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FRIDAY, APRIL 5

◆ A musical adaptation of "The Pied Piper of Hamelin" can be seen at 11 a.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. The event is for elementary-aged children.

SATURDAY, APRIL 6

◆ The emergency siren is tested at 1 p.m.

MONDAY, APRIL 8

◆ Grosse Pointe Woods city council meets at 7:30 p.m. in council chambers, 20025 Mack Plaza.  
◆ Wayne County Commissioner Tim Killeen, D-Detroit, hosts "Chat With Commish Killeen" from 9 to 10 a.m. at Grosse Pointe Woods city hall, 20025 Mack Plaza.

TUESDAY, APRIL 9

◆ Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce meets from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at PNC Bank, 1 Kercheval.  
◆ Learn safe driving tips from 1 to 2 p.m. at the Center of Lifelong Learning for Active Adults, St. Peter Parish House, 19851 Anita, Harper Woods. Sheryl Hurst, St. John Hospital and Medical Center trauma surgery and injury prevention coordinator is the speaker.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

◆ The Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods hosts a Meet & Greet for Professionals from 9 to 11 a.m. at Barnes Early Childhood Center, 20090 Morningside, Grosse Pointe Woods.

THURSDAY, APRIL 11

◆ The Wow Writing Workshop for students to

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It takes precision teamwork to be ready for an emergency in the schools.



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

Grosse Pointe Public Safety officers are in training for the unthinkable — a school shooter situation.

## Park officers conduct training exercise

By Kathy Ryan

Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE PARK** — School may be out for Grosse Pointe students, but classes were in for Grosse Pointe Park Public Safety officers this week.

Officers from the department took part in training exercises to prepare them for what once had been considered unthinkable — a shooter in a school building. With staff and students on spring break, Pierce Middle School provided the perfect location for the training.

"We pray this never happens, but we want to be ready if it does," said Park chief David Hiller. "A hands-on training exercise like this is really the only way to prepare."

Hiller explained law enforcement officers now react to a school shooter situation differently than before the Columbine tragedy in April 1999. At that time, standard practice was for law enforcement to surround the

school while waiting for a Special Response Team to arrive and set up a command center. That could take up to an hour, Hiller said, and is no longer the norm.

"We no longer wait like that," Hiller said. "Instead, the first officers on the scene enter the building in pursuit of the shooter. And what we know is that the first responder will usually be a patrol officer. That's why this training for all of our officers is so important."

Park officers carry keys to all school buildings, so even if a building has been put on lockdown, patrol officers can gain immediate access to the buildings.

On Tuesday morning, Park officers took over the halls and classrooms of Pierce, conducting classroom and hallway "sweeps," checking closets and bathrooms and all the other nooks and crannies often found in schools.

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Grosse Pointe Park Public Safety officer on the third floor watches over fellow officers coming up the stairs.

## Walsh resigns board seat

By A.J. Hakim

Staff Writer

Brendan Walsh resigned last Thursday as treasurer of the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education, citing "new professional responsibilities" as a contributing factor.

He served on the board since August 2005, initially appointed to fill a vacancy left by Joan Richardson.

In his letter, Walsh said he leaves "believing that (the district is) better financially positioned than any school district in the state." He also mentioned several contributions he made during his time on the board, including a "battery of financial tools and communications," like

the budget modeling utility, financial benchmark report, financial transparency series presentations; and new policies, such as annual surveys of employees, students and community members, the board governance model and budgeting methodology.

"I will always appreciate this experience, although I cannot admit it was much fun," Walsh said in the letter. "Nevertheless, I learned a great deal and met many wonderful people."

"To everyone I say goodbye. The Grosse Pointe Public School System, my alma mater, is on firm ground, well-positioned for the future."

His resignation last Thursday, which he posted on his website,

brendanwalsh.us, and tweeted out soon after, came as a surprise to the rest of the board, who were notified via e-mail.

The e-mail included a brief message about his resignation and a link to his blog.

"I was shocked. We had had a policy committee meeting on (last) Wednesday night and nothing was said by Brendan at the meeting or afterward privately. So, I did not see it coming," said Joan Dindoffer, board



Brendan Walsh

president. She added this is the fifth time in her 16-year tenure that a fellow member resigned, the last being Ahmed Ismail in 2009.

As president, Dindoffer now leads the board in the selection process, which started with Tuesday's official announcement of vacancy. Per board bylaw 142.5, remaining members have 30 days to fill the vacancy, by majority vote, after which, the "Board of the Intermediate School District shall fill the vacancy by appointment."

In Grosse Pointe's case, the Intermediate School District is Wayne RESA.

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# Three burglars tip crime report

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE FARMS** — Luck comes from due diligence.

"You make your own luck. You put yourself in a position to get lucky," said Detective Lt. Richard Rosati, head of the Grosse Pointe Farms detective bureau.

Robust road patrols and the successful round-up of suspects are credited with keeping a handle on reported crime last year in the Farms.

"The Farms has maintained the same level of road patrols we've always had," said Dan Jensen, public safety director.

According to the department annual report for 2012:

- ◆ larceny declined 30 percent, from 120 cases in

2011 to 84 in 2012;  
◆ bicycle theft dropped 58 percent, from 19 to eight, the second lowest level in five years;

◆ car theft went down 27 percent, from 11 to eight, the lowest in at least five years;

◆ malicious destruction of property dipped 13 percent, from 23 in 2011 to 20 last year, the second lowest in five years, and

◆ there were no burglaries of businesses, churches or schools.

"Officers working midnights check stores at the beginning and end of their shifts, making sure there are no open doors and suspicious circumstances," Rosati said. "It's proactive police work."

Certain offenses occur so rarely in the Farms that small changes in frequency produce big per-

centage impacts. Aggravated assault, for instance, declined 33 percent, from three to two cases.

Also, armed robbery increased 100 percent to one case, bringing the five-year total to six.

Likewise, unarmed robbery increased 100 percent to one case, the fifth in five years.

Yet, an increase in home invasion was significant in terms of raw numbers and percentage. Reports doubled, 13 to 26.

Most invasions occurred in May (eight), June (six) and August (five).

There were no break-ins during January, February, September or October. Two occurred in both March and July. One each happened in April, November and December. "The B&Es were basically committed by three

different people," Jensen said.

Officers gathered DNA evidence to convict one man of five burglaries in May.

In another spree, "a crackhead got out of control and broke into a whole bunch of places going door-to-door on Chalfonte," Rosati said.

Some 14 of the B&Es were officially cleared, or solved, with convictions.

"The other ones, we're positive it was the same guys," Jensen said. "They're all incarcerated."

The Farms cleared 51.7 percent of its crimes during 2012. The rate is nearly 20 percent greater than the national average, according to the report.

## Fire division

Firefighters logged 93 runs last year. Among them were:

- ◆ fire alarms, real and false,

- ◆ carbon monoxide alarms, all false,

- ◆ instances of smoke caused by careless cooking,

- ◆ gas leaks,

- ◆ electrical shorts,

- ◆ downed wires igniting a garage and, in another case, a tree;

- ◆ lightning setting fire to a tree and

- ◆ a resident trying to burn down vegetation on accretion above Pier Park.

The dollar value of property damage due to fire totaled \$4,800, down from \$9,750 during 2011. The Farms responded 11 times last year to mutual aid requests from the other Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods.

One run was to a house fire in Grosse Pointe Park; three were to the City of Grosse Pointe; seven were to Harper

Woods.

## Traffic division

Traffic officers issued "several violations" last year on Moross and Moran, where residents requested crackdowns on speeding, according to the report.

There were 185 roadway accidents during 2012.

None were fatal, although 30 personal injuries were reported.

Some 17 wrecks were hit-and-run.

## Reserves

The all-volunteer, 21-member Emergency Support Unit was active during 2012.

"Members serve without pay and are available 24 hours a day," according to Unit Commander Jack Parnell.

Volunteers served a combined 672 hours last year.

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## TRAINING: Keep moving

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Officers were trained in several scenarios, including being the only officer on the scene or being part of a four- or five-man team. Several Park officers who had received advanced training at the Macomb Police Academy led the exercises.

One of the most important lessons the officers learned is that when entering a school building, they are to always "move toward the gunfire," something that might not always be easy.

"Even if you have to leave victims behind, you must keep moving," the training officer explained. "Getting to the gunman could save even more lives."

Park officers trained at Pierce several days this week. Hiller said he

appreciated the cooperation from the Grosse Pointe Public School System in allowing his department to use the building.

"The situation will sel-

dom go like we plan," Hiller said, "but exercises like this help us prepare for whatever happens. Our officers will be ready to react and do whatever needs to be done."



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Grosse Pointe Park Public Safety officers lined the halls of a middle school while children were on break this week. Officers familiarized themselves with every room and hallway in the school and with the proper techniques to be ready for an emergency.

## PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

### Grosse Pointe Farms

#### 29 suspensions

A man with 29 drivers license suspensions was caught at 12:05 p.m. Thursday, March 28, operating a burgundy Chevrolet Trailblazer on the Detroit side of Mack near Marseilles.

A patrolman stopped the driver, 30, of Harper Woods, because the Trailblazer had an expired license plate.

#### I.D. thefts

Unknown lawbreakers

stole the identity of a Grosse Pointe Farms man and charged \$14,860.23 in fraudulent credit card purchases during mid-February at stores in Michigan, Ohio and Illinois.

Charges were recorded on accounts the man hadn't opened at Victoria's Secret in Troy and Toys "R" Us in Ohio; and Home Depot, Best Buy and Kohl's, where the thieves tapped into the man's existing accounts.

— Brad Lindberg  
Report information about these or other crimes to the Grosse

Pointe Farms Public Safety Department at (313) 885-2100.

### City of Grosse Pointe

#### Pedestrian hit

At about 1:30 p.m. Monday, March 25, medics took a 74-year-old City of Grosse Pointe female pedestrian to the hospital for treatment of injuries caused when hit by a Freightliner delivery truck in the Village.

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# Lions score most, everyone wins

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**THE GROSSE POINTES** — The home of the Blue Devils became a Lions den of athletic antics during a charity basketball game of March madness.

Some \$6,000 was raised last week in the game at Grosse Pointe South High School.

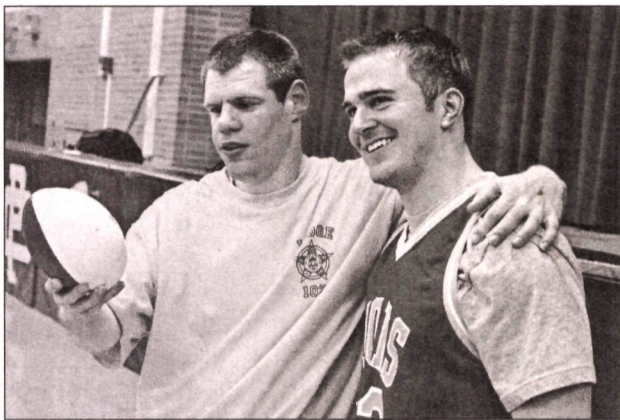
Local public safety officers and Special Olympians faced current and past members of the Detroit Lions football team.

Organizers donated the money evenly between the Grosse Pointe-Harper Woods Special Olympics and Services for Older Citizens.

Trying to keep track of which player did what, how and why in the Lions' last-second, come-from-behind 49-48 win is missing the point.

"This is a great cause," said Lions wide receiver Lance Long. "This is about giving back to the community. Everybody says that, but that's what it is."

"It's a blast, a show," said City of Grosse Pointe Officer Joe Adams of the second annual event. "We raised \$1,000 more than last year."



Chris Sobetski, high-scorer for Special Olympians, and Lions wide receiver Lance Long.

The game was sponsored by the Fraternal Order of Police Grosse Pointe Lodge No. 102.

"Hopefully, we can build this year on year," said Adams, lodge president.

During halftime, the Lions signed autographs and spoke with fans.

"It's fun talking to kids about being good people and good mentors, having good character and also staying away from drugs and things of that nature," said Herman Moore, retired Lions receiver.

Moore, a veteran of last year's game, attracted the longest line for autographs.

He equated his popularity with good character.

"You build goodwill

Right, Grosse Pointe Park Public Safety Officer Tom Taylor sets up his son, Keegan, to shoot a free throw in a charity basketball game against the Detroit Lions. The second annual game, sponsored by the Fraternal Order of Police Grosse Pointe Lodge No. 102, raised \$6,000 for Grosse Pointe-Harper Woods Special Olympics and Services for Older Citizens.

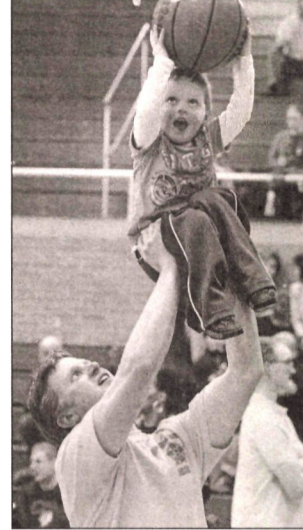
over time," he said. "I love meeting people and talking with them. The support they show me and my teammates is great."

Chris Sobetski, a Special Olympian and fan of Moore's, was high-scorer with 20



Services for Older Citizens received a \$3,000 donation.

PHOTOS BY JOHN MCTAGGART



Retired Lions wide receiver Herman Moore coaches a youngster how to shoot a basketball.

points, although he played for both teams.

He scored so often for the Special Olympians in the first half, the Lions drafted him for the second half.

Special Olympian Megan Wiley came off

the bench to score three baskets.

"I'm playing just for fun," she said.

"It's fantastic for us," said Chris Beck, president of area Special Olympics. "We can't thank the Lions and FOP

enough for including us."

"Why wouldn't we do it?" said Officer Jeff Longo of Grosse Pointe Park public safety. "Look at everybody standing in line for autographs with the pro athletes."



## Board of directors

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce board of directors includes, sitting from left, Tomasine Marx, Jeanine White-Haith, chairwoman Cathy Champion, vice chairwoman Kathleen Mullins, Pat Lecznar; standing from left, Jay Harrington, Tom Sullivan, treasurer Ron DiCicco, Jack Liang, Mark Wollenweber, assistant treasurer Shane Reeside, Jon Peterson, Carlos Borrego, Tom Harwood, Ron Ermanni and secretary Joe Hebekka.

## Bike path still viable idea

By Ann L. Fouty  
Features Editor

**GROSSE POINTES** — The idea of a bike path through the Grosse Pointes has traversed rough trails since it was first suggested more than two years ago. However, the idea is to become a reality this spring, opening with a "Kick Stand Kick-off" festival.

According to Ed Lazar, a member of the Live Well in Grosse Pointe Committee that launched the concept about 2 1/2 years ago, there are a few pieces yet to be worked out. He cited the need to educate the public, bike enthusiasts and public safety officers

and to create a solid plan for maintenance for the path's continuance.

The five Grosse Pointe mayors endorsed the bike path from its onset, he said, but working with cities that have differing agendas, budgets and schedules has been a challenge for the committee.

"There is no disagreement about the value of a bike path," he said. "To have a solid future, it needs to be part of the maintenance plan for cities."

An engineering study was requested from the five Grosse Pointe administrative staffs. The study's results found Lakeshore was wide enough to accommodate a designated bike lane.

## Decking battles turns corner

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE SHORES** — City officials are gaining ground against providers of failing composite decking at Osius Park municipal marina.

"Hopefully, we'll have resolution soon," said Brian Renaud, Grosse Pointe Shores municipal attorney.

Renaud reported "significant progress" convincing the decking supplier, contractor and architect to replace the planks, many of which are cracking and splitting years ahead of their advertised duration.

"The hope is for them to make us 100 percent whole without having to spend a dime," Renaud said. "In reality, that may not be possible without further legal action. We're hoping to avoid that and not take a haircut at the same time."

"It would be my hope the Shores is not out a dime for this," said Councilman Dan Schulte, liaison to the park and harbor committee. "We've gotten some use out of the decking, but we were also sold a product known to be defective. I don't expect any unjust enrichment, but we should be made whole."

The lumber supplier offered to replace all the

decking, Renaud said.

"Part of that may be because they had some hand in the manufacture of it in the first place," he said. "Part of it is, I think, they just want to do right."

The contractor made "a reasonably nominal offer" for cash reparations, Renaud added.

Negotiations with the architect have "few more miles to go," he added.

"We're probably going to have an additional meeting or two to try and resolve that," Renaud said.

The marina was reconfigured and rebuilt in 2008 with floating docks and other amenities costing a combined \$3.5 million.

An engineering study late last year found 330

planks totaling 1,700 square feet failed or failing.

The artificial wood material is cracking and splitting far ahead of its expected 10- to 15-year lifespan, according to Mark Wollenweber, city manager.

Repairs this year are likely to spill into the boating season.

"If we had been given a good product, we wouldn't have to inconvenience boaters," Schulte said.

*"If we had been given a good product, we wouldn't have to inconvenience boaters."*

COUNCILMAN DAN SCHULTE  
Grosse Pointe Shores

## Park gets grant for firefighter gear

By Kathy Ryan  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE PARK** — A grant from the Department of Homeland Security will be used to purchase new self-contained breathing apparatus for use by public safety officers while fighting fires.

Chief David Hiller announced the award at this week's meeting of the city council.

According to Hiller, the grant, totaling \$76,116, will be used to replace breathing equipment that is more than 20 years old. The money

will come through an Assistance to Firefighters Grant awarded through the Department of Homeland Security.

The grant will be used to purchase 11 new devices that will meet both AFG guidelines as well as those specified in the inter-local agreement among the five Grosse Pointes. That means that the devices will be compatible with equipment used by the other public safety departments, enabling the Pointes to switch out equipment and allow the cities to keep repair

and service costs down.

While the grant provides funding for 11 units, Hiller told the council his department needs 13 devices and requested additional funding from the city to purchase the additional units.

The council approved \$15,000 for the purchase of the additional units.

In addition, the Park must pay a 5 percent co-pay toward the grant money, which would be included in the \$15,000 budget request.

"This grant allows the Park to essentially purchase \$90,000 in new,

badly needed equipment for \$15,000," Hiller told the council. "We were fortunate to be awarded the grant this year, as it appears funds may be cut for next year's grants."

Hiller praised public safety Lt. James Hoshaw for his work on obtaining this year's grant.

"Lt. Hoshaw was our point man on the process and he has done a tremendous amount of work in securing this grant," Hiller told the council.

Hiller hopes to have the new equipment in place by October.

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Aidan and Owen Calhoun are decked out in sunglasses and hats to meet with the Easter Bunny during the spring festivities at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House.

# Eggs-ellent results



Dressed in their Easter finery, sisters Kaitlyn and Maddison Fox wonder what could be inside the eggs they gathered during the Grosse Pointe Woods Easter egg hunt.



Anna Williams looks for eggs on the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House grounds.



Right, Harper and Brewer Puma are all smiles sitting on the Easter Bunny's lap during the City of Grosse Pointe's spring festivities last week. Below right, finding one egg is just as good as collecting more, according to 22-month-old Caroline White. She participated in the City of Grosse Pointe egg hunt.



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

Luke Wolney gets a boost up to the window by his grandmother, Dee Clark, so he can turn in the eggs he found for a bag of candy offered by volunteer Joanne Pensynski. Wolney had found the eggs during Grosse Pointe Park's annual Easter egg hunt last week.

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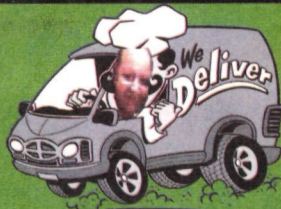
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GUEST OPINION By Alyene Senger

# 10 stories of job loss as consequences of Obamacare

**A**s employers and businesses prepare for Obamacare's sweeping changes and mandates to begin in 2014, many are already laying off some of their employees.

The law burdens small businesses' ability to hire and grow and individuals' ability to find jobs.

Here are 10 examples of news stories of job loss due in whole or part to Obamacare and its consequences:

## Medical device tax

1) "Stryker Corporation Confirms Obamacare Layoffs" — 1,000 jobs lost.

2) "Medical Device Tax Blamed for Welch Allyn Layoffs" — 275 jobs lost.

3) "Latest Obamacare Casualty: 100 Workers at Smith and Nephew" — 100 jobs lost.

The 2.3 percent excise tax on the sale of medical devices, one of the 18 tax hikes in Obamacare, is estimated to cost the industry over \$29 billion between 2013 and 2022. Many employers in the industry are compensating for the tax hike by reducing their labor costs.

## Medicare payment cuts

4) "Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center Reengineers Cost Structure, Eliminate Positions" — 950 jobs lost.

5) "Orlando Health to Cut Record Number of Jobs to Save Money" — up to 400 jobs lost.

6) "Delaware Hospice Lays Off 52 Workers amid Federal Changes" — 52 Jobs lost.

7) "Hospital Layoffs and the Affordable Health Care Act" — 58 jobs lost.

Obamacare reduces Medicare spending by \$716 billion from 2013 to 2022, with a majority of the payment reductions hitting Medicare Part A providers, which includes hospitals, hospices, skilled nursing facilities and nursing homes. As these providers are trying to do more with less federal reimbursement, they are laying off their employees to cut down costs.

If Obamacare's rates remain law, the Medicare trustees predict: "the lower Medicare payment rates would result in negative total facility margins for an estimated 15 percent of hospitals, skilled nursing facilities and home health agencies by 2019, and this percentage would reach roughly 25 percent in 2030 and 40 percent by 2050."

The payment cuts are simply not sustainable.

## Employer mandate

8) "State Grapples with Insurance Rules for Part-Time Workers" — At least 7,386 full-time jobs turned part-time.

9) "Health Care Law Brings Double Dose of Trouble for CCAC Part-Time Profs" — 400 full-time jobs turned part-time.

10) "Wendy's Franchisee Slashes Employee Hours to Sidestep Obamacare" — 300 full-time jobs turned part-time.

Obamacare's employer mandate forces all employers with more than 50 full-time employees, defined as those who work at least 30 hours per week, to provide health insurance for employees or pay a \$2,000 penalty for each employee after the first 30 workers.

This creates an incentive for businesses to avoid both the penalty and cost of coverage by hiring part-time employees instead of full-time employees, since businesses will not be penalized for failing to provide health insurance to part-time employees.

This affects a wide range of American workers, from restaurant employees and college adjunct professors to state government workers.

American workers already can't afford the high price of Obamacare, and it's just the beginning: The most egregious parts of the law don't begin until 2014.

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GUEST OPINION By Igor Volsky, Travis Waldron and Tara Culp-Ressler

# 5 worst things about the House GOP's new budget

**R**ep. Paul Ryan, R-Wis., recently released the third iteration of the GOP budget.

The document achieves balance in 10 years by maintaining high revenue levels and health care savings and slashing the health and safety net programs middle and lower income Americans rely on. Top-income earners and corporations, meanwhile, would benefit from huge tax breaks.

Here are the five worst things about Ryan's budget:

1) Ryan's plan would reduce top income and corporate tax rates to 25 percent, resulting in trillions of dollars in tax cuts for the wealthy and corporations.

The government would lose roughly \$7 trillion in revenues compared to Ryan's projections, and while he plans to close loopholes to pay for the cuts, he has in the past failed to specify which loopholes he would close, and raising enough revenue from the elimination of tax expenditures would prove politically difficult, if not impossible.

Ryan would also convert

the corporate tax code to an "international" plan, resulting in an even bigger giveaway to American companies already paying historically low tax rates.

2) Beginning 2024, the guaranteed Medicare benefit would be transformed into a government-financed "premium support" system. Seniors currently under the age of 55 could use their government contribution to purchase insurance from an exchange of private plans or traditional fee-for-service Medicare. But the budget does not take sufficient precautions to prevent insurers from cherry-picking the healthiest beneficiaries from traditional Medicare and leaving sicker applicants to the government.

As a result, traditional Medicare costs could skyrocket, forcing even more seniors out of the government program.

The budget also adopts a per capita cost cap of Gross Domestic Product growth plus 0.5 percent, without specifying how it would enforce it.

This makes it likely the cap would limit the government contribution provided to beneficiaries.

3) The budget would eliminate the exiting

matching-grant financing structure of Medicaid and instead give each state a pre-determined block grant that does not keep up with actual health care spending.

This would shift some of the burden of Medicaid's growing costs to the states, forcing them to—in the words of the Congressional Budget Office—make cutbacks that "involve reduced eligibility for Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program coverage of fewer services, lower payments to providers, or increased cost sharing by beneficiaries—all of which would reduce access to care."

4) The budget repeals the Affordable Care Act's requirement to purchase health insurance coverage, the establishment of health insurance exchanges, the provision of subsidies for lower-income Americans, the expansion of the Medicaid program, and tax credits for small businesses that provide insurance coverage.

As a result, more than 30 million Americans would lose coverage and the budget would eliminate the new law's consumer protections, which have already benefited

tens of millions of Americans.

States across the country are already implementing the law and a growing number of Republican governors have finally agreed to expand their Medicaid programs.

5) The budget seeks to turn most social safety net programs into block grants to the states modeled after the 1996 welfare reform law. That would result in devastating cuts to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, women, infant and children programs, and other parts of the social safety net that keep millions of people out of poverty each year.

Since welfare reform occurred 16 years ago, it has failed to reach many families with children in poverty, particularly during the latest economic recession.

Ryan's budget would make most safety programs equally as impotent.

Volsky is the managing editor and Waldron and Ressler are reporters/bloggers for ThinkProgress.org at the Center for American Progress Action Fund for the Center for American Progress.

—CenterforAmericanProgress.org

GUEST OPINION By Bill Kalmar

# The end is near!

**M**any of us have either seen or heard about some of the mind-numbing programs that pass for entertainment on television.

"Keeping Up With the Kardashians," "Here Comes Honey Boo Boo," "Wife Swap," "Toddlers & Tiaras," "Jersey Shore," any of "The Real House Wives Of..." and "The Bachelor" rise, I mean sink, to the bottom of the list.

Now we have some new competition for these programs that appeal to a segment of society who, after watching even a portion of these disasters, must be brain dead.

That new competition is something called "Splash." The program follows so-called celebrities who try to master the

art of diving into an Olympic-size pool. What could be more exciting than watching a bunch of has-beens dive into water?

Rest assured I have not watched a minute of this mess, so my brain—what is left of it—is still unaffected. But from watching snippets on the nightly news or hearing reports of the program on the local radio news programs provided me with a few insights.

In my mind, anyone who watches this debacle is a candidate for watching paint dry or sitting in a barbershop observing people getting their hair cut—both of which would be more exciting and stimulating than watching even a minute of "Splash."

What pushed me over the top about this program is when I heard

Louie Anderson, a 400-pound comedian, wanted to dedicate his dive to the brave men and women in our armed services.

Give me a break.

If I was in the military and heard this dedication, I would want to immediately decline the endorsement and state: "Please don't think for a minute I want you to dedicate anything to me. Watching you take a dive off the high board would be tantamount to my watching Shamou the whale—something else I am not inclined to do."

Fortunately many people have access to ME-TV—Memorable Entertainment TV. This network provides classic sitcoms, dramas and comedy shows. Some of the selections include "The Mary Tyler Moore

Show," "The Bob Newhart Show," "Colombo," "Gunsmoke," "I Love Lucy," "M\*A\*S\*H" and "Perry Mason." In my mind, these were all quality programs which have stood the test of time.

The current crop of reality shows and sitcoms demonstrates we may not have as yet reached Armageddon, but we are drawing closer.

Now I'm ready to watch another episode of my favorite detective—Lt. Colombo. By the way, Colombo did have a first name. Do you know what it is? Answer: Frank.

By the way, I think I just heard Anderson's cannonball dive reverberate off my windows.

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

## PUBLIC SAFETY

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The incident occurred at the intersection of Kercheval and Notre Dame. Police didn't indicate if the truck driver was cited.

—Brad Lindberg

Report information about these or other crimes to the City of Grosse Pointe Public Safety Department at (313) 886-3200.

## Grosse Pointe Shores

## Alien encounter

Two men behaving suspiciously in the driveway of a house in the 1000 block of Lakeshore were investigated at about 9:15 a.m. Saturday, March 30, and turned over to U.S. Border Patrol agents.

The men were in a white Chevrolet van and claimed to be house painters.

"The driver said he was looking for (a house in the 700 block) to do some painting," according to the patrolman.

Although both suspects, ages 22 and 23,

said they lived in Detroit, they lacked credible identification and proof of residency, according to police.

## Credit fraud

A 69-year-old Grosse Pointe Shores man learned last week he'd become a victim of credit card fraud.

"(He) found out someone used his card three times, the last in Scottsburg, Ind., at a Walmart on (Thursday), March 28," said police.

## Knocking

At 1:47 a.m. Friday, March 29, a woman living on Roslyn called police about someone tapping on her front door.

Officers searched the area, but found no one.

—Brad Lindberg

Report information about these or other crimes to the Grosse

Pointe Shores Public Safety Department at (313) 881-5500.

## Grosse Pointe Woods

## Apprehended

A North Renaud resident, along with several other residents, did exactly what police have been urging residents to do, and it came with positive results. At 11 p.m. Tuesday, March 26, the North Renaud homeowner called police to report a stranger had knocked on his door and when he answered, the stranger asked if "Jerome" was home.

The homeowner responded no and immediately notified police.

As it turns out, there had been other calls reporting the driver and passengers of a white Monte Carlo had been acting suspiciously. Police were able to stop the car at Mack and Littlestone and took the driver and three passengers into custody.

The driver was arrested and charged with driving without having obtained

a driver's license and his passengers were questioned and released.

Police remind residents to report any suspicious activity as soon as they observe it.

—Kathy Ryan

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

## GROSSE POINTE PARK

## Suspect arrested

A 14-year-old Detroit resident picked up by police Thursday, March 28, was found to be in possession of a cell phone reported stolen on Tuesday, March 26, from a car parked overnight on Bedford.

The teen confessed to four other recent larcenies in the Park.

He has been turned over to the Wayne County Juvenile Division.

—Kathy Ryan

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

## RESIGN: Seat vacant

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"I hope that, as people consider being appointed into the, to fill out the term, that we get folks who are new to the board, have new ideas, and can bring a fresh voice to the school board," said Dan Roeske, board vice president. "We need new vision, we need new leadership, we need folks who have not necessarily been on the board to step forward and try to be appointed."

The position, open to registered voters in the Pointes and the GPPSS portion of Harper Woods, is for the remainder of Walsh's term, which expires Dec. 31, 2014.

Application forms are available in the superintendent's office at 389 St. Clair and on the district website at gpschools.org. Letters and resumes

must be submitted to Lois Valente, secretary of the board, no later than 4 p.m. Friday, April 12.

According to the selection process timeline, candidate interviews are scheduled for the week of April 22, and board action is expected no sooner than the 22nd and no later than April 29.

The successful candidate will take office immediately.

"I think that with the energy and the many successful activities that are happening in our school system that we anticipate that there will be more individuals in the community that would wish to be part of the leadership team of the board of education," said Tom Harwood, superintendent.

"I think the board of

education is on an upswing and there are a lot of really impactful decisions that will need to be made in the next few years, and this board has the chance to make some really creative, problem-solving solutions that are really going to serve well the students of this school district and community at large."

Harwood added the district thanks Walsh for his contributions and service to the community.

## WEEK AHEAD: Thursday, April 11

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help improve ACT writing test scores is from 7 to 9 p.m. in Grosse Pointe South High School. For more information, visit [wowwritingworkshop.com](http://wowwritingworkshop.com).

◆ Services for Older Citizens hosts "Brains! Brawn! And Eyeballs!" free healthy aging workshop from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Henry Ford-Cottage Hospital first floor conference room, 159 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Presenters are Toni Herman of the Michigan Neurology Associates, Joan Thornton of SOC's Enhanced Fitness for Seniors and Lauren Swanson. For reservations, call Ann Yeaman at (313) 882-9600.

## FRIDAY, APRIL 12

◆ Grosse Pointe South High School's "Dancing with the South Stars" begins at 7 p.m. in South's main gym. The cost is \$10. Proceeds benefit Beaumont Respite Care for Special Needs Families and the South classes. For more information, call (313) 432-3614.

City of Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan  
Ordinance No. 202

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE PARK BY AMENDING SECTION 12-6 OF CHAPTER 12, OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE PARK.

## The City of Grosse Pointe Park Ordains:

Section 1. Sec. 12-6 of Chapter 12 of the Code of the City of Grosse Pointe Park is amended to read in its entirety as follows:

## Sec. 12-6 Collection Place

Refuse for collection shall be placed at the curb or the property abutting the alley, contiguous with the resident's or owner's Main Building as if there was a line from the side walls of the Main Building that extended through the public right of way to the edge of the street, only on the day on which collection will be made or after 6:00 p.m. on the date preceding such collection days. No garbage cans or permanent refuse containers or carrier shall be left out at the curb or on the property abutting the alley.

This Ordinance shall take effect April 14, 2013.

## Ford House hosts programs about dogs

Edsel & Eleanor Ford House ushers in the dog days of spring with a photography exhibit and a host of programs and events — from dog walks to healthy cooking for dogs April 6 through June 2.

Dogs were a significant part in the Ford family story, with a young Josephine Ford having many "best friends" growing up at the Grosse Pointe Shores estate. Since opening to the public in 1978, the estate's grounds have been the site of dog walks to benefit area

charities, and today there is a working border collie on the grounds team to help keep the geese at bay.

"Dogs have long held a special place at Edsel & Eleanor Ford House," explained Chris Shires, Ford House director of interpretation and programming. "In the early years when the family lived at the estate, it was home to the boundless energy of many dogs. We wanted to capture that energy and passion and provide a new way for our visitors to enjoy the estate."



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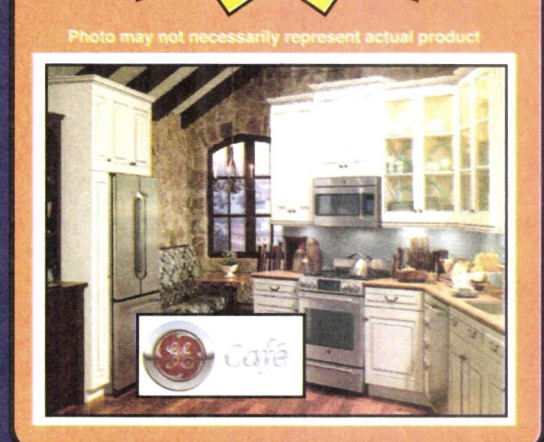
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## Bevy of activities highlight reading month

By A.J. Hakim  
 Staff Writer

Elementary school calendars were fraught with reading activities throughout March, as each of the Grosse Pointe Public School System's eight elementary schools hosted a slew of events during the National Reading Month.

### On the same page

As teachers at Defer, Monteith, Poupard and Trombly elementary schools can attest, finding a book that appeals to both early and upper elementaries alike is anything but easy. But that didn't deter them from continuing one school, one book programs at their respective schools and creating a shared reading experience for the month.

"I read a ton of books," said Lori Woznicki, a reading specialist at Poupard who, in taking the program in a different direction this year, selected Jacqueline Davies's *The Lemonade War* as a way of promoting economics through reading. Each family received a copy of the book, the lot of which Woznicki purchased with Title I money and money raised from slipper and bagel sales.

Adding to the experience, Woznicki gave students Lemonade Day backpacks, courtesy of the Lemonade Day orga-



Pictures of families reading together fills a board at Defer Elementary School. Trombly also has one.



At Monteith Elementary School, students dressed up as their favorite characters from Avi's "Poppy."

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nization, stuffed with an economics book, a pencil and directions on how to make and run a lemonade stand.

"They don't necessarily, I don't want an informational book, but I want something that they're going to... I want it to do two things — one, where they're going to read with their family and, two, learn some-

thing a little bit differently, something that they haven't had before," Woznicki said.

Defer students also read *The Lemonade War*, promoting the book through class discussions, guest readers, Tuesday trivia and at-home reading.

At Monteith, the student council, with the more than \$1,000 raised



Several schools, like Kerby Elementary School, held read-ins for students. Above, Kerby principal Melanie O'Neil reads to Amanda Frantz and Matthew Sikorski.



Among the activities and events at Maire Elementary School, author Denise Brennan-Nelson visited and shared writing inspirations and illustrations from her book.

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from its Valentine's Day heart gram sale, purchased classroom copies of *Poppy*, as well as a special treat from one of the book's main characters, Mr. Ocax, a great horned owl.

"Owl pellets," said first grade teacher Beth

Wang, who said she read about 12 books before choosing *Poppy*, the first book in a series by author, Avi. "We thought it'd be really cool to make a science connection. So, Mr. Ocax gave each classroom a gift of owl pellets."

And on March 12, the students commenced on a school-wide science exploration, in groups of three to four in their respective classrooms, dissecting the pellets to find out how many skeletal parts of animals they could find.

"We feel that it's that important," Wang said of the science experiment and program as a whole.

Teachers also decorated classroom doors like a scene from the book. They created an interactive bulletin board in the main hallway and the school held daily trivia, a raffle and dress-up day, where students dressed up as their favorite characters.

"This is an actual experience that kids are going to remember," Wang said.

For Trombly, the veteran school in the district, having participated in the program for a third straight year, the challenge was not only in choosing a book — they used Oliver Butterworth's 1956 children's book, *The Enormous Egg* — but also in finding newer, better ways to present it school-wide.

"It's a challenge because every year you add a little piece and make it that much more,"

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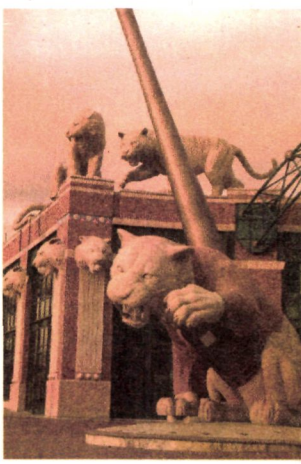
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# Author to read from, discuss work at Liggett

By Ron Bernas

The following article by Ron Bernas, Director of Communications at University Liggett School, was reprinted from Liggett Life, University Liggett School's (almost) daily blog about life at the school. For more Liggett Life, visit [blogs.uls.org/liggettlife](http://blogs.uls.org/liggettlife).

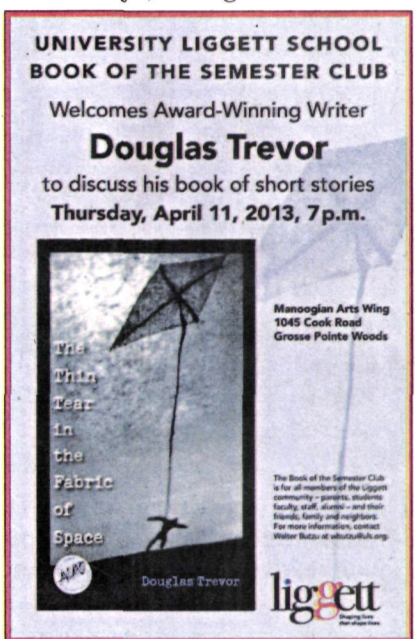
If catching up on your reading is something you have planned for Spring Break, here's something special to add to your list: Douglas Trevor's book of short stories, "A Thin Tear in the Fabric of Space." It's an award-winning book written by a current University of Michigan English professor who will be at Liggett April 11 to read from and discuss the book during the Book of the Semester discussion.

Trevor is taking care of the final details of the launch of his new book, a novel called "Girls I Know." There are readings scheduled and a launch party and he was very excited to finally see the finished cover art. His publisher, SixOneSeven Books, is still working on the back cover, which will include some nice compliments from other authors.

"Girls" is Trevor's first novel and he found working on it much different from working on short stories. "The work on a novel is very engrossing but with a novel you can write hundreds of pages that never get used or follow a dead end for months," he said. "I

thought with the novel that I wouldn't be worrying over every paragraph the way you have to with short stories, but I still did."

When writing short stories, Trevor says, "You get accustomed



to hearing a clock ticking in your head. You're constantly thinking about length. I've gone back to writing short stories, but after writing the novel I find they've stretched; they're much longer."

Trevor said he finds himself writing a lot about the interaction of people who are having trouble connecting with each other, between people who are not quite seeing the world in the same way. And he treats the subjects with an offbeat humor that makes his characters human and relatable.

Bringing in a working author like Trevor is an outreach program of Liggett. "Bringing authors in contact with students helps reinforce the idea that literary fiction writing is a purposeful endeavor that continually invites readers to examine their values," said English Department Chair Walter Butzu.

Before Trevor's evening event, he will spend the day in the Upper School talking with students about the craft of writing and about his work - they are all supposed to have read "Labor Day Hurricane, 1935" one of the stories in "The Thin Tear in the Fabric of Space."

In a neat bit of interdisciplinary learning, Upper School history students will read an article about the historical event against this fictional story is set and science teacher Russ Glenn will discuss the effects of hurricanes on reshaping coastlines, which is an element of the story.

Butzu says he finds bringing working authors into the classroom is an invaluable opportunity for students, especially those inclined to write. In addition, Liggett is happy to offer events like this to the community.

The Book of the Semester Club meets at 7 p.m. April 11 in the Manoogian Arts Wing. It's open to anyone, but please email Butzu at [wbutzu@uls.org](mailto:wbutzu@uls.org) if you are coming and visit [douglastrevor.com](http://douglastrevor.com) for more information about the author.

## North, South SA's earn state conference Award of Excellence



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A group of 90 students from Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South high schools' Student Associations and South's Class Councils attended the Michigan Associations of Student Councils and Honor Societies' Annual Student State

Conference the weekend of March 23, at the Grand Traverse Resort in Traverse City.

Both North and South were given the Award of Excellence, the highest honor from the MASC/MAHS.

Based on a 600-point scale, the award recog-

nizes schools with the best student groups in the state — those scoring 95 percent or higher.

According to the MASC/MAHS, groups that receive the award "each year prove to the entire state that they exemplify the highest standards of group organization, member development, community-minded service, and goal-oriented vision."

South also received the Exceptional Service Award for its Dancing with the South Stars fundraiser.

While there, students interacted, worked and brainstormed with more than 1,600 students from 81 schools around Michigan.

They attended workshops, team building exercises, and lectures on improving their schools for the benefit of all students.

"One of the most amazing things about this conference is that it is totally student run, it's for students, by students," South class of 2014 advisor and ASD teacher Carrie Halliburton said in a news release.

## Defer 'Rocks the Lock'

Defer Elementary School's Parent Teacher Organization presents its "Rock the Lock" auction from 6:30 to 11 p.m. Saturday, April 13, at the Roostertail.

Tickets are \$50 per person. Funds raised from the event support the purchase of "much needed" lockers for students. Having lockers improves the health and welfare of students, as well as instills in them a sense of responsibility.

For more information, or to purchase tickets, contact Susan Vethacke at [smvethacke@comcast.net](mailto:smvethacke@comcast.net).

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Grosse Pointe Park resident Todd Hecker is Farmington Public Schools' High School Teacher of the Year.

## Hecker named teacher of year

Farmington Public Schools superintendent Sue Zurvalec surprised four teachers earlier in March, informing each of their recognition as Teachers of the Year at their respective levels — elementary, upper elementary, middle and high school.

Among the four recognitions is Todd Hecker, a Grosse Pointe Park resident and high school teacher at North Farmington High School. Hecker has taught math and physics at the school since 1996.

"Todd loves to learn and is effective in developing the same passion in his students," said a colleague in nominating Hecker for High School Teacher of the Year. "Students are always actively engaged in Todd's classes."

According to a press release, Hecker works early in the morning with one of many extracurricular school clubs, as well as after school tutoring students. In the classroom, he engages his

students with interactive lessons and strives for a community of students working together.

He also, in an effort to have more student participation and involvement, "flipped" his classroom, recording his demonstrations and instruction for students to watch at home or after school and using classroom time for guided support and experiments.

His colleagues also consider him a leader, a skillset most evident in his involvement in the school's student government and his work with POWER, or Presenting Opportunities While Enhancing our Race, a mentoring program piloted at the school. The program helps students develop a positive self-image, confidence, voice and self-advocacy.

"He is a leader in his Professional Learning Team and department, inspiring colleagues to re-examine their teaching practices," it said in the release.

## Wine tasting and auction

Join Grosse Pointe South High School's choir boosters for its annual Wine Tasting and Auction from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Saturday, April 13, at Cost Plus Wine in Eastern Market.

Cost is \$35 per person and includes wine and beer tasting, a gourmet small bites menu courtesy of chef Leon Johnson, director of

Market Studio Kitchen, a live and silent auction and music from Richard Wolf.

South's choir receives 10 percent on all wine purchases. A list of wines and auction items is available online at [gpsouthchoir.org](http://gpsouthchoir.org).

For reservations, contact Lisa Thams at (248) 515-6832 or [lisathams@aol.com](mailto:lisathams@aol.com).

## READING: Activities abound

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said principal Walt Fitzpatrick. "Well, what are you going to do next year?"

To improve the overall experience for students and teachers alike, this year, Fitzpatrick said, was helped by a total team effort.

Library specialist Rachel Walpole created a 17-foot diagram of Uncle Beazley that all students signed; teachers planned several in-class projects like Tagxedo word clouds in the shape of dinosaurs, egg decorations, and school-wide prezis — championed by Susan Howey; upper elementary students wrote for a school blog and all students dressed as their favorite characters; and the school office clerk and secretary made a "nest" with pictures of families reading together.

"In terms of overall participation, in terms of embracing the whole concept, I'd say this is probably one of our best (years)," Fitzpatrick said. "The whole thing is about getting families to read together and to develop that love of reading and that enjoyment. We're just trying to get kids excited about reading."

### Reading month highlights

Other elementary schools, as previously reported in the March 14 issue of the Grosse Pointe News, have par-



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Trombly Elementary School students, from left, Paul Wilson, Troy Richard, Alyssa Flores, Cecilia Van Hagen, Lexi Reith, Colin Hexter, Callum Gilewski and Marcus Harris dress as their favorite characters from Oliver Buttworth's "The Enormous Egg."



Author Kelly Dipucchio speaks with students at Mason Elementary School about her books. She also autographed copies of her books for students.

participated in reading month as well, hosting author visits, read-ins, assemblies and contests, like Maire's annual March of Dimes Reading Champions fundraiser and the Get Caught Reading programs at Kerby and Mason elementary schools.

Maire has supported March of Dimes the past 16 years, each March hosting a school-wide fundraiser. Students are rewarded based on active

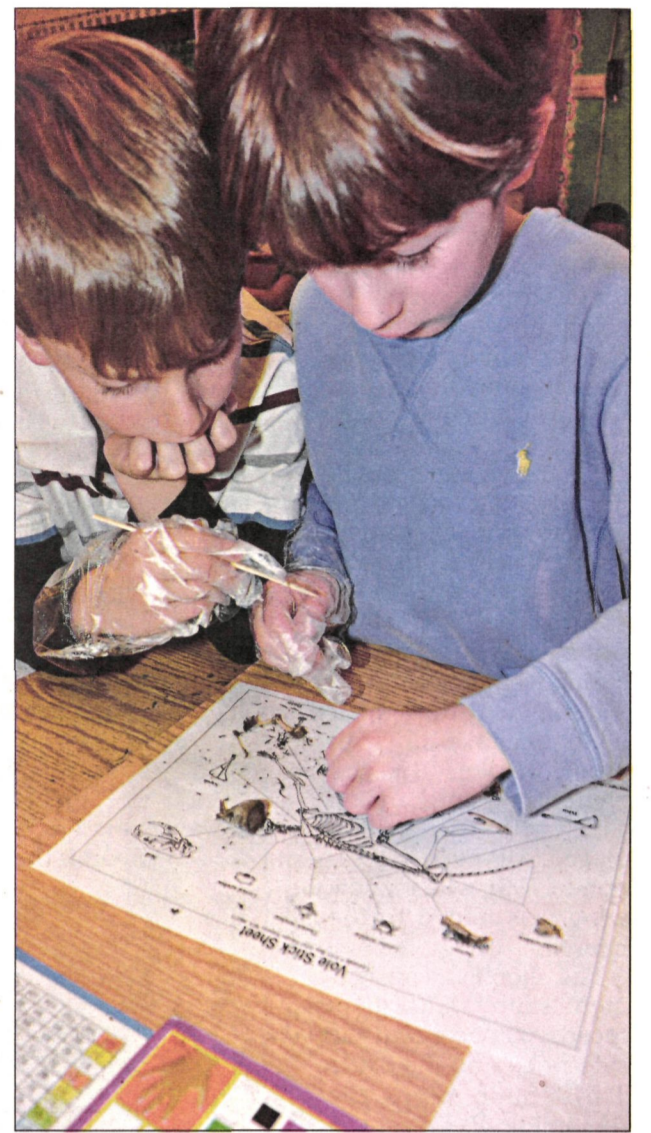
reading — this year it's on the number of minutes spent reading — and parents, relatives, friends or neighbors also sponsor a student's reading, the donation of which benefits March of Dimes. This year's theme is Kindness "K"ounts.

"The kids are all reading books about kindness (in March), and then they take a little kindness pledge," principal Sonja Franchett said. "It's the idea that you're

going to be even kinder than necessary — kind of the pay it forward kind of thing. The theme around our reading this month is kindness."

Maire's program concludes April 10.

For Get Caught Reading at Mason, students read a specified number of pages each night, the number determined by grade level, and earned coupons for a chance to have a teacher call them at home. If they



Monteith Elementary School students Thomas Mooreland and Massimo Todesco map their findings during the school's owl pellet dissection.

were caught reading, they won a \$5 gift certificate to the book fair courtesy of Mason's Parent Teacher Organization.

Four winners were selected from each classroom Wednesday, March 13.

"It's really exciting," said Anne Marie

MacGillis, reading specialist. "We do it every year. That's our big thing. Children love getting called at home."

Mason also held a read-in in the gymnasium and author assembly.

"It's a busy month, but it's a lot of fun," MacGillis said.

## South dancing contest returns

Back for another run, Grosse Pointe South High School's student councils have announced the second annual Dancing with the South Stars fundraising event for 7 p.m. Friday, April 12, at South's main gymnasium.

The event, a mock version of the ABC reality show Dancing with the Stars, pairs five South teachers with professional dancers from Arthur Murray Dance Studios, which donated dance lessons for each teacher, for a dazzling display of dancing talents.

South's dancing stars are: Christopher Booth, social studies; Sandy McCue, English; Courtney McGuire, media specialist; Doug Roby, social worker; and Christine Spada, Spanish.

Aside from the dance competition, additional activities planned include: open dancing, a paper bag auction, bake sale and exhibition acts featuring dancers from Arthur Murray Dance Studio and Ladies First, Michigan State University's women's cappella group.

Also planned for this

year's event is an appearance from Detroit Lions running back Joique Bell as a special guest judge.

Originating from the minds and obsessions of a few members of South's Class of 2014, Dancing with the South Stars first ran last year, a combined effort of the four class councils and Student Association.

The class councils recently earned the Michigan Associations of Student Councils and Honor Societies' Exceptional Service Award for their part in organizing the fundrais-

ing event.

Tickets are \$10 for students and adults, with the option to pre-reserve a table of 10 for \$90. Otherwise, seating is first come, first serve.

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4A II | CHURCHES

# 'Little Thrift Shop' celebrates 55 years

When other shops come and go it is quite remarkable that "The Little Thrift Shop" at St. Michael's Church in Grosse Pointe Woods has been around for 55 years.

Shortly after the founding of St. Michael's in 1952, the women's auxiliary decided to hold an annual rummage sale as a fundraiser for outreach projects. From there sprung The Little Thrift Shop, opening in the spring of 1958.

It was a "little" thrift shop because its first location was in the church's organ chamber. The Little Thrift Shop moved to its current location in 1961 when a new wing was added to the church.

The shop is a consignment shop. Consigners receive 60 percent of the sale price and the Little Thrift Shop keeps the remaining 40 percent to be donated to area charities and the church. Donated items are also accepted and screened by thrift shop volunteers. The entire profits from these items are donated to charity.

The shop is open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesdays and Fridays and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays. Items are accepted from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Fridays.

"You never know what treasures you may find,"



Genny Davenport, left, has been the Little Thrift Shop manager for 12 years and Bill Davenport is the shop's handyman.



St. Michael's Little Thrift Shop has been around 55 years.

said Genny Davenport, manager of the Little Thrift Shop since 2001. "The most significant finds though are the great bargains found regularly

at the shop. There is even a designer section featuring used designer women's clothing. Besides women's, men's and children's clothing, other

items one might find are china platters, crystal candlesticks, jewelry, shoes, purses, bedding and children's toys, just to name a few. There is

also the well-known Christmas boutique which offers an array of holiday items during the Christmas season."

The Little Thrift Shop annually generates an average profit of \$25,000, an increase from the \$1,400 earned in 1958.

All profits are given to the Episcopal Church Women of St. Michael's, who donate about 50 percent to St. Michael's and the remainder to a variety of charitable organizations. Some of the groups that have benefited from the shop's

sales include Crossroads, Alternatives for Girls, Mariners Inn and Gleaners.

Most important to the continued success of the Little Thrift Shop are the volunteers who make it all happen.

More than 60 women and men of St. Michael's donate their time in receiving, ticketing, sales, bookkeeping and housekeeping areas.

St. Michael's is located at 20475 Sunningdale, Grosse Pointe Woods. For more information, call (313) 313-884-7840.

PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

## CHURCH EVENTS

### Ecumenical breakfast

The Grosse Pointe Men's Ecumenical breakfast begins with coffee at 6:45 a.m. Friday, April 5, at the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. A buffet breakfast is served at 7:15 a.m. followed at 7:45 a.m. by the speaker, the Rev. Joe Fox from St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church. The event ends at 8:15 a.m.

Men of all faiths can attend. For more information, call Dick Strowger at (313) 881-9806.

### Christ Church

Christ Church of Grosse Pointe continues its adult forums at 10:10 a.m. Sunday, April 7, with the topic "The Christ Church Archives: Mysteries, Discoveries and Opportunities."

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# OBITUARIES

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

## Gloria Marie Barker

Gloria Marie Barker, beloved mother and lifetime resident of Grosse Pointe, passed away peacefully Tuesday, March 26, 2013.

She was born March 31, 1927, to John and Hazel (nee DeBolt) Laughna, the youngest of six children, and graduated from St. Clare of Montefalco grade school and Dominican High School. She attended the University of Detroit, where she met the love of her life, James V. Barker, whom she married in 1953.

Mrs. Barker owned her own tool shop at a time when few women were in business, let alone manufacturing. She ultimately made her way into real estate, first with Palm Queen Realty in 1981, and then moving to Johnston and Johnston Real Estate in 1986.

Mrs. Barker was active in various organizations including. She served as president of the Our Lady Star of the Sea Altar Society and was a member of the Christ Child society, the Fontbonne Auxiliary of St. John Hospital and the Assistance League of Beaumont Hospital. She was a past member of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club and the Otsego Ski Club/Hidden Valley.

Her family said she was a loving and supportive mother who provided a warm and welcoming home, always filled with pets, both cats and dogs. She enjoyed music, traveling, gardening, golf, and, consistent with her strong Irish heritage, anything having to do with the University of Notre Dame. But mostly she enjoyed the relationships she had built with her many lifelong friends. She will be remembered as a vivacious person who loved to socialize with others.

Mrs. Barker is survived by her children, Craig and Claudia (Mark Valente III). She was predeceased by her husband, James and

son, Kirk, as well as her sister and four brothers.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 13, at St. Philomena Catholic Church, 4281 Marseilles, Detroit. Visitation begins at 10 a.m. at the church.

Donations may be made to St. Philomena - Changing Lives Together, 4281 Marseilles St., Detroit, MI 48224-1446 or to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, 1820 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207.

## William H. Jevons M.D.

William H. Jevons M.D. passed away Thursday, March 28, 2013 at ShorePointe Nursing Care Center in St. Clair Shores with family by his side. He was 87.

Born July 26, 1925, in Detroit, to William H. and Evelyn (nee MacDonald) Jevons, Dr. Jevons served in the U.S. Army in the 86th Infantry Division "Black Hawks" during World War II. He was selected to carry the Browning Automatic Rifle in his unit. He was a combat veteran in Central Europe and later served in the Philippines.

After an honorable discharge from the Army, he enrolled at Wayne State University. In English class, he met the love of his life, Janis Ellinghaus. They married Nov. 25, 1950, at Faith Lutheran Church in Detroit. They moved to Grosse Pointe Woods in 1961.

Dr. Jevons earned a pharmacy degree from Wayne State University, but decided to go back to Wayne to study medicine. He graduated medical school in June 1956. He served his medical residency in obstetrics and gynecology at Detroit Receiving Hospital and Herman Kiefer Hospital in Detroit. He had a private practice with offices in Grosse Pointe Farms and Warren. He delivered babies at St. John, Cottage, Bon Secours and Women's (now Hutzel) hospitals. He belonged to the

Wayne County Medical Society, Michigan State Medical Society and the American Medical Association.

Dr. Jevons was an avid outdoorsman. He loved to travel, especially in his motor home. He was an accomplished pianist and organist. His family said he was jovial and humorous and always had a story — usually a war story — to share with family and friends.

Dr. Jevons is survived by his loving wife, Janis; daughters, Kathleen, Deborah, Cynthia and Kimberly; grandchildren, Dr. Andrea and Heather O'Boyle and Thomas and Emily Waldner; great-grandson, Anthony and his sister, Geraldine Offner (James).

A funeral service was held April 1 at First English Lutheran Church, Grosse Pointe Woods, with interment at Forestlawn Cemetery in Detroit.

Donations may be made to the charity of the donor's choice. Share a memory at [ahpeters.com](http://ahpeters.com).

## Bernard Anthony Makos

Bernard "Bernie" Anthony Makos, 85, died Monday, Feb. 18, 2013.

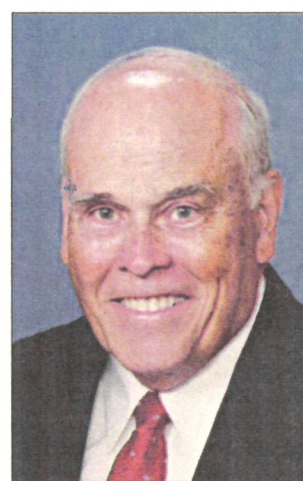
Born in Hamtramck June 11, 1927, Mr. Makos was a Korean War veteran, who served in the U.S. Army, beginning in 1950. He was deployed to Germany in 1951, just a few weeks after marrying the woman of his dreams, Florence.

Mr. Makos was an automotive mechanic for Lochmoor Chrysler in Detroit, where he spent the next 25 years earning his livelihood. Retiring at 65, Mr. Makos invested in some of his most beloved hobbies — wood-working and toy-making. Many of his projects were donated to the children at Cottage and Beaumont hospitals.

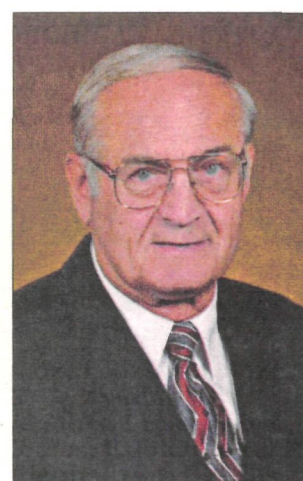
In the late '90s, Mr. Makos became a believer in Jesus Christ and spent the remainder of his life dedicated to



Gloria Marie Barker



William H. Jevons M.D.



Bernard Anthony Makos

prayer and helping others come to know the Lord.

While he will be deeply missed by his beloved wife of 61 years, Florence; children, Deby Andvik (Alf), Catherine Hoernschemeyer (Rob) and Steven Makos (Gail) and his seven grandchildren, Mr. Makos lived to see three of his grandchildren marry and celebrated in the birth of his great-granddaughter.

His family said Mr. Makos will forever live in many treasured family memories and the profound love he expressed and exemplified will never be forgotten.

A memorial service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 13, at Crosspointe Christian Church, 21336 Mack Ave., Grosse Pointe Woods. A family gathering begins at 10 a.m. at the church.

Donations may be made to Seasons Hospice & Palliative Care, 27355 John R., Madison Heights, MI 48071.

Share a memory at [vermeulenfuneralhome.com](http://vermeulenfuneralhome.com).

## Leonard S. Minkwic Jr.

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Leonard S. Minkwic Jr. died Friday, March 29, 2013.

He had celebrated his 88th birthday Jan. 19 with close family and friends.

He is survived by his loving wife, Gloria Joyce (nee Hunt), son, Mark (M.J.) and grandchildren, Nabilah, Bailey and Gloria Jean.

"Uncle Mink" will be missed by his nieces, Susan Pospiech and Kim Beasinger; nephews, Phillip, Jim and Jeff; many cousins and special friend, Renee Henderson.

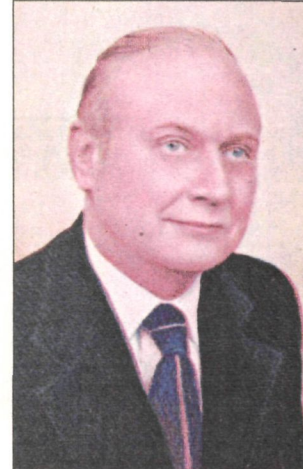
He was predeceased by his son, Chad, and brothers, Donald, Robert and James.

Mr. Minkwic attended Detroit Denby High School and graduated from De La Salle

Collegiate High School in Detroit. He served in the infantry in the European Theater during World War II, after which he worked in his father's business while attending Wayne University.

He began his career as a teacher with the Detroit Public Schools. His family said his Northeastern High School students remember his dramatic re-creations of historical events. He later served as department head at Central High School and principal at Cooley High and Murphy Middle schools.

Mr. Minkwic was elected vice president of the Organization of School Administrators and Supervisors. In this capacity, he served the needs of about 1,200 members and was re-elected several times.



Leonard S. Minkwic Jr.

He was a persistent jogger and swimmer and a determined golfer. Private memorial activities are being planned.

Donations may be made to the Old Newsboys Goodfellow Fund of Detroit, P.O. Box 44444, Detroit, MI 48244.

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## PRIDE OF THE POINTES

**Julia Poirier** was elected president of the study body at Loyola University for the 2012/13 school year.

A 2009 graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School, she was named to the Dean's List for the fall 2012 semester, inducted into the Maroon and Gold Society recognizing outstanding leadership and received the Damen Award for excellence in academics and leadership in school and in service to others. She is the daughter of Kim and Jim Allee of the City of Grosse Pointe.

**Anna Kucharski** was named to the Dean's List for the fall 2012 semester at Hillsdale College. The 2012 graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School is the daughter of Gary and Valerie Kucharski of Grosse Pointe Park.

Dartmouth College senior **Emma Brush** was named to the Scholar All-East Region second team by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America. She also received the Scholar All-Region honor and was a first-team All-Ivy selection. She is a graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School.

## City of Grosse Pointe, Michigan

### APPLICATION OF PERPETUA PROPERTIES, LLC FOR A TRANSFER OF CLASS C LIQUOR AND SDM LICENSE

A public hearing will be held before the City Council on application of Perpetua Properties, LLC for transfer of an existing Class C and an SDM License from another community permitting the sale of liquor, beer and wine for consumption on premises, including a full Sunday Sales Permit for both AM and PM at 17047-51 Kercheval Avenue, Grosse Pointe, MI. Said hearing will take place on Monday, April 15, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers located at 17145 Maumee Ave., Grosse Pointe, MI 48230. Written comments will be accepted until 12:00 noon, Friday, April 12, 2013, at City Hall. Copies of the application are available for review at Grosse Pointe City Hall from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm, Mon.-Fri. 313-885-5800.

**Julie E. Arthurs**  
City Clerk

GPN: 4/4/13

## CITY OF HARPER WOODS WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MARCH 18, 2013

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 P.M.

**ROLL CALL:** All Councilpersons were present except Councilman Daniel Palmer.

### MOTIONS PASSED

- To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held March 4, 2013.
- That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

### RESOLUTION PASSED

- To approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: (1) Approve the Accounts Payable listing for Check Numbers 99649 through 99746 in the amount of \$197,756.35 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing. (2) Approve payment to Badger Meter, Inc. in the amount of \$17,711.78 for the purchase of 10 new 2" Orion automatic read water meters. (3) Accept the lowest qualified bid submitted by Distinctive Carpet for the replacement of carpeting in the City Council Chambers in the amount of \$7,550.00. (4) Approve payment to Angelo's Supplies, Inc. in the amount of \$6,139.80 for 102.33 tons of rock salt. (5) To approve the purchase of a Cardiac Monitor/Defibrillator from Physio-Control in the amount of \$28,335.85, with the purchase price to be defrayed with \$7,200.00 in grant money from St. John Hospital.
- To approve a three-year annual lease of \$51,720.29 for two (2) AWD Utility police vehicles, one (1) Ford Interceptor vehicle and one (1) AWD Utility vehicle for the Fire Department from Signature Ford of Owosso, Michigan and Ford Motor Credit, and, whereas these were completely bid through Macomb County Cooperative Purchasing Program that the City's competitive bid process be waived.
- To accept the proposal from Rizzo Services for a five-year contract extension, through September 1, 2018 in the amount of \$389,445.28 annually for refuse collection and disposal.
- To approve payment to Inland Waters Pollution Control, Inc. in the amount of \$31,598.10 for Progress Payment No. 1 on the 2012 SRF Sanitary Sewer Repair - FCIPP Lining project, Contract No. 1, #180-117.
- To approve the collection of Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency (WRESA) tax levy from the winter tax to the summer tax.
- To accept the proposal submitted by Irwin Seating Company in the amount of \$19,666.66 for the removal of the existing seating and the purchase of 128 new seats for the City Council Chambers.
- Receive and file the Proposed Update - 2013 Master Plan prepared by the City Planning Consultant and direct that copies of it be forwarded to adjoining communities, SEMCOG, Wayne County and other entities in accordance and compliance with Public Act 265 of 2001.

**Kenneth A. Poynter,**  
Mayor

**Leslie M. Frank,**  
City Clerk

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# Farewell song

Mark Weber with Grosse Pointe Woods Mayor Robert E. Novitke and Grosse Pointe War Memorial board president Bill Jennings at Weber's February retirement party. Joe Armijo played the piano including many of Weber's favorite songs during the evening while attendees gathered for sing alongs.



From left, Mark Weber with Wayne County Commissioner Tim Killeen. Weber was recognized for his 32 years of service to the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. The evening included a slideshow, "Mark over the 32 years."



The Girl Scouts of Monteith Elementary School in Grosse Pointe Woods.

# Helping other nonprofits

Joe Warner  
Editor

**GROSSE POINTE WOODS** - Molding girls into young women is something the Girl Scouts has done since 1912. Combine the efforts of troops at Monteith Elementary School with a local nonprofit and you've got a winning combination.

The scouts received a boost from Exquisite Affairs by Tresa. A donation given to the Monteith scouts was part of the proceeds from a pre-holiday event at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Exquisite Affairs by Tresa held its Sarah Rose Mother and Daughter Holiday Tea and Fashion Show, which drew 200 participants.

Tresa Galloway, CEO of Exquisite Affairs by Tresa and a resident of Grosse Pointe Woods, said the tea was the fifth annual and proceeds go to several local charities.

Galloway said the idea for her nonprofit came from life's experiences. She grew up the youngest of seven children and said her sisters guided her life.

"I saw what they went through and saw things I didn't want to go through," Galloway said. "Not every girl has the same opportunity I had. To see that experience. Some families have missing components and we have to fill in the gaps."

She grew up in the area, attending Our Lady Star of the Sea. Galloway studied education in col-



Tresa Galloway presents troop leaders and scouts a check from her nonprofit Exquisite Affairs by Tresa. Galloway's company helps several area nonprofits.

lege and did her student teaching outside Liverpool, England.

"I knew I wanted to be back here at some point," Galloway said. "I met my husband, who was on his way to Chicago. We got married and ended up staying here."

She taught in Grosse Pointe and Detroit for nine years, but something was missing.

"I felt boxed in a bit," Galloway said. "I wanted to use my creativity and start a business." Her memories of her mother's tea room in downtown Detroit also played in mind.

"Etiquette has always been a passion." A business was born in 2001. With the help of a friend, Galloway formed what is now Exquisite Affairs by Tresa.

"Our goal was simple," Galloway said. "We wanted to have events and teas that would help empower young women and mothers, adopting

nonprofits to help. I want to help set boundaries and goals, give guidance and help."

And it goes well beyond that. Galloway's company has provided event planning for some of Metro Detroit's most famous residents and companies. There are wedding and corporate planning services and she has worked events surrounding the Super Bowl, and earlier this year, the inauguration of President Barack Obama.

"That was an amazing experience," Galloway said. "I was so proud to be a small part of it."

Close to home, her heart is with helping young ladies develop. And their needs, whether in Detroit or Grosse Pointe, are the same emotionally and spiritually. Attending etiquette schools, her time in Europe and her mother's tea room all served as perfect experience for what Galloway wanted in a nonprofit.

"I love working with children," she said. "I went from teaching to an instructional coach to an intervention specialist. It's been a very rewarding journey."

Tresa and her husband have four children, which she says has allowed her to grow with her business.

"I rate myself as a pretty good parent, but I'm always learning, too," Galloway said. "The best parenting is sharing with other parents. There has to be a balance and we are all learning that together."

Galloway said she wants to expand her services beyond Metro Detroit. She also wants to have an all-girls convention to offer numerous resources.

"There's no guide for us," Galloway said. "The goal is for families to flourish. That's my reward in all of this. That's important to me."

For more information on all of the event and etiquette services offered by Exquisite Affairs by Tresa, visit [exquisiteaffairsbytresa.com](http://exquisiteaffairsbytresa.com).

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## From sweet water to golden maple syrup

By Ann L. Fouty  
Features Editor

A Grosse Pointe Farms family is enjoying Michigan's first-known harvested agricultural product — maple syrup.

It is sweet, aromatic and is bottled under the name "It Ain't Your Mama's Syrup."

Christopher "Tofer" Reeber laughs at the name and hopes no one is offended by the moniker but it's what he has dubbed the syrup he makes only for his family; wife, Gracie; daughter, Veronica and son, Christopher Jr., plus a few friends.

For the past eight years, Reeber has been tapping three sugar maple trees in his yard to collect sweet water, boiling it down to a golden syrup, bottling it, topping his family's pancakes and waffles or giving it away.

"My son says it's really, really sweet, sweeter than in previous years," Reeber said, while watching the final boil on his electric stove.

Reeber uses a candy thermometer watching the scale slide up to the 217 to 220 degrees boiling point creating the golden maple syrup.

Last year he said he didn't get a single gallon of the sweet stuff due to the weather, a quick heat spell in March followed by a cold April. 2013 has been much better. He predicts he will have three gallons of syrup in a short season that ended last week.

Reeber drills a hole about 2 inches deep and inserts the metal tap. Weather dictates sap-



Christopher Reeber checks the buckets on the trees at least twice a day.



A bucket catching the sweet water is covered to protect it from falling debris.

less than a gallon, he transfer it to a gallon pot on the kitchen stove and boils it down even more to create the thick, amber colored syrup with a sugar content of 66 percent, containing 50 calories per tablespoon.

Reeber uses his candy thermometer to tell him when the syrup is ready to be filtered through a cheesecloth-covered strainer and poured hot into small containers.

"We have high humidity in the house," he said as he watches the thermometer through steam billowing from the pot.

While sweet water is boiling in the garage, Reeber must skim the surface to remove the foam and other materials.

"The sweet water (collected from trees) in (the front (yard) makes really good golden syrup," he



PHOTOS BY ANN L. FOUTY

Containers of "It Ain't Your Mama's Syrup."

said. "This year has been super. The one (tree) in the back has stopped producing sweet water. The water goes up and down and what comes down isn't as good."

Reeber grew up in southeast Detroit with seven brothers and sisters. An older brother, Al, showed him the maple syrup making process.

Along with making maple syrup, he makes wine from grapes grown by his uncle in Carleton.

He also makes salsa and cans tomatoes from a backyard garden.

As a contractor for Central Transport, he puts in long hours during the summer, he said, but this time of year Reeber has time to watch the sweet water turn to maple syrup and become "It Ain't Your Mama's Syrup."

"I've been married 23 years and she (Gracie) just rolls with it. I'm just having fun," he said.

gathering days ranging from 10 to 20 days. Days must get above freezing to about 45 degrees and nights must dip below freezing for the proper sap flow. Covered two gallon metal buckets catch the sweet water as it runs up the tree.

Tapping must be done before the trees bud.

"Tapping is done right before the buds come out. (When the buds come out) it will slow down the water production and I pull the taps," he said. "I cover them (the buckets) because we have squirrels," he said.

Reeber empties the buckets once or twice a day getting between 10 to 12 gallons per tree. This he totes to his sugar shack, otherwise known as the garage. There he dumps it into a 20-gallon pot, nearly filling it. Over a propane heater, the sweet water gently boils for hours and hours, evaporating the high water content.

It takes 40 gallons of sweet water to produce a single gallon of syrup constantly cooking for a minimum of 24 hours.

Tapping doesn't hurt the trees because the sap swells the hole back up, he said. According to the Michigan Maple Syrup Association web site, sugar and black maples are the best to tap and must be about 40 years old and 10 inches in diameter.

Once boiled down to



Once the sweet water has been boiled down to maple syrup, Christopher Reeber fills containers while the liquid is still warm.



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### NEW ARRIVALS

#### Molly Louise Hunter

Jeff and Kristen (Davis) Hunter of St. Clair Shores are the parents of a daughter, Molly Louise Hunter, born Nov. 3, 2012.

Gary and Sharon Davis of Grosse Pointe Woods are the maternal grandparents.

Paternal grandparents are Larry and Glennis Hunter of Macomb Township.

Great-grandparents are Ken and Dorothy Koenig of St. Clair Shores, Fran Davis of

Grosse Pointe and Earl and Helen Hunter of Macomb.

#### Benjamin Patrick Kavanagh

Thomas M. and Elizabeth A. Kavanagh of Sterling Heights are the parents of a son, Benjamin Patrick Kavanagh, born Nov. 8, 2012.

Maternal grandparents are Thomas and Barbara Rice of Shelby Township.

Patrick J. and Jeanne M. Kavanagh of North Venice, Fla., formerly of

Grosse Pointe Woods, are the paternal grandparents.

Paul Rice of Harrison Township is the great-grandfather.

#### Megan Jane Kavanagh

Timothy and Gina Kavanagh of Battle Creek are the parents of a daughter, Meghan Jane Kavanagh, born Sept. 13, 2011.

Bill and Marge Fetsko of Adrian are maternal grandparents.

Paternal grandparents are Patrick and Jeanne Kavanagh of North Venice, Fla., formerly of Grosse Pointe Woods.

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# Spring Vacation Guide 2013

## The 'way' up north

By Diane Morelli  
Special Writer

**G**reat travel adventure and fun to be had in Michigan is not a secret, and many residents know of special places and things to do that seem to wake up the senses.

Here's a few: Take a drive to the Upper Peninsula via the Mackinac Bridge. It rises 552 feet — 55 stories — above the Straits of Mackinac, where lakes Michigan and Huron meet. It's five-miles long from anchor block to anchor block and for half a century held the record as the longest suspension bridge in the world.

Due to its design, the bridge is closed during high winds. And bridge crew offer a driver to those who get the jitters when crossing the bridge.

Be sure to view a sunset on the shores of Michigan's Great Lakes. Many Michiganders report a "Green Flash" occurring at the precise sec-

ond the sun's disk tips over the horizon — a Michigan phenomenon.

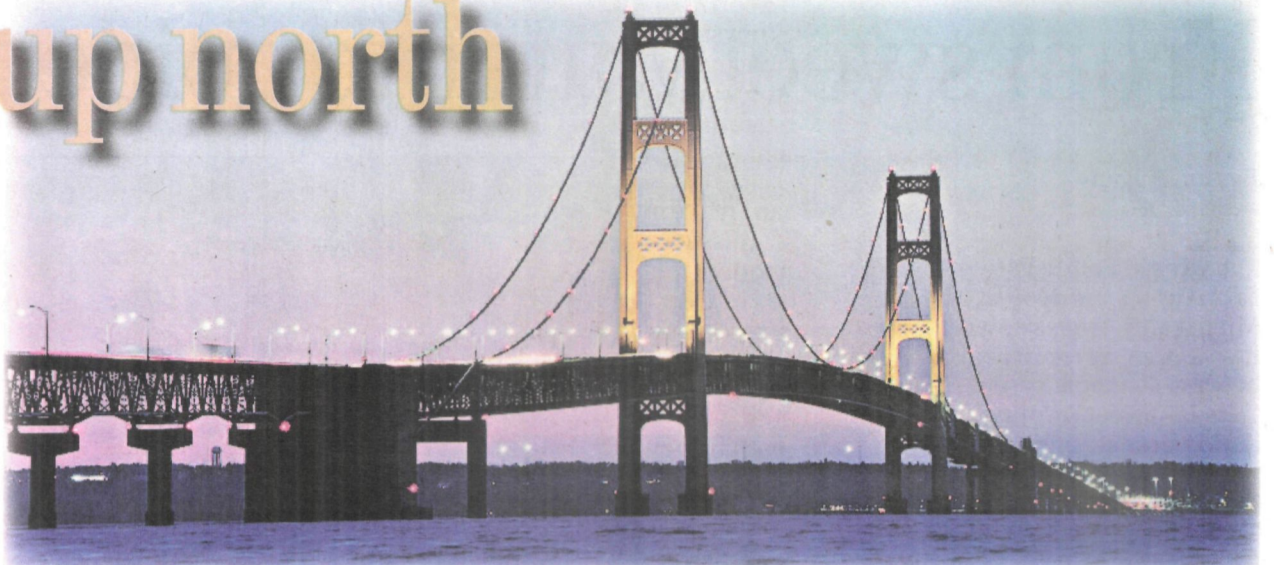
Early spring is one of the best times to beach comb the shores of the Great Lakes. It's a good time to find treasures via a metal detector and also finding interesting driftwood.

Many comb the beaches in hunt for treasures such as fossils, Lake Superior agates, native copper and silver, Native American artifacts, Petoskey stones, rhyolite and the state gemstone — chlorastrolite.

Whether hiking or driving, Michigan native wildflowers, such as trillium, orange butterfly-weed, cardinal flower, parsnip and coneflower can be found in meadows, woodlands or roadside.

You can't help but notice the fresh air up north Michigan — take in a deep breath of its unique woodland scent.

After arriving and exploring around your destination, you can have the best time and just relax, doing nothing at all.



The Mackinac Bridge is lit blue this month for the "Light It Blue Michigan" autism-awareness campaign, launched by Corner Pieces, a non-profit organization.



PHOTO BY ANN L. FOUTY

There are 50 species of trillium in Michigan. The most common is the grandiflorum or the large-flowered trillium. These are found in forests from late April to mid-May.



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Another beautiful sunset over Lake Michigan.

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ASK THE EXPERTS By Nancy Piatek

# Learn how to make stress work for you



People are always talking about how stressed they are in life. However, without stress, your life would be unexciting and boring. There is good stress and bad stress.

Learn how to handle stress and have it work for you instead of against you.

**Q.** What is stress?  
**A.** The definition of stress is a physical,

chemical or emotional, factor to which an individual fails to make a satisfactory adaptation and which causes physiological tensions that may be the contributory cause of disease; the state or condition of strain.

**Q.** How can I make my life less stressful?  
**A.** It is important to recognize the demands of stress on your body and deal with it before it becomes a harmful stress or "bad stress — "distress." Learning how to relax is the best strategy.

**Q.** What is the difference between "good stress and "bad stress?"

## SAVE the DATE

### TAKING CARE WHILE GIVING CARE

6 to 9 p.m.  
Wednesday, April 17  
Nancy Piatek addresses your questions on how to care for aging relatives and balancing life. Connect with professionals and resource organizations.  
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**A.** Since stress is unique to everyone, "good stress" and "bad stress" is usually referred to as an individual's response to stress itself. Everyone chooses his or her own coping skills.

These can be healthy or unhealthy choices.

**Q.** What are some good responses for coping with stress?

**A.** Deep breathing is the easiest and most

immediate response to help alleviate stress symptoms. Walking is also a great stress reducer, so is playing tennis, running, or working in your garden.

To learn more about stress and its effect on our bodies attend "Successful Solutions for Solving Stress." Discussion centers around the sources of stress and the emotional and physiological changes occurring when people are in a stressed state of mind.

A variety of coping skills and the results of the power of positive thinking and laughter as medicine will be taught.

Piatek has been a

health care speaker for more than 25 years. She is a spokesperson and Community Liaison for Nursing Unlimited.

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## AREA ACTIVITIES

### Grannie Nannies

The Grannie Nannies meet at 1:30 p.m. Friday, April 5, at Big Boy Restaurant, 20710 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

For more information, call (313) 882-9600.

### Chamber music

The Grosse Pointe Chamber Music concert begins at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, April 7, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

Music for two clarinets, two saxophones and two tubas is featured.

Tickets cost \$12 and can be purchased at the door.

For more information, call (586) 945-6830 or visit [gpchambermusic@yahoo.com](http://gpchambermusic@yahoo.com).

### PhotoVoice

The PhotoVoice Art Show & Benefit is from April 8 through 13 at The Great Frame Up, 20655 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

The show features photos taken by Grosse Pointe teens spotlighting the positive and negative health factors in the community. The public can attend.

### Toastmasters

The Northeastern Toastmasters meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday, April 8, in the Brownell Middle School cafeteria.

For more information, call Wendy Bradley at (313) 884-1184 or Ron or Marcia Pikielak at (313) 884-4201.

### Senior Men's Club

The Senior Men's Club of Grosse Pointe holds an 11 a.m. lunch Tuesday, April 9, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The noon speaker is Alan Gilmour, president of Wayne State University. His topic is "Is there value in higher education?"

The event ends at 1 p.m.

Men 55 years and older from any community can attend. Jackets should be worn.

For more information, call (313) 469-8288.

### Lifelong learning

The Center for Lifelong Learning hosts Sheryl Hurst, coordinator of St. John Hospital and Medical Center trauma surgery and injury pre-

vention, at 1 p.m. Tuesday, April 9, at the St. Peter Parish House, 19851 Anita, Harper Woods.

She discusses how to cope with normal, age-related changes and teaches practical tips to help avoid accidents, recognizing warning signs of unsafe driving and how to seek assistance, if needed.

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

### Historical society

The Grosse Pointe Historical Society board meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 9, at the Provencal-Weir House, 376 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms.

◆ Izzy's Second Saturday features "Lovin' Spoonful of Chocolate" from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 13, at the Provencal-Weir House. The event is for those six years and older. Reservations must be in by Thursday, April 11, by calling (313) 884-7010.

The cost is \$15 for historical society members and \$20 for non-members.

◆ The Provencal-Weir House is open from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 13.

### Alliance Française

The Alliance Française de Grosse Pointe's Ciné-Club hosts the showing of the film, "Well-Digger's Daughter," at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 10, at the Grosse Pointe Public Library, Woods branch, 20680 Mack.

A discussion of the film concludes the evening.

### SOC

Services for Older Citizens hosts its Spring Break afternoon tea from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Thursday, April 11, at St. James Lutheran Church, 170 McMillan, Grosse Pointe Farms. Harpist Sheryl Sukenic provides the musical entertainment.

The cost is \$5 and includes a box lunch to take home.

Parking is in the city lot behind the church. The parking ticket is stamped at the tea. Enter the church through the double doors facing the lot.

To make a reservation, call (313) 882-9600.

### Herb society

The Grosse Pointe Herb Society meets at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 10, at the Grosse Pointe Public Library, Ewald branch, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

The topic is Islamic gardens, presented by Ed Blondin.

The public can attend.

Reservations are needed for the Saturday, April 13, Downton Abby tea at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House. David Michner of the Matthaei Botanical Gardens is the speaker. Reservations can be made by calling Mary at (313) 885-5575 or e-mailing Ann at [anndoc@comcast.net](mailto:anndoc@comcast.net).

### Family Center

The Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods holds a Meet & Greet from 9 to 11 a.m. Wednesday, April 10, at Barnes Early Childhood

Center, 20090 Morningside, Grosse Pointe Woods.

School, mental health and other area professionals working with youth and families can attend.

### Sports physicals

Free student sports physicals and heart screenings are held from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 20, in University Liggett School's gym, 1045 Cook, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Appointments are required. To schedule an appointment or for more information, contact Renita Clark by April 15, at [rclark@uls.org](mailto:rclark@uls.org) or by calling (313) 884-4444, ext. 102.

The physicals are available for Grosse Pointe middle and high school students. Heart screenings are available for students 14 years old and older.

### Walk with spirit

Walk with Spirit, a Beaumont Hospital community six week walking program, has registration from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 30, at the Neighborhood Club Recreation and Wellness Center, 17150 Waterloo, City of Grosse Pointe.

Walking groups are scheduled throughout the week at various times and locations.

The fee is \$10 and includes a T-shirt, walking schedule and program handouts.

To register, visit [classes.beaumont.edu](http://classes.beaumont.edu) or call 800-633-7377. Registration must be completed by April 6.

### DWRA

The Detroit Women's Rowing Association offers camps for beginners and competitive rowers of all ages and a coaching internship for those 17 and older.

Camps are open to those 12 years and older.

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### Soroptimist

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The Detroit Women's Rowing Association offers camps and instruction to learn how to row for exercise or competition.

and the Wayne State University Theater students present the play "Body & Sold" at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 11, in Schaublin Auditorium, Lakeview High School, corner of 11 Mile and Harper, St. Clair Shores.

The event tells the stories of young men and women who left home and were seduced, lured or kidnapped into a life of violence and prostitution. The public can attend.

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# 4B | ENTERTAINMENT

## Yesterday's headlines

### 1963

50 years ago this week

#### ◆ CITY'S FIRE PROTECTION THE BEST:

Grosse Pointe City has the best fire rating of any city its size in the State of Michigan, according to the Michigan Inspection Bureau, whose inspectors just completed an analysis of the City's firefighting capabilities and fire protection programs.

### 1988

25 years ago this week

#### ◆ GUARDRAILS UNLIKELY ALONG LAKESHORE:

Nine vehicles have plunged into Lake St. Clair off Lakeshore in the last five years, but most officials aren't in favor of putting

up guardrails to prevent cars from going in.

Farms Police Chief Robert Ferber said he has been subpoenaed to testify in a lawsuit concerning one of the fatal accidents that ended in the lake.

#### ◆ WOMAN ROBBED AT GUNPOINT:

A 42-year-old Woods woman said she was held up at gunpoint in a supermarket parking lot on Mack in the Woods and relieved of her \$1,000 diamond ring and \$32 cash.

#### ◆ FUEL TANKER RAMMED BY SPEEDING PICKUP:

A 20,000-gallon tanker carrying a load of fuel oil was rammed at the intersection of Vernier and Lakeshore in the Shores around 7:30 a.m. by a 1987 Dodge pickup truck.

The driver of the pickup, a 31-year-old Warren man later arrested.

—Compiled by Karen Fontanive

## Power breakfast

One in four Michigan children are food insecure, according to the Gleaners Food Bank of Southeast Michigan website.

Metro area women are striving to wipe that out through the annual Women's Power Breakfast during which funds are raised to provide backpack meals, healthy school snacks and items for the Gleaners' mobile food bank. This year is no exception, when at 7 a.m. Wednesday, April 10, the 20th annual breakfast hosts female business professionals, politicians, civic and community leaders and volunteers, said co-chairwoman Cynthia Ford of Grosse Pointe Farms.

"Detroit and southeast metro are enormously generous," she said. "The response has been great.

This year's goal is \$670,000. That money will provide two million meals. Gleaners can provide three meals for \$1. We raise this money to provide the support."

However, the breakfast's focus, Ford stressed, is providing Weekend Backpack meals which means food is sent home with school children on Friday.

Other funds raised are to provide SmartBites, healthy school snacks, and a school-based mobile food pantry distribution.

Since the event's inception in 1994 by Dulcie Rosenfeld of Birmingham, the breakfast has raised \$1.7 million. She was on the Gleaners' board at the time.

"This (breakfast) is important because hunger and food inadequacies are multiplying. Someone has to deal with it and luckily we have Gleaners," Ford said. "They feed not just children, but provide meals at large. I'm shocked that in this great country we have to deal with hunger and poverty. We need to participate in the solution."

A simple meal of oatmeal and fruit at Eastern Market, Shed #3. The program begins at 8 a.m. and concludes by 9:15 a.m.

For power breakfast tickets, call 866-GLEANERS, ext. 243 or e-mail shohendorf@gcfc.org.

## A LA ANNIE

By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff



PHOTO BY VIRGINIA O. MCCOY

Shrimp scampi is a party favorite.

## Shrimp scampi is a party favorite

Shrimp. It's the first thing to go at a party. Why not? Shrimp is delicious. This week I got a great deal on some U 15s and decided on scampi — shrimp with butter, lot's of garlic and white wine from a recipe loosely based on the way my husband used to make it at the Steak & Brew in New York (many, many years ago).

### Oven Baked Shrimp Scampi

- 1 lb. U 15 shrimp, peeled, cleaned and butterflied
- ½ stick butter
- 2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
- 2 heaping tablespoons chopped garlic



- ½ cup white wine (or more)
- 1/3 cup panko
- 1 tablespoon grated Parmesan cheese
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh parsley
- salt and pepper to taste

Preheat oven to 400 degrees.

Arrange butterflied shrimp (with the tail standing up) in a shallow baking dish. In a small pan melt butter with olive oil over medium heat. Add garlic and simmer for about 5 minutes. Meanwhile, in a small bowl combine panko with Parmesan cheese and parsley.

Pour wine around shrimp to about 1/4 inch. Sprinkle crumb mixture over each shrimp. Using a tablespoon ladle butter garlic mixture over each shrimp.

Bake shrimp at 400 for 15 minutes or until shrimp are cooked throughout.

Taste sauce and season with salt and pepper, if you wish.

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## A call to action

By John McTaggart  
Special Writer

The weather breaks.

The sun spends more time high in the sky, and the entire community starts to bustle.

Springtime brings things back to life and I'm sure this spring will be no exception, particularly given the fact that winter seems to be clinging to every ounce of life it has left.

But, we all know, 70-degree days will soon come. Flowers and shrubs will soon bloom, and the cycle of seasons in the Grosse Pointes will turn towards warmer temperatures and sunnier skies.

When this happens, let's go to a game — all of us.

Now, I don't mean pack up the car and head to Comerica Park, although there's time for that, too, hopefully. Instead, I mean head to a game where the players have no contracts, the coaches have no press conferences and the only thing that drives performance is school pride and love of the game.

Head to Grosse Pointe North, South or Liggett on a sunny afternoon and take in a baseball game — you'll see three of the finest teams in the entire state, in fact.

Take a seat amongst proud moms and dads and friends who cheer for their student-athlete at just about every lacrosse game.

Watch a group of highly



PHOTO BY JOHN MCTAGGART

L'Anse Creuse North's Nicolette Vultaggio heads a ball downfield while South's Chelsea Marsh defends.

skilled players at girls soccer, or come and see a track meet or a softball game.

Come see the tennis teams or watch a golf match from behind the first green.

**It's a challenge.**

I challenge each of you to

do this at least once this spring — just find a few hours on a Saturday morning, a Thursday afternoon, or a Monday evening to make your way to an event.

I've covered these games myself for a number of years now and am constantly

amazed at how few, outside of the regulars, come to watch, to applaud, to spend a few hours.

As a new resident of this community, I'm drawn to the charm, the neighborhood-feel, the whole atmosphere of the Grosse Pointes.

I'm in love with the sense of pride people take in their home, in their yard, in their block, in their city, in their community.

I've recently met neighbors who have lived here their entire lives, grown up as children to raise children of their own within a short walk from the home they grew up in themselves. Heck, one gentleman on my block is the second generation of his family in the same house — and he's bringing up a third and says to his daughter the same thing his parents told him, "I'm keeping this house for you and your family one day."

I've lived in a number of neighborhoods, nice neighborhoods, I think, but they were different than the one I now call home.

This attitude just isn't found too often anymore.

**So, what does this have to do with high school sports?**

Everything.

Because up and down the streets of this community, there still exists such pride in the schools.

I can't even begin to tell

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### SOCCER

## North opens in style

By Bob St. John  
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe North's girls' soccer team opened its 2013 season in style, beating St. Clair Shores Lakeview 3-1 on a cold, windy and snowy March 20 afternoon.

The few fans who braved the weather were clad in thick winter coats, hats and gloves. Definitely not soccer weather, but the host Norsemen and Huskies opened spring with a good game.

"We're going to scrap on the field this year and we expect to be competitive," new head coach Skipper Mukhtar said. "This was a good beginning to our season."

Senior Francesca Ciaramitaro scored two to lead the Norsemen, and senior Chrisa Koussoulas tallied once in the non-league victory.

Senior Emily Armbruster assisted on two goals.

It's this senior experience that could turn the Norsemen into a very competitive team.

Joining the senior forces are Danae Diccico, Kim Cusmano, Natalie Skorupski and Jenna Paglino.

Juniors on the squad are Katelyn Koehler, Andi Held, Chrisoula Pitses, Phoebe Dodge and Emily Mulier, while the sophomores are

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### SWIMMING

## Brownell wins annual middle school meet

Brownell won the annual middle school swimming and diving championship meet held the final weekend of March at Grosse Pointe South High School.

Brownell finished with 274 points, followed by Pierce with 198, Parcels with 132.

In the boys' results, Brownell had 129 points, followed by Parcels with 77 and Pierce with 72.

Below are the results event-by-event.

In the boys' 200-yard medley relay, Brownell won when the foursome of Ethan Briggs, Matthew Koueiter, John Cobau and John Huskin posted a time of 1:56.44.

Parcels' Brian Wenz, Paul Rakowicz, Daniel Leone and Adam Schreck were second with a time of 2:14.55, and Pierce's Khalib Rahmann, Brandon Johnson, Aidan King and Griffin Clevenger third at 2:17.73.

Brownell won the girls' 200-yard medley relay with Maddie Keane, Maggie Costello, Sarah McCabe and Ava Boutrous turning in a time of 2:06.24.

Pierce's foursome of Katie Konieczny, Mary Claire Graham, Babby Peruski and Grace Scott finished second with a time of 2:23.04, and Parcels was third, with Chynna Brown, Charlotte Nicholson, Lizzy Maul and Niki Nezeritis post-

ing a time of 2:26.29.

In event No. 3, Pierce's Cameron Francis won the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 1:58.74, followed by Brownell's Joey Cobau at 2:00.40

and Pierce's Riley Francis at 2:30.48. And in the girls' 200-yard freestyle, Brownell's Boutrous won with a time of 2:06.39, followed by Pierce's Avery Westfall at 2:21.63 and Pierce's Natalie Liening at 2:41.07.

For the boys' 100-yard individual medley, Brownell's Briggs won with a time of 1:03.23, while Pierce's King and Rahmann placed second and third with times of 1:16.51 and 1:18.56, respectively.

In the girls' 100-yard IM, Brownell's Costello won with a time of 1:10.52, followed by Pierce's Graham at 1:16.63 and Brownell's Lynday Dyamant at 1:19.83.

In the boys' 50-yard freestyle, Pierce's Cameron Francis won with a time of 25.19, followed by Brownell's Joey Cobau and Parcels' Leone with times of 25.55 and 26.67, respectively.

The girls' 50-yard freestyle's top three were Pierce's Abbey Schuetze, Brownell's Keane and Brownell's Katherine Leonard with times of 26.59, 28.66 and 29.49, respectively.

In the diving competi-

tion, Brownell had the top two with Christi Marinescu and Andreas Marinescu earning 154.50 and 143.65 points, respectively, and for the girls, Pierce had the top two with Sara Crader and Abigail Due earning 141.05 and 131.30 points, respectively.

In the boys' 50-yard butterfly, Cobau won with a time of 28.19, followed by Leone at 29.43 and Koueiter at 30.69, and in the girls' 50-yard butterfly, Schuetze won with a time of 28.15, followed by Brownell's Carmella Bates at 32.88 and Dyamant at 36.09.

Event No. 13 was the boys' 100-yard freestyle. John Cobau won with a time of 1:00.01, followed by Huskin at 1:00.74 and Parcels' Brian Wenz at 1:00.82. This was one of the best races in the meet.

In the girls' 100-yard freestyle, Boutrous won with a time of 58.85, followed by McCabe at 1:00.65 and Westfall at 1:05.40.

In the boys' 200-yard freestyle relay, Brownell's Joey Cobau, John Cobau, Koueiter and Westin Bates won with a time of 1:50.95. Parcels' Schreck, Wenz, Garret Schreck and Leone were second with a time of 1:52.02, and Pierce's Riley Francis, Brandon Johnson, Rahmann and Cameron Francis were third at 1:56.41.



PHOTO BY PAUL KANIA

The Tigers' offense will be better with the addition of Victor Martinez, back after missing the entire 2012 season with an injured knee.

## Excitement brews for Tigers season

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

After enduring a long winter of horrid play by the Detroit Pistons and mediocre skating by the Detroit Red Wings, it's time for fans to get excited over the best professional team Detroit offers, the Tigers.

The Tigers made it to the World Series in the fall, but lost in four straight games to the San Francisco Giants.

Let's forget that and get our bells and whistles out of storage because we will need them a lot this summer.

The boys of summer are back and one of the teams picked with the best odds to win the 2013 World Series.

They signed solid out-

fielder Torii Hunter to patrol right field. His solid all-around play and fan-friendly demeanor is just what the Tigers need to add to a mix complete with defending American League Most Valuable Player and Triple Crown winner, Miguel Cabrera.

The Tigers also boast the best pitcher in baseball, Justin Verlander, and slugging first baseman Prince Fielder. Victor Martinez is also back after missing the entire 2012 season with an injured knee.

Don't forget Austin Jackson, one of the best young talents in the game in center field, and Omar Infante, a good second baseman who makes the infield defense better.

Jhonny Peralta is the

shortstop and look for Andy Dirks to play a lot in left field. Alex Avila will handle most of the catching. He was dinged up last season, but he is healthy and ready for a rebound 2013.

The lineup is solid from one to nine and the team's bench players are good with Quintin Berry, Avisail Garcia, Don Kelly, Brayan Pena, and Ramon Santiago ready to contribute when called upon.

Offensively, the Tigers have one of the most potent lineups in all of Major League Baseball. They compare with the powerful squads from New York, Texas and Los Angeles.

What gives Detroit the best team in the American

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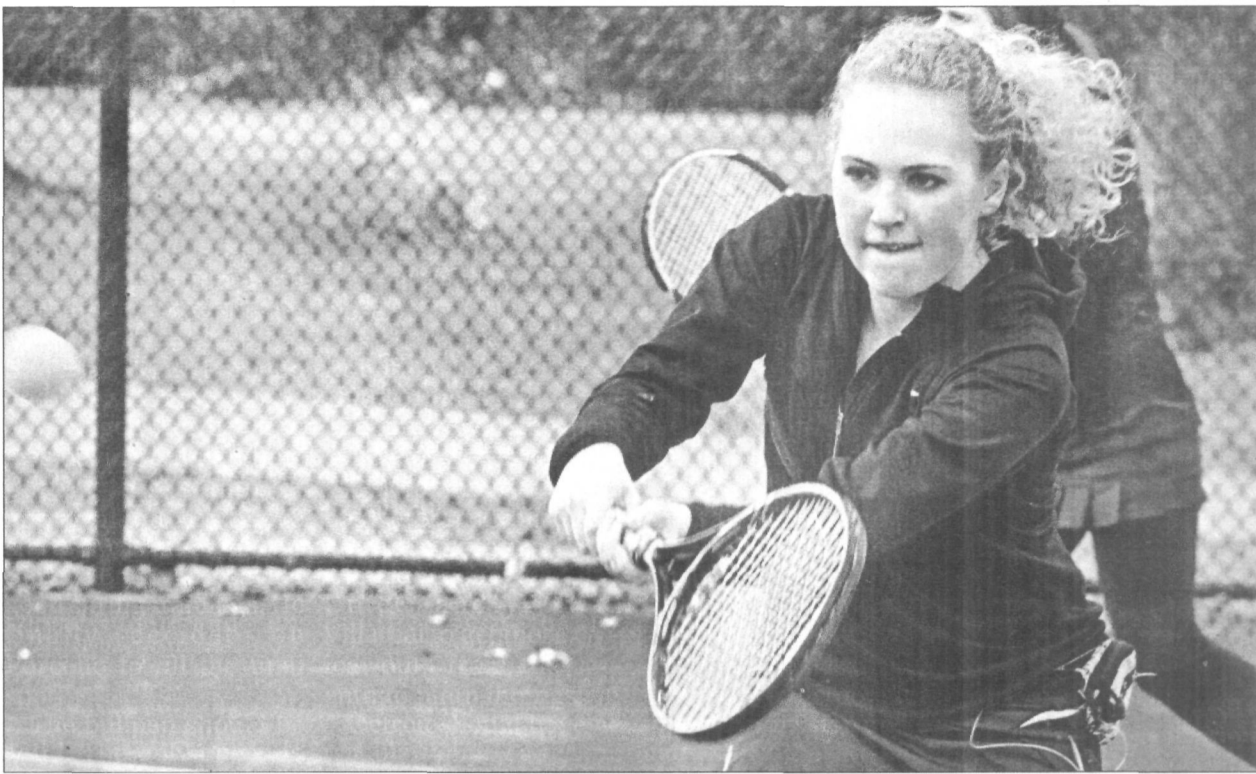


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Grosse Pointe North's girls tennis team is just one of the many spring sports squads fans can catch this season.

## CHALLENGE: Find time to enjoy games

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you how many times at Grosse Pointe North versus Grosse Pointe South football games grown men and women have come up to me and professed their love of North or South, despite not attending the school for decades, despite children and grandchildren who have also long-since graduated.

How deep is this pride rooted?

Pretty deep in some. I

had a gentleman tell me at last year's game that he would live in a box in the parking lot of Grosse Pointe South before sending his kids to North. Of course, over the years, similar suggestions have been offered in the opposite scenario as well.

The point is, there's such a deep-seeded passion for all three high schools in the community.

Yet, the warm weather

and bustle of springtime "to-do" lists seem to squash that enthusiasm somehow.

Let's change that this year.

Let's find the time to attend one game, one match, or one meet.

Show these young men and women just how much we appreciate the hard work, the sacrifices, the pride they have in donning that high school uniform.

And for you and I, it's not much of a sacrifice is it, really? In fact, we might just have a good time.

Heck, we can probably take a nice walk through

the community to get there, perhaps with a neighbor or family member.

### This is the challenge

And there are no excuses.

I'm dedicating much of this section, in this edition, to giving you the nuts-and-bolts information you need to rise to this challenge.

Every high school's spring season varsity program will be covered — no exceptions.

It's not asking too much, is it?

Find the time to enjoy the weather and enjoy the game.

## TIGERS: Only question mark is the closer position

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League is a starting pitching rotation with Verlander, Doug Fister, Max Scherzer, Anibal Sanchez, Rick Porcello and Drew Smyly.

Manager Jim Leyland was having a tough time putting his stamp of approval on his No. 5 starter. Was it Porcello or Smyly? Both were having good spring trainings. He finally decided on Porcello to fill the final spot.

The bullpen should be solid. The only question

mark and a big question mark at that is who is the closer?

Is it rookie Bruce Rondon? He had been shaky this spring, but had improved the past couple of weeks.

But for now, Leyland has veterans Phil Coke, Joaquin Benoit, Al Alburquerque, Octavio Dotel and Brayan Villareal to get those critical outs from the seventh to ninth innings.

Detroit should have no trouble winning a second

straight Central Division title. Chicago could be good, but look for its pitching to be sub-par, and Kansas City will make a run at the title.

Yes, the forever last place Royals have a nice team in 2013, complete with a competitive pitching staff for the first time in ages.

Cleveland and Minnesota will occupy the bottom two spots in the division. I think Detroit wins the division by eight games over Kansas City and 10 games over Chicago.

The American League will have great races in the East and West.

In the East, all five teams have the potential to win the division and/or gain one of the two wildcard berths.

I give the slightest edge to Tampa Bay because of New York's early-season injuries. Baltimore will be good, again, but I don't think it duplicates the one-run victories of a year ago, and Boston is in last place for a second straight season.

However, these divisional battles will be fun to watch all summer and the difference between the top and bottom will not be much.

In the West, it's Los Angeles against Texas. Defending champ Oakland should have a nice team, but the A's, just like Baltimore, won't duplicate the victories of a year ago.

Seattle is improved, but not a .500 team and AL newcomer, Houston, will lose 100 games for a second straight season.

Los Angeles win this division by four games over Texas and five over Oakland.

The wild card race

should include an amazing eight teams and I expect the race to come down to the final weekend for a few of these squads.

It's going to be a great summer to spend at Comerica Park.

Go Tigers!

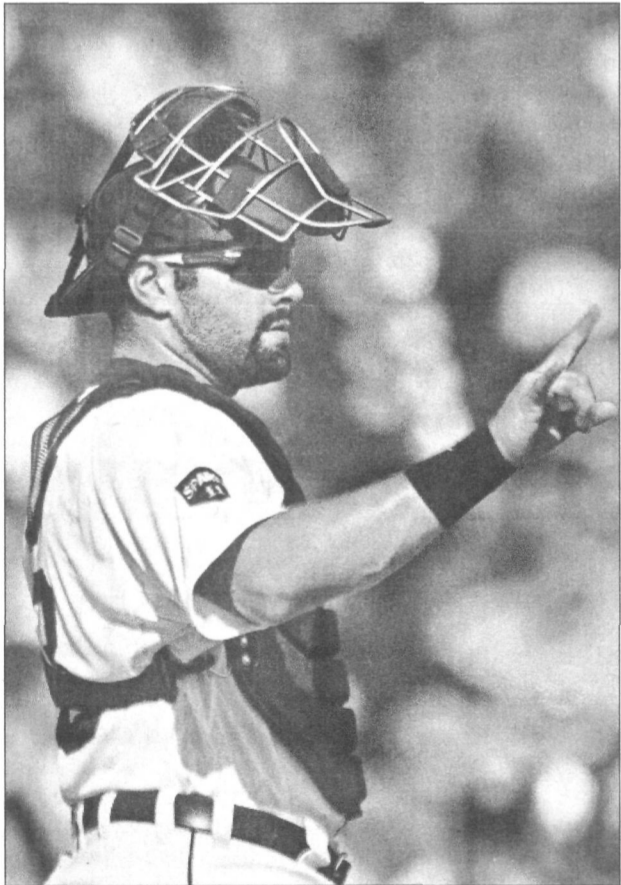


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Tigers catcher Alex Avila is healthy and ready for a rebound in 2013.

## NORTH: Team sits at 2-1 overall

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Elise Paglino, Ryane Pangborn, Simone Bendix, Alisha Quain, Olivia Ritchie and Lexi

Ciaramitaro.

Mukhtar also had a freshman on varsity, Emily Mcpharlin.

North also played Warren Cousino and Anchor Bay in early season action.

The Norsemen blanked Cousino 5-0 and lost 3-1 to Anchor Bay, sitting at 2-1 overall.

Grosse Pointe North returns to action with another non-league

game Friday, April 12, against Macomb Dakota, before starting its Macomb Area Conference Red Division slate with a home game Wednesday, April 17, against arch rival Grosse Pointe South.

The Norsemen's other division foes are Utica Ford, Sterling Heights Stevenson, Utica Eisenhower and Chippewa Valley.

## Register for summer camp

Register online now for the Grosse Pointe Soccer Association's summer 2013 soccer camps.

Dates are Monday, July 22 to Friday, July 26, for U6 to U8 and U9 to U12 and Monday, July 29 to Friday, Aug. 2, for U13 to U15, both at Elworthy Field.

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For more information, contact Tom Corsentino at (586) 709-3509.

## Register now

Registration is currently open for St. Paul on the Lake Catholic School's second annual Fun Run.

The 5K run, 2-mile run or walk is scheduled for 9 a.m. Saturday, May 11, at St. Paul's athletic field behind the school.

More than 100 runners and walkers participated in last year's race, which led runners down Grosse Pointe Boulevard to Lakeshore and back

to St. Paul's driveway.

The run supports the school's athletic facilities, with a focus on a new scoreboard in the gym.

To register, visit [active.com](http://active.com) and type in St. Paul Fun Run, Grosse Pointe. Early sign-up price — until May 1 — is \$16 and includes a St. Paul t-shirt.

Same-day race registration, open from 8 a.m. to 8:45, is \$25.

## Gators shine

At the 12 & Under Short Course State Championships, held at East Kentwood High School the weekend of March 8, Grosse Pointe Gators swimmer Alexis Wenger captured six individual state titles and broke four state records on her way to becoming the top point scorer for the 11- and 12-year-old-girls.

Four of Wenger's times are the fastest recorded for a 12-year-old girl in the nation this year. Another state title was won in the 200-medley relay, with the team of Sarah Cauvel, Alexis Wenger, Clarice Fisher, and Caroline Weaver winning in a time of 1:55.58.

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