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Farms nixes government radar

By Brad Lindberg
 Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — The city council this week refused the installation of a shoreside surveillance radar station.

Federal agents wanted the radar to detect illegal cross-border activity on lower Lake St. Clair.

The denial ends efforts by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Customs and Border Protection Division to place a 10-foot radar atop a 60-foot camera tower on land leased from the Grosse Pointe (Little) Club in Grosse Pointe Farms, according to agents who promised for nearly a year to abide

by the council's decision. "We're not a dictatorship. We don't want to ram it down anybody's throat," Deputy Border Agent Gregory Lambert told the council in March. "If the council votes 'no,' and we're not allowed to do it, we'll have to find another option," Mario Martinez, the border patrol's

Detroit sector chief patrol agent, told residents in July. After the council's rejection Monday, Nov. 18, John Sturgeon, Border Patrol operations officer and project manager, said, "Chief Martinez gave his word to the citizens that if it's voted down, we won't pursue it."

Sturgeon's next step is briefing his superior officers in Washington, D.C. "I have to let them go through plans and see what alternate sites may be available," he said. "The chief's not going to pursue any further action (in the Farms) at this time."

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THURSDAY, NOV. 21

- ◆ The Family Center's Ask the Experts presents three free presentations at Barnes Early Childhood Center, beginning at 6:30 p.m. with kindergarten teacher Deb Kraft followed at 7 p.m. by Lynn Kaiser and Ted Kasper addressing the topic "Becoming a Love and Logic Parent." To register, call (313) 432-3832.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Theatre presents "84 Charing Cross Road" at 8 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. Adult tickets cost \$18 and can be reserved by calling (313) 881-4004.

FRIDAY, NOV. 22

- ◆ The Pointe Players present "Rehearsal for Murder" at 7:30 p.m. in the Grosse Pointe South High School auditorium. Tickets cost \$8 and are available at showtix4u.com or at Posterity, A Gallery in the Village.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Theatre presents "84 Charing Cross Road" at 8 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.
- ◆ City of Grosse Pointe tree lighting festivities are from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Village.
- ◆ Auditions for "Bartleby Scrivener, A Story of Wall Street" is from 7 to 9 p.m.

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PHOTOS BY JOHN MCTAGGART

Members of the Grosse Pointe South High School choir sing at the Christmas preview party.

Children schmooze Claus at fundraiser

By Brad Lindberg
 Staff Writer

THE GROSSE POINTES — Mrs. Claus has nice things to tell her husband about the children of Grosse Pointe.

"They've been as sweet as they can be," she said. "They're so excited, saying, 'Oh my god, I can't believe I'm talking to the big guy's wife.'"

Mrs. Claus was portrayed by Grosse Pointe Theatre actress Mary Stelmark, of Grosse Pointe Farms, at the Nov. 13 fundraising party for Friends of the Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade.

The party also kicked off the Friends' annual drive to collect toys on behalf of Toys for Tots, a charity founded shortly after World War II by members of the U.S. Marine Corps Reserves.

"Toys for Tots is a great organization to get toys to needy children so everybody can have a Christmas," said Iraq combat veteran Marine Sgt. Gino Estores, 20, of Grosse Pointe Woods.

He attended the party with fellow Marines, Lance Cpls. Ryan Gorecki, 20, of St. Clair Shores, and Patrick



Sadie Ermanni, 4, of Grosse Pointe Farms, pens a letter to Santa.

McMacken, 19, of Brighton. "I want everybody who signs up for Toys for Tots to get the Christmas they're asking for," Gorecki said.

The Friends collect new, unwrapped toys for Toys for Tots' eastside district, which distributes them to qualifying families that register.

Wayne Peters, chairman of the Friends' Toys for Tots campaign, recently went to the Toys for Tots center on Hoover north of Eight Mile to pick up collection boxes.

"People coming in to apply for help weren't taking advan-

tage of the system," said Peters, of Morgan Stanley on the Hill, a sponsor of a float in next week's Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade on Kercheval. "They were people who couldn't afford a Christmas. I and almost everyone I know has been fairly blessed. It makes us feel good to help."

More than 200 people, including families with small children, attended the fundraiser at the Grosse Pointe Farms Pier Park community

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Police investigate texts, videos

By Kathy Ryan
 Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — The public safety department has launched an internal investigation after videos surfaced that allegedly show Grosse Pointe Park officers demeaning black males, some of whom were seated in the back of scout cars.

At least one of the videos shows what appears to be a mentally ill individual being told to "dance like a chimp."

The videos were first posted last week on the Motor City Muckraker website. At first, Park public safety officials denied any personnel were involved. Later, the department released the following statement saying they would investigate.

"On Thursday, Nov. 14, 2013, the Grosse Pointe Park Public Safety Department was contacted by an individual who said that he was in possession of video clips and a photo of African American males. The video clips and photo are allegedly made by an officer of this department. The department has begun an internal

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Park tightens ordinance

By Kathy Ryan
 Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — Officials have put the final touches on a new ordinance that tightens control the city has over rental units, landlords and tenants in the Park.

The new law grew out of concerns expressed by residents that landlords were allowing large numbers of people to occupy rental units and there was little enforcement of existing regulations determining the upkeep of rental units. The murder in May of a Wayburn resident highlighted the problem, when it was revealed that a suspect in the case was living in an

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New float ready for Nov. 29 parade

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

THE GROSSE POINTES — The latest addition to next week's Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade is a float saluting police dogs.

Revealed last week, the new float represents the logo of its sponsor, K-9 Safety Partners of the Grosse Pointes.

The design features the outline of a German shepherd.

"The K-9 float represents public safety," said John Stevens, a Partners founder and chairman of Friends of the Grosse Pointe Parade, which provides five floats for the parade. "We are promoting having more K-9s in the area."

Members of the Friends were months into their campaign of raising money for additional K-9 units in the Pointes and Harper Woods before the City's 9-year-old police dog, Raleigh, was put down last week due to cancer.

"We're on the way to replacing him pretty quickly," Stevens said.

"The Friends designed this float for the parade, which will be

accompanied by Raleigh, in memory, and Xander, our K-9 (from the Harper Woods police department)," said Ryan Ermanni of Grosse Pointe Park, master of ceremonies during the float's unveiling at the Friends annual fundraiser, Nov. 13, at Farms Pier Park.

The fleet also includes:

- ◆ Rudolph and fellow reindeer flying Santa's sleigh over the Grosse Pointe landscape,
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Wellness Express passenger train,
- ◆ Toys for Tots Caboose to haul toys collected during the parade, and
- ◆ White Christmas Carriage.

Father Richard Bartoszek, chaplain at Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe, blessed the floats during the fundraiser.

"May we live in the spirit of Christmas all year long," Bartoszek said.

The parade is produced by the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce.

It starts at 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 29, on Kercheval above the Hill in the Farms and ends in the Village.



PHOTO BY JOHN MCTAGGART

John Stevens, of K-9 Safety Partners of the Grosse Pointes, presents the organization's float during a holiday preview party at Farms Pier Park. The float is the latest addition to the Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade, starting at 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 29, on Kercheval from above the Hill in the Farms to the Village in the City. The parade is produced by the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce.

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City tree lighting Nov. 22

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — The holiday season starts downtown one week earlier than normal with the Village Aglow Tree Lighting ceremony, starting 5:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 22, at the corner of Kercheval and St. Clair.

The tree is lit at 6 p.m. This is the first time the tree's been lighted before Thanksgiving.

"It should bring a lot of people to the Village," said John Stevens, a City of Grosse Pointe resident and founder of Friends of the Grosse Pointe Parade.

Holiday attractions and entertainment during the ceremony are sponsored by the Friends, City and Downtown Development Authority with support from community organizations

and businesses:

- ◆ The foundation, a returning sponsor, supports the tree and decorations.
- ◆ The Friends sponsors reindeer, the Grosse Pointe South choir and elves.
- ◆ The city sponsors warming fires and free s'mores.
- ◆ Free hot chocolate is provided by the Grosse Pointe Boat Club, a repeat supporter.
- ◆ Free coney dogs are from the Harvard Grill.

"It's a very collaborative effort," said Mayor Dale Scrace.

Chris Hardenbrook, City director of parks and recreation, dealt with reindeer at prior municipal winter festivals.

"They look like deer, but are bigger and their horns are bigger," Hardenbrook said. "The company providing them

for the tree lighting swear they are mild-tempered and like to be petted and pose for photos."

People attending the lighting ceremony get early looks at two floats — the Wellness Express railroad train and Toys for Tots caboose — appearing the following week in the Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade.

"We want to bring some attention to the Toys for Tots effort," said Dick Ruzzin, the Friends lead float designer and a resident of Grosse Pointe Park.

People are encouraged to bring new, unwrapped toys to the tree lighting. Members of the Friends will forward the donations to an eastside Toys for Tots distribution center.

The charity was founded in the late 1940s by members of the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve.

"We've arranged for Marines in dress uniforms to attend the tree lighting," Stevens said.

The Santa parade, produced by the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce, starts at 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 29, on Kercheval above the Hill in the Farms and ends with Santa stepping off his sleigh in the Village.

During the parade, Friends dressed as Santa's helpers also collect Toys for Tots and letters to Santa.

"We'll give them to Santa at the end of the parade when he gets out of the sleigh," Ruzzin said.

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Irving Berlin's *White Christmas* will be performed by the Grosse Pointe Theatre Dec. 14, 15, 17-22. Rehearsals for the new Grosse Pointe tradition are underway. The show is being directed by Don Bischoff and Arlene Marie Schoenherr. Next week's Grosse Pointe News will feature the Grosse Pointe Theatre and *White Christmas*. For ticket information, visit gpt.org.



PHOTOS BY JOE WARNER

The crowd will tap along with this high-energy musical. More show information will be featured in the Nov. 28 issue of the Grosse Pointe News.

GPN holiday deadlines

The Grosse Pointe News will have early deadlines due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

Deadlines for classifieds is 1 p.m. Monday, Nov. 25. Obituaries are due by 3 p.m. Friday, Nov. 22.

The Nov. 28 edition of the Grosse Pointe News will be delivered Wednesday, Nov. 27.

The paper will feature the Holiday Gift Guide with dozens of local advertisers and much more about the Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade, produced by the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce.

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Panhandling ruled a protected free speech

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — Brother, can you spare a U.S. Court of Appeals ruling?

The Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals begs to differ with Michigan's anti-panhandling law, which is echoed in municipal ordinances throughout the state, including the City of Grosse Pointe.

The law was intended to protect the public from, among other things, scammers using the guise of destitution to

defraud do-gooders out of money that will be diverted to buy alcohol and drugs, according to the court's opinion, citing a losing argument by Attorney General Bill Schuette.

Yet, the court ruled the law, dating to 1929, is an unconstitutional infringement of the First and Fourteenth Amendments, protecting free speech and equal protection, respectively.

"Michigan's interest in preventing fraud can be better served by a statute See *FREE*, page 4A



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Zane Hammoud, M.D.
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Henry Ford recently invested in a new, 4,000-square-foot bronchoscopy suite, one of the most advanced facilities of its type in the world. Here, physicians will be able to diagnose and treat even more lung cancer patients who previously had few options.

"The earlier we diagnose patients, the more options we can provide," says Michael Simoff, M.D., director of bronchoscopy and interventional pulmonology at Henry Ford Hospital. "With this technology, our team has been able to more accurately diagnose patients, giving us a better understanding of the stage of their cancer and allowing us to offer more appropriate treatment."

Henry Ford Hospital's therapeutic bronchoscopy program is the most advanced and busiest program in the United States. This makes it a destination center for lung cancer patients from around the world and a key clinical trial site for many of the latest lung disease treatments.

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K-9 Raleigh was a friend of the community

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — Raleigh the police dog, 9, was euthanized last week, a few days after being diagnosed with cancer.

"He went to the vet in

September," said Raleigh's one-and-only handler, Sgt. Michael Almeranti of the City of Grosse Pointe public safety department. "Everything was fine. This time, though, he was anemic. It was something with his red blood cells."

The loss hit Almeranti hard. They were partners in crime-fighting since October 2005.

"I was with the dog 24 hours per day, seven days per week," Almeranti said.

That included teaming up on the midnight shift and being on call to track criminal suspects and sniff for illegal drugs in neighboring jurisdictions.

Raleigh even went on a family vacation with Almeranti's wife, Lisa, and son to Mount Rushmore.

"He was the best," Almeranti said.

Last moments

A veterinarian put Raleigh down the evening of Tuesday, Nov. 12.

Literature is full of regrets to dead dogs that are missed.

Among the best is James Thurber's "Snapshot of a Dog."

He describes his pet's end: "He died, it is true, but only, as one of his admirers said, after 'straight-arming the death angel' for more

than an hour."

Raleigh spent his last moments with his family.

"Lisa and I sat with him, petting him and talking to him," Almeranti said. "He was just so weak. He was losing a lot of blood internally. He wasn't in pain. Just weak. We talked to him. He looked at me and tried to wag his tail. He could barely wag it. He was such a good dog."

A natural

Raleigh was a male German shepherd born and bred in the Czech Republic for a life of law enforcement.

A retired police officer raised him at a kennel in Ohio.

"Out of more than 40 dogs, he set aside a handful for us to choose from," said Skip Fincham, City chief of public safety at the time. "When we chose Raleigh, the kennel owner said he was the one he'd pick."

In a line of work where K-9s have tough-guy names, such as Sarge and Nitro, Raleigh's benign name resulted from a contest among Maire

Elementary School students.

Almeranti will miss taking the dog to schools for public safety demonstrations.

"He got along with children," he said. "Our K-9 program is probably the most popular thing in the City police-wise."

As a puppy, trainers taught Raleigh to think of chasing criminals as a game of catch.

Almeranti remembered patrolling with Raleigh one night along the Mack Avenue border of Detroit.

They faced a man hiding in an auto dealership parking lot threatening to have a gun.

"Raleigh took him down," Almeranti said.

During a nearly 0-degree night last January in Grosse Pointe Shores, Raleigh found an alleged car thief hiding in a trash bin.

"He flipped the lid off with his nose and chomped down on the guy's pant leg," Almeranti said at the time.

In early October, a Macomb County drug enforcement team sought Raleigh's help locating

narcotics.

"Raleigh found a bunch of cocaine hidden in bags of dirt that looked like garden supplies," Almeranti said.

"We've lost a great community servant," said Fincham, now administrator of Grosse Pointe Woods. "He served the Grosse Pointes, Harper Woods and Detroit whenever he was called."

"We used him many times," said Dan Jensen, Farms public safety chief. "It's sad how fast they can go."

"Essentially, the dog became part of the family of Grosse Pointe," said John Stevens, former City councilman and president of K-9 Safety Partners of the Grosse Pointes, a private, tax-exempt fundraising group supporting police K-9 operations. "He left a remarkable legacy."

It would take about three months to get a new police dog operational, Almeranti said.

The City already has equipment for a K-9 unit, including a specially outfitted scout car and a bullet-resistant vest for dogs.

FREE:

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that, instead of directly prohibiting begging, is more narrowly tailored to the specific conduct, such as fraud, that Michigan seeks to prohibit," according to the court's 17-page finding in August.

In late October, the American Civil Liberties Union spread the news to 84 Michigan municipalities.

"The City has been contacted by the American Civil Liberties Union asserting that Section 46-3 (the anti-begging ordinance) is unconstitutional," said

Charles Kennedy III, attorney for the City of Grosse Pointe.

"Grosse Pointe's ordinance prohibits begging in public places and is therefore unconstitutional," according to the ACLU's Oct. 29 letter to City representatives.

"It is recommended that the council repeal Section 46-3," Kennedy told the city council Monday, Nov. 18.

They agreed unanimously and acted accordingly.

The Appeals Court decision resulted from the ACLU filing suit in 2011 on behalf of two men, including a military veteran, arrested for begging in Grand Rapids.

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Benefits change

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — Future, non-union employees of the city, except those in the public safety department, will join their unionized coworkers in doing without open-ended retiree benefit plans.

"Any new full-time employee (will) receive a defined contribution

retirement benefit instead of the current defined benefit pension," according to a decision this week by the City of Grosse Pointe council.

Also, new full-time employees won't receive retiree healthcare accounts, healthcare payments, nor longevity bonuses.

The changes save the city money.

"Over the long term,

moving to a defined contribution plan will lower retirement costs for the city overall," said Kimberly Kleinow, finance director.

Yet, immediate costs will continue to rise.

"Over an approximately 10 to 12-year period, the city's contribution to the defined benefit pension program will likely increase in order to keep that program for existing employees and retirees fully funded with no employee contribu-

tions coming from new hires," Kleinow said.

The switch to a defined contribution pension ends the defined benefit program for new hires, except public safety employees. The public safety exception was agreed to earlier this year during contract talks.

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Gobble it up

By Ann L. Fouty
Features Editor

Tom turkey can yield more than Thanksgiving dinner. Leftover turkey can be used for more than one or two sandwiches. It can be used in soups, salads and casseroles, just ask Joan LeGro Bushnell.

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Bushnell has gathered more than 60 recipes in which the main ingredient is leftover turkey in her cookbook,

"Gobble it Up! A Rafter of Recipes for Leftover Turkey."

The soft cover cookbook stemmed from a conversation she had with her publisher. A writer of plays, melodramas and songs, Bushnell was discussing a wild game cookbook she and her husband had published years ago.

"In the conversation, the publisher came up with a turkey cookbook," she said.

It's a departure from her other forms of writing — "off the stage and into the kitchen," Bushnell said.

With a topic and a publisher, she set about gathering recipes from her moth-

er's collection "Cooking Clips" and her personal collection.

"Mom was a very good cook" she said of why she included her mother's recipes.

When the initial manuscript came in shorter than her publisher wanted, Bushnell added the turkey's history in the United States, along with tips on buying, storing, preparing, cooking and carving a turkey. There also are turkey facts — a turkey has 157 bones and North Carolina annually produces more turkey than any other state.

Published in time for the Canadian's October Thanksgiving celebration, she said, it sold out following its release in Exeter, Ontario, Canada.

"I did a book signing and people went crazy over it," Bushnell said. "It's been going very, very well."

Reprinted in time for the holidays, the book is priced at less than \$12. It can be found at Joyce's Salon & Spa, Fresh Farms Market, Village Market and Jerry's Club Party Store and on Amazon.com.

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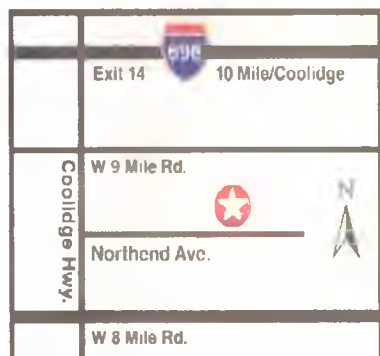
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the Grosse Pointe High School auditorium. Tickets cost \$8.

◆ Grosse Pointe Theatre presents "84 Charing Cross Road" at 8 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

◆ Auditions for "Bartleby Scrivener, A Story of Wall Street" is from 10 a.m. to noon at Grosse Pointe Theatre, 315 Fisher, City of Grosse Pointe. For more information, call the theatre at (313) 881-4004.

MONDAY, NOV. 25

◆ Grosse Pointe Board of Education meets at 7 p.m. in Brownell Middle School.

TUESDAY, NOV. 26

◆ Santa Claus visits the Grosse Pointe Woods's annual "Woods Aglow" tree lighting festivities at 7 p.m. in front of city hall, 20025 Mack Plaza.
◆ An American Red Cross blood drive is from 2 to 7:45 p.m. at Brownell Middle School. To make an appointment, visit redcrossblood.org and use the sponsor code Brownell.

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Stealth antenna OK'd

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — An enclosure that will contain a cellphone antenna has been approved for the roof of the Milk River Pump Station on Grosse Pointe Woods.

On a vote of 6-1 at its Monday night meeting, city council approved the plans for the facility to be built by AT&T.

"This is truly a stealth facility," said councilman Kevin Ketels, explaining why he was voting in favor of the project. "No one will know it's there. It is extremely compatible with the site."

Photo renderings of the planned enclosure showed a brick-like façade identical to the brick on the pump station.

According to the attorney for AT&T, this is exactly what municipalities have told cellphone providers they must do ensure approval towers.

"We're doing what cities want us to do," Wallace Haley told the council. "You have encouraged us to provide stealth technology, meaning hidden antennae and that is what we have done."

Stealth facilities are becoming the industry

norm for cellphone towers. Instead of individual poles with several dishes and cylinders, the antennas are now being placed on existing structures like church steeples and smokestacks.

Or, as evidenced by the facility at the Milk River pump building, they are being placed on rooftops behind facades built to resemble the existing building.

Hayley also cited statistics showing a sharp decline in land line phones, which led one state legislator to discuss eliminating land line service by 2017.

According to the study cited by Hayley, land lines have decreased from nearly 7 million in 2000 to about 2 1/2 million in 2012, while wireless service increased from 3 1/2 million devices to nine million in 2012.

"It's the way the world is going," said councilman Art Bryant.

Concerning the fee AT&T will pay to use the Milk River facility, Mayor Robert Novitke explained the pump house is not owned by Grosse Pointe Woods, but rather sits on land owned by Wayne County and the building is owned by the Milk River Authority, which is a joint project between Grosse Pointe Woods and Harper Woods.

"The money would go to the authority, not Grosse Pointe Woods," Novitke explained.

Residents who objected to the facility indicated it was not just the appearance that had them urging rejection by the council.

"Cell phone towers affect property values," one resident told the council. "If you deliberately place this on the building, then the city should replace our lost property values."

Instead of approving the project, the resident asked the council to form a committee to investigate the affect these antennas have on communities, whether they affect property values and exactly how many cell phone antennas are needed to adequately serve the cellphone needs of a community.

Councilwoman Vicki Granger, the sole no vote, said she agrees with residents who oppose it.

"I'll be voting no," she said. "I have a petition signed by residents who are against this. I'm not against technology, I know it's the wave of the future, but we have to listen to our residents. We don't have documentation from AT&T that they could co-locate this equipment on another site."

RADAR:

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Lake view

As proposed, the radar installation would extend the tower to 70 feet tall.

Agents sought the location, behind Grosse Pointe Memorial Church and next to the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, for an unimpeded sweep of the lower lake, including the indented American shoreline and Canadian waters.

Radar at the Little Club would complement an existing radar station on Gull Island, at the mouth of the St. Clair River, for full coverage of the 268-square-mile lake, agents said.

"It is the most prudent and cost-effective location for radar at this time," Surgeon said of the Farms location.

Adding radar to the camera pole costs about \$10,000, he said.

Starting fresh at a new site costs \$1.2 million, he added.

Safety

Nearby residents opposed the idea from the beginning.

"This started as a 50-foot flagpole with a nautical yardarm and

camera on top," said Mark Weber, representing homeowners on Rose Terrace.

The 50,000-watt set is designed to issue electric pulses lasting 1.8 milliseconds each, for a cumulative daily discharge of 11 seconds.

"It has been deemed safe by independent review," Sturgeon said.

Analysis costing \$2,500 on behalf of the Farms by the Center for Municipal Solutions, which the federal government paid for, questioned the safety of exposing people to regular doses of radar waves.

"The beam will include several nearby homes," according to the center's report. "We recommend that a different site be chosen that would allow the radar to operate in an area where nearby homes and recreation facilities will not be impacted."

The council made its unanimous decision within its dual role as the zoning board of appeals.

Technically, board members rejected the patrol's request for a height variance.

"The maximum permitted height for an accessory structure in the district is 55 feet," John Jackson executive

vice president of McKenna Associates, the Farms planning consultant, wrote in a report to council.

Jackson recommended the variance be denied.

"Adding a taller, moving element would further detract from the aesthetics of the neighborhood," he said.

Councilman Peter Waldmeir, one of three councilmen winning reelection this month on anti-radar platforms, moved to deny the variance because:

◆ agents failed to prove the practical difficulty of establishing radar elsewhere, and

◆ the additional tower height, even by 6-inches, isn't in harmony with the surrounding neighborhood and "would substantially interfere with the rights of nearby property owners."

Agents said they can't put radar on Peche Island because it's in Canada.

They also can't put it on a navigation tower in the lower lake because of opposition from the Coast Guard.

A potential alternative is Mariner's Park, formerly known as Angel Park, in Detroit across a canal from Grosse Pointe Park.



Lights up

The St. Clair Shores Light Up the Night event takes place from 6-9 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 21 along Mack Avenue south of 9 Mile. Food, entertainment and a chance to donate to charity is just a small part of all the festivities on the schedule. Businesses will offer specials for the holidays.

Foundation swings donation for Neff Park

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — There's likely to be a lot of monkeying around this spring at Neff Park.

A new jungle gym is being installed by donation from the City of Grosse Pointe Foundation.

There is no cost to the city itself.

A rendering of the rig features ladders, rock walls, a two-story platform and numerous protrusions for children to crawl over, slide under, hang from and sneak through, whether pretending to scale a fortress or sail a pirate ship.

Foundation members are paying for the equipment and its installation, which totals about

\$50,000, according to Peter Dame, city manager.

The only thing the foundation requested is to be indemnified and held harmless "from claims that might arise from someone injured on the new playground equipment," according to Charles Kennedy III, city attorney.

The City also will be insured against claims under its general policy.

"Indemnifying the Foundation should result in no additional cost of liability to the city," Kennedy said.

The foundation is a private organization that funds community improvements.

"The foundation, to which I've contributed over the years, has done a lot of wonderful proj-

ects that we don't have in our budgets to do," said Mayor Dale Scrace. "The more people we can get involved, the better our community is."

Recent foundation donations to Neff Park include:

- ◆ hanging flower planters,
- ◆ ice skating rink,
- ◆ restoration of the eagle statues.

Projects in other parts to the city include, but aren't limited to:

- ◆ the arched clock in the Village,
- ◆ Kressbach Place in the Village,
- ◆ arched entrance to Elworthy Field and
- ◆ decorative street signs.

For more information about the foundation, visit citofgrossepointe-foundation.org.

PARK:

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attic of a rental unit with five other members of his family, including small children.

Since May, residents have met with members of the city council, the city attorney and the city manager to put together a new ordinance requiring the licensing of landlords and rental units and better oversight by the city of rental units.

Under the new ordinance, landlords will be required to acquire a

Landlord Business License from the city. Landlords will also be required to register rental units with the city, indicating the maximum number of tenants allowed. The number of tenants allowed will be based on the International Property Maintenance Code, which sets occupancy based on bedroom sizes. Annual registration will be required.

In addition, every rental unit must have a city-issued Certificate of Occupancy, which will not be issued unless the unit is registered with the

city. The Certificate of Occupancy must be displayed in the rental unit.

A final fee structure has not been determined, but should be in place before the ordinance comes before council for final approval, which could come at the council's December meeting.

"We took our time and did it right," said council member Dan Clark, who serves on the Park's Ordinance Review Committee.

The ordinance is available at grossepointepark.org, under the City Clerk section.

POLICE:

Continued from page 1A investigation of this matter.

"The Grosse Pointe Park Public Safety Department does not tolerate unprofessional conduct by its officers when

interacting with any citizens they may come in contact with."

The investigation was launched after the owner of the website, Steve Neavling, said he had about a dozen videos he had confirmed came from cellphones used by

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Park public safety Director David Hiller declined comment on the investigation.

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OUR VIEW

Welcome,
holiday
chaos

The fun starts early Friday, Nov. 29, when the sound of jingle bells fill the streets, first with the annual Lions Club Happy Holiday Jingle Bell walk/run.

Participants run or walk the 2.5-mile route. All proceeds go to charities of the Grosse Pointe Lions Club.

The Lions Club invites runners to continue the holiday tradition of wearing jingle bells during the event. The participant with the most bells will win a prize and be part of the Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade, which follows the run along Kercheval at 10 a.m.

Day of race entry fee is \$25 for adults and \$15 for children. Participants are entered into a drawing for T-shirts and prizes. Registration begins at 8 a.m. at the John & Marlene Boll athletic center on Fisher, Grosse Pointe Farms.

More information is available in a special supplement in this week's paper for the Grosse Pointe Lions Club.

Parade fever

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce is putting the finishing touches on this year's Santa Claus Parade, which makes its way along Kercheval through the Hill to Cadioux in the Village.

The Chamber will join the Grosse Pointe News, St. Clair Shores Connection, Woodward One Media, Don Gooley Cadillac and George Koueiter Jewelers as sponsors of livestreaming the parade at grossepointenews.com.

The parade will feature Ted Everingham as host, as he guides viewers through the 38th year of this Grosse Pointe tradition.

Live coverage begins at 9:45 a.m. More details, including the parade lineup, will be in next week's Grosse Pointe News. Delivery of the GPN will be Wednesday because of Thanksgiving.

Check out the Holiday Gift Guide, which features dozens of local businesses.

White Christmas

There's no guarantee Mother Nature will cooperate, but the Grosse Pointe Theatre will. Tickets are available for its presentation of Irving Berlin's White Christmas at gpt.org.

It's amazing to see the work going into the December shows. The Nov. 28 edition will feature more about the presentation.

The Grosse Pointe area is fortunate to have a dedicated cast, crew and dozens of behind-the-scenes volunteers who produce quality community theatre, show after show, year after year.

We're honored to partner with such a great group in this community.

City listened

Grosse Pointe Park has listened to residents concerned about the lack of rental property regulations.

The city's proposed ordinance requiring landlords to register rental units and acquire a Landlord Business License is a step in the right direction.

The ordinance, under the city clerk section of grossepointepark.org, could come before council for a vote at its December meeting.

The ordinance will help the city monitor the maximum number of tenants at a property and hold landlords accountable for their rentals.

Once approved, effective enforcement will be the next challenge.

But for Grosse Pointe Park, this is a good move. It places responsibility in the hands of the landlords. We welcome your thoughts at jwarner@grossepointenews.com.

KEN SCHOP



LETTERS

The Grosse Pointe News welcomes your letters to the editor. All letters should be typed, double-spaced and signed. Longer letters may be edited for length and all letters may be edited for content. We reserve the right to refuse any letter. Include a daytime phone number for verification or questions. The deadline for letters is 3 p.m. Monday. Letters to the Editor can be e-mailed to jwarner@grossepointenews.com.

Care package drive

To the Editor:

This year's Veterans Day had a special poignancy for my family. It was special.

I am a proud spouse of 22 years to an active duty U.S. Marine Corps officer but this year I'm also the mother of two active duty Marines. Our sons, 19 and 22, joined the United States

Marine Corps this past year and now serve in uniform with their father.

Over the course of my husband's career, I have often heard people thank my husband for his service and sacrifice. The sentiment has always been appreciated.

As a military family, we have felt the pain of a year-long deployment separation, the worry of combat duty and the

often uprooting of our family, but truly we have felt blessed to shoulder these trials to have a role in protecting our great nation.

Yet, I can honestly say this year is the first time I've really felt true sacrifice.

It is hard to explain the difference between sending your spouse to combat and sending your children. It's just different. Maybe it is because you still see them as the sweet babies they once were.

We could not be prouder of our sons and all the "sons" we have adopted in their units. They are fine, remarkable young men with great personal courage and love of country.

It was with her brothers in mind that our daughter, Marissa, a senior at Grosse Pointe North High School; and

Grosse Pointe South High School senior, Christy Tech, also sister of two Grosse Pointe Marines, organized the "Supporting Our Own" care package drive.

The effort culminated this past week at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial with teens from both schools packaging 50 boxes for Lance Cpl. Chad Tech's unit in Afghanistan.

We will ship another round of boxes when our son, Lance Cpl. Josh Stinson, deploys to Afghanistan in the spring.

I want to thank the Grosse Pointes for their response of support and donations to our effort.

Thank you for remembering our local service members who are defending this country so far from home.

TONI STINSON
Grosse Pointe Shores

GUEST OPINION By Sen. Bert Johnson

Fund prosecutor's office

Responsible legislators and executives fully fund their crucial expenditures.

Recognizing the significance crime plays as a barrier to Detroit's revitalization and the general well-being of citizens and visitors alike, it is reckless to underfund the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office.

It was recently reported Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy's office is so underfunded that she lacks the necessary staff to investigate cases and obtain arrest warrants. This puts us at a significantly higher risk of danger because we know there are lawbreakers running free throughout our communities.

Prosecutor Worthy estimates that 40 murder-

ers, 180 child abusers and 150 sexual predators are not in the process of being brought to justice as a result of her office's lack of funds. She lost 61 attorneys as a result of the county's refusal to adequately appropriate dollars for her use.

The Wayne County Commission and Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano must free up emergency money so the office may begin running effectively. To do anything less would be a severe dereliction of duties, particularly considering how much was allocated for and spent on a planned new jail facility.

Last year, I was appointed to a bipartisan task force, called the Indigent Defense Commission, comprised of legislators, prosecuting and defense attorneys, judges, justice ad-

vocates and other stakeholders in the legal community. Though our work was focused on improving county public defenders offices across the state and ensuring a minimum floor of parity across the state's 83 counties, many times Wayne County suffered the same sentiments that Prosecutor Worthy received when she met with other big-city prosecutors in Washington, D.C., last month: bewilderment at how such a large county can operate with such paltry appropriations.

The sad reality is the office cannot function properly while lacking so much necessary funding.

There are suspects whose cases have been investigated by the police already, but since the prosecutor's office has not had the resources to

file charges in the case after a review, these potentially dangerous individuals are free to move as they please throughout our neighborhoods.

Executive Ficano and the elected Wayne County Commission absolutely must work together and with prosecutor Worthy to provide the dollars needed for her to effectively run her office.

The safety of our children and seniors, the strength of our neighborhoods and communities, and improved quality of life we all wish to enjoy in Detroit and Wayne County are dependent upon this issue being promptly resolved.

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GUEST OPINION By Matthew R. Rumora

Texting and phone use ban

Legally speaking: On Oct. 28 a new law went into effect banning text messaging and mobile telephone use by commercial motor vehicle and school bus drivers.

The law prohibits the driver from reading, manually typing or sending a text message on a communication device that is in the person's hand or lap, while operating a commercial motor vehicle or a school bus on a street

or highway. This law does not apply to a global positioning or navigation system affixed to the vehicle.

The law also prohibits a driver of a commercial motor vehicle or bus from using a hand-held mobile telephone to conduct a voice communication while operating a commercial motor vehicle or bus.

The driver is also barred from using the mobile telephone while temporarily stopped due to traffic, a traffic control device

or other momentary delays.

This law does not apply in a situation where the driver has moved the vehicle off the road, or to the side of the road in a location where the vehicle can safely remain stationary.

Nevertheless, a person is not violating this law when he or she is using a device to report a traffic accident, medical emergency, a serious road hazard, reporting a situation in which his or her personal safety is in jeopardy,

reporting a crime or carrying out official duties as a law enforcement officer, fireman or operating an emergency vehicle.

Those who violate this law will be assessed a civil fine of \$100 for a first violation, and \$200 for subsequent violations.

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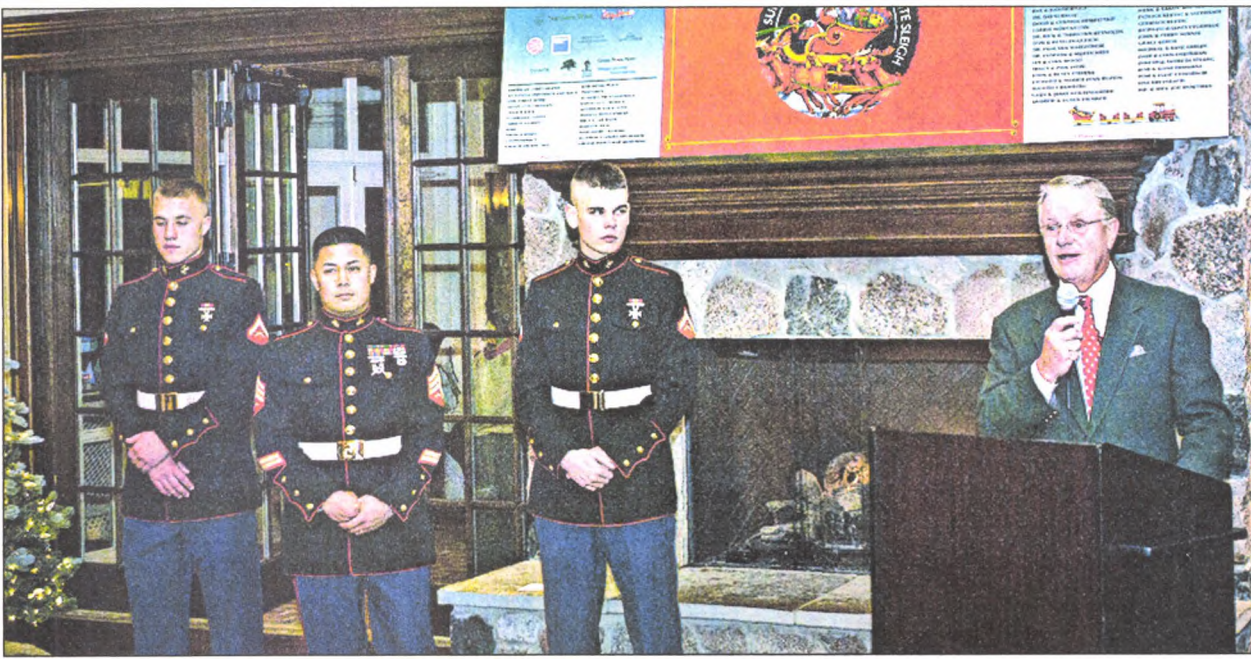
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building.

Claire Wengel, 5, of the Farms, took the opportunity to write a letter to Santa.

"She wrote, 'I love you Santa,' and asked for a cleaning kit for Christmas," said Claire's mother, Jennifer Wengel. "It has a little broom. We'll put her to work."

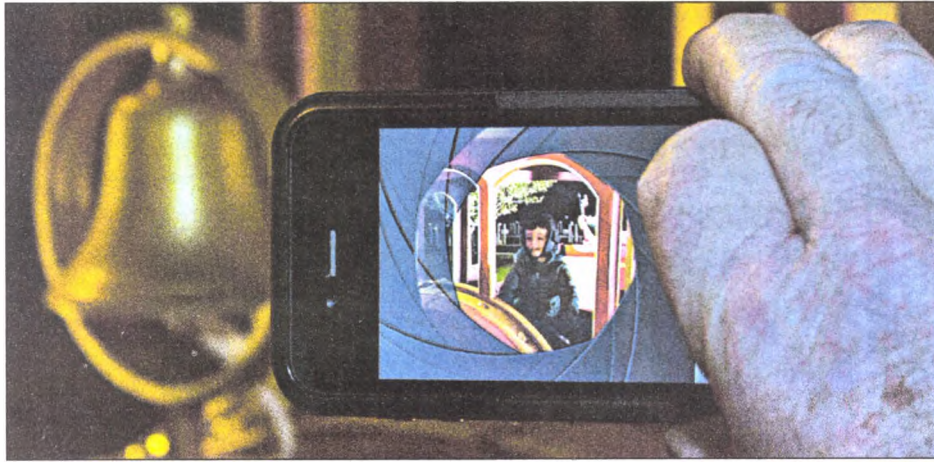
Sadie Ermanni, 4, of the Farms, wants a Christmas tree stuffed animal, said her mother, Aline Katie Ermanni.

Two of the Theatre's child actresses, Emma Huber, 11, of the Farms, and Hope Kulka, 12, of Harper Woods, circulated through the event dressed as Santa's elves.

"We're asking kids what they want for Christmas and if they've been naughty or nice," said Huber.

"One little kid thought I was scary and couldn't wait to back away from me," Kulka said.

Proceeds from the event pay for the Friends' floats and related activi-



PHOTOS BY JOHN MCTAGGART

ties, such as helping sponsor the Village Aglow Tree Lighting ceremony. Parked outside the party were the Friends' five floats scheduled to appear in the parade, produced by the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce, starting at 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 29. The route begins on Kercheval a few blocks

above the Hill commercial district in Grosse Pointe Farms and ends at Cadieux in the Village.

The Village Christmas Tree lighting ceremony starts at 5:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 22, at the corner of Kercheval and St. Clair in the City.

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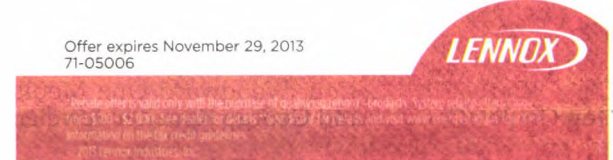


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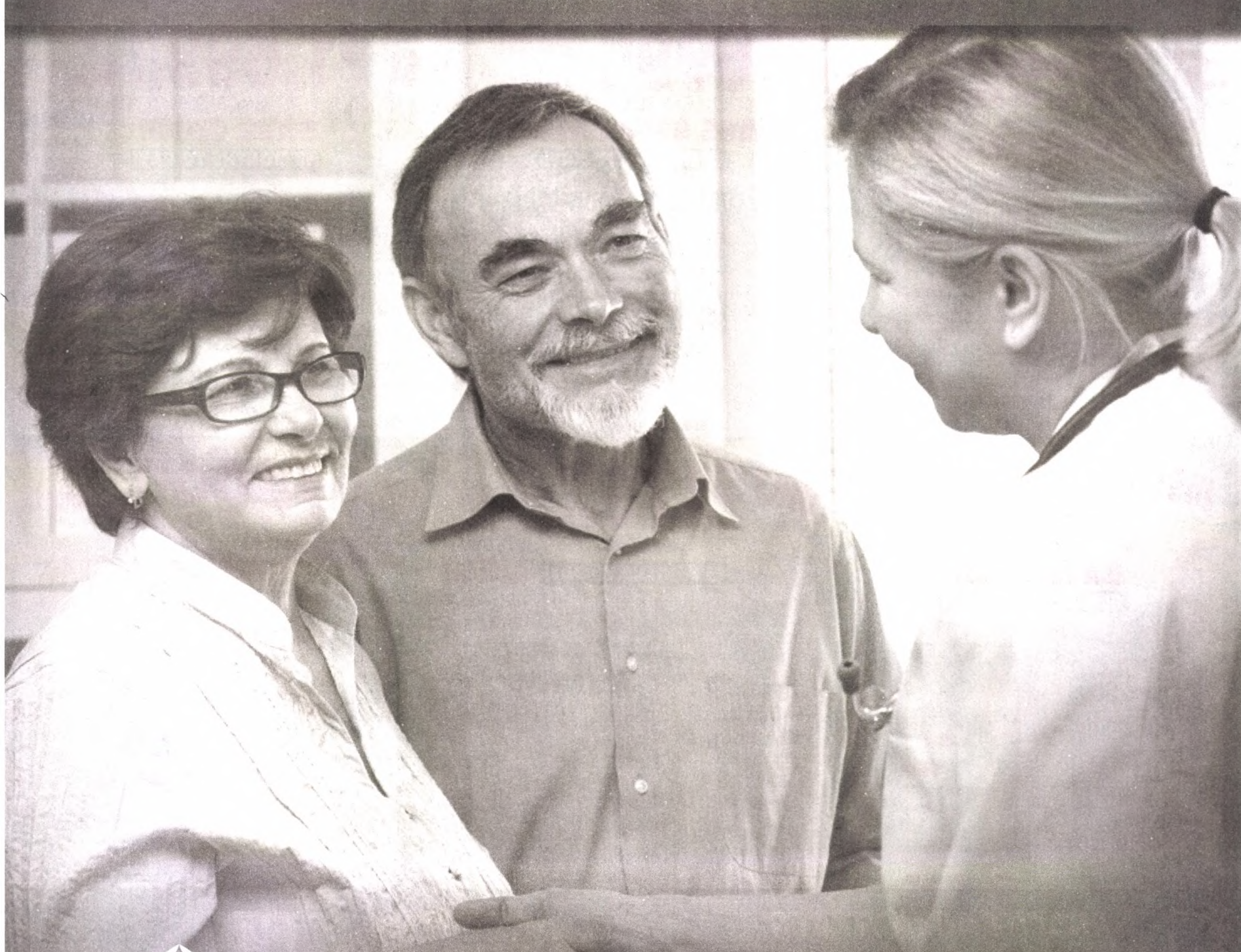
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Jacob Kempton, a student from North, recites a poem he wrote.



North student Elizabeth Marck's "Summer Rain" is a piece she wrote and presented Friday.

Faces of inspiration

Eleven students representing seven high schools from across metro Detroit added their voices to the global conversation Friday during Grosse Pointe North High School's GPNspire Talks, as they shared stories or poems or personal anecdotes meant to evoke laughter, to evoke tears, to evoke thought, and most importantly, to inspire.

tations about ways to improve life, daring to be different, leadership, finding one's voice and other topics.

The event, co-coordinated by North teachers Gary Abud and Jonathan Byrne, originated from the idea that students have voices worth listening to and messages worth contributing to the larger, global conversation.

The students, from St. Clair Shores Lakeview; North; West Bloomfield; Birmingham Seaholm; St. Clair Shores Lakeshore and Fraser, gave five-minute presen-

It was modeled after the TED Talks format. Proceeds from the event benefited the Kids Without Cancer and Make-A-Wish Michigan charities.



North's Nicole Haggerty sought inspiration for her speech from her former teacher, Brian Aulph, who passed away in February.

Tree of life



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Students hang their leaves on the tree dedicated to Brian Aulph.

By A.J. Hakim
 Staff Writer

Though the air brisk and the rain steady and frequent, members of the Parcels Middle School community still gathered in the courtyard outside the school office Monday, Nov. 11, for a dedication ceremony honoring Brian Aulph, a Spanish teacher who passed away in February due to complications from heart surgery.

He was 36. "I had Mr. Aulph for two years," said Nikki Haggerty, a junior at Grosse Pointe North High School. "He was absolutely my best friend. I don't care how old he was; he was my best friend ... It's been hard, but I think days like this really help, and I know a lot of people feel just like I do."

In Aulph's honor, the Parcels student council dedicated a park bench;

table and tree, on which were orange paper leaves, and on each leaf a personal note or memory from a student. The council's hope, advisor Brian McDonald said, is for students to have a space to remember Aulph and to "just sit and enjoy what a wonderful place Parcels is."

"We chose this spot in part because ... at the end of the year, Mr. Aulph took great pride, at the end of the year at the faculty barbecue, making ribs for all of us," McDonald said. "It was one of his greatest joys was standing out here making ribs for all teachers to eat."

Another of Aulph's greatest joys, his students, withstood the harsh weather conditions to celebrate their former teacher's life and to show how the passion and love he had for his students were reciprocated. "Mr. Aulph was my

favorite part of the day, every day at school," said Josh Groszkowski, a junior at North. "Just being able to see him, his stories, his everything, just made my day and I think influenced me as a person even up until now and probably for the rest of my life."

In addition to students and teachers, Aulph's father, sister and wife, Holly Benzler Aulph, also spoke, sharing anecdotes and stories of Aulph's legacy as a teacher, a son, a husband and a father, as well as his love of country and God.

"I can't help but think that today of all days, Veterans Day, was also a fine detail," Benzler Aulph said. "If you knew Mr. Aulph, you knew the love he had for his country and the importance he placed on honoring and remembering veterans. I can't think of a better, more meaningful way to celebrate his life than what we are doing today."

Proposal deadline is nigh

By A.J. Hakim
 Staff Writer

With the Dec. 17 deadline for adopting a resolution and submitting a bond proposal for the February election fast approaching, the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education has just a few weeks to decide the fate of a multi-series, \$50-million proposal for a technology bond.

Its hope is to resolve the issue and adopt a resolution at its next meeting Monday, Nov. 25; though, questions and concerns remain for some board members, particularly concerns regarding the community's willingness to approve such a hefty financial burden.

A multi-series bond, at \$50,280,000 over 10 years, means an additional 2.28 mills — about a \$350 tax increase on a house with a taxable value of \$150,000.

"I have a real fear of nothing passing," trustee Cindy Pangborn said during Monday's meeting. "I don't think we're really looking at some of the hard things that are happening in this com-

munity right now. I do think we have to give the community a choice of need."

That choice of need Pangborn alludes to is a consideration, brought forth by her and trustee Tom Jakubiec, to divide the proposal into two separate proposals, one for infrastructure and other necessities and the other for "above-and-beyond" items.

Having the two proposals, they said, increases the likelihood of one passing, with the hope of the other passing as well. Others on the board disagree.

"The infrastructure is the higher cost, and if that's the piece that goes down, then the rest of it makes no sense whatsoever because we wouldn't be able to use it," said Judy Gafa, treasurer. "We'd have a bunch of equipment that we can't use. I think we're going to have to hope that our community understands what we're presenting to them and that they pass it."

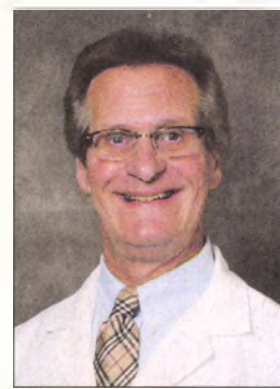
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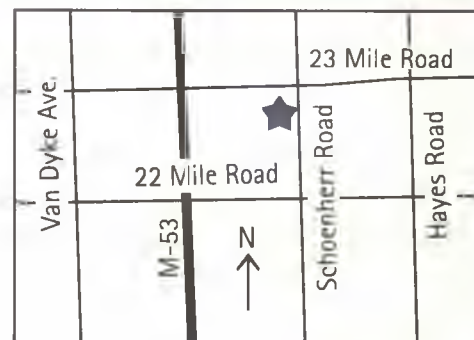
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Chasing childhood dreams

Making a difference

The following is the fifth installation in a series of articles about Grosse Pointe North High School's second class of Distinguished Alumni Award recipients. Each week leading up to the ceremony Friday, Nov. 22, the Grosse Pointe News will feature a biography of the six recipients. This week's alum is Ted Coutilish, class of 1982.

Ted Coutilish lives his life according to the famous Wayne Gretzky line, "You miss 100 percent of the shots you never take."

This philosophy has helped Coutilish, the associate vice president of marketing at Eastern Michigan University, distinguish himself professionally in marketing and leadership and personally within the Grosse Pointe community and as an advocate for Fragile X Syndrome, a genetic condition that causes behavioral and learning challenges, physical and intellectual disabilities.

His son, Andrew, a sixth grader at Parcels Middle School, has Fragile X and Autism.

"Ted has unique talents and immediately set about the task of using those talents to help his son and all families impacted by Fragile X," said Jeffrey Cohen, director of government affairs and advocacy for the National Fragile X Foundation. "He has made a real difference in the Fragile X world..."

Coutilish has also made a difference in marketing and communications at EMU. In his current role, Coutilish has been credited for creating a new logo, tagline, identity system and innovative integrated marketing under the "TRUEMU" campaign. The campaign, his friend and for-



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Ted Coutilish, Grosse Pointe North High School Class of 1982, then and now.

mer classmate at Grosse Pointe North High School Dave Wieczorek said, has led to increased enrollment, improved image perceptions and attendance at home football and basketball games.

Coutilish attributes his current success to several factors: his mother, Sue, who instilled in him the "value of hard work, being relentless, resilient and reliable"; and his childhood desire to become a sports reporter, which he gained through watching Oscar Madison in *The Odd Couple* on television, and the skills learned in his pursuit of a journalism career.

"Although I am no longer in that field, the journalism skills I learned (from Richard Amberg) at GPN help me each and every day," said Coutilish, who also worked as a reporter for the *Port Huron Times-Herald* and *Advisor* in Utica, and as an editor for *Sport Detroit Magazine* in Bloomfield Hills and as managing editor for the *Associated Newspapers*. "Those include an insatiable curiosity, writing succinctly, editing relentlessly and ruthlessly, and

using 'strong verbs in headlines.'"

During the past 20-plus years, Coutilish has amassed more than 30 communication awards from International Association of Business Communicators, IABC Detroit and the Council for Advancement and Support of Education. Most recently, he earned the 2012 IABC Detroit Communicator of the Year Award, the chapter's highest honor; and he and his wife, Mary Beth Langan, received the Halstead-Bresnahan Family Award at the 13th Annual International Fragile X Conference in Miami, Fla.

"I have known Ted for more than 30 years," Wieczorek said. "I admire his determination, advocacy and resiliency. He and his wife, Mary Beth, are an inspiration."

Honoree ceremony

The induction ceremony for Grosse Pointe North's second class of Distinguished Alumni honorees is at 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 22, at the Grosse Pointe Performing Arts Center.

The event is free and open to the public.

A reel dream

The following is the sixth and final installation in a series of articles about Grosse Pointe North High School's second class of Distinguished Alumni Award recipients. Each week leading up to the ceremony Friday, Nov. 22, the Grosse Pointe News featured a biography of the six recipients. Steve Jones, class of 1970, concludes the series.

As a child, Steve Jones only ever wanted to fish.

That, or play baseball. But something in particular about fish and fishing and the outdoors had a lure on Jones, from the memorable sight of his Uncle Dave bringing home a muskie caught from the shore to Jones' camping and fishing trips with his father to summer days in Grosse Pointe, where he'd ride his bike to the park and fish morning to night.

"I was always intrigued by fish and fishing," said Jones, who turned a childhood love of fishing into a career as a muskie charter captain and fishing guide.

It's a childhood passion and career that almost never materialized. Despite Jones' intrigue toward fishing, his first career choice was a conservation officer for the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, then a police detective. For each position, he found while researching a school project his freshman year in high school, there was a minimum height requirement — 5'7 for police and 5'8 for a conservation officer — that Jones didn't meet.

"This newly found information was very disappointing but would not change the fact that I wanted to work in the outdoors," Jones said. "I soon gave up the thought of becoming a conserva-



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One of St. Clair's most successful muskie charter captains, Capt. Steve Jones shows off a fresh catch.

tion officer or police detective, and without direction, I interviewed for a manager trainee position at Burger King."

Through Burger King, Jones attended Whopper College and became a store supervisor within a year's time and assistant district manager for seven locations soon after.

But he never neglected his passion for fishing. He used money earned from his new position to purchase a boat.

All the while, he made friends with Homer LeBlanc and Hank Bradley, both well-known muskie fishing guides, and also tested for and earned his U.S. Coast Guard Captain's license. Before long, he left Burger King to become a fishing guide.

"I may have not been rich, but I was working outdoors on the lake which was a dream," said Jones, considered one of St. Clair's most successful muskie charter captains and foremost authorities in the field. "In a million years, I never thought being a fishing guide for a living would have been possible

until this time."

In his 40-plus years on the waters, Jones has accumulated several accolades. He has been featured in fishing publications and TV shows, as well as contributed a few articles to *In-Fisherman Magazine*; he has won multiple fishing tournaments across the Great Lakes and has earned *World of Fishing's* Fisherman of the Year.

"What really helps with my success is the fact that Lake St. Clair is a very special lake," Jones said. "It is not only the best fishing hole on the planet, but the very best muskie lake as well."

While Lake St. Clair's status as a muskie lake has contributed to Jones' success, Joyce Cook, his mother, attributes her son's success to other, more personal factors. "Patience, perseverance, and hard work were the keys to a rewarding and successful career, resulting from a childhood dream into a reality," Cook said.

Jones also donates his charters to charities for activities such as taking children with special needs fishing.

Pierce teacher named emerging leader

Pierce Middle School teacher Andrea Lappin-Roth was named a PDK Emerging Leader for her dedication to helping students struggling in their learning.

"While it can be frustrating to see a child struggle with individual concepts or fall behind their peers," Lappin-Roth said, "the most important thing to do is to concentrate on progress that has occurred and meet each new concept as a challenge that can be overcome when students, parents, and teachers work together."

In addition to leading the district's elementary summer school program and serving as a resource room teacher, Lappin-Roth was recently admitted into the educational leadership and policy study doctoral program at Wayne State University.

"Andrea's most worthy of the honor and we are

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Players set for production

A Pointe Players production, "Rehearsal for Murder," opens at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 21, and runs through Saturday, Nov. 23, with all three performances at the Grosse Pointe South High School auditorium.

The production tells the story of a noted playwright, Alex Dennison, who's devastated from the apparent suicide of his fiancée, Monica

Welles, an actress, after her Broadway debut in one of his plays. Suspicious of the details surrounding her death, Dennison, on the one-year anniversary, arranges a cast and crew reunion.

To Dennison, Welles was murdered. He believes someone from the cast committed the act, and he's determined to find out who did it.

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for students and seniors and are available online at showtix4u.com and at Posterity: A Gallery in the Village of Grosse Pointe.

BOND: Concerns remain for tech bond proposal

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is scheduled for 2014 and accounts for \$35 million, while the second series is set for 2017 and accounts for the remaining \$15 million.

The first series would mostly upgrade and improve the district's infrastructure, technology and security systems, and the second series would cover the cost of necessary device and system refreshes.

This configuration has raised concern among some board members as to the recurring costs after the initial system and device refreshes and

its potential future impact financially on taxpayers.

"I have this fiscal uneasiness about living beyond our means and shifting the cost to taxpayers because it's going to become a permanent tax," said Lois Valente, secretary. "I don't really see us not renewing a tech bond; I don't see us not renewing a sinking fund."

Despite her concerns, Valente has said she's ready to move the bond forward, as are most others on the board, and allow the community to determine its fate.

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Holiday strolling

The Mothers' Club of Grosse Pointe South High School is kicking off the holidays in style with its Holiday Walk, a tour of five of Grosse Pointe's most beautiful homes and South's Cleminson Hall.

This year's tour, which is from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8, includes stops at the following homes:

- ◆ Mediterranean-inspired stucco home, built in 1928, that features a recently renovated kitchen, decorated specially for a merry and playful holiday;

- ◆ Tudor mansion, from 1929 and designed by acclaimed architect Leonard B. Willeke, with finely laid brick work, ashlar, carved stone and Pewabic tile;

- ◆ French colonial home, built in 1941, with two additions — an updated kitchen and pool room with cathedral ceilings — decorated with holiday décor throughout the home;

- ◆ three-story, 1933 Tudor with an 18-foot arched ceiling in the living room that also features a 16-foot Christmas tree; and

- ◆ a 15,000 square foot sprawling historic build-

ing, built by the Newberry Family in 1929 as a nurse's residence for the former Cottage Hospital on the Hill, now remodeled as the Services for Older Citizens home. The home is filled with unique touches and holiday cheer.

Adding to the festive atmosphere, South student singers and musicians will perform seasonal music at the homes.

Local merchants have also donated items for the Holiday Walk raffle, and shopping and refreshments will be available at the Holiday Hub at South from noon to 5 p.m.

Tickets are \$20 in advance — \$15 for seniors — or \$25 at the door and are available at Posterity: A Gallery, The Chocolate Bar Café and online at motherclubgps.com.

Event sponsors are Beaumont Spirit of Women, gold sponsor; Park Pharmacy, silver sponsor; and UBS, bronze sponsor.

Proceeds benefit the Mothers' Club of Grosse Pointe South Scholarship, Enrichment and Preservation initiatives.

Open House is a success

The Grosse Pointe Public School System held its second annual Open House Sunday, Nov. 10, offering perspective families and students a glimpse into life at each of the district's 15 schools.

In all, 152 children visited the schools. Of them, 63 attended one of the elementary, 34 the middle schools and 55 the high schools.

"It was a very productive and successful day for our second annual open house," said Tom Harwood, district superintendent.

Harwood said two children who visited Sunday have already enrolled in the district and will start next month.

"It's a great marketing strategy," said Joan Dindoffer, board president.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Seventh graders Shreya Rana and Liz Acker, of Brownell Middle School, tell the Ives family about the school's vault during the second annual Open House. The Ives — Heidi, Austin, Emily and Kathryn — moved to Grosse Pointe in the summer.

Sound of music

"Hi, I'm Sasha."

So said French violinist Alexandra Soumm, in town recently to play the Sibelius Concerto for Violin and Orchestra with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, before performing and giving a master class to five University Liggett School violinists.

At 24, and with her long hair pulled back into a ponytail, Soumm looked no older than the students she stood before.

Soumm started playing the violin at 5 years old and gave her first concert at 7. For the better part of the last decade, she has toured the world playing with various orchestras.

In response to her

desire to work with students, the DSO brought her to Liggett, where she offered a master class to students in grades three — when Liggett's strings programs begin — through eight.

A handful of upper school students, with serious interests in the violin, attended as well.

For a master class, students play for a master, who then critiques their work, offering tips and advice for the entire audience.

In her role as master, Soumm proved respectful and supportive, and the students implemented her advice to immediate, discernable improvement in their performances.



PHOTO COURTESY OF RON BERNAS

French violinist Alexandra Soumm discusses technique with Cole Zingas during the master class.



PHOTOS COURTESY OF NANCY REITH

The Garcia Family at the ELL Information Night. The Garcias have students at Ferry Elementary School, Parcels Middle School and Grosse Pointe North High School.

Mason hosts ELL info night

Mason Elementary School hosted its annual English Language Learners Family Information Night Thursday, Nov. 14, at the school gymnasium.

More than 80 people attended the event, which featured dinner and a detailed PowerPoint presentation about Grosse Pointe pub-

lic schools and community.

Nancy Reith, the ELL coordinator, was on hand to answer questions and provide additional information, as were ELL assistants and interpreters for parents. Any students attending the event were entertained by and read to Jones, a therapy dog.



Kristina Sabas, a kindergartner at Mason Elementary School, is from the Philippines.

TEACHER:

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proud of her accomplishments," said Gary Buslepp, Pierce principal. "For the past two years, she has led our elementary summer school enrichment and support program in Grosse Pointe."

For her recognition, Lappin-Roth — and 25 others — is invited to a

weekend networking event in December. PDK International, the education association who recognized Lappin-Roth, will host her and the others in Washington, D.C., where they'll meet with federal education policymakers and share best practices with each other.

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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.

Walter Albrecht III

Former Grosse Pointe Woods resident Walter Albrecht III, 58, died Friday, Nov. 1, 2013.

He is survived by his parents, Gretchen and Walter Jr.; sister, Mary Gretchen Schiessler (John); nephew, Don Schiessler; niece, Karen Pangborn (Mick) and great-nephews, Hayley and Tyler.

Mr. Albrecht was retired from Chrysler Corporation. He was a fan of athletics at the University of Michigan and was a former director of the M Club in Detroit. He enjoyed spending time around Higgins Lake in northern Michigan.

A funeral service was held Nov. 20 at A.H. Peters Funeral Home, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Donations may be made to Higgins Lake Foundation, 207 Terrace Drive, Roscommon, MI 48863 or at higginslake-foundation.org.

Margaret C. Damman

Longtime Grosse Pointe Woods resident Margaret C. Damman, 89, passed away peacefully Sunday, Nov. 17, 2013.

She was born Feb. 27, 1924, in Detroit, to Roy and Ruby (nee Leek) Hines.

She married Warren E. Damman in 1945 in Grosse Pointe, where they raised their six children.

Mrs. Damman was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, enjoyed spending time with her family at their cottage near Lexington, taking walks on the beach and sitting around bonfires. She loved to paint, play the organ and enjoyed working as a volunteer at Cottage Hospital.

Her family said she was an energetic person who loved life, her dogs and spending time with her family.

Mrs. Damman is survived by her children, Lynda Grippi, Diane Laney (William), Warren Damman (Susan), Ronald Damman (Janice) and Suzanne (George) Scandalis; cherished grandchildren, Steven Laney (Liz), David Laney, Lisa Mannino (Charles), Laurie Schafer (Bradley), Jonathan Grippi, Christopher Damman (Jennifer), Michael Damman, Tripp Damman, William Damman, Joanna Damman, Warren Damman and Jason Damman and great-grandchildren, Taylor Laney, Allison Laney, Christopher Damman, Benjamin Damman, Morgan Mannino, Anthony Mannino and Lilah Schafer.

She also is survived by her brother, William (Georgina) Hines.

She was predeceased by her husband, Warren; son, Roger and son-in-law, Frank Grippi.

Visitation will be from 2 to 9 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 24, at Chas. Verheyden Funeral Home, 16300 Mack, Grosse Pointe Park. A rosary will be recited at 7 p.m.

A memorial Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Monday, Nov. 25, at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, 22412 Overlake, St. Clair Shores.

Visitation begins at 9:30 a.m. at the church.

James J. Trebilcote

Grosse Pointe resident James J. Trebilcote, 96, former president and CEO of American Natural Resources (previously Michigan-Wisconsin Pipeline) and World War II captain in the U.S. Army Air Corps, died peacefully Monday, Nov. 18, 2013.

He was predeceased by his wife, Maureen, and is survived by his children, Ronald Trebilcote (Lois), Katherine Richard (Philip) and Michael Trebilcote; grandchildren, Shelby Jackson (Deron), Ron Trebilcote Jr. (Elizabeth), Michael Trebilcote Jr. (Katherine) and Elizabeth Maxim (Aaron) and great-grandchildren, Kaila, Lauren, Christopher, Kristen, Jacob, Kevin, Dylan and Hunter.

A memorial service will take place at a later date at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Funeral arrangements are being handled by Chas. Verheyden, Inc., verheyden.org.

Rose Marie Rossi

City of Grosse Pointe resident Rose Marie Rossi, 94, died Sunday, Nov. 17, 2013, following a brief illness.

Born May 21, 1919, in Detroit, she attended St. Catherine's School, St. Clare of Montefalco School and graduated from Grosse Pointe High School.

Miss Rossi began her career working at Michigan Consolidated Gas Company and then Great Lakes Transmission. Her first job, in the secretarial pool, led to several promotions. For the last 15 years of her career, she served as the administrative assistant to the president of Great Lakes Transmission.

Miss Rossi was an avid amateur musician and played for the exercise classes at Services for Older Citizens for many years. Her family said although classically trained, she also played by ear and could play back a song she had heard only once or twice.

During World War II, Miss Rossi served as a Gray Lady at the Veteran's Hospital. She volunteered at Children's Hospital in Detroit for more than 20 years and 15 years with the Girl Scouts.

Miss Rossi traveled extensively in the United States and Europe. Her favorite places to travel were Mexico and Hawaii.

St. Clare of Montefalco Church has been an anchor for Miss Rossi's faith life. She was a member of the Arch-Confraternity, accepted the responsibility of managing the kitchen for more than 20 years and volunteered in the church offices.

Miss Rossi is survived by her sisters, Mary Ogle (Roy), Jeanne Juarez (Manuel); nieces and nephews, Ronald Rossi (Carole), Elizabeth Soby, Deborah Knous, Frank Rossi (Linda), Susan Miceli (George), David Rossi (Sheryl), Joseph Rossi (Diane), Judith Ellis (Edward), William Ogle, Kathleen Faba (Richard), Mary Lynn Ogle and many grand and great-grand nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her parents, Elizabeth and Joseph Rossi and sisters, Concetta Rossi, Dalina Knous, Angela and

Yolanda Rossi; brothers, Dominic Rossi, Anthony Rossi, Louis Rossi, Frank Rossi and nieces, Joan Rossi and Lori Rossi.

Visitation will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 22, at Chas. Verheyden Funeral Home, 16300 Mack, Grosse Pointe Park.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 23, at St. Clare of Montefalco Church, 1401 Whittier, Grosse Pointe Park. Visitation begins at the church at 10:30 a.m.

Donations may be made to St. Clare of Montefalco School, 16231 Charlevoix, Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230; the Augustinians, 5401 S. Cornell Ave., Chicago, IL 60615-5664 or to SOC, 159 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

Ronald W. Hicks

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Ronald W. Hicks, 85, passed away Tuesday, Nov. 12, 2013.

Mr. Hicks was born Oct. 31, 1928, to Harold O. and Wilhelmina (nee Little) Hicks at Old Cottage Hospital, and was wheeled across Kercheval Avenue into the newly opened facility a few days later.

He graduated from Southeastern High School, June 1946, and then attended Cass Technical High School, taking night courses in automotive repair and welding.

Mr. Hicks retired after a long career at AM Multigraphics working as a service representative, and later as a sales account manager. He continued to work in the printing field, completing his career with a position at United Way Detroit in the print and graphic design department.

Mr. Hicks served four years in the U.S. Naval Reserve with Construction Battalion Unit CB 9-14, based out of Detroit Broadhead Naval Armory. It was through this service he learned to ski in the mountains of Colorado during training and survival missions.

He was a former member of Bayview Yacht Club and past commodore of the Grosse Pointe Farms Boat Club. In recent years, Mr. Hicks was active in senior exercise classes at Assumption Cultural Center in St. Clair Shores. He participated in weekly recitation of the rosary at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, and volunteered at Riverview Health and Rehab Center in Detroit. He enjoyed sailing, skiing, canoeing, concerts, jazz music and dancing.

Mr. Hicks was predeceased by his loving wife and dance partner of 47 years, Rosemary Clifton Hicks; brother, Charles G. Hicks and sister, Mary Hicks Kavanaugh.

He is survived by his daughters, Carol Ann Austerberry (John), Cynthia Hicks Holme (David) and Mary Beth Nicholson (Jim); grandchildren, Ann Marie, Charlotte and Margaret Nicholson and John "Jack" Holme; sister-in-law, Elaine Hicks and many nieces and nephews.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 22, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Visitation begins at 9:30 a.m. in the church gathering space.

Donations may be made



Walter Albrecht III



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Ellen Phelan Hamilton

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Ellen Phelan Hamilton

Ellen "Terry" Phelan Hamilton, 78, of Grosse Pointe Farms and Vero Beach, Fla., passed away Friday, Nov. 15, 2013, at Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe.

Mrs. Hamilton was born in Detroit Sept. 2, 1935. She was a lifelong resident of Grosse Pointe and cherished her time on the family farm in Metamora. She attended Grosse Pointe Country Day School; graduated from Georgetown Visitation Convent Preparatory School, Washington, D.C., and from Briarcliffe College, Briarcliffe Manor, N.Y.

Mrs. Hamilton was the chief financial officer and owner of the Wm. R. Hamilton Co. She had been a special education elementary teacher, and was fondly known by her students as "Miss Terry."

She was a member of the Country Club of Detroit, The Moorings Club in Vero Beach, the Grosse Pointe Garden Club, the Junior League of Detroit Inc., Sigma Gamma Association, and was a volunteer at Beaumont Hospital.

Mrs. Hamilton was an avid golfer and tennis player. She enjoyed bridge, knitting, spending time with her dog, Duffy, and a good crossword puzzle.

Mrs. Hamilton is survived by her son, Philip Kirkwood Hamilton II (Lesa); daughter, Patricia Barry Byndas (Mark); grandchildren, Anna Skae Page and William Robertson Page; sisters, Mary Meade Fuger of Grand Rapids, Florence P. Connolly of Saginaw and, finally, Anne Boyer of Palm Desert, Calif.; and many nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her husband of 54 years, David Mitchell Hamilton Sr. in 2012; son, David Mitchell Hamilton Jr. in 1977, and her parents, James Joseph Phelan Jr. and Ellen Skae Phelan.

A funeral Mass will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 21, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Family will receive friends one half-hour before the service. A private burial will take place at Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

Donations may be made to the Detroit Institute for Children, 5447 Woodward Ave., Detroit, 48202 or the charity of the donor's choice.

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The Rev. William David Rickard

The Rev. William David Rickard

The Rev. William David "Tex" Rickard, 92, passed away peacefully Friday, Nov. 8, 2013, surrounded by family.

In 1921, he was born in Houghton, the youngest of four children. Raised in Mount Clemens, where he attended Mount Clemens High School, he became the first member of his family to graduate from college in 1943.

He was predeceased by his wife, Mary Helen (nee Gregory) in 2000, a psychiatric nurse whom he met and fell in love with at Albion College and married in 1945.

The Rev. Rickard was the last living member of a close family, predeceased by siblings, Robert, Ed and Jean. He is survived by six children, Tilda, Evelyn, Greg, Ron, Stephen and Lori-Ann, and many grandchildren and great grandchildren. Lori-Ann lives in Grosse Pointe Farms and her daughters, Alyssa and Cassie, attended Grosse Pointe South High School.

The Rev. Rickard graduated from Garrett Seminary and was ordained in 1946. He served congregations in Wisconsin, Midland, Saginaw, the Port Huron District (as district superintendent), Livonia, East Detroit, Davis, and finally, his boyhood church in Mount Clemens, retiring in 1998. He continued to serve as a guest minister and taught Sunday classes on Bible study and meditation at Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church. He served on the Albion College Board of Trustees from 1957 to 1971.

An accomplished athlete, The Rev. Rickard won varsity letters at Mount Clemens High and Albion, won YMCA paddleball and racquetball championships and was the pitcher in church softball leagues.

His family said Rev. Rickard founded his life on faith, family and friends. He was well-known for his warm and cheerful personality and love of humor. He took a keen interest in the lives of those he met.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 30, at Mount Clemens



Isabelle E. Thomas

First United Methodist Church, 57 Southbound Gratiot, Mount Clemens.

A more complete obituary is at vickfuneralhome.com.

Isabelle Elizabeth Thomas

Isabelle Elizabeth Thomas, 98, died Thursday, Nov. 14, 2013, at home.

She was born to George and Mary Thomas in Winchester, Ky. The family moved to Heidelberg Street in Detroit in 1923 and attended St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church. "Issy," as her family affectionately called her, was one of 11 children. In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by siblings, Katherine Mabarak, Anna, Tommy, Matry, Sabe, Wakim, and Helen Thomas, and Genevieve Parker. She is survived by her sisters, Josephine Thomas Geha and Barbara Thomas Issac, and multi-generations of nieces and nephews.

Ms. Thomas' family described her as being the closest to a saint as they will ever know. Her entire life was committed to serving others.

Ms. Thomas graduated from the nursing program at Deaconess Hospital on Jefferson Avenue in Detroit and obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in nursing from Wayne State University. She worked as a nurse in many capacities during her 50-year career, most notably as a home health care nurse with the Visiting Nurse Association, which created the "Issy Award" in honor of her many years of dedicated service.

Ms. Thomas loved to cook and try new recipes. She enjoyed picnics, family gatherings, and traveling. The Petoskey/Bay Harbor area was a favorite vacation spot.

Visitation will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 29, 2013, at St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church, 2160 E. Maple Road, Troy.

The funeral service follows at 11:30 a.m.

Arrangements are being handled by Chas. Verheyden Funeral Home, Grosse Pointe Park.

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OBITUARIES: Loved ones remembered

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Mary Denise Mabarak

Mary Denise Mabarak, 66, passed away Wednesday, Nov. 13, 2013.

She was born March 5, 1947, in Alma, to Eric and Sarah Gorham. She grew up in a military family and spent three years of her childhood in Germany, moved back to the United States and lived in various parts of the country. She graduated from Lincoln High School in Lincoln, Neb., in 1965.

After high school, she attended Wayne State University, where she received a Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology in 1971 and later received a Master of Education degree in 1984. She earned additional certifications as an education specialist/reading specialist from WSU in 2007.

She married Paul Mabarak in 1969 in Detroit.

Mrs. Mabarak began work for the Detroit Public Schools as a special education and learning disabilities teacher at Butzel Elementary/Middle School where she worked from 1984 to 2009. She also served as a special education resource room teacher there beginning in 1998. She worked at Marcus Garvey African Centered Academy from 2009 to 2011 and finished her career at DPS as a peer assistance review consultant teacher from 2010 until her retirement in 2011, after 27 years of service.

Mrs. Mabarak was a member of Pi Lambda Theta National Honor

Society and Professional Association in Education, WSU Writing Project, Wilson Reading System, International Dyslexia Association, Michigan Association for Learning Disabilities, Council for Exceptional Children and the International Reading Association.

She was the recipient of 11 classroom grants for instructional enrichment, served as a Wilson Reading System trainer for DPS and as school grant writing team chairwoman, mentored and coached DPS teachers in classroom management and instructional practices and served as a member of school review teams for the W.K. Kellogg Foundation's Middle Start Initiative School Quality Reviews.

Her family said Mrs. Mabarak was a teacher's "teacher" and loved spending her summers training teachers. She loved her work and its different aspects which included teaching learning disabled students and illiterate adults to read, writing grants, mentoring students and teachers, holding workshops and many other educational activities. When called upon to lead or assist, she answered with her best effort and recognized by her peers for her devotion, unwavering commitment and professionalism to her beloved occupation. She loved her career, students and the people at DPS.

Mrs. Mabarak enjoyed the waterfront on Lake St. Clair and had a great love for her family, pet dogs, cooking and travel.

She will be greatly

missed by her family and friends.

Mrs. Mabarak is survived by her husband of 44 years, Paul; son, John Paul; mother, Sarah Gorham; brother, Pat Gorham (Gayle) and sister, Marcia Pullin (Dennis).

A memorial service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 30, at St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church, 1401 Whittier, Grosse Pointe Park.

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Raymond Daniel Sphire M.D.

Raymond Daniel Sphire M.D., 86, of Grosse Pointe Farms, died unexpectedly at his home Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2013.

He was born Feb. 12, 1927, in Detroit, to Samuel Raymond and Nora Mae (nee Allen) Sphire, and was the loving husband of Joan Sphire (nee Baker); father of Suzanne S. Brock (Jeb), Raymond D. Sphire Jr. (Leslie) and Catherine S. Shell (Jeff); dedicated to his grandchildren, Clay, Sam, Anderson, Jeffrey, Emma and Jamie Brock Jr. (Lindsay) and great-grandfather to Jebby Brock.

Dr. Sphire earned his degree from University of Detroit in 1948, after graduating from University of Detroit Jesuit High School. He worked as a lifeguard during college summers at the park in Grosse Pointe Park.

He received his medical degree from the Stritch School of Medicine at Loyola University in Chicago and was accepted for medical residency in anesthesia at the Harvard Anesthesia Lab at Massachusetts General Hospital, where he was chief resident.

Upon completing his residency in Boston, Dr. Sphire returned to Detroit and Grace Hospital, where he began a long career as an anesthesiologist, educator and administrator.

In 1956, he was one of the anesthesiologists on the team of physicians performing the first successful open heart surgery in Michigan.

Dr. Sphire was appointed senior attending anesthesiologist and director of the department of anesthesiology for the Detroit Macomb Hospital Association in 1970. Eight years later, he was elected to the board of trustees of DMHA. In 1980, he was appointed chief of the medical staff. He held this position for 13 years, while concurrently serving as chief of the departments of anesthesiology, inhalation therapy and respiratory therapy.

Additionally, during his tenure at DMHA, Dr. Sphire established the hospital's first brain death committee. He was clinical assistant professor of anesthesiology at Wayne State University School of Medicine and clinical professor of respiratory therapy at Macomb Community College in Mount Clemens.

A past president of the Wayne County Society of Anesthesiologists, he was a member of the American College of Anesthesiologists, the American College of Chest Physicians, the American Association of Respiratory Therapists, the Society of Critical Care Medicine and a number of other professional and scientific organizations.

Upon his retirement from St. John Macomb Hospital, Dr. Sphire was named "Lifetime Staff Member" of St. John Hospital Association.



Mary Denise Mabarak



Raymond D. Sphire M.D.

Dr. Sphire served his country stateside as a tank commander in the U.S. Army during World War II, conducting explosives training. During the Korean War, he was a 1st lieutenant, having been recruited by the U.S. Air Force for intelligence service at Washington and Lee University.

He was a certified SCUBA diver and had several thousand hours as an instrument rated private pilot who enjoyed flying his beloved Beechcraft A-36 Bonanza from Michigan to his vacation home in Maine.

According to his family,

Dr. Sphire loved fishing, hunting, and was known as a spectacular shot with rifle and shotgun. He once took golf lessons from Sam Snead but remained a lifelong, terrible golfer, though he enjoyed the game. He was a voracious reader, interested in everything, and possessor of a keen and inquisitive mind. He did the New York Times Crossword puzzle daily, was a fan of early James Bond movies and enjoyed driving his silver Aston Martin Lagonda.

Funeral services have taken place.

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Outstanding Named

Gene Michalski, president and chief executive officer of Beaumont Health System, has been named to Becker Hospital Review's national list of "130 Nonprofit Hospital and Health System CEOs to Know."


Becker Hospital Review also named Michalski to its "100 Nonprofit Hospital, Health System CEOs to Know" list in 2012.

Michalski, also on the Greater Detroit Chamber's board of directors, is a former member of the Michigan Health and Hospital Association's board. Michalski is also past president of the American Cancer Society, Oakland County Chapter; and past president of the Midwest Healthcare Executive Group and Associates.

A native Detroit, Michalski is the fifth president and CEO of Beaumont Health System, appointed June 1, 2010. He held the position of executive vice president and chief operating officer from 2006 to 2010. He served as senior vice president and director, Beaumont Hospital, Troy from 1997 to 2006.

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City of Grosse Pointe

Heroin

Shortly after 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 13, several pieces of narcotics paraphernalia were discovered in a gray 2009 Nissan Activa operated by a 25-year-old man from Clinton Township.

During a traffic stop on Notre Dame near Kercheval, officers searching the car found pieces of folded paper, often used to package heroin, plus three hypodermic syringes.

"(The driver said) he was on probation relating to heroin usage," said a patrolman.

A search of the suspect reportedly revealed small plastic bags containing an unknown white, powdery substance.

"(He) stated they did not contain heroin, but he used the night before," said the officer.

—Brad Lindberg

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

Grosse Pointe Farms

They're his

During a traffic stop at 9:20 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 16, on westbound Mack

near Calvin, an officer asked the 26-year-old male driver, from Warren, of a 1995 Ford Probe why a bottle of Visine was on the dashboard.

"(He) admitted it was for red eye when he smokes marijuana," said the officer.

Behind the driver's seat were three baggies with a white powdery residue, plus an empty prescription bottle for hydrocodone, according to police. The prescription wasn't in the driver's name.

"(He) admitted the (items) were his and had previously contained hydrocodone that he obtained illegally and abuses," said the officer.

The traffic stop was prompted by the Probe's burned out headlight.

Fake deliveries

Police suspect an unknown identity thief is ordering fraudulent Internet purchases delivered to the house of a Farms resident living in the 200 block of Lewiston in hopes of stealing them off the front porch.

The scheme's apparently worked three times this month.

The resident told police on Saturday, Nov. 16, someone made three purchases between Nov. 8 and 12, totaling \$2,741.78 at a body building website for delivery to the house.

1 stop, 2 arrests

Two arrests resulted from a traffic stop on eastbound Mack near Moross at 1:44 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 16.

An officer pulled over an 18-year-old Warren man for operating a white 2009 Ford Crown Victoria 10 mph over the 35 mph speed limit.

The car's interior smelled of marijuana.

"(He) stated that his friend smoked marijuana inside the vehicle before he dropped him off and there was no more marijuana inside the vehicle," said the officer.

A male passenger, 50, from Warren, was arrested on three outstanding warrants: two from Warren for a traffic violation and possession of marijuana, plus a third from the Macomb County Friend of the Court.

Illegal lights

At about 9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 14, a 24-year-old Detroit man learned that blue turn indicators and running lights on his 2000 Pontiac Grand Am were an auto fashion no-no.

"He did not realize the blue lights were illegal," said an officer stopping the man on Mack near Ashley.

He was arrested for violating 18 driving suspensions.

"(He) admitted the vehicle is not insured and that (his license) is suspended," said the officer.

I.D. theft

A Farms couple informed police last week that someone tapped

their joint bank account and transferred \$22,000 to a fraudulent account, from which the suspects withdrew \$12,500 by check.

A subsequent attempt to cash a \$9,000 check failed.

Admits it

During a traffic stop at 5:57 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 13, on northbound Mack near Moross Place, police cited a 17-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods man for possessing marijuana and narcotics paraphernalia.

An officer pulled over the man for operating a blue 2009 Ford Fusion with illegally tinted windows.

The car smelled of unburnt marijuana, the officer reported.

"(He) stated he had some marijuana in the glove box," said the officer.

Police searching the car reported finding a small amount of the drug, a scale, grinder and pipe with marijuana residue.

Officers also cited the driver for operating a motor vehicle with obstructed vision due to the tinted windows.

Tool taken

Between 12:30 and 1 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 12, someone stole a \$2,000 Masterbreak Trim Breaker that a contractor left on the front lawn of a house in the 100 block of Mapleton.

The contractor was working in the backyard at the time.

"(He) believed he heard a large truck stop in front of (the house), but he did not observe anything," said a public safety officer.

—Brad Lindberg

Report information about these or other crimes to the Grosse Pointe Farms Public Safety Department at (313) 885-2100.

Grosse Pointe Shores

Out of excuses

A 22-year-old Detroit man standing near his unlit, 2012 Chrysler 200 parked on northbound Lakeshore at North Edgewood Drive at 2:39 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 17, was arrested for drunken driving.

He said he ran out of gas, according to the officer.

The man had a .10 percent blood alcohol and a suspended driver's license, according to police.

Weaving

A man being investigated at 12:52 a.m. Friday, Nov. 15, for weaving a white 2013 Ford F150 pickup truck in the 900 block of southbound Lakeshore failed field sobriety tests and was arrested for drunken driving.

The man, 40, of LaSalle Township, in Monroe County, had a .10 percent blood alcohol level, according to the arresting officer.

Up in smoke

The driver and two passengers in a 1997 Dodge Caravan were arrested on various charges resulting from a traffic stop at 12:02 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 12, on Lakeshore near the Grosse Pointe Farms city limits.

"All the windows (of the Caravan) were down and the back windows

were open, which was strange, as weather conditions were approximately 35 degrees," the arresting officer reported.

The officer became more suspicious upon standing beside the vehicle.

"There was a strong odor of marijuana coming from within the van," he added.

A search of the van and occupants revealed rolling papers, a pipe, open intoxicants and a small bag containing marijuana buds, police said.

Arrested were the 20-year-old male driver from Harper Woods, a 23-year-old Detroit man and a 20-year-old woman from St. Clair Shores.

—Brad Lindberg

Report information about these or other crimes to the Grosse Pointe Shores Public Safety Department at (313) 881-5500.

Grosse Pointe Woods

On the prowl

Two 16-year-olds were arrested and charged with prowling at 7:15 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 16, after they were spotted in the backyard of a home on Bournemouthe. Initially, four suspects had jumped the fence to enter the yard from the St. John parking lot, but only two were located and held. One of the suspects was not able to provide any identification after providing police with a false name and birthdate. The two were scheduled to be arraigned this week.

—Kathy Ryan

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

Grosse Pointe Park

No reports were provided for Grosse Pointe Park.



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City of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan

SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES
NOVEMBER 18, 2013

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present on Roll Call: Mayor Farquhar; Councilmembers, Wood, West, Joseph, Theros, Ricci & Waldmeir.

Absent Were: None.

Also Present: Messrs. William Burgess and Chris Cornwall, City Attorneys; Shane Reeside, City Manager/City Clerk; Derrick Kozicki, Assistant City Manager; John Lamerato, City Controller/Treasurer; Dan Jensen, Director of Public Safety; John Hutchins, Deputy Director, Public Safety; and Terry Brennan, Director of Public Service; Pamela J. Baker, Exe. Assistant/Deputy City Clerk.

Mayor Farquhar Presided at the Meeting.

The Council accepted the Report of the Wayne County Board of Canvassers for the General Election held November 5, 2013.

The City Clerk administered the Oath of Office to the following:

Matthew Robert Rumora, Municipal Judge
James C. Farquhar, Jr. Mayor
Louis Theros, Councilman
Peter W. Waldmeir, Councilman
Martin West, Councilman

The Council elected Councilman Martin West to the position of Mayor Pro-Tem for a term ending November, 2015.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on October 14, 2013, were approved as submitted.

The Minutes of the Closed Session held on October 14, 2013, were approved as submitted.

The Council, acting as a Zoning Board of Appeals, denied the request of 6 Berkshire – Border Patrol to add commercial radar to existing video surveillance tower antenna.

The Council approved the following from the Consent Agenda:

a. Statement of Attorney's Fees from the law firm of Dickinson, Wright, in the total amount of \$50,564.07, for services rendered on behalf of the City of Grosse Pointe Farms.

The Council approved the Application for the S.A.W. Grant Resolution.

The Council received the following Reports and ordered them placed on file:

a. Public Safety Report for October 2013.
b. Quarterly Financial Report for Three Months Ended September 30, 2013.

Following adjournment of the Regular Meeting, a Closed Session was held to discuss certain litigation.

Upon proper motion made, supported and carried, the Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2013 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 90 KERBY ROAD, GROSSE POINTE FARMS, MICHIGAN 48236. THE MEETING IS PUBLIC, INTERESTED PROPERTY OWNERS AND RESIDENTS OF THE CITY ARE INVITED TO ATTEND. YOU MAY ALSO VIEW THE AGENDA AND MINUTES ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE: www.grossepointefarms.org

James C. Farquhar, Mayor

Shane L. Reeside, City Manager/City Clerk

G.P.N.: 11/21/2013

Courts made orderly

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — Tennis players will love this.

Four courts at Elworthy Field are scheduled to be resurfaced next summer.

"The project takes place immediately following the spring high school tennis season in June," said Christopher Hardenbrook, City of Grosse Pointe parks and recreation director.

Elworthy Field consists of land the city leases from the Grosse Pointe Public School System. Terms include a city maintenance agreement.

"Courts one through four have exceeded their expected life span for the asphalt surface," Hardenbrook said.

Conditions risk becoming a liability issue.

"Many large cracks and uneven surfaces have spidered their way throughout each court,

making them a safety concern and difficult to play," Hardenbrook said.

City officials this week contracted repairs to the lowest of two bidders, Al's Asphalt, for \$63,289, but will be responsible for paying only 55 percent, or \$34,808, according to the school agreement.

The school system pays the 45 percent balance.

The only other bidder wanted \$118,390 for the job.

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7A II | **AUTOMOTIVE**

AUTOS By Jenny King

Impala blends old with new

In the 2014 Impala, Chevrolet's design and engineering teams have mated the best features of a full-size sedan with proven and sought-after technology.

They incorporated safety and convenience features in a roomy five-passenger car that somehow retains some of the cachet of earlier Impalas.

The 2014, Chevy says, is the 10th generation of the car. It is available in several trim levels and can be ordered with one of three engines: two fours and one six-cylinder.

The 305-horsepower 3.6-liter V-6 has an integrated cylinder head/exhaust manifold design that Chevy said saves some 13 pounds per engine. This engine is expected to get 19 miles per gallon city and 29 out on the highway.

A 2.5-liter Ecotec four is rated at 196 horsepower. Its fuel economy numbers are 21 miles per gallon city and 31 mpg highway.

The slightly smaller Ecotec 2.4-liter four has GM's eAssist. The fuel-saving technology, which bowed on Buicks a few years ago, uses a 115-volt lithium-ion battery system plus an electric motor-generator to enable regenerative braking. Chevy said this occurs any time the driver's foot is not pressing on the accelerator. The recaptured energy is used to power the Impala's electrical system. It also uses power stored in the battery to provide electric power assistance in various driving scenarios.

All engines are matched with six-speed automatic transmissions.

Impala's underbody aerodynamics, wheels and tires optimized for performance and fuel efficiency, and electronically controlled shutters in the lower grille are other features designed to improve fuel economy.

For 2014, a new electric power steering system and improved suspension are standard on the Impala. So are 18-inch wheels.

Every Impala features 10 standard air bags. Available safety technologies include full-speed-range adaptive cruise control, crash imminent braking, forward collision alert, lane departure warning, side blind zone alert, rear



PHOTOS BY JENNY KING

Chevrolet did a ground-up redesign of its Impala flagship for 2014, wrapping a more stylish design around a spacious five-person sedan. The audio controls were moved to the column behind the steering wheel, above right. The Impala's cross-traffic alert system, above right, spotted a car hidden from the driver's view by parked cars and trees.

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TEST DRIVE By Greg Zyla

Lexus LS 600h L



2013 Lexus LS 600h L



We recently drove one of the world's premier luxury sedans, the restyled 2013 Lexus LS 600h L, the "h" standing for hybrid and the "L" for long wheelbase — entry price: \$119,910; price as tested: \$127,555.

Powered by a 438-horsepower combo of 5.0-liter V8 and hybrid electric coupled to a CVT sequential shift automatic transmission, all 600 models come standard with all-wheel drive and just about every Lexus high-tech feature available. It is the

See TEST DRIVE, page 9A II

City of **Grosse Pointe Woods**, Michigan

NOTICE OF REVIEW: Notice is hereby given the Board of Review of the City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Wayne County, Michigan, will be in session in the Conference Room of the Municipal Building, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan, on

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2013

Beginning at 9:00 a.m. Pursuant to MCL 211.53.b, the Board of Review convenes on the Tuesday after the second Monday in December for the purpose of correcting assessments resulting from a clerical error or a mutual mistake of fact.

Scott Vandemergel,
City Assessor

GPN: 11-21, 11-28, 12-05

City of **Grosse Pointe Farms**, Michigan

SPECIAL NOTICE

Holiday Rubbish Schedule for Thanksgiving Day
Thursday November 28, 2013

There will be no residential rubbish or leaf collection on Thursday, November 28, 2013. All residential schedules will be delayed one day. Commercial routes are not affected and will be on schedule.

All Thursday residential collection routes will be collected on Friday; Friday's residential rubbish and leaf collection routes will be collected on Saturday.

As always, during the loose leaf program the normal compost schedule is the day following your rubbish schedule. Please have rubbish and compost out by 7am.

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Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade
Friday, Nov. 29 @ 10 a.m. — Produced by Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce. Toys for Tots Collection. Visit Santa in The Village until 4 p.m.

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Saturdays, Nov. 30, Dec. 7, 14, 21 @ Noon - 4 p.m.

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8A II | CHURCHES



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Good eating

St. Ambrose Catholic Church held its annual spaghetti dinner fundraiser to benefit St. Vincent de Paul. Volunteers prepared 65 pounds of pasta and 50 pounds of meat for the 300 who purchased tickets. Scott Leising, right, ladles sauce on Kathy Walsh's spinach fettuccine.

Sean Hall, right, takes tickets from guests Mark Kramer of Grosse Pointe Park and his children, Nicolas and Meredith.



CHURCH EVENTS

ECUMENICAL BREAKFAST

The Grosse Pointe Men's Ecumenical breakfast begins with coffee at 6:45 a.m. Friday, Nov. 22, 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, Col. Dennis Strissel, Eastern Michigan Division Commander, Salvation Army.

The event ends at 8:15 a.m. Men of all faiths are welcome to attend.

For more information, call Dick Strowger at (313) 881-9806.

CHRIST CHURCH

Christ Church Grosse Pointe features the music of Felix Mendelssohn's "Elijah" at 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 24, with its chorale, soloists Bonnie Brooks, Rachel Edwin, Sara Ring, Nick Edwin and Ed Pember and an orchestra. Tickets cost \$20.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Grosse Pointe Congregational Church, 240 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms, holds a Jewish/Christian Thanksgiving service at 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 25.

The public can attend. Refreshments are served.

FIRST ENGLISH

First English Evangelical Lutheran Church holds a 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 27, Thanksgiving eve service.

The church is located at 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods. The public can attend.

◆ A 6 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 5, reception and 6:30 p.m. meal precedes a presentation by members of Michigan's board of directors of the Lutheran Social Services who tell stories form vulnerable people struggling with poverty, homelessness or incarceration and are striving to gain their place in life. For a reservation, by Nov. 27, contact Anita Jones at (313) 308-8862 or ajones@issm.org.

PASTOR'S CORNER By Rev. Ben Van Arragon

The higher gifts

Passage: 1 Corinthians 12:27-13:3

Renowned author and priest Henri Nouwen invested much of his remaining time on earth in one person — a severely disabled man named Adam.

During his career, Nouwen earned doctoral degrees in theology and psychology. He served as a professor, fellow and scholar-in-residence at several prestigious academic institutions, including Yale. His writing included more than 40 books and garnered him awards and international accolades. Any observer would have said Nouwen reached the apex of his career when he arrived at Harvard Divinity in 1983.

Yet from there he moved to L'Arche Daybreak, a community of disabled and able-bodied people living in close partnership. For the last 10 years of his life, Nouwen was partnered with Adam. For two hours every morning and two hours every night, Nouwen tended Adam's basic needs. Four hours a day committed to the most menial tasks a person could serve.

In 1 Corinthians 12, the Apostle Paul lists the gifts, or abilities God gives members of the church. They are the gift of prophecy; the gift of interpreting the language of the angels; the gift of preaching powerfully; the gift of teaching compellingly; the gift of healing; the gift of performing other miraculous acts.

Paul lists all these.

Then he adds: "But earnestly desire the higher

gifts." What higher gift could there be than healing and performing miracles?

Paul answers that question with his famous discourse on love.

He says, "I could have every excellent and sensational ability in the world. But if I don't have love, none of it matters."

What are the higher gifts?

The gifts that express love.

And how is love best expressed?

In the giving up of your life for someone else. Acts of compassion, generosity and humility. Feeding those not yet able to feed themselves. Changing the bedding of those no longer able to take themselves to the bathroom. Linger over a cup of coffee with someone who doesn't know where they'll be sleeping tonight. Precious hours spent out of the public eye, invested in one hurting, humble soul at a time. These are the higher gifts.

This is what Nouwen, the brilliant scholar, winning author, gifted speaker and man after God's own heart discovered. Once he had mastered the public and prestigious gifts, he pursued the higher gifts. The gifts of humility, of invisible and sacrificial service, of life-giving compassion and of love.

Ignore the voice of a culture which celebrates only that which is achieved in the public eye.

Earnestly desire the higher gifts.

Van Arragon is the minister of First Christian Reformed Church of Detroit.

For more of his writings, visit benvanarragon.blogspot.com.

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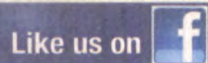
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TEST DRIVE:

The 2013 Lexus LS 600h L delivers world-class luxury

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most expensive Lexus available and the flagship of the Lexus family.

All Lexus 600h's come equipped with spectacular wood trim interior, leather seating, heated and cooled wood steering wheel, heated seats, parallel park assist, navigation, Bluetooth, a 450-watt Mark Levinson Audio Video DVD system with 19-speakers, XM Satellite Radio and NavTraffic all displayed on a 12.3-inch high resolution display with a remote touch interface and a mouse-like control device.

Combining high performance with today's "green" automotive standards, LS 600h is a car that accelerates from zero to 60 miles per hour in 5.6 seconds and delivers 19 city and 23 highway EPA numbers — an astounding achievement considering the car weighs more than 2.5 tons.

The only tester options include a \$6,500 Advanced Pre-collision system with all speed dynamic radar cruise control, infrared pedestrian detection, driver attention monitor, lane assist and low speed collision avoidance assist. This option is highly recommended, and combines well with the standard rear camera blind spot system. The other option on our tester was a \$250 trunk mat and cargo net.

The interior is worthy of extra note. I've yet to drive a luxury car where the wood and leather ap-

pointments overpower the motif in such a graceful statement. Lexus designers can take a bow, as opulence and simplicity join together to deliver a "cocoon of safety, security and opulence" heretofore unmatched. The overall end result is a cabin of unquestionable taste delivered in the special Lexus formula of a bit of discreetness and top flight functionality.

On the road, 600h's ride is a comfort experience, even on the bumpy roads we've driven time and again in other test vehicles. The interior is a "low noise" environment, while rear legroom is outstanding and perhaps similar to the legroom a Checker Taxi Cab offered its customers back in the day.

Noteworthy are the long list of some 20 standard safety items, which make driving as safe as possible. Traction comes via 19-inch tires on beautiful lightweight seven spoke high gloss alloy wheels. Our LS 600 also features standard smart stop technology, power moonroof, power rear sunshade, rear fold down console with temperature and audio settings and much, much more. Your Lexus dealer is ready to explain all the 600h has to offer when you visit the showroom.

Important numbers include a wheelbase of 121.7 inches, 22.2-gallon fuel tank, 5,159-pound curb weight, and 13 cubic feet of cargo space.

Lexus markets the LS600h L to the upper

economic percentile that appreciates a 21st century wonder and, most important, can afford to write the check. There is no in between.

Personally, I'd opt for the non-hybrid Lexus LS 460 L, which is the same wheelbase, delivers similar EPA numbers and is some \$40K cheaper. The 460 also offers five cubic feet more cargo room, which is an advantage over the 600's trunk as the hybrid and rear climate systems take up lots of space. Additionally, Lexus offers a brand new CT200h (hybrid) compact that delivers 42 mpg for \$32,050, or move up to the IS250 sedan for \$35,950 — both have impressive pricing.

Overall, if you're shopping the top class luxury market, LS 600h L is a very special motorcar and well deserving of your interest.

Likes: Outstanding design, safety features, power, interior.

Dislikes: Cargo space, remote touch display learning curve.

Zyla is a syndicated automotive columnist.



PHOTO BY JENNY KING

AUTOS:

The redesigned 2014 Chevy Impala

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cross traffic alert, rear camera and rear-park assist.

Our test car was an Impala 2LZ with the 3.6-liter V-6 engine. This model, priced at \$35,770, was equipped with the forward collision and rear cross traffic alert. The latter helped us avoid a mishap while backing onto the street.

Parked cars, trees, lights, shadows and reflections sometimes make it difficult to be aware of all vehicles, bikes and people. The rear cross traffic alert was not fooled. It "spotted" a car while it was perhaps

40 feet away, flashed its image at the edge of the screen with a red-alert icon and sounded a warning beep — all in a split second.

Impala included an open-sesame button on

the instrument panel which, when pressed, raised the information screen revealing a storage compartment. The screen descends when the same button is pushed.

The test Impala included four options, from the \$1,035 LTZ comfort and convenience package to a crystal red exterior tint-coat priced at \$395. The MyLink audio system with navigation added \$795 to the sticker and a separate premium audio system tacked on another \$700.

As equipped, the test Impala 2LZ had a price of \$38,695, plus \$810 destination.

Final assembly for our 2014 Impala was Oshawa, Ontario, Canada. Two-thirds of its parts content were U.S./Canada sourced; 17 percent were manufactured in Mexico.

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

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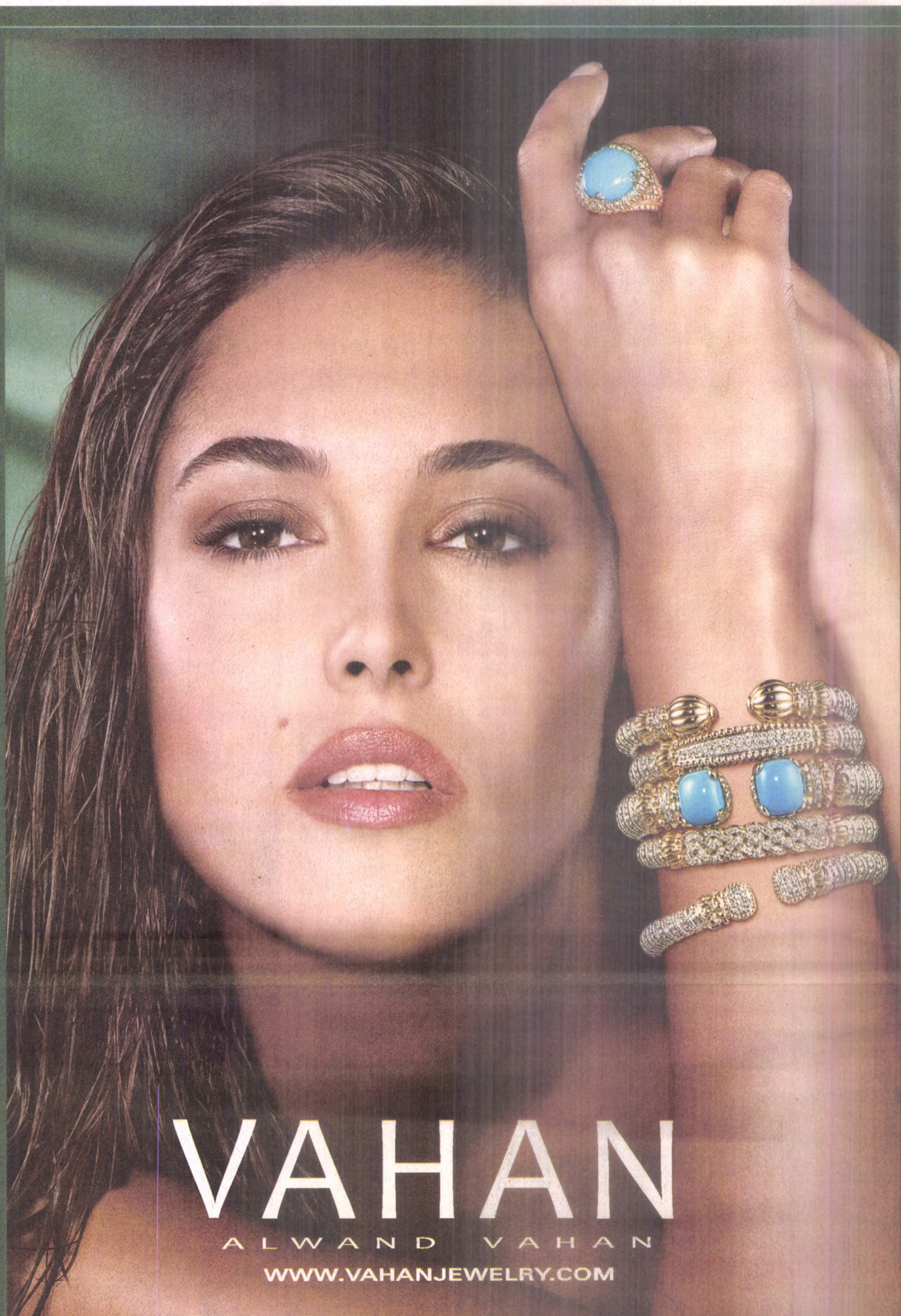
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Get ready for Christmas

By Ann L. Fouty
 Features Editor

Grosse Pointe businesses are bursting with holiday glamour, festivities and welcoming smiles to encourage shoppers inside.

In the first Deck the Door contest, sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce, business owners and their staff are tossing around

ideas of how to best decorate front doors and windows.

Detroit Custom Framing on Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods went with a red and white theme while Soulliere Garden Center on Kercheval in the City is draped in traditional green roping with red ribbons and lit with small white lights.

Gabrielle Reilly of Flowers by Gabrielle in Grosse Pointe Park said she would be using jewel tones and vintage items on her store front. Both are integral items to the business.

"This is a great idea. This is part of our industry and we want to be a part of the community building project," she added.

Mike Kramer of Kramer's Bed, Bath & Window Fashions said the store, located on Kercheval in the City of Grosse Pointe, will be adorned with ornaments, snowflakes and swags of garland and lit with floodlights. The door's wreath also will be decorated with ornaments and snowflakes.

A Paris-inspired theme, including little white lights, will be constructed for Chez LouLou Salon's first

Christmas on Kercheval, said Danielle Hubler.

"We're excited to be here. (Decorations) will be modern with white and black and Eiffel Tower ornaments," she said. "We've had two preliminary meetings and it will be up by the night of Nov. 25. We're going to go out of our way to make it nice."

"Magical" is the word Sherry Allor of Detroit Custom Framing uses to describe the store's seasonal decorations.

White tulle shot with silver threads is draped across Detroit Custom Framing doors and is the backdrop for the shiny and frosted red ornaments and white stems of crystal berries. Red and white peppermints and green trees with shiny and frosted red ornaments complete the vision.

Eleanor Walsh, owner of Pretty Things Lingerie, said her store's decorations will be "pretty, eclectic, soft and fluffy and powder puff."

Every Grosse Pointe business has the opportunity to Deck the Door, said Jenny Boettcher, the chamber's president and executive director.

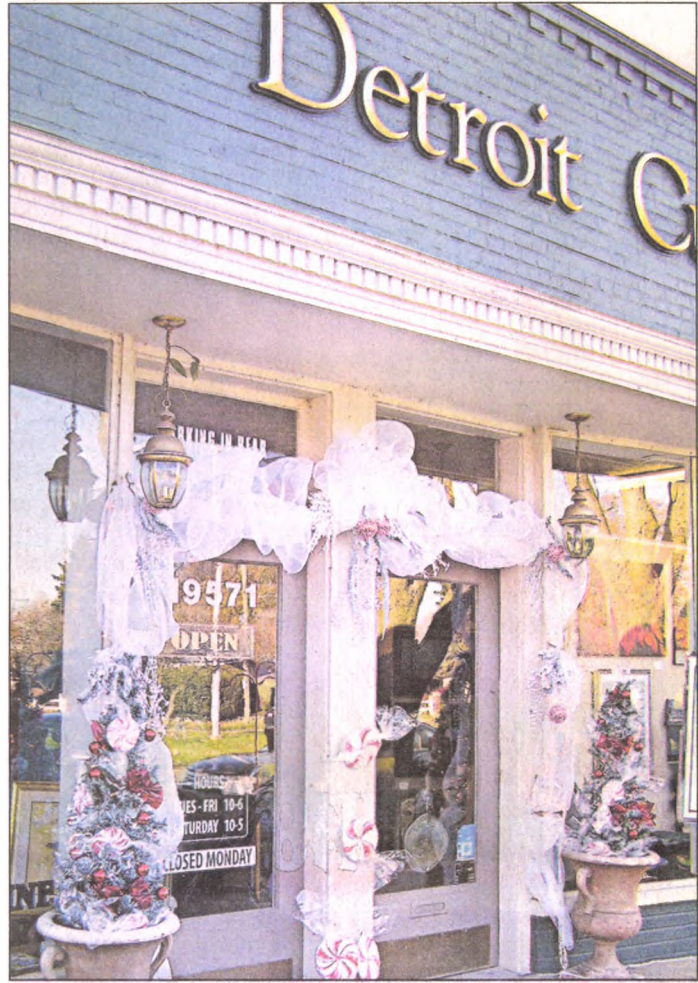
"The goal of this event," she said, "is to encourage residents and friends from surrounding communities to come to Grosse Pointe, see our festive doors and shop and dine locally."

"This interactive contest will be promoted through the chamber's website and social media. A panel of judges will decide on who will be the winners for the Most Creative and Most Festive doors. The People's Choice award is decided by the community. Voting is done by visiting the chamber's website," she said.

Winners will be announced on the chamber's home page Friday, Dec. 13, and in the Grosse Pointe News. Participating businesses must have doors decorated by Wednesday, Nov.



PHOTO BY ANN L. FOUTY
Mark Zatorski secures the red bow on to fresh greens around the Soulliere Garden Center entrance.



Detroit Custom Framing in Grosse Pointe Woods is decked out for the holiday season.

27. Chamber members participate free. Non-members must pay a fee to participate.

Small Business Saturday

Small Business Saturday, Nov. 30, encourages shoppers to support locally-owned stores.

"Small Business Saturday is a great reminder of the wonderful businesses established right here in Grosse Pointe," Boettcher said. "Behind most of the storefronts are our friends and neighbors. Small business owners have made a tremendous investment in our community. The goal of Small Business Saturday is to support local businesses that create jobs, add unique character to the community and help to financially boost the economy."

Reilly agreed. "It's important to have local businesses to shop in. I appreciate I can go close by to get the things I need. If you don't support local businesses you won't have them any more."

Both Reilly and Kim Soulliere point out local businesses, and theirs in particular, have one of a kind items creating them to suit the customer.

"We are making one-of-a-kind ornaments," Reilly said. "It's unique to us." More importantly, said Karen Sklar

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She will provide information about best practices to grow herbs. Guests can attend.

For more information, call Sandie at (313) 473-8625.

Bird walk

A bird walk on the grounds of the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House begins at 8 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 23. Novice and experienced bird watchers are invited.

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For more information, call Charlie Rutherford at (313) 885-1823.

Fontbonne Auxiliary

Fontbonne Auxiliary of St. John Hospital and Medical Center hosts "Tis the Season" holiday lunch at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 4, at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club. Lunch, a strolling fashion show and holiday shopping provided by the Le Fontbonne Gift

Senior Men's Club

The Senior Men's Club of Grosse Pointe meets at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 26, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial for lunch. The cost is \$10.

Lynn Heeland, an attorney, and his wife, Cheryl Huckins M.D. speak on "Life at the United States Embassy in Kabul,



Flag retirement

Grosse Pointe Boy Scout Troop 96, members of the Grosse Pointe Louisa St. Clair Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution and Grosse Pointe Farms councilmen Marty West and Louis Theros participated in the flag retirement ceremony at the Farms Pier Park Oct. 5.

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 - ◆ are not currently treated with antidepressant drugs.

For more information, including eligibility, call Maureen Cooney at (248) 551-9477.

Affinity Group

The Grosse Pointe Affinity Group meets at 7:30 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 26, at Sweet Little Sheila's, 17045 Kercheval, City of Grosse Pointe. Financial businesswoman Kathleen Burgess is the speaker.

Henry Ford Hospital

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ASK THE EXPERTS By Dorothy Heitjan, Deb Kraft and Kristen DeVooght

Preschool sets foundation

Q How can parents help a preschooler make a successful transition into kindergarten?

A It is vital in the preschool years to provide children with experiences to build the foundation for later school suc-

cess. Parents should provide:

- ◆ A variety of hands on experiences — dig in the dirt, cook, build, paint,

sculpt. These types of activities foster curiosity, eye-hand coordination, spatial relationships and vocabulary development.

- ◆ Time to read. Make reading part of your daily life to build your child's vocabulary and ability to recognize words.

- ◆ Unstructured time to move and play on the playground. Using the body not only promotes the essential skill of body awareness which is needed for understanding right versus left, but also understanding of prepositional concepts.

- ◆ Use toys to encourage imagination or thinking.

- ◆ Attend preschool, library story hour or church where your child will learn and practice common social courtesies, such as turn taking, listening and responding to a question.

- ◆ Recite and recognize upper and lower case alphabet letters.

- ◆ Orally count to 20. Count number of objects to 10. Identify numerals to 12.

- ◆ Write name. Hold pencil correctly in two finger pinch grip. Use upper and lower case letters. Write letter from top down.

- ◆ Limit screen time — TV, computer, hand held devices — to engage in real life interactions.

- ◆ Establish a good home routine — healthy meals

and snacks, set bedtimes. ◆ Kindergarten bridges preschool to elementary school. Children move from dependence to independence and working together with peers in small and large groups with one teacher. Excellent kindergarten programs address social, emotional and academic needs. They provide opportunities for play and learning in structured and unstructured situations.

Expectations for kindergarten students have changed in the last 10 years. First grade skills are now the standard for kindergarten.

Former kindergarten skills are the standard for preschool.

The national Common Core State Standards include reading, writing, sight word knowledge, emergent spelling, math, social studies and science. These expectations require your child to be ready to learn in a school environment.

To enroll a student at the district's administration building, provide a birth certificate, immunization records and physical examination forms (in September) and proof of residency.

A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

Side-by-side veggies



Roasted Brussels Sprouts and Sweet Potatoes with Honey Vinaigrette

2 lbs. fresh Brussels sprouts, halved
2 lbs. sweet potatoes, peeled and cut into 1-inch bites
2 to 3 tablespoons olive oil
salt and pepper to taste
1/4 cup extra virgin olive oil
1/4 cup honey
1/4 cup white wine vinegar
3 tablespoons chopped scallions
3 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley
1/2 cup toasted pine nuts
2/3 cup crumbled cheese (feta, blue, or goat)

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Place Brussels sprouts in one bowl and sweet potatoes in another. Drizzle each with olive oil then season with

salt and pepper. Place Brussels sprouts on half of a large greased bake sheet and sweet potatoes on other half. Bake at 400 degrees for 35 minutes, until tender and beginning to char.

While veggies are roasting, prepare vinaigrette. In a small bowl whisk together olive oil with honey and white wine vinegar. Stir in scallions and parsley. Taste and season with just a bit of salt and pepper. (Adjust the oil, honey and vinegar to taste.)

Arrange roasted vegetables side by side on a



PHOTO BY VIRGINIA O. MCCOY

Brussels sprouts and sweet potatoes invited to the holiday table.

serving platter.

Drizzle some of the vinaigrette over veggies then scatter with pine nuts and crumbled cheese.

Enjoy the extra dressing on salad greens.

DECORATION: Continued from page 1B

of Margaret Rice, shopping locally keeps the local economy going.

"It's an important thing. You don't want the local village businesses to die out. It's important to property value."

2013 president of the Grosse Pointe Board of Realtor Mario Como said he is a supporter of local businesses.

"There have been many discussions between real estate, local municipalities and the state of Michigan in 'place making,' bringing people together. Grosse Pointe has all the elements of place making — a shopping district and walk ability," he said.

"Supporting the business district is critical to the strength of the community. The key is people need to pause before a 10- to 20-minute drive and ask, 'Can I do this within a mile or two of my home to support a local proprietor?' It's easy to click and shop but taking the time to support the community . . . means you are truly appreciated."

Walsh added, "People should absolutely shop locally. We have chosen to anchor our stores in the Village for many reasons — to give back to the community; the Village can add value to the economy

of Grosse Pointe, thereby ensuring our captivating community retains its values.

"It is my hope we can all survive based on our unique, boutique approach and customer service, customer service. We need to offer values such as proving a routine service the big box stores do not offer."

One way to support Grosse Pointe businesses is to peruse the locally-owned stores' merchandise during Ladies' Night Out and Men's Night Out. The former is from 6 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 5, and includes special retail offers.

Men's Night Out is from 6 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19, and includes special deals from retailers and dinner specials from Village restaurants. During the evening, men also can shop from the gift registries set up the previous week. Ladies' and men's nights out details are available at thevillagegp.com.

Additional events

- ◆ Tree lighting — 6 p.m. Friday, Nov. 22, in the Village. The U.S. Marine Corps Toys for Tots program accepts new and unwrapped toys at the event.

- ◆ The Grosse Pointe

ART Center is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, Nov. 29, normal business hours and noon to 4 p.m. every Sunday, Dec. 1, and noon to 9 p.m. Thursdays through December.

- ◆ Free gift wrapping is available from noon to 6 p.m. at Grosse Pointe ART Center Dec. 5 through 7, 12 through 14 and 19 through 21.

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade begins at 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 29. Produced by the chamber, the parade begins on Kercheval at Lewiston and continues down the Village. After his arrival, Santa visits with families in The Village until 4 p.m.

- ◆ Free parking is available in off-street lots on Saturdays and Sundays, Nov. 30 through Dec. 22. Parkmobile electronic parking payment users can get a one-time dollar off parking at any meter in the Village or City from Thanksgiving to Christmas by entering the code GPHOLIDAY.

New events this year include:

- ◆ Santa's Village, located on Kercheval between St. Clair and Notre Dame, is open to children from noon to 4 p.m. Saturdays, Nov. 20 and Dec. 7, 14 and 21 to visit Santa Claus. Also in Santa's Village is

the "Passport to Santa's Village" featuring children's activities including crafts, letters to Santa, a Holly Jolly Jamboree, story time and photo opportunities. Youngsters can make cards for community seniors to be distributed through Services for Older Citizens. All children's activities take place in Santa's Village 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays, Nov. 30 and Dec. 7, 14 and 21.

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Shores tree lighting begins at 6 p.m. Dec. 1.

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Know Your Skin
By Lisa A. Manz-Dulac, MD

Do you suffer from acne rosacea? If so, you may find that Fall is often one of the good times of the year for your condition. But don't let that fool you.

Rosacea is marked by flushing, blushing and facial redness, often associated with "triggers" which cause the condition to flare up. One of the most commonly reported triggers is extremes of weather - hot and humid or dry and cold. Thus the transition through Fall (and Spring as well) often brings some relief to rosacea patients.

With fewer triggers causing flares at this time of year, Fall is a good time to prepare for winter's onset and additional triggers such as stress that come with the approaching holiday season. So what to do?

For patients using topical medications, your physician may recommend seasonal changes, such as switching from gels to creams or lotions which are more moisturizing. Fall is also a good time to start moisturizing more in anticipation of Winter's harsher dry winds and colder temperatures. And remember to use sunscreen throughout the year.

Compliance in the use of medications and avoidance of triggers is a rosacea patient's best defense against symptom flares. All too often, patients put off treatment when the condition improves, only to experience a major flare-up which then requires more intensive treatment.

To learn more about the treatment of rosacea, contact your dermatologist, or call us at

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VOLLEYBALL

Liggett, North lose in regionals

Knights fall in final

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

When it rains, it pours. Just ask the University Liggett girls' volleyball team.

The Knights played Auburn Hills Oakland Christian in a Class C regional championship match at Madison Heights Bishop Foley last week.

A win and the Knights would advance to the state quarterfinals.

It was over in 50 minutes and when the smoke cleared, Liggett was on the losing end 25-14, 25-7, 25-12.

"We weren't ready for the big stage," head coach Joe LaMagno said. "We didn't do anything right, serving, moving our feet and most of all passing."

"This was a disappointing effort on the big stage. Oakland Christian was ready to play and we weren't."

"Our returning girls need to use this as motivation to want to get back to this point next year and win it."

Oakland Christian



Liggett sophomore Carina Ghafari played well defensively for the Knights in both games of a Class C regional playoff.

meant business from the first serve of the first game. This was the only time the Knights played decent as it was 8-7 Oakland Christian before the roof caved in on Liggett.

LaMagno's squad trailed 16-11 in game one before OC used an 8-0 run to put the game away.

They started game two with a 6-0 run and never looked back, mowing over the Knights and moving one game from the quarterfinals.

In game three, junior Olivia Wujek collected a kill to bring the Knights

within four points at 9-5.

They couldn't keep the momentum and watched OC slowly pull away and end the game with another huge lead.

As a team, the Knights had only a handful of kills.

Liggett ended the season 14-16-2 overall.

In the regional semifinal, Liggett made quick work of Royal Oak Shrine, winning 25-7, 25-21, 25-11.

"This is the best we have played and we beat a pretty good team," LaMagno said. "We got going early with Emily

(Kanakry) and Olivia (Wujek) putting down some big kills, and the girls fed off that energy."

Game one was over in the blink of an eye as junior Zarine Minwalla was serving points and senior Sarah Edmonds put together a string of points.

Junior Courtney deRuiter's setting and serving added another key element to the win and in the final few minutes, Wujek was unstoppable in the front row.

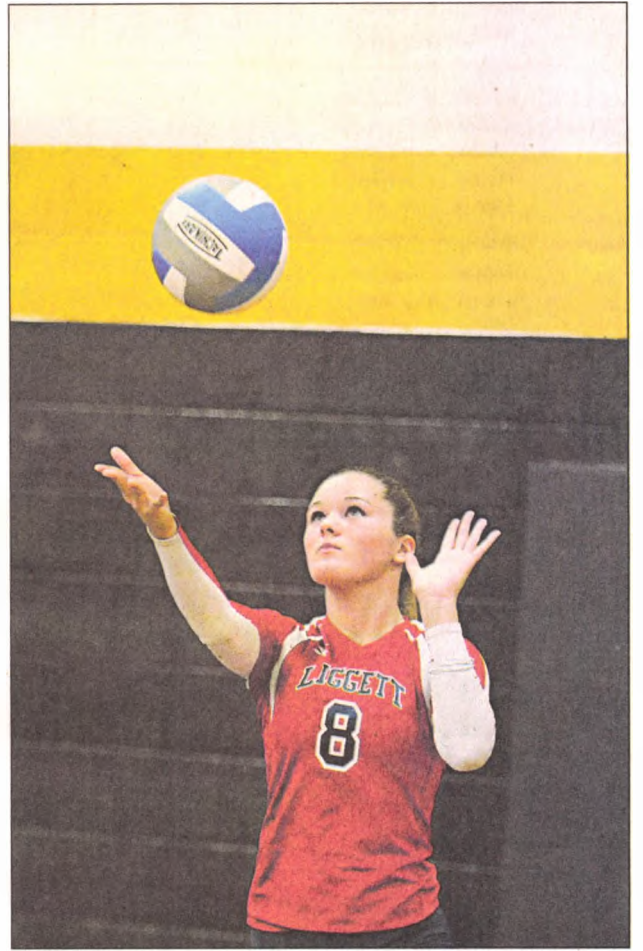
The Knights nearly let a big lead slip away in the second game. They had things well in control, leading 21-14, but a slew of sloppy mistakes allowed Shrine to cut the lead to 22-21.

LaMagno called timeout and his Knights regrouped as junior Kacie Wuthrich's service point put the game in the win column.

The Knights put all their efforts in negating any lackluster play in the final game.

Minwalla, junior Carina Ghafari, deRuiter, junior Natalie Caramagno, Wujek, Wuthrich, Edmonds, junior Jacqueline Kopicki and Kanakry played as a cohesive unit.

They all chipped in



PHOTOS BY RENATO JAMETT

Liggett junior Olivia Wujek had her jump serve working to perfection in the Knights' regional semifinal win over Royal Oak Shrine.

with either a serving ace, kill, dig or block to put Shrine in a big hole it never recovered from which the final point was a Kopicki ace.

"This is how we need to play in the regional final,"

LaMagno said. "Everything was working tonight and the girls were aggressive for the most part. Other than a few points in the second game, the girls stayed focused."

Tennis

NORTH, SOUTH & LIGGETT

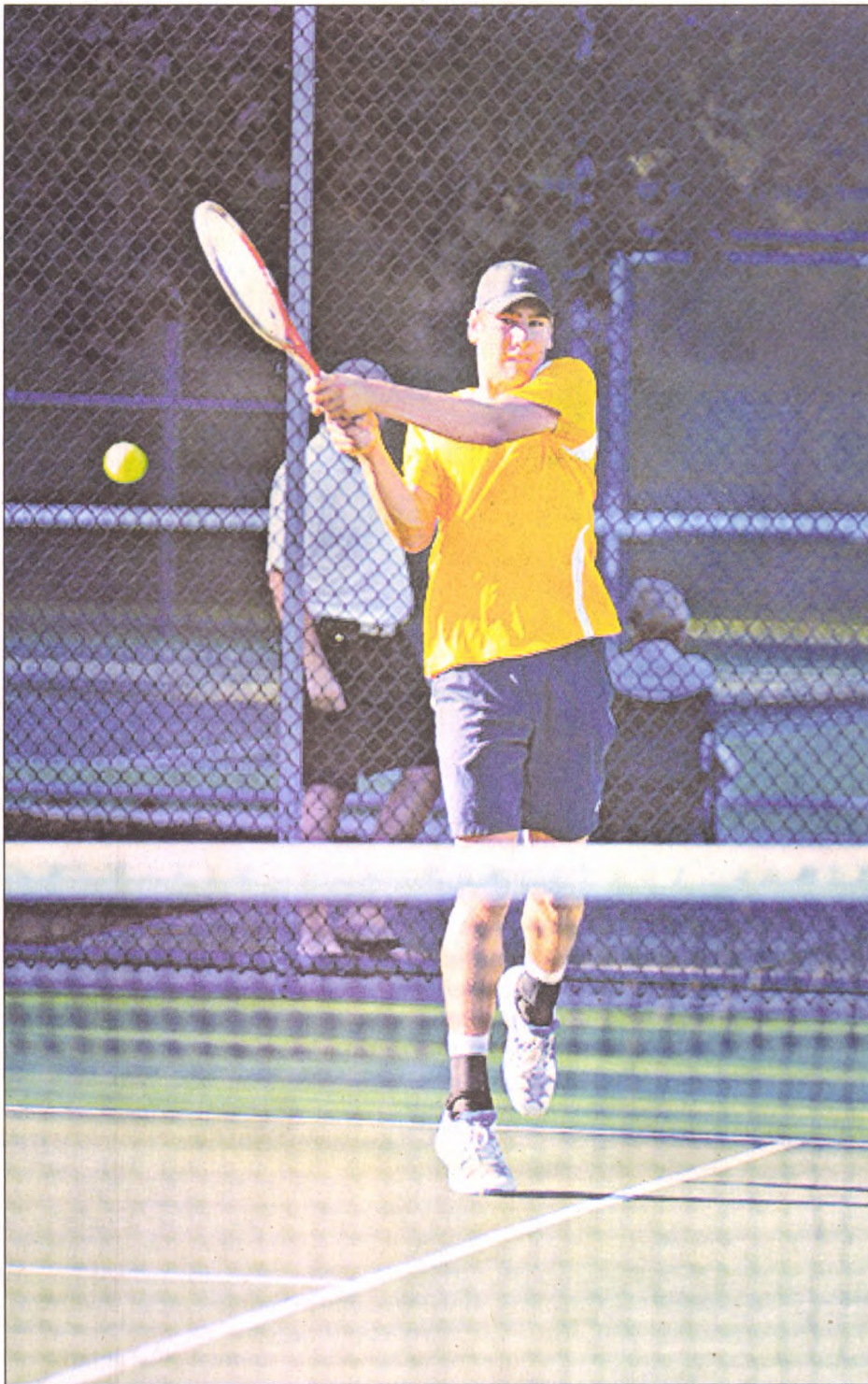


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All-State

Grosse Pointe South junior Nicholas Paolucci, above, and University Liggett freshman T.J. Dulac earned Division 1 and Division 4 boys' tennis All-State singles honors this fall. South's doubles team of senior Victor Flynn and junior Will Norris also made All-State, as did Liggett's doubles squad of seniors James Jurcak and Neil Sekhon. In Division 2, Grosse Pointe North senior Jacob Zacharias made All-State Honorable Mention in singles, as did the Norsemen's doubles squad of Connor Olzem and Nick Cusmano. In Division 4, Liggett's duo of senior Alan Jurcak and junior August Bonacci earned All-State Honorable Mention.

Mercy ousts Norsemen

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

A couple of crucial points were the difference between ending its season and moving on to the regional championship match.

Grosse Pointe North's girls' volleyball team had its chances to beat Farmington Hills Mercy in last week's Class A regional semifinal match at Farmington High School.

With the Norsemen trailing 24-23 in game one, Mercy senior Jenna Reinhold's kill attempt was long.

However, officials ruled the ball was tipped by a Norsemen, even though the ball seemed to be a foot over everyone's outstretched hands.

The 25-23 loss in game one was followed by another close 25-19 loss in game two. That took the wind out of the Norsemen's sails as they fell 25-12 in game three to lose to the favored Marlins.

"We didn't get the breaks when we needed them and we didn't defend Mercy's tip and ball placement very well," head coach Kim Lockhart said. "We had the hitters to win this, but they played better when it counted and we didn't."

North played its best in game one when junior Christa Raicevich had three of her 10 kills. Her serving was also on as she recorded two of her three aces.

With senior Caitlin Gaitley and junior Maddy Bessert collecting kills, the Norsemen built an 11-7 lead.

It was back-and-forth after that with both teams

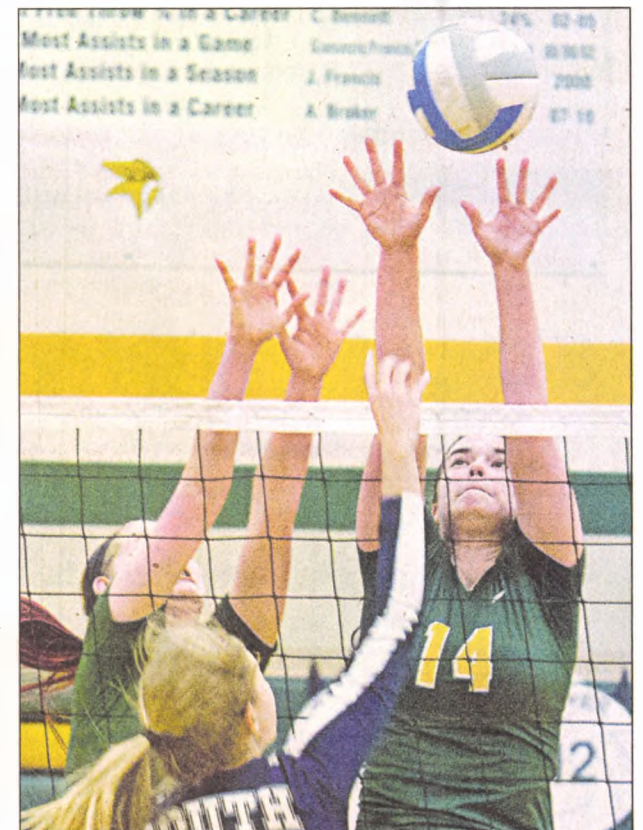


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Grosse Pointe North junior Christa Raicevich, No. 14, and the Norsemen played hard against Mercy, but it just wasn't their night in a regional semifinal loss.

grabbing one-point leads. Gaitley's two kills brought the Norsemen within a point, 23-22, and freshman Stephanie Roy served a point to tie it, 23-23.

Mercy earned a side-out to take the 24-23 lead and Reinhold's kill was ruled a tipped ball, giving the Marlins the win.

Sophomore Erin Armbruster (a block and a kill), Raicevich (three kills), junior Olivia Ritchie (serving ace) and Bessert (one kill), had the offense going, with junior Vita Aluia, junior Katie Roy, junior Kelsey Parafin and senior Colleen Reveley providing the defense as the Norsemen stayed within striking distance in game two.

The Norsemen couldn't defend the Marlins' soft play as they earned several points off tips which fell right behind the front row blockers and key tips which hit the back corners.

The Norsemen played well early in game three as Gaitley's kills had them trailing 8-5.

Then the Marlins scored 11 of the next 14 points to take a commanding 19-8 lead. It was over after that.

Raicevich finished with 10 kills, 13 digs and three aces, while Gaitley and Bessert had seven kills apiece.

Reveley had 33 assists, and the duo of Aluia and junior Katie Roy had 11 digs apiece as Grosse Pointe North finished its season 23-14-7 overall.

"It's disappointing because we felt we could win this match, as well as the regional title, but we didn't play well enough to accomplish those goals," Lockhart said. "We have eight seniors next season, so they know what it's going to take in the off-season to improve and get back to this point next year and hopefully beyond."

Grosse Pointe South college signings

Tech to play softball at Gannon

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South senior Christy Tech signed a letter-of-intent to play college softball for Gannon University and head coach Tom Jakubowski.

Tech was recruited by more than a dozen Division 1 programs, including Ball State, Western Michigan, Central Michigan, Evansville, Michigan State and Valparaiso, but chose to accept the offer from Division 2 Gannon, located in Erie, Pa.

"I love the campus, the program and the coach," Tech said. "He is all about academics, but he also has one of the best softball teams in the nation for D2."

During Jakubowski's



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Grosse Pointe South senior Christy Tech, center, signs a letter-of-intent with father, Karl Tech, and mother, Cindy Tech, joining her.

four-year tenure at Gannon, the team has won 90 games, made two

postseason appearances

and been among the nation's best in academics for me and Gannon

gave me the best opportunity to play softball and take the tough classes I need for my career as a PA (physician's assistant)," Tech said. "The other colleges weren't what I was looking for, so I'm glad I'm going to attend Gannon."

"I'm going to a great program and it felt like the right place for me."

Tech's senior year is off to a great academic start. She earned a 4.16 grade point average in the first quarter, bringing her cumulative GPA to 3.7.

Her schedule includes several advanced placement courses.

She didn't play a fall or winter sport, but continues to work out and keep her softball skills at a premium.

Tech plays travel softball for Compuware and

head coach Scott Combs and is going to be one of the Blue Devils' top returning players for head coach Nicole Crane. She mainly plays short-stop, thanks to her cannon for an arm, quick feet and good hitting skills.

She will hit near the top of the Blue Devils' lineup as they try to capture a Macomb Area Conference Gold Division title in the spring.

Her class schedule in the fall will include a couple of challenging courses, so she enters college having to be on her game.

"I'm ready and I've always been good at time management," Tech said. "I'm not worried about getting good grades and playing well for Gannon University."

Tucker ready for the next step, Tulsa

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South senior Gabriella Tucker had a decision to make, where to be a collegiate student-athlete.

It wasn't an easy choice. Did she go to the east coast and attend Bucknell or Georgetown, or head down south and enroll at the University of Tulsa.

In the end, Tucker chose the warmer climate of the south and signed a letter-of-intent to row for the Tulsa Golden Hurricane, which is a member of Conference USA.

"I liked the campus,

coach and academics at Tulsa, so it was a great fit for me," Tucker said. "It's a little far from home (15 hour car ride), but I think this is the perfect college for me."

"I'm excited about this opportunity to get a great education and join a good rowing program."

When she arrives on campus in August, her collegiate head coach will be Kevin Harris, who is in his 12th year at the helm.

During his tenure, the Golden Hurricane recorded 216 first-place finishes and medaled 465 boats in 103 regattas. He has seen 66 student-athletes receive Collegiate

Rowing Coaches Association National Scholar Athlete honors and his team has won the TU's Outstanding Team Community Service Award eight times for their community and campus involvement.

Tucker gets it done in the classroom, too. She currently maintains a 3.5 grade point average.

She has to maintain a good work ethic, too.

Getting up before dawn to row as a member of the Detroit Boat Club Crew and pushing herself to improve during the cold winter months allowed Tucker this opportunity to be a collegiate rower.



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Grosse Pointe South senior Gabriella Tucker, seated center, signed a letter-of-intent to row at University of Tulsa. Joining her were parents, mother, Shelly Tucker, seated left; father, Pete Tucker, seated right; and rowing coach George Sleator, standing.

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Fragel on active squad

By Fletcher Sharpe
Special Writer

Mike McLeod.

"Yeah, it was Coach McLeod, for sure. He coached my brothers, and he helped me fall in love with the game of football. He passed before I could play for him, but he was definitely my role model and mentor."

When the Cincinnati Bengals came to Michigan to face off with the Detroit Lions, it provided another one of Grosse Pointe's native sons a chance to return to the state.

Offensive lineman Reid Fragel, formerly of Grosse Pointe South and then The Ohio State University, was inactive against Detroit, but sat down to talk about his experiences along the way.

"Yeah, this is my first time back, so it gives me time to see family and some friends from home." Fragel smiled and said. "My first time on the field was in Dallas, and it was one of the more interesting game experiences I've ever experienced. It was a good way to see where I was at, as a player. I would have liked to play it while fully healthy, but it opened my eyes moving forward. I'm playing against the best guys in the world."

On his progression of his game, Fragel credited that to Urban Meyer at Ohio State. "I switched from guard to tackle, so it was a learning curve. Coach Meyer pushed us more than I thought possible."

(OL coach) Ed Warinner, and (Grad assistant) Kirk Barton both helped me learn how to play tackle."

When touching on whether or not he still communicates with anyone at South, Fragel nodded, "I still talk with Coach (Tim) Brandon. I actually wrote the team a note for the South-North game."

When told of the result, Fragel laughed "Yeah, I know, I still keep up with them."

Fragel's Bengals beat the Lions 27-24 behind a late field goal.

In relating back to his Grosse Pointe roots, Fragel saw his mentor as former head coach of Grosse Pointe South,

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Ristovski sisters square off

By Fletcher Sharpe
Special Writer

A little more than a year ago, University Liggett graduates Madison and Haleigh Ristovski played their last game together, a loss in the Class C state finals to undefeated Morley Stanwood, 61-57.

Last weekend, they were reunited on the hardwood, officially. However, unlike every other time before, they lined up wearing different colors, as Madison was starting for the University of Michigan as a sophomore, and Haleigh was in the beginning stages of her first collegiate season at the University of Detroit Mercy for Autumn Rademacher.

"When they came in, I don't look at our freshman class as freshmen." Rademacher, a former standout at UDM, said. "As we are low on upperclassmen, we have an absolute need for impact from them right away. Haleigh brings that. She can play the 2 through the 5 spot. She's able to post up on smaller players and take the larger ones off the dribble. She can also grab a lot of rebounds as well. She's improved since she walked on to campus. She came in one dimensional and we've slowly



PHOTO BY RENATO JAMETT

The Ristovski sisters, University of Detroit Mercy freshman Haleigh blocking out University of Michigan sophomore Madison, in a non-league game played at Calihan Hall. The University Liggett graduates played on opposite teams for the first time in their basketball careers.

added things to her game."

U-M head coach Kim Barnes Arico, who is entering her second year, was equally pleased with her sister.

"The main difference I notice from Madison from last year to this year is her confidence. When she came here, she had a lot of hype and pressure, and I'm sure it was overwhelming. She's still improving and gaining experience, but she's gained more confidence." Barnes Arico stated. "Her

outside side shot has become consistent, as has her decision making."

Both coaches were well aware of what Saturday represented, and it also represented a first for both coaches as well: The first time they coached or played with a sibling who was facing her sibling. Rademacher and Barnes Arico had similar reactions. "No...no, I don't think I've ever been in this situation before." laughed Rademacher.

Barnes Arico thought

long and hard then said, "No, I don't think I can recall ever coaching a kid who would be facing their sibling, but with Madison, I wouldn't worry about it. She thrives in the spotlight, so I expect her to play well... It's more of Madison versus her family when you think about it." finished the Michigan coach with a laugh. This is true, as Detroit Mercy also hired Dean Ristovski as an assistant coach to the women's basketball team this off-season.

The eldest Ristovski looked forward to the match-up. "We played one-on-one all the time in the backyard, and that usually resulted in fights because of all of the emotion between us not wanting to lose," laughed the sophomore shooter. "But I'm really looking forward to it. I haven't given it a whole lot of thought, but it's exciting. But once it's tip-off, it's all about the team I'm a part of. I can't let it affect our relationship, and I don't think it will."

Around the 17-minute mark of the first half, Haleigh checked in to the game, and was promptly guarded by Madison. Later in the game, the two tangled for a rebound underneath the Detroit Mercy basket.

Neither came up with the ball, as they tumbled out of bounds, helping each other up.

One funny sequence occurred when the elder sister sank a three to push Michigan's lead, and Haleigh came right back, and sank a three of her own...right in Madison's face.

The closeness of the sisters, however, is not an indication of the closeness of the game score, as Michigan won comfortably, 83-63, spearheaded by 32 points from junior guard Shannon Smith.

Madison and Haleigh both had career days with Madison scoring a career high 14, and Haleigh pulling down eight rebounds and making her first three-point shot of the year.

The sisters greeted each other in post-game handshake line with a hug, with their younger sister Lola watching from the stands.

She is also a Detroit Mercy recruit.

"It was different," Haleigh said afterwards. "We hadn't played apart from one another ever. I was just hoping I wouldn't turn and pass it to her," she joked.

Madison chimed in, immediately after, "I noticed a lot of the things she did."

When she did good things, mentally I told her. After she checked in, it felt a little weird, but it started to feel normal as the game wore on."

The win propels Michigan to 2-2, while dropping Mercy to 1-3. There was an announced attendance of 2,167 at Calihan Hall.

When asked what the game will mean if they play each other in two years when Lola is in college, they laughed, and Madison said, "It would probably be more competitive with her playing, as she is the baby sister, and all."

Grosse Pointe South college signing

Schwartz decides to run at Louisville

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Kelsie Schwartz sifted through the offers, made official visits to colleges and made the decision which will change her life.

The Grosse Pointe South senior recently signed a letter-of-intent to the University of Louisville.

Her new head coach, Dale Cowper, is a Western Michigan graduate and in his eighth season at Louisville.

The Cardinals compete in the American Athletic Conference and the men's program won the conference title and the women took second this fall. However, the school is changing conferences and is competing in the Athletic Coast Conference next season.

"Everything just felt right when I made my official visit and it's a big

relief to get my college choice out of the way," Schwartz said. "I can focus on my studies and not worry about sending out college applications."

Schwartz had other major Division I schools in mind, Florida and Virginia, plus contemplated the Ivy League institutions.

She maintains a 4.2 grade point average and extends the excellence on the athletic field.

During her first three years of high school athletics, Schwartz has been on a state championship cross country team, as well as state title track and field squads.

In November, Schwartz earned Division 1 All-State honors after finishing 24th with a time of 18:37.2, and in 2012, she was All-State by taking 11th with a time of 18:22.9.

In 2011, she made All-State with her seventh-

place time of 18:21.2, to make it three All-State honors at Grosse Pointe South.

On the track, Schwartz was a member of the gold-medal winning 3,200-meter relay at the 2012 state finals, joining the Meier sisters, Haley and Hannah, as well as Ersula Farrow, which set a state record with a time of 8:48.29.

She was also All-State in the 1,600-meter run, taking sixth with a time of 5:03.63 in the 2012 finals, as well as in the 3,200-meter run by placing seventh with a time of 10:46.66.

Her commitment to excellence runs from the classroom to the athletic field. Her final high school sport is track in the spring and she will run cross country, as well as the indoor track and field season in the winter and the outdoor season in the spring at Louisville.



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Grosse Pointe South senior Kelsie Schwartz, seated center, is joined by father, John Schwartz, seated left; mother, Anne Schwartz, seated right; and her cross country and track head coach at South, Steve Zaranek, standing.

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