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Complete news coverage of all the Pointes

# New Year's fire starts at space heater

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE flat," said incident com-FARMS - First-mander, Lt. Jack responders consider a Patterson, of Grosse space heater to be the Pointe Farms public source of a three-alarm safety. "It affected our fire on the ground floor ability to get to the back of a two-story duplex re- room where the fire ported a half-hour before was." sunrise New Year's Day in the 300 block of to do with the middle-Hillcrest.

Although officers from many cats. four departments spent two hours extinguishing Patterson said. "There the fire, beginning at was heavy smoke pourabout 7:30 a.m. on the ing out." 15-degree morning of Wednesday, Jan. 1, they pajama pants, stood on were encumbered the porch with a neighmostly by conditions

inside the house.

"A foot of debris was strewn throughout the

Much of the litter had aged male resident's

"I pulled up first,"

The resident, wearing

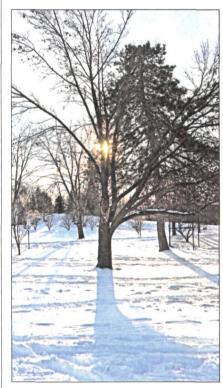
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The new year has provided some fun outdoor activities, a lot of snow and record-setting low temperatures and windchills. At left, Tom Toth helps teach his daughter, Ella, to skate. Below left, Monday's snowy Mack Avenue in **Grosse Pointe** Woods. Below **Grosse Pointe Park** residents Gary and Sue Scheiwe snowshoe their way around Patterson Park in the Park.









PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

At left, the sun didn't do much to warm it up Tuesday as temperatures dipped to double-digits below zero. Above, Brianna Corrion gets some help with her skates from her dad, Dean.

2013:

## All-Pointes recap

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

 Some news items er to reality. span the individual five Grosse Pointes to en- organization, K-9 Safety compass them all and Partners of the Grosse

nity-wide issues maintain a pack. included a new state representative's intro- be appropriate to have a duction to Lansing, a minimum of three dogs campaign to expand in the Grosse Pointes,' public safety K-9 units said John Stevens, presiand a charity basketball dent of the partners and game against members a former City of Grosse of the Detroit Lions foot- Pointe councilman. ball team that raised money for Grosse Pointe-Harper Woods Special Olympics and Wayne

year in review:

#### January

Banks, D-Detroit, didn't ger fish. hear from Gov. Rick Snyder that made the from the Wayne County biggest impression.

from the governor issues attorneys, three investirelating to crime and the gators and a clerical he did not mention," said Banks, representing according to Worthy. House District 1, including Grosse Pointe April Shores, Woods, Harper • The home of the Woods and part of eastside Detroit.

#### February

◆ A wish for more police dogs in the Grosse THE GROSSE POINTES Pointes is a tail wag clos-

A private fundraising Pointes, is formally During 2013, commu- established to help cities

"We thought it would

#### March

◆ Staff cuts in the County Services for Older Prosecutor's office cause some Grosse Pointe po-The community-wide lice to chase their tails more than criminals.

Action against a thirdtime drunken driving ◆ As a newly-elected suspect in the City of Michigan legislator at- Grosse Pointe is delayed tending his first state of because the shrunken the state address, it was pool of prosecuting what State Rep. Brian attorneys is frying big-

Stagnation results executive laying off 22 "I was looking to hear assistant prosecuting state of Detroit, which staffer in the office of Prosecutor Kym Worthy,

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2013:

## Bashara case, new murder in Park

By Kathy Ryan Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe Park.

ment of a mentally murder.

GROSSE POINTE Safety brought news man to kill Joe Gentz, March. PARK — The year 2013 cameras and reporters was charged with first saw the media spotlight back to the Park. Not that degree murder, conspir-stand trial in March is once again focused on they had ever really left, acy to commit first- Myron Williams. He has as the 2012 murder of degree The murder in May of Jane Bashara took the solicitation to commit May murder of Gianino. Sabrina Gianino, the fire- forefront once again as murder, suborning per- According to prosecubombing of a lakefront her husband, Bob, was jury during a capital trial, tors, Williams strangled mansion and the harass- charged in May with her witness intimidation,

impaired Detroit resident Bashara, already in felony firearm. by members of the city's prison after confessing to obstruction of justice and

Bashara will go to trial Department of Public attempting to hire a hit on those charges in

Also scheduled to murder, been charged with the

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## **NEWS**

**City of Grosse Pointe** 

#### Likely story

A 34-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods man, ing onto the 800 block of to police. St. Clair and parking in a random driveway.

across the front seats in Court totaling \$4,000 the officer. an attempt to avoid detec-bond, said an officer. tion," said the officer, fresh from pursuing the Delivery stolen man during icy road conditions shortly after 4 a.m. Friday, Jan. 3.

"(He) stated he was not in the 800 block of Neff. aware he was on the hid in the driveway about 1 p.m. because he became afraid when he saw me," said and forgot to retrieve the running a red light on Grosse Pointe Shores the officer.

having a .15 percent a public safety officer. blood alcohol level.

It was his second drunken driving arrest, police said.

#### Stolen or not

Shortly before 1:30 (313) 886-3200. p.m. Friday, Jan. 3, police detained a 24-year-old Detroit man for driving a **Grosse Pointe Farms** stolen black 2008 Dodge Avenger on Cadieux near Ticket & ride Mack.

Later in the investigation, the car's female 2012 Chevrolet Sonic 55 owner said she notified mph in snowy conditions a hospital. Detroit authorities two on eastbound Mack, a 35 days prior that the car mph zone, was cited at 1/4 wheel wasn't stolen.

vehicle's owner has given grams of marijuana. permission for (the man) Pointe officer.

Either way, the driver, stopped at Moross.

# Public Safety Reports

accused of driving west- lacking identification, inibound in the eastbound tially gave police a false lanes of Mack, allegedly name and was arrested suing patrolman by turn-suspensions, according license.

An unknown thief house. made off with an AT&T The officer said he acticable box delivered by Red means stop vated his cruiser's emer- FedEx during the aftergency lights in an attempt noon of Thursday, Jan. 2,

wrong side of the road heard the delivery man violating two driving sus- Safety Department at due to the snow and he knock on the front door pensions.

Police arrested him for gone around 5 p.m.," said Moross.

—Brad Lindberg Help woman

Report information

2:50 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 5, "It is unknown if (the) for possessing eight

A patrolman said she to be driving (the) vehicle lost control of the Sonic driving shortly after stopand if (the) vehicle was at the intersection of considered stolen or not," Mack and East Warren, said a City of Grosse recovered and sped up to operating a disabled blue

The officer spotted a in her purse while she tried to hide from a pur- for violating two driving searched for her driver's wheel remained and the

> "(She) admitted the they added. He also was wanted on marijuana was hers and

> > her car in a nearby lot and on a wheel." and drove her to a friend's

Police arrested a

A patrolman investi-"He was preoccupied gated him for allegedly package and noticed it eastbound Mack at

Grosse Pointe Public Vernon at 2:24 p.m. Safety Department at Tuesday, Dec. 31, to help an 83-year-old female resident reportedly having a medical emergency.

Police found her in a first floor room.

'(Medics said she) was showing signs of a A woman speeding a stroke," said an officer.

Authorities took her to Staff Writer

ping him at 8:54 p.m. Monday, Dec. 30, for Mack near Calvin.

police. Only 1/4 of the license.

"(He) was laying down from Detroit 36th District alcohol this date," said he was driving," said a lockup at Grosse Pointe patrolman. "(He) did not Farms headquarters. She passed field sobri- know that he had been ety tests. Officers parked operating with a flat tire

level, police said.

Brad Lindberg

Report information to halt the man on Mack. to the male victim, living 23-year-old Grosse about these or other Pointe Woods man at 1:59 crimes to the Grosse The resident reportedly p.m. Saturday, Jan. 4, for Pointe Farms Public Attempted entry (313) 885-2100.

#### Suspended

southbound Lakeshore gained. Public safety officers ended at 3:09 p.m. about these or other broke into a locked house Saturday, Jan. 4, with the crimes to the City of in the 200 block of Mount arrest of a 20-year-old

The car's right front Novi man for violating a plastic bag of marijuana tire was missing, said suspended operator's

right rear tire was flat, him over near Deeplands.

The driver couldn't "The driver stated the post \$300 bond, so offi-

Brad Lindberg Report information about these or other The man had a .146 crimes to the Grosse Grosse Pointe Park percent blood alcohol Pointe Shores Public Safety Department at UDAA (313) 881-5500.

#### **Grosse Pointe Woods**

Radio Shack on Mack found someone had attempted to pry open the from the afternoon of when he arrived for work the morning of Tuesday, A 50 mph jaunt down Dec. 31. Entry was not

#### Window broken

A brick was thrown through a window of a store on Mack on Thursday, Jan. 2. The owner of the store reported that it did not appear anyone had A patrolman pulled entered the store, and nothing was missing.

- Kathy Ryan Report information on "numerous warrants" that she had consumed vehicle 'just stopped' as cers housed him in the these and other crimes to Grosse Pointe Woods public safety at (313) 343-

A 1998 Honda was taken sometime overnight Saturday, Jan. 4, from Hampton and Wayburn.

#### An employee at the Bike theft

A men's bike was taken rear door of the store Saturday, Dec. 28, from a locked garage in the 1300 block of Harvard.

> -Kathy Ryan Report information on these and other crimes to Grosse Pointe Park public safety at (313) 822-7400.

## Productive year in Woods

By Kathy Ryan

#### January

The annual Woods Police arrested a Winterfest went on withbaking contest.

#### **February**

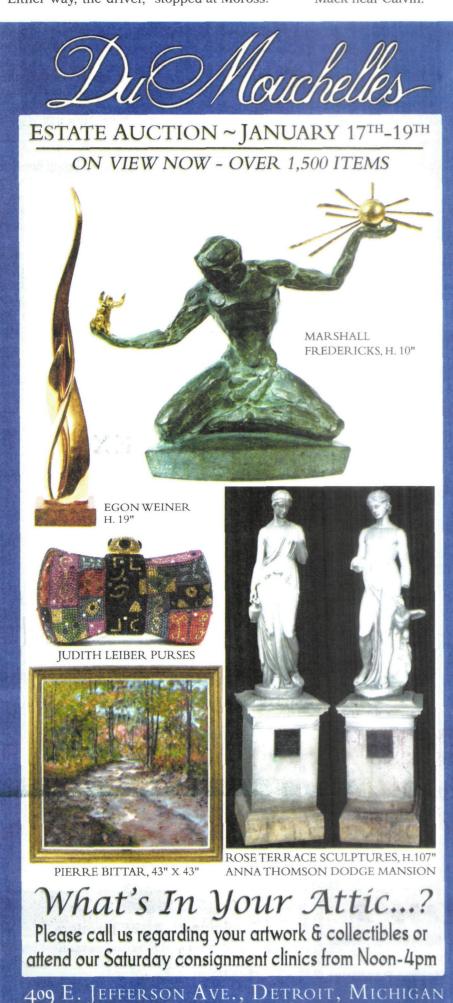
fries. And with that in tract to Malcolm Marine, mind, the city council Inc. of St. Clair. The cost

agreed to a proposal to of the project, set at

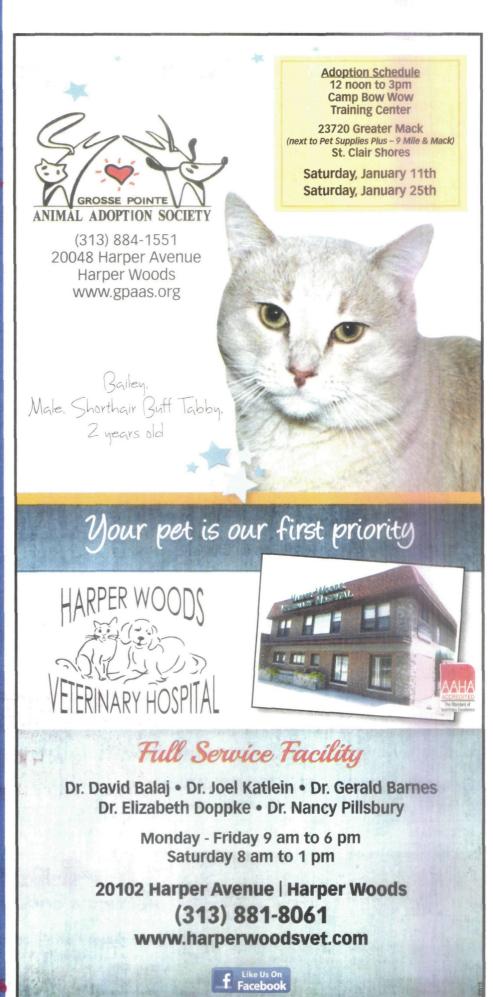
for the city marina re-

update the city's conces- \$217,354 including engision stand at Lake Front neering fees and contin-Park. According to public gencies, will be paid for works director Joe Ahee, out of the city's Boat Dock the popular site is in need Enterprise Fund, which is of repair and upgrades, funded entirely through 39-year-old man from St. out snow, but with the but he is certain the work boat well rental fees. Clair Shores for drunken annual chili cook off and can be done by employ- Faced with declining lake ees from his department. levels that have dropped ◆ The dredging project water as much as 18 inches, city officials felt they It's never too early to ceived final approval in had no choice but to 45 mph before being 2013 Ford Fusion on think of warm summer February, when the city dredge the harbor before days, milk shakes and council awarded the con- the start of the 2013 boat-

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#### Week ahead

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#### FRIDAY, JAN. 10

 An American Red Cross blood drive is from 9 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. at the Neighborhood Club. To make a reservation, visit redcrossblood.org and use the sponsor code neighborhood. For more information, call (313) 885-4600.

#### MONDAY, JAN. 13

 Grosse Pointe Park city council meets at 7 p.m. in council chambers, 15115 E. Jefferson.

 Wayne County Commissioner Tim Killeen, D-Detroit, meets with citizens from 9 to 10 a.m. at the Grosse Pointe Woods municipal building, 20025 Mack. For more information, call (313) 224-0920.

The Grosse Pointe Public Library holds a mother-daughter book group from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Ewald branch. This is open to fourth and fifth grade girls and their mothers. To register, call Kathleen Gallagher at (313) 821-8830, ext. 204.

#### **WEDNESDAY, JAN. 15**

 Services for Older Citizens choir meets from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Tuition is \$25. For more information, call (313) 882-9600.

#### THURSDAY, JAN. 16

Learn how to download eBooks to a tablet or Smartphone at 10 a.m. at the Grosse Pointe Public Library, Woods branch. Bring a fully charged device and a library card. Register by calling (313) 343-2072.

Learn how to download eBooks to an eReader at 11:30 a.m. at the Grosse Pointe Public Library, Woods branch. Bring a fully charged device and valid library card. To register, call Danis Houser at (313) 343-2072.



From left, Bill Grogan, Chip Delsener, Ann Ottenhoff and Burt Ross. At right, Delsener kneels beside the red maple planted in memory of his wife, Bonnie, who died last June.



## Tree honors late Park commissioner

By Ann L. Fouty Features Editor

planted in memory of

Commission designed and planted

A red maple has been the Tompkins Center.

Bonnie Whalen Delsener. Grogan, who served with Barrington with a plaque Before her death in her on the beautification that bears her name and June, Delsener had been commission, she orgathis quote: "Her spirit active on the Grosse nized block parties for and beauty live on in our Pointe Park Beautification her neighbors on gardens." and Barrington Street.

Some \$700 was raised died June 1.

flower beds in the city's through private dona-Windmill Pointe Park, tions from Barrington particularly in front of residents to purchase the tree which was planted According to Bill Nov. 27 at the end of

Born Aug. 17, 1953, she

## WOODS:

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ing season.

◆ The city council approved allocations of \$72,034 in Community Development Block were not deceiving Grant funds, but not them. If you live in without questioning the Grosse Pointe and think drop in funding for 2013. CDBG funds are federal your backyard, you dollars allocated by probably are. Residents Wayne County to cities. throughout the Pointes Typically, Grosse Pointe have seen deer moving Woods has used the an-through backyards, and nual grant to fund hous- Grosse Pointe Woods ing repair services of- code enforcement offifered through the cer Debbie Reed said if Services for Older there are two, there are Citizens and community probably more."They transportation services. won't hurt anyone, but This year is no excep-residents have to tion, with the city ap- remember that they are proving a grant of wild animals," she said. \$30,000 to SOC for its "We're not sure where minor home repair pro- they are coming from. gram and administra- but we suspect they are tion and a \$27,000 grant moving down from the to the Pointe Area area Assisted Transportation Metropolitan Beach." System.

#### March

mandated flight paths up. and failing to notify the city when landings were scheduled.

#### April

flights to its new heli- city's while the new site is in Detroit, which will take

any control over noise and timing of landings out of the hands of Grosse Pointe Woods officials.

#### May

No, residents' eyes you're seeing deer in around

#### June

A City of Grosse The city council, Pointe resident filed an reacting to complaints accident report with from residents, was Woods police after her seeking answers from car was damaged while St. John Hospital and parked on Mack near Medical Center as to the Parcells field. While why it is not adhering to the driver of the car that guidelines regarding struck hers did not leave medical helicopter any identifying informaflights. The council has tion, a witness to the asked city administrator accident was able to Skip Fincham to meet identify the driver and with officials from St. give his contact infor-John in order to deter- mation to the victim. As mine why the hospital luck would have it, the has violated several driver of the car was the terms of the agreement, witness' former husincluding disregarding band. Police followed

#### July

The city council moved one step closer to allowing residents to B e g i n n i n g store their boats at Lake Wednesday, April 17, St. Front Park during the John will be redirecting winter. Based on recomincoming medical mendations from the stop location on the top Recreation Commission, floor of the facility's the council approved west parking deck, and winter storage for boats will cease using the tem- up to 28 feet in length porary site in the north on trailers. A flat fee of parking lot. That site \$250 will be charged, was actually located in and boat owners must Grosse Pointe Woods, supply proof of \$100,000

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## FIRE:

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bor whom the resident tune time. reportedly sought to call 911.

"I asked if anyone was "He (the resident) said deploy. 'several.' I ran up to the or so cats in there."

and third alarms summoned three firefighters Grosse Pointe Woods Shores, Grosse Pointe water supply." Woods and Harper Woods.

from the Farms, the force totaled 15.

nual skin exam to be done by your dermatologist. We all need one christening 2014 broke out at an oppor-

"I sent a couple of guys door. At that point, he in on an attack line," told me there was a dozen Patterson said. "They knocked down a majority Simultaneous second of the fire.

Harper Woods firefighters Along with six officers upstairs.

"Grosse Pointe Shores Patterson said. officers were the rapid

crew inside.'

At least eight members packs, refill air bottles, upward. and help haul and drain hoses.

group of individuals," Patterson said.

"In the meantime, room of origin.

> "It was a very aggresgood, coordinated effort,"

The house's frame

many officers than nor- breached a back door dwellings in the commu- determine nothing got mal were on hand, this and set up a secondary nity and the fire codes past us," Patterson said. into cages on behalf of means of egress for the required of modern con- "Due to the amount of the adoption agency, a

struction. The Farms daily road of the Farms citizen vol- breaks — horizontal Animal patrol was at headquar- unteer reserves provided inserts between vertical Society," Patterson said.

"It's a really dangerous diately with cages." type of house to fight a "That is an awesome fire in," Patterson said. "You can knock down a fire on the bottom floor Officers contained and it's already up in the each from Grosse Pointe established a secondary intense flames to the attic or across to the other side."

> Members of the searched sive interior attack; a upstairs crew opened plaster walls to discover scorched wood.

"We soaked everything As with the Farms' first intervention team to get structure predates most and went into the attic to

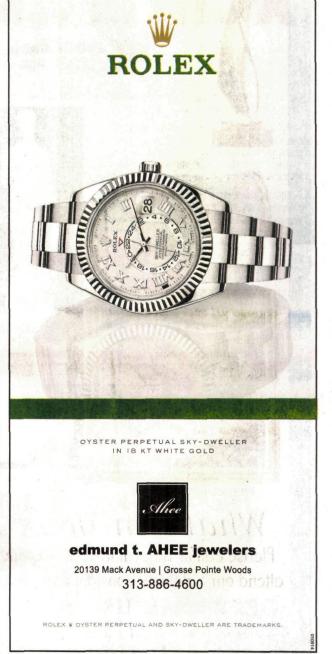
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Framework lacked fire called the Grosse Pointe main injury of the morn-Adoption

While helping herd cats cats in the house, we reservist suffered the ing, a finger bite.

A representative of the ters wrapping up morn-backup. They arrived studs — intended to block "It was the first time I had society wasn't available inside," Patterson said. ing briefing and ripe to from home to assemble unseen flames behind the pleasure of working for comment, but the firefighters' breathing walls from spreading with them. They group's website, gpaas. responded almost imme- org, lists adoption fees for adult cats at \$125.





### **NEWS**

### PARK:

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Gianino and stole several flat rented to his sister.

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in the attic of a Wayburn cate of occupancy under was reassigned and all The murder mobilized approved by the city cers will be given sensition that involves cutting Church of Christ on the we're proud to be a part council at its Dec. 9 meet-tivity training. They will patrol officers," city man-

Gianino's murder, news media tools. crews were back in the on the firebombing of a local stories in 2013. cocktail. In December, pleted. Kay pleaded guilty to the prison.

neighbors into pressing impaired Detroit resi- on how to merge police, the Red Park officials for a stron- dent. The video was fire and ambulance ser- Restaurant and the also call for outdoor seatger rental ordinance shared among several vice between the two cit- announcement the ing, live music and dancholding landlords officers, resulting in the ies, but the observation Atwater accountable for tenants city hiring a public rela- raising the most concern Company would be open- basement. and allows the city to tions consultant and was one regarding cut- ing a new location on items later found in the monitor rental proper- Chief David Hiller ting the number of public Kercheval. possession of a crack ties. Landlords are now announcing the suspen- safety officers that would dealer. Williams was liv- required to be licensed sion of five officers. In be on the street at any owner, confirmed in April noting he is a Park resiing next door to Gianino, and hold a valid certifi- addition, an entire shift given time. new ordinance Park public safety offi- forward with a consolida- former Grace United going on in that area, and also receive training in ager Dale Krajniak said. Less than a week after the proper use of social "We will look at the study

Park, this time to report focus of two other major cut road patrols."

lakefront mansion by a In March, Hiller the Park centered on tional German fare." 20-year-old Grosse announced that talks public safety and court-Pointe Park resident. were in place which rooms. Police tracked footprints would allow the Park to Charles Kay into custody. services for the City of spot with the addition of and will use the original year. While the house suffered Grosse Pointe, with an minimal damage and no eye toward consolidation one was injured, Kay was in the fall. Those talks charged with arson sec- were successful, and in ond degree, sending October, the long-awaited explosives with intent of changes to the dispatch Continued from page 3A causing damage and pos-system in both the Park in insurance. session of a Molotov and the City were com-

charges and will be sention of the dispatch ser-would be allowed. tenced in January. He vices went off without a faces up to 20 years in hitch, talks about combining the two depart-

to see what we can The Park was also the merge, but we will not microbrewery and a dis- ning unopposed. It also

Not all the news from

he signed a letter of dent himself. "We would never go intent to take over the corner of Kercheval and of it.' Lakepointe, and expects

Kercheval in the Park he intends to keep the the helm to take Grosse in the wet grass and took take over police dispatch became a destination church building intact, Pointe Park into the new

Crown pews as seating. Plans Brewing ing, and a beer hall in the

"We're very excited to be coming to Grosse Mark Rieth, Atwater's Pointe Park," he said,

"There is so much

The November election to be open in early 2014. saw several incumbent "We will have both a council members runtillery," Rieth said, "and marked 30 years in office we'll be serving tradi- for Mayor Palmer Heenan who celebrated While plans are still his 92nd birtrhday in preliminary, Rieth said December. He remains at

While boats may be shrink-wrapped on site, While the consolida- no other maintenance

#### August

News crews returned ments into one hit a snag Woods-Shores Little residents, and while the Residents of Provencal to the Park in November, in June. A consultant League team returned utility reps brought Road, the private drive after a video surfaced on from the International home to sirens, applause charts, statistics and bordering the Country social media sites that City/County Management and lots of hugs from maps, they brought few Club of Detroit, receive showed at least one Park Association Center for family, friends and fans. answers to residents their city services, includpublic safety officer Public Safety made sev- About 200 people turned plagued by power out- ing public safety, water harassing a mentally eral recommendations out on the front lawn of ages. In what has become and trash collection, from team brought back memories to last a lifetime.

#### September

city's planning commis- Ketels consisting of four cones mayor pro tem.

cellphone users, accord- Pump hearing on the issue.

#### October

Representatives from The Grosse Pointe DTE Energy met with the Woods city hall to an annual event, engi- the city of Grosse Pointe welcome back the local neers and officials from Farms. And it is to the champs on their return DTE told residents work Farms that these resifrom the Little League is progressing on several dents pay their rather World Series in circuits in the Woods substantial property Williamsport, Pa. The aimed at improving ser- taxes each year. Except vice.

#### November

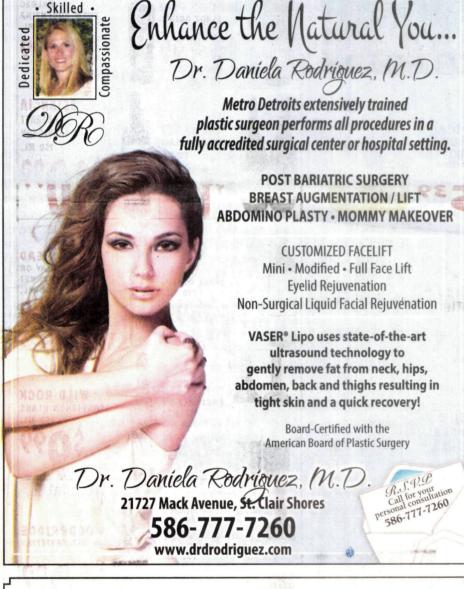
and

match the church's stee- contain cellphone anten- Farms.

ple, will provide addi- nae was approved for the tional coverage for roof of the Milk River Station ing to an attorney for Parkway in Grosse Pointe Sprint who addressed the Woods. On a vote of 6-1, council during a public the council approved the plans for the facility that will be built by AT&T.

#### December

It's a conundrum. for seven of those taxpayers. Their residences, the first seven houses that Incumbents retained run east from Chalfonte, The city council, on the their city council seats, as are actually located in recommendation of the Vicki Granger, Kevin Grosse Pointe Woods, Todd and the owners pay their sion, approved a request McConaghy held off a property taxes to the Sprint Cellular challenge from new- Woods. The Woods then Service to place a wire-comer Bob Sheehy in the reimburses Grosse Pointe less antenna on the bell race for three council Farms for the city sertower at Crosspointe seats. The council then vices it provides to the Church. The antenna, elected Art Bryant as residents. The city council rejected their request that will be painted to An enclosure that will to become part of the



## Gift of Wa

Given the forecast, the recent holiday gift of coats from the Grosse Pointe Rotary to the children who were a part of the Adopt A Child program at the Northeast Guidance Center will be a gift that will- keep on giving- especially with the onset of the recent wave of frigid weather. This year 40 children were adopted through the program at the Northeast Guidance Center (NEGC) which is a mental health agency who since 1963 has embraced mental wellness for children and adults in the city of Detroit.

Paul Rentenbach, president of the Grosse Pointe Rotary stated that, "4 rotaries, 2 from, Detroit and 2 from Grosse Pointe raised over \$55,000 through donations from all over the state of Michigan to provide 3400 coats as a part of Operation Warm to distribute this winter." The Northeast Guidance Center was 1 of 6 agencies chosen to receive 120 coats in various sizes for youth in need.

Diane Strickler, past president of the Grosse Pointe Rotary stated, "Rotary is pleased to partner with the Northeast Guidance Center in the distribution of coats from, Operation Warm. Rotarians have worked since this past summer to raise funds for 3400 winter coats to keep community children warm, healthy and going to school. Our partner agencies, such as the Northeast Guidance Center know where the need is greatest. In addition to the coat donations from the Grosse Pointe Rotary, NEGC also received baby blankets from small treasures; toys form Metro Detroit Senior Citizens, Radio One and the Ecumenical Theological Seminary. Their donations helped not only the children who were adopted through this annual program but their siblings received gifts as well

Cheryl Coleman, president and C.E.O. of the Northeast Guidance center shared that partnerships such as these are very significant to our programs and very welcomed all year round not only during the holidays. We are always grateful for their support.

For more information regarding the Northeast Guidance Center please call 313-308-1400 or access the website for a listing of their services at www



Pictured are Cheryl Coleman, President & CEO of the Northeast Guidance Center and recipients of coats from the annual Adopt a Child program. Photo Oxygen Photos.





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#### **OPINION**

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**OUR VIEW** 

# What a way to start the new year

mazing is best word for the week in weather since the calendar hit 2014. A healthy dose of snow was followed by record cold temperatures and windchills. Not often do you see Grosse Pointe's schools closed - and on consecutive days? After a long holiday break, many

parents are ready to get back into a normal routine, with their children back to school and the roads not so horrible.

Kudos to the crews who have worked hard to clear all the snow. It certainly hasn't been 9 to 5 for anybody doing that job. The city streets certainly fared



better than the county roads in Wayne, Macomb and Oakland. Some neighborhoods hadn't been touched by a plow by Tuesday afternoon.

As always, we welcome your winter photos or contact us at jwarner@grossepointenews.com.

#### He's off

Congratulations to schools writer A.J. Hakim, who wrapped up his master's work at Wayne State University and is now student teaching.

Hakim worked here for three years and we wish

him the best in his new career.

Schools information, story and photo ideas should be sent to jwarner@grossepointenews.com or call (313) 343-5590.

## New look

Our front page and a couple of our sections are taking on a new look in 2014. The Week Ahead is now on page 3A and the front page is opened up for more photos, stories and a larger variety of layout options. Our section B is now Community, and will include features, religion news, obituaries and classifieds. Our section C is now a combination of sports and school news. We look forward to bringing back Pointer of Interest and some other exciting changes to the newspaper and our website. Share your ideas at jwarner@grossepointenews.com.

#### Important meetings

The League of Women Voters is hosting a discussion with Grosse Pointe North teacher Gary Abud Superintendent Tom Harwood and Chris Fenton. assistant superintendent for business.

The forum takes place at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 14, at Grosse Pointe South's library. The League of Women Voters will moderate the question and

answer format. Another event is scheduled from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 4. A technology showcase will take place in the Brownell multipurpose room, 260 Chalfonte. Samples of the pilot technology program running in each school will be on display. Students and staff will demonstrate different instructional technology uses and talk about how the different devices aid instruction and enhance student learning.

Letters to the editor are always welcome. Send to the Grosse Pointe News at 21316 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236 or to jwarner@grossepointenews.com.

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remained stable and programs have not been cut, but technology needs were not seen as a priority at this time, and were not addressed.

Current fund equity is at \$2 million. At the end of the fiscal year, it will be \$4.2 million. The district is forecasting a fund equity balance of \$6.4 million in fiscal

I wanted to take a of 2015-2016.

The ability to increase

fund equity is due to district staff taking pay cuts, it is not because foundation allowance was increased. These dollars come directly from our staff. Questions have been

raised about the sinking fund. This is a tightly regulated fund, directed by the state as to what can be paid for out of these funds.

There is a 20-year plan in place for the maintenance of the district's historic buildings. These include, but are not limited to, roof replacement, parking lot paving, bathroom upgrades, etc. Sinking fund money cannot be used to pay for classroom supplies, teacher salaries or new comput-

The bond expert did indicate wiring could be replaced, using sinking fund money. But then, repairs to buildings would need to come from the general fund — which would then remove funding from the classroom.

JUDY GAFA Treasurer of the Grosse Pointe Public School System

#### Criticism enhances community efficiency

### To the Editor:

Recently the city engineer of Grosse Pointe Woods stopped work on the sewer system as the work was not up to the required standard, "City nixes contract," Dec. 19 Grosse Pointe News.

This saved money

now and for the future.

Kudos to the engineer

this caliber.

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

The deadline for letters is 3 p.m Monday. Letters to the Editor can be e-mailed to jwarner@grossepointe

right to refuse any letter. Include a daytime phone number for verification or questions.

G.P. schools

technology

funding =

bond

To the Editor:

moment and address

concerns about funding

expressed by previous

letter writers of the

I will be reiterating

what the superinten-

dent of the district has

already shared about

district finances,

"Development," Dec. 5

Grosse Pointe News,

but apparently it needs

In the fiscal year

Jennifer Granholm

slashed the districts 20i

funds; this equaled

\$189 per pupil. That

same year, foundation

allowance decreased by

In fiscal year 2009-

2010, foundation allow-

ance was cut by \$154

per pupil; in 2010-2011,

it was \$170 per pupil;

and in 2011-2012, it was

\$300 per pupil — equal-

ing a cut of \$6.5 million

in funding to the Grosse

Pointe Public School

As a district, adjust-

ments and tough

choices had to be made,

the district staff stepped

up and took pay cuts

totaling 8.1 percent of

their pay and are now

paying 20 percent of their healthcare bene-

These are sacrifices

that have been made to

keep this district finan-

Class size

These are not easy

has

cially healthy.

cuts to take.

System district.

Gov.

to be repeated.

2008-2009,

\$147 per pupil.

Grosse Pointe News.

There was little technology in 1912 when my maternal aunt graduated from high school and was qualified to teach. Students had to pass a high school entrance exam that few college graduates could pass today.

Technological toys cannot suffice for dedicated teachers.

New taxes always affect the tax paying citizens at the bottom of the food chain which year 2014-2015 and changes the community \$8.4 million at the end for the worse over a certain time period.

The longer a community exists without critimore cism the inefficient it becomes.

> CHARLES H. LAPO Grosse Pointe Woods

#### Voters asked to approve technology bond issue in February

To the Editor:

In February, the voters of the Grosse Pointe Public School System will be asked to approve a technology bond issue.

While publicizing more specific details as to what the proposed fund would provide would certainly be helpful to the average voter, there can be no doubt support for our technology is required.

Some of the high school computers, for example, are older than the students using them.

Some other Michigan schools systems are doing amazing things, which the GPPSS cando because its equipment is so dated.

A related bonus for providing better technology would be an improvement in teacher morale.

Teacher morale is low with good reason. The last two contracts have been very destructive, with horrible pay

So let those in charge: 1) describe the amount of millage require for this effort,

2) provide a somewhat detailed intended

use for these funds, and 3) explain the effects on average property

Then let us vote for

and city employees of this bond issue which gives essential support to our public schools.

> **GORDON MORLAN** Grosse Pointe Park

#### Supported up-to-date technology

To the Editor:

As a parent organization, our sole focus is the enhancement and support of the educational experience at Richard Elementary

The technology bond embodies our primary goal of striving to provide the best possible enhanced learning experience in an up-todate educational environment.

This is essential to allow our children to compete in our current digital age.

The passage of the technology bond will allow the teachers and children of Grosse Pointe to have all of the available educational advancements at their fingertips.

It will provide our children endless ways to learn in a secure technological environment without having to waste valuable class time waiting for an aging infrastructure to respond.

Technological enhancements will allow teachers to expand their teaching style by giving them access to cutting-edge tools and ever-evolving resources.

The Parent Teacher Organization has lent support by providing smart boards, laptops and other technological advances.

Unfortunately, these items alone are not enough to keep up with ever-changing educational advancements.

It is not acceptable to have outdated computers and slow - at best access to the Internet in our classrooms.

School districts in the surrounding areas have already evolved well beyond our current means.

We need to step up, before our children fall behind.

> **RICHARD ELEMENTARY** SCHOOL PARENT **TEACHER** ORGANIZATION Grosse Pointe Farms



### RECAP:

Continued from page 1A

madness.

Local public safety offiand Detroit Lions football of the museum's original Court. team to raise money for 1927 layout. Grosse Pointe-Harper Woods Special Olympics between a Starbucks and Citizens.

Some \$6,000 is raised tor. in the game at Grosse Pointe South High School.

behind to win 49-48.

#### May

◆ Amy DeBrunner, di- and sweet. rector of the Grosse Pointe Grosse Pointe, like's the State University. she buys it.

#### June

and fashionable fabs, in- in delinquent traffic fines, Blue Devils becomes a brewed pilsner billed as count deposit slots for the Ontario, Canada. Lions den of athletic an- Detroit's finest, are on the 36th District Court. tics during a charity bas- beverage menu of a laid Institute of Arts.

"I want it to be a cross count on their fines.

 Seasonal insects that The Lions come from Grosse Pointe residents traditionally call fishflies are actually mayflies. And comes from the Greek,

"They live only one or Artists two days," said Richard to students on Sorlandet, the Association's new, perma- Merrit, distinguished pro- a 210-foot, Norwegian November 1913, are sold nent Art Center on fessor and past chair of full-rigged ship built in at silent auction during to \$5,000. Kercheval in the City of entomology at Michigan 1927 that doubles as an

♦ Hometown favorites collect millions of dollars Micet, of Australia.

"People can come to nstitute of Arts. program and pay their the Grosse Pointes makes. The new eating space, fines and costs," said its first donation — \$2,400 special intended as a cultural liv- Marcia Tomkiewicz, in start-up funding for a ing the community for Olympians faced current ing room, opens in administrator of City of K-9 unit in Harper Woods. and past members of the Kresge Court, the heart Grosse Pointe Municipal

"We get to keep 50 per-Judge Russell Ethridge. "It's great for us."

#### August

◆ The word, school, study.

oceangoing high school.

wide effort to help Detroit Chief Mate Georgina the Great Lakes Maritime • Santa Claus comes to

cluding Vernors Ginger suburban courts are public tours during a tall Ale and a Motor City- authorized to act as dis- ship festival in Windsor, Shores.

#### September

The Partners is a tax- more dollars than sense. exempt organization dedcrime-fighting friend.

and Services for Older an airport lounge," said cent of the fine portion thing is to have a safe of empowering abused al shoppers for special Graham Beal, DIA direc- we collect," added City environment," said John women or those suffering needs children during Stevens, a partners serious illness. founder. "A dog implies a

#### October

big storm of

The ship is open for Blossom Heath Inn, on Grosse Pointe Santa Jefferson in St. Clair Claus Parade, the first pa-

rates the storm's centen- of Commerce.

#### November

◆ Scammers are scourwell-heeled women with

Hustlers hope to dupe Offenders get a dis- icated to man's best victims out of thousands ment officers wearing red of dollars in get-rich and white Santa hats do-"The most important schemes under the guise nate their time as person-

"They gain their trust lot of that. You don't mess by inviting them to 'gift-free \$100 shopping spree around with a dog." ing' parties," said Dan accompanied by his or Jensen, Grosse Pointe her own uniformed police Farms public safety direc- companion at Target, ◆ Artifacts from the tor. "Usually, they sell Eastland Center. for mayflies, life is short "skhole," meaning leisure 248-foot freighter, Regina, pottery or jewelry on the one of many vessels lost side. After that, they get courtesy of Fraternal The definition is Greek on the Great Lakes during into discussions about Order of Police Grosse joining the group."

Institute's dinner at town in the 38th annual rade produced by the The dinner commemo- Grosse Pointe Chamber

"It's a lot of work, but well worth it," said Jenny Boettcher, chamber pres-

#### December

◆ Fifty law enforce-Shop With a Cop.

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Shop With a Cop comes Pointe Lodge 102, offi-Memberships cost up cers from area agencies and the department store.



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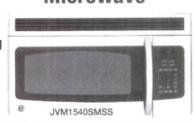


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PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

James Seagram, a Grosse Pointe South High School senior, tosses a shovel of snow to Duke. William Seagram is at the right. Center, Charlotte Huettemann tries out the trainer to help her reacquaint herself with ice skating.





Michigan's cold weather is more tolerable when spending time in a fun activity with friends and family.

# Let's get moving

series on improving air." health and life styles.

By Ann L. Fouty Features Editor

healthy and exercise ding hills.

darkness to a good book \$150. needs to be read or press-

Pointe parks offer several ity that is growing in popdents, with paths on Hardenbrook say. which to walk, rinks on which to ice skate, hills to to keep up your skills and sled down and areas to (remain) active in winsnowshoe and cross ter," he said. while enjoying

Michigan winter. icine doctor with salted walking trail is 1.3 Beaumont Hospital. With miles. four seasons to enjoy the outdoors, it's just a mat-said. ter of dressing for the weather. Avoid cotton the walkers," Harden- 8 a.m. to dusk that absorbs moisture brook said of the 1/2 mile Ice rink is open 10 a.m. to 8 and robs the body of heat, path at Neff Park.

he pointed out sure to take the appropri- have been offered for Windmill Pointe Park ate precaution - layer- about four years to pro- 8 a.m. to dusk ing. Once you get moving, vide more opportunities the heat needs to be dis- to get out during the winsipated. Moisture is the ter, said Kara Reynolds, killer," he said. "Have a the Farms assistant recrelight base layer, with the ation and aquatic coordiappropriate layer you can nator. The rink at Pier 2014 Chilly Fest take off as needed. Stay Park is refrigerated. For noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 8 away from cotton."

Terry Solomon of Grosse not refrigerated. Pointe Park parks and

lake and the blue sky." echoes Solomon's words. friends.

"We have a beautiful lake front park. It's gor- she said. geous by the lake with

Editor's Note: This is something about getting warm up. Hot coffee and be played on it. the first of a four-part out to the clean, crisp cocoa are also available.

directors encourage residents to take advantage of cleared paths for walk- Activities ing, ice rinks, both refrig-A common new year's erated and Mother resolution is to eat Nature cooled, and sled-

Those resolutions ice rink, open from noon Every Saturday at 2 p.m. quickly fall by the way- to 7 p.m. daily, platform s'mores, hot cocoa and a side with excuses rang- tennis is offered there. ing from inclement City residents pay \$100 10th annual Winter Fest begins weather, early onset of and non-residents pay at 1 p.m. Jan. 18 and includes a

Four people play plating meetings to attend. form tennis on a raised FARMS Fortunately, Grosse outdoor court in an activ- Pier Park exercise areas to its resi-ularity in the Pointes,

"It's a great alternative Thursday

country ski. These are all 
The City, Farms and to help residents enjoy Woods all have cleared their parks year round walking paths in their

According to the Woods "Michigan is a great recreation supervisor place to live," said Peter Nikki Byron, the Lake Rodin D.O., a family med- Front park's plowed and S'mores

"It's very popular," she

"It's cleared of snow for Patterson Park

Ice skating lessons for Sledding hill "The key is making 3 year olds through adults Closes at dusk hockey players, the city SHORES Once dressed and out- offers a rink at Kerby Ice rink near municipal buildside take a look around. Park and is weather ing "It's beautiful," said dependent, meaning it is Sledding hill on Vernier and

Solomon couldn't say dusk recreation department which is more popular from her office. "I'm look- the sledding hill or the ice Chene-Trombly Park-maining at the marina, the rink. After school, the tainedicerink sledding hill, to which Ghesquiere Park-ice rink Christopher Harden- residents bring their own Lake Front Park - maintained brook, City parks and sleds and saucers, is a walking path and ice rink; arrecreation director good place to meet eas for cross country skiing

The Park's refrigerated WinterFest the freighters going by, kidney-shaped ice rink is noon to 2 p.m. the water fowl. It's silly to smoothed twice a day by Saturday, Feb. 1 be taking advantage of a city-owned Zamboni. Lake Front Park the park only in the warm The rink is patrolled for Formore information, call months. If you dress safety purposes and a (313) 343-2408 appropriately, there is lodge offers a place to

Platform tennis In addition to the Neff Neffice rink — noon to 7 p.m. warming fire are available pig roast and a catered meal

Ice skating rink is open, weather permitting from 4 to 9 p.m. Monday through

Friday 4 to 10 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Winterfest on the Hill is from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Feb. 1 Ice carving demonstrations Hot dogs, free refreshments Cookie decorating

Putt putt golf Children's skills games

p.m. (weather permitting) Fun skate noon to 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25 Music and lunch provided

Lakeshore open 10 a.m. to

#### WOODS

and snow shoeing.

"It's big with families," Sweeney Park - maintained ice

Indoor yoga, Pilates Because of the rink's and spinning classes and Parks and recreation shape, ice hockey cannot a work-out room are offered in the Lavins Center for those who would rather burn off those calories gained from Christmas cookies.

Lake Front Park in the Woods has an outdoor skating ice rink. Indoor exercise opportunities tread mills, a half-court on. gym, racquetball and a with ice rinks, weather refrigerated ice rinks.



are available, including Up, over and down the hill with Lilly Irby hanging

pingpong table. Byron Chene-Trombly Park at the Shores), Rodin said. also pointed out the city Ridgemont and Mack available to residents have maintained, non- Walking with friends

permitting. The pocket There is another benepark, Sweeney, with fit from skating at a local added. access from Ford, Baltree, rink or meeting at the

"Socialization is imporhas three other parks and Ghesquiere Park all tant for mental health.

keeps you mentally and physically fit," Rodin

Winter does provide Clairview or Fair courts, Vernier sledding hill (in opportunities to stay fit.



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## AREA ACTIVITIES

## Chamber music

The Grosse Pointe Chamber Music presents a 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 12, Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

A season membership costs \$40 and individual tickets available at the door cost \$12. Those 18 years and younger dents together in a structured dialogue are admitted free.

For more information, call (586) 945-6830 or visit gpchambermusic@yahoo. com or Facebook.

Remaining concerts are Feb. 9, March 2, April 27 and May 18.

#### Teen Advisory

The Teen Advisory Council meets concert in the Crystal Ballroom of the from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 13, in the lower level private dining room of Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe.

> The council brings high school stuto provide their perspectives on health

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### ENTERTAINMENT

A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

# Chili's on the stove



think everybody has healthy eating on their minds this time of year. But the winter chill means it also has to be hearty. I whipped up a pot of black bean chili during the first big snow of the season. You can add meat or go vegetarian with this simple recipe.

#### Black Bean Chili with Pork **Tenderloin**

2 tablespoons olive oil 1 cup chopped onion 3 garlic cloves, finely chopped 2 teaspoons chili pow-

1 teaspoon whole cumin

1/2 teaspoon crushed



PHOTO BY VIRGINIA O. MCCOY

What a great way to ward off the chill - a bowl of chili.

red pepper 2 - 15 oz. cans black beans, drained and rinsed

Teas & Accessories

3 cups chicken broth (or vegetable broth) 1 cup diced cooked pork

tenderloin 1/4 cup chopped fresh parsley (or 2 teaspoons dried parsley)

Heat the olive oil in a medium (3 quart) saucepan over medium heat. Add onion and cook until tender, about 10 minutes. Add garlic, chili powder, cumin and crushed red pepper and cook for just another few minutes.

Add beans and broth and bring items to a sim-

Cover and cook for 20

minutes. Stir in pork and taste for additional seasoning.

Serve hot with shredded cheese, sour cream, parsley and raw onion. Yummy.

I just happened to have the cooked pork tenderloin on hand.

Ham, bacon or even a pork chop will fit in this pot of black bean chili.

## ACTIVITIES: Continued from page 1B

issues affecting their Woman's Club begins its 8625. peer community. For more information, call 9313) 332-0972.

#### Camera club

The Grosse Pointe Camera Club meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 14, in Brownell Middle School. For more information, call Mike Florian at (313) 822-7080 or visit grosse pointecameraclub.org.

#### Senior Men's Club

The Senior Men's Club of Grosse Pointe lunch is at 11 a.m., Tuesday, Jan. 14, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The cost is \$10. Arthur M. Woodford discusses his book, "Michigan Companion."

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

#### Woman's club

The Grosse Pointe

64th year with a 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 15, meeting in the Crystal Ballroom of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. Club member and the day's speaker, Jean L. Azar, discusses living in

Guests must have reservations and can do so by calling Susan Plath at (313) 884-5081.

For more information about the club, call Peggy Hickey at (313) 407-1842 or Pam Zimmer at (313) 926-6726.

#### Garden club

The Men's Women's Garden Club of America meets at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 16, in the Brownell Middle School cafeteria.

Belle Isle Conservancy president Michelle Hodges discusses the preservation, improvements and planning at the park.

The public can attend. For more information, call Sandie at (313) 473-

#### **GPCC**

The Grosse Pointe Chamber Choir seeks new members to join rehearsals for the 3:30 p.m. Sunday, April 27, annual spring concert. Rehearsals are from 7:30 to 9 p.m., beginning Tuesday, Jan. 14, in the Grosse Pointe North High School choir room. Registration runs through Tuesday, Jan. 28. No auditions are required.

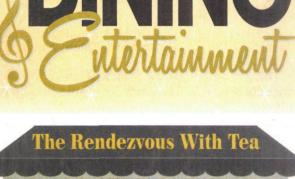
For more information, call (313) 882-2482.

#### LWVGP

The League of Women Voters Grosse Pointe holds a public forum at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 14, in Grosse Pointe South High School's Wicking Library. The topic is the Grosse Pointe Public School System technol-

> See ACTIVITIES, page 3B

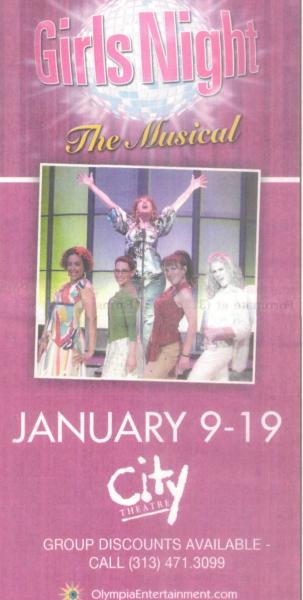




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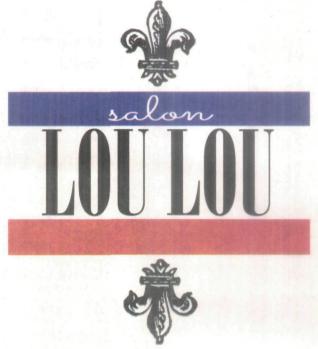


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#### HEALTH/CHURCHES

**ASK THE EXPERTS** By Glen Clark M.D.

# Safety requires thinking ahead



My friends invited · me to go snowboarding. It's been a few years since I've been on a board. Any advice before I hit the slopes?

Get in shape. A. Follow a regular fitness program to strengthen muscles and build endurance to help prevent injuries. It is important to warm up and stretch before you hop from the car to the chairlift. Focus on calves, hamstrings and quadriceps, as well as your shoulders. Many snowboarding injuries are from people trying to perform advanced or difficult feats beyond their skill set.

I hate wearing a helmet. If I wipe

**ACTIVITIES:** 

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Garden center

The Grosse Pointe

Garden Center holds its

annual meeting and

lunch at noon Friday,

Jan. 17, in the Grosse

Pointe War Memorial

reception room. Lunch is

served at 12:15 p.m. The

business meeting follows

and Gabrielle Reilly of

Flowers by Gabrielle is

The cost is \$25 and res-

ervations are needed and

the 2 p.m. speaker

ogy bond.

out, will a helmet really protect me?

Yes. Wearing pro-A. tective equipment, such as helmets, wrist guards and goggles, is a simple way to prevent serious injuries while snowboarding. Helmets are always crucial for preventing potentially life-threatening head injuries. Wearing goggles shield your eyes from wind, cold and snow. Proper clothing and outerwear are also essential. And make sure to check your equipment before

hitting the slopes. Anything I can do before I hit the slopes to prevent injury or fatigue?

Hydrate. If you A. plan on having a long day on the slopes, sometimes you may forget to stay hydrated. Don't forget to drink plenty of fluids throughout the day. Being dehydrated may lead to fatigue. Also avoid the "one emergency services, last run" syndrome thinking you've got one more run in you before you call it a day. If your legs are feeling heavy, it's better to hit the lodge than the chair lift.

My son recently started snowboarding with his friends, but I'm worried he might get hurt. What can I do to help reduce the chance of him being injured?

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Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe at (313) 473-6940.

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#### PASTOR'S CORNER By Rev. Jim Rizer

# That it may go well with you

hen I was just entering college my grandmother pulled me aside and tried to impart a bit of wisdom on her grandson saying, "Nothing good happens after midnight."

At the time I remembered focusing on being polite, smiling and responding, "Yes ma'am," while I was already discounting her grand-maternal insight. Although I knew Grandma loved me and desired the best for me, all I heard was limitation and "don't."

I wonder if this isn't the way we approach our heavenly father's wisdom in scripture.

From the 10 commandments, slangly referred to as the 10 "don'ts," to teaching of Jesus to forgive even our enemies, we politely smile acknowledging content received, while we are internally dismissing

As the "don't" and limitation echo in our mind we tend to picture God as some steely-eyed police officer or as some cosmic killjoy who is seemingly intent on hampering our fun.

This is sort of how I felt when my grandmother shared her insight on life.

I thought she was out of touch. After all she went to sleep by 9 p.m. at that stage in her life. It seemed like good instructions for senior citizens, not for those recently seniors in high school.

Yet, as I have grown older, I have come to understand she was trying to pass on a life lesson she had acquired. I also discovered she was correct. In my youthful naiveté I completely missed not only this wisdom, but my grandmother's heart.

Now I see Grandma was seeking to give me insight so I might avoid trouble and things might go

My grandmother's heart and intent sheds light on God's instruction.

"Do what is right and good in the sight of the Lord, so that it may go well with you." (Deuteronomy

This phrase reveals the heart and intent of God's wise counsel and commands. They are intended to bless our lives helping us steer around avoidable trouble and direct us in the best life possible so that

it may go well with us. As we enter into the new year, may we not miss God's heart or God's wisdom given in the Bible. After all, I don't think any of our resolutions include "that it may go poorly for us."

Wishing you all of God's best in this new year.

Rizer is the minister at Living Hope Evangelical

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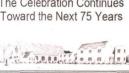
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#### **COMMUNITY**

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#### Sue Moxley

resident Sue Moxley, 73, died Friday, Jan. 3, 2014.

She was the loving wife of Reggie and dearest by his life partner, Michael mother of Robyn Marcotte J. Kennedy M.D.; mother, Delta Gamma Sorority. (Gordy), Tracy Wellman Irene Chernysh and broth-(Charlie) and Brenda Ban ers, Steve Chernysh and (Rob). She also is survived Mark Chernysh. by her grandchildren, Tyler, Lauren, Benjamin, held at Chas. Verheyden Jack, Emily, Joey and her Funeral Home, Grosse sister, Karen Sobieralski Pointe Park. Contact the (Frank).

A funeral service was information. held Jan. 8 at the Ward Church Chapel in Northville.

Donations may be made to Services for Older Citizens, 159 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236 or the American Lung Association at lung.

rudyfuneral.com.

#### **Terry Paul** Chernysh

dent Terry Paul Chernysh, taught elementary school 47, died Saturday, Jan. 4, in Ann Arbor to help put by her parents, and exploring Lake Michigan, Detroit attorney. She left 2014, at Beaumont her husband, David, brother, Bob. Hospital, Grosse Pointe.

and Irene Chernysh and Ft. Lewis, graduated from De La Indianapolis and Ann School in 1984. He Grosse Pointe and living attended Eastern Michigan there the last 44 years. University.

Mr. Chernysh worked as years in San Miguel de Humane Society a clerk at the UPS store in Allende, Mexico.

Grosse Pointe.

techno music, travel and Grosse Pointe Woods concerts. His family said he was the ultimate social butterfly.

A funeral service will be funeral home for more

#### Margaret Mary **Mikesell**

Margaret Mikesell, 76, passed away sweetheart, David; sons, vived by brothers, Ed Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2014, of Alzheimer's disease.

Known as "Punky" to Fred and Margaret her Crowe. She attended the McShane, Grosse Pointe Park resi- University and then Boogard (Bart). through law school at the

Mrs. Mikesell was a He enjoyed fashion, member of the Junior League of Detroit and past president of Junior League Gardeners, Michigan Garden Club, Terry Paul Chernysh Mr. Chernysh is survived St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church and She enjoyed her many friends and activities at the Country Club of Detroit.

Mrs. Mikesell was a flower arranger, dear Chatham, Mass. friend to her pals and, most importantly, devoted wife, mother and grandmother.

Mrs. Mikesell is sursiblings, Joan Patricia College of St. Catherine, Randall (Jack), Fred graduating from Indiana Crowe (Rosie) and Carole Mrs. Williams grew up in Detroit Free Press.

She also is survived her He was born April 25, University of Michigan. caregiver, Gina Stormes 1966 in Detroit to Bohdan The couple then lived in and Louie, her beloved Mass Wash., Shih Tzu.

Salle Collegiate High Arbor before moving to ebrated at St. Paul on the skipping Sunday school Lake Catholic Church.

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#### Sally Baker Williams

Former Grosse Pointe her passions. resident Sally Baker Williams, 86, died MorrisOConnorBlute.com. consummate athlete, avid Tuesday, Dec. 31, 2013, in bridge player, gardener, a nursing home in

> She was born Aug. 12, 1927, in Grosse Pointe, to Edwin Walter and Francis McCauley Baker.

She was predeceased by Daniel (Kathryn), Eric Baker of Dillon, Colo., and (Zora) and John (Laura); Peter Baker of Portland, and grandchildren, Kyle, Ore., in addition to her Share a memory at family and friends, she Olivia, Galt, Meredith, sons, Nathan and Douglas, in South Bend, Ind., to She also is survived by seven nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, Kenny.

> the colorful world of literamother's house

A funeral Mass was cel-childhood memories were wrote 11 books; 10 of his side with her younger brother, Donations may be Ed, and going to the penny translated into other lan-They wintered for 12 made to the Michigan candy store instead; the guages, family's cocker spaniel, Lucky; using her older sis-Detroit Tigers players ful sense of humor.

> In 1950, she traveled in though, and she returned the following year.

jazz piano and stand-up bass player from Darien, Conn. They were married bridge to care for him. April 26, 1955, in Yuma, two young sons then of Detroit and Tau Beta. moved to Hawaii, where Mr. Williams opened a restaurant. The family moved be close to a daughter. back east where they set-

tled in Connecticut. Those hills, as much as her house, were home after visits to New York City, trips around New the Caribbean, or tours supported numerous institutions and charities.

be held.

in Mrs. Williams' name to Tuesday, Jan. 14, at Christ Farms, MI 48236.

Margaret Mary Mikesell the charity of the donor's choice. Museums, children and animals were

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#### Josephine McLean Wunsch

Josephine McLean Wunsch, 99, passed away Friday, Nov. 29, 2013, in vived by her husband of her older sister, Francis her home at the Village at Mary 54 years and high school Baker Muir, but is sur- Duxbury, Mass., following James Lewis Schueler a short illness.

to family and friends, was Grosse Pointe Blvd., born Feb. 3, 1914, in Grosse Pointe Farms. Detroit and attended the was born March 19, 1937, Skye, Grant and Luke. four grandchildren and University of Michigan to the Detroit Working where she was Women's Writers, Box 82395, Editor for The Michigan Rochester, MI 48308. Daily. Following gradua-According to her family, tion, she worked for the

In 1940, she married She was predeceased ture, the Detroit Tigers, Edward S. Wunsch, a and summers at her grand- her job to raise three chilin dren, but continued to Siasconset, Nantucket, write short stories and non-fiction for magazines Some of her favorite and newspapers. She also which were written for teens and several were including Japanese.

She founded a writer's ter's driver's license to group in Grosse Pointe, gain access to bars; and and was a member of the sending wily smiles to the Detroit Women Writers Briggs Stadium. She was asked to speak at schools, to April 1945. artistic and had a wonder- libraries and conferences on writing.

and a huge husky to and golf, sailed and skied. Michigan part of a year there and Detroit Women's District Amerisure tournaments and had sulting after retirement. It is then she met nearly won sufficient Kenneth D. Williams, a points to become a Life time at his summer home Master when her husband became ill and she quit

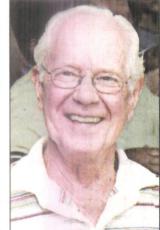
She was a member and

There she enjoyed life in a senior residence, attendrolling hills of Connecticut. bridge and making many new friends.

She was predeceased by her husband, sister and brother. She is survived by England, explorations in her three children, through Europe. She and and son-in-law, Donald her husband surrounded Remsen, of Palo Alto, themselves with art and Calif., Elizabeth "Betsy" Gordon and son-in-law, Ralph Gordon, of Norwell, In April 2007, Mrs. Mass., and Edward Williams moved to the Wunsch and daughter-infamily's second home in law, Vivian Wunsch, of Chatham to accommodate Boulder, Colo., as well as to Great Lakes Hospice, her growing need for care. eight grandchildren and 900 Cooper St., Jackson,



Josephine M. Wunsch



"Jo," as she was known Church Grosse Pointe, 61

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#### **James Lewis** Schueler

Grosse Pointe Woods resident James Lewis Schueler, 92, Thursday, Dec. 19, 2013, at Sunrise of Grosse Pointe Woods, with his sons by

He was born in Detroit to Arthur and Helen Smith Schueler and graduated from the University of Michigan. He attended Detroit College of Law, but left his studies in 1942 to serve in the U.S. Army as an anti-tank commander. (now Detroit Working He was a German Prisoner from front row seats in Writers). She was often of War from October 1944

In 1947, along with four other veterans, he was Mrs. Wunsch was an admitted to the Michigan a Willys Jeep with a friend athlete. She played tennis Bar. He then joined Aspen, Colo. She spent She was asked to join the Insurance Company, now returned to Grosse Pointe. Golf Association and she Insurance Company, Aspen, skiing and the remained a member for a where he served as an Rockies were in her blood, number of years. She also executive for nearly 50 played duplicate bridge in years and continued con-

> He enjoyed spending on Harsens Island and boating on the Great Lakes.

Mr. Schueler was a Ariz. The couple and their officer of the Junior League member of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, Detroit At 90, Mrs. Wunsch Athletic Club and the moved to Massachusetts to Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club.

Mr. Schueler is survived by his sons, John, Steve, Mrs. Williams loved the ing the theater, playing David, Peter and Michael; grandchildren, Tracie, Lindsey, Sara, James III, Michael, Terry and Christopher and greatgrandchildren, Emma, Isabella, Kai, Rylan and Katherine "Kay" Remsen Harsen. He also is survived by his brother, Harry.

He was predeceased by his son, James Jr.; sisters, Dorothy and Helen and brothers, Art and Bob.

A private memorial will be held at a future date.

Donations may be made A private memorial will three great-grandchildren. MI 49202 or Grosse Pointe A memorial service will Memorial Church, 16 Donations may be made be held at 9:30 a.m. Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe

## **Nancy Stocking Young**

Nancy Stocking Young, a lifelong Grosse Pointer and avid sailor who earned her pilot's license at age 65, died Dec. 27, 2013, following a stroke. She was 89.

Nancy's strong desire to fly was instilled by her father, who

was a pilot in World War I. He died when Nancy was five, but not before he took her up in his biplane, igniting a lifelong ambition that she finally realized in her mid-60s. On her first solo flight, Nancy inadvertently drifted into

Detroit Metro Airport air space, holding up all commercial flights for nearly half an hour. Because an equipment failure had knocked out her radio, the control tower could

not reach her and instead had to watch and wait as she realized her mistake and made a wide loop to turn around and return to Detroit City Airport. Upon landing, Nancy learned what had happened and was summoned to the phone

for a dressing-down from a control tower official at Metro. In recalling the story, Nancy said she apologized and called the young man "sir" several times, hoping he would not realize she was a 65-year-old grandmother and throw the book at her. Her plan worked; she went on to earn her license and eventually taught her flying instructor how to sail. She liked to say that in both activities any landing you could walk away from was a good

The second daughter of Charles D. and Jane A. Stocking, Nancy was born in Detroit in 1924 and grew up in Grosse Pointe Park. She went to The High (now Grosse Pointe South), and married George O. Young Jr. in 1948. She later joked that she started seeing him because there was a war on and men were scarce. George, who grew up down the street from Nancy, was a chemical engineer whose job was considered critical to the war effort, excusing him from military service. When pressed, Nancy would admit that the real reason she went out with George, who had been the neighborhood mischief-maker, was that he had a sailboat.

The couple settled in Grosse Pointe Woods, where they stayed in the same house for 62 years, raising two children and serving as the center of a tight-knit neighborhood that remained close, always welcoming newcomers. Nancy was one of the last of the old guard, remaining independent and in her house until she died.

For more than 70 years, Nancy and George sailed on Lake St. Clair. They were charter members of the Grosse Pointe Sail Club and won its first race in 1948. Nancy loved nothing more than introducing others to the joy of sailing. She taught several generations of family, friends and neighbors how to sail.

Nancy often joked that when she filled out forms, instead of listing her occupation as housewife, she preferred to write in "sportswoman." And there was a good reason for that. In addition to her devotion to sailing, she loved golf, tennis, target shooting (she was a crack shot), horseback riding and camping. She and George loved adventure travel, visiting, among other places, Machu Picchu, New Zealand, the flords of Norway and the Galapagos Islands. One of their biggest thrills was rounding Cape Horn.

Nancy loved projects and learning new things. She mastered metalworking so she could make jewelry, and was skilled with power tools. She and George collaborated on numerous construction projects, from furniture and toys for their grandchildren to accessories for their boat, Passing Wind.

Of all her accomplishments, Nancy was most skilled as a seamstress. Known for her ability to create garments with perfect fit, she sewed everything from wedding gowns to men's suits and tackled numerous alterations for family, friends and clients. The bigger the challenge, the more fun she had.

In her later years, Nancy was a proud member of the Louisa St. Clair chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution and enjoyed delving into her family's history. She was a voracious reader, she delivered Meals on Wheels well into her late 80s, and she played bridge until the end. She was devoted to her children and grandchildren, and was especially proud of her great-grandchildren. She loved that they called her Grandma Great.

Nancy was preceded in death by her husband, George O. Young Jr., and her sister, Jane H. Stocking. She is survived by her daughter, Terri (Bob) Berschback; son, George O. (Sheila Tomkowiak) Young III; grandchildren Chelsea (Ted) Groustra, Michael (Katie) Berschback, G. Oliver (Sally Cohen) Young and Philip (Kristen) Young; greatgrandchildren Meghan, Eric, Charlie and Isabel Groustra; Henry Berschback; and Caleb Thomas Young.

A memorial will take place at noon on Friday, Jan. 24, 2014 at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Nancy's name may be made to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, 1820 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, Michigan 48207.

## City of Grosse Hointe, Michigan

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ZONING VARIANCE REQUEST

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of Act No. 110 of 2006 the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, as amended, and the Grosse Pointe City Code, that a Public Hearing will be held on Monday, January 27, 2014 at 7:00 pm at the Grosse Pointe Council Chambers at 17147 Maumee Avenue, Grosse Pointe, MI. The Zoning Board of Appeals will consider the variance request for the following property owner:

533 St. Clair – (Variance to move an existing historic structure to this location)

Public comment is welcome. If you are unable to attend the hearing, written comments will be accepted until 12:00 noon on January 27, 2014. If further information is needed, please contact Grosse Pointe Building Dept., 17147 Maumee, Grosse Pointe, MI. 48230, Mon.-Fri., 8:30 am to 5:00 pm. Telephone: 313-885-5800.

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**GROSSE POINTE SOUTH** 

# Sluggish in victory

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

last weekend.

It was the Blue Devils' ing assists. first game since Dec. 21.

not very good tonight," head coach Bobby Mogk, who skated in and McKillop said. "We knew put a shot over the left it wouldn't be pretty after should of Dearborn goaljust a couple of practices tender Brian Donaldson. during the two-week holiday break, but I didn't South, and it was 23-7 think we would play this after two periods. poorly.

Allen Park and Divine Child."

The Blue Devils scored The Grosse Pointe a goal in the opening South boys' hockey team period as junior Cameron was rusty, but still earned Mogk tallied, with senior a 3-1 league win over vis- goalie Andrew Wright iting Dearborn United and sophomore defenseman Griffin Brooks draw-

It was a perfect clear-"Our hockey IQ was ing pass from Wright to Brooks, who fired it to

The shot were 12-4,

games ahead of us and scored at the 13:49 mark, behind us and be ready Walker tallied a power- close game. for Grosse Pointe North, play goal at the 13:06



In the second stanza, South junior Brad Miller ties up his Dearborn "We have some big senior Wyatt Flynn United foe during the Blue Devils' league win.

we have to put this effort and junior William mark to break open a sisted, while Walker's

tally drew assists from Flynn's goal was unas- seniors Andrew Hyde and Andrew Bigham.

> That would be the extent of the Blue Devils' offense. Dearborn United dominated the third period and outshot the home team 9-6.

Dearborn's goal came on a power play late in the third period. It had a couple of other powerplay opportunities in the final five minutes, but couldn't get the puck past Wright.

Wright earned the win in net, stopping 15-of-16

League and 7-3-1 overall.

Coming up for the Blue Devils is a non-league game Thursday, Jan. 9, against city rival Grosse Pointe North at City Ice Arena, followed by backto-back league road games Saturday, Jan. 11, and Wednesday, Jan. 15, against the two teams tied with South atop the league standings, Allen Park and Divine Child.

**GROSSE POINTE NORTH** 

# Norsemen net 2 wins

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Marquette after the to make it a 5-1 game. Grosse Pointe North into the win column.

Marquette, winning 6-3 and Babcock assisting. and 2-1 to improve to 2-9 overall.

had timely scoring. We into the win column. didn't get a ton of shots the most of those chances.

momentum with a big squad. week ahead of us."

Norsemen built a 4-0 lead North the lead for good. in the second period.

ing at the 2:22 mark of on Romanelli's tally. the first period.

Grosse Pointe South Cusmano, scored at the Jan. 11. improved to 4-0-1 in the 2:48 mark, and added his

assists.

in the second period to get on the board, but Head coach Brad Case Romanelli tallied his and his staff had a nice third goal of the game bus ride home from early in the third period

The home team got the boys' hockey team broke next two goals to make it closer, but Romanelli put It has been a tough an exclamation mark on opening month for Case the Norsemen's first win and the Norsemen, but by scoring another they played two good power-play goal in the games against host final minute, with Murray

Josh Champney made 29 saves to get the vic-"It was a great week- tory, and the next day, end," Case said. "We had Ben Borland had to make solid goaltending and only 16 saves to break

The Norsemen defense each game, but we made played well in both games and the solid goaltending made for two nice wins "We have some good against a good Marquette

The Norsemen trailed In the opening game 1-0 after two periods, but last weekend, Vince Babcock scored on the Romanelli put on a show, power play to tie it 1-1 scoring four goals and and who else but adding an assist as the Romanelli scored to give

Romanelli assisted on Brendan Nelson, unas- Babcock's goal and sisted, opened the scor- Cusmano had the assist

Coming up for North is The Norsemen scored a home tilt against city the next three goals, all rival Grosse Pointe South on the power play, to Thursday, Jan. 9, folextend their lead to 4-0. lowed by an away game Romanelli, from Nick against Trenton Saturday,

"Our schedule doesn't Michigan Metro Hockey | second tally of the game get any easier, but at least at the 6:56 mark, with we have some momen-Andrew Tomasi and Nick tum in our favor," Case Murray drawing assists. said. "It was a good team Ryan Babcock made it bonding weekend and 4-0 with a goal at the now we have to stay 10:54 mark. Romanelli focused and keep the and Cusmano had the momentum heading in the right direction."

South sophomore Mark Cimmarrusti battles for a loose puck in the Blue Devils' win over Dearborn.

#### FIGURE SKATING



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Heavenly performance

Grosse Pointe Skating Club members, from left, Maria LaRose of Grosse Pointe Woods, Paisley MacKay of the City of Grosse Pointe, Leah MacKay of the City of Grosse Pointe, Sophia LaRose of Grosse Pointe Woods, and Sarah Scott of Grosse Pointe Farms, were all smiles after their Christmas exhibition performance at the Grosse Pointe City Rink. The five are freeskate level three competitors. The Grosse Pointe Skating Club's annual open house is from 9 to 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 11, at the Grosse Pointe City Rink, located at Mack and Canyon. Skaters must bring their own skates and a \$5 admission ticket is also a raffle ticket to win prizes. For more information, contact Grosse Pointe Skating Club Director Theresa Gehrke at (586) 231-5222 or grossepointeskatingclub@hotmail.com.

LIGGETT

# Knights make finals

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Tournament Dec. 28.

"We had three good assists. days of hockey, but I three very good, physical net. teams.

our program."

Senior William Yates ond. had two goals to lead the

earned the win in net. The Knights' first goal hockey team. was scored by sopho-Jerome, and the second into game mode." tally came from senior Cole Zingas, assisted by into the new year.

junior Mason Demsev.

Jerome scored the third goal, with junior Jacob The University Liggett Smith assisting, and boys' hockey team lost junior Stephen Campau 5-4 to Saginaw Heritage had the fourth goal, with in the championship senior Lordanthony game of the Traverse City Grissom and sophomre Kurt Solak drawing

Liggett's second game don't think we had the was a hard fought 2-0 viclegs on the third day," tory over Toledo St. head coach Mike John's. Grimm stopped Hamilton said. "It was a 30 shots to record his secgreat three days playing ond straight shutout in

Offensively, Campau "We learned a lot and and senior Vincent made it to the finals, so I Scarfone had the goals, would say it was a suc- with Jerome assisting the cessful tournament for first, and Campau and Yates assisting the sec-

"We're a little short on Knights. Both goalies, the bench, so playing junior Luke Soyka and three straight nights is sophomore Alexander tough, but our kids Grimm, saw action in net. played hard and gave it In the first game, their best shot," Hamilton Liggett edged Traverse said. "I like playing these City Central 4-3 as Soyka types of games because it only makes us a better

"We have some down more Brett Abdelnour, time to rest before we get assisted by senior Jake back to practice and back

Liggett is 9-1 heading

#### **Boys basketball**

**GROSSE POINTE SOUTH** 

# Win over

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

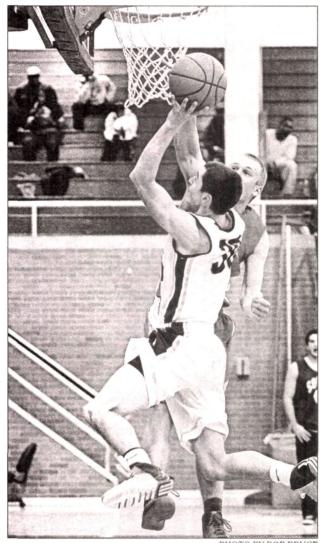
The Grosse Pointe South boys' basketball team stretched its winning streak to four last weekend, beating visiting Dearborn Divine Child 62-48.

"We wanted to wear them down and eventually we did," head coach Troy Glasser said. "The guys played a nice game and used a solid second half to eventually pull away from a good Catholic League team.

"We knew Divine Child would be disciplined and well-coached, so we game to win it."

29 first-half points, the Blue Devils opened the shooting (13-of-18 and double, netting 12 points third quarter with an 11-0 They never looked back to grab the victory.

Glasser said. "We want to win and we were right." wear down opponents and our depth helped us his best game as a varsity improved to 4-1 overall. do that tonight."



needed to play a good South senior Josh Gray goes up for two points to help the Blue Devils win their fourth straight game, After teach team scored a victory over Divine Child.

"We played well in the four assists. as the home team out- first half, but then our scored the Falcons 18-6 inexperience showed as added 10 points, followed in the third quarter and we made a few mistakes by junior Sam Hunter 33-19 in the second half that cost us in the end," with seven, senior Jabari 'We have a lot of depth, Andy Dold said. "We're Josh Gray with five, which helps us put fresh young and we knew this junior Sam Blanzy with players on the court," would be a tough place to three and senior Charlie

Senior Gordie Post had player, scoring 17 points Besides scoring bal- and grabbing eight Devils is a home game used solid free-throw Dan Dixon had a double- Anchor Bay.

6-of-7 in the fourth quar- and 10 rebounds. Dixon run to take a 40-29 lead. ter) to beat the Falcons. also had four blocks and

> Senior Darius Harris Divine Child head coach Burton with six, senior Warren with two.

> > Grosse Pointe South

Upcoming for the Blue

#### Girls basketball

LIGGETT

# Knights win two

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

girls' basketball won two led the way. impressive games during the holidays.

Edison High School, beat the season. Waterford Our Lady of Archibold 51-46.

In the first game contest. against Waterford Lakes,

the Lakes 49-39 and Ohio fine play against classes. Archibold, one of the "These were two qual- Ohio's best teams, net- the girls played the first ity wins and I can see the ting 12 points, seven few weeks of our seagirls getting more com- assists and four rebounds. son," Ahart said. "We fortable on the court," For her efforts, Ahart have some good practices head coach Omar Ahart earned most valuable ahead of us and they will

winners of three straight was the Knights' leading for the first time."

Class D state champion- scorer against Archibold, ships from 2010 to 2012 netting 17 points and and a runner-up last sea- grabbing five rebounds, The University Liggett son, freshman Nia Ahart and sophomore Kendall McConico had 10 points.

She scored 24 points, Liggett evened its dished out four assists record at 2-2 with the The Knights, compet- and grabbed four consecutive victories and ing in the annual Round rebounds as the Knights begins its Michigan Ball Classic at Detroit won their first game of Independent Athletic Conference slate when Ahart continued her the players resume

> "I'm ecstatic with how player honors in each finally be on our home court. We anxious to play Junior Lola Ristovski in front of the home fans

**GROSSE POINTE SOUTH** 

# Blue Devils sink clutch free throws

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

It wasn't pretty, but a basketball. win is a win.

year with a 47-40 win quarter. over host Canton last overall.

games to be in the 30s throws down the stretch Macomb and we want them in the to seal it." 60s," head coach Kevin Richards said. "We secret weapons, junior ance, the Blue Devils rebounds, while senior Friday, Jan. 10, against turned them over a lot, all-defensive guard Katie Thursday, Jan. 9

but didn't convert those Kish, did her part in help-

Junior Cierra Rice got

"We needed others to week, improving to 8-1 step up with CiCi on the improved to 8-1 overall bench," Richards said. and plays its remaining "Canton wants the "We made several free 11 games

One of the Blue Devils' foes

into points and we just ing the team thwart didn't play aggressive Canton's bid to win it in the fourth quarter.

Junior Aliezza Brown The Grosse Pointe into foul trouble, picking led the Blue Devils with South girls' basketball up her fourth just one 19 points, followed by team opened the New minute into the third Rice with 13 and senior Bre Andrews with 12.

Grosse Pointe South Conference Red Division

South hosts Stevenson

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#### Wrestling

**GROSSE POINTE NORTH** 

# Norsemen me

By Bob St. John

Sports Editor

tournament before its classes. Each took home February," Julien said. league slate begins.

sion," head coach Eric and Chris Berisha at 140 for us," Julien said.

led by Andrew Lock and medal. Grosse Pointe North's Mike Bowden, who each a silver medal.

"We had some nice Earning fourth-place annual Norsemen Classic results and I think we are medals were Jaron Saturday, Jan. 11. ready to go in the divi- Nelson at 125 pounds

The Norsemen were placed fifth to get a

"It was a long twowrestling team visited made it to the finals week break, but now we Rochester Adams last before losing in the 160- can get back to a regular weekend for a tune-up and 152-pound weight schedule in January and

Next for North is its

"It's a big tournament

**GROSSE POINTE SOUTH** 

# Blue Devils make positive strides

By Bob St. John

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L'Anse Tournament.

Four Grosse Pointe Seniors South wrestlers earned a Brannagan, Alex

medal in last weekend's Manchester and Caleb Creuse Cimmarrusti, as well as freshman Tyler Colin Thompson, brought home medals to lead the Blue Devils. "It was a good afternoon of wrestling for our

boys," head coach Tony Cimmarrusti said. "We saw some good teams and so far this season our guys have been able to get in a lot of matches. "Our younger guys are

coming around and everyone is gaining confidence as we head into the league portion of our schedule."

In pool play, the Blue Devils competed against Dearborn Heights Crestwood, Marlette and L'Anse Creuse. In bracket play, they wrestled St. Clair and Sterling Heights Stevenson.

"These matches are making our kids better," Cimmarrusti said.



#### Youth hockey

**ICE HAWKS** 



PHOTO COURTESY OF LOUIS THEROS

The Ice Hawks are, front row from left, goalies Jacob Gregor and Matthew Ednie; kneeling from left, Adam Goodes, Adam Cervone, Dominic Kosto, Jacob Skolnik, Spencer Scarber and Dante Trapiss; and standing from left, Logan Fish (Silver Stick MVP), Jamie Ramin, Jake Kopinski, Noah Cyr, Tate MacDonald, Garrett Hall, Jonathan Theros, Cain Maison, Marshall Vyletel, Spencer Marble and Connor Inger. Not pictured are coaches Mike Hamilton, Bob Mainhardt and Dan Israel.

# Sweet wins at Silver Stick

Silver Stick Tournament the United States. held in St. Clair Shores In round-robin play, game.

ing their foes 20-7.

Hawks move on to com-

the weekend of Dec. 6. of the Silver Stick event, The Ice Hawks won the Ice Hawks beat the the first goal in the secall five games, outscor- Kensington Valley ond period, but the Ice Silver Stick, the Ice Honor Roll. Rebels 7-1, Summit Hawks tallied the next Hawks won the "Back With the tournament Plactics 2-1 and Mount three to grab a 3-1 to School Classic" tourchampionship, the Ice Clemens Wolvers 4-2.

The Ice Hawks third stanza. pete in the International defeated the Troy Sting The Grizzlies tied it AAA Tournament.

based '97-'98 Michigan the weekend of Jan. 17 and finished off the overtime. Ice Hawks-Black team in Newmarket, Ontario, tournament title with a won the Minor Midget facing teams from 4-3 overtime win over a power-play goal 2:30 Division of the Regional throughout Canada and the Oakland Jr. Grizzlies into the OT to secure

> The Grizzlies scored all. advantage early in the nament and was a final-

The Grosse Pointe- Silver Stick Tournament 4-0 in the semifinals 3-3 to send the game to

The Ice Hawks scored in the championship the championship and improve to 26-5-1 over-

> In addition to win the ist in the Motown Cup

#### College news

**GROSSE POINTE NORTH** 

# Grad makes most of opportunity

Amy Zaranek, a 2012 a berth to the NCAA soft-Wayne State University the Tournament. varsity women's softball team as a freshman in broadcast journalism and 2013.

Wayne State campus.

season and career Center. records at North, was

played first base, as well Baseball Detroit Baseball as pinch-hit for the Camp, Wayne State Warriors. She batted .333 Softball Camp, Salvation

Grosse Pointe North ball tournament where High School graduate, they eventually finished earned her varsity letter their successful season in as a member of the the Regional Round of

She is majoring in film and is taking the pre-Zaranek was awarded veterinary school curricher letter jacket at the ulum. She is enrolled in 2013 Spring Sports the Wayne State Irvin D. Reception held at the Reed Honors College and Matthaei Center on the Communication Department Honors She was an All-State Program and participates player and holds several in the Newman Catholic

Zaranek, as a member also named as a Warrior of the softball team and Elite, which are Wayne Honors College, also State student-athletes worked at several comwith a grade point aver- munity based volunteer age above 3.5. She also programs around the city, was named to the such as the Willie University's Dean's List Horton's Batting for Kids and Athletic Director's Baseball Camp at Comerica Park, Detroit Zaranek pitched and PAL Softball Camp, Play for the season as the Army Bell Ringer, Detroit Warriors won the Great Free Press Marathon Lakes Intercollegiate Volunteer and the Athletic Conference InsideOut Detroit Tournament and earned Literary Arts Program.

**GROSSE POINTE HOCKEY ASSOCIATION** 

# Bulldogs make nationals



PHOTO COURTESY OF WILLIAM ASIMAKIS

Pictured above celebrating after beating Trenton in the finals are, top row from left, Jack Estes, Ben Bessert, Aaron Vyletle, coach Bill Asimakis, coach Jeff Kraus and coach David Rivard; second row from left, Will Sine, David Rivard, Anthony Furicchia, Johnny Williamson, Jimmy Gormley and Nick Asimakis; and on the ice are Will Fox and Connor Micknass. Missing from the picture is Matthew Holder.

International Silver period. Sticks Tournament.

across North America.

The operational structure is based on a series of regional tournaments to identify regional champions, who move on to compete against each other in age and skill.

There are nine regional locations in the United States and six regional locations in Canada.

The winners of these regional tournaments compete in the Finals Tournament, held the weekend of Jan. 16, in Sarnia, Ontario.

On Sunday, Dec 15, the Grosse Pointe 03 Bulldogs (Squirt AA) beat the Trenton Blades 4-1 in the finals of the Metro Detroit regional tournament to advance to the Finals tournament in Sarnia.

teams from across the sisted, scored the first the second period, the game in pool play. United States and goal with just under a first unassisted and the Canada participate in the minute to go in the first second assisted by

Then, just 45 seconds This tournament later, David Rivard goalie, turned away all brings together some of scored the Bulldogs' sec-but one of Trenton's Bessert.

Anthony Furicchia. Will Fox, the Team's

Aaron Vyletel, unas- MVP, scored two goals in Bulldogs did not lose a

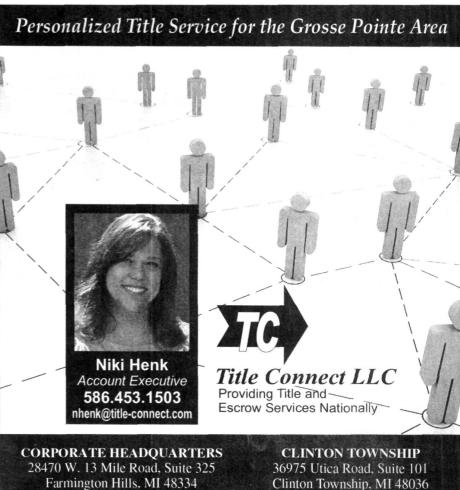


Wayne State University sophomore Amy Zaranek enjoyed a solid first year juggling her academics, as well as athletics, at the Division 2 college.



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## 4C SCHOOLS

A.J. Hakim

# Thank you for three great years

is my farewell to The countless visits from Sutton, Chris Drumheller, Grosse Pointe News and local celebrities, national Lauren McLaughlin, its readers. It seems like celebrities, politicians, Kathleen Stevenson, met with general man- much more. It's quite ers like Bridget Thomas, ager and editor Joe mind-boggling to think Patrice Thomas, Renee education reporter.

an education reporter Pointe any given day. seemed foreign to me, a layouts.

performing at the White Barbara

lucky enough to cover a representatives —Scott cial people. Thank you all couple school board elec- Chambers, Melanie for everything.

public, parochial and pri-tioned. At the time, the idea of vate schools in Grosse

journalism experience sible without the support tively and efficiently each prior to then had con- from everyone in the week. sisted of a couple basic schools - you're all Pointe North High School and Nicole Ward; classi- nity." student Myles Harlan fieds department -House to my last about Vethacke, Autumn Hirzel, I'm still proud to say I'm University Liggett School Nora Ezop, Melissa part of this community. senior Mostafa Shanta McAlister, Emily Alber, After all, Grosse Pointe earning a full-ride schol- Amy Panski, Genna Hall, truly is a special place arship to Yale University. Kris Barthel and Sara and those who live and In the meantime, I was Birmingham; advertising work here are truly spe-

This is it. Some three tions, a superintendent Mahoney, Erika Davis, amazing years later, this search, principal hirings, Shelley Owens, Julie yesterday - has it really authors, entertainers, Peter Birkner and been three years? - I musicians and much, Kathryn Andros; and oth-Warner about joining the back on all the amazing Landuyt and anyone else newspaper's staff as the things that happen in the who I may not have men-

This community is lucky to have or have had None of these opportu- you all working to deliver 20-something whose nities would've been pos- the news creatively, effec-

It's been an honor and university classes and remarkable and inspira- a pleasure, and I can't some freelance gigs as a tional people — and from thank everyone enough sports writer. I had little all my colleagues at the for making these past background in writing newspaper, past and three years so memoraabout anything other present, who helped ble. As I prepare to than sports and almost make this a worthwhile, embark on a new career no experience with news- entertaining and enjoy- — ironically, as a teacher paper design and page able experience. They — I'd like to reiterate include the editorial something I wrote in Yet, Joe still gave me a department — Bob St. April 2011, a few weeks chance and, for that, I'm John, Brad Lindberg, into working at The forever grateful. Because, John McTaggart, Ann Grosse Pointe News: "As thanks to him, I got to Fouty, Karen Fontanive, I get better acquainted meet some of the best Kathy Ryan, Dianne with people and (the) teachers and administra- Morelli and Debra schools, and see how tors in education and Pascoe; the production nice and committed resiinterview some outstand- team — Ken Schop, Dave dents are to the schools ing, accomplished stu- Hughes, Mary Schlager, and the community, it dents, from my first Penny Derrick, Paul makes me proud to say article about Grosse Barnard, Carol Jarman I'm part of this commu-

Three years later, those Yazbeck feelings haven't changed.





## Just in case

**Audrey Alcorn and Joe** Graunstadt, head instructor for the Detroit Academy of Martial Arts, demonstrate a move called the grip, dip and spin, a move to help get away from an attacker. At left, Autumn Hill and her dad, Eric, practice an escape move. Below, Rick Ruffner and his daughter, Isabella, work on another move to escape.



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

Maire Elementary School, in association with the Grosse Pointe City Police and Fire Association and Detroit Academy of Martial Arts, presented a free Stranger Danger workshop in November for a group of children and adults. Joe Graustadt, owner of the Academy of Martial Arts, volunteered to lead the self-defense instruction and had assistance from other event volunteers Officer Chris Cotzias, Officer Tom Martindale, Detective C.J. Lee and Sgt. John Alcorn. During the workshop, each child partnered with an adult and followed demonstrations of potential moves to escape from anyone attempting to "take" them. A brief lecture on stranger danger was also given.

The Police and Fire Association is a non-profit group consisting of all the City public safety officers.

## Attention teachers, school administrators

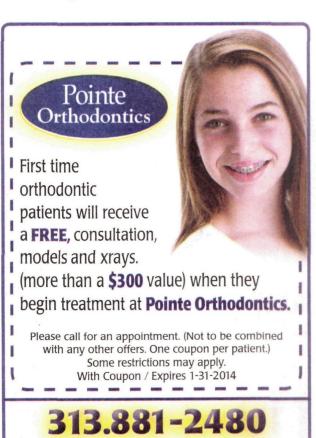
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# North honors alumni

On Friday, Nov. 22, Grosse Pointe North High School honored its second class Distinguished Alumni Award recipients during a ceremony at the Performing Arts Center. Hosted by master of ceremonies Ben Walker, of the Distinguished Alumni Selection Committee, the night included performances from the North chorale, Pointe Singers and North jazz band, as



well as inspiring personal Ted Coutilish an Dave narratives from the six Hardin — all of whom inductees - Steve Jones, pursued their dreams Gary Bennett, Cherly and made them into a Huckins, David Mogk, successful career.



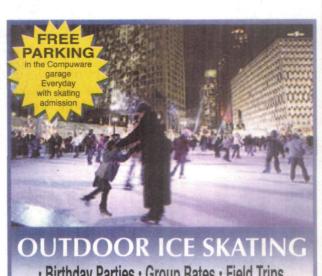
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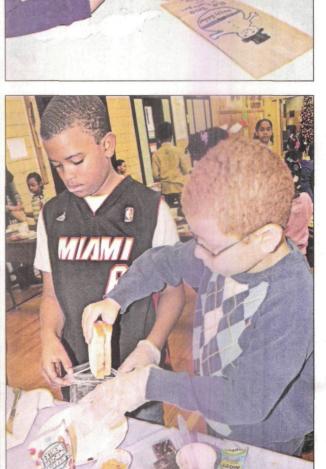


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At top, Brandon Hughes and Corey Vardiman decorate the sandwich bag with a snowman and the following note: "Happy Holidays. Be good so Santa gives you extra presents." Above, Poupard Elementary School students Elija McIntosh and Louis Holmes make peanut butter and jelly sandwiches. In all, students made 200 sandwiches.