentive Vitality Program," Dame said.

The program replaced Michigan's statutory revenue sharing, eliminated in Gov. Rick Snyder's budget.

Revised incentives could total \$6,000 more than revenue sharing for cities that pursue "best practices" and seek partnerships.

"A requirement for cities to be eligible for state funding is that they examine shared services," Reeside said.

Each Pointe fire division has at least one pumper truck. The Park, Farms and Woods also have ladder trucks with extendable towers to fight fires from above.

Such assets are shared through longstanding mutual aid agreements among the Pointes and Harper Woods. Terms govern shared deployment of manpower and equipment at emergencies too big for one city to handle.

During multiple alarm incidents, such as February's house fire in Grosse Pointe Shores and this month's truck crash into Kroger in Harper Woods, departments respond as requested and coordinate

"For the system to work properly, each city should have a pumper," said Dan Jensen,

ing requirements of the Farms public safety director. "You have to maintain at least one piece of apparatus."

Most fires in the Pointes are extinguished by the first company to arrive, he added.

"If you're waiting for another department to bring their pumper to your scene - and fire doubles in size every 17 seconds — the chance of it getting much larger is very realistic," Jensen said.

Increased sharing of public safety assets implies increased use of one city's personnel and equipment on behalf of another city.

We're willing to help everybody," Jensen said. "But, nothing's free."

Big band

The Paul Keller Orchestra performs at the St. John Hospital & Medical Center Music on The Plaza concert series at 7 p.m. Thursday, July 21.

The free concert is on the Village Festival Plaza, at the corner of Kercheval and St. Clair, in downtown City of Grosse Pointe.

In case of rain, concerts are held at Maire Elementary School, 740 Cadieux, two blocks west of the festival plaza.

LIGGETT: Middle school move approved

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The plan calls for cars to enter the campus via a main driveway, immediately turn right and line up along the perimeter of the staff parking lot, while moving toward both the lower school and the new middle school entryway. Approximately 40 cars can be accommodated utilizing the parking lot.

told the council. "This plan should eliminate the queue on Cook Road."

Planning commissioner Mike Fuller told the council that this new plan addresses all the concerns the commission had, and should be approved. Public safety officials and city administrators also recommended approval of the plans.

DAN: Fair warning

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man standing outside his house, holding a wine glass, wearing ripped jeans and shouting.

"It's my property. I can talk as loud as I want," the man reportedly said.

"I'm a police officer," he allegedly continued. "I can do everything you can do," including "shoot my gun as good as you."

The man had identification as a reserve officer for the Oakley Police Department, a Saginaw County village of just more than 300 residents.

According to Farms Officer Vince Finn, the man repeatedly told officers, "I pay \$40,000 a year in taxes and that's more than you make. You're just jealous. You've got a real problem."

The man said he knows Jensen.

"If you write me a ticket, I will just go into Dan's office and explain that I was yelling to my daughter to let me in the house and he will get rid of it," the man reportedly said.

The man refused to accept a leaflet explaining the municipal noise ordinance.

"Don't want that," he reportedly said. "(I) advised (him) that if any

further complaints occur, a citation would be issued," Finn said.

A call to Oakley police wasn't returned.

--- Brad Lindberg

HOURS:

Based on their recommendations, the council approved the plans by a unanimous vote. Administrator Skip Fincham assured the council the city will monitor the situation and will strictly enforce traffic regulations should traffic backups occur.

This approval will paye the way for ULS to move its middle school program to the Cook Road campus. Minor revisions "We have a problem for ap- to the existing building were proximately nine minutes each also approved by council in orday at dismissal time," Altman der to accommodate the program.

"I'm pleased with the new solution."

plan because it takes children off of Cook Road," said Councilman Todd McConaghy. "I think it is an important safety factor. Liggett is one of those things that makes this community special, and I'm glad that we could all come to an agreement on this."

Liggett Head of School Joseph Healey enjoyed the outcome of the council's vote.

"We're very pleased with how the city worked with us on this," he said. "We all had the safety of our children as our focus, and I think this is a great

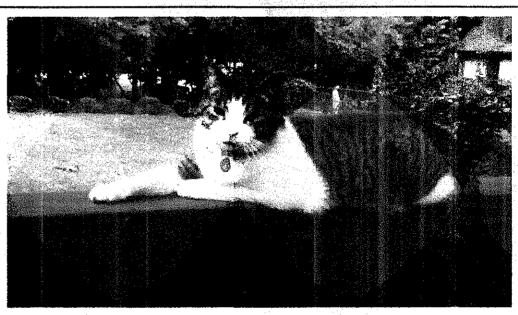




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SPOT THE CAT

When Spot the Cat, previously known as Gershwin, walked-up the driveway and into our lives on a summer day in 2004, he brought with him the kind of friendship, fun and mischievous behavior that won us over in a heartbeat. He stuck around and we are blessed he did.

Over the past seven years Spot has enriched our lives in so many ways. We are so lucky that he became a part of our family. For those of you with cats and dogs in your home, you know what we mean.

Spot was as independent as a cat could be and lived his life on his own terms while making sure you knew he loved you. He enjoyed:

- His many friends who live on Westchester and Essex streets in Grosse Pointe Park who greeted him daily and welcomed him into their yards and often into their homes.
- The many people walking, jogging, cycling or even driving by who stopped to say "hi" to Spot as he sat on the sidewalk looking for the next person he could get to know.
- His afternoon tea parties with Celeste.
- The expert care provided by Dr. Nancy Pillsbury, Sheila, Danny, Meaghan and others on the team at Platz Animal Hospital.

We miss Spot so much but we know he's making friends up in the clouds right now and bringing a smile to the faces of all he meets.

A donation has been made to the Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society in tribute to Spot. Please consider doing the same.

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GUEST OPINION By James M. Hohman

State pension underfunding liability jumps

ichigan Legislators have been justifiably toasting successful tax reforms, a balanced budget and the ability of emergency financial managers to fix stressed municipalities. A sobering state pension crisis, however, means now it's time to cork the champagne. Last year alone, Michigan racked

up \$6.6 billion in new unfunded liability in the school and state employee pension systems, the equivalent of nearly \$700 per resident. Pension promises are bleeding public schools, the state and taxpayers. Without reform, the bloodletting won't end.

The latest actuarial reports show a \$21.7 billion gap between how much the state has set aside to cover its pension promises and the amount it will likely need to fulfill them. This is \$6.6 billion more than last year's \$15.1 billion gap.

Next year, school districts may have to kick in more than 12.5 percent of every covered employee's pay just to make up the shortfall. This is in addition to the amount needed to cover an additional employee-year of accrued pension benefits and retiree health benefits.

The growing expense of paying for the benefits earned by someone else has caused some school districts to try contracting out more work. Sometimes districts are employing workers to do the same job at the same pay scale, but can save money because a contractor's employees won't belong to the expensive defined-benefit pension system.

Adding to the problem, the state has also been kicking even more costs down the road. The state's problems go beyond making bad assumptions about investment returns and mortality to simply not making required contributions. In the past decade, the state missed its catch-up payments by \$1.5 billion, adding directly to the unfunded problem.

On top of that, state policymakers last year offered an early retirement incentive to school employees, increasing the state's retirement costs by another \$1.05 billion. Gradually paying down that gap won't begin until next year.

The state's decision in 2007 to mark its investments to the market level didn't help, either. These investments are usually recorded at their five-year running average, so market fluctuations don't cause required annual pension contributions to spike. Suspending that practice when stocks had been rallying allowed the state to pay less in contributions that year. But when the market tanked in 2008, the state's contributions jumped.

Policymakers should stop pushing these costs to the future. The state has to balance the promises it made to retirees, the benefits already earned by current employees and the demands it is making of taxpayers and school districts. It can do this with serious reform.

The state constitution is unambiguous that the pension benefits government and school employees accrue each year must be paid, though this does not apply to retiree health benefits. Because of past abuses, the state and school districts already must allocate a far greater portion of payroll (more than 25 percent in total) than the average private-sector employer (5 to 7 percent) to make good on the retirement benefits of-

That 25 percent of payroll cost includes the aforementioned optional retiree health benefits. Trimming — or eliminating this benefit and using the savings to catch up on mandatory pension promises is an obvious first step toward reform. Those post-retirement health benefits are all but nonexistent in the private sector. In any event, government and school re-

tirees all qualify for Medicare at age 65 just like everyone else. In addition, the state should close the school employee pension system to new hires - just as it did with new state employees in 1997 — and instead place them in a defined-contribution system.

A recent Mackinac Center study showed the 1997 reform has already avoided the accumulation of \$2.3 billion to \$4.3 billion in new unfunded liabilities.

Legislators have already been inching closer to closing the system with last year's "hybrid" reforms and are considering retiree health care yet again this year. Regardless of the politically preferred reform selected, the state needs to get these costs down before they harm more schools and taxpayers.

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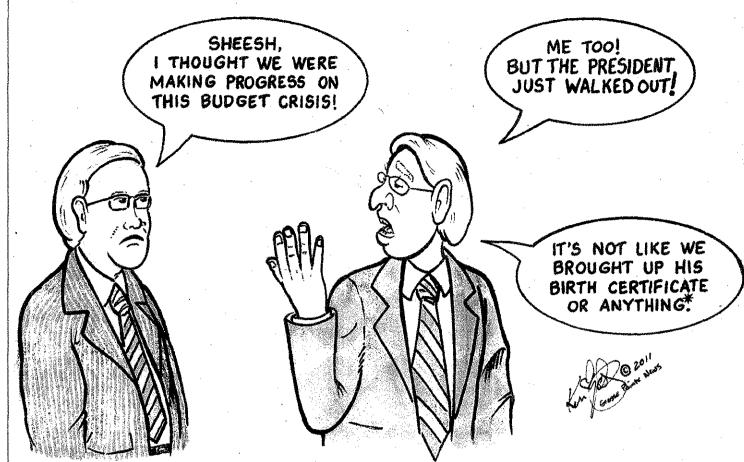
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Local businesses

To the Editor:

While living in Grosse Pointe I always appreciated the services provided by the many family owned/small businesses located throughout the Pointes.

One of my favorite local businesses — Notre Dame Pharmacy — always surpassed the "chain" pharmacies for service, speed and personal atten-

Now that I live in northern Virginia, Notre Dame Pharmacy continues to out pace pharmacies in providing

A medication I take has been in short supply nationwide and was completely unavailable here. After calling many pharmacies in Virginia, I called Notre Dame Pharmacy. Not only were they able to locate the medication; they contacted my Virginia pharmacy, transferred the prescription and sent it to me as soon as possible.

I would like to thank all of the pharmacy staff at Notre Dame Pharmacy for their continued first-class service.

ANDREA SULLIVAN Virginia

Head Start facts

To the Editor:

I would like to specifically address the four members of the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education who recently voted against initiating a Head Start program at Poupard Elementary School.

To John Steininger, Tom Jakubiec, Cindy Pangborn and Joan Dindoffer:

Perhaps there was something you didn't understand about the Head Start program that Poupard Elementary School Principal Penny Stocks and her staff enthusiastically proposed hosting at Poupard.

Just in case you missed it, here are some of the facts about Head Start:

- ♦ It is federally funded. That means it is free to the Grosse Pointe Public School System.
- ◆ The program promotes school readiness and would have provided comprehensive child development services to low-income children ages 3 to 5 years old and their families, who already reside in the Poupard district.

This means they would have access to early reading, math and social skills prior to entering kindergarten.

◆ Studies show children who benefit from Head Start are more prepared for classroom learning and less disruptive in the early years. That means higher test scores for our district and fewer special educa-

tion needs. In other words, it is a win/win for everyone.

According to principal Stocks, room is available in the school. Two classrooms are projected to be completely empty next year.

The only other possible reason you might have voted "no" was fear of the stigma of having a Head Start classroom in the district. Personally, I am more concerned with children than stigmas — and I thought you were too.

Please reconsider vour vote and allow the Head Start program to help the 20 Poupard morrow." families who had hoped to send their younger children to school this fall.

CYNTHIA TENNENT SOHN City of Grosse Pointe

Head Start

To the Editor:

The information I obtained from the article, "Board rejects Head Start at Poupard," July 14 Grosse Pointe News, is the program is to assist with the social and academic development of preschoolers.

There are 20 families in the school district who are asking for this program.

If a family realizes a child needs assistance with social and academic development, why doesn't the family provide this assistance to them?

MARGARET POTTER Grosse Pointe Woods

Head Start learning

To the Editor:

Poupard Since 1951, Elementary School, a Grosse Pointe public school, has sat within the boundaries of its neighboring community Harper Woods, an increasingly diverse suburb of Detroit.

Harper Woods' demographics are now about half white and half non-white, with a 345 percent increase in blacks in the past decade, according to the 2010 U.S. Census.

If you take seriously what many of us profess in our weekly houses of worship, you would think this is a pretty perfect place to live and an especially great place for children to

Visit the Poupard homepage with its scrolling photos of eager, engaged young learners of many races and cultures and see for yourself: yes, it can be

It was in that hopeful spirit Poupard Elementary School Principal Penny Stocks appeared before the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education June 27 with a well-prepared proposal that many regarded as a "no-

brainer": use one of two empty classrooms and leverage the enthusiastic commitments from parents of 20 young children who have older siblings already enrolled at the school.

These 3- to 5-year-olds would get valuable early intervention from a nationally respected, evidence-based program to help ready them for academic success in the years to come.

The program? Head Start. The cost to the Grosse Pointe Schools? A budget-breaking

The school board's decision was a no-brainer indeed, but not in the way people predicted. In their disappointing 4-2 rejection of Ms. Stocks' proposal, the majority exhibited no understanding of early intervention, no sense of fiscal responsibility by turning down what amounted to a federal grant and no memory of their own mission statement to ensure "that all students acquire and use knowledge, skills and behaviors necessary to meet the challenges of today and to-

The rationale these ing board members referenced was a vague future need for the space; an evident, disheartening surprise to Ms. Stocks and, if Facebook and the blogosphere are any indication, to many others in our community as well.

Worst still, their vote was a "no-hearter" and a failure to uphold the public trust. These elected officials effectively blocked young children -- residents of the city where frankly, our school district is the guest - access to federal dollars that would help them succeed academically and for the rest of their lives.

Amid the constant buzz on test scores, Head Start is a program long proven to raise them. You'd better believe the prison operators are watching test scores; many states project the number of prison cells they will need based, in part, on the number of children who are not reading by second grade.

No space for Head Start at Poupard? Really?

I appeal to all the good hearts and smart minds on our Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education to join trustees Gafa and Walsh and reverse this ill-conceived decision in time to benefit the 20 young children already identified - perhaps more as capacity permits — starting this September.

The alternative - a vote unchanged - is sure to echo loudly off the walls of those empty classrooms, resounding with the ugly ring of a word that sounds suspiciously like "space" but has a far more insidious, apparently not-past legacy in our community. A legacy of redlining, questionably enforced residency requirements and barricaded boundary streets.

Will this school board majority choose a higher road, an intelligent new legacy that supports all our kids' learning goals? Or, will they barricade themselves behind a fear-based false reality, bullying 4-yearolds with their petty, mean-spirited politics.

I add my voice to the rising chorus of many in our community who appeal to the better selves of these dissenting board members, challenging them to choose that higher road, and let happy children's voices ring from those classroom walls instead.

NANCY COMBS Grosse Pointe Park

School policy

To the Editor: At a July 13 meeting held at Brownell Middle School and moderated by Rep. Tim Bledsoe, there was a forum to discuss Gov. Rick Snyder's goal to put an "open-school" policy a.k.a. "school choice" and "borderless schools" - in place across the state, including Grosse Pointe.

This could mean once Grosse Pointe and the eligible Harper Woods students are accounted for, any remaining spaces would be opened to any student from any district in the

If more students apply than space allows, a lottery would be instituted. Each non-resident student would bring his or her \$7,000 state subsidy to the district. Currently, \$10,000 is spent on each Grosse Pointe student.

The man who represented the governor's position, Michael Van Beek, director of education policy for the Mackinac Center for Public Policy, said "the core" of the concept — there is no proposal as yet and, therefore, no details - is to create "more competition" among schools. And an open-school policy would be an impetus for failing schools to stop failing.

Although stating my opinion is not the primary reason for this letter, I think if it is competition the governor wants, then he should advocate for more charter schools — the number is currently limited - and let those schools compete with the success Grosse Pointe schools have proven decade after

decade. I don't know about you, but the idea of a state official messing with a local school system that is succeeding feels intru-

Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education member Brendan Walsh, who was also on the panel and, it should be noted, was not speaking for the school board, stated he was against an openschool policy. He repeatedly warned the audience there is a real possibility that such a concept may be enacted in the near future.

That brings me to the main purpose of this letter. Regardless of where you stand on this issue, I'm hoping the next time you hear of a meeting about changing local school policy, you will attend and either let your voice be heard, or simply come so you can stay informed.

Since the concept is a radical departure from present policy, it deserves thoughtful consideration by all residents.

NANCY SOLAK Grosse Pointe Farms

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I SAY By Brad Lindberg

Let us hear the game



t a Detroit Tigers baseball game against the New York Mets a few weeks ago, I saw two grand slams, a balk and heard incessant babble from

the game announcers.

Yack yack yack. Put a microphone in someone's face and he won't shut up. No let up.

None I noticed, anyway. amid the public address system's full-volume echoes around the ballpark.

I was trying to hear the sounds of the game, including the background color of the crowd in the stands. The interplay between action on the field and fans in the crowd.

The relations between competing athletes and fans parallels the structure of a concerto, are at least a concerto grosso.

Players are the soloists. Fans are the orchestra. Players dominate the high register and melody. Fans are the ground and harmonies.

Both parties augment and inspire each other. They feed off each other, develop themes and exchange them in dialogues that can range from lyrical and uplifting, to magical and majestic, to base and guttural.

Subsidiary notes are the everyday sounds of the game and the stadium. A bat hitting a ball. A ball smacking the sweet spot of a catcher's mitt or firstbaseman's glove. A hotdog barker. The wind. A popcorn machine. An error on the field followed by a lugubrious geez, whaddayadoin? from a frustrated ticket holder shaking his head a few sections away.

And the silence that, like the

sound between notes of music, holds the piece together.

I'm wondering why sports announcers who seem to revere the legacy of Ernie Harwell don't seem to understand a large part of his audience appeal.

Harwell knew his role was to convey the game, not be part of

He was one of the few people I'm aware of in his profession who could handle a microphone by not saying anything.

There were long rests in his play-by-play. He let the sounds of the game come through. Listeners found themselves at the ballpark. With him.

Harwell had the confidence of a soloist to play his part in concert with the orchestra.

The late Frank Gilhooley, announcer for the Tiger's farm team, the Toledo Mud Hens, was that way, too.

Gilhooley's successor isn't a jabbermouth. I hope he makes it to the majors.

STREETWISE By Renee Landuyt

What is one thingyou would never want to have?

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



'I never wanted my dog to die, but I like my new rescued dog so it is OK now.' JACOB THOMLINSON Harrison Township



'A spider in my room.' KENNEDY CAMPBELL Detroit



'A snake in my house, I would never want that. ALEX PAOLUCCI Grosse Pointe Woods



'A flat tire in my dad's car. We had that once already.' SOPHIA HERMAN Grosse Pointe Farms



'I would never want a tornado to come down my street, even though I have a basement.'

CHARLOTTE PEABODY Grosse Pointe Farms

GUEST OPINION By Rich Lowry

The not-so-grand bargain

he White House made House Speaker John Boehner an offer he could refuse: to become the tax collector for President Barack Obama's entitlement state.

The so-called grand bargain Boehner eschewed wasn't so grand. It would have raised taxes by \$1 trillion while leaving ObamaCare untouched and preserving the bankrupting structure of legacy entitlement programs.

The health care bill already

raised taxes by more than \$400 billion over the next 10 years, although that's still not enough to truly cover ObamaCare. The president wanted another round of new taxes layered on top without giving up fundamental ground on entitlement reform.

This wasn't a "balanced" approach. It was a proposed continuation of Obama's fiscal policy under bipartisan auspices.

Yes, the White House was willing to endorse cuts to Medicare and Medicaid. In all likelihood, they would have

ended up as dubious cuts, the typical stuff of Beltway budgetary legerdemain. Reductions in payment rates

and the like may produce sav-

ings on paper, but they rarely

materialize. To sign off on such a deal, Boehner would have signed his

Republicans view the current levels of spending - an astonishing 24 percent of gross domestic product — as a bizarre exception to peacetime norms in America. Democrats view it as the new normal. For

own political death wish.

them, any reduction in the inexorable growth of the entitlement state is a cruel betrayal.

The press loves the idea of men of good will working behind closed doors to hammer out their differences. Yet some differences are too great for resolution in a few negotiating sessions. The election of 2012 is the necessary and proper forum for deciding the nation's fiscal direction.

After his historic spending bender in league with Nancy Pelosi and Company, Obama wants a less spendthrift and

less partisan image. He needs a be rolled. deficit deal with the biggest headline number possible, and he needs to be seen working with Republicans. The grand bargain - or, failing that, any bargain — is in his political in-

terest. By stating categorically a deal will get done by the administration's Aug. 2 deadline, he's put his credibility on the line. He's ceded important rhetorical ground by aping the Republican argument the deficit is harming the economy. Altogether, he appears ripe to

All the more reason for Republicans to insist on a deal on their terms - no new taxes and spending cuts to match the dollar amount of the increase in the debt limit.

Ultimately, this is just a small patch on the red ink created by the recession and Obama's profligacy. If the president wants massive new taxes to address it, he can make the case for them without Boehner's complicity.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

LETTERS: Residents speak out

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Head Start rejected To the Editor:

We were saddened and dismayed to learn of the decision by the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education to reject a proposal to permit a Head Start program at Poupard Elementary School.

It is our opinion the members of the school board are elected to represent all students in the Grosse Pointe Public School System and to support the best interests of the entire commu-

The proposal for this program was initiated by the school principal, Penny Stocks, as a means to provide badly needed early educational support for children who will eventually be entering the school system, most likely at Poupard.

Ms. Stocks has been principal since 2002. She and her staff saw this proposal as an excellent plan to give these children a boost. We commend them for coming forward with a means to use a vacant school room. There would be no additional cost to taxpayers

Instead of supporting the principal, the board chose to reject the plan on the dubious grounds that it somehow violated a "policy" that prohibits the use of school facilities that would interfere with student routine and activity. Had the proposal been approved, it is difficult to understand how it could be deemed to interfere with the operation of the school.

We encourage the members of the school board to reconsider their negative decision

against this proposal. In this challenged to act with integrity changing time, our community needs to provide the best educational opportunities for the students in our school system. The board's duty is to educate every child who stands before it with every asset at its disposal.

The vote against Head Start clearly does not consider the best interests of the students at Poupard and this community. CAROL AND DAVID GASKIN

Grosse Pointe Park

Head Start needs

To the Editor: To the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of **Education:**

What were you thinking? As a Grosse Pointe resident, it has been my belief our board of education always put the ed-

ucational needs of our children first. Sadly, I now see this is not the case. We have some students that need an extra hand up to do their best. A wonderful opportunity was offered to our school

system which would give this

extra help at absolutely no cost

to our school system. This help came in the form of Head Start program at Poupard Elementary School. The board rejected this offer with a rather shallow excuse of "maybe we wouldn't have room in the future to accommodate

this program.' This question deserves an honest answer: Why did our board say no to a program that would help children in need and in the end benefit the entire

Grosse Pointe school system? Please reconsider your decision and think of the children who need this help

> MARIAN BAAL Grosse Pointe Farms

Education

To the Editor:

and courage when faced with choices or decisions that involve the greater good.

In a democracy, these challenges are often faced for us by officials we have elected for that purpose. Our vote is our intention that those representatives will study the issues and vote for the good of all members of the community.

In a recent issue that faced our school board, we saw a school principal and teachers work carefully to study an issue involving Grosse Pointe community preschoolers.

Poupard Elementary School Principal Penny Stocks and the Poupard teachers concluded 20 preschoolers destined to attend Poupard would one day benefit from a Head Start program. The program could be conducted in an empty Poupard classroom during the 2011-2012 school year.

No cost to the school district would be incurred.

But in an act that is in no way rationally explained by the defenses quoted in the Grosse Pointe News and other media, a majority of our school board voted against allowing the Head Start program at Poupard for the coming school year.

On July 18, The Detroit News reported the Head Start money has since been allocated to Highland Park.

As a mother, I am beyond disappointed by this vote, which has caused an immeasurable loss to the preschoolers - and their families - who were slated to attend the program.

As a retired government administrator, I decry the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education's failure to support a free program of obvious value to the community that had been thoroughly studied by principal Stocks and the Poupard teachers with the collaboration of a Grosse Pointe In each of our lives, we are Public School System assistant

superintendent for curriculum, assessment, instruction and

technology. As a voter, I look forward to closely studying those who are running in the next school board election — to ensure my vote goes to candidates who will make decisions for the good of all members of the community in which we live.

SANDRA MENGEL

Grosse Pointe Park Program rejection

To the Editor:

Thank you for your recent coverage of the Grosse Pointe Board of Education's decision to reject the Head Start program at Poupard Elementary School, "Board rejects Head Start at Poupard," July 14 Grosse Pointe News.

Poupard am sure **Elementary School Principal** Penny Stocks may have the best of intentions for the 20 families that have a need for the program. However we all know that more funding, especially federal funding, does not solve problems, nor comes at

Presently, we have one of the premiere and well-funded school districts in the state. We have plenty of resources for preschool age children to prepare them for kindergarten, including more than 200 preschool programs run by the local community, churches and private groups.

Included in these is a preschool program run by the students and life skills department head at Grosse Pointe

There are also dozens of free home-school programs available for parents to prepare their own children for the academic and socialization skills needed for kindergarten.

As we have seen over and over again, federal programs

ments. We all pay for those programs indirectly and no one needs additional costs added to the federal budget

> GERALDIN LACOMBE Grosse Pointe Farms

Thrift Shop

To the Editor:

According to Grosse Pointe history, the Neighborhood Club Thrift Shop, located in the soon to be razed Grosse Pointe Neighborhood Club building. has been in existence since

The thrift shop, which has served to provide financial support to the club through donated and consignment merchandise, is without a new "home." Services for Older Citizens, also housed in the club building, is relocating.

The Thrift Shop, however, has not found a suitable location anywhere.

Can anyone help with its re-

location? Having been a shopper there for 40-some years, I, as well as many other faithful shoppers and contributors, find this to be very disconcerting and disappointing. We love the thrift shop. It has been a place to seek out bargains and treasures; to donate our usable, yet not-needed any more items; as well as a place to meet and greet friends, staff and volun-

Our beloved store serves many purposes.

Please — don't let the closing of the thrift shop at the end of this month be its demise.

> KRISTINA ZIEBRON Grosse Pointe Woods

Vicious dog ban

To the Editor:

I just finished reading Rep. Tim Bledsoe's letter, "Pit Bulls: A rejoinder," July 14 Grosse involve arduous other require- Pointe News. The letter was in

response to a July 7 letter, "Pit bulls," which I have not read, on his proposed pit bull ban.

I used to respect Mr. Bledsoe and considered him a responsive representative. He has not returned my calls or e-mails to him on this subject.

Not only are his views on pit bulls erroneous, the facts he claims as such are questionable as well.

Mr. Bledsoe only needs to look at what the Grosse Pointe Park City Council did, which was to enact a much more sensible vicious dog ordinance to replace the short-lived and illadvised pit bull ban they originally enacted.

This is a man who also wants to get rid of term limits. In fact, he is a prime example of their

need. Mr. Bledsoe, I will actively campaign against you for any office you seek. Please use the remainder of your time in office to work on something constructive and helpful for your constituents.

If vicious dogs really are thing, consider a your statewide vicious dog ban, irrespective of breed. There's a good one on file in Grosse Pointe Park.

TIM PROPHIT Grosse Pointe Park

Life jackets

To the Editor:

The July 14 issue of the Grosse Pointe News featured a story, "What a view," on water trails along Lake St. Clair.

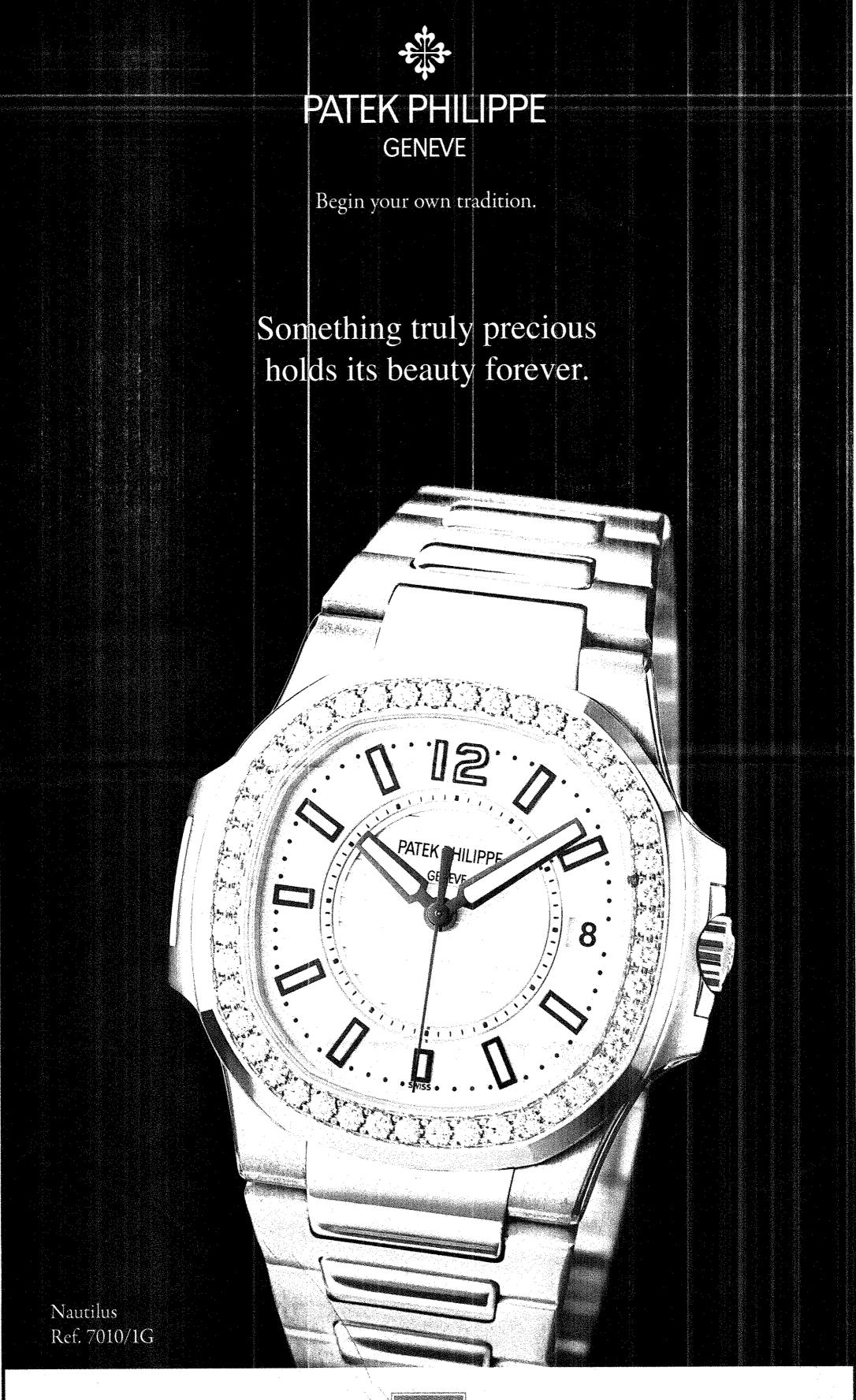
None of the people in the photos appeared to be wearing life jackets.

Wearing a life jacket in and around the water, no matter what age or swimming ability, is imperative.

Please wear a life jacket, no

matter how calm the water or how "good" the swimmer. JULIE SUTTON

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A Camp Invention student helps construct the life-sized clubhouse using PVC piping.

Inventors of the future

By A.J. Hakim Staff Writer

Camp Invention turned Parcells Middle School into a weeklong adventure for children, focusing on innovation and imagination in science, technology, engineering and

Grosse Pointe's camp is the largest in Michigan and Ohio, typically accommodating a maximum of 105 to 110 students (those entering first camp costs \$255 for the SPARK, a program that inthrough sixth grade). The week. number increased this year,

and another 20 wait-listed, according to Grosse Pointe could do to get their kids encamp director Debra Duffey.

"I would say it was our best program that started in Grosse Pointe in 2003. "This is my fourth year running Camp Invention. Last year, and the year before, because of the decline in the economy, we didn't have a full camp, but still pretty close. The

with 116 students enrolled calling me and e-mailing me, asking if there was anything I

Developed in 1990 by year ever," Duffey said of the Invent Now, Inc., a non-profit organization North Ohio, Canton, Camp Invention engages students in a variety of hands-on activities, systematized through five daily units based on the year's overall module.

This year's module was cludes units in which children "(This year) I had parents construct a life-sized club-

house and create and decode puzzles ("The Curious Cypher Club"); they investigate the science of atoms and molecules while experimenting with bouncy balls. In that unit, children also practice moving atoms, conduct static electricity experiments and make salt solutions, slimy compounds, polymer snow and a bouncy ball ("Bounce! An Atomic Journey").

In other units, children explore various animal inventors - cuttlefish, paper wasps, snails, fire beetles and geckos - and their inventions ("W!LD: Wondrous Innovations and Living Designs"); they play classic games using nontraditional equipment ("Game On: Power Play"); and they invent, create and market a multi-step machine in the ilk of Thomas Edison ("I Can Invent: Edison's Workshop").

Each unit offers similar themes through a differentiated curriculum based on age, with the younger children participating in less advanced engineering than the elder students.

A typical day starts at 9 a.m. with base camp, where children partake in team-building activities and learn the camp song, and ends at 3:30 p.m. The staff — consisting of Duffey, an assistant director, five full-time Grosse Pointe teachers, 11 counselors, three junior counselors and a team of adult volunteers (including Ford Motor Company execu-

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Change versus complacency

By A.J. Hakim Staff Writer

The underlying dichotomy in the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education's search for its next superintendent was that of change versus complacency.

While several board members sought change in either Richard Machesky (advanced as a finalist by a unanimous vote) or Michael "Jon" Dean (5-2), others favored maintaining the status quo with Tom Harwood (4-3).

"I, personally, am proud, as a resident and as a board member, that both of our high schools are in the top three percent nationwide," president John Steininger said during the final selection process. "I'm proud of our students that excel, I'm proud of the MEAP scores and I'm proud of our ACT scores district-wide.

"I, personally, don't believe in change for the sake of change ... We are striving right now and we are successful."

In the end, after two months of searching, selecting, interviewing, narrowing and reviewing community feedback forms and holding forums, the board chose internal candidate Harwood (in another 4-3 vote) and elected for complacency.

"It is clear to me that we have a majority of the board that are complacent about change and not interested in improving our district," trustee Fred Minturn said via e-mail. "The vote for the superintendent and the vote against the Head Start program at Poupard both reflect

"Once an organization stops changing and improving, then it is sure to decline."

Several board members, including residents attending the meeting, scoffed in frustration at both the decision and the process, which excluded any deliberation about either Machesky, who presented a vision of community and strong leadership, or Dean, an advocate of teaching and learning techniques that focus on an interdisciplinary, integrated, project-based curriculum.

Board secretary Judy Gafa, one of the dissenters, packaged her feelings with a lesson learned some time ago: "My mother taught me as a young child, if I didn't have anything nice to say, then to not say anything at all. I am still living by that advice."

Filling the superintendent

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PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Poupard first-grade teacher Susan Chaklos, left, along with first-grader Carson Winbigler and resource room teacher, Andi Cline.

Teachers of the week

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

Elementary School first-grade teacher Susan Chaklos and resource room teacher, Andi Cline.

They were nominated by first-grader Carson Winbigler: "Both of them always have a smile on their Susan Chaklos face, no matter how tough the day has been. They also push their students to do their best work, while making it fun.

"They make me laugh, hug me when I'm sad and help me whenever I need it.

"They both make math and reading fun."

Andi Cline

Years at the Harper Woods school: I have been a teacher in Grosse Pointe for 15 years.

Previous work: Prior to that, I was a teacher in Ohio for 13 years.

teacher: I became a teacher because I love learning.

What do you enjoy most This week, it's Poupard about teaching: The children smiling when they discover the joy of learning.

How do you feel about being nominated: Thankful to my parents for teaching me to always do my best.

Years at the Harper Woods school: I have been teaching at Poupard for eight years.

Previous work: Prior to teaching, I spent eight years working for Standard Federal Bank, and then took time off to raise my two children and go back to school to obtain my teaching certificate and master's degree.

I spent a number of years substitute teaching in both Grosse Pointe schools and Lakeview in St. Clair Shores.

Ten years ago, I was lucky to get a job teaching first

Why did you become a grade at Maire Elementary School, the same school I attended as a child.

I then spent a year at Defer and finally transferred to Poupard.

Why did you become a teacher: I always wanted to be a teacher, probably because I constantly love to learn new things and share this knowledge with others.

What do you enjoy most about teaching: My favorite part of teaching is when the light bulb goes on and one of my first-graders discovers that they can 'really read.' The joy and excitement on their faces when they have successfully read their first book is a gift every time it

How do you feel about being nominated: I am very honored to be nominated by

I never expected to be honored for doing a job I absolutely love.

— A.J. Hakim



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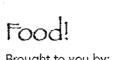
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- * Services for Older Citizens Theatre Arts Club of Detroit
- * Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society presents adoptable pets Saturday, noon to

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On Kercheval Ave. between Cadieux and Neff in The Village, Downtown Grosse Pointe For more information: call 313.886.7474 or visit www.thevillagegp.com Rain date: Saturday, Aug. 6

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Community forum takes race-based turn

By A.J. Hakim Staff Writer

A community forum regarding Gov. Rick Snyder's proposed legislation requiring open enrollment for all public schools ended in outbursts from several community mem-

"Name one district that's accepted a large number of students from the city of Detroit and has exhibited success," said one resident, followed by a stream of accordances from a few others.

'They've destroyed them all," another said.

While still in its conceptual stages, Snyder's legislation has Grosse Pointers outraged, with many voicing their concerns last week at the forum hosted by State Rep. Tim Bledsoe, D-City of Grosse Pointe. Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education Treasurer Brendan Walsh and Mackinac Center for Public Policy Director of

Education Policy, Michael Vandiscussion, weighing the advantages and disadvantages of the issue.

While details are scarce, with no draft of the bill currently existing, theoretically, a district is required to accept out-of-district students as space allows, making for a finance our schools, with greater possibilty of students from less affluent, surrounding areas such as Detroit and parts of Harper Woods enrolling in Grosse Pointe schools.

As one of 11 districts in the Metropolitan area currently not participating in school of choice, the district spends \$8,000 per year on part-time private investigators to enforce student enrollment eligibility, according to the district's website. The investigators are hired largely due to the community's concerns about outof-district funding and the incremental tax burden residents pay, one of the issues discussed at the forum.

"I think there are really two Beek, participated in the open issues here," Bledsoe said in opening the discussion. "Whether politicians and bureaucrats in Lansing should be making the decisions of this type, or whether local school boards should be making these decisions.

"Secondly, given the way we roughly 20 percent of our funding coming from locallygenerated, approved property taxes, how is that going to justify the presence of non-resident students in our district?"

In 1994, Proposal A transformed public school funding from an 80 percent reliance on local property taxes to a combination of state and local district revenues. In doing so, the proposal provided homeowners property tax relief, but created a dependence on state revenue and linked funding to enrollment.

"This interjects some complication to the school of a choice." choice question," Walsh said.

"School funding is much less tied to property tax than it was before. As a matter of fact, the school aid fund in 2010, only 15 percent of the school aid fund statewide has property tax as its source. Sales tax, income tax, a variety of other taxes comprise the majority, not property tax.

"Further complicating factors, when you throw in other revenue streams available to local school districts, we may have been prohibited from bringing forth operational millages, but we are free to bring forth capital millages for bond issues or sinking funds. This is the choice we make, so what this represents aside from the hold harmless millage (voterapproved additional tax levy) that contributes roughly 20 percent of the GPPSS revenue, you've got these other revenue streams that represent tax burdens to residents that they really choose to make. But this is

And a choice non-residents

aren't required to make.

According to Van Beek, those districts currently involved as schools of choice receive \$7.000 from the state per non-resident student enrolled at their schools. Districts with expenditures exceeding \$7,000 per student oftentimes require non-residents to pay tuition to make up the difference, which excludes hold harmless millages and other tax revenues residents pay.

"Those students, while they do represent \$7,000, that hold harmless revenue does not follow them, we have no way to make up that money and those families are not obligated to cover the costs of what residents of the GPPSS pay," Walsh said. "Many residents express real outrage that other students could benefit from their incremental investment when those families aren't making the same kind of sacrifice, not just in the tax burden but in the value of the home."

A list of benefits and disad-

vantages discussed by Walsh and Van Beek include:

Benefits

 Creates a market for education and an incentive for underachieving schools to strive for better performance to avoid losing students, thus, losing revenue.

◆ Students can choose the school that best fits their needs.

♦ The state offers \$7,000 per non-resident student enrolled.

• Districts, such as Oxford Community Schools, have thrived since becoming school of choice.

Disadvantages

♦ Non-residents aren't obligated to pay hold harmless millages and other tax-based revenues, nor can the district make up the costs.

◆ The proposal adds to the gradual shifting of control from local districts to state government.

♦ Who decides capacity?



Richard and Judy Rutan, front, stand among the recipients of the Lara M. Rutan Endowed

Rutan scholars honored

Wayne University physician assistant

State Scholarship.

CITY OF HARPER WOODS

2011 CONSUMER'S ANNUAL REPORT

ON DRINKING WATER QUALITY

MUNICIPAL BUILDING

HARPER WOODS, MICHIGAN 48225

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that copies of the 2011 Consumer's Annual report on Drinking Water Quality con-

tained information not relative to this years report. To provide up to date information and to remain in compliance with

Michigan Department of Environmental Quality reporting requirements, an updated table of Regulated Detected Contaminants is being published. Copies of the updated table

will be attached to the existing report and available at the

Harper Woods City Offices and the Harper Woods Public

Recipients include: Jennifer studies students in the Cox of Canton; Gary Fannon of Pharmacy and Health of Plainwell; Annika Kramer Sciences received \$10,000 in of Grass Lake; and Sara scholarships, courtesy the Wilchowski of Northville, all Lara M. Rutan Endowed of whom are in their final year

of the Master of Science degree program. Established by Judy and Eugene Applebaum College of Brighton, Brittany Immink Richard Rutan in 2007, the

scholarship is in memory of their daughter, physician assistant studies alumna and Grosse Pointe resident, Lara M. Rutan, who died in an auto accident Sept. 22, 2005. The scholarship recognizes scholastic achievement, encourages continued progress and provides tuition assistance to students in the pro-

"We are grateful for the support that we have received Lara's Endowed Scholarship," Richard and Judy Rutan said.

"The kindness and generosity of our community help us continue to celebrate Lara's life and the profession that she so loved."

CHANGE: 'It was clear today that the majority of the board is favoring status quo.'

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spot spanned two months and included hiring a search firm at \$16,500, netting 24 candidates, five of whom were selected as semifinalists. Of those five, two were from out of state — both from Pennsylvania - one underwhelmed in his interview and the other withdrew due to family illness.

"I don't think the search firm did an acceptable job for us," Minturn said. "I didn't want them to begin with and they proved to be a bad choice, in my opinion.

didates and both of them were weak or uninterested in the end?"

Harwood assumes his role after the July 25 meeting, pending additional reference and extensive background checks, credentials, civil and court checks and salary negotiations. He starts in a transition stage, working alongside Superintendent Suzanne Klein until she officially retires Dec. 31

"It was clear today that the majority of the board is favor-"Can we really accept that ing status quo and maintaining

there only two out-of-state can- the excellent tradition we have," Grosse Pointe Education Association Pre-sident Ranae Beyerlein said after last week's board meeting. "And it's not that there's anything wrong with what it is that we're doing. We are a successful district and it's one of the reasons that we are the district we are because we have people in our unit who continue to function with the kids, day in and day out.

> "We know Tom Harwood is dedicated, hard-working and has the best interest of the children in his heart."



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City of **Grosse Pointe Farms**, Michigan

City of Harper Woods

Mickey D. Todd,

SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES July 11, 2011

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present on Roll Call: Mayor Farquhar; Councilmembers, West, Joseph, Davis, Theros, Leonard & Waldmeir.

Absent Were:

Library.

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Also Present: Messrs. Burgess, City Attorney; Reeside, City Manager; Tepper, Assistant City Manager; Brennan, Director of Public Service; Jensen, Director Public Safety; Hutchins, Deputy Director of Public Safety; Pamela Baker, Deputy City Clerk.

Mayor Farquhar Presided at the Meeting.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on June 6, 2011, were approved as submitted.

The Council approved the Landscaping Site Plan for the Country Club of Detroit, subject to specific conditions.

The Council approved the request for Resolution for LCC Approval for Morning Coffee, LLC.

The Council approved the Budget Transfers & Amendments. The Council approved the Water & Sewer Rates for Fiscal Year 2011-2012.

The Council approved the following items on the Consent Agenda:

1. Request for Street closure for Racing for Kids Event.

Request to hold picnic at Pier Park from the Grosse Pointe Fraternal Order of Police

The Public Safety Report for May 2011 was received by the Council & ordered placed on file. Upon proper motion made, supported and carried, the Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.
THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY,
AUGUST 8, 2011 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 90 KERBY ROAD,
GROSSE POINTE FARMS, MICHIGAN 48236. THE MEETING IS PUBLIC, INTERESTED
PROPERTY OWNERS AND RESIDENTS OF THE CITY ARE INVITED TO ATTEND. YOU MAY ALSO VIEW THE AGENDA AND MINUTES ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE: www.ci.grosse-pointe-<u>farms.mi.us/</u>

James C. Farquhar Jr.

Matthew J. Tepper

City Clerk

Camp students enjoying one of five units from the Camp Invention program held at Parcells Middle School.

INVENTION: 'the kids really, really enjoyed camp.'

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according to age and dispers- units, which last an hour each.

tives) — splits up the children es them among the individual Between units, the children also have lunch and play outside.

> "They have no idea they're there to learn anything,' Duffey said. "They think it's fun, a reward, a privilege."

Aside from providing volunteers, Ford Motor Company offers scholarship donations, allowing children from economically-challenged families to attend camp. This year, Ford donated enough money to accommodate 10 children, twice as much as last year.

"This year, they were very generous and made it possible for 10 kids to attend camp who were otherwise not able to join us this year," Duffey said. "And it's not just the Grosse Pointe camp, Ford Motor Company is very generous and helps out all the

camps. "The kids really, really enjoyed (camp). I heard no complaints from any of the chil-

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OBITIARIRS

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

John J. Bucek

Grosse Pointe Woods resident John J Bucek, 90, passed away peacefully in his home Thursday, July 7, 2011. He is survived by his wife, two stepchildren, three nieces and one nephew.

During his lifetime Mr. Bucek played professional baseball, joined the U.S. Navy, was a World War II veteran and a lifetime member of the Bruce Post, St. Clair Shores. He spent the majority of his working career in the auto industry; trained by the Ford Motor Co., he worked at Buell until it closed. His later career was with Chrysler Corp. where he stayed until retire-

Mr. Bucek enjoyed golf, watching baseball games and ballroom dancing. He participated in ballroom dancing from a young age about three times a week until he was well into his 80s.

Frances Anne Esckilsen

Grosse Pointe Park resident Frances Anne Esckilsen (nee Flannery), died Friday, July 15, -2011. Born Feb. 23, 1936, in Bad Axe, she was predeceased by her mother, Frances and father, Leo, and her husband, Larry.

Mrs. Esckilsen is survived by her three daughters, Jane (Dr. 'James) Dietz, Ann Esckilsen and Christine (Bryan Bevell) Esckilsen and five grandchildren, Patrick, Kevin, Anna, Frances and Daniel. She also is survived by her sisters, Mary Tulloch and Honora Gilmore and brother, Patrick Flannery.

She enjoyed attending the many activities of her grandchildren. She was a warm and generous person who was devoted to her family, her country and her church.

A funeral Mass was celebratd July 19 at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Thomas H. Garthwaite

Grosse Pointe resident Thomas H. Garthwaite, 50, died Tuesday, July 5, 2011.

Born April 14, 1961, he was the beloved husband of Betsy Moran Garthwaite, who predeceased him. He was the loving father of Daniel and Michael; dearest brother of Vikki (John) Casas, David, Patrick (Gayle), Michael and Beth (Al) DeGrandis; dear son-in-law of Patti and Tom Moran and brother-in-law of Katie Moran, Tom (Margo) Moran, Debbie Capadagli and Peter (Andrea) Moran. He also is survived by many loving nieces, nephews, remaining family and friends.

 He was predeceased by his parents, Walter and Frances.

A funeral Mass was celebrated July 9 at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, Grosse Pointe

Donations may be made to an education fund for his children, The Thomas Garthwaite Memorial Fund, c/o Patricia D. Moran, Trustee, 83 S. Edgewood, Grosse Pointe Shores, MI 48236.

Eleanor J. McFeely

Longtime Grosse Pointe resident Eleanor J. McFeely passed away Friday, July 15, 2011, at home in Delray Beach, Fla., after a brief illness. She was 88.

Mrs. McFeely was predeceased by her husband of 47 years, Charles A. McFeely Jr. She is survived by four children, Katherine M. Fazio of Delray Beach, Charles A. McFeely III of the City of Grosse Pointe, William J. 'McFeely of Detroit and Clifton B. McFeely of New Canaan, Conn.; 10 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren and her brother, William T. McCullough of Coral Gables, Fla.

and Alfred Elliott Jenkins and 19950 Mack Ave., Grosse William stepfather. С. McCullough, she remained proud of her Pittsburgh roots Grosse and retained strong bonds with Pittsburgh friends and relatives.

Mrs. McFeely and husband, Chuck, moved to Grosse Pointe in 1951, where she was actively involved in the community with the Junior League of Detroit, Red Cross, Grosse Pointe Garden Club, Country Club of Detroit and The Grosse Pointe

An avid sports fan, she continued to follow her Detroit teams, especially the Tigers and University of Michigan football, even during her years in Delray Beach. She also loved regular games of bridge with her friends and following professional golf.

Mrs. McFeely will be remembered for her unfailing sense of humor, the ability to make friends everywhere she went and small acts of kindness for the people in her daily life. Even over her final months, she continued to closely follow the lives of her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, as her family was the joy of her

A memorial service will take place at 4 p.m. Saturday, July 23, at the Abbey Delray in Delray Beach, Fla.

Donations may be made to at the church. the Paul's Place After School Program, c/o St. Paul's Church, 188 South Swinton Ave., Delray Beach, FL 33444.

Jean E. Ground

Jean Ground, 89, a 49-year Grosse Pointe Park resident, passed away Thursday, June 23, 2011, from cardiac arrest.

She was born April 25, 1922, in Hyannis, Neb., to Louis and Ruth (nee Yauney) Flaherty. When she was young, Louis, who suffered shell shock during World War I, left the family. Her mother remarried James Helvie, whom Mrs. Ground al-

ways considered her father. Nebraska Wesleyan College with a music/voice major. She then attended the Eastman School of Music in New York for two years to further pursue her vocal training.

Music was a major part of Mrs. Ground's life. She was a member of many musical organizations and performed voice solos from the time she was in college. Since moving with her husband to Michigan in 1950, she had been a member of The Tuesday Musicale of Detroit for 60 years, was awarded a lifetime membership in the Four Octave Club of Detroit and was a longtime member of the Madrigal Club of Detroit. She performed voice solos in programs of all of these professional organizations. She also attended church and enjoyed singing in the choir until recently.

Later in life, she enjoyed playing four hands at the piano with one of her closest friends, the late Lois Johns. They would occasionally perform church.

In addition to her involvement in music, Mrs. Ground had three children and always found a way to be available when they needed her. She considered herself blessed to have two grandchildren, whom she loved dearly. She was a loving and unselfish mother and grandmother, and will be greatly missed.

Mrs. Ground was predeceased by her husband of 64 years, Carl J. Ground, in November 2010; and her sister, Arline Hamilton in May 2005.

She is survived by her chil-Ground, dren, Patricia Christopher (Sheleen) Ground of Pueblo, Colo. and Kyle Ground and his children, Kathryn Ground and Matthew Ground. She also is survived by five nephews and one niece.

A memorial service will be Born Feb. 15, 1923, in held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Pittsburgh, the daughter of Aug. 13, at Grosse Pointe Martha Montgomery Mudgett Woods Presbyterian Church, Association and the Junior

Pointe Woods.

Donations may be made to Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church, 19950 Mack Ave., Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236 or Michigan Animal Rescue, 51299 Arkona Road, Belleville, MI 48111, in memory of Ginny, Mrs. Ground's adored yellow Labrador retriever.

Irene E. Frank

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Irene E. Frank, 91, died Thursday, July 14, 2011.

She was the loving wife of Richard, who predeceased her, and mother of Michael and John Frank. She was the proud grandmother of Barrett, Evan, John and William. She was predeceased by her siblings, Anthony Slowik, Sophie and Martha.

Mrs. Frank was a dedicated homemaker and gourmet cooking teacher.

Her son, John, passed away shortly after her.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at noon Friday, July 22, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, for both Mrs. Frank and her son.

Visitation begins at 11:30 a.m

John Frank

Grosse Pointe Farms resident John Frank, 57, died suddenly, Saturday, July 16, 2011, shortly after the death his mother, Irene.

Mr. Frank is survived by his: brother, Michael and children, Barrett, Evan, John and William. In addition to hhis mother, he was predeceased by his father, Richard.

Visitation will be 2 to 9 p.m. Thursday, July 21, at Verheyden Funeral Home, 16300 Mack, Grosse Pointe Park.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at noon Friday, July 22, Mrs. Ground graduated from at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, for both Mr. Frank and his mother. Visitation begins at 11:30 a.m at the church.

For more information, visit verheyden.org.

Marion Leigh Smith

Longtime Grosse Pointe Park resident Marion Leigh Smith, 83, died Sunday, July 17, 2011.

Born June 9, 1928, in Bloomfield Hills, she moved with her family to Grosse Pointe Farms in her late teens. She graduated from Mount Vernon Seminary Washington, D.C. and attended Garland Junior College in Boston. Ms. Smith began her career in retailing in her early 20s, including the executive training course at the J.L. Hudson Co. in Detroit. At 26, she moved to California to continue her career as a buyer/manager in retail stores located in Los Angeles,

Bakersfield and Monterey. In her mid 40s, Ms. Smith left the retail business and traveled several months throughout Europe. When she returned to California, she changed career goals and accepted a position as director of volunteer services in Toledo, Ohio. Eight years later, she joined Henry Ford Hospital and Medical Centers, working for almost 10 years as director of volunteer services.

Ms. Smith was a member of the American Society of Volunteer Directors of Services; a board member of the Michigan Council of Directors of Volunteers; and was also a loaned executive to the United Way while working for the Henry Ford Health System. She was listed in the "Who's Who" of the midwest 1980-81 edition.

Volunteerism was important to Ms. Smith. She was a member of Sigma Gamma



Frances Anne Esckilsen



Jean E. Ground

League of Detroit. She served on the board of Adult Well Being and Services for Older Citizens and, while in California, led the residential drive of the American Cancer Society for a tri-county area. She also conceptualized and was co-founder of Thanks for Giving, a celebration honoring volunteers and special programs in health care facilities annually in the tri-county metro-Detroit area. At retirement, Henry Ford Hospital created the Marion L. Smith award which for many years was presented annually to one or two outstanding Henry Ford volunteers.

Upon her retirement, Ms. Smith traveled throughout the world and continued to volunteer her time. She enjoyed the love and nurturing of her dogs. bridge, puzzles, cooking and entertaining, the symphony and opera.

She is survived by her sisters. Anna Louise Basarich of Grosse Pointe Farms and Kittie Jones of New York City; five nieces and nephews and the family of Alice and Ed Weber of Toledo.

She was predeceased by her sister, Barbara Smith.

Ms. Smith's family wishes to thank her dedicated and lovable caregivers.

Memorial services will be held at a future date. Contact Wm. R. Hamilton Co. - Mount Clemens.

Donations may be made to Services for Older Citizens, 17150 Waterloo, Grosse Pointe, MI 48230; the Sigma Gamma Foundation, P.O. Box 36373, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236; or the Grosse Pointe Public Library, 10 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

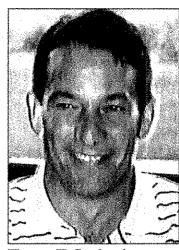
Ann Cunningham Mullen

Grosse Pointe Park resident Ann Cunningham Mullen, 72, died Thursday, July 14, 2011, after a valiant nearly 11-year battle with lung cancer.

Predeceased by both her parents. Mildred Manning Cunningham and John Madigan Cunningham, she is survived by her husband of 50 years, Frank Hamilton Mullen; sister, Katharine Cunningham Teltsch of Atlanta, Ga., and her two sons and their families, Mark Madigan Mullen, his wife, Meghan Schratz Mullen of Rochester and their children, Kaleigh, William and Patrick, and Arthur Francis Mullen and his wife, Lauren Dolkowski Mullen.

Mrs. Mullen was born and raised in Boston and Washington, D.C. She graduated from Manhattanville College in 1961 with a pre-med degree and taught high school science in parochial schools in Philadelphia before settling in Grosse Pointe Park with her husband in 1965. After teaching, Mrs. Mullen

devoted herself to raising her two boys and volunteering for a variety of area charities and organizations including the Grosse Pointe Academy and the University of Detroit Jesuit High School, where she cochaired charity auctions for Meighan (Tom) Linebaugh; 11



Thomas H. Garthwaite





Ann Cunningham Mullen

both schools.

As her children grew, she ioined her husband's company, Griggs Steel Co., as a member of its inside sales force. She continued volunteering for a variety of organizations, including the Junior League, Sigma Gamma Association and the Detroit Children's Museum. Through her efforts, the Scholarship Belvedere* Program was greatly expanded in Charlevoix. Bethe to

In 1990, she started a successful home organizing business, Organized Unlimited, with a close life-long friend.

Known for her loving spirit, joy for life, and interest in others, Mrs. Mullen will be missed by her family and extensive network of friends. She had the ability to deeply connect with most everyone who crossed her path. This was her most cherished skill and will be the most

missed by family and friends. Donations may be made to Charlevoix County Community Foundation Belvedere Scholarship Fund, Belvedere Club, P.O. Box 218, Charlevoix, MI 49720 or the Grosse Pointe Academy, 171 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

A funeral Mass was celebrated July 18 at St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church, Grosse Pointe Park.

Mrs. Mullen will be interred Friday, July 22, at St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery Charlevoix with a public graveside service at 2:30 p.m.

Bryson C. Sutton

Former Grosse Pointe Park resident Bryson C. Sutton, 81, died Friday, July 1, 2011, in Jupiter, Fla.

Mr. Sutton concurrently attended Grosse Pointe High School and Henry Ford Trade School, graduating in 1947. He graduated from Radio Mechanics School in 1949. He later attended the University of Detroit, graduating in 1960.

Mr. Sutton was the owner of Sutton Construction Co. and had been a sergeant in the Fourth Air Rescue Squad of the U.S. Air Force.

He was a member of the Grosse Pointe Men's Club, a past president of Hemophilia Association of Detroit, a member of the St. Andrew's Society and president of his homeowners association in Jupiter.

Mr. Sutton enjoyed traveling, spending time with his family, tennis, pheasant hunting and

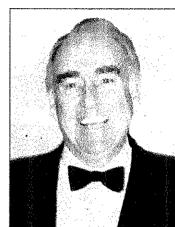
Mr. Sutton is survived by his sons, Mark and Timothy; daughters, Marcy Thaens, Lisa (Eric) Becker and



Eleanor J. McFeely



Marion Leigh Smith



Bryson Sutton

grandchildren, five greatgrandchildren; sisters, Barbara and Kay and her brother, Clyde. He was predeceased by his wife, Sally; parents and brother, Lawrence.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, July 23, at St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church. 1401 Whittier, Grosse Pointe Park. Visitation begins at 9:30 a.m. at the church.

Mollie Rentz

Grosse Pointe resident Mollie Rentz died Monday, July 11, 2011.

She was the beloved wife of Donald, who predeceased her.

She is survived by and was the loving mother of Mary Catherine (Steve Kelley), Julie, Donald, Jr. (Tammy), Jane (Phil Hennessy), Patty (Barry Roberts). Anne (Keith Sarii). Elizabeth, Paul (Amy), Carrie (Al Woods) and Michael (Lisa); grandmother to D.J., Michael, Alex, Matthew, Max, Jack, Clare, Andy, Olivia, Will, Emily, Chris, Sam, Chris, Nick, Mollie, Eli, Joe, Sarah and Genevieve and dear sister of Patrick Potter.

A Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated July 16 at St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe Park.

Donations may be made to Clare of Montefalco School, Catholic 16231 Charlevoix, Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230.

Peter Sehee

Peter Sehee, beloved husband of the late Norma, died at home Friday, July 15, 2011.

Mr. Sehee was devoted to his family and will be missed for his loving and caring ways, twinkling blue eyes, smile and wonderful sense of humor.

Mr. Sehee served in the U.S. Navy and was honorably discharged in 1945. He was a successful salesperson with Michigan Consolidated Gas Company..

Mr. Sehee is survived by his daughter, Karen Lynne Sehee Licari; son, Joe; grandsons, Michael and Steven Licari and Sammy Sehee; son-in-law, Steve Licari; daughter-in-law. Juliette and nephew, Ron Sehee and his family.

A memorial Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 23, at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, 21620 Mack, St. Clair Shores. A rosary will be said at 9:30 a.m. in the church's gathering space.

Donations may be made to the Green Burial Council at greenburialcouncil.org.

AUTOS By Jenny King

New Volt surprises in many ways



t's likely anyone with some knowledge of the new Chevrolet Volt will ask how far the fourdoor sedan can travel with its battery pack fully. charged.

The follow-up question might be what does one do when that 600-pound lithiumion battery pack runs out of juice.

Range anxiety and lack of information may keep consumers at a distance for awhile. So will the Volt's \$40,000-plus price tag. But take heart. After a couple of seamless days traveling fair distances in the 2011 Volt well past the initial allotted electric miles, we were feeling very secure.

Volt's printed information suggests a range of 35 miles on the rechargeable battery. We were getting close to 40

miles. When that is depleted, the 1.4-liter gasoline engine fires up a generator that continues the flow of electricity to the car's four wheels.

Before hitting the road, we practiced taking the bright orange electric cord with plug and meter from its storage place under a mat in the cargo area, putting the large end into the side of the car just ahead of the driver's door and finding an outlet on the garage.

This became a case of 2011 meeting the 1950s. Our 60vear-old garage has 120-volt wiring, so completely charging an empty battery would take up to 10 hours. The only 240 volt line was outside of the garage. A heavier 240-volt system cuts charging time in half.

Once the electricity starts to rejuvenate the battery, the car gives a gentle beep and a green light atop the instrument panel throbs slowly until the task is completed.

Odd? Yes. And so is returning home after dark and fumbling around to plug in one's

Should you not have time to



The 2011 Chevrolet Volt has a handsome profile that car-savvy Detroiters will immediately spot as distinctive. Chevy paid lots of attention to its aerodynamics.

recharge, the Volt continues to

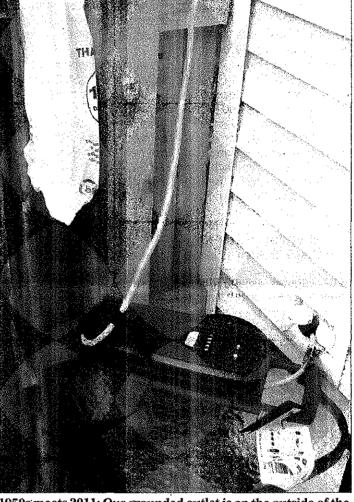
operate via the generator,

though the small gasolineburning engine requires premium gasoline — certainly worth the extra cost.

Fascinating facts

- Power goes directly to each wheel. There is a quiet, continuously variable transmission.
- ◆ The electric Volt is not a gas-electric hybrid along the lines of a Toyota Prius. There is a gas engine, but its function is to drive the generator.
- ◆ The car rides on lowrolling-resistant tires designed specifically for the Volt by Goodyear. It is suggested letting the car coast to red lights rather than using the brake excessively.
- ◆ A transmission offers some braking, of course, but this car loves to skim along on its own and its weight and aerodynamics carry it some distance.
- The Volt brakes are not regenerative brakes and do not contribute significantly to feeding the battery. Nor does the gasoline-fueled generator.
- ◆ The 600-pound battery pack is in a "T" shape with the crossmember under the rear seat. Rear seats are two in number and separated by a

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1950s meets 2011: Our grounded outlet is on the outside of the older garage — and it's a 120-volt circuit. So the Chevy Volt was tethered for about 10 hours to be fully charged.

Rinning on battery-pack power, the Volt is a thrifty grocery hauler. A gasoline-powered generator takes over when the pack is low. Mike Riehl's Summer Clearance Sale! Mike Riehl's ROSEVILLE Since 1967 SUMMER CLEARANCE EVENT

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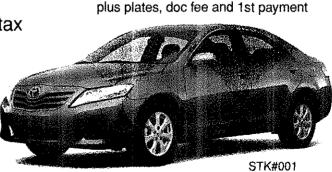


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center console with the expected cupholders.

◆ Wireless applications allow the owner to schedule an automatic turning on the shutting down of electricity once the car in plugged in. So there's an opportunity to "juice-up" in the wee hours when electricity may be cheaper.

• Driving modes include normal, sport and mountain.

◆ Extensions cords and grounding adapters from the hardware store are forbidden when charging the Volt.

♦ Beware: the Volt moves like lightning and because it runs so quietly, you may find yourself going 80 mph in no time.

Instrumentation includes a touch screen in the center of the instrument panel with a too-sensitive panel for conveniences and communication. Even resting a finger lightly on the panel while adjusting the volume caused the radio to move to a new station.

Several frequently used controls are steering wheelmounted.

Standard equipment includes roof rail air bags, antilock brakes with disc brakes all around and stability con-

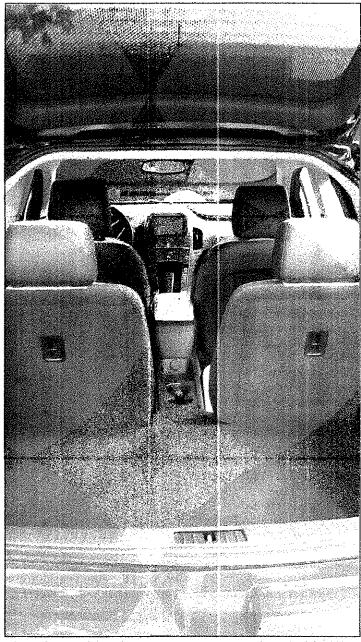
The standard Volt includes a 30 GB audio hard drive, navigation system, efficiency display screens with programmable charge times, XM Radio and Bluetooth for portable phones.

Information readouts are in abundance, both on the screen directly ahead of the driver and on the screen in the center of the instrument pan-

The Volt hugs the ground but does not seem heavy and ponderous even though it

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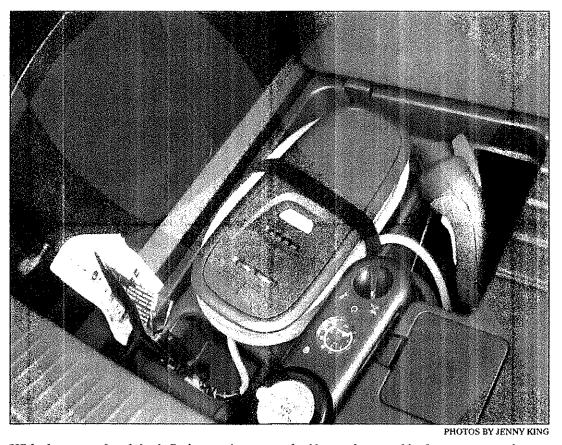
The Volt seats four; the two rear seats are equipped with child seat latch anchors. Heated driver and front passenger seats are available.

weighs close to 3,800 pounds. It is nimble and responsive to drive and — best of all — lots

of fun.
Built at GM's Hamtramck
plant, the 2011 Volt has a base



A large plug-in compartment ahead of the driver's door houses the receiving end for the charge cord.

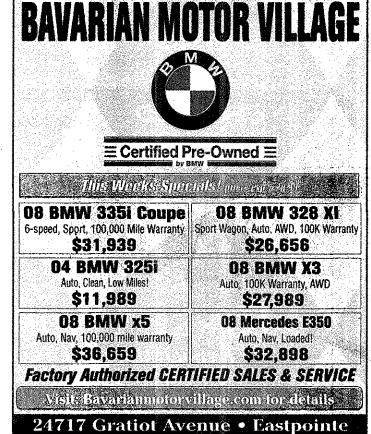


With charge cord and tire inflation equipment tucked beneath a panel in the cargo area, there still is plenty of storage room.

price of around \$40,000. The test car added a \$1,395 trim package with leather-appointed seating and steering wheel wrap and heated front seats. Special wheels added \$595 and the deep crimson crystal red metallic tint coat was \$495.

A federal tax credit of up to \$7,500 is available for new plug-in electric vehicles. The Volt's main battery has an 8-year/100,000-mile warranty.

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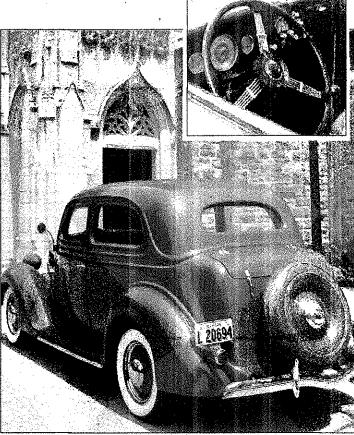
everal collector cars were parked July 1 in front of Christ Church Cranbrook,

Bloomfield Hills, while owners relaxed on lawn chairs and listening to the church's 50-bell carillon.

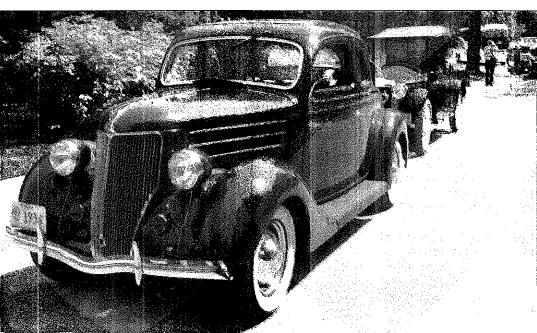
The occasion was an international gathering of carillonneurs who came together for a week of recitals, business meetings, discussions and lectures. They were members of the World Carillon Federation and the Guild of Carillonneurs in North America.

Their last day in metro Detroit, before heading to the Beaumont Tower at Michigan State University and later, the Cook and Beckering carillons

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Bruce and Marilyn Book, of West Bloomfield, were the first to arrive at the July 1 carillon concours. They came in their 1936 Ford with banjo-style steering wheel.



This 1936 Ford had a rumble seat, which, after a few hours in the July sun, suggested it might not be as much fun as one would think.

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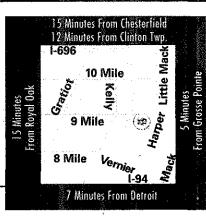
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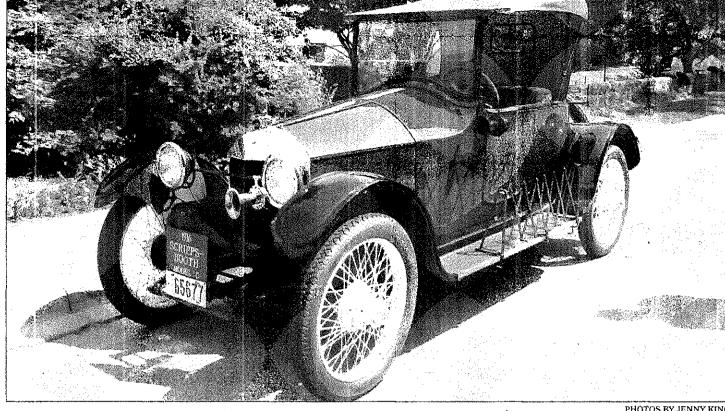
Car owners enjoyed lunch and recitals by Sir Adrian Gebruers of Ireland and Gordon Slater, former Dominion carillonneur of

Ottawa, Canada. Slater played an all-Canadian program in celebration of Canada Day, July 1.

At 3 p.m., 75 carillonneurs, working in teams of five, played 15 pieces to mark the 75th anniversary of the Guild of Carillonneurs in North America.

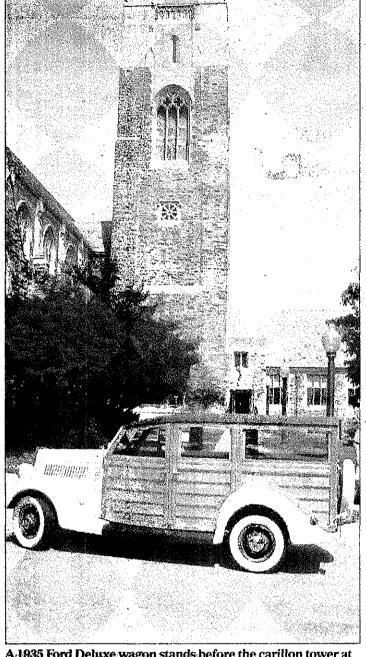
Grosse Pointe churches involved in the week's activities included Grosse Pointe Memorial Church and Christ Church Grosse Pointe.

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Tom Booth, of Birmingham, brought his rare 1916 Scripps-Booth Model C.

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A 1935 Ford Deluxe wagon stands before the carillon tower at Christ Church Cranbrook in Bloomfield Hills.



Herb and Lillian von Rusten, of Rochester Hills, drive their 1931 Ford Model A all summer.

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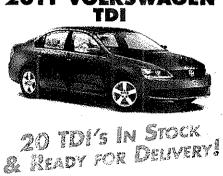
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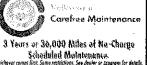
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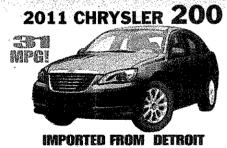
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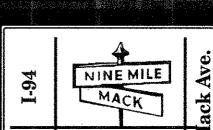
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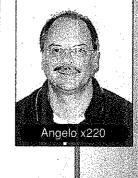
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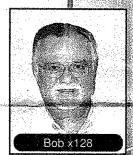
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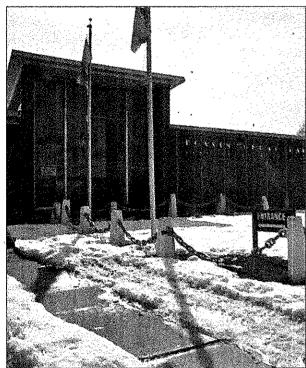






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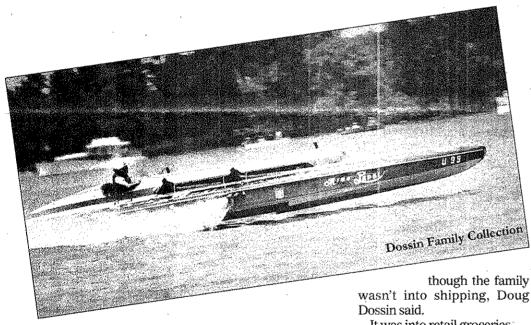
Above, today's Dossin Great Lakes Museum.

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Right, the extended Dossin Family at the 1959 ground breaking of the Dossin Great Lakes Museum Below, Miss Pepsi streaks the water in the Maple Leaf Regatta.



Maritime memories preserved



By Ann L. Fouty Features Editor

The Dossin Great Lakes Museum was a thank you gift from Ernest Dossin to Detroit.

Dedicated to preserving Great Lakes history, the museum observes its 50th anniversary this year. The building on Belle Isle houses the famous hydroplane owned by the Dossins, Miss Pepsi, winner of the 1950-1952 President's Cup Regatta and the Gold Cup and freighter, S.S. William Clay Ford, pilot house among other priceless Michigan treasures.

"I have special affinity for Miss Pepsi. I clean her off. I make sure the light is working," said Doug Dossin of Grosse Pointe Farms, Ernest's great-grandson.

The museum began humbly with the 140-foot, three-masted J.T. Wing, the last Great Lakes ated a partnership, even They could be modified to

commercial schooner.

1949, the Detroit Historical Commission opened the city's Maritime Museum on Belle Isle with the J.T. Wing as its centerpiece, Doug Dossin said. It closed in 1956, due to the deteriorating condition of the schooner.

"An inspector came through and put his arm through the

main mast," he said. "Ernest was the go-to guy," Doug Dossin continued. "He was approached by the Detroit the reconstructed Great Lakes historical director who said the city needed a new marine museum."

Doug Dossin's grandfather, Russell, and Russell's two brothers, Walter and Roy, and their father, Ernest, said "sure."

As Doug Dossin related his family's story: Ernest told his family he owed his success to Detroit

The Dossins and Detroit cre-

It was into retail groceries.

The family began selling grated horseradish to restaurants and grocers from a horse-drawn cart branched out to selling Nehi, the "new" grape soda.

In 1936, the Dossins purchased the Pepsi franchise for Michigan and northern Ohio. At the time, the family was supporting sports franchises, including a bowling league and a sandlot national league, Doug Dossin said.

In the late 1930s and 40s, the Dossins' discovered hydro boat racing. Danny Foster, a World War II veteran and pilot, talked the Dossins into buying a 10-year-old racing boat and installing an Allison airplane engine. The boat had to be reconfigured, Doug Dossin said.

"They had to build a pod for the driver. There were many surplus airplane engines at the end of the war and the government was selling them cheap.

work in the boat," he said.

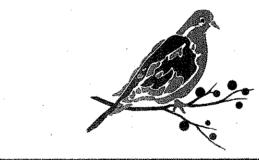
Cup in 1947 with a boat spongentlemen's sport, the boat and the Gold Cup, then Miss couldn't be officially named Pepsi retired.

Miss Pepsi until several years They captured New York later. Nine victories were capand the Detroit River's Gold tured between 1950 and 1952; she competed in 1955 and 1956 sored by Pepsi. Since it was a for both the President's Cup

She couldn't find a home until the Dossin Great Lakes Museum reopened.

On July 24, 1961, the 16,000 square foot museum opened

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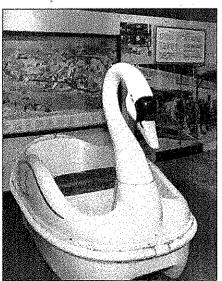
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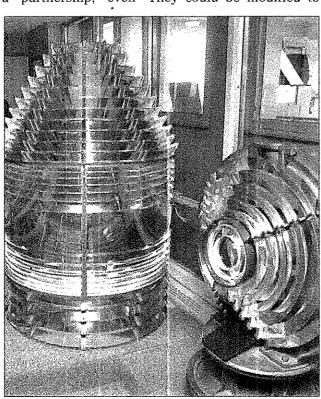
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Above, a swan from the Boblo Island carousel.

Right, French physicist Augustine Fresnel developed a lens with a series of giant prisms specifically used in lighthouses.



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Yesterday's Headlines

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

50 years ago this week **FARMS COUNCIL**

HEARS PLANS FOR NEW **CITY HALL:** Three alternate plans for the proposed remodeling of the Farms' present city hall, or building a new one, were presented to the Farms council.

♦ FARMS GIVES PAY BOOST TO ALL EMPLOY-EES: The Farms council approved an across the board two and a half percent wage increase for all full-time city employees, retroactive to July 1. Part-time employees are not affected.

*** SUBDIVISIONS IN** WOODS GET COUNCIES AT-**TENTION:** The Woods council approved the plat for the Woods Estate Subdivision No.

25 years ago this week

+ CLUB-WIELDING MAN ATTACKS 3: The attacker of three people in the wee hours of Saturday morning has elud-

ed Farms police. The man apparently waylaid three people in alleys behind Mack Avenue, seizing them around the neck and hitting them with the club in an effort

to steal money and cars. *** COTTAGE HOSPITAL** BUYS SCHOOL LOT: The Grosse Pointe Public School System has one less parking lot. The Board of Education accepted a bid from Cottage Hospital of Grosse Pointe to purchase the lot for \$118,000, near the market value of the property. The lot is currently leased to the Farms for its use as a permit parking lot.

♦ PARK SUBMITS PRO-POSAL TO MERGE DEPART-MENT: Officers in the fledgling public safety department in the Park are looking over the window to safety. tirst contract proposed by the

The merged departments are represented by the Fraternal Order of Police, the union that has represented Park police of-

WOODS MAN CHARGED IN HUNT CLUB BLAZE: A 23-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods resident is free on \$1,000 cash bond after a plea of innocent was entered on his behalf at an arraignment in Grosse Pointe Woods municipal court.

Charges stem from claims the man threw a firecracker

or similar incendiary device into a 100-year-old barn at the

Grosse Pointe Hunt Club on July 8. The resulting fire destroyed the barn and 18 horses inside. A nineteenth horse had to be put down. Its shoulder was

▶ BOMB THREATS: Grosse Pointe Woods police are investigating employees of a local business in connection with a stolen cellular telephone used allegedly to make

broken jumping through a

a series of bomb threats. The phone was believed stolen from the car of a Woods resident while the vehicle was being serviced in the 20300 block of Mack.

Shortly thereafter, the auto shop and Woods police headquarters began receiving bomb threats. Officers traced the calls to the cell phone, whose owner was surprised to find it was missing from his vehicle.

Investigation led to the car shop where an employee became "very agitated" under questioning. Officers learned he was wanted on felony

charges.

Five years ago this week

FROM THE JULY 20, 1961 ISSUE OF THE GROSSE POINTE NEWS

CONSTRUCTION

J. Harold Husband, left, director of administrative services for the Grosse Pointe Public School

on the connecting overhead corridor which will link the main building to the Industrial Arts

Building. With the new mathematics center nearing completion, the bridge will be an important

passageway for a large number of pupils as they change classes each hour beginning this fall.

System, and Jerry Gerich, principal of Grosse Pointe High School, survey the progress being made-

◆ GUILTY: The son of a City of Grosse Pointe woman was round gunty of plotting the murder of the family bookkeeper. Joseph Michael Marasco will be sentenced to mandatory life in prison without parole for hiring two men to kill Barbara Ann Iske in the driveway of his mother's

house. ♦ CONDOS WON'T DE-VELOP: Condominiums have been cut out of Kercheval Place, the former Jacobson's store.

The Jacobson's building became vacant in 2002 when the department store chain went bankrupt.

Initial plans by the building's new owner included expanding the two-story structure to four stories. The top two levels were to be designed for condominiums.

♦ STUDY PROPOSED

HIGHER VILLAGE PARKING RATES: Metered parking lots in the Village might be put out to pasture.

According to the draft of a parking study, almost everyone involved with the six-squareblock Village commercial district in downtown City of Grosse Pointe would be better off if metered parking lots were replaced by an automatic gate system.

*** WOODS NORTH QUAD-**RANT EXPERIENCES LOSS OF POWER: For the 18th time in almost five years, the Big Boy restaurant at Mack and Vernier has lost power.

At approximately 11:20 p.m., Monday, July 17, the power in the city's north quadrant between Vernier and Marter went out, leaving residents and business owners in the dark.

The same quadrant had several brownouts last summer which prompted Edison crews to address the problem.

During a town meeting last September, Edison officials promised residents in this area this would not happen again.

Compiled by Karen Fontanive

Young officers recognized by local DAR chapter

The Louisa St. Clair Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution awarded Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps bronze medals to cadets from the Army Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps of the Detroit Public Schools April 9.

The DAR has awarded medals and campaign bars to the high school student cadets of outstanding ability and achievement since 1967. One student from each graduating class of a participating program is selected by military science professors. Recipients must have demonstrated loyalty, patriotism, be in the upper 25 percent of their JRTOC and academic subjects must be dependabile and good character, adhere to military discipline, leadership ability and have a fundamental and patriotic understanding of the importance of JROTC training.



In the front row, from left, U.S. Army Lt. Col. James Lee, retired, and director Department of Military Science Detroit Public Schools; Sierra Hollis, Denby High School; Kwanshae' Elly, Southwestern High School; Kentre'a L. Gildersleeve, Renaissance High School; Ashleigh Turner-Ferguson, Pershing High School; back row, from left, Dashaune L. Hawkins, Northwestern High School; Shauntavis Markham, Osborn High School; Rosa Garibaldi, Western High School; Aujenae Jackson-Riley, Central High School; Dar Taja Foster, Southeastern High School; and Grace Bliss Smith, regent, Louisa St. Clair Chapter/NSDAR.

AREA ACTIVITIES

Rotary club

The Grosse Pointe Rotary Club meets at noon Monday, July 25, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Speaker Carlos Borrego, from the Grosse Pointe Athletic Club, discusses getting in better shape.

Greater the Community Volunteers of the Year award by Matrix Human Services, a 105-year-old agency serving youth and the disadvantaged in metro Detroit.

Club members are collecting new and used books from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, July 27, at House, a Gathering Place for Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Use the rear church entrance.

For more information about the club, visit grossepointerotary.org.

Senior Men's Club

The Senior Men's Club of Grosse Pointe meets for lunch at 11 a.m., Tuesday, July 26, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Speaker Ed Frederickson's topic is "Understanding the Grosse Pointe Public Library."

For more information, call Eric Lindquist at (313) 530-

The Lake House

The Lake House, a resource for those touched by cancer, holds free orientations at 1 p.m. Wednesday, July 27, and 5:15 p.m. Thursday, July 21 and 28.

- ◆ The Men's Club meets from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 27. This group is for men
- who have or had cancer. ◆ A post-treatment support group meets from 6 to 7:30
- p.m. Wednesday, July 27. ◆ A grief support group meets from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 21 and 28.
- ♦ Cynthia Browne, M.D. disfrom 6:30 to 7:45 p.m. Tuesday, July 26. Call for reservations.
- ◆ Tai chi classes are from 2 to 3 p.m. every Wednesday; the knitting and crocheting circle meets from 2:30 to 4 p.m. every Tuesday; and the book club meets from 2 to 3 p.m. Wednesday, July 27. This week's book is, "The Lake House," by James Patterson.

tions are accepted.

The facility is located at 26701 Little Mack. St. Clair

For more information, call (586) 777-7761.

◆ The Great Frame Up, 20655 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods, hosts a free artists re-The club recently received ception and sale at 6 p.m. Detroit Friday, July 29, featuring works of local artists; oil painter Jane McFeely, photographer and sculpturess Rosemary Bay and Tricia Smiley Wood, who makes note cards.

> All proceeds from the evening's sale benefit The Lake Those Touched by Cancer.

Sunrise Rotary

The Sunrise Rotary Club meets at 7 a.m. Tuesday, July 26, at The Hill Seafood & Chop House, 123 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The club sponsors its 32nd annual Grosse Pointe Run Saturday, Sept. 17.

Events include a 5K and 10K run on a certified course, 5K competitive walk and 5K wheelchair event.

During the past year, the club has:

- provided \$9,500 in scholarships to Grosse Pointe North and South, Denby, Regina and Harper Woods high school stu-
- provided financial support to Eagle Sports Club, Boy Scouts of America, Grosse Pointe South High School Choir, the Drumline at Grosse Pointe North High School and Kids on the Go;
- provided Easter and Thanksgiving food baskets to the needy;
- collected more than 300 coats and blankets for the homeless and canned goods for a local food pantry; and
- continued funding an eastside Detroit preteen girls program created in 1998 with a grant from Rotary International.

"Nutritional Sunrise Rotary Foundation, P. Patients — Friend or Foe?" Farms, MI 48236, to become a sponsor.

La Leche League

The La Leche League, a mother-to-mother breast feeding information and support group, meets at 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 26, in a Grosse Pointe Park house. For more

All events are free and dona- information, call Jessie at (313) 417-1944 or Clarke at (313) 469-7399.

War Memorial

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, hosts Steve King & Dittilies at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 27. Admission is \$8.

Air Margaritaville performs Wednesday, Aug. 3.

Blood drive

Grosse **Pointe** The Community Blood Council holds an American Red Cross Blood drive from 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, July 28, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe

For more information and an appointment, call (313) 884-5542.

Boat club

The Grosse Pointe Farms Boat Club holds its general membership meets at 6:30 p.m. Friday, July 29, in Pier Park clubhouse.

Mexican-themed The evening includes margaritas and Mexican-style appetizers.

For more information, call Peter Toenjes at (313) 885-9190.

Art center

Grosse Pointe Art Center, 16900 Kercheval, City of Grosse Pointe, holds an attic treasure sale from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturday, July 30.

Art instructor Hala Besmar hosts her fourth annual exhibition featuring works submitted by her 2010-11 students from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, July 29.

Ford House

The Edsel & Eleanor Ford Contact the Grosse Pointe House hosts Jazz at Ford A Prelude to the Supplementation for Cancer O. Box 36964, Grosse Pointe Detroit Jazz Festival, at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 26, with the Johnny Trudell Orchestra. Grounds open for picnicking at 6 p.m.

"When we surveyed visitors, they resoundingly said they wanted more music at Ford House," said Kathleen Mullins, Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, president. "There really isn't anything like sitting along the shoreline, watching the boats

Grosse Pointe Rotary Club Board of Directors for the 2011-2012 year are from left, Mark Wilson, Jane Kronner, Diane Strickler, S. Lee Johnson, Linda MacKool, Paul Rentenbach, President Bill Scott, Florence Seltzer and Mike Carmody.

Rotary board

North student London Dismukes, not pictured.

class music." The concert serves as a prelude to the Detroit Jazz Festival

Labor Day weekend.

The orchestra performs music from the 1930s and 1940s.

Preferred seating tickets cost \$25 and include reserved seat- and ing, parking and shuttle ser- Association Northwest Ohio vice to concert area; advanced general admission is \$15; gen- TMA" at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, eral admission at the gate is \$20; advanced general admission for Edsel & Eleanor Ford House and Detroit Jazz can take a guided tour of gar-Festival Rhythm Section members are \$12,

Tickets can be purchased at jazzfordhouse.eventbrite.com. For more information, visit

go by and listening to world - fordhouse.org or call (313) place the first Saturday of each

Scholarship winners

Grosse Pointe Rotary Club scholarship winners are, from left, Grosse Pointe South High School

student Emily Flom; Grosse Pointe North High School student Kelsey Bahr; and South student,

Andrea Beach. Club president Mark Wilson is also pictured. The fourth scholarship recipient is

association the Alzheimer's

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Local scout troop acts as honor guard for Mackinac Island sites

Grosse Pointe Girl Scouts from Senior Troop 327 in Grosse Pointe Park wrapped up their week-long duty in the Governor's Honor Guard at Mackinac Island Saturday, June 25.

Students live in scout barracks behind the fort and are obligated to a daily 2 1/2 hour duty, beginning with a flag ceremony followed by greeting visitors and answering ques-

The balance of their days are a combination of island exploration and planned activities.

Emily Muhich, a Grosse





PHOTOS BY KATH USITALO

Emily Muhich, a Grosse Pointe South High School sophomore, does honor guard duty at Fort Mackinac on Mackinac Island. Left, Kara Bakowski greets visitors at the newly-opened Richard and Jane Manoogian Mackinac Island Art Gallery, housed in the Indian Dormitory, circa 1838.

participant, was one of 53 from the troop.

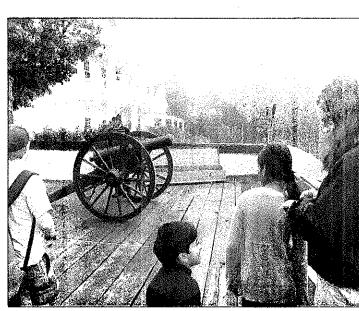
She said a highlight is meeting people from all over the world. Her post was near the fort cannons, which are fired

talked with a young visitor from Houston, Texas who repeatedly asked when the demonstration would take

Kara Bakowski, of Grosse

sophomore, and second year throughout the day. Muhich Pointe Woods and a Grosse Pointe North High School graduate, completed her sixth and final tour of duty with the Scout Honor Guard.

"I'm going to miss it," she



An impatient young visitor frequently asked Muhich when the cannon firing would take place.

Bakowski said she not only enjoyed meeting visitors, but the seasonal employees who come from all over the world. She is considering summertime work on the island next

The program began in 1929 with eight Eagle Scouts, including Gerald Ford. It has evolved into a summer-long scout service camp giving Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts the opportunity to live on the island.



Seeds of our soil

was a sunny Sunday morning in 1957. Eager, but fidgeting fourth graders sat upright in hardback chairs neatly arranged around rectangular folding tables.

The Saturday evening bath

Shores, at noon Sunday, July 24.

CHURCH EVENTS

ritual and the whites of our Sunday best cleverly cast an angelic glow over impish and mischievous faces.

The wiggling and poking was to be expected at the beginning of Sunday School class. After all, marching in

"Onward Christian Soldiers" into our various assigned classrooms had not exhausted all of our childhood energies.

single file to the tune of

It was into that scene our beloved teacher, Mr. Marvin, made his entrance. But this morning was not like any other Sunday morning.

Yes, the man was the same -bald as Kojak with a fringe of gray hair caressing the tops of his ears. He peered over the same wire-rimmed glasses, expecting an attentive response. And the deep voice boomed with his usual tenacity as he spoke, "Good morning children."

The intriguing difference, however, was the roaster kettle tucked under his arm. The kettle was full of various types of soil neatly divided into four sections.

As Mr. Marvin set the visual aid on the table in front of us, his hands reached into the pocket of his coal black suit coat and immediately produced a packet of seeds.

"Today, my children, we will learn the parable of the sower."

His voice continued in a melodic and soothing deepness which captured us in the anticipation of each word and gesture: "Jesus told his followers of the four different types of soil: the hard path, the rocky ground, the thorny and weedy soil, and the good ground. Our human hearts are like these different kinds of earth. The seed being planted is the word

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For children 4 years old through fifth grade, Vacation Bible School at Memorial Church is 9 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Aug. 1-5. The theme is Clean Water for All of God's Children. Registration fee is \$25 with a maximum \$75 per family.

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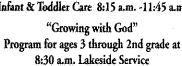
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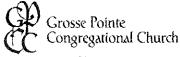
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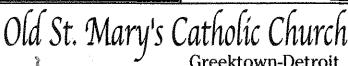
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Planners of the annual St. John Hospital's Fontbonne Auxiliary White Christmas Ball are from left to right: Christine Drummy, Phyllis Howard, Pat Ostosh Sr., Georgianna Simon, Theresa Selvaggio, Joan Gehrke, Mado Lie, Pat Cosgrove, Adel Dissett, Marie DeLuca, Pat Connelly, Kelly Oliver, Sharon Burke, Alicia Krall, Sally Cytacki, Mary Lamparter, Carolyn Wagner, Aspa Raphtis, Mary Ellen Dakmak, Victoria Liggett, Linda Schaden, Bonnie Jobe, Jean L. Azar, Debbie Condino, Elaine Malcoun, Nawal Zayat, Nashwa Sawaf and Victoria Young. In the front row from left are ball chair Peggy Davis, honorary chairs Mary Jane LaLonde and Tom LaLonde M.D. and Fontbonne president Patty Stumb. Also on the White Christmas Ball committee but not pictured are Jenny Chope, Gayle Boutrous, Kimberleigh Bill, Jill Vervaeke, Bettejean Ahee, Darrene Baer, Jenna Young, Barbara Glass, Andrea Soave Provenzano, Liz Bsharah and Phyllis DeMars. Also not pictured are Barbara Kennedy, Mary Ghanem, Lisa Vallee-Smith, Cindy Merry, Michelle Giorgio, Gloria Clark, Cristina Garberding, Debra Van Elslander, Mary Ann Van Elslander, Amy Danna, JoAnn Miller and Yvette Bing.

Fontbonne Auxiliary kicks off fundraiser

58th annual White Christmas Ball in planning stage

"Starry, Starry Night" is the theme of the Fontbonne Auxiliary's 58th White Christmas Ball Saturday, Dec. 10, in the Rivera Court, Great Hall and Kresge Court of the Detroit Institute of Arts.

The event's formal kickoff was June 20 at the Grosse Pointe Shores home of former Fontbonne president and past White Christmas ball chairwoman, Jean Azar. Included in the kickoff were members of the planning committee including Fontbonne president Patty Stumb, honorary chairs Mary Jane and Dr. Tom LaLonde and this year's chairwoman, Peggy Davis. The City of Detroit's first lady, Yvette Bing, is the honorary celebrity chairwoman. Fontbonne is emphasizing "Believe in the Spirit of Detroit" as part of this year's celebration.

The event's proceeds benefit both pediatrics and cardiology with the purchase of a digital echocardiography reporting system. This system includes software for delivering high quality imaging and archiving capabilities. The technology enables physicians to diagnose pediatric patients with the measurement and visualization of the heart chamber in a more timely and efficient manner.



Greeting the White Christmas Ball committee at the kickoff brunch are kickoff co-chairwoman Vicky White, ball chairwoman Peggy Davis, kickoff co-chairwoman Christine Drummy and kickoff brunch hostess Jean Azar.

nature event and its major fundraising event.

Tickets for "Starry, Starry Night" are \$300 and available in October. For more information, contact Fontbonne coordinator Raegan Movinski at (313) 343-3675 or visit stjohnfontbonne.org.



Fontbonne Auxiliary president Patty Stumb and White Ball Christmas Ball chair-

The ball is Fontbonne's sigwoman Peggy Davis.

Avoid UV rays by following these sim- pensive, just protective. ple steps offered by the American Cancer Society:

Slip on a shirt: It is important to cover up when in the sun. Look for non porous fabrics. If the light can come through, so can UV rays. Look for UPF values on clothing. The higher the number, the higher the protection.

Slop on sunscreen: Using sunscreen is important, but be aware, even with proper sunscreen use, some UV rays still get through. Use a sunscreen with a high sun protection factor. Use an SPF 30 sunscreen and apply it thickly. An hour in the sun with SPF 30 is the same as being in the sun for two minutes with no sun-

Slap on a hat: Wearing a hat with a rim all the way around is a simple way to protect the face, ears and neck from the

Wrap on some sunglasses: Research has shown exposing eyes to extensive sun exposure increases chances of developing eye disease. Make sure sunglasses block 99 to 100 percent of UVA

Limit midday sun exposure: Avoid being outdoors between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. as much as possible, this is when UV rays are the strongest.

Simple steps to make summer enjoyable

There are many factors that affect the strength of UV rays; check the UV Index before going outside.

Protect children: Pay special attention to children, as they spend more time outdoors and burn easily. Get them in the habit of using sunscreen and staying protected. Babies younger than 6 months should be kept out of direct sunlight and dressed in hats and protective clothing.

For more information, refer to the American Cancer Society's skin cancer prevention and early detection or call 800-227-2345.

Don't invite cancer

Summertime means food, friends and barbecues. It's the perfect way to transform weekends from ordinary to extraordinary.

Some research suggests cooking and UVB rays. They don't have to be ex- meats at very high temperatures — as

grills often do - creates chemicals that may potentially increase cancer risk.

The American Cancer Society offers these grilling guidelines to help reduce cancer risk:

- ◆ Choose lean cuts of meat and trim excess fat. Fat dripping onto hot coals causes smoke containing particles that can potentially raise cancer risk. Less fat
- means less smoke. Tightly seal food inside a foil packet before cooking on the grill. The food steams in its own juices so there's no need for heavy sauces. The foil also limits exposure to grill smoke.
- Avoid charring meat or eating parts that are especially burned and black they have the highest concentrations of potentially harmful particles.
- ◆ Add colorful vegetables and fruit to the grill. Many chemicals created when meat is grilled are not formed when grilling vegetables or fruits, which are naturally low in fat and usually need only a short time over heat to gain smoky flavor. Red, yellow and green peppers, yellow squash, mushrooms, red onions and pineapple all grill well.

ASK THE EXPERTS By Danna Haba

Vision is more than 20/20

My child passed the vision screening tests in school. How could she have a vision problem?

Vision is more than A. 20/20. A learning-related visual problem directly affects how we learn, read, or sustain

close work. Visual problems in any of the following areas can have a significant impact on learning:

◆ Eye tracking skills — eyes following a line of print; ◆ Eye teaming skills — two eyes working together as a syn-

chronized team; ◆ Binocular vision — simultaneously blending the images

from both eyes into one image;

◆ Accommodation — eye focusing;

Visual-motor integration — eye-hand coordination;

◆ Visual perception — visual memory, visual form perception

Signs your child may have a vision or visual processing prob-

- Loses his or her place while reading,
- Avoids close work,
- Holds reading material closer than normal,
- ◆ Tends to rub eyes,
- ◆ Has headaches,
- ◆ Turns or tilts head to use only one eye,
- Makes frequent reversals when reading or writing,
- Uses finger to maintain place while reading,

◆ Performs below potential.

As vision and learning are intimately connected, a vision problem can be easily mistaken for a learning problem. Youngsters with visual problems can be misdiagnosed as having learning disabilities, attention deficit hyperactivity disorder or dyslexia.

There are various reasons for this misdiagnosis. For example, children who have learning-related vision problems cannot sustain close work at school. They may be misdiagnosed as ADHD because children with ADHD also can't sustain attention on their work; same behaviors, different diagnosis.

Haba is board certified as a fellow by the College of Optometrists in Vision Development and clinical director for Excel Institute of Shelby where she treats vision problems. She can be reached at (586) 731-9725 or excelshelby.com.

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SEEDS: The soils within us

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What will happened? Will the seed take root and

Will it be productive and yield fruit in us?"

Mr. Marvin had a way of melting through the first impression of gruffness and involving us in an experiment of realism and genuineness.

"We are going to plant seeds today," Mr. Marvin explained. "and watch over the next several weeks to discover what the outcome will be."

I never forgot that parable of Jesus acted out on that Sunday long ago in 1957.

It had come alive and spoke to me. I have often thought about the meaning for my life and how it must have been for those early hearers of the story as Jesus spoke to them from a boat as they gathered on a nearby bank.

Jesus, no doubt, was pointing out a farmer scattering seed in the field. Yes, the scene is a vivid one that tweaks our imagination, but also raises questions of concern about our Christian commitment and varying responses of our hearts to the guidance of God's word.

Rather than a neat dichotomy of responses forming the human soul, I believe there is a little bit of all those different kinds of soil in each one of our hearts.

From time to time, even moment to moment, the word of God can get a different reception in the same heart.

My heart and your heart may one day accept a part of the word of God and another day reject another part of that same word; and it changes just like the soil in a garden or field might change from season to season.

The admonition here is to not lose heart, but to be vigilant, awake and aware of what is happening in our lives, always attempting through God's help and direction to till the soil of our inner being to break up any shallowness or hardness of heart and root out that which would disrupt our positive development in the kingdom of God.

The Rev. Fred Harms is senior minister at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Grosse Pointe Farms.

CULTURAL SCENE

DHM

Detroit Historical Museum's Lorenzo Cultural Center hosts the exhibit, "The 1950s: Affluence and Anxiety in the Atomic Age."

The exhibit explores America's growing affluence at home and on the world stage coupled with anxiety of the new reality of life in an atomic um.

The exhibit runs through November 6.

Visitors can discover the many, often contradictory, facets of post-World War II American society. The exhibit delves into the impact of key political figures, the roots of feminism, civil rights activism, rebellion against conformity, and Americans growing leisure

time and pop culture. ♦ Observe Detroit's 310th birthday from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday, July 24, at the musely's genealogical history, view the doctumentary, "Regional Roots," make crafts in the Kidz Art Zone and eat birthday cake. Admission is free.

The museum, located at 5401 Woodward, is open 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Friday: noon to 5 p.m. Saturday; and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.

Adult admission costs \$6; seniors, college students with valid college ID, and youth ages 5-18 pay \$4. Admission for children ages four and under is

Visitors can trace their fami- free. For more information, visit detroithistorical.org or call (313) 833-1805.

DHS

Detroit Historical Society's Behind the Scenes tour features Birmingham Unitarian Church at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 30. The church was built in 1958. Historical society members pay \$20 and guests pay \$30.

For more information, call (313) 833-1801.

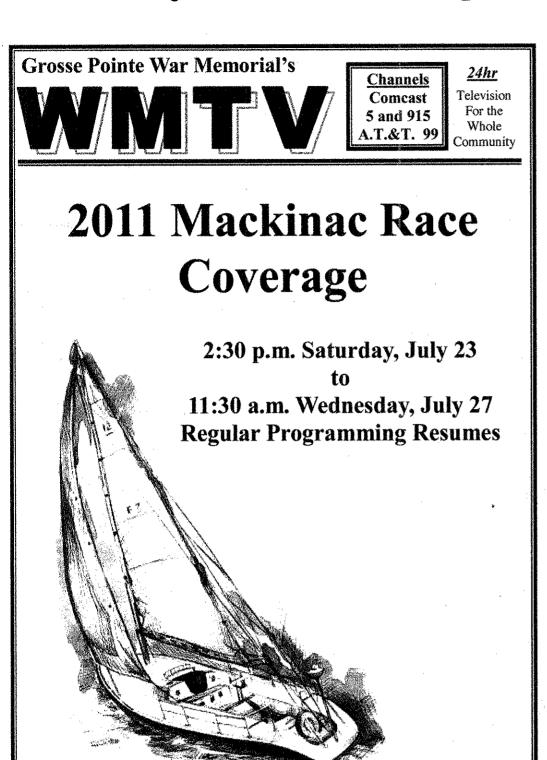
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nchovies are one of those foods people love to eat of are repulsed by

However, many have also eaten anchovies without even noticing. Like when cooked down to a sauce.

The salty little fish are a staple in my kitchen where my husband, Tony, likes to scatter them on pizza and salads. Tony found a recipe in Saveur magazine for an anchovy antipasto

Anchovies are marinated in a concoction of oil, vinegar, garlic and herbs. This is how

they do anchovies in a small vinegar, pepper flakes and town in northern Italy called Oulx. This recipe goes out to the anchovy lover in your life.

Acciughe con Salsa Verde

(Anchovies in Green Sauce)

1/2 cup extra virgin olive oil 1/4 cup minced fresh basil 1/4 cup minced fresh parsley (flat leaf or curly)

2 tablespoons white wine vinegar

1/2 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes

3 large garlic cloves, minced

2 hard boiled egg yolks coarse salt to taste

4 oz. anchovies (about 20), rinsed well and butterflied crusty bread for serving

In a small bowl whisk together olive oil, basil, parsley, yolks crumbled with your fingers. Season lightly with salt. Gently pat anchovies dry with paper towel and arrange 1/3 of them in a shallow serving bowl. Cover with 1/3 of prepared sauce. Repeat two more times using the remainder of anchovies and sauce. Cover with plastic wrap and allow to sit at room temperature for an hour before serving.

The aroma of your house will transform into northern Italy and you just might be tempted to pour yourself a glass of wine.

Garnish anchovies in green sauce with slices of crusty bread for dipping.

This over the top of antipasto fits in perfectly at the next barbecue party. The flavors go rich and deep and will compliment just about anything flying off the grill.

Ford House receives humanities grant

A \$15,000 grant will help the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House make a fairy tale a reality.

The Michigan Humanities Council, an affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities, which supports educational activities, cultural enrichment and literacy experiences, presented the grant to help fund the upcoming Fairy Tale Art Exhibit and Festival.

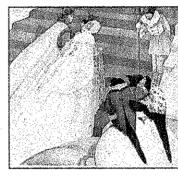
The exhibit, on display from July 16 through Sept. 18, focuses on creativity, imagination and multicultural interpretation and features 59 illustrations from classic fairy tales as well as modern variations on traditional tales. The illustrations, by award-winning artists from across the globe, is coupled with the story behind the tales and the history of its effect on past and present cultures.

The first Fairy Tale Festival is Saturday, July 23, and centers on the multicultural and dynamic art forms of storytelling and performance.

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Building on the Michigan Library Association's summer reading theme, "One World, Many Stories," the festival takes a global look at the tradition of storytelling through stories, fables and folklore and encourages parents and children to read and explore the stories together. A wide variety of live musical and theatrical performance

are also offered.

"The Michigan Humanities Council connects communities, people and places, by fostering and supporting quality cultural programs and scholars," said Katie Wolf, executive director of the council. "Ford House is helping to fulfill our mission through their Fairy Tale Art exhibit and Festival, and they could not be more deserving of this grant."

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STATE OF THE ARTS By Alex Suczek

Jesus Christ Superstar' audiences approve



tratford's Avon Theatre throbs and reverberates this ummer with the high energy rhythms and sounds of one of the oldest and most influential of rock musicals.

In response, its predominantly youthful audience and many members of older generations roar their approval.

Artistic director Des McAnuff has shown a sure hand at pulling together the talents that make a stunning production of the Rice-Webber

creation, "Jesus Christ Superstar," credited with having recast the Passion of Christ into a message that reaches modern audiences on their own aesthetic terms. It also helped to legitimize the rock musical format and style.

The contemporary structural set design of chrome bars includes a digital clock that counts down quickly from 2011, two millennia to the year of the crucifixion. Timeless, monochrome costumes set a stark scene that betokens the grimness of the story.

Josh Young, as Judas, develops the plot and the mystery of Jesus with a moving opening solo followed by the chorus, led by Chilina Kennedy, as Mary Magdalene. The numbers throb with powerful beats and layered sounds, blending

influences ranging from rock, jazz and gospel, to the classics. A trio of malevolent-looking priests chants the sinister threat that Jesus must die.

All the well-known scenes from the passion are represented with theatrical impact and often effective, though grim, humor. The money changers in the temple bring to mind the high finance wizards of modern times as they shuffle their shekels.

Brent Carver, as Pontius Pilate, reveals his conscience as he tries to avoid harsh punishment and makes an effort to pass on responsibility to King Herod. His sentence of 40 lashes is graphically echoed with a symbolic lighting effect.

In a campy and laughable avoidance of jurisdiction, Bruce Dow, as the local king,

full color, resembling a scene from a Vegas burlesque number. In a satirical climax to reference miracles, he peaks his ineffective indictment with a joking invitation to walk on water.

Other scenes attest to other miracles where Paul Nolan, in the title role, is steadfast in quiet refusal to deny accusations or make wild promises.

Moreover, with wise judgment,

writer Tim Rice has made the story entirely secular, avoiding claims of divinity and issues of theology. Andrew Lloyd Webber's music makes a great medium to drive the message

The three leads do their job in their triangular relationship. Nolan is a stoic Jesus, refusing to cry out to his persecutors, or

home.

presides over a court regaled in even to God. The nearest to a religious message in his lines is an acceptance his role is fore ordained. He has no need to make a choice.

Young's Judas tries to be Jesus' campaign manager, seeking to steer him out of danger aroused by campaign. It is, of course, advice he does not follow.

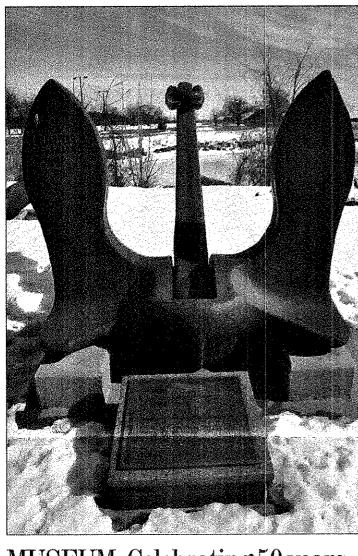
Kennedy is the moderator, seeking to protect Jesus, yet unwilling to change his sense of mission. Of the three, Young makes Judas the driving force of the story, just as the play's primary message has been artfully forged by Rice to be carried by Webber's forceful music.

In spite of the popular impression of a rock score inevitably being turned up electronically to deafening power,

Webber's music ranges dynamically as he derives his medium from disparate styles. Where he falls back on soul and gospel, the sound has a folk quality; and where choir and smooth orchestral sounds are appropriate, they do the job with classical sensitivity.

It is with that kind of musical discretion this show has helped bring the rock opera format to maturity. The exceptionally good taste and skill of the production deserves a lot of credit and if anything, it is most effective.

"Jesus Christ Superstar" is presented in repertory at the Avon Theatre through Oct. 29. For more information and reservations, visit Stratfordshakespearefestival. com or call 800-567-1800.

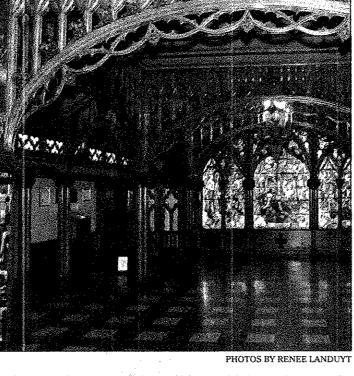


MUSEUM: Celebrating 50 years

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on Belle Isle. Over the years, the museum has had three curators and collected 300 years of the area's maritime history. including shipping fleet records, steamer blueprints, plans from freighter construction and passenger ships and the Detroit River's part in the area's industrial and social his-

museum, Saturdays and Sundays, houses an extensive ship model exhibit, an anchor from the Edmund Fitzgerald, a Bob-Lo as it was in Detroit and southexhibit, a ship's smoking lounge layout and the pilot house of the S.S. William Clay



Left, the anchor for the Edmund Fitzgerald sits on the grounds of the Dossin Great Lakes Museum. Above, the reassembled Gothic room from the sidewheel steamer, the SS City of Detroit III. Right, a picture of the William Clay Ford hangs in the museum. Bottom right, the museum is filled with memoriabilia and information from ships and freighters that sailed the Great Lakes. Hanging from the ceiling are ships' names.

a major figure is convincing the city of Detroit to allow the Detroit Historical Society to manage the museum.

"It was the best move at the time," Doug Dossin said.

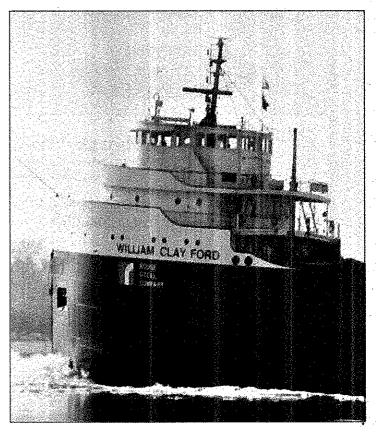
With the passage of 50 years, the Great Lakes museum's offerings are still relevant.

"This offers marine history east Michigan," Doug Dossin said. "It offers a chance to see from a periscope from a World War II submarine. The archives

The museum's executive diare available, with an appointrector and CEO, Bob Bury, was ment, for research. It offers a roots of now the community picture of how Detroit grew, started," Bury said. based on the water."

"This is an unparalleled opportunity to learn about, explore and connect to Detroit, the (Detroit) river and the Great Lakes," said Bury.

the greatest resource of the museum, the Dossin Museum Committee is exploring an education component to incorporate history and ecology into a classroom curriculum, Doug Dossin said.



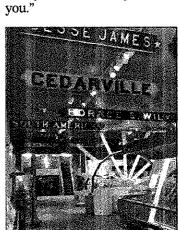
history, and in particular local history, Detroit figures prominently in the state's develop-

To learn about Detroit is to better understand the maritime history, the ship building history and the manufacturing link, he said.

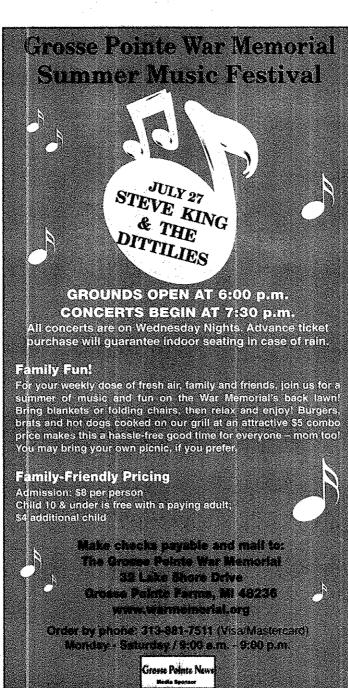
All these links are taken into Saying school children are consideration as plans to improve the main gallery, digitize the mounds of records and promote an educational segment are laid out in the \$21.6 million renovation project. Improvements include exhibit enhancement, interactive ex-

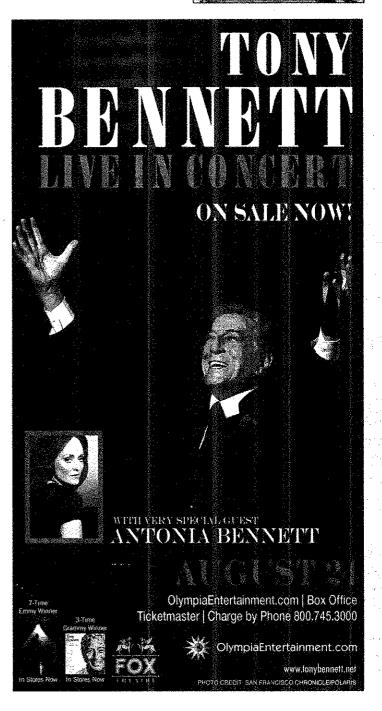
When discussing Michigan periences and a simulator to navigate the Detroit River and the Great Lakes.

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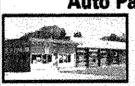
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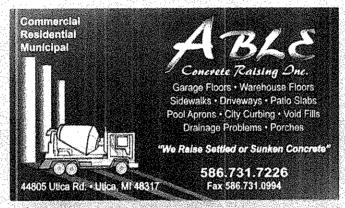
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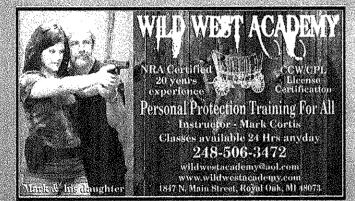
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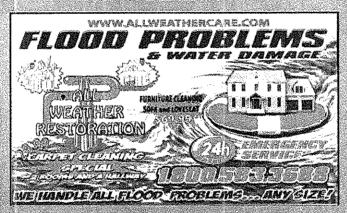
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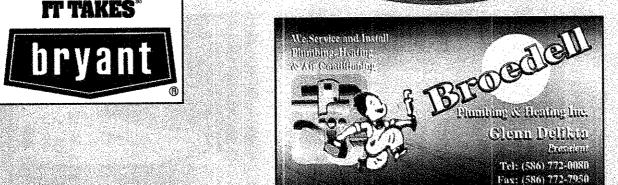
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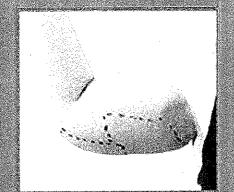
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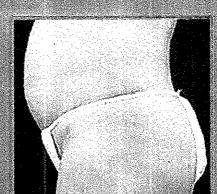
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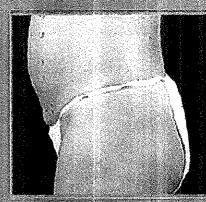
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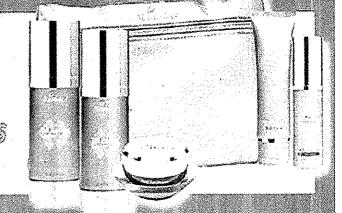
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Liddane ready for collegiate volleyball

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Micaela Liddane has been blessed to be teammates with some very talented classmates during her first three years playing sports.

The role she played her senior year, however, was that of team leader.

The 17-year-old 2011 Grosse Pointe North graduate wowed the tri-county area with her ability to play larger than her 5-foot, 2 1/2-inch frame. When she took the court, her confidence lead the Micaela Liddane Norsemen's volleyball and basketball teams to postseason success.

"I've been fortunate to be surrounded by some very talented teammates, like Olivia Stander, playing soccer at Michigan State University, and Ariel Braker, playing basketball at Notre Dame," Liddane said. "However, this year, I knew as a returning senior it was my job to be the leader and lead by example.

"I played my best and I had all the confidence in my teammates, most of whom were new to the varsity. We won some big matches in volleyball and basketball, but I think the biggest win I had was beating (Grosse Pointe) South in the basketball district finals.

"Nobody gave us much of a chance to win that game and we did. It was a sweet win."

Liddane earned three varsity letters in basketball and was major reason our team exa team captain her senior year ceeded expectations this past under head coach Gary season. Bennett.

most valuable player honors, energy and her dedication and holder for serve receives in a as well as First Team All-MAC Red Division, Second Team ues of this program.' Detroit Free Press All-Metro East and Honorable Mention Detroit Free Press All-State as a point guard.

She played every minute in 19 of the Norsemen's 24 games, helping the team post a 13-11 overall record and that district title win over rival South. She scored 12 points per game, shot 41 percent from the floor and 71 percent from the foul line.



for the Norsemen squad that reached the Class A quarterfinals for a third straight season. She was All-MAC Red Division Honorable Mention.

"I enjoyed playing for coach Bennett," Liddane said. "He is strict and has a set plan at all times. He made our team bet-

"He makes us better by believing in our abilities and pushing us to work hard on the court and in the classroom. I will miss coach Bennett.'

"A real leader, especially in practice, where her energy, enthusiasm and sustained effort showed every other teammate exactly how it needs to be done," Bennett said of Liddane. "Micaela made a real difference in the lives of each of her teammates and both of her coaches, and she was the

"We are really going to miss First Team her senior season. commitment to the core val-

Liddane started her senior year by captaining the Norsemen's volleyball team under the tutelage of head coach Kim Lockhart.

"Coach Lockhart gets results a little different than coach Bennett," she said. "She is a good coach and lets us play the game. She always has confidence in us to lead the

Liddane, a libero and defen-During her junior year, sive specialist, was a team cap-Liddane started all 26 games tain her junior and senior sea-



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Grosse Pointe North 2011 graduate Micaela Liddane, left, is taking her volleyball game to the next level, playing for Ohio Dominican this fall.

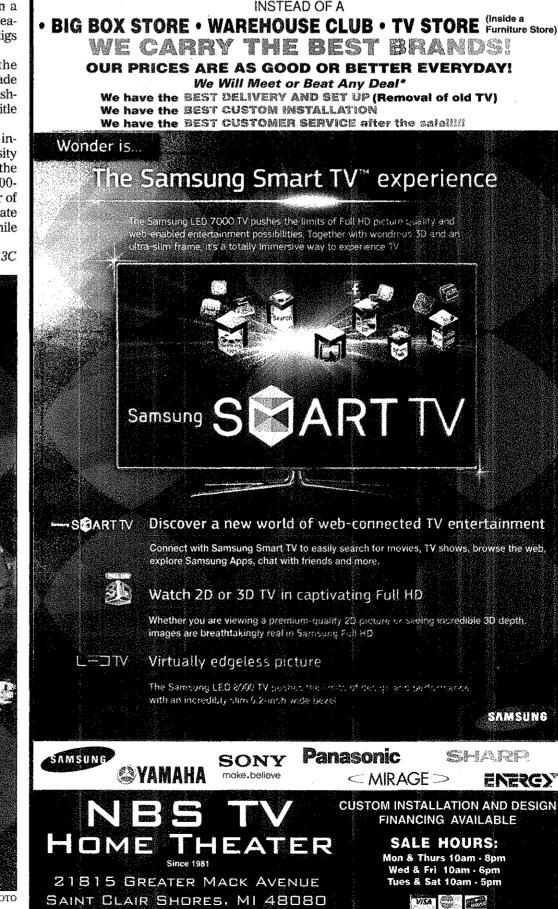
sons and was the team MVP her senior year. She also earned All-MAC Red Division First Team and All-Region

She is the school record match with 41, digs in a season with 764 and career digs with 1.273.

Liddane was on the Norsemen squads that made the Final Four in 2008, finishing 43-11, and the district title

in 2009 and 2010. Her athletic endeavors included earning three varsity letters in track, running the 3,200-meter run, the 1,600meter run and as a member of the 4X800. She made the state finals in 2008 in the two-mile

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Micaela Liddane also excelled on the basketball court, leading North to another district championship her senior year.

SAILING

Pointers ready for 87th Mackinac Race

The 87th Bell's Beer Bayview Mackinac Race may generate more than 5 million on-line viewers with the race start and Global Positioning System tracking.

Bell's Brewery is the 2011 title sponsor for the race in Port Huron Saturday, July 23, that ends on Mackinac Island. Bell's is also the sponsor of GPS tracking of the fleet and the complete live webcast of the class starts.

Some 220 sailboats ranging in size from 27 feet to 86 feet registered to compete in the 87th sailing on two separate

"We think the larger class starts will make for a more exciting start to the race," said 2011 race chairman Charlie Elmer. "It will also shorten up the start that normally takes place every 15 minutes for each class. We think this is a perfect fit for the webcast and everyone in the world – for the first time – will be able to actually see the starts in this historic race and that is very exciting news."

Elmer said while some 2,500 sailors take part in the annual regatta with an estimated 100,000 fans attending the start in Port Huron, only a select few on authorized boats

see the race start. It takes place in a restricted area about three miles from the Blue Water Bridge and a mile from shore.

"This is a great opportunity to showcase this historic race and the beauty of Michigan to racing sailing fans here and around the world," said Bayview Yacht Club Commodore John Burke. "We typically draw sailors from 22 states and six nations and for the world to be able to watch the starts and then track the boats — well, we think it is pretty spectacular."

The 2010 Bayview Mackinac Race GPS tracking yielded 4.4 million page views during the three race days.

For the third time, sailing fans can monitor the race via the Bell's and Bayview websites, as GPS tracking devices are placed on all participating race boats.

In addition, the professional sports teams in Detroit — the Lions, Pistons, Tigers and Red Wings will each adopt a boat at random and their fan base will be able to track the boats progress to Mackinac.

"The Bayview Yacht Club website, byc.com, generally draws a million page views for the race; up to 5 million page views are expected to hit the bellsbeer.com site where the GPS tracking link for the 2011 race will be located," said Elmer.

From its traditional start in Lake Huron, sailboats head due north on two separate courses. The shorter course, the Shore Course, runs 204 nautical miles along the Michigan shoreline before heading west to Mackinac Island.

The longer course, known to sailors as the Cove Island Course, is preferred by captains seeking the open water challenge of its 254 nautical miles to Mackinac, crossing into Canadian waters.

Burke, an "Old Goat" veteran of 34 races, said the race is "steeped in generations of sportsmanship and family tradition that touches everyone who lives here or who has ever sailed the Great Lakes."

Following is a list of each Grosse Pointe resident entered in the race. Each entry has name, city of residence, boat name and boat design.

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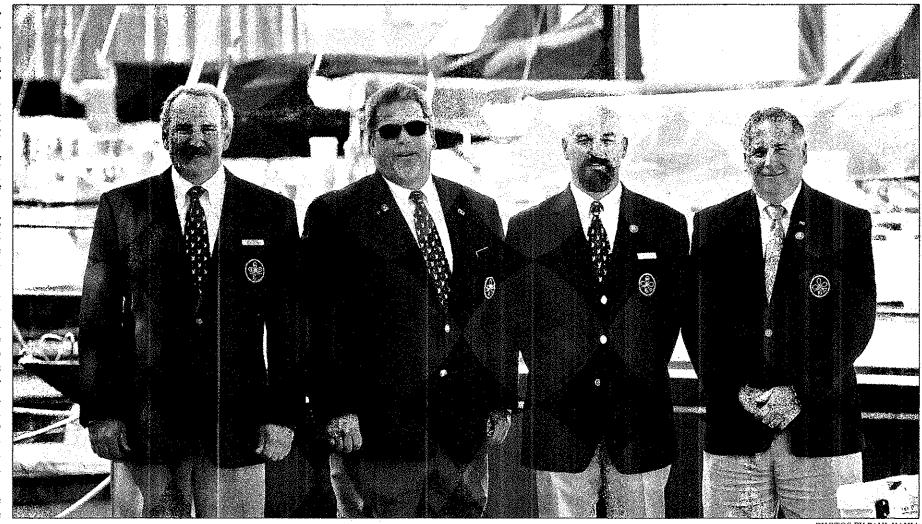
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mated 100,000 fans attending Bayview's top brass, from left, Commodore John C. Burke, Vice Commodore Jeffrey Henderson Sr., Rear Commodore Kent M. Colpaert and Chairman of the start in Port Huron, only a Bayview Mackinac Race Charlie Elmer, have everything in place for another solid showing.

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The Grosse Pointes are well-represented in this year's running of the Mackinac Race.

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William Francis, Grosse Pointe Park, Solution, Farr 40 OD. Robert Duker, City of Grosse Pointe, TBD, Beneteau First 36.7.

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Tourney champs

The Grosse Pointe Park Knights 9U Baseball Team went undefeated and won its bracket in the 17th Annual Commerce Classic Tournament during the July 4 weekend, beating host Commerce Township 9U. Pictured above are, front row from left, Michael Fikany, Tommy Bsharah, Alexander Shaheen, Brian McKenna and Matthew Fabry; and back row from left, Coach Paul Hannnon, Manager Al Shaheen, Chase Tomlin, Matt Moran, John Lynch, Thomas Mellos, Gino Lutfy, Jake Hannon, Coach Dave Fabry, Noah Eckert and Coach Mark Fikany.

TRAVEL



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Firecracker champs

The Grosse Pointe RedHawks 14U baseball team beat the nationally-ranked Motor City Hit Dogs 5-4 in the semifinals and the Sterling Titans Blue 5-3 in the final game to win the USSSA Firecracker Classic, held at Liberty Park the July 4 weekend. Pictured above are, front row from left, Will Norris, Wade Penman, Isaac Piecuch, Dallas Clem, Cameron Mogk, Batbov Luke Babcock, Cole Semanision, and Adam Morris; and back standing from left, Coach Peter Mogk, Ryan Liagre, Coach Kevin Schroeder, Brett Bigham, Andrew Lock, Clay Kreisler, Coach Bill Babcock, Ian Corbett, Daniel Robinson, Andrew Eaton, and Justin Carrier.

LIDDANE: Ready for next level

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and in 2010 on the 4X800 re-

Her personal record in the two-mile is 12:14 and 5:31 in the mile.

Liddane also played varsity soccer her junior and senior seasons to officially end her high school career.

"I love sports and I played sports my entire life," she said. She grew up in Grosse Pointe and began playing soc-

cer for the Neighborhood Club at age 4 before adding basketball and volleyball to her resume, starting in fourth grade Allison, as a mentor. playing for Our Lady Star of the Sea's CYO squad.

"CYO is a great start to sports," she said. "I learned a lot at Star of the Sea."

She began running track in middle school, too.

She blayed three sports throughout high school. The toughest transition was volleyball to basketball since she missed the first week of practice because the spiker squad advanced to the regional

round of competition. "It was tough to go from volleyball to basketball since there is a lot more running in basketball," Liddane said. "I was always a week behind and it took some time to get up to

speed." When she was growing up, she viewed to her big sister,

"I wanted to be just like Allison when I was a kid," Liddane said. "I looked up to her and I always will look up to her."

Micaela Liddane's younger sister, Maria, also has the opportunity to learn from an older sibling.

Liddane is continuing her athletic career at Ohio Dominican University in Columbus, OH. Sandy Rowley is head coach of the Panthers, who enter just their third year at the Division II level.

The Panthers finished 8-19 overall and 3-16 in the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference in 2010.

Liddane and the Panthers face South Division foes Hillsdale, Wayne State University, Tiffin, Ashland,

Findlay and Lake Erie, plus North Division opponents, Grand Valley State, Northern Michigan, Ferris State, Northwood, Saginaw Valley, Michigan Tech and Lake Superior State.

"It will be fun playing Wayne State against my former teammate, Maddie Kent," Liddane said. "It will be weird playing on the opposite side, but of course we're going to win, I hope.

"I'm going to a great situation at Ohio Dominican and I'm not worried about playing time. I'm going to work hard and learn as much as I can this

She is working out and staying in great shape. She leaves for college in a month. Training camp begins Aug. 14 and classes start Aug. 22.

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ages 6 to 13 with optional sion). goalkeeping practice is Aug. 1 to Aug. 6 and the second regular season for participants in the same age group is Aug. 8 to Aug. 13.

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> Camp directors are David Backhurst, Liggett history teacher, as well as boys' soccer coach since 1982 who guided the Knights to state championships in 1982, 1983, 1996 and 1999, plus runner-up finishes in 1986, 1987 and 1994

He also coached the ULS water break is at the half-way girls' soccer team to several mark and a snack break is district titles, as well as a state crown in 2005.

He is multi coach-of-theyear recipient and is in the Michigan High School Soccer Coaches Association Hall of Fame.

Other coaches are David Dwainy, Liggett upper school math teacher, boys' soccer junior varsity and girls' varsity coach, and former All-State player at Grosse Pointe For the teenager session North; Julie Harkinswith coach Frank Cona, they Humphries, Marc Tirikian, work on speed components Casey Bantle and Tim Howard.

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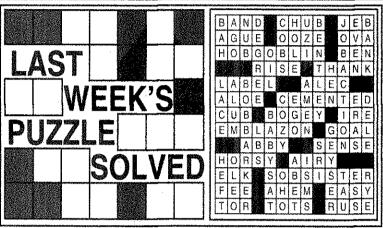
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