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◆ The Grosse Pointe Public Library, Woods branch, 20680 Mack, hosts a book sale from noon to 8 p.m.

### FRIDAY, MAY 7

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◆ The Grosse Pointe Woods Beautification Commission and the Grosse Pointe North Parents Club flower sale is from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Grosse Pointe Woods City Hall, 20025 Mack.

◆ The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce hosts a Comcast event at 5:30 p.m. at City Kitchen, 16844 Kercheval, City of Grosse Pointe.

◆ The annual herb plant sale by the Herb Society of America, Grosse Pointe Unit, is from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe Woods Municipal Building, 20025 Mack.

### SATURDAY, MAY 8

◆ The Grosse Pointe Woods Beautification Commission and the Grosse Pointe North Parents Club flower sale is from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe Woods Municipal Building, 20025 Mack.

◆ Lake St. Clair Symphony Orchestra has a 7:30 p.m. concert of Spanish-inspired music in Schaublin Auditorium, Lakeview High School, 21100 11 Mile, St. Clair Shores. Adult tickets cost \$13, \$10 for seniors and \$5 for students. Tickets are available at the door or at Gifts Afloat, 25025 Jefferson, St. Clair Shores.

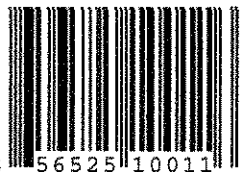
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◆ Author Steve Goreham discusses his book, "Climatism! Science, Common Sense and the 21st Century's Hottest Topic" from noon to 3 p.m. at Barnes & Noble, Grosse Pointe, 19221 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

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Raleigh, the City of Grosse Pointe K9, gets a hit.

PHOTOS BY  
BRAD LINDBERG

## South sweep sends message

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

A lockdown was still being declared as police surrounded Grosse Pointe South High School and entered with drug-sniffing German shepherds.

"Classroom shades pulled. Doors locked. Absolutely no student or staff movement into the halls," ordered Principal Al Diver over the school intercom a few minutes after 9 a.m. Wednesday, April 28. "Stay in class until further notice."

Five minutes earlier, Diver's office had received a phone call from Dan Jensen, Grosse Pointe Farms public safety director, announcing the raid.

"We're all coming," Jensen said on the phone. "All the dogs. Everybody. We need you to put the school in lockdown."

Twenty-one officers, seven members of the Farms volunteer reserves and 10 drug dogs from eight police agencies conducted the action, described variously as a search, sweep and raid.

"Parents have the expectation and students have the right to be educated



Officers and Assistant Principal Joan Murphy search a locker.

in a secure, safe, drug-free environment," Jensen said. "We're here to assist school officials in trying to maintain that type of environment."

"I've been asking for this for about seven years," said Diver. "I hope it becomes a regular occurrence."

A sweep had been planned a few

months ago, but was canceled when word leaked.

"The bust was long overdue," said Mary Conway, a Farms resident and mother of a South graduate.

She e-mailed her compliments to Farms police as news of the raid spread around town.

"Too much has gone on for too long," Conway continued. "This had to be dealt with. Perhaps now, this very serious issue will, in fact, be taken very seriously by all."

"This has never been done before in Grosse Pointe, I believe, in any school," Jensen told his cadre during a briefing at police headquarters minutes before shoving off for campus.

Officers found a small amount of marijuana and drug paraphernalia, including a pipe fashioned from a plastic bottle, in four lockers and two vehicles. There were no arrests.

"We're working with school officials regarding the identity of students involved," said Farms Detective and youth officer Mike



Farms Public Safety Director Dan Jensen, standing at left with back to the camera, briefs officers in the department garage before the raid.

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Grosse Pointe Shores

## Recall fails; no change

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

Mayor Dr. James Cooper and two members of the Grosse Pointe Shores City Council won their recall election Tuesday, May 4.

Out of 1,326 votes cast in Cooper's contest, he came out ahead by 40 votes, 683 to 643. The winning margin was 51.5 to 48.5 percent.

"I'm happy with the results and look forward to continuing to serve Grosse Pointe Shores as its mayor," Cooper said.

Also victorious were Councilwoman Victoria Boyce and Councilman Robert Graziani in what recall critics hope ends political contentiousness in the 1.5-square-mile city.

Boyce, like Cooper, won by 40 votes, 682 to 642.

"It's great to see so many citizens engaged in the electoral process," Boyce said. "It benefits Grosse Pointe Shores when everyone is actively involved."

Graziani won 707 to 618, an 89-vote margin.

*'I'm happy with the results and look forward to continuing to serve as Grosse Pointe Shores mayor.'*

DR. JAMES COOPER,  
Mayor, Grosse Pointe Shores

"It is important that we get to the root of the concerns of the community and come up with solutions," Graziani said.

The trio were targeted for supporting a 1-mill tax rate increase they said was needed for road repairs and to stabilize the general fund balance.

Recall organizer, Dr. Robert Lee, said the failed effort was worth it.

"We see a higher level of awareness of basic fiscal facts," Lee said.

"That doesn't change the dire financial situation the city is in."

Harry Kurtz, a Shores resident and recall opponent, wants the city to move forward.

"It's time to reunite Grosse Pointe Shores," Kurtz said. "We had a heck of a debate. No hard feelings."

*'That doesn't change the dire financial situation.'*

DR. ROBERT LEE,  
Recall organizer

## Stop the rumors

In a regular Grosse Pointe News column titled "Yesterday's Headlines," entries on April 15 and 22 told of Cavanaugh's very temporary closing five years ago in April 2005.

Cavanaugh's, located at 16839 Kercheval in the Village, is open for business.

We apologize for any confusion caused by Yesterday's Headlines.

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This year, funds raised will assist in the fight against cancer. Proceeds are designated toward the purchase of a vital piece of cancer treatment equipment, the C-arm unit, for the Van Elslander Cancer Center at St. John Hospital.

We will also be honoring James M. Fox, MD, Jane Kay Nugent, Narayanan Vikraman, MD, and Mary Ann Van Elslander.

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# A lesson in saving lives

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

Jack Patterson saved his son from choking by pounding him on the back so hard it not only dislodged the obstruction, it left a hand print on the boy's back.

"But he's alive," Patterson said.

As a lieutenant with the Grosse Pointe Farms public safety department, Patterson hopes to use his knowledge of first aid to make a mark on fellow municipal employees.

Patterson last week demonstrated life-saving techniques to a group of Farms parks, recreation and water department employees.

Lessons at the Pier Park community center included how to help choking victims until medical assistance arrives to take over.

"If you come across someone who is down, the Red Cross teaches you to check, call and care," Patterson told the students. "Check to make sure it's safe for you to approach the person. Call for help or make sure someone has called 911. Then, you care for the victim."

If a person is choking,



PHOTOS BY BRAD LINDBERG

Farms Lt. Jack Patterson demonstrates the Heimlich maneuver on a dummy provided by the American Red Cross.

Patterson said to lean him or her forward and deliver up to five strikes with the heel of your hand to the upper back.

If that fails, try the Heimlich maneuver. Stand behind the victim, wrap your arms around his or her abdomen, interlock fingers and thrust your hands in and out a few times to dislodge whatever is blocking the person's airway.

If a victim isn't breathing, breathe for them. Lay them on their back, tilt their head back, and alternate two rescue

breaths for each set of 30 chest compressions.

"If the person can cry, cough, wheeze or speak, they're breathing," Patterson said. "It's not a lot of air, maybe, but some is better than nothing. Try to keep them calm and wait for EMS. If they can make any noise, they're getting some air."

A choking victim home alone can save himself with a variation of the Heimlich maneuver: Lean onto the back of a chair and push hard.

"You need a solid chair, not a rocking chair," Patterson said.

Keeping thrusting until the object is cleared.

"It hurts," Patterson said. "Choking to death probably hurts a lot more."

Try to call 911, even if you can't speak. Use a land line, not a cellular telephone.

Calls from land lines appear with the originating address on display screens at police headquarters. Officers generally are dispatched to addresses registering 911 calls.

# Chief quits, cites recall

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

Steve Poloni's not the kind of guy to wait and see.

He'd heard rumors his job might be in jeopardy. So, he got a new one.

Poloni, the public safety director in Grosse Pointe Shores since 2004, took a job Monday night as public safety chief in Ecorse.

He'll divide his time between the Shores and Ecorse until leaving for good Aug. 6.

"This was a job-security move," Poloni said. "With the recall, there had been talk of relieving administrators. I felt that for the protection of my family, I needed to look for another position."

As he spoke Tuesday morning in his office at city hall, outside in the parking lot Shores Mayor Dr. James Cooper, Councilwoman Victoria Boyce and Councilman Robert Graziani campaigned against their recall for supporting a 1-

mill property tax increase. The money will be used for road repairs and building up a rainy day fund.

Two more councilmen named for recall resigned in February.

The municipal park director resigned last winter amid talk of the job being eliminated, which it was. Yet another department head is being recruited by another city.

Poloni has been with the Shores 23 1/2 years. He teared up talking about it.

"I'm not ashamed," he said, his voice breaking. "This is a bittersweet decision. I could not have worked in a better place. The people have been family to me. The people I work with are outstanding."

"Steve Poloni has served Grosse Pointe Shores with professionalism, dignity and class," said Cooper. "I was saddened to hear news of his departure, but respect his deci-

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## Show house

The Junior League of Detroit's Show House, a stone French Normandy-style house at 78 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, is open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mondays through Fridays, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays and noon to 5 p.m. Sundays, through May 16. Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased at the parking lot/shuttle boarding location at Neff Park on the corner of Jefferson and Lakeland. City of Grosse Pointe. Cutting the ribbon for the opening last week were from left, Jenny Boettcher, executive director of the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce; designer show house co-chairwomen Frances Morse and Tanya Rulison; Grosse Pointe Farms Mayor Pro Tem Therese Joseph; Judith Lees, designer show house co-chairwoman; and owner of the house, Gail Sidlek.

## Developers present plans for senior facilities

By Kathy Ryan  
Staff Writer

Representatives of the proposed Continuing Care Retirement Community of Grosse Pointe presented preliminary plans to the Grosse Pointe Woods Planning Commission last week. Most of the city officials present liked what they saw.

The project, proposed for the 14-acre site at 900 Cook Road, formerly known as the Children's Home of Detroit, will include detached condominiums, a three-story apartment residence, an assisted living facility and a nursing home, with a target market of citizens 55 years of age and older.

"What we propose to offer is a campus of coordinated services offering residential facilities across the aging continuum," said Richard Levin, spokesman for the development. "Developments like this allow residents to age in place without the trauma of having to move."

In describing the project to the commission, Levin said developers hope to maintain the sense of history that the site provides.

"We hope to transition from caring for the young to caring for older residents," he said. "Plans call for maintaining the original vegetation on the property, and even the painted frog that greeted residents and guests of the children's home for several years."

"The closest senior development like this to Grosse Pointe is in New Baltimore," he said. "It requires a Grosse Pointe resident to leave the area, which is what many are faced with today. If my mom and dad needed these services, I have to ask 'where would I send them?' That's why we want our community to be a part of yours."

The meeting with the planning commission was just one of several steps the group is taking in order to be ready to break ground once licensing,

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## Coyotes sightings common again

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

Howling heard in a backyard on Ballantyne heralded the return of coyotes to the Grosse Pointes.

A woman living in the 500 block of Ballantyne in the Shores reported the howling at about 10:45 p.m. Thursday, April 29. Public safety officers sent to investigate said it was a coyote.

Coyotes were thought to have been run out of the community toward the end of winter.

Farms public safety officers shot two. A trapper caught at least one in the Woods.

"I think we push them somewhere and they get pushed back here," said Dan Jensen,

Farms public safety director. "I don't know if they're driven by humans or if it's a food source. They've been seen again."

The previous morning at Pier Park in the Farms, a parking lot attendant saw what he thought was a coyote in the parking lot.

"He came in through the exit gate at about 10:30 a.m. and walked towards the (inner) park entrance," said attendant Harry Masek. "Some people in the park also saw the animal. It didn't shy or scoot away. I think the animal is used to people."

Based on Masek's description of the animal, he may have seen a fox, not a coyote.

"It had a big, bushy tail," Masek said.

A fox is known to frequent

the Pointe waterfront and golf courses.

"It's a small red fox with a furry tail," Jensen said. "I've seen it in the mornings. It's really pretty."

That's not to say coyotes haven't been at Pier Park.

"One was by the gazebo last year," said Ken Rowell, a park employee and handler of the Farms goose-chasing border collie, Kate.

Rowell said he also saw a coyote near the municipal water plant, one block up Moross from the park at the corner of Grosse Pointe Boulevard.

"He was by Joy Bells looking both ways to cross Moross," Rowell said. "He finally crossed and went down Carver Alley, didn't like that and went down Moross toward the

park."

Masek hasn't heard of any problems with the latest animal — fox or coyote. He's not bothered by the idea of having a fox in the neighborhood.

"My only concern would be, not knowing if it's a fox or coyote, the safety of young children and babies," Masek said. "We have a tot park. I'd be worried an animal would get in there. We don't allow dogs in the park for the very reason that we don't know what their reaction would be to an infant."

Foxes and coyotes have similar diets, only a fox's prey is smaller.

A Shores public safety officer who has seen both types of predators in the community said foxes seem to lay low when coyotes are prevalent.

## Administrator will stay as consultant

By Kathy Ryan  
Staff Writer

Reports of Mark Wollenweber's retirement may have been a little exaggerated.

Though he still plans to give up the title of Grosse Pointe Woods city administrator June 30, he will become a consultant July 1 with a 90-day contract. The agreement was proposed by the city's compensation and evaluation committee and approved by the city council.

Under the contract, Wollenweber will be paid \$9,000 a month to consult on various projects that started under his administration and are not yet completed, as well as participating in the selection process for his successor.

Wollenweber will provide the city with a minimum of 40

hours of work per month, with a maximum of 80 hours per month during the 90-day period. He will also attend city council meetings when necessary.

Based on another recommendation of the compensation and evaluation committee, the city's assessor's office will be downsized, and duties of current assessor, Kathleen Paul, will be outsourced to the Wayne County equalization program. Paul's contract will not be renewed, and day-to-day operations of the assessor's office will fall under the direction of Woods' treasurer Dee Ann Irby.

The city agreed to pay Paul's health insurance premiums for 90 days.

The council approved renewing the contracts of Irby,

city clerk Lisa Hathaway and city attorneys Don Berschback and Charles Berschback. All will run from July 1 to June 30, 2011.

The renewal of the city attorneys' contract was not without comment, as Councilman Joe Sucher, who also serves as chairman of the city's finance committee, questioned whether approving the contract would hinder the city from changing the way legal services are compensated.

"I intend to call one more meeting of the finance committee to address how legal services are structured," he told the council. "I don't want anyone to infer that I'm dissatisfied with the service provided by the Berschbacks. It's about how payment is provided. I want to look at what other


cities are doing. I want payment for legal services to have a fair hearing at the finance committee."

The city attorneys are currently paid an hourly fee, and Sucher indicated that many cities are paying attorneys an annual fee.


"We are one of the few cities that pays an hourly fee," he said.

Mayor Robert Novitke pointed out terms of the contract with the city attorneys have been approved by the city's compensation and evaluation committee, and he is satisfied with the work of the attorneys and the compensation they receive.


"I serve at the pleasure of the council," said Don Berschback. "I have had the same contract and compensation since 2001."



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## POINTER OF INTEREST

# From Russia, with love

By Karen Fontanive  
Staff writer

Listening to Grosse Pointe Farms resident Trish Erichsen explain her life story thus far brings to mind scenes out of the intense television series, "24" and the romantic movie, "Serendipity."

Some 25 years ago, Erichsen was a pre-med student at Wayne State University but, "organic chemistry did me in," she said. "I had to say to myself, 'what is it in my life that

brings me joy?"

For her it was Spanish. She majored in Spanish literature and language, thinking she'd become a teacher.

Awarded a teaching assistantship at WSU, she was looking ahead to her PhD studies. "At that time, you had to learn a third language to be able to answer part of the PhD exam and it had to be a language unrelated to the specialty language," she explained. "I wanted to study Russian."

A friend mentioned the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language School operated by the United States Army. Students receive complete immersion in a foreign language and work as interpreters, interrogators and in electronic espionage. "I went to see the recruiter, took the test and qualified," she said.

At age 30 and married, she enlisted in the army and signed a six-year contract.

Cut to "24."

After completing 11 weeks of basic training — "I learned to shoot an M16, launch live grenades and operate a grenade launcher" — she began studying Russian. "I even had to learn Russian swear words."

"I was a fish out of water," she said. "I wasn't really into the military lifestyle. But it became much bigger than that. First, the Berlin Wall came down. I was thinking this was great and others around me were thinking, 'what will we do now?'"

Then came the collapse of communism in Russia and the abandonment of as many as one million children there.

An adoption agency in Texas



PHOTO BY KAREN FONTANIVE

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Trish Erichsen currently works as a secretary at Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church. For 18 years before that, she helped facilitate the adoption of more than 500 orphaned Russian children.

Upper right: Erichsen in Russia with one of the many children she helped place with a family in the United States.

contacted her for her expertise with the Russian language. "Because I was still in the military, I had to receive special permission from the military to work for the agency. I had to be debriefed each time I went to and came back from Russia," she said. "If the Russians knew I was a military person, I could have been considered a spy. I was very scared, but decided to do it. It felt right — that this is what all my training was for. I could do something for peace. I could be trained to use it for war and given the chance to use it for humanitarian purposes."

Cut to "Serendipity." Or for Erichsen, a deep trust in God. "Why else would I have been at that school at that time?" she asked.

For the next 18 years, she worked for different agencies and then became an independent consultant working with a social worker and different agencies to facilitate adoptions. She traveled throughout Russia and the Ukraine and created and nurtured relationships with Russian officials in charge of child welfare. She helped place more than 500 Russian and Ukrainian children with families in the U.S.

But the world of Russian adoptions became murkier. "There weren't any regulations so anyone could do it," Erichsen said. "There were people who began to see it as a money-making business."

As the capitalism of adoptions was beginning to take its toll on Erichsen, her father became ill and she decided it was time to step back to care for him and spend more time with her husband, Jörg, and their children, Heidi and Käthe.

Just as her father began failing, Erichsen started working at Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church.

"I needed a job close to home, dad and the kids in school," she said. "And I still had opportunities to help people."

And be helped in return.

Three years after joining the church's staff, Erichsen was diagnosed with breast cancer and it was her church family that helped her through, not

only with spiritual support, but financial and physical support as well. Having used all of her sick time, the church's elders paid her and worked for her, so she could continue her recovery.

More than a year after her surgery, Erichsen is still on the job at church and resumed her costume-making duties for Brownell Middle School plays. What started three years ago when her younger daughter was cast as Annie in the play of the same title, has ended with this year's production of "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat." Though Erichsen quickly added, "I'm looking forward to helping at South next year."

She also has returned to her adoption roots, volunteering to help parents navigate the legal



and financial labyrinths of adoption, at what she believes, is exactly the right time. She cites the earthquake in Haiti that left many children orphaned and the recent news story of a woman in Tennessee who placed her adopted Russian-born son on a plane back to Russia.

"I'm hoping to counteract what she did and undo some of the damage," said Erichsen. "Adoption is not for everybody. It helps to get over a set of ideas or a script, be open and really well prepared. You must be 100 percent prepared for the ride. Not all adoptions work out as a fairy tale, but so many do."



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Top: Sleeping quarters at a Russian orphanage. Erichsen described the facilities as clean, but sterile. Above: Erichsen in military attire. She joined the United States Army to study Russian at the Defense Language Institute.

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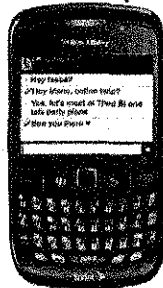
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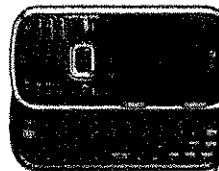
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# Mitten Project features local filmmaker

By Ann L. Fouty  
Features Editor

Paul Daniels' life in South Pole's darkness is coming to light at the Mitten Project's feature series next week.

His independent film is one of two scheduled for viewing at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 13 at the Burton Theatre, 3420 Cass, Detroit.

"Living in the Shadow of the Moon-Dog: A South Pole Diary" filmed by Grosse Pointe Park resident Daniels while working at the South Pole maintaining 12 boilers in the complex. The other film is "Becky, ya got yer space, babe," a 63-minute film.

Daniels' 76-minute film

shows the life of 50 people at the U.S. Antarctic research station, "South Pole." A combination of minus 100 degree temperatures, storms, hypoxia, stress and the unexpected illness of the station's doctor is captured in his film which was whittled down from 32 hours during his 10 month stay in 2001.

Reducing the film to a manageable length was quite easy.

"When in doubt, throw it out," he said. "If it didn't keep my interest 100 percent of the time, it was cut out. The same rule I use when I wrote the manuscript."

To film, Daniels rigged up a camera case for his Sony Handcam in High 8 to with-

stand the severe temperatures.

According to a September 2009 Grosse Pointe News article, Daniels modified his camera case. The lens would fog so he created a nitrogen chamber; he used refrigeration fittings to pull it into a vacuum and charged it with nitrogen to keep out the moisture.

"I had big time problems with keeping the camera from freezing," he said. "Another guy at the pole had the same camera as mine and the cold destroyed his the first week. And it was only 30 to 40 below zero then."

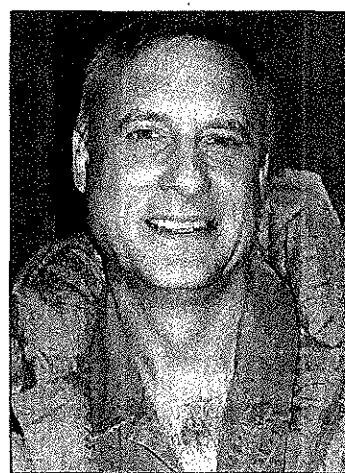
"Before I left (Michigan) I had already built an insulated box with an optical lens cover, but it proved to be nearly use-

less. I then added two inches of blue-board insulation to the box and devised an airtight dry nitrogen filled lens cover to keep the frost from obstructing my camera's view while shooting. It worked great past 100 below zero for extended periods of time. I will admit I never did overcome the problem I had with frosting over the viewfinder with my breath. In many of the outdoor scenes, I just pointed blindly at my sub-

ject."

The film's intent, he said, was "to show people what it is like to record it all for future generations. Also, I want to continue and increase my appearances, showing the film, talking about it to audiences and ultimately publishing the manuscript I have written about it."

Daniels said he is hoping to generate more screenings from this exposure.



Paul Daniels

## CHIEF: Accepts position with Ecorse

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sion."

There's no hard and fast way to replace a department head.

"We'll be talking about it at the committee of the whole meeting Wednesday night," said City Manager Brian Vick.

The meeting was scheduled after the Grosse Pointe News deadline.

"You can do it with a national search costing X amount," Vick added, "to a modified search, to hand-picking a replacement in-house to contracting the service out."

Poloni, a resident of Taylor, had been nominated recently for appointment to its city council.

"I've always been involved in community affairs," he said. "I did not ask to be nominated. I

would not have accepted."

Poloni and his wife have been married 27 years. Their daughter teaches special education in Taylor. Their son is a newspaper editor in Chicago.

"I've always been a man of faith," Poloni said. "I believe the Lord has some purpose for me in Ecorse."

I gave my life here. I will do the same for the residents of Ecorse."

## SENIOR: Initial reaction of officials positive

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financing and city approval are in place. The next step in the process, according to general contractor Lorenzo Cavaliere, will be to meet with homeowners near the property. As of press time, no time has been set for that meeting.

The first phase of the development would be the construction of condominiums around the perimeter of the property. They would range from 1,200 to 1,400 square feet. These units, referred to as "cottages" would be the only independently owned part of the development. Cavaliere declined to name a price for the cottages. All other facets of the development would be leased, including one- and two- bedroom apartment units in the inde-

pendent living building and studio-style and one-bedroom units in the assisted living component.

When completed, 22 percent of the site would be building structures, 23 percent of the site would be roads, parking spaces and driveways, and the remaining 55 percent would be open space.

While the developers promise the facilities would be superior to any existing projects in the area, the amenities offered will make the project unique.

Plans call for restaurant-style dining, a library, craft rooms, and a gardening area.

"There will also be an indoor swimming pool, so when the grandchildren come to visit, there will be something for them to do," Cavaliere said. "There will be housekeeping services for the cottage own-

ers, as well as meal plans. Cottage ownership includes all amenities."

Developers hope to begin construction in the next 12 to 18 months. They are awaiting licensing approval from Lansing, and admit not all financing is in place. The final plans must be approved by not only Grosse Pointe Woods officials, but the public safety department as well. Once work begins, the construction timeline is expected to run from 15 to 18 months.

"This development has the potential to be a tremendous asset to the community," said planning commissioner John Vitale.

A city councilman in attendance agreed.

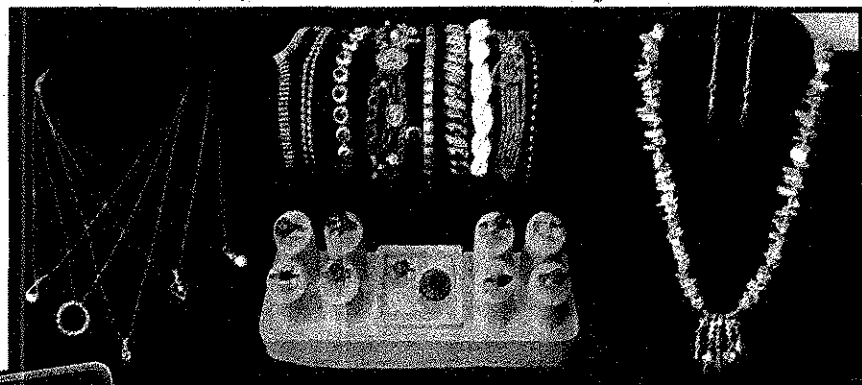
"It looks like a great project for the city," said Joe Sucher. "We look forward to working together to make this happen."

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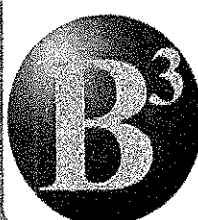
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GUEST OPINION By James M. Hohman

Taxpayers never get early retirement

State legislators squirm under the latest news that tax revenues are down while their spending is up. The state's been in this situation before, and if past budgets can teach Michigan residents anything, it's taxpayers never get early retirement.

Michigan legislators have created budget overspending crises every year since 2002. Since tax rates rarely went down and since most spending is directly under their control, these deficits are largely a matter of the legislators wanting to spend more than they did the previous year.

Legislators have made the same decisions year after year in addressing the gap between spending and revenues. They found ways to avoid tough decisions, mostly by using accounting gimmicks, borrowing from the future and spending down fund reserves.

When it comes to cutting costs, early retirement and pay freezes are occasionally used, but never sweeping reforms to lower expenses. And when they were out of gimmicks and there was still a gap, the politicians raised taxes.

Taxes are never raised in a mutually beneficial "let's try to create a win-win situation" manner — they are blunt increases. In 2002, tobacco taxes were increased by 50 cents per pack and another 75 cents per pack in 2004. In 2007, income taxes were increased by 11.5 percent and business taxes by 22 percent.

Recently, Gov. Jennifer Granholm proposed taxing nearly every service provided in Michigan. If the policy is enacted, Michigan would be the only state to increase income, sales and business taxes since 2000. This would be a strong signal to private industry to do business elsewhere.

If state politicians would take this same blunt approach with public employment costs, then state government's spending problems would be solved. Just bringing public-sector benefits in line with private-sector averages would save an estimated \$5.7 billion.

But instead of finding straightforward ways to lower spending, legislators are actually making government more expensive. At a time when more tax hikes are being proposed, the state has approved raises for its employee groups in addition to the automatic raises already built into most government employment contracts.

And school districts' income from federal, state and local revenue — which largely goes to pay the salaries and benefits of school employees — increased from \$13.7 billion in 2000 to \$19.0 billion in 2008. If spending had simply increased commensurately with inflation and student headcount, Michigan's school spending would be \$2.5 billion less than it is now. That difference is more than enough, for example, to run the state's expensive prisons.

Across-the-board cuts in school employee compensation have worked in other states. For instance, Alabama resolved its school funding crisis simply by requiring teachers to contribute a greater percentage of their income to their retirement system and by freezing the state's health insurance premium contributions for school employees.

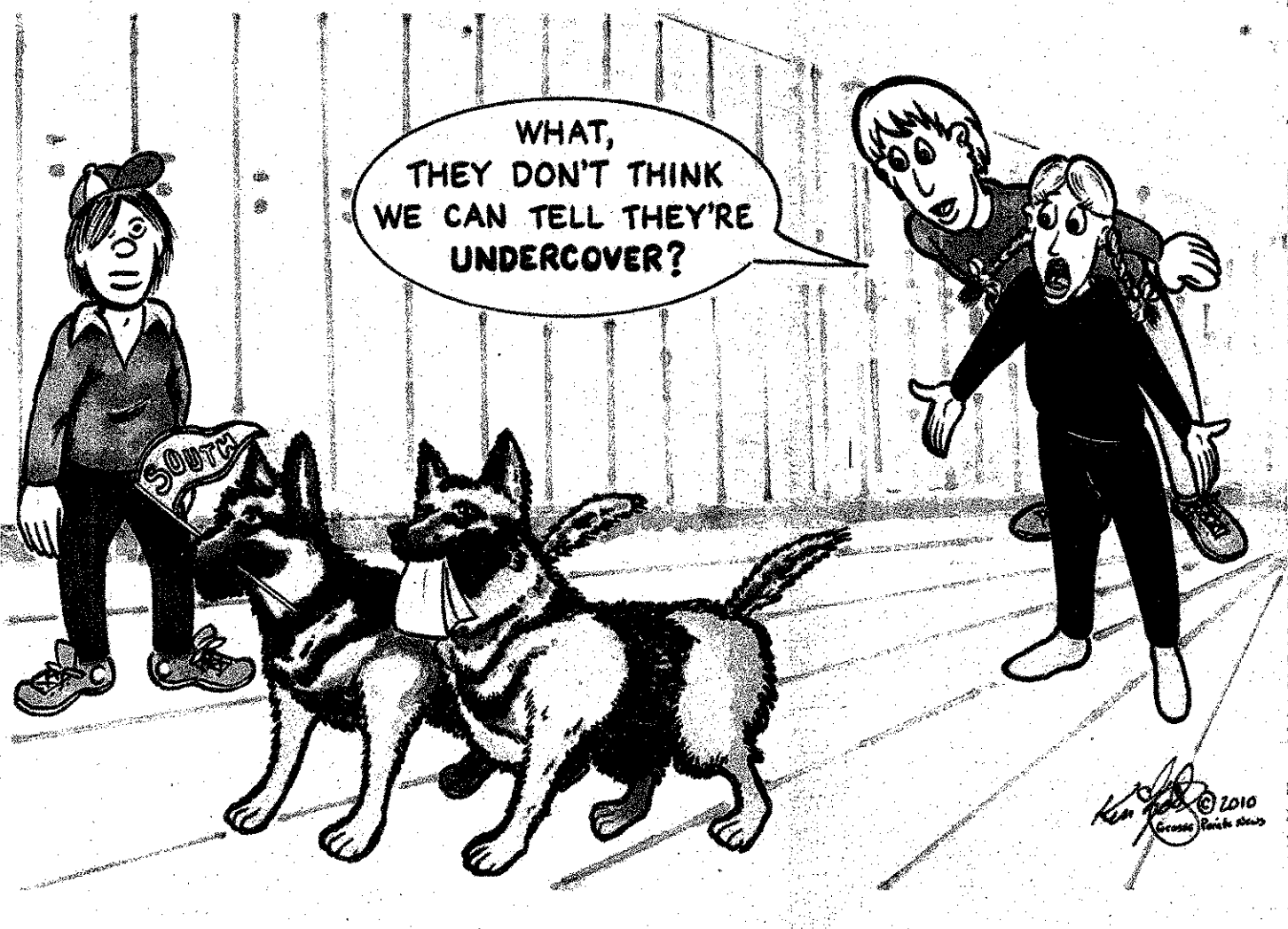
Unlike Alabama, Michigan legislators look for apparent savings, but do nothing to restructure costs. For instance, an early retirement incentive for public school employees and for state bureaucrats does not lower educational expenses — it shifts them. That is because the governor's proposal includes plans to fill most positions left by retirees. The natural employment turnover ensures that automatic increases cancel each other out and only overall pay hikes and benefit increases affect the costs of compensation. By offering early retirement, not only would the state be on the hook for a large payment right now, but after an initial drop, employment costs would again be subject to both automatic and overall pay increases.

In addition, early retirement would be costly to the state's employee retirement systems, especially since they cover health care expenses for all their members until Medicare kicks in. It cost the state \$396 million to provide this benefit for state bureaucrats in fiscal 2008 — 25 percent more than it spent on community colleges — and the state already has an unfunded liability of \$13.5 billion to pay these benefits without adding the cost of early retirements.

An across-the-board cut is not the most efficient way of making public schools less costly, and would likely run afoul of current district-union agreements, but across-the-board hikes are exactly how Michigan residents are treated when taxes are raised. Legislators lose the velvet gloves when it comes to tax hikes. They should start using the same approach when it comes to spending.

James M. Hohman is a fiscal policy analyst at the Mackinac Center for Public Policy.

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Public safety

To the Editor:

High on our list of essential services — good roads, schools, infrastructure such as electrical service and garbage pickup — must come public safety.

Over the years, the five Grosse Pointe Public Safety departments have continually proven their value to the community. All are competent and respond amazingly rapidly, providing the area with a high level of security.

It may now well be the current financial stresses will require a merger of police departments in the five Grosse Pointes, with the greater response times and other limitations such combinations will bring.

There is another possibility. It may well be a majority of Grosse Pointers will be willing to provide increased revenue to support the present system. I believe we should at least give the voters an opportunity to speak to this possibility.

As local government knows,

this is a very important issue to the citizens. Perhaps a public forum would be helpful.

Any decision to combine services would be almost impossible to reverse. Let us proceed with carefully considered open minds, not making any assumptions about citizen desires which have not been tested.

GORDON MORLAN  
Grosse Pointe Park

Respect presumed innocence

To the Editor:

I am surprised by all the publicity surrounding the removal of Brad Whitaker from his duties as rector of Christ Church Grosse Pointe.

So often in cases like this, such pains are taken to protect the identity of the accuser, but no regard is given to that of the accused.

I am in no position to judge Brad Whitaker at this time, but he does have a family, reputation, job and life.

Why don't we respect his presumed innocence by keeping

his name confidential until he is proven guilty?

YOLANDA TURNER  
Grosse Pointe Farms

Check the facts

To the Editor:

The website for the Grosse Pointe Education Association claims "Grosse Pointe Public School's teaching staff continues to serve the students and administration of the Grosse Pointe Schools even though their contract expired on June 30, 2009."

Not true. The review classes normally held at both high schools this time of year to prepare students for their Advanced Placement exams next week have been canceled by the union.

Some AP classes are semester classes and finish at the end of January; others are year-long.

In the past, teachers have held special review classes for students before the examinations. Not this year!

And the reason stated by multiple high school teachers to students? "Because we are working without a contract."

The GPEA website boasts "A majority of students enroll in at least one of the 20 Advanced Placement courses to earn college credit, and Grosse Pointe South has the highest AP ranking in Michigan."

If a student does well on an exam, they earn college credit at a fraction of the cost of university or community college tuition. Especially in tough economic times, good AP scores are very important to students and parents.

Teachers want us to think of them as professionals: Highly educated individuals motivated and passionate about providing each student a quality education.

Professionals would never compromise their standards despite a contract dispute — unless you belong to the GPEA. The GPEA should be ashamed of its decision to withhold AP review classes this spring.

MARY MCCAUGHEY  
Grosse Pointe Park

Human trafficking

To the Editor:

As a result of an advertisement in the Grosse Pointe News, I attended a presentation on "Human Trafficking: The Hidden Highway" presented by the Soroptimist of Grosse Pointe.

The purpose of this presentation was to make the public aware of how extensive this has become.

According to the speakers, it generates more than \$36 billion a year. It was also amazing to be informed trafficking was not considered a crime until 2000.

I wish to thank the Grosse Pointe News for advertising this event free and also for the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club for providing the room to hold the meeting at no charge.

MARION MC CARTHY  
Harper Woods

GUEST OPINION By Susan Lyon and Daniel J. Weiss

Oil spills by the numbers

The BP Gulf Coast rig explosion is a horrible human, economic and environmental disaster. The death of 11 employees is tragic. The spill could devastate the Gulf Coast commercial and sport fishing industries for years to come. Louisiana's seafood industry alone is worth \$2 billion annually.

This is the biggest U.S. economic and environmental disaster since the Exxon Valdez oil spill in Alaska's Prince William Sound March 24, 1989. The key lesson from the Exxon Valdez is the oil spill continues to have an impact today — more than two decades after the event.

The length and breadth of BP's gulf oil spill are still unknown, but reviewing the harm and costs from the Exxon Valdez spill can give us a sense of the likely scale of the disaster.

Whether the gulf spill surpasses this devastation will depend on whether and when BP can stop the flow of oil from deep on the ocean floor.

Exxon Valdez oil spill

According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency report: "On March 24, 1989, shortly after midnight, the

oil tanker Exxon Valdez struck Bligh Reef in Prince William Sound, Alaska, spilling more than 11 million gallons of crude oil. The spill was the largest in the U.S.

Many factors complicated the cleanup efforts following the spill. The size of the spill and its remote location, accessible only by helicopter and boat, made government and industry efforts difficult and tested existing plans for dealing with such an event."

The spill contaminated approximately 1,300 miles of shoreline. Two hundred miles were heavily or moderately oiled, and another 1,100 miles were lightly or very lightly oiled — light sheen or occasional tarballs.

The BP gulf spill is likely to be even worse. There are more than 9,000 miles of shoreline in the BP gulf spill region.

According to the International Tanker Owners Pollution Federation Limited, "The most expensive oil spill in history is the Exxon Valdez, Alaska, 1989. Cleanup cost in the region of U.S. \$2.5 billion and total costs — including fines, penalties and claims settlements — have, at times been estimated at as much as US \$7

billion."

According to CBS, "Exxon spent more than \$3.8 billion in clean up costs, fines and compensation. But in 1994, an Anchorage jury found Exxon acted recklessly and awarded victims of the spill \$5 billion in punitive damages. An appeals court later cut that award in half. But after nearly 15 years in appeals, the case finally reached the U.S. Supreme Court last year. The justices reduced that \$2.5 billion in punitive damages to just more than \$507 million."

ExxonMobil made \$295 billion in profits from 2001-09 and more than \$6 billion in the first quarter of 2010.

The spill caused more than \$300 million in economic harm to more than 32,000 people whose livelihoods depended on commercial fishing, according to Oceana. And tourism spending decreased by 8 percent in south central Alaska and by 35 percent in southwest Alaska in the year after the spill.

Two years following the Exxon Valdez spill, the economic losses to recreational fishing were estimated at \$31 million.

The oil spill destroyed significant wildlife. "The best estimates are: 250,000 seabirds,

2,800 sea otters, 300 harbor seals, 250 bald eagles, up to 22 killer whales and billions of salmon and herring eggs," according to the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council.

Jeffrey Short, Pacific science director for Oceana, testified in a 2009 House Committee on Natural Resources hearing, "Despite heroic efforts involving more than 11,000 people, \$2 billion and aggressive application of the most advanced technology available, only about 8 percent of the oil was ever recovered. This recovery rate is fairly typical rate for a large oil spill. About 20 percent evaporated, 50 percent contaminated beaches and the rest floated out to the North Pacific Ocean where it formed tarballs that eventually stranded elsewhere or sank to the sea floor."

A 2009 status report from the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council found "Exxon Valdez oil persists in the environment and, in places, is nearly as toxic as it was the first few weeks after the spill. Although two decades have passed, as much as 16,000 gallons of oil persists in the Sound's intertidal zones, continuing to poison wildlife."

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I SAY By Joe Warner

# Perhaps St. Anthony could help?



I have a tendency to lose things. My mind aside, I've struggled occasionally with misplacing stuff. Like the time I was in the Walt Disney Magic Kingdom parking lot and forgot not only which character — Dumbo, Goofy, Sleepy, Dopey, Idiot — I parked the car near, but I also forgot what my rental car looked like. It's brown. It's black. It's a Chevrolet. It's a Dodge.

The vacation started with a mix-up at the airport. We received a ride to our hotel and our car was delivered later. Twelve hours later. We basically

jumped in it and drove the two miles to Disney. I really did know it was a Chevy, but I was stumped on the color. I knew it had a child seat in it, but there were thousands of Chevys with car seats in the sea of cars.

I was so angry with the rental car company, I forgot to make mental note of anything. In the end, OnStar came to the rescue and helped pair my family and rental car.

Ever since then, I always make note of where I park. I won't go through that mess again.

I lost a lawn mower one time. I was mowing my front yard, which isn't curbed and has no sidewalk. It was 90 degrees and I was thirsty. I shut the mower down near the road and walked inside for a cool beverage.

Upon returning, my mower was missing. I was gone less than a minute, and my front-

wheel drive Toro with rear bagger was nowhere in sight.

I jumped in my car and drove down a couple side streets in the subdivision. Lo and behold, I saw it in the back of a Fred Sanford-looking truck. It seems the universal sign of being done with something is setting it out near the edge of the road. He thought I intended it for the trash. It was a couple weeks old. I meant to continue using it.

We removed my mower from the truck of junk and I walked it home.

"You need to get a dog, Warner," one neighbor yelled. "Are you mowing the street?" another asked.

On Tuesday at work, we cooked some food on a small Weber grill I brought from home. I use it for tailgating at college football games, Tigers games, etc. I worked perfectly and when we were done, I left it

behind our building for a few minutes to cool down before I threw it back in the car.

Worse than a lost car is a burning car, I always say.

Five minutes later I went out to the alley and the grill was gone. The propane tank was still there, but the grill was gone, as was the garbage inside the Dumpsters behind the building.

Again, totally my fault. I left the wrong message by setting it near the Dumpsters to cool down. It could be confused with trash. I just thought the trash wouldn't be picked up in that five minute time frame.

A quick call to the city brought instant results and honesty. They found it and they would be happy to return it. An honest mistake.

I appreciate it being returned. I didn't get out back in time to say thanks in person, so I'm

saying it here.

I've learned my lesson. Don't put things near the road or near the trash containers if you plan to keep them. If I'm in a huge parking lot, I take a photo of where I'm parked. No confusion that way as long as I don't accidentally delete the photo.

I won't even let my kids play near the road anymore. Fred Sanford or the quietest, most efficient trash-hauling company in America might take them away.

## No texting

I'm not sure if the new law covers sending e-mails, surfing the Internet and updating Facebook accounts on my BlackBerry, but texting will be illegal on the road in less than two months. Correct me if I'm wrong, but if distracted driving is an issue, couldn't the driver be charged under the very

harshly-penalized careless or reckless driving laws already on the books? I'm all for making the roads safer, but it seems we have laws to address the issue already.

I want our governor on Oprah when she brings new jobs to the state. That would really be worth celebrating.

## No smoking

Michigan became the 38th state to ban smoking in public places, such as restaurants and bars. It's OK to go to the casinos and smoke like crazy when you drink and gamble, but don't do it in the local establishments. I'm not a smoker. I can't stand the smell of it, but I've tolerated it. I keep waiting for us to move on to more important issues — jobs, health care, funding education and helping our businesses survive in a horrible economy.

STREETWISE By Renee Landuyt

## What environmental issue are you most concerned about?

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



'Litter and pollution in the ocean because the sea life chokes on it.'

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Grosse Pointe Farms



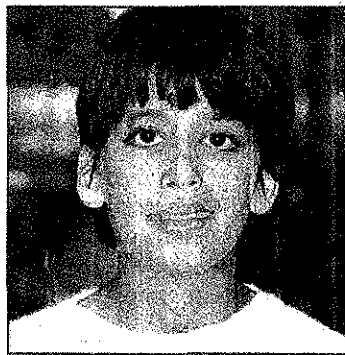
'People should walk and ride bikes more to help save the environment from pollution and less need for oil drilling.'

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Grosse Pointe Woods



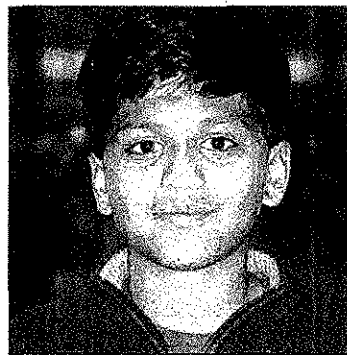
'I think we should not cut so many trees down because it destroys animals homes and habitats.'

CLAIRE DALIAN  
Grosse Pointe Farms



'We should stop using so much energy and turn off the TV and lights and get energy from the sun and wind.'

NIKOLAS SUMNIK  
Grosse Pointe Woods



'Pollution and litter because we need to keep the Earth clean for my generation and have fuel efficient cars.'

ABHINAV NANNAPANENI  
Grosse Pointe Woods

GUEST OPINION By Bill Kalmar

# Did we really make lunar landing?



Back when I was growing up in the '40s and '50s, there was a limited amount of news in the daily papers.

Since television was so new, there were only a couple of stations broadcasting — all local.

There were no "Breaking News" stories from other parts of the world — no CNN. Most of the news we received was in our own local community and we didn't seem deprived or deprived as a result.

Nowadays we receive instant pictures from tragedies occurring anywhere in the world and

even in outer space. With cable news, the Internet, iPhones and all the other types of communication we have, there is also an abundance of stories that frankly should be automatically relegated to the trash dump.

Did you know much of the news we receive is automatically discounted by a group of skeptical people who believe every bit of information comes with a conspiracy theory? These are people who still believe the Earth is flat. There is still a Flat Earth Society — the same people who contend man did not land on the moon, but it was faked in Hollywood.

Wonder what their reaction was when pictures of Earth were transmitted from the moon and we all saw that Mother Earth was an orb? Why anyone even gives time to these "nuts" is beyond me. Maybe their group could just disappear

by going on an extended road trip and somehow avoid driving off the edge of the Earth!

Here are some other beliefs from a group of disconnected, misguided people:

◆ When we visited Elvis Presley's Graceland several years ago, I talked to a security officer about people who travel there for the tour of the mansion. He mentioned people arrive every day who still believe Elvis is alive. Some even mentioned they spotted him in an upstairs window of the mansion smiling. Give me a break. All of us know the "King" is currently in a laundromat in Kalamazoo where he is a barber.

◆ Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad describes the Nazi Holocaust of millions of Jews as a "myth." But then again when you live in a country that is still in the 14th century, it is difficult to open

your mind to reality.

◆ A group recently surfaced from their cave who claim the Jan. 15, 2009, "Miracle on the Hudson" was staged for publicity purposes by U.S. Airways. Their explanation is none of the passengers standing on the wing awaiting rescue had luggage. Right! When I'm exiting a plane that is going down, I always remember to bring my carry-on because it contains all my Rudy Vallee CDs. I'm sure pilot "Sully" Sullenberger would be interested in taking these "quacks" on a "special" flight so G-forces could somehow open their brains to common sense.

◆ And let's not forget the Kennedy conspiracy advocates who feel there was a second shooter and somehow the Mafia was involved in the assassination of the president. I wonder if these "nut jobs"

believe in the Tooth Fairy and the Easter Bunny. But let's give them the benefit of the doubt and conclude they are just aliens from another planet who are having difficulty assimilating themselves to our culture on Earth. But if they came from another planet, wouldn't they realize the Earth is not flat. Well, too difficult for me to unravel.

While on the topic of planets, there are actually people who are in deep depression after watching the movie, "Avatar." Seems the James Cameron movie may have been a little too real for some viewers who say they have experienced depression and suicidal thoughts after seeing the film. They long to somehow enjoy the beauty, serenity and friendliness of the alien world, Pandora.

Perhaps being affected by movie stories is not so unusual. Heck, ever since Abbot and

Costello were abducted by Dracula, I always carry a wooden stake and a ball-peen hammer with me just in case I meet up with him.

Now I know there will be some concluding I am being disrespectful and making fun of people's beliefs and I should be more accommodating of other's shortcomings. To that I say balderdash! In my round world there is little room for this type of foolishness.

So criticize me if you will, but just don't tell me there isn't a Tooth Fairy. As I get older and my bicuspid continue to fall out, I really need the money.

Once again, time to go. I just received a phone call from a Mr. Presley in Kalamazoo who wants to trim my hair. Hmmm...

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

GUEST OPINION By Mark Russell

# Eyjafjallajökull mayhem

Last of a two-part series. So, with train tickets to Madrid out of reach — there was a four hour wait in line at Gare de Lyon, which I simply refused to do — I hired a driver, and his Mercedes, to get me safely to Madrid. Don't ask me how much I paid. The thoughts returned, how was I going to explain this to my CFO, even though he told me to do whatever it takes to get home safely. This never stopped me, which I learned, shows I'm "a decisive" under pressure situations.

My driver was a trained pilot, which is why I decided to err on the side of safety, not cost.

Another driver I had spoken with, half the price, promised to have me in Madrid in 10 hours. When I asked him how long it normally takes, he said 16. I said no thanks. I'm not an overly cautious person, but sadly, a close friend of mine was killed in Spain in a car accident. Whenever I'm there, that sticks

in my mind.

4:30 p.m. to 6:30 a.m.  
Monday, April 19

Northern Spain has the longest, windiest roads you've ever seen. The roads curved so much they'd start twisting back into the direction you were just coming from, then twist back again, like giant "S" curves. It's quite harrowing at 4 a.m. after 12 hours of driving, even for a white-knuckled passenger.

We stopped every two hours for the driver to get some fresh air. He was pulling a driving "all-nighter." I couldn't sleep, so I was pulling an all-nighter, too.

8:30 to 11:30 a.m.  
Tuesday, April 20

I arrived at the airport in Madrid to quite a startling revelation ... my passport was locked up in my hotel room safe back in Paris!

With just three hours until my flight, I was encountering my first Amazing Race "road block," complete with a 30

minute cab ride — each way — to the U.S. Consulate to get an emergency passport! I started doing the math. Then just started running. I became determined to beat the clock.

Now, if you've never been to a U.S. Consulate, which I never had, it's not exactly what you may have thought. I naively pictured myself being escorted to a gray haired, senatorial looking gentleman, judiciously sitting behind a large French Renaissance-looking desk. I imagined him leaning on one arm, waiting to diplomatically save my day. Wrong picture.

After several gated check points, X-ray machines, metal detectors, bomb sniffers and having to remove my belt, hat and cell phone, I found myself in what can only be described as an International Department of Motor Vehicles, holding a paper-dispensed waiting number — D402 — along with 50 other paper-dispensed waiting number-holding people. Bank-like teller windows lined the

walls. From time to time, numbers were being read, but all I could hear was "Bueller, Bueller."

At risk of missing my plane, I did what any self-respecting, stressed American would do. I found the first person who would listen to me and I pleaded my case for expedition. And, for some reason, was granted

## OIL SPILLS: Billions in profits

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This oil spill could be the worst in history. The BP spill will go on for weeks, and it is aimed directly at the world's most productive fishery, whose total commercial economic impact just in Louisiana is \$2.4 billion, according to the Louisiana

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries.

Affected fishermen are already seeking compensation. "Already, a federal class-action lawsuit has been filed on behalf of two commercial shrimpers from Louisiana seeking at least \$5 million in compensatory damages plus an unspecified amount of punitive damages against Transocean, BP and other companies linked to the rig blast."

This spill could ravage the Gulf Coast's tourism economy. According to the EPA, "The

Gulf of Mexico's shores and beaches, offering an ideal location for swimming, sun and all water sports, supports a \$20 billion tourist industry."

And wildlife scientists and experts "foresee massive and devastating ecological impact from (the) spill," according to HSToday.

BP made \$163 billion in profits from 2001-09 and \$5.6 billion in the first quarter of 2010.

Daniel J. Weiss is a senior fellow and Susan Lyon is a special assistant for Energy Policy at American Progress.



## SWEEP: Search turns up little during surprise raid at South High School last week

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McCarthy.

Officers didn't expect to find much contraband.

"This is a deterrent," said City of Grosse Pointe Sgt. Michael Almeranti, handler of K9 Raleigh. "It sends a message to the kids that the school will be subject to intermittent sweeps by dogs."

"Our search that day indicated very little drug use in the building," Jensen said. "Our arrests and contacts with students at South involving drugs have been minimal."

The lockdown lasted 1 1/2 hours. Dogs sniffed the outside of hall lockers, bathrooms, gym lockers and cars parked on campus and nearby streets.

Raleigh and Ivan, dogs from the City of Grosse Pointe and St. Clair Shores, respectively, soon hit on lockers in the main building's ground floor.

So did Indy, named after Indiana Jones, from Taylor. So did Hondo from St. Clair Shores and Xanto, also from Taylor and Zeus from Buena Vista near Saginaw.

Others dogs came from police departments in Eastpointe, Van Buren Township and Redford.

Their barking and scratching on lockers where they detected drug odor echoed through the halls and stair-



Before and after. Above, Farms Public Safety Director Dan Jensen is leader of the pack. Above right, The 1 1/2-hour sweep is over. St. Clair Shores police officer Christopher Periat and his long-haired German shepherd, Hondo, leave South high by the Fisher Road exit. They are followed by, (left to right) City of Grosse Pointe Chief James Fox, Farms Officer Ed Wierszewski and St. Clair Shores Officer Matthew Steppey, handler of K9 Ivan.

ways.

Detectives marked the lockers to be searched by officers accompanied by school administrators.

"Dogs find marijuana, heroin, cocaine, crack and meth," said St. Clair Shores officer Matthew Steppey, Ivan's handler. "They also find ecstasy because meth is a common denominator in ecstasy."

Dogs also hit on lockers where no drugs were found.

"They're hitting on narcotics odor," Almeranti said. "If somebody's been around drugs, they might not have drugs with them, but the dogs are hitting on the odor from drugs."

Meanwhile, some South students tapped text messages to counterparts at North high warning of a raid that would never come, according to police.

"I saw a few students peeking through classroom window

shades across from where a dog got a hit," said Lt. Richard Rosati, head of the detective unit. "They got a front-row seat."

At about 9:30 a.m., a photographer from South's student newspaper, The Tower, sneaked into a hallway and snapped shots of officers searching a locker.

"No," said Assistant Principal Joan Murphy, shooing the student back to class.



PHOTOS BY BRAD LINDBERG

"This is a lockdown."

Diver requested the search of school property.

"He was getting questions and comments from parents, students and teachers that drug usage might be up in the building," Jensen said.

The perception doesn't correspond to street arrests, Jensen added.

"Our perception is drug use is about average," he said. "But, we don't know what goes in the school. We work closely with school officials, but there's no liaison officers assigned to the building."

Three Farms officers, including Jensen, and two reservists were South graduates. Another reserve officer, Greg

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## WEEK AHEAD:

SATURDAY, MAY 8

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the 21st Century's Hottest Topic" from 3 to 6 p.m. at Borders, Grosse Pointe, 17141 Kercheval, City of Grosse Pointe.

◆ The annual herb plant sale by the Herb Society of America, Grosse Pointe Unit, is from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe Woods Municipal Building, 20025 Mack.

◆ Grosse Pointe Farms resident Donna DiSante hosts and is mistress of ceremonies at the 10th Annual Victorian Tea Luncheon and Silent Auction for the American Autoimmune Diseases Association in the Dearborn Inn, 20301 Oakwood, from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. For ticket information, call (586) 776-3900.

SUNDAY, MAY 9

Mother's Day

◆ Grosse Pointe Theatre presents "Grease" at 2 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Tickets cost \$22. For more information, call (313) 881-4004 or visit gpt.org.

MONDAY, MAY 10

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

TUESDAY, MAY 11

◆ Three Grosse Pointe houses are featured in the Pointes of History Celebration, sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Historical Society, at 7 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The free program is open to the public. Houses to be highlighted are 980 Lakeshore, 78 Lakeshore and 415 St. Clair. For more information, call (313) 884-7010 or visit gphistorical.org.

◆ The Friends of the Grosse Pointe Public Library annual meeting is at 7 p.m. in the Community House, Grosse Pointe Farms Pier Park, Lakeshore and Moross. Writer Joel Thurtell and photographer Patricia Beck discuss their five-day canoe trip up the Rouge River and subsequent book. For more information, visit gpfriends.org.

THURSDAY, MAY 13

◆ Hans Hummer of Wayne State University discusses differences between the early church's interpretation of the Bible and today's church at 7 p.m. at St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church, corner of Whittier and Mack, Grosse Pointe Park. The public is invited to the free lecture.

◆ The Friends of the Grosse Pointe Public Library host University of Michigan professor George Bornstein at 7:30 p.m. in the Grosse Pointe South High School library, 11 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms. The cost is \$10. His topic is "Harold Pinter's Menacing Rights of Passage: 'The Birthday Party' and 'The Homecoming.'" For more information, call (313) 343-2074, ext. 6.

◆ Grosse Pointe Theatre presents "Grease" at 8 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Tickets cost \$22. For more information, call (313) 881-4004 or visit gpt.org.

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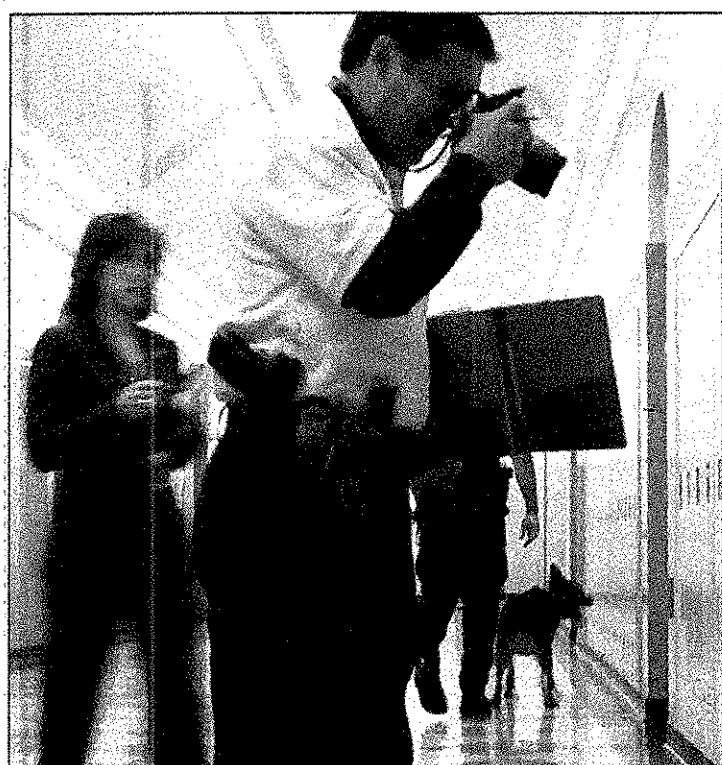
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Lt. Richard Rosati, head Farms detective, photographs the outside of a locker prior to its search.

## Campus cops

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

Dan Jensen's desire to have a public safety officer stationed at Grosse Pointe South High School has nothing to do with reliving the past.

When Jensen was a student at South during the 1970s, two officers were assigned to both Grosse Pointe public high schools.

"It was very effective," said Jensen, a 32-year law enforcement officer and director of public safety in the Farms. "It was proactive, not reactive."

He'd like to revive the detail, even during the present time of crunched budgets and hiring restrictions.

"It's not just manpower," he said. "It's funding. Not only is the school short on funds, so is the police department."

"But, I could make it work somehow."

"It's been necessary for a long time," said Mary Conway of Grosse Pointe Farms. She had a child at South.

In Jensen's day, liaison offi-

cers not only monitored bad behavior in the works, they offered a discrete ear to students.

"When you have liaisons on staff in the building, students will often stop by, slip a note under the door and whisper in their ears," Jensen said. "We don't have that now."

A lot of students seem reluctant to notify police at headquarters of criminal activity in schools and the community.

"Most students know that every telephone line coming in here could be tapped and they don't want to be seen walking in here giving tips," Jensen said.

"There has to be some place kids can go where there's not going to be something coming down on them for saying it," Conway said.

Only so much crime prevention can be done from the outside in.

"We work closely with school administration," Jensen said. "There's a good line of communication there. But there isn't between the students and officers."



## SOUTH: Officials pleased with results

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Heffner, retired from the school's science faculty.

Reservists Peter Swenson, class of 1977, took time off from work as a manufacturer's representative to help with the sweep.

"We had no idea what the operation was going to be," he said.

Police have no immediate plans to search students in classrooms.

"It gets a little intrusive when you start doing dog searches on students," Jensen said. "There's an expectation of privacy for an individual without probable cause. However, the school can do it. It's their building. At their request we probably could."



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At left, Farms Officer Ed Wierszewski examines a plastic bag found in a locker. Above, police were pleased their sweep recovered drugs and paraphernalia from only four lockers and two parked cars. Below, Farms Public Safety Director Dan Jensen, front, with from left, Deputy Director John Hutchins, Detective Mike McCarthy, Reservist Nick Spain and Lt. Detective Richard Rosati enter South at 9:04 a.m. Jensen, McCarthy and Spain are South graduates.





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## Decision expected on teacher contract

Eight months of negotiations to renew teacher contracts in the Grosse Pointe Public School System may be coming to a close.

Last week, the district announced a tentative agreement between the board of education and the Grosse Pointe Education Association.

Both groups have met in more than 20 sessions since contracts expired Aug. 31, 2009, with sticking points ranging from health insurance contributions to caps on salary increases.

Most recently, a state-appointed mediator was brought in to determine if any of the

submitted proposals each side presented could be imposed.

GPEA President Ranae Beyerlein set a timeline to ratify the proposed contract, beginning with the Monday, May 3, membership meeting to review the contract's provisions.

A second meeting Monday, May 10, is planned for ques-

tions and answers, and a ratification election is expected Monday, May 17.

When the district administration is notified of the GPEA ratification, the board will hold an open session to approve the contract.

"Our staff is dedicated to this district's tradition of excel-

lence, and this cooperative agreement is an example of wise stewardship to maintain the high level of educational programming our community expects," Beyerlein said in a statement.

Tom Harwood, assistant superintendent for human resources and labor relations,

said he is not able to discuss specific details until the contract is ratified.

"However, I can say that the board, administration and GPEA leadership believe this is a fair and equitable contract that is in the best interest of our students."

— Amy Salvagno

## Program finds a home

The Grosse Pointe Public School System has slated two locations offering its traditional half-day kindergarten program.

The options were created for families choosing not to enroll their child in the newly-established all-day kindergarten program implemented at each elementary school.

The half-day experience is offered at Richard Elementary School to fami-

lies from Trombly, Defer, Maire, Kerby and Richard schools; and at Mason Elementary School for those from Monteith, Ferry, Poupard and Mason schools.

District officials say they are not anticipating a need for additional classrooms, so Barnes Early Childhood Center is no longer a possible site, as was originally proposed.

At the end of the kinder-

garten year, students who attended the half-day program will attend first grade at their home school.

The board of education voted in February to implement a tuition-free ADK in elementary schools across the district, replacing extended day kindergarten. They also sought proposals from principals for a half-day option.

— Amy Salvagno

## Keeping his word

University Liggett School teacher Jae Lee kept a promise to students: if his class of 16 fourth-graders collectively read 120 books in April, he would shave his head. They read 130 books. As his hair fell, students chanted, 'Shave it off!' At right, Spanish teacher Vanessa Rivera does the honors.

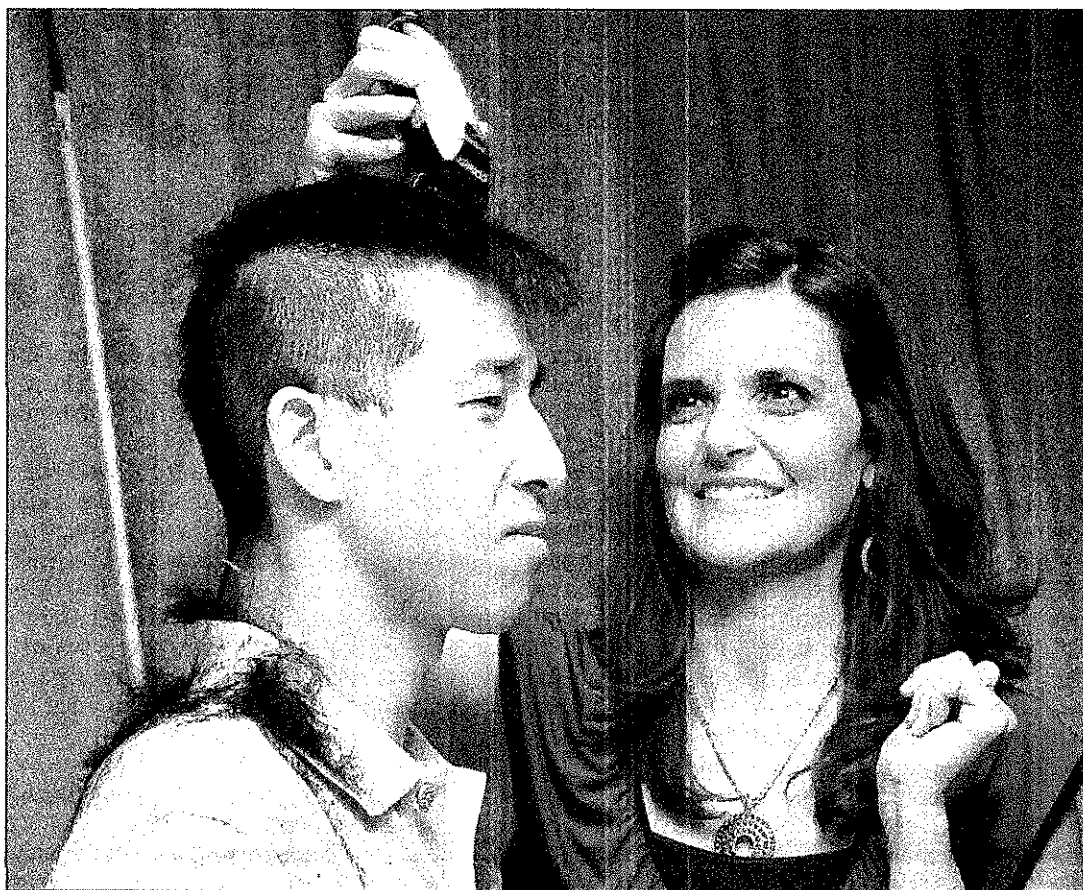


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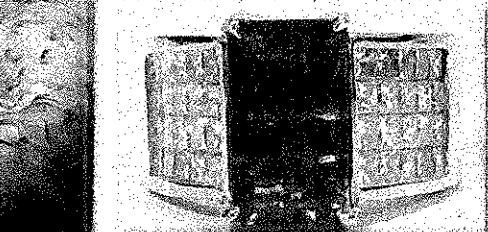
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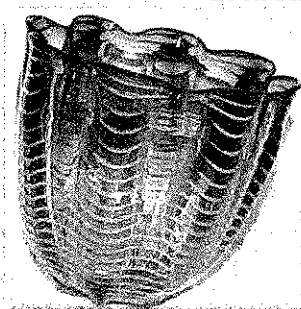
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# A few minutes with ...

## Ferry Elementary School Principal Gloria Hinz

By Amy Salvagno  
Staff Writer

• **Hometown:** Eastpointe  
• **Background:** Youngest of five children — three girls and two boys; her eldest sister is 21 years her senior, followed by two brothers and another sister who is 10 years older. Growing up, Hinz felt “almost like an only child.”

Her father worked as an engineer for Chrysler, and died when she was nine. Her grandmother came to live with the family and Hinz's mother went to work at a local bank. Using her Italian background, she opened accounts for customers who didn't speak English.

• **Family:** Married 29 years to Jason, her high school sweetheart from University Liggett School; mother to sons Jonathon, 23, a first-year medical student at Michigan State University, and Nicholas, 19, a freshman at MSU who is transferring to the music school at DePauw University in Indiana.

• **Education:** Bachelor's degree in personnel and labor relations from University of Michigan Dearborn; master's in teaching from Wayne State University; education specialist degree from WSU.

• **Jobs up to this point:** Hinz was part of the staff that opened the Gross Pointe Woods restaurant, DaEdoardo's, and worked there from her senior year of high school through college. Her first teaching job was at Our Lady Star of the Sea — third grade for three years and all-day kindergarten for one year. She accepted a position with East Detroit Public Schools to teach language arts, science and social studies to sixth-, seventh- and eighth-graders. While there, she was part of the Macomb County Administrative Education program.

In 1997, she left East Detroit schools for an elementary principalship in Armada. “That was interesting because I came in

when the community had voted in a bond to build a new elementary school,” she said. “So I had the opportunity to help design the building, plan the transition and figure out the flow of traffic. It was interesting to close a building and open a new one.”

From 2001-05, Hinz became an elementary principal in the Roseville school district, hired on to implement a multi-age program.

In 2005, she made the move to Ferry. “I was always looking forward to being an educator in my own community,” she said.

• **Why did you decide to become an educator?**

I was the manager of Kay Baum in the Village and the sales girls were much younger. I just started thinking that I really enjoyed working with young people. I come from a long line of teachers — my aunt, oldest sister and brother — so I thought, ‘Is it genetic?’

Moving to administration ... I thought I could have an impact on more students. I sat on a lot of committees in East Detroit and I also enjoyed the adult component of administration.

• **What are your hobbies?**

I love to cook. I pride myself on making my own noodles. And I experiment with different pasta sauces.

I also love to garden. I have a hummingbird garden, a perennial garden and a garden I'm starting now for my dog — Charlie's Garden. It has ornamental grasses, myrtle, hostas and rocks.

• **What is your favorite food?**

Steak or filet, a baked potato and spinach.

• **Where is your favorite vacation spot?**

One of our favorite places when the kids were younger was Hilton Head.

My favorite vacation as a family was while we were trav-

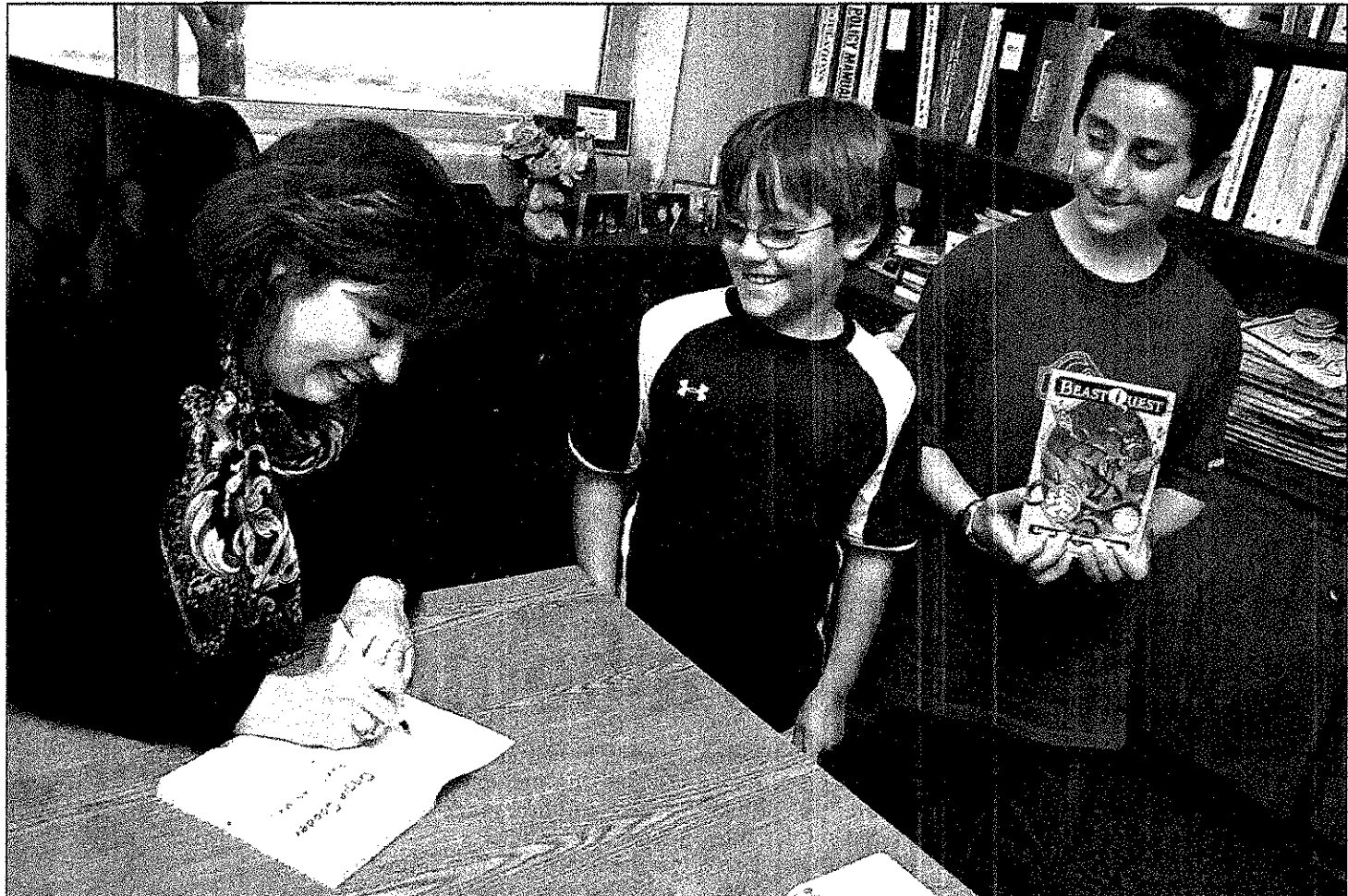


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At the end of every month, Ferry Elementary School Principal Gloria Hinz lets each student with a birthday select a book and writes something in it. She replenishes the books so students always have plenty to choose from. Above, Hinz signs a book as a birthday present for fourth-grader Nicholas Marchiori as classmate Walid Korkmaz waits his turn.

eling to Maine for a wedding. We drove to the Baseball Hall of Fame, then drove to Algonquin, Maine, and walked around and went on a whale watch ... it was the most amazing thing. There were swordfish and whales all around us. On the way home, we went to Niagara Falls.

• **If you could go any place, where would it be?**

I'd like to go to Italy and France.

• **Any dreams or goals?**

I'm finally at a point where I'm satisfied. I feel like my boys are on a successful path, my husband and I are settled in our careers and we have time to spend together.

I am starting sailing lessons

May 19 — I want to be successful, efficient sailor. I also took up golf, so I'd like to make some goals to bring my score down.

• **Anything the Trombly community may not know about you?**

We were the first generation born in America. My mom and dad came over from (Abruzzo) Italy.

• **What are your days like as principal?**

Every day is a new day. I get up, look at my calendar and plan things out. And then the day takes over and it's exciting. You can really never predict what will happen.

Every day, I have contact with the students, greeting

them in the morning outside or seeing them in the hallway. And I talk with my teacher, whether I'm popping in their classroom or giving them a word of encouragement. Sometimes we talk about their goals. We have a really big focus on writing here, so we consistently check on how it's developing.

I'm really blessed (with office staff). (Office assistant) Kathy Herzog is new and a wonderful addition. (Secretary) Cindy Hermes is amazing. She always keeps the office up beat and smiling.

• **What do you enjoy about your job?**

It's nice to be engaged in the community.

I recently had the best day. I

walked over to my nephew's junior varsity baseball game when they played (Grosse Pointe) North and I thought no would remember me. (With sons grown up) I feel like that whole part of my life is gone. I walked around to the North side and the coolest thing was parents of kids that are now my older son's age were there, one of our Ferry parents was there and so was a sister of one of our staff members. I was so excited. They said, this is still a community.

Then, I walked past the soccer field and there must have been eight Ferry kids running off the field and they yelled, “Mrs. Hinz, Mrs. Hinz!” It was the coolest thing. I've never been any higher than that.

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## ‘Play Day’ at North Comedic relief returns

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Grosse Pointe North High School Athletic Department hosts the free event, North Play Day, for fourth-, fifth- and sixth-grade students from 1 to 3 p.m. Sunday, May 16.

Attendees choose to participate in three activities: basketball, soccer, volleyball, Fun for Fitness and football — punt, pass and kick.

All sports are led by North's coaching staff. Water and snacks are provided on-site.

A registration form is available on the school's athletic department's website, through [gpschools.schoolwires.net/gpnorth](http://gpschools.schoolwires.net/gpnorth).

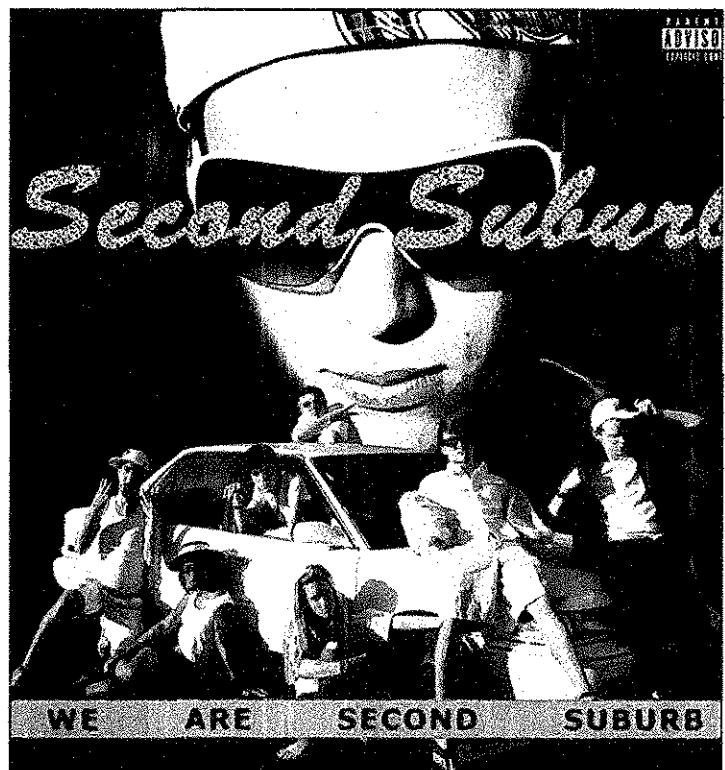
The forms can be mailed to or dropped off at 707 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods. For more information, call (313) 432-3216.

Second Suburb, a sketch comedy group made up of Grosse Pointe South High School students, takes the stage at 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 7, and Saturday, May 8, at Hockeystown Cafe's City Theatre, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit.

Its eight members — Pete Basile, Stuart Bristol, Mike Temrowski, Alex O'Neill, Charlie Magee, John Dennehey, Nora Beierwaltes and Alexis Mabry — perform pre-written material focusing on high school and the Pointes community, as well as poke at pop culture and teenage issues and show off their improvisational skills.

Last year's performance sold out all of the theater's 430 seats.

Tickets are available through Ticketmaster.com.



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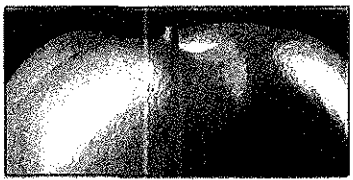
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# Teacher of the Week

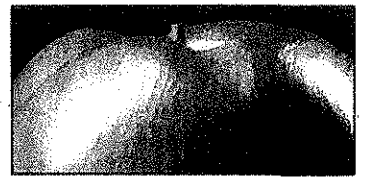


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St. Clare kindergarten teacher Sue Monastersky was nominated by Nathaniel Hicks, in back.

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

Here, students celebrate their favorite teacher.

This week, it's St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic School

kindergarten teacher Sue Monastersky.

She was nominated by Nathaniel Hicks, with help

from his mother: "She should win because she is the nicest, best teacher in the world. She helps me to do a lot of things. I am learning to sound out words. I can zip my own jacket most of the time now."

"It's OK to make a mistake when I am writing, but I have to cross out the letter that I messed up and write it better again."

"One month, she taught us about diversity and that it is good to be different. We all got a snowman that looked the same and she asked us to decorate it. Now the snowmen look different, even though the main parts are the same."

"In my classroom, we have children that look different, but we are really the same, too. We have different skin colors and different color eyes, but we all have a heart and arms to hug. I hug my teacher all the time."

Years at the Grosse Pointe Park school: 14

Previous work: Teacher for Grosse Pointe schools pre-kindergarten

Why did you become a teacher?

While in high school, I had a

wonderful teacher who was a terrific role model. She encouraged me to enter the teaching field.

Once in college, an education course required students to volunteer in the classroom. This classroom experience made me realize how much I enjoyed teaching children.

I can't imagine doing anything else.

What do you enjoy about teaching?

I enjoy the children's morning smiles and hearing their special stories. Most of all, I love seeing the excitement on their faces when they have accomplished the understanding of a new skill and can use their

newfound skill with confidence.

How do you feel about being nominated?

I am very honored. Nathaniel is a compassionate, hard working young man who is excited about learning. It was kind of him to nominate me.

Favorite book you like to share with students?

If you like humor and hilarious illustrations, you will enjoy reading the picture book, "A Porcupine Named Fluffy," by Helen Lester and illustrated by Lynn Munsinger.

—Amy Salvagno

## Give your teacher something better than a shiny red apple.

Nominate him or her for an upcoming Teacher of the Week. Students in grades K-12 can submit the name of their favorite teacher, along with a few reasons why your teacher is outstanding.

Submissions should include the teacher's name, current school and grade they teach, along with the nominating student's name and contact information. E-mail the information to Amy Salvagno at [asalvagno@grossepointenews.com](mailto:asalvagno@grossepointenews.com).

## YMCA offers day camps

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointers have another option when it comes to where to send their children for some summer fun, the Lakeshore Family YMCA.

"We offer some great summer programs to help children have fun with a variety of activities," Executive Director Lindsay Sammut said. "It's a time when the children can make new friends and strengthen social and learning skills."

The YMCA Day Camp follows strict internal standards and audits, its website said. The majority of camps volunteer to comply with third party oversight and regulation, including state-licensing and/or ACA accreditation. This helps ensure a safe, healthy and worthwhile camping experience.

"We make sure our camp

leaders are well-trained to be in position to be positive role models for the children," Sammut said. "This is important because parents put their trust in us to lead their children and lead by example."

The camp runs throughout the summer and is a week-by-week experience. Activities include archery, financial literacy, arts and humanities, canoeing, outdoor education, swimming, making friends, field trips — including one to watch a Detroit Tigers baseball game at Comerica Park — character development, reading and literacy and singing songs.

Campers also visit the Detroit Science Center during a field trip trek.

"The YMCA is about fundamentals and core values," Sammut said. "We want each camper to know how important it is to respect each other while having fun."

The summer camp is divided by age groups for individuals age 5 to 13. Counselors welcome campers each morning at 9 a.m. and the pick-up is 4 p.m. Before and after camp care is provided with early drop-off at 7 a.m. and a late pick-up time of 6 p.m. for parents' convenience.

There is also a play and learn camp for children age 3 to 5, but they have to be potty-trained.

The fees for the Day Camp are \$155 per week for facility members and \$210 per week for program members, and for the play and learn program, it is \$165 per week for facility members and \$220 per week for program members. Siblings receive a 10 percent discount, but this offer is not valid online.

The YMCA also has a policy stating weekly deposits are re-

quired to secure a spot for each week a child is attending. To

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## City of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan

### SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES May 3, 2010

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

Absent Were: Councilman West (Councilman West later arrived at 7:30 p.m.). Also Present Messrs. Burgess, City Attorney; Reeside, City Manager; Tepper, Assistant City Manager; Director; Jensen, Director Public Safety; Deputy Public Safety Director Hutchins; Pamela J. Baker, Exec. Assistant/Deputy City Clerk.

Mayor Farquhar Presided at the Meeting.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on April 12, 2010, were approved as submitted. Following a Public Hearing, the Council approved the General Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2010-2011.

The Council approved the appointment of Jenny Nolan as Library Board Member. The Council approved the Appointment of Councilmembers Martin West, as Council Representative to the Public Safety Retirement Systems Commission, Louis Theros as Council Representative to the City's General Employee Retirement Systems Commission and Charles S. "Terry" Davis III as Council Representative to the Public Safety & General Employees Retirement Systems Commission; and further approved the appointments as Citizen Representative of Messrs., Conrad Koski to the Public Safety Retirement Systems Commission and Fred Schroeder to the General Employees Retirement System Commission, each to serve a one-year term ending in May 2011.

The following was approved from the Consent Agenda:

- The re-appointment of Historical District Commission Members, each to serve a 3-year term.
- Approved the payment of the Statement of Attorney's Fees from Dickinson, Wright, in the amount of \$6,168.34.
- Approved the FBI request for group picnic at the Farms Pier Park.
- Approved the purchase of 3 Jet Ski storage platforms for the Harbor.

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

- Quarterly Financial Report
- Investment Report — through December, 2009, January & February 2010
- Grosse Pointe Farms Historic District Commission 2009-2010 Annual Report

Upon proper motion made, supported and carried, the Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 7, 2010 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 90 KERBY ROAD, GROSSE POINTE FARMS, MICHIGAN 48236. THE MEETING IS PUBLIC. INTERESTED PROPERTY OWNERS AND RESIDENTS OF THE CITY ARE INVITED TO ATTEND. YOU MAY ALSO VIEW THE AGENDA AND MINUTES ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE: [www.ci.grosse-pointe-farms.mi.us/](http://www.ci.grosse-pointe-farms.mi.us/)

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# North yearbook popularity spreads

By Amy Salvagno  
Staff Writer

Next year, more than 50 students will throw their commitment at a class that captures a year's worth of memories — and builds long hours, late nights and endurance along the way.

Faculty advisor Shari Adwers believes the popularity of Valhalla, the Grosse Pointe North High School yearbook, is due to its sudden success over the last few years.

The Columbia Scholastic Press Association, the 84-year-old organization that serves student journalists across the country, awarded the 2009 yearbook with top honors and high praise in its annual critique.

It earned All-Columbian Honors in four categories: coverage, writing, photography and design.

All-Columbian Honors are usually reserved for publications that achieve the 95th percentile in each category.

Valhalla also picked up a first-class rating from the National Scholastic Press Association; a gold award from the Michigan Interscholastic Press Association; and first place with special merit from the American Scholastic Press Association.

And the 2010-11 staff roster has nearly doubled.

Adwers said she jumped at the chance to take over the yearbook when the position opened up in 2004. At the time, she was at Pierce Middle School, overseeing its literary magazine.

"I actually just brought it to journalistic standards and integrity. Before, it had lost some of that," she said of the yearbook. "I had a lot of students interested in design and journalism. There's a lot of writ-

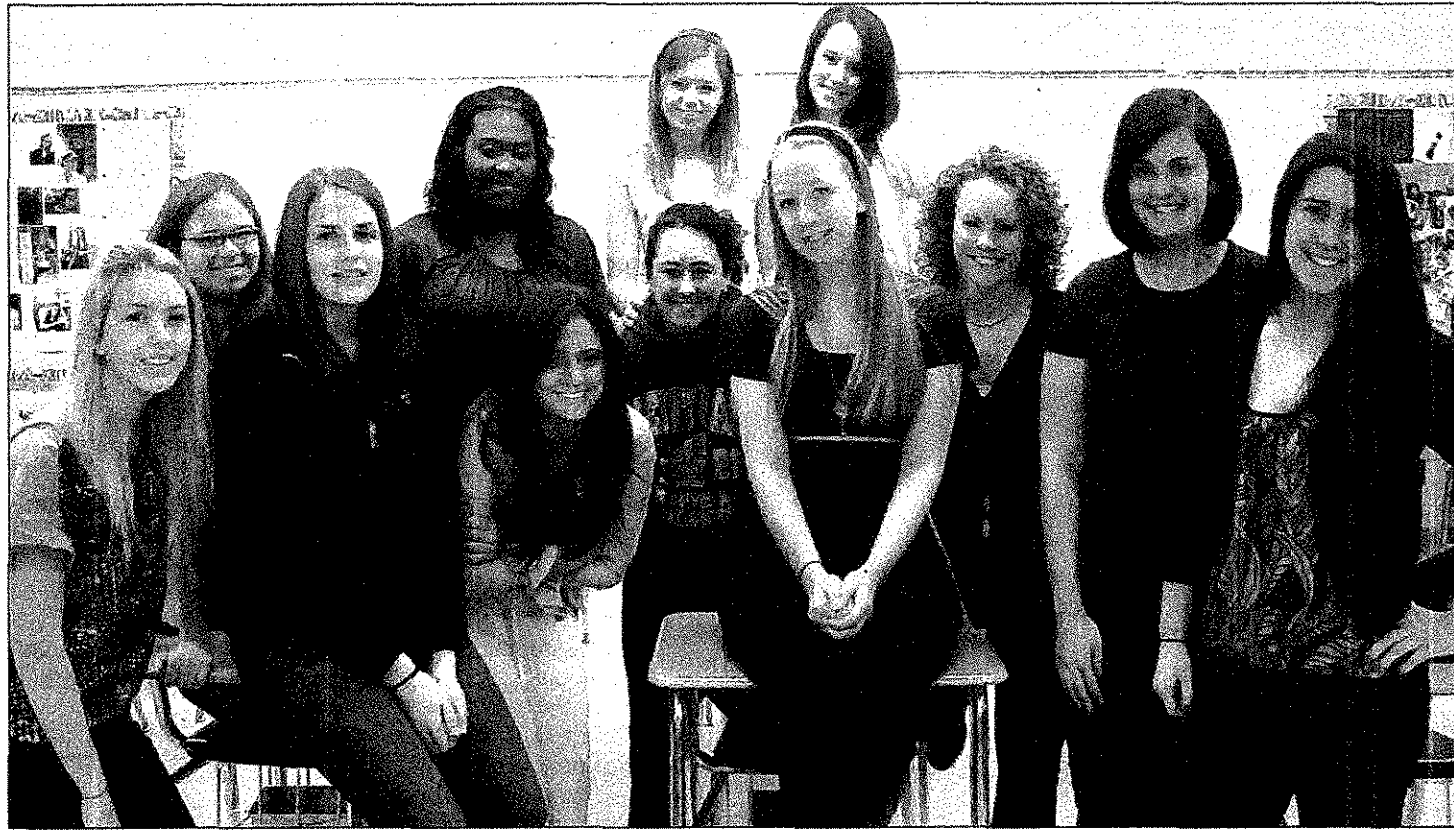


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North's award-winning yearbook seems to have developed a following. An overwhelming number of students have signed up for the class next year. Above, some of the current Valhalla staff who helped earn last year's numerous national honors.

ing."

Now working with students to put together her sixth yearbook, Adwers said she enjoys the teaching aspect of the class.

"I love being able to train them from absolute scratch. I have students who come in and have no idea about journal-

ism. I teach them how to take good photos, interview and

manage the business aspect of the book," she said.

"I really like being in a place

tator and educator.

"I play a lot of roles. I have to make sure that they are not only doing the work, but that it's managed well. It's a \$100,000-plus publication," she said.

"I have to make sure my editors are getting the work they should out of their staff. I teach them how to write and design and that trickles down

Challenge Day, which carries the motto, "Be the Change."

"The design was outstanding. I was absolutely thrilled with the maturity they brought to the book," said Adwers. "It went from something that was good to having a level of sophistication to it. It really is strikingly different."

Valhalla staff members spend the year — summer, too — encapsulating what will be most looked-back upon decades from now. And despite deadlines and sometimes sleepless nights, they embrace each moment.

Last year's editor-in-chief, Leah Maniaci, said she wanted to make her last book the best.

"We switched from a modular to a traditional design and organized staff in a completely new way. It was definitely nice to see that the efforts we put forth and the changes we made really paid off," she said.

Away at Michigan State University to study psychology, Maniaci was surprised to get the news about the awards.

"I was thrilled ... We all put at least 110 percent into that book and we were extremely happy with how it turned out," she said. "I think a large part of our success could be contributed to having many great staff members that really wanted the book to be the best that it could be."

"Yearbook was more than just a class for a lot of us, and the success of the book was something we really cared about."

Last year's photo editor, Caitlin Morath, attributes Valhalla's success to its senior editors.

"They knew exactly what was needed in order to make an award-winning yearbook and made sure that all of their work reflected those standards," she said. "Receiving such high awards was definitely exciting. It's nice to know that all our hard work and time last year really paid off."

"Also, it motivated me for this year's book. We accomplished a lot in the past few years, and I hope that we can keep it up and just continue to get better."

where they find success. A lot of my kids are not successful in other places. I like it when they get scholarships and they want to go into journalism."

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## CAMP: Summer fun at YMCA

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help reduce the upfront cost of

the program, it has set up a tiered deposit program in which the amounts are the minimum necessary to ensure a spot.

It is \$25 per week for weeks one to five; \$15 per week for weeks 6 to 10; and \$10 per week for more than 11 weeks. Financial assistance is avail-

able.

The YMCA asks children to bring a lunch, water bottles, sun screen, swim suit and towel unless otherwise instructed.

For more information, call (586) 778-5811 or visit [ymcadeloit.org](http://ymcadeloit.org). The Lakeshore YMCA is located at 23401 Jefferson in St. Clair Shores.

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# OBITUARIES

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## Mark Robert Andzelewski

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Mark Robert Andzelewski, 22, passed away Thursday, April 29, 2010.

He was born Sept. 26, 1987, in Dearborn to John and Denise Andzelewski and graduated from Grosse Pointe North High School in 2005.

He is survived by his parents and his best friend and brother, John James.

Mark enjoyed writing, film production, photography, music and playing guitar.

His family said Mark blessed their lives with laughter, courage, and love. He found many ways to channel his creative gifts while demonstrating heroic strength. His character throughout his life-long struggle was brave and positive.

His family thanked God for Mark and everything he taught them during his short time with them and believed that he finally found peace and freedom from pain.

A private burial was held and a memorial is planned for later this summer.

## George Peter Coutilish

Twenty-year Grosse Pointe Woods resident George Peter Coutilish, 84, passed away Friday, April 30, 2010, with his family by his side at his home overlooking Lake Shannon.

Born on Christmas Day in 1925 in Cleveland, he moved to Detroit in 1928 with his parents, Pete and Anna, and sib-

lings, Aristides "Art" and Matata "Roxy." He graduated from Detroit Southeastern High School in three years in 1941. At 135 pounds, he boxed for the Catholic Youth Organization, Diamond Belt and Golden Gloves. From 1948 to 1951, he lived upstairs and worked in his family restaurant, The Green Leaf Grill, on 12th Street in Detroit.

Mr. Coutilish was a Korean War veteran. He served his country as a U.S. Army cook in Korea from 1951 to 1952. In 1982, he completed a 30-year career as a senior designer at General Motors Corp., where he was recognized for creating the patented Coutilish Clamp.

During much of his 20 years in Grosse Pointe Woods from 1968 to 1987, he could be found most summer Sunday mornings cooking breakfast and hanging out with his family and friends at the city's Lake Front Park. During those same years from fall to spring, he was a regular member of Assumption Greek Orthodox Church and a popular Sunday school teacher. From 1984-1987, he oversaw construction of his dream home, "Paradise," on Lake Shannon.

In 2000, he celebrated his 75th birthday in grand style at Da Edoardo Grosse Pointe with family and friends. His brother, Art, best described him at that time saying, "You can't find a better man around. He's straight and honest. What better things can you say about a man?"

Mr. Coutilish is survived by his beloved wife of 50 years, Sue (nee Velas) and his chil-

dren, Cynthia (John) Gray-Howey of Lake Orion, Pamela Scott of New York City, Peter (Christine) of Macomb, John (Theresa) of Rochester Hills, Theodore (Mary Beth Langan) of Grosse Pointe and Anastasia (James) Faremouth of Marco Island, Fla. He was the cherished grandfather, "papou," of 10.

He also will be missed by many extended family members and friends.

A funeral service was held May 4 at Assumption Greek Orthodox Church in St. Clair Shores with interment at Christian Memorial Cemetery in Rochester Hills.

Memorial donations may be made to Assumption Greek Orthodox Church, 21800 Marter Road, St. Clair Shores, MI 48080.

Share a memory with the family at [ahpeters.com](http://ahpeters.com).

## Judy A. DeCosmo

Judy A. (nee Jaglowicz) DeCosmo, 68, died Wednesday, April 28, 2010.

She is survived by Ronald, her beloved husband of 49 years; children, Jackie (Bill) Williams, Jill DeCosmo and Robert DeCosmo and grandchildren, Amanda and Michael. She also is survived by her sister, Marilee (Richard) Rinke and Nancy (Donald) Kucyk.

Mrs. DeCosmo was a member of The Village Garden Club, The Quilt Guild and The Questers.

A funeral Mass was celebrated May 4 at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe Woods with interment at Resurrection Cemetery in Clinton Township.

Share memories at [WujekCalcaterra.com](http://WujekCalcaterra.com).

## Mary Ficarra

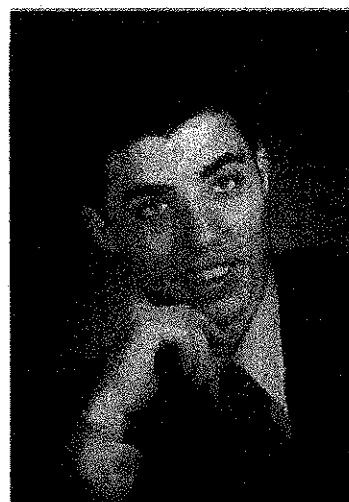
Former Grosse Pointe Woods resident Mary Ficarra, 92, died Wednesday, April 28, 2010.

She was born Oct. 24, 1917, in Detroit to Salvatore and Girolama Caminita, immigrants from Sicily, Italy. In 1936, she married Sam Ficarra and had two children.

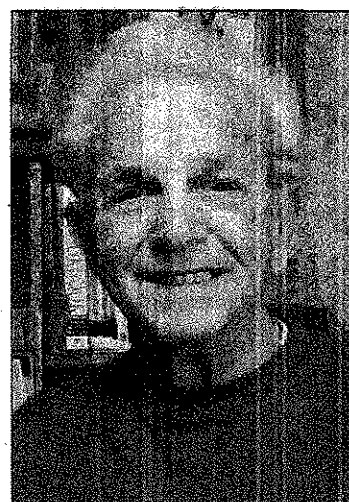
Mary adored her family and showered them with love. She always greeted them with a big smile and open arms. She was funny, warm, and talented.

She loved to cook. She reveled in preparing big Italian meals, not only for family, but also for anyone who stopped by. Mouths watered in anticipation of her homemade pasta sauce, eggplant Parmesan, spiedini, and so much more.

Mary's other passion was beading. If she wasn't stirring a pot of sauce, she was threading a needle. She would bead just



Mark Robert Andzelewski



George Peter Coutilish



Judy A. DeCosmo

about anything she could get her hands on. Her grandchildren joked that she would have beaded a car if she could. From clothes to purses to holiday ornaments, whatever she beaded became a brilliant work of art.

Her family said Mary touched the lives of those around her with goodness and love. She taught others to do the same, bringing more happiness to the world than there was before. She will live on in the hearts, minds, and actions of everyone who knew her.

She is survived by her daughter, Virginia Ficarra; grandchildren, Kathleen McNamara Wildwood, Karen McNamara Meier, Kristin McNamara Hull, Lisa Ficarra and Scott Ficarra and great-grandchildren, Andrew and Kevin Meier.

She was predeceased by her husband, Sam and son, Nate.

A funeral Mass was celebrated May 1 at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe Woods with interment at Resurrection Cemetery in Clinton Township.

## Raymond A. Fisher Jr.

Harper Woods resident Raymond A. Fisher Jr., 85, passed away Wednesday, April 28, 2010, after a lengthy battle with Parkinson's disease and was reunited with his darling wife of 43 years, Betty. He had been a former longtime Grosse Pointe Park resident.

Mr. Fisher was a veteran of World War II, serving both the U.S. Navy and U.S. Marine Corps. He was a retired special agent from the Prudential Insurance Co. of America with more than 32 years of service.

Mr. Fisher was a devoted usher of St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church for more than 46 years and had been active in the St. Clare Young People's Club before and after he married as well as other church activities throughout his membership there.

He also was a member of the Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club for 22 years, dedicated 15-year volunteer of Bon Secours Hospital, member of the Grosse Pointe Veterans Club, and a former president of the St. Joan of Arc Senior Card Group, along with being a member of other various local card groups.

Mr. Fisher is survived by his



Mary Ficarra



Raymond A. Fisher Jr.

children, Richard D. (Ann) Fisher, Nancy F. (Dr. Tom) Day and Raymond A. (Karen) Fisher III; grandchildren, Sarah M. (Gregg) Schwartz, Raymond A. Fisher IV, Drew Fisher, Thomas W. Day and Karen (Justin) Farrell; great-grandchildren, Brayden and Camdyn Schwartz and Odin Farrell; sister, Shirley F. (Joseph) Barton; brother-in-law, Louis R. (Ilene) Meyers and many nieces and nephews. He also is survived by his

beloved friend, Bess Vigliotti. He was predeceased by his wife, Betty; sister, Marie and sister- and brother-in-law, Barbara and Richard Kroll.

A funeral Mass was celebrated May 1 at St. Joan of Arc Church in St. Clair Shores.

Memorial donations may be made to Capuchin Soup Kitchen, 1820 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207 or Beaumont Foundation for the Bon Secours Chapel, P.O. Box 5802, Troy, MI 48007-9620.

## Neighborhood Club classes

**Microsoft Excel Step-by-step** — 6 to 8 p.m. May 12 and 13. Learn keyboarding skills, editing techniques, formatting documents, inserting and manipulating photos and clip art, and how to use tables, borders and shading. The instructor is George Guo. The cost is \$65.

**Internet update** — 7 to 9 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays, May 11 -18. Learn basic Internet operations, e-mail, security and how to use search engines. The cost is \$85. The class is in Room 136 at Parcels Middle School, 20600 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

**Writing an effective college application essay** — 7 to 9 p.m., Wednesdays, May 12 and 19 taught by professional writers, Marti Benedetti and Tom Andrew. The cost is \$100.

**Co-rec softball league** — June 4 - July 30. The adult league plays eight games using a 12-inch ball. The team fee is \$400. Register by May 13.

**Instant guitar for hopelessly busy adults and teens** — 6:30 to 9 p.m. Monday, May 10. Peter Chojnacki teaches the beginners class. The cost is \$39, plus \$29 for the workbook and DVD. Bring an acoustic guitar.

**Photoshop** — Basic techniques cover editing digital images using Photoshop Elements from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Monday, May 10, in Room 136, Parcels Middle School, 20600 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. The cost is \$20.

Advanced techniques is from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., Monday, May 24, in Room 136, Parcels Middle School, 20600 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. The basic techniques class is a prerequisite. The cost is \$20.

To register, visit [neighborhoodclub.org](http://neighborhoodclub.org) or from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays through Friday at the Neighborhood Club, 17150 Waterloo, City of Grosse Pointe. For more information, call (313) 885-4600.

## CITY OF HARPER WOODS WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING APRIL 5, 2010

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:30 P.M.

**ROLL CALL:** All Councilpersons were present except City Councilwoman Cheryl A. Costantino.

### MOTIONS PASSED

- 1) To excuse Councilwoman Cheryl A. Costantino from tonight's meeting because of a prior commitment.
- 2) To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held March 15, 2010 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Library Board meeting held March 18, 2010, the Board of Review held March 23, 2010 and the Planning Commission meeting held March 24, 2010.
- 3) To table and refer the proposed amendment to the Park Reservation Fees back to the City Manager for further review and recommendation.
- 4) That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

### RESOLUTION PASSED

- 1) To approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: (1) Approve the Accounts Payable listing for Check Numbers 90216 through 90353 in the amount of \$622,894.83 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing. (2) Approve payment to Statewide Security Transport in the amount of \$8,079.34 for prisoner lodging and maintenance for the month of February 2010. (3) Approve payment to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$9,400.30 for snow removal and salting of sidewalks in various areas of the city. (4) Approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$11,538.70 for professional services during the month of February 2010 for the following projects: EB Harper Resurfacing - Vernier to 8 Mile, #180-106; EB Harper Resurfacing - Manchester to Vernier, #180-109; Traffic Signal Upgrade - Beaconsfield, #180-124; Handicap Ramp Upgrades - Beaconsfield, #180-126 and Poupard Elementary Parking Lot, #180-128. (5) Approve payment in the amount of \$3,676.64 to Wayne County for the Milk River Drain interest payment on the 1999 Series Bond.
- 2) To approve the Water Service Contract between the City of Detroit, a municipal corporation by its Water and Sewerage Department and Board of Water Commissioners and the City of Harper Woods, a municipal corporation, and further, authorize the City Manager and City Clerk to sign the contract.

Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor  
Published: GPN, May 6, 2010

Mickey D. Todd, City Clerk

## CITY OF HARPER WOODS WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING APRIL 19, 2010

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:30 P.M.

**ROLL CALL:** All Councilpersons were present except Councilman Hugh Marshall.

### MOTIONS PASSED

- 1) To excuse Councilman Hugh Marshall from tonight's meeting because of a prior commitment
- 2) To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held April 5, 2010, and furthermore, receive and file the minutes of the Election Commission meeting held April 12, 2010.
- 3) That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

### RESOLUTION PASSED

- 1) To approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: (1) Approve the Accounts Payable listing for Check Numbers 90215 and 90354 through 90482 in the amount of \$220,680.90 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing. (2) Approve payment to Plante & Moran in the amount of \$23,000 for the professional services performed in conjunction with the 2009 audit.
- 2) To approve the purchase of the Firearms Automated Training System from MPRI in the amount of \$21,099.03, with \$15,601 to be funded with the 2009 JAG grant award, and further, that competitive bidding be waived as this has been quoted under Federal Bid GOVWIN #4825.
- 3) Approve payment to the Bank of New York in the amount of \$674,762.50 for the annual principal and interest payments on the 1995, 1999 and 2001 Tax Road Bonds and the Library Improvement Bond; \$19,500.00 interest on the 1995 Series Bond; \$378,000.00 principal and interest on the 1999 Series Bond; \$118,775.00 principal and interest in the 2001 Series Bond and \$158,487.50 principal and interest on the Library Improvement Bond.
- 4) Whereas, the City of Harper Woods continues to see a dramatic decrease in General Fund revenue due to an increasingly eroding property tax base, and Whereas, it is the desire of the City Council to maintain essential services of the residents of the City of Harper Woods in light of these restrained revenue resources, and Whereas, the cost of maintaining and operating a municipal street lighting system represents a significant cost in excess of \$450,000 per year, and Whereas, it is the determination of the City Council of the City of Harper Woods that it is in the best interest of the residents to operate a streetlight system to promote the general health, safety and welfare of residents of and visitors to the City. Now, therefore be it resolved, that the City Manager and City Attorney are hereby directed to prepare for City Council approval an ordinance to implement a Street Lighting Utility Charge to defray the cost of the City's municipal street lighting system.

Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor  
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## New benchmarks set with Genesis



Exterior lines of the 2010 Hyundai Genesis have the look of quiet confidence as the rear-drive sedan challenges other luxury models.

PHOTOS BY JENNY KING



Seems sooner or later every automaker wants a slice of the North American luxury car pie. Korea-based Hyundai is no exception.

Hyundai has sold big luxury cars at home and edged toward the near-luxury market segment on this side of the Pacific several years back with its XG 350.

Two years ago Hyundai introduced its Genesis sedan as a 2009 model, a vehicle that won praise from some of the toughest automotive critics. It was named the 2009 North American Car of the Year at the North American

International Auto Show in Detroit a year ago.

Since then, Hyundai has been gilding the lily by adding technology like available smart cruise control, touch-screen navigation and an electronic parking brake with automatic vehicle hold.

The rear wheel drive sport sedan has a choice of two powerplants: a 3.8-liter V-6 that develops 290 horsepower, and a 368 horsepower 4.6-liter V-8 that, if offered premium fuel, will grind out up to 375 horsepower, should you need it — and wish to pay for the most expensive fuel.

A recent visitor who, like many Detroit-area people, appeared to love cars and know something about them, was instantly won over by the sleek, understated good looks of the Genesis sedan. He said he drives a Cadillac, was aware of Hyundai's growing presence in the market and

thought this import might be a very good buy.

And he appreciated the price range of this near-luxury car and its many characteristics. The 2010 Genesis sedan with V-6 starts at \$33,800. The V-8 model starts at \$40,300. Prices do not include the freight and handling charge, which was \$800 on the test car.

Every Genesis is equipped with electronic stability control with traction control, antilock brakes, brake force distribution and brake assist for panic stops, a six-speed automatic transmission and front air bags, side — front and back — air bags and curtain air bags.

Other standard equipment includes power-operated outside mirrors with turn signal indicators, leather seating surfaces and heated front

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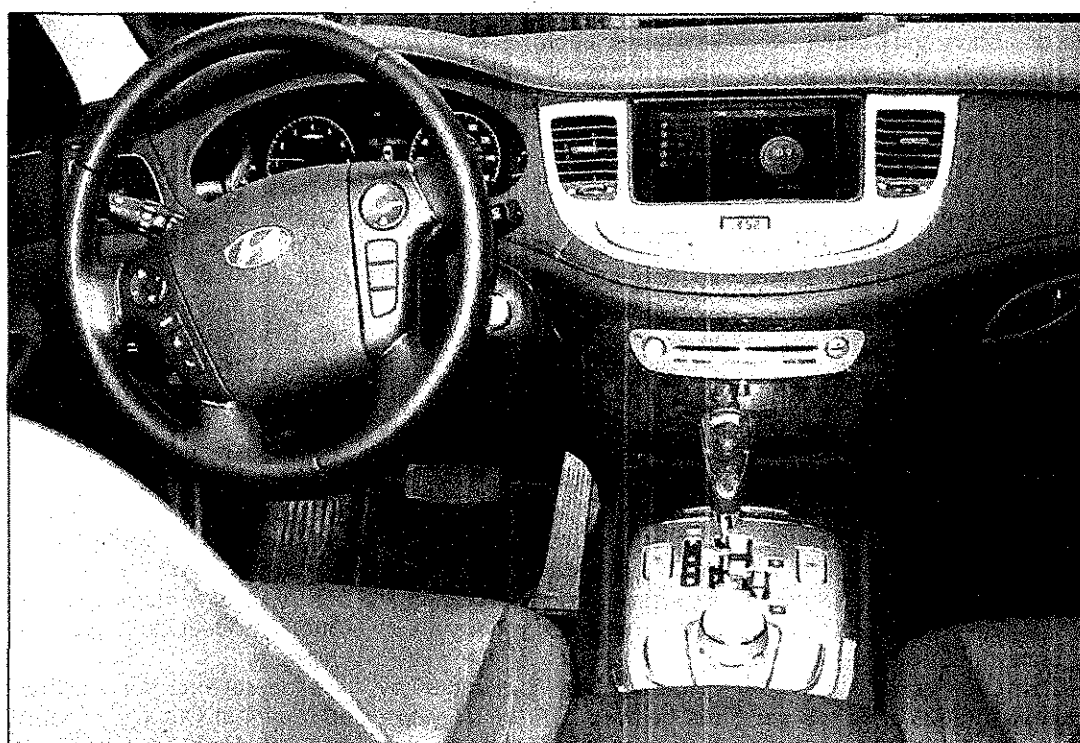
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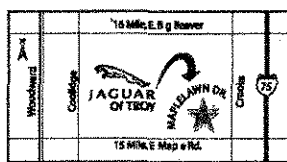
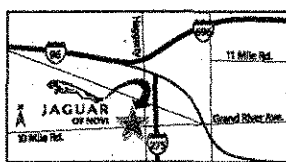
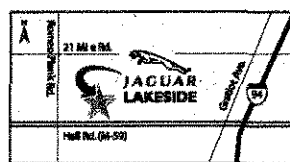
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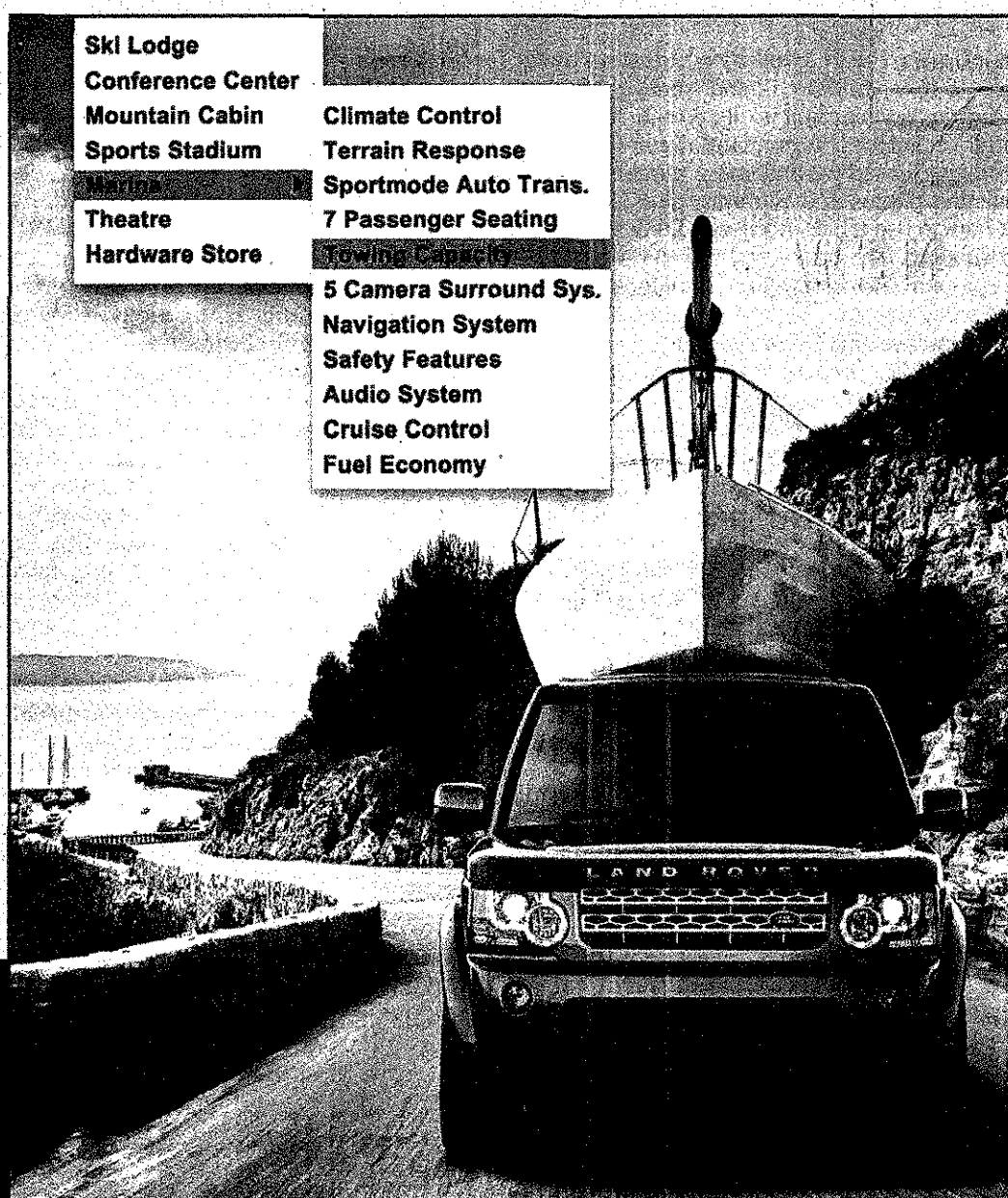
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seats, dual temperature controls for front-seat and rear-seat passengers, steering wheel audio controls, cruise control, available satellite radio and hands-free communication.

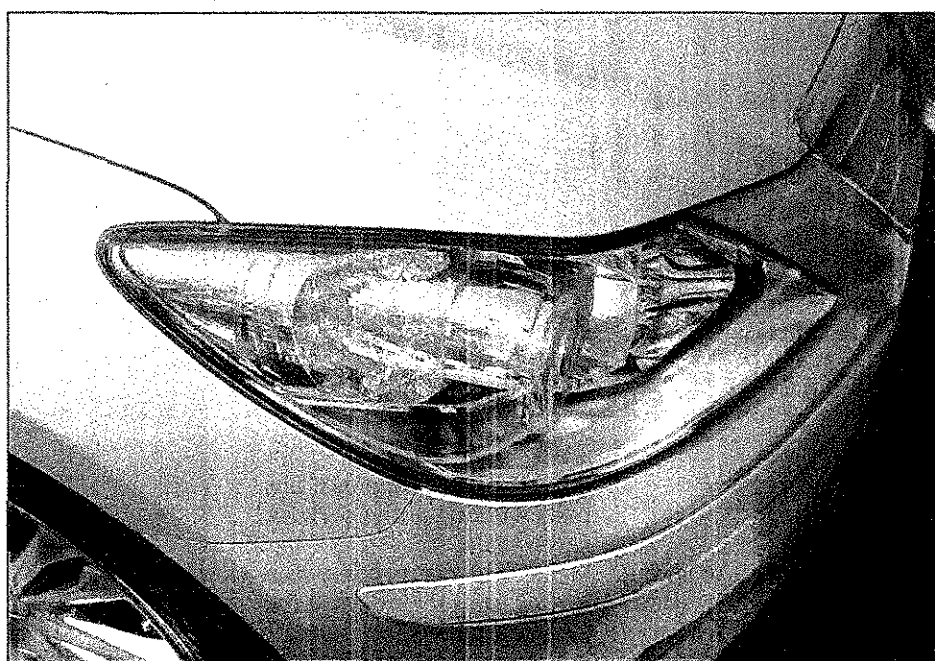
Rear-seat passengers enjoy extraordinary leg and hip room. While the control button for their heating or air conditioning is up front on the instrument panel, they will find a knee-high vent at the back of the center console plus vents on the B-pillars — something we have not noticed in a vehicle.

Now the two cupholders for rear-seat occupants are embedded in the pull-down center armrest. So if there is a mid-seat passenger, there are no holders for anyone in the back. And because this is a rear-drive car, the driveshaft requires a noticeable front-to-rear tunnel that cuts off legroom for the rider in the middle.

Hyundai said the Genesis' rear wheel drive architecture was the first application of such in a United States model.

The driver may appreciate the short depth of the dash. The sloping hood beyond it belies its length and one must be careful not to pull too far into the garage or up against concrete walls in parking structures. There's more car up there than is apparent. We suggest not using the tried and true method of parking by ear.

That basic Genesis sedan includes Hyundai's 5-year/60,000-mile new vehicle warranty. The same protection offered on the company's entry-level Accent and all its products, from least to most expensive.



PHOTOS BY JENNY KING

Auto writers named the Hyundai Genesis sedan North American Car of the Year for 2009. Multi-faceted insets in the Genesis headlights give them a jewel-like appearance.

The test Genesis featured two major additions: A premium package and technology package. The former, with a \$2,500 price, includes a power sunroof, upgraded leather seating surfaces, additional interior leather trims, rain-sensing windshield wipers and an auto defogger windshield.

The \$5,500 technology package offers a navigation system with 8-inch screen plus real-time NavTrak with a no-cost 90-day trial, intelligent cruise control, 18-inch wheels, additional audio speakers, auto-dimming Xenon headlights and Hyundai's new electronic parking brake it calls "vehicle hold."

The electronic parking brake causes the parking brake to initiate automatically when the vehicle stops. It deactivates as soon as the gas pedal is pressed. The automatic vehicle hold feature eliminates the need to keep the brake pedal depressed in situations such as stop and go traffic. Automatic vehicle hold also prevents the Genesis from rolling backwards when parked or stopped at a traffic light on a hill, Hyundai said.

The new touch-screen navigation comes on the base Genesis 4.6 with V-8 engine and is now standard on Genesis 3.8-liter models equipped with the premium navigation package, Hyundai said.

The navigation system has a voice-activation feature that works through a headliner-mounted microphone.

The Hyundai Genesis was named most appealing midsize premium car in the J.D. Power and Associates 2009 Automotive Performance, Execution and Layout Study.

This annual award measures what consumers like and dislike about their new vehicles during the first 90 days of ownership, addressing the vehicle's design, content, layout and performance. Genesis — 864 points for exterior design, engine and transmission, interior comfort, and technology and entertainment features, bested the midsize premium car segment average by 26 points.

"Our engineering benchmarks were Mercedes E-Class, BMW 5-Series, Infiniti M and Lexus GS," said John Krafcik, president and CEO, Hyundai Motor America.

"Genesis provides a potent combination of performance, luxury and value. It has been

an extremely disruptive force in the large sedan and near-luxury segments."

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

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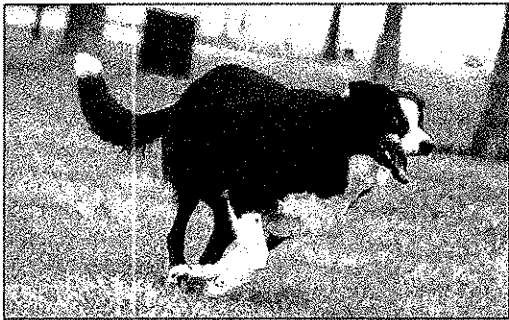
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It's officially spring as Kate guards Pier Park.

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BRAD LINDBERG

# Kate back on patrol

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

With the coming of spring, Kate has resumed her warm-weather routine at Pier Park. Kate, an 8-year-old border collie trained to chase away geese that otherwise litter the

grounds with droppings, has been working at the park for seven years. She and her handler, Ken Rowell, start their days at the 17.5-acre park before sunup. "Normally, we're here at 5

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# Lazare's of Grosse Pointe

Lazare's of Grosse Pointe, 19261 Mack Avenue in Grosse Pointe Woods, recently celebrated ribbon cutting ceremonies with the city and Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce. Formerly Kay Anos Furs, the new business offers storage, cleaning, repair, and remodel services as in the past. Also there will now be a much wider offering for remodels such as reversibles, shearing, dyeing, grooving, and updated styling. Lazare's also will offer a complete selection of boutique furs, custom Italian nappa leathers, fine Italian fabric wool jackets, Tolani scarves from California, and an exclusive collection of handbags for the discerning client. Attending the grand opening, from left, Jenny Boettcher, executive director of the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce; Lazare's sales representative Gary Wald; Sharon Twigg, co-president of Lazare's Windsor; Cynthia Gordon; owner Paul Twigg; Kristine Preuss of the Grosse Pointe News; Grosse Pointe Woods Mayor Robert Novitke; Lazare's sales representative Ava Calvaruso; Lazare's manager Marcia Cron; Carla Miller of Johnstone & Johnstone; Margaret Benton; Lauren Novak of Lazare's; Bobbie Jo Wall of Lazare's and Denise Bonnici of Lazare's. See next week's Grosse Pointe News for more from Lazare's grand opening.

City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan

## Notice of Public Hearing On The Proposed 2010-11 General Budget And The Various Other Fund Budgets

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Grosse Pointe Woods will be meeting on May 17, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 20025 Mack Plaza, for the purpose of conducting a public hearing on the proposed 2010-11 General Fund Budget as well as the various other Fund Budget of the said City.

The subject of this hearing is the property tax millage rate of 12.5012 proposed to be levied on July 1, 2010 to support the proposed General Fund Budget. If adopted, the proposed millage will generate \$10,307,000 in operating revenue from ad valorem property taxes for all funds, which is a \$1,204,420 or 11.69% decrease compared to the 2009-10 total tax collection of \$11,511,420. It is anticipated that the winter millage levied for Milk River Drainage tax will be 3.802 mills.

Purpose of Millage	MillageRate	Revenue Generated
General Operating	11.5060	\$8,045,764
Public Safety Pension	0.9362	\$654,654
Act 359 - Public Relations	0.0590	\$41,257
Total General Fund Levies	12.5012	\$8,741,675
EMS	0.3578	\$250,198
Solid Waste	1.8807	\$1,315,111
Total Voted Millage/Debt	2.2385	\$1,565,309
<b>TOTAL SUMMER MILLAGE</b>	<b>14.7397</b>	<b>\$10,306,984</b>

The City Council expects to take action on the proposed millage rates as well as taking action to approve the aforementioned budgets at the Council meeting immediately following the public hearing. The taxing unit publishing this notice, identified above, has complete authority to establish the number of mills to be levied from within its authorized millage rate.

### GENERAL FUND

General Government	\$3,286,472
Public Safety	\$5,757,552
Public Works	\$1,543,328
Parks & Recreation	\$1,924,533
<b>Total General Fund</b>	<b>\$12,511,885</b>

### SPECIAL REVENUE

Major Street	\$920,619
Local Street	\$1,066,098
Ambulance	\$501,877
Act 302 Training	\$8,000
Solid Waste	\$1,385,445
CDBG	\$20,500
911 Service Fund	\$53,852
<b>Total Special Revenue</b>	<b>\$3,956,391</b>

### DEBT SERVICE FUND

Grosse Gratiot Drain (Milk River)	\$3,135,712
<b>Total Debt Funds</b>	<b>\$3,135,712</b>

### CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND

Municipal Improvement	\$106,300
<b>Total Capital Projects Fund</b>	<b>\$106,300</b>

### ENTERPRISE FUNDS

Parking Fund	\$240,750
Water / Sewer	\$10,467,216
Boat Dock Fund	\$149,046
Commodity Sales Fund	\$55,875
	<b>\$10,912,887</b>

### INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS

Workmen's Compensation	\$136,775
Motor Vehicle Fund	\$783,199

Total Internal Service Funds \$919,974

GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS \$31,543,149

A copy of the proposed budget will be available for inspection during regular business hours at the office of the City Administrator. Public comments, oral and/or written, will be welcome at the public hearing on the aforesaid proposed General Fund Budget and the various other Fund Budgets.

Mark Wollenweber  
City Administrator

# Harbor happenings

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

Marina occupancy this year at Osius Park is "on par" with last year, when the Grosse Pointe Shores municipal harbor reached 77 percent capacity, according to Brian Vick, city

manager.

A new service for boaters this year are rides from the park gate house to their craft. "We will provide on-demand transportation from the gate house to the nearest entrance to the dock for those with reduced mobility or those

boaters moving equipment to their boats," said Brian Geraghty, harbor committee chairman and newly-appointed member of the city council.

Committee members recommended the service in re-

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# PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

## City of Grosse Pointe

### Missing boat

A man living in the 800 block of Neff reported last weekend that his \$1,800, 14-foot Alumicraft boat with hand-made seats is missing from the north side of his garage.

He last saw the boat March 25.

### Art theft

An officer cruising Mack was flagged down shortly before 3 p.m. Thursday, April 29, by a City merchant reporting the burglary of a store on the Detroit side of the street.

"(A male suspect) had just broken a window, took a painting and was being chased by several witnesses," the officer said he was told.

The officer caught the man, a 43-year-old Detroit resident, walking westbound on Denver near Cadieux in Detroit.

"(He) still had (the) painting in (a) plastic bag," said the officer.

City police released the suspect to Detroit authorities.

—Brad Lindberg

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

## Grosse Pointe Farms

### Same thing again

A family acquaintance is being investigated for the break-in of a house between 8 and 10 p.m. Friday, April 30, in the 400 block of Cloverly.

The burglar is presumed to have known where the family hid a house key, unlocked a door, stole a PlayStation 3 video player and \$60 Major League Baseball video game, and locked the door upon leaving.

"(The victim) said this is the second home invasion of his residence," said a public safety officer. "The first occurred in August 2009, with similar circumstances: an Xbox and computer had been taken."

### Messin' around

An 80-year-old Detroit man was arrested at 3:05 p.m. Friday, April 30, for punching a 60-year-old Detroit man at a store at Mack and Moross.

The alleged attacker told police, "That guy has been messin' with me for a month."

Define "messin'," the officer asked.

"Verbally 'going at me,' the man reportedly answered.

The officer said the man under arrest had blood on his hand.

"It is the other guy's," the man reportedly said.

A female witness told police

the assault occurred while the men were in the checkout line of a nearby store.

The witness said the attacker walked up to the victim and hit him in the mouth.

### Steals donations

An unknown woman appears on a Wendy's restaurant security video at 5:18 p.m. Sunday, April 25, stealing a Dave Thomas adoption box containing an estimated \$60 to \$70.

The box had been chained and locked to the front counter.

"The lock was left on the counter and the box and chain were taken," said a police officer.

### Knucklehead

Weapons and drug charges resulted from the traffic stop of an 18-year-old Detroit man at 1:59 p.m. Friday, April 30, on eastbound Mack near Blossom Lane, south of Cook.

Officers said they found brass knuckles in the pocket of the man's baggy pants. A plastic bag containing 1.5 grams of marijuana was found in the man's white 2007 Chrysler Sebring, they added.

"(He) has two different operator license numbers," one suspended, the other expired, police said.

### Fake name

An officer patrolling Mack near East Warren at 8:50 a.m. Monday, April 26, stopped the driver of a white 1993 Caprice Classic that matched the description of a car Detroit police had reported a few days earlier being involved in a murder.

It turned out that the car and driver, a 36-year-old Detroit man, were unconnected to the homicide.

The driver, however, gave police a false name before police learned he was wanted on nine warrants in Detroit and had 15 driving suspensions.

"(He) stated he used his cousin's name in the past when arrested," said the Farms officer.

### Too many tickets

Police at 7:05 p.m. Sunday, April 25, pulled over a man on Moross near Grosse Pointe Boulevard for operating a van that had a broken windshield.

They arrested the 31-year-old Grosse Pointe Park resident on a warrant from the City of Grosse Pointe. The man reportedly had failed to appear in court regarding parking tickets.

—Brad Lindberg

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

## Grosse Pointe Park

### Smashed window

A conflict with a neighboring youth is believed to be behind a piece of concrete being thrown through a front window of a house on Devonshire. The incident took place at 1:30 a.m. Sunday, May 2. The residents were awakened by a loud noise, and in the morning discovered their front window had been smashed. Police continue to investigate.

### Lost and found

A 15-year-old male was approached at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 27, by another youth who asked to borrow his cell phone and then fled with it. Four days later, an officer on patrol observed a person who matched the description of the phone thief. The officer investigated and found the subject was in possession of the phone. The 17-year-old Detroit resident was arrested.

### Dine and dash

A 35-year-old Detroit resident was arrested at 11 p.m. Tuesday, April 27, after leaving a restaurant on Mack without paying for his dinner.

### Drug bust

An investigation resulted in obtaining a narcotics search warrant for a house on Wayburn, which was served at 7 a.m. Tuesday, April 27. Police found pills, a small amount of marijuana and drug paraphernalia. A 21-year-old Grosse Pointe Park resident was arrested.

—Kathy Ryan

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

## Grosse Pointe Shores

### Wire down

A DTE Energy crew was called to repair a downed wire reported at 8:15 a.m. Saturday, May 1, arching in the backyard of a house on Crestwood.

### Wandering

A 34-year-old Allen Park woman was arrested at 3:20 a.m. Saturday, May 1, for drunken driving on southbound Lakeshore.

She registered a .12 percent blood alcohol level, police said.

The woman had been pulled over for operating a 2003 Chevrolet Trailblazer erratically, braking frequently for no apparent reason and "almost striking the curb near

Fontana," said the arresting officer.

### Capsized

Several 911 callers at about 5:30 p.m. Monday, April 26, reported a sailboat capsized near the foot of Woodland Shore.

An officer found the vessel upright and being towed away by a small motorboat.

### Hit and run

A 2009 Land Rover was reportedly hit while parked on Renaud shortly before 8:30 a.m. Monday, April 26.

Based on the owner's account of the incident, police are investigating a nearby resident for possible hit and run.

—Brad Lindberg

If you have any information about these or other crimes, call the Grosse Pointe Shores public safety department at (313) 881-5500.

## Grosse Pointe Woods

### Pedestrian hit

At 1 p.m. Sunday, May 2, a

customer at a grocery store on Mack was "bumped" by a car driven by an 82-year-old St. Clair Shores resident. The shopper, who was standing in the crosswalk, sustained bruises to his leg, but declined medical treatment.

### Highway robbery

A 20-year-old Detroit resident asked for a ride to an ATM at 1 a.m. Friday, April 30, from two casual acquaintances. He withdrew \$700 from the machine, and as the trio approached Vernier and Mack, one pulled a handgun and demanded the money. Once the money was handed over, they ordered the 20-year-old from the car. The ejected passenger only knew the street names of his drivers, "Face" and "Apples." Police continue to investigate.

### Phone taken

A cell phone was taken at 6:45 p.m. Friday, April 30, from the Performing Arts Center at Grosse Pointe North High School. Valued at \$150, the

phone has been deactivated.

### In plain view

At 2:15 p.m. Sunday, May 2, the owner of a car parked on Mack returned to the vehicle to find a side window smashed and several pieces of video equipment missing, including a camera valued at \$3,000, cash and a charge card. The driver reported to police that the credit card company said someone attempted to use the card later that night in Oak Park, but was denied.

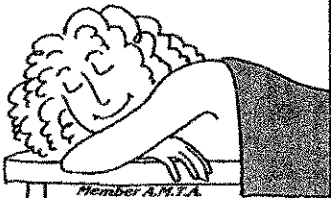
### Not my pot

Police, called to Parcels Middle School at 3:30 p.m. Friday, April 30, confiscated some suspected marijuana, but left the fate of the students involved to the principal. Allegedly, what appeared to be weed was found by one student, who gave it to a friend who then passed it on to another friend, who turned it in to the principal.

—Kathy Ryan

If you have information on these crimes, contact Woods Police, (313) 343-2400.

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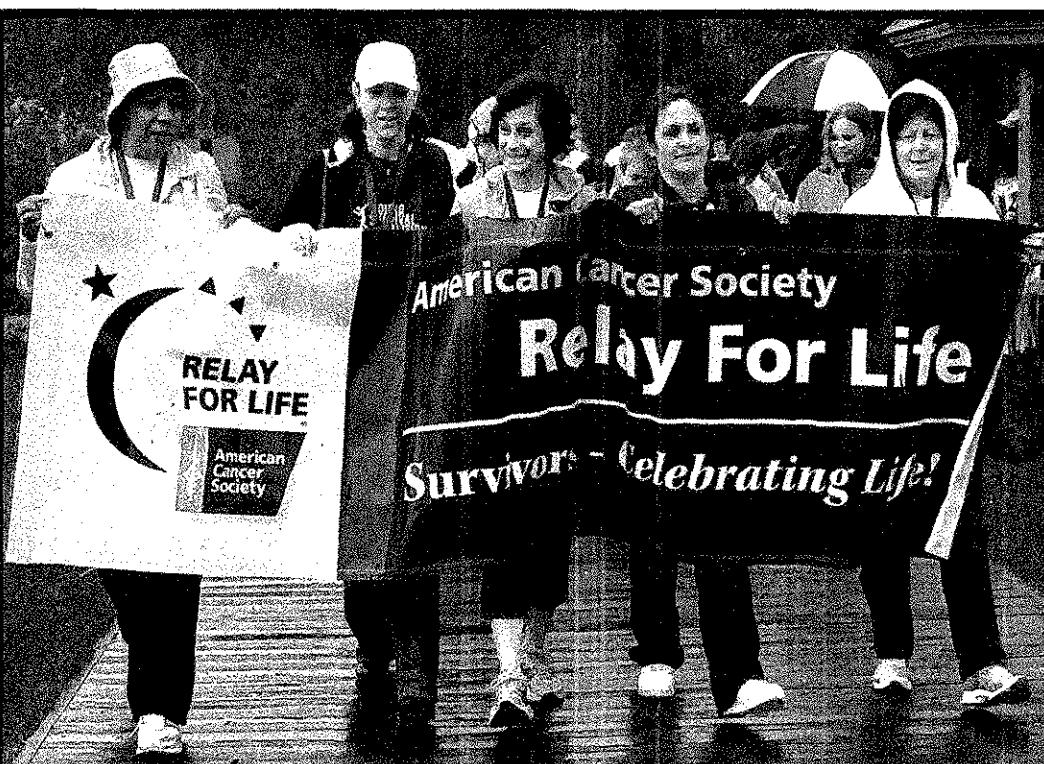
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## KATE: Back to work with a great view

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a.m.," Rowell said. "I walk her twice in the morning before starting my daily routine."

"When Ken brings Kate into my office during rounds," said Park Director Dick Huhn, "she comes to my desk, wants me to pet her on the head, turns around and goes on her way."

"She has to say hi to everybody," Rowell said.

Kate will be 9 July 2.

"We've been together for seven years every day," Rowell said last week.

She eats "anything," he added. "For lunch today, she had a hot dog and pasta salad. She likes potato salad."

Kate often takes an after-

noon break to play with a nearby resident who frequents the park.

"He plays with Kate; I work," Rowell said. "That way, there's no confusing on her part."

Because Rowell starts work so early, he's seen the sun rise thousands of times over Lake St. Clair.

"Each one's special," he said.

## HARBOR: Update on Shores facilities

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sponse to requests from boaters.

"The committee looked into the purchase of an electric golf cart to meet this need," Geraghty said. "Used carts are available for \$1,500."

Demand for the service will be tested before buying such equipment.

"We have some carts for maintenance we might free up for weekends and use those on demand," Geraghty said. "If there's no demand — only one

or two people — we might not consider purchasing one."

In other harbor news:

◆ Boaters at slips can log on to the Internet.

"The Grosse Pointe Yacht Club agreed to allow the use of their wireless Internet access," Geraghty said.

◆ There is a waiting list for personal watercraft dockage.

"The city manager is looking into the availability of used Jet Ski pods to accommodate the increased demand," Geraghty said.

◆ Wooden covers have been

put on steel structures near portions of the main dock.

"This action was in response to a concern that some boats could contact the steel structure during docking maneuvers and damage the boat," Geraghty said.

◆ Boaters next year can expect a change in boat well rental rates.

"Next year, we were slated to review rates for the wells in line with starting to pay debt on the bond," said Councilman Ted Kedzierski, head of the finance committee.



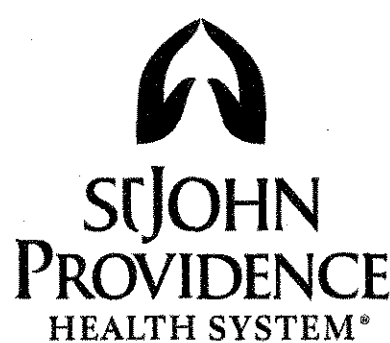
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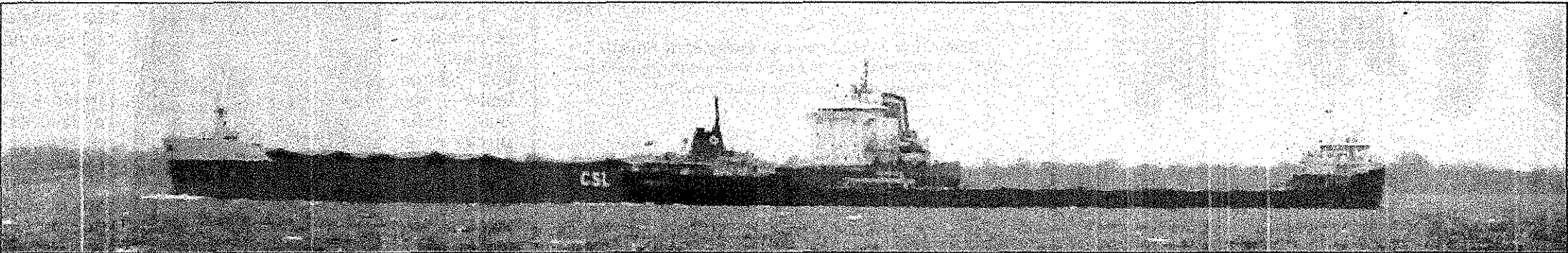


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## Busier season ahead

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

Signs of economic recovery are rippling across Lake St. Clair.

Increased freighter traffic on the Great Lakes this year signals an improved business climate.

"The news is good so far," said Glen Nekvasil, vice president of corporate communications for the Lake Carrier's Association, headquartered in Cleveland. "But, we have to be careful. It's not quite time to declare happy days are here again."

Lake freighters are coming off their worst year in decades.

"Iron ore total was the lowest since 1938," Nekvasil said. "We're talking Great Depression. We have a lot of rebounding to do."

Among freighters operated by 18 American companies represented by the association, iron ore shipments this year are up 156 percent from the

same time last year, according to an association update.

"The steel industry is operating at about 72 percent capacity, whereas a year ago it was in the 40s," Nekvasil said. "We definitely are making more steel in this country. That's what drives the iron ore trade."

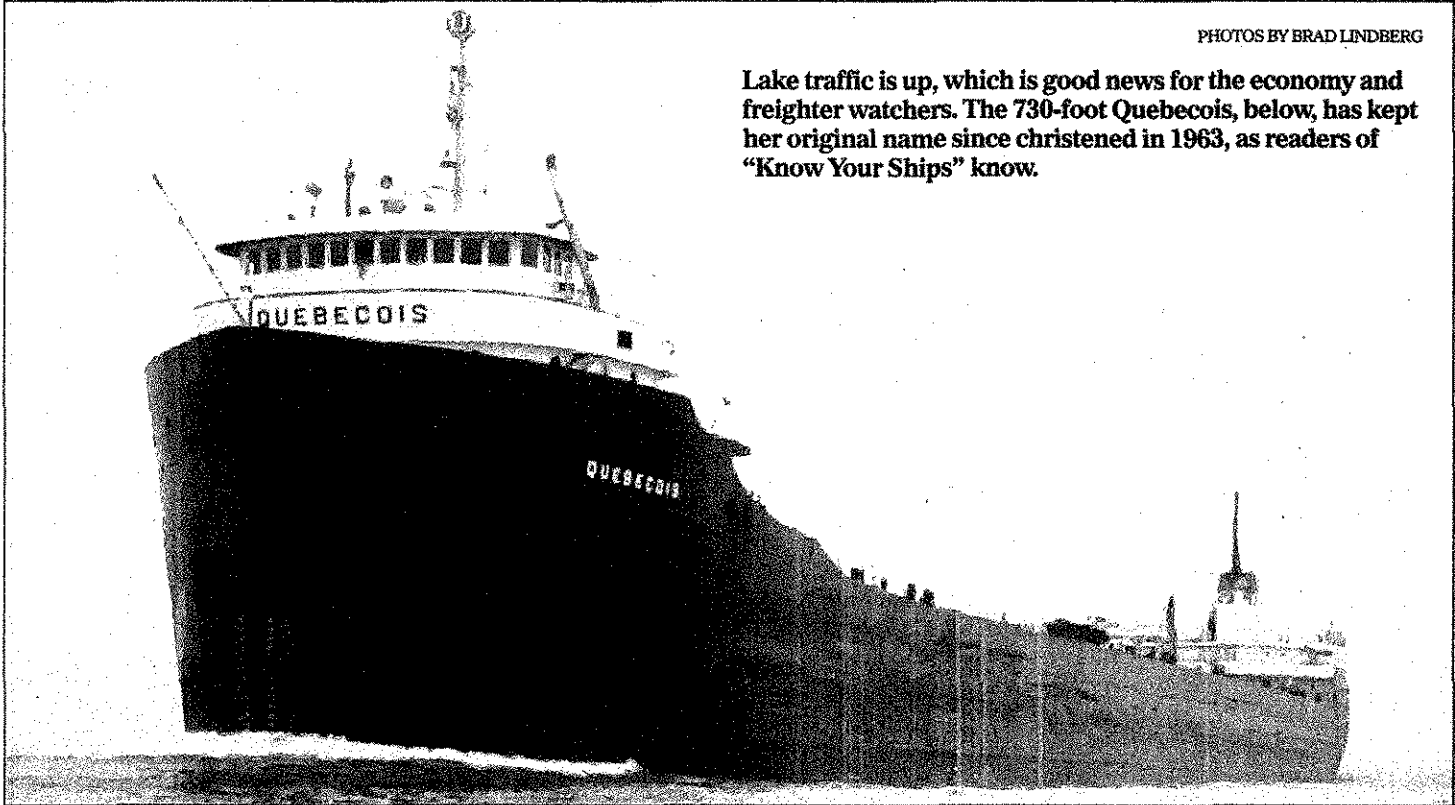
"I think we're going to have a better season this year — not only the shippers, but for us people who like to watch the boats," said Roger LeLievre, editor and publisher of "Know Your Ships," the yearbook of Great Lakes boat watchers.

There were stretches last year when boat watchers went hours without seeing anything.

"I coined term for it: 'boat waiting,'" LeLievre.

LeLievre grew up watching freighters, often called boats despite technically being ships, in Sault Ste. Marie.

"My grandpa worked at the dock that put coal on freighters for fuel," he said. "We had a cabin on the river. The boats went by out front. My mom



PHOTOS BY BRAD LINDBERG

Lake traffic is up, which is good news for the economy and freighter watchers. The 730-foot Quebecois, below, has kept her original name since christened in 1963, as readers of "Know Your Ships" know.

used to let me skip school on the first day of the shipping season to see the first boat

through the locks. She got in trouble for it from the school. There's a romance and mys-

tery about those ships, where they're going and coming from."

LeLievre said his favorite

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BOATS:  
Good news for  
boat fans

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spot to watch freighters is on his 16-foot motorboat at the Soo.

"If I have to be on land, it's probably in Port Huron under the Blue Water Bridge or at the Welland Canal. Windmill Pointe's nice, too," he said.

"Know Your Ships," first published in 1959 and in its 51st edition, inventories domestic and international cargo and passenger vessels found on the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Seaway.

The book was founded by the late Tom Manse of Sault Ste. Marie. LeLievre began working on the publication as a teenager during the late 1960s, he said. LeLievre has run the operation since Manse died in 1994.

"I've been proud to carry on the legacy for him," LeLievre said.

The book's readership extends beyond the Great Lakes states.

"I don't know how I wound up with ship fans in Kansas, but I have," LeLievre said. "I have about a dozen people in England and Germany who buy the book every year. I have a lot of business in Florida, which makes me think they're people who have moved there from the Great Lakes area."

The days are gone when freighter after freighter paraded up and down the lakes stem to stern.

"In the late 1960s, when the Poe Lock was built at the Soo, it allowed bigger ships on the Great Lakes," LeLievre said. "That changed everything."

In 1969, there were 600 bulk carriers on the Great Lakes, according to LeLievre. Now, there are about 110.

"That can be attributed to one 1,000-footer taking the place of three or four of the 500-to-600-foot boats," he said. "Also, the steel industry fell apart in the 1980s. We don't build things out of steel the way we used to. We import a lot of goods we used to make, like cars."

Although the fleet has shrunk, the book has more than doubled in length.

"There's more pictures and information," LeLievre said. "I started historic retrospectives. In this year's book, we started a feature I'll continue: We go someplace and write about it. I took a trip up the St. Lawrence Seaway on a cruise boat. Next year, I think I'll write about a trip to Duluth."

Features include:  
♦ a color chart of smokestacks, house flags and nation-

al flags of the ships, companies and nations that sail the Great Lakes,

♦ the meaning of boat whistles,  
♦ a list of major Great Lakes ports and their main cargos,  
♦ the VHF frequencies of

ship-to-ship and ship-to-shore communications and

♦ a list of laker longevity, beginning with Columbia, a former Bob-Lo Island passenger steamer last operated in 1991 and is now laid up in Ecorse.

Vessels are listed by ownership and current name. Data includes year built, dimensions, engine type, cargo capacity, alterations and name changes.

Some entries require more space than others, even more space when the cross-referencing is totaled.

Take the St. Marys Challenger, the oldest freighter operating on the Great Lakes.

She was launched in 1906 at Great Lakes Engineering Works in Ecorse, the same shipyard that built the Edmund Fitzgerald.

Challenger was originally christened the William P. Snyder and was part of a fleet owned by The Shenango Furnace Co., which included the Col. James M. Schoonmaker, now the 99-year-old museum ship, Willis S. Boyer, in Toledo.

Six names later, the 552-foot St. Marys Challenger hauls cement under the operation of Port City Tug, Inc., of which Patrick McKee of Grosse Pointe Farms is part of the ownership group.

The McKee family's nautical lineage goes back to owning the Wisconsin and Michigan Steamship Company, a Sand Products subsidiary, operators of the 361-foot Milwaukee Clipper passenger ship.

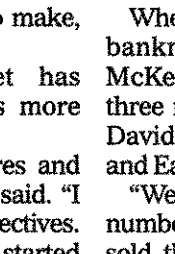
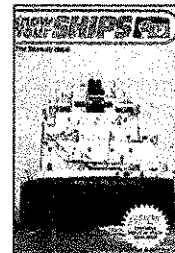
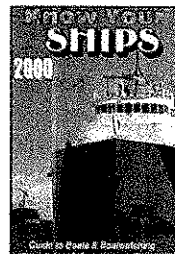
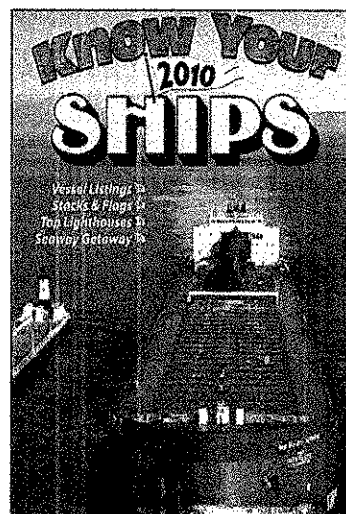
The ship ferried passengers and automobiles across Lake Michigan between Muskegon and Milwaukee from 1941 until 1970.

Milwaukee Clipper now is a museum in Muskegon, along with another of the family's floating touchstones to history, a World War II LST that participated in the Normandy invasion.

When Oglebay Norton went bankrupt a few years ago, McKee's company bought three members of its fleet, the David Z. Norton, Wolverine and Earl W. Oglebay.

"We operated those for a number of years and recently sold them," McKee said. "We purchased a tugboat out of New York harbor, the Micheala McAllister, renamed it the Prentiss Brown and paired it with a barge, the St. Marys Conquest."

It all can be rooted out of various editions of "Know Your Ships."



## Boat or ship?

Which is it?

Technically, a boat is a small craft that can be hoisted aboard a larger vessel. A ship is a large vessel capable of deep-water navigation. Yet, Great Lakes freighters are generally called boats; Ocean-going freighters, also called salties, are called ships.

Why?

"I have no idea," said Roger LeLievre, lifelong fan of anything Great Lakes maritime and author of "Know Your Ships." "It might be a local idiom. They've always been called lake boats; It's a lovely quirk, I guess. My book is named 'Know Your Ship.' My predecessor named it that and I saw no reason to change it."

— Brad Lindberg

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# AREA ACTIVITIES

## Grosse Pointe Rotary

The Grosse Pointe Rotary Club meets at 12:10 p.m. Monday, May 10, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Nick Schroeck, executive director of the Great Lakes Environmental Law Center discussed Asian carp.

Rotarians should bring canned or nonperishable food to each meeting for distribution through Food for Families in the Cheboygan area.

## Sunrise Rotary

Grosse Pointe Sunrise Rotary meets at 7:30 a.m. Tuesday, May 11, at The Hill Seafood & Chop House, 123 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms.

## Audubon society

Grosse Pointe Audubon Society hosts a bird walk from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, May 11, at the Country Club of Detroit, 220 Country Club, Grosse Pointe Farms.

## Garden Club

The Grosse Pointe Shores Garden Club meets at 11:30 a.m. Friday, May 7, for its annual spring lunch at the Bayview Yacht Club, 100 Clair Pointe, Detroit. The hostess is Ruth Ellen Mayhall.

The cost is \$25. Send a check to Delores Serra, 1260 Bishop, Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230.

## Herb society

The 2010 annual herb plant sale by the Herb Society of America Grosse Pointe unit is 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, May 7, and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, May 8, at the Grosse Pointe Woods Municipal Building, 20025 Mack.

More than 40 varieties of plants are for sale.

Interactive workshops, tastings and presentations are planned every hour on

Saturday.

For more information, e-mail [anndoc@comcast.net](mailto:anndoc@comcast.net).

## Family Center

"Are Your Kids at Risk? Not Mine! Not Here! Not Now! ... Not True! Unexpected Dangers" is the topic presented by The Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 11, at St. Michael's Episcopal Church, Yeoman Hall, 20475 Sunningdale Park, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Presenters Dr. Mark A. Menestrina, attorney Gary M. Wilson, attorney Randall D. Cain and social worker Lynda M. Zott discuss unexpected legal consequences of teen alcohol, drugs and substance abuse, the new "gateway" drugs, risk factors and protective factors for teen substance use and how and where to get help.

For reservations, call (313) 432-3832 or visit [info@familycenterweb.org](http://info@familycenterweb.org) by May 10.

## Senior Men's Club

Detroit Mayor Dave Bing is guest speaker at the Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club noon meeting Tuesday, May 11, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The lunch costs \$6 and begins at 11:15 a.m.

Bing discusses the current and future plans for the city.

For more information about the club, call club president John Prost at (586) 774-6400.

## Public Library

The Friends of the Grosse Pointe Public Library host George Bornstein at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, May 13, at the Grosse Pointe South High School library, 11 Grosse Pointe Boulevard, Grosse Pointe Farms.

He discusses "Harold Pinter's Menacing Rites of Passage: The Birthday Party and The Homecoming."

Admission is \$10. The lecture is free to Friends of the Grosse Pointe Library members, students and teachers with identification.

For more information, call (313) 343-2074, ext. 6 or visit [gpfriends.org](http://gpfriends.org).

Bornstein is professor emeritus of the University of Michigan and studied literature and culture of the later 19th and the first half of the 20th centuries.

## League of Women Voters

The League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe hold its annual breakfast meeting at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, May 15, at Lochmoor Club, 1018 Sunningdale, Grosse Pointe Woods. Michigan Supreme Court Chief Justice Marilyn Kelly is the guest speaker.

Reservations are required and may be made by calling (313) 881-8844. The cost is \$20.

## Symphony orchestra

The Grosse Pointe Symphony Orchestra concludes its 57th season with a concert at 3 p.m. Sunday, May 16, in Parcels Middle School auditorium, 20600 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

The orchestra plays works by composer William Grant Still and his granddaughter. A former Grosse Pointe Celeste Headlee joins the preconcert lecture at 2 p.m.

Detroit Symphony Orchestra cellist Robert Berman plays Haydn's "Cello Concerto No 2 in D."

The concert begins with Brahms' "Academic Festival Overture."

Adult tickets cost \$15, \$12 for seniors and free for students 18 and under.

## ChariTea

The Circle of Friends of The Family Center at Grosse Pointe & Harper Woods hosts a ChariTea Bear Tea Party from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, May 16, at the Grosse Pointe Farms Pier Park, 90 Kerby.

The cost is \$25 for children and \$20 for adults.

The cost includes a 15-inch plush bear or animal, costume and T-shirt. Registration deadline is Friday, May 7.

For more information or to register, call (313) 432-3832 or visit [familycenterweb.org](http://familycenterweb.org).

## Henry Ford Medical Center

Henry Ford Medical Center - Cottage, 159 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, hosts a free program about easing stress and depression, from 6:30 to 8 p.m., Wednesday, May 19.

Behavioral health experts discuss how to identify and manage depression and stress, no matter what may be causing it.

To register, call (800) 436-7936 or visit [henryford.com/hottopics](http://henryford.com/hottopics).

## What's happening?

### Zumba fitness,

9:30 to 10:30 a.m., May 7 - June 11 - The cardio class includes the samba, cha-cha, belly dance, African beat, hip-hop and more. The fee is \$59 for six weeks or \$64 if paid on day class starts.

Babysitter's training course, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Saturday, May 22 - Registered nurse Debbie Brady teaches a course which covers basic childcare, including diapering and feeding infants, age-appropriate discipline, basic first aid and the Heimlich maneuver. The class reviews ways to establish a babysitting business through babysitting. The fee is \$55 and includes all course materials. Advanced registration is required.

School's out for summer dance, 7:30 to 10 p.m., Friday, May 7 - This is open to all students in sixth through eighth grades. Attendees must have a War Memorial ID card. Tickets cost \$14. There will be no door sales.

Cardio max class, 6:15 to 7:15 p.m., Thursdays, May 6 - June 10 - The class incorporates low impact, high energy aerobics, body sculpting, balance, flexibility exercises and yoga postures. The cost is \$55 and \$60 if paid day of class.

Mother's day brunch Sunday, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., May 9 - The cost is \$24 person and \$12 for ages 8 and under.

Grosse Pointe Driving School Segment Two, 4 to 6



From left, Questers Georgeanne Leduc, Anne Thomas and Debbie Voorhees stand beside a portrait of Ross Wilkins, the first Michigan Territorial judge, appointed by President Andrew Jackson to be the first U.S. District Judge for Michigan's eastern district. The Fox Creek Questers provided funds to restore the painting.

## What is a quester?

Have you ever received a family antique or treasurer?

Have you ever looked at an item or artifact and wondered, what on Earth is it?

Have you ever guessed at its history while asking yourself what it was used for and who might have used it in their daily routine?

Have you ever told yourself how fortunate you are to be surrounded by antiquities and memorabilia?

Answering "yes" to any of these questions means you are a quester at heart.

In 1944, The Quester organization was founded by Jessie Elizabeth Bardens in Pennsylvania to further the knowledge and education of antiques and to encourage the preservation, restoration and conservation of historic buildings, sites and antiquities.

Bardens said, "the powers of the mind are memory and imagination: without memory, we have no past; without imagination we have no future."

She felt a person's curiosity, enthusiasm, memory and imagination contribute to

constructively acquiring information on our past and using that knowledge to save our history for future generations.

Locally, each Quester chapter meets once a month at a member's house or visits a historic site. Meetings are devoted to discussions of ways to help restore historic places and to learn about and appreciate antiques. At each meeting a short talk about "things from the past" is given by a chapter member or an invited guest.

Fox Creek Questers No. 216 is one of five local chapters and is observing its 45th anniversary this year.

In the past, Fox Creek members have raised funds and contributed to many restoration projects. They include the Provencal Weir House in Grosse Pointe Farms, Cook Schoolhouse in Grosse Pointe Woods and Preservation Wayne, Detroit's oldest and largest preservation organization.

The most ambitious project was the restoration of large historic portraits of

Michigan's first two federal judges, which hang in the Federal Court Building in Detroit.

On the international level, the Quester organization has more than 15,000 members with 900 chapters in 43 states and two Canadian provinces.

Questers help provide scholarships for Master of Science degrees in historic preservation and restoration at Columbia University, and fund a fellowship at Winterthur University in Delaware. Funds are accrued through voluntary donations from chapters and members.

One of Fox Creek chapter's recent meetings focused on Emily Post, who said, "Make the other person comfortable. Etiquette is the science of living. It embraces everything. It is the code of ethics. Deep down the real meaning of manners is a demonstration of sensitivity to the feelings of others."

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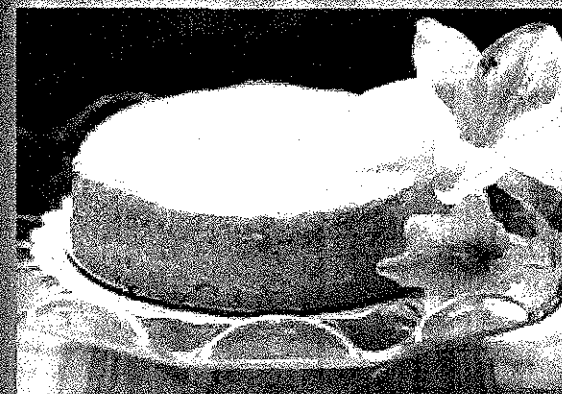
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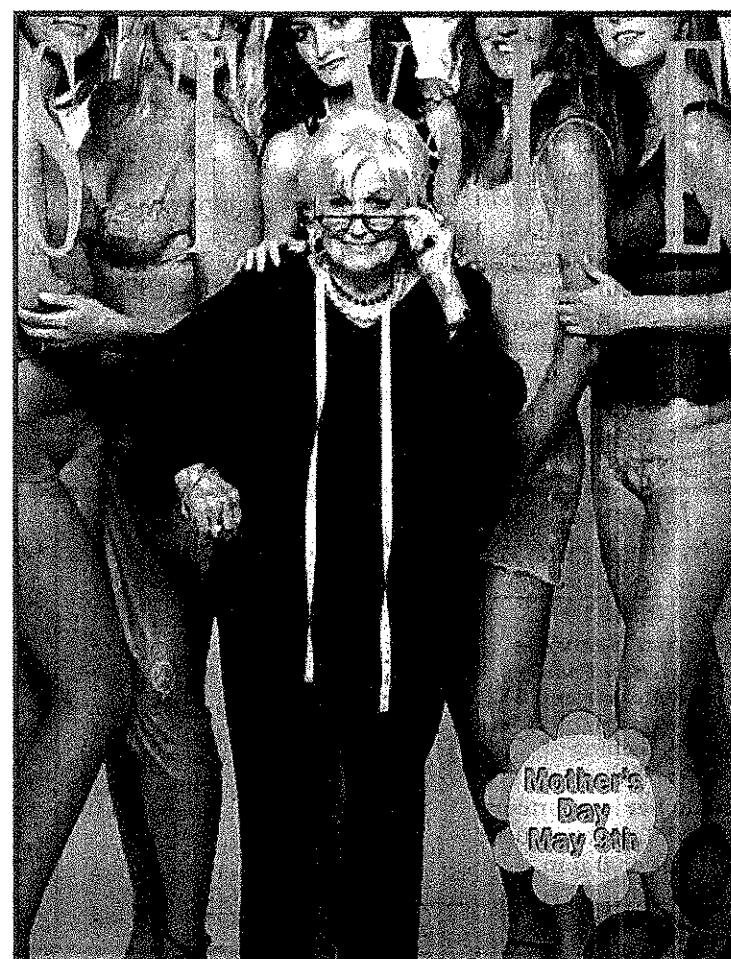
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## 4B | CHURCHES

## Fundraising picture

Right, young St. James Lutheran Church member Nora Smith of Grosse Pointe Woods created a picture of a frog for the children's art auction. Each of the 35 pieces created by children were sold to benefit children of Haiti. This year proceeds of \$1,100 was raised to help earthquake victims. Far right, Noah Humphries of St. Clair Shores was the top bidder on this sunny snail planter.



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**PASTOR'S CORNER** By Rev. Margo Allen

## Churches are turning 'green'

In Biblical times, a steward was a person who administered a household. In Judeo-Christian tradition, the idea that man is a steward of God in his relation to the world and his own life is inherent in the creation story in which he is appointed lord of all things except himself. The term "steward" can also be applied scientifically.

Humankind has a responsibility to care for the rest of creation. Humankind has not been a good steward of the creation entrusted top its keeping. Both the religious and scientific circles are concerned with environmental restoration, with "greening." It is good to see churches have taken a major role in encouraging "greening." Many new books focus in on "greening" and what congregations can do to promote the idea.

An article by David Rhoads and Andrea

Orcutt, titled "What congregations can do to restore creation" gives some ideas for greening the congregation.

In formal worship, creation care might be lifted up as part of the service in the liturgy, hymns, prayers and sermon. Several churches are celebrating Earth Day.

Learning about the ecological state of the planet is important.

Creation-care resources can be used for Bible studies with discussion about the theology, ethics and spirituality of the care of creation. The care of creation is a justice issue. Resources are available to encourage discussion of ecological justice.

Individual churches can lower energy use.

The Michigan Interfaith Power and Light Group is working with church leaders around the state to make houses of

worship more energy efficient.

Energy audits begin with a church walk-through. Making improvements after the completed audit are expected to save churches a portion of its energy bills.

Grace United Church of Christ recently needed to repair the roof above the education wing. Energy efficiency was a major concern and determined the choice of the new roofing material.

Houses of worship can encourage congregants to make daily choices about lights, heating, transportation, food, garbage, lawn care, cleaning products, water use and many more environmental factors. As retired biology teacher and now a Christian minister, I feel it is my responsibility to help us to become better stewards with God has entrusted to us.

Allen is minister Grace United Church of Christ in Grosse Pointe Park.

## CHURCH EVENTS

## St. Paul On the Lake

St. Paul on the Lake school, 170 Grosse Pointe Boulevard, Grosse Pointe Farms, hosts a Mom2Mom resale from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, May 8.

Admission is \$1. No strollers are admitted before 11 a.m.

Proceeds benefit Pregnancy Aid.

## St. Paul Lutheran

St. Paul's Lutheran Church Preschool open house is from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, May 8, and 6 to 8 p.m. Monday, May 10, at the church, 22915 Greater Mack, St. Clair Shores. Fall registration is accepted.

## Eastside Take Control

The Eastside Take Control ecumenical career networking group meets from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. Monday, May 10, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Working with recruiters is the topic.

For more information, visit [stpaulonthelake.org](http://stpaulonthelake.org).

## Christ the King

Under the direction of Erwin J. Aufdemberge, The Michigan-Ohio Chorale, The Lutheran Choralaires and the Macomb Ringers from St. Peter Lutheran-Macomb perform at 4 p.m. Sunday, May 16, at Christ the King Lutheran

Church, 23800 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

The Rev. David Rutter is the organist and Jan Pfeiffer is pianist. Selections include Handel's "Hallelujah, Amen," Rachmaninov's "Praise the Name of the Lord," "Antiphonas Praise" and "Come Christians, Join to Sing." The concert is free and open to the public.

## St. Michael's

"The Modern Harp Quartet" is the fourth in the Music in the Woods series, at 4 p.m. Sunday, May 16, at St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 20475 Sunningdale Park, Grosse Pointe Woods.

The concert features both classical and contemporary works by Bach, Mendelssohn, Debussy, Salzedo and Gershwin and "Fairy Tale" by Patricia Terry-Ross.

Admission is free and donations are accepted.

For more information, call (313) 884-4820.

## First English

Crafters are needed for the 18th annual Fall Craft and Bake Sale from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 9 in The Luther Center at First English Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods.

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# Women's Health Fair

A variety of topics are covered during the free Women's Health Fair at Beaumont Hospital, 468 Cadieux, City of Grosse Pointe and at the St. Clair Shores facility.

"Women must take care of themselves as research shows they are the ones who take care of the rest of the family's health needs," said Donna Hoban, M.D., senior vice president and director of Medical Services, Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe.

"Beaumont's Women's Health Fair will provide the information a woman will find very helpful in caring for herself and her family."

## Monday, May 10

Stress survival — 9:30 to 10 a.m.

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Dr. Sorin Vladescu instructs participants how to enjoy a more restful and quality sleep.

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## Tuesday, May 11

Fitness assessment for women more than 50 — 4 to 6:30 p.m. The assessment includes strength, flexibility, body composition and guidelines to create a personal fitness plan.

Bon Brae Center, 22300 Bon Brae, St. Clair Shores.

Registration is required and can be done by calling (800) 633-7377.

The 8 Colors of Fitness — 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

This interactive program teaches how to choose enjoyable physical activities at the Bon Brae Center, 22300 Bon Brae, St. Clair Shores.

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can be made by calling (800) 633-7377.

## Wednesday, May 12

Chamber mixer — 5:30 — 6:30 p.m.

Meet and greet members of chambers of commerce from Grosse Pointe, Eastpointe-Roseville and MetroEast. The public is invited.

Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe, 468 Cadieux, Connelly Auditorium

## Thursday, May 13

Pickleball clinic — 7 - 8 p.m. Wear gym shoes and workout clothes. No equipment is necessary for the game played at Bon Brae Center, 22300 Bon Brae, St. Clair Shores. Registration is required and may be made by calling (800) 633-7377.

That Menopot Thing! — 7 — 8:30 p.m. Tips and tools to help counteract unexpected weight gain during midlife years, plus The 8 Colors of Fitness is taught at Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe, 468 Cadieux, Connelly Auditorium, City of Grosse Pointe.



A free Women's Health Fair is from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, May 15, at Beaumont Hospital, 468 Cadieux, City of Grosse Pointe. The fair features cooking demonstrations, blood pressure checks, Ask the Doctor, mini-fitness assessments and women's health information. Raffle prizes include a chance to win several free health screenings. From left, Dan Kellogg, executive chef; nutritionist Cynthia Weiss and volunteer, all of Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe. For more information about the health fair, call, (313) 343-1437.

Registration is required and can be done by calling (800) 633-7377.

## Saturday, May 15

Women's Health Fair — 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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tion, mini-fitness assessments, blood pressure checks, ask the OB/GYN and more are offered.

For more information, call (313) 343-1437.

Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe, 468 Cadieux, Connelly Auditorium

## May 11 - 13

Free FitPass for women over 50 at the Bon Brae Center, 22300 Bon Brae, St. Clair Shores. For more information, call (800) 633-7377 for a free FitPass and fitness class schedule.

## HEALTH POINT By Benjamin Chen, M.D.

# Technological advances offer many advantages

## Gynecological surgery is sometimes the resolution

**Q.** For the last five years, I've endured heavy menstrual cycles that cause disabling back pain. Now intercourse has become painful. My doctor says a hysterectomy is my only option at this point, but with the economy the way it is, I just hate the thought of taking six to eight weeks off work to recover.

**A.** When chronic pain and heavy menstrual cycles are so severe they diminish a

woman's quality of life, oftentimes a hysterectomy is the only resolution. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 3.1 million women underwent a hysterectomy between 2000 and 2004.

Advances in technology have allowed surgeons to perform minimally invasive gynecological surgeries for painful or heavy periods; chronic pelvic pain; fibroid tumors; tubal ligations; endometriosis; incontinence; uterine prolapse and gynecological cancer.

The majority of the hysterectomies I perform are minimally invasive. There are so many advantages to minimally invasive surgery, that I only perform traditional surgery when



Dr. Benjamin Chen

it is clinically or anatomically necessary.

Your concern about an extended time away from work is not unusual. In the time most

people take for an annual vacation, a woman can be pain free and back to work. Recovery time with minimally invasive surgery can be reduced from six to eight weeks to one to two weeks.

In addition to a faster recovery, minimally invasive gynecological surgeries benefit patients in many other ways including less post-surgical pain; less blood loss; smaller incisions and scars; shorter hospital stays and an earlier return to normal activities. Physicians also prefer minimally invasive procedures because there are fewer post-surgical problems such as the risk of infection.

Women concerned about scarring will be pleased to

know that instead of an eight- to 10-inch long incision needed for the traditional gynecological surgery, three or four small, half-inch scars are needed when performing minimally invasive surgery.

When choosing a hospital for gynecological surgery, take into consideration the number of minimally invasive gynec-

logical procedures performed annually at the hospital, as well as the level of expertise of the surgeon.

For more information call, Benjamin Chen, M.D., vice chief, obstetrics and gynecological services, Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe at (586) 415-6200.

## ASK THE EXPERTS By Kathy Rager

# Cyber bullying should be stopped quickly



**Q.** My 10-year-old has been picked on by a group of children at school. Now he is receiving threatening e-mails. I have been told to have my child handle it, but he is scared and does not seem to have the skills necessary to address what is becoming a more serious issue. Help!

**A.** When I started teaching parenting classes 22 years ago, it was common for parents to share stories of their children getting "picked on" at school. My advice was the classic, "tell your children, sticks and stones will break my bones but names will never hurt me." Boy, was I wrong. Words, and they have gotten meaner, do hurt and often lead to physical abuse.

My 13-year-old granddaughter, "Suzie," has been harassed by two girls who, for more than six months, followed her in the hallways, made mean remarks about her appearance and pushed her against a locker.

In tears, Suzie told her mother again she did not want to go to school. After discussing the situation with the principal, one girl was expelled for five days. Soon after, Suzie began receiving vulgar e-mails threatening her with violence.

What can a parent do? i-Parent Times states 32 percent of high school students and 17 percent of students grades 5-8 admit to saying mean or hurtful things on the Internet. It is not enough to say parents need to stop their chil-

dren from bullying. Unfortunately, some parents do not believe their children would involve themselves in such behavior and some parents are bullies themselves.

That being said, some parents will intervene, but they may be few and far apart.

i-Parent Times gives the following suggestions for those receiving bullying messages

through e-mails or other social media sites:

Don't erase the messages or images. Save them in a folder.

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SENIOR SCENE By Ruth Cain

# Use less salt and lives are saved



When my mother was in her 50s, her systolic blood pressure zoomed to 200. That was in the 1940s before all the miracle drugs to reduce blood pressure had been developed. Her doctor's treatment was limited to "Use as little salt in your foods as possible" and "reduce stress to the best of your ability." My mother lived to be 83, so the advice obviously worked. We're now seeing a renaissance of "less salt" advice from health care professionals as

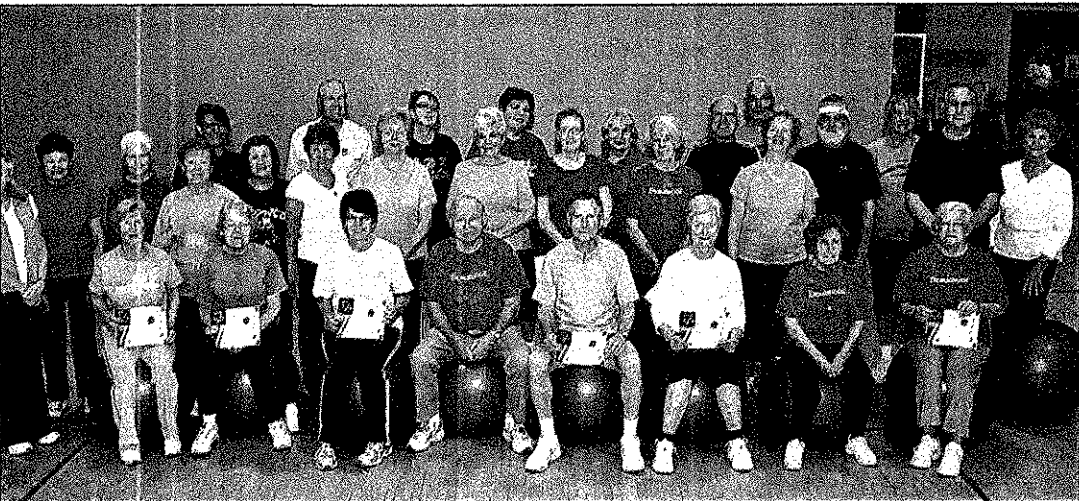
studies show salt in excess can be not just dangerous, but deadly. Cutting 1,200 milligrams of sodium out of the average American's daily diet could prevent up to 92,000 deaths and 66,000 strokes every year. It could keep up to 99,000 Americans from having a heart attack and up to 120,000 from getting heart disease every year. And it could save \$10- to \$24 billion in health care costs annually. "Over time, 90 percent of people in this country develop hypertension," says Stephen Havas, former vice president of Science, Quality and Public Health at the American Medical Association. "That's because blood pressures drift upward as people get older and they're exposed to long-term excess sodium," he explains.

In Trials of Hypertension Prevention studies, some 2,400 people with pre-hypertension were randomly assigned to either cut their sodium by roughly 750 to 1,000 milligrams a day or to follow general guidelines for healthy eating for 1 1/2 to four years. Ten to 15 years after the studies ended, researchers found a 25 to 30 percent lower risk of heart attacks, strokes, or other cardiovascular events in the group that cut salt. A decrease in sodium even among those with only modestly elevated blood pressure lowers risk of cardiovascular disease later in life, according to Nancy Cook, an associate professor of medicine at Harvard Medical School. Researchers recently tested the impact of a lower-salt diet on 12 people who had resistant hypertension — that is,

their blood pressures were still high even though they were taking an average of 3 1/2 different drugs every day. When told eat a lower-salt diet (1,050 milligrams a day), their blood pressures were dramatically lower by an average of 22 over 9 points than when ingesting 5,750 mg a day. The conclusion: higher dietary salt ingestion is an important cause of resistant hypertension. Dietitians understand it's tough to cut salt. Unless you make everything — including breads, crackers, cereals, soup, pizza, spaghetti sauce, salad dressing — from scratch, you can't easily avoid the salt. Restaurants make super-market salt levels look low. "People eat more and more in restaurants," says Havas and have no idea how much sodium is in those foods."

A few examples. Outback Steakhouse Bloomin' Onion with sauce has 1,570 calories per serving and 5,510 mg of sodium; PF Chang's Chicken Lo Mein has 800 calories per serving, but 2,900 mg of sodium; Panera Full Smoked Ham & Swiss Sandwich on rye has 700 calories and 2,350 mg of sodium; Olive Garden Spaghetti & Meatballs has 1,110 calories and 2,180 mg of sodium; and McDonald's Premium Grilled Chicken Classic Sandwich has 420 calories and 1,190 mg of sodium. "The food industry isn't going to trim salt on its own," says Havas. "It's been eight years since the American Public Health Association called on food companies and restaurants to cut sodium levels in half. If they had, we could have saved 150,000 lives

a year — that's at least 1.2 million lives since 2002." The problem with cutting back on salt is many foods would be pretty tasteless without it. Cooked tomatoes, for example, whether in soups, sauces or juice, are full of sodium. It would be interesting to see how little could be used and still retain flavor. We probably should be looking at spices and herbs to see if they could replace sodium on the taste scale. Heaven help us if we had to begin canning our own lower-sodium products. It's obviously up to us to reduce salt in our diets. I think we could tell the restaurant manager if we think any dish served had way more salt than was necessary. I was tempted to do that. I didn't. But next time I will. Reach Cain at [ruthcain@comcast.net](mailto:ruthcain@comcast.net).



## Lifestyle award

After six weeks of incorporating physical activity into their daily lives, 44 seniors completed the President's Active Lifestyle Fitness Challenge at the Beaumont Bon Brae Center in St. Clair Shores. Participants identified realistic goals at the start of the program to improve their health habits. Those who performed at least 30 minutes of activity five days a week for six weeks received a Presidential Active Lifestyle Award. In the front row from left, Marie Bambrick of St. Clair Shores, Erma Bartel of St. Clair Shores, Darlene Kosakowski of St. Clair Shores, Bob Grant of the City of Grosse Pointe, Jim Grogan of Grosse Pointe Farms, Barb Grogan of Grosse Pointe Farms, Julia Malsepti of St. Clair Shores and Lorraine Moore of Harrison Township; middle row, from left, instructor Rita Moran of St. Clair Shores, Lorraine Szykowski of St. Clair Shores, Joyce Holdman of the City of Grosse Pointe, Joan Levigne of St. Clair Shores, Priscilla Nehra of Grosse Pointe Shores, Carol Waters of St. Clair Shores, Dorothy Fugate of St. Clair Shores, Linda Hysler of Warren, Marjorie Volkman of Grosse Pointe Farms, Beatrice Grant of the City of Grosse Pointe, Mary Francis of Grosse Pointe Woods, Don Moore of Harrison Township and Barbara Baker of St. Clair Shores; back row from left, Irene Benevenuti of St. Clair Shores, instructor, John Stephens of Grosse Pointe Shores, Sandra Witt of Grosse Pointe Woods, Karen Baron of St. Clair Shores, Joan Carter of Grosse Pointe Woods, Bill Listman of Grosse Pointe Woods, Jim Francis of Grosse Pointe Woods, Bob Jones of Grosse Pointe Woods and Diane Peplowski of Grosse Pointe Woods. For more information or to register for the on-going community-based senior fitness class, call Beaumont Contact Center at (800) 633-7377 or visit [beaumont.hospitals.com/classes](http://beaumont.hospitals.com/classes).

## Why do you relay?

Editor's note: This is the third in a series of personal Relay for Life stories. The event is from 10 a.m. Saturday, May 22, to 10 a.m. Sunday, May 23, at Grosse Pointe Woods Lake Front Park.

I relay for my father. Philip H. Overway was a humble, hard-working man who loved his wife, his children, and his dog. It was this love that kept him fighting after he was diagnosed with melanoma in 2004. After more than a year of service in Vietnam as a teenager, he returned to the United States with little money, but a strong desire to live the American dream. He worked at two transportation businesses before he and my mother started their own trucking company when I was just a year old. He didn't miss a day of work at his company in more than 20 years — until he was first diagnosed with skin cancer. He had slammed his finger on the hood of one of his delivery trucks just one year prior to the diagnosis. His right index fingernail fell off and never healed. After a lot of encouragement from my mother, he went to the dermatologist.



Cancer was found and his finger amputated. The day of his amputation was the only day of work he missed. I learned of the cancer when he arrived to my college graduation in a hand-cast, less one finger. That was just the beginning. He was about to retire and enjoy his life when he learned his days were numbered. After two years of treatments

and check-ups, he appeared to be in remission. That, unfortunately, came to an abrupt end when he cut himself shaving and a bump grew on his chin. History repeated itself. Sure enough, the skin cancer was back; this time it was stage four and very aggressive. This news came a few weeks after I was engaged and preparing to move to Detroit. Clearly, cancer is not concerned with timing. My family and I decided to give him a goal and something to look forward to, we would not move up our wedding. He scheduled his chemotherapy treatments so he could give me away on my wedding day, June 1, 2007. He never once complained. He never lost his hair or his spirit. Shortly after the wedding we learned the tumors had spread to his brain. This was our biggest fear. He and my mother decided to take things slow and enjoy however much time he had left. He didn't want anyone to fuss. He just wanted to be left alone, with his close family at his side. His strength was weakening, but his mind was sharp.

See RELAY, page 8B

## BULLYING: Take it seriously

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They may be needed if taking legal action. If bullying has occurred at school, report the e-mails to school officials. Most schools have a bullying plan in place. Make a police report if the

messages threaten safety. Block a bully. If the bully is attacking through instant messaging, the person can be blocked. Don't open messages from someone you know is a bully. Rager is executive director at Community Assessment Referral & Education (CARE) and a parent educator. She can be reached at (586) 541-0033 or [krager@careofmacomb.com](mailto:krager@careofmacomb.com). CARE is located at 21012 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. For more information, visit

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OPERA REVIEW By Dina Soresi Winter

# Outstanding musicians perform the unusual

Chamber Music at the Scarab Club gave its fifth concert of the performance season at the Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, and it was a good one. The moving force behind the group is the team of cellist, Nadine DeLeury and violinist, Velda Kelly, both members of the Michigan Opera Theatre Orchestra.

For several years, these two

human dynamos have been promoting extraordinary programs of classical music, often featuring new composers and sometimes resurrecting older ones.

The first part of the Sunday, April 25, program consisted of five songs by Reynaldo Hahn, performed by accomplished mezzo soprano Barbara Bland, also with the Michigan opera, and her very fine accompanist, Rebecca Happel.

DeLeury played the "Georgia Elegy" by Henry Mollicone splendidly.

Then came songs based on five poems from "Spoon River Anthology" by Edgar Lee Masters. Composer Richard Ratner was present for this Michigan premiere of his work.

These poems are voices of the dead speaking from the grave, expressing, in succinct and poignant terms, how they

lived and died. They are masterful character studies and through them we come to meet these individuals in a profound and intimate way.

These poems impressed Ratner, and much of what he

does musically expresses effectively what is so compelling in the original work. His treatment of the cello and piano parts, played beautifully by DeLeury and Happel, is deeply moving, often heart-rending, in

"The Hill" and in "Hare Drummer," light-hearted and almost humorous in "Francis Turner" as he describes how his soul "takes flight" after a

See CHAMBER, page 8B

## HAPPENINGS: War Memorial events

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p.m., May 10, 11, 13, 24, 25 and 27 — Segment Two is for those who have earned the Level I license and practiced driving with their parents for three months. It consists of three classes to develop driving skills. Pre-requisites are completion of 30 practice hours with a parent; and a Level I license that has been validated by the Secretary of State's office at least three months prior to start of class. The instructor is Mark Avolio. The cost is \$47.

Art lecture, 7 to 9 p.m., Thursday, May 13 — Lecturer Deborah Kawsky's topic is "Tulip Fever" and analyses the meanings of tulips, drawing from 17th century art and "Tulip Fever," a novel by Deborah Moggach. The cost is \$22.

Theater buffet, 6:30 p.m., May 13 - 16 and 20 - 22. Dinner is served prior to the Grosse Pointe Theatre's presentation of "Grease." The dinner cost is \$19.95 and brunch is at 11:30 a.m. for \$15.95. Children 8 and under pay \$7.95.

Wheel & Deal, 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, May 15 — Admission is free to the outdoor flea market. Food and beverages are available.

### Looking ahead:

**Community Celebration Day**, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Sunday, May 23 — The celebration of the 100th anniversary of the historic Alger House continues. The free family event features musical entertainment from Baldock Mountain Ramblers, Grosse Pointe Symphony Orchestra flute ensemble, Planet D Nonet and children's activities. Grosse Pointe Theatre members por-

tray historical figures. Alger House tours, antique cars and food are included in the event.

**Memorial Day service**, 10 a.m., Monday, May 31 — Major General Kurt Stein gives the address. Music is provided by Joe Armijo and Dave Pas, The Forum Shoppers and bagpiper Mary Beth Nicholson.

Summer camp sign-ups are under way. Call the War Memorial for a listing.

All classes are at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. There is lighted and free parking. To register, call (313) 881-7511 or visit warmemorial.org.

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9:00 am Musical Storytime  
9:30 am Pointes of Horticulture  
10:00 am Who's in the Kitchen?  
10:30 am Things to Do at the War Memorial  
11:00 am Out of the Ordinary  
11:30 am Senior Men's Club

### 12:00 pm Economic Club of Detroit

1:00 pm The Soc Show  
1:30 pm Great Lakes Log  
2:00 pm The John Prost Show  
2:30 pm Legal Insider  
3:00 pm Things to Do at the War Memorial  
3:30 pm Art & Design  
4:00 pm Vitality Plus (Tone)  
4:30 pm Musical Storytime  
5:00 pm In a Heartbeat  
5:30 pm The Soc Show  
6:00 pm Legal Insider  
7:00 pm Vitality Plus (Step/Kick Boxing)  
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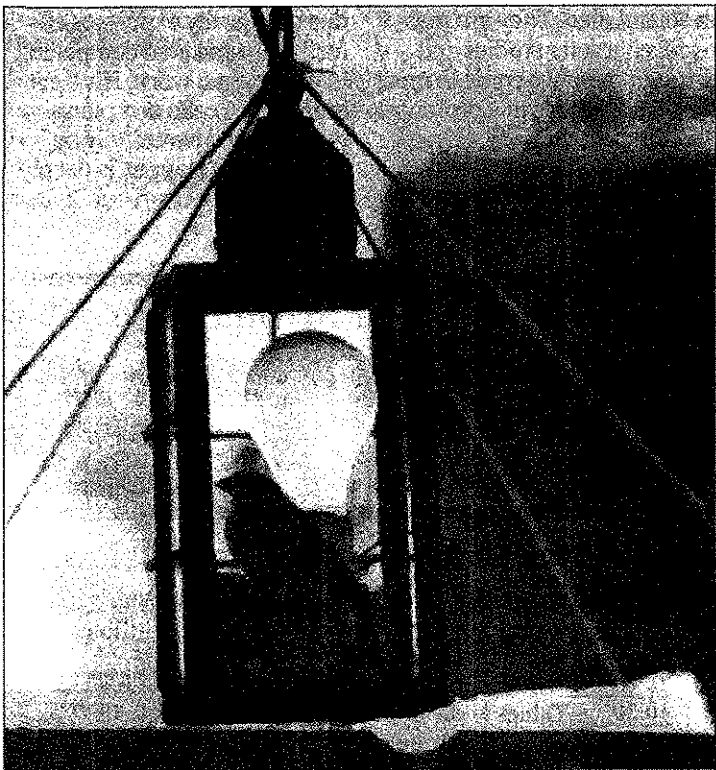
50 years ago this week

◆ **SCHOOL CENSUS TO START:** Census takers of the Grosse Pointe School District will begin their annual enumeration next week. Some 20 workers will visit all homes in the area during the last three weeks of May.

School officials anticipate the count will reveal further growth in the district. Last year's census found 63,211 persons residing in the five Pointe communities and the fraction of Harper Woods contained in the school district. Typical annual population gains in recent years have hovered around the 1000 mark.

◆ **CHILD APPROACHED BY STRANGE MAN:** A small girl was stopped by a man in a green and white Pontiac as she was walking on Neff between Charlevoix and Waterloo on her way to the Neighborhood Club, according to City police.

The man, described by the girl as looking like a popular TV star, pulled up beside her in his car and asked her if she would come over and talk to



FROM THE MAY 9, 1985 ISSUE OF THE GROSSE POINTE NEWS

1985: Hangin' in there

The Robert Callaway family of Fisher Road is growing by leaps and bounds — well better make that hops and flutters. The Callaway's porch light is made from an old ship's lantern and he recently removed a panel to repair the lamp. A young mother sparrow moved in, built a nest and laid three eggs. So far, one of the eggs has hatched. Concerned that the youngster might fall out, Callaway built a heavy-duty corrugated cardboard platform under the lantern, giving mama sparrow a wrap-around porch.

him. The girl walked faster.

When she was in front of the Neighborhood Club, he stopped again, said "Ha," and then drove off.

1985

25 years ago this week

◆ **PARK FORUM SEEKS SOLUTIONS TO CRIME:** Is there a significant crime problem in Grosse Pointe Park or is it only a perception held by some that crime in the city is rampant?

Speakers holding both views and some in between addressed an audience of more than 100 who gathered in Pierce School auditorium for a

public forum on crime prevention in the Park.

◆ **BANK THWARTS CON GAME:** Employees at a Manufacturer's National Bank branch office helped foil a pigeon drop and saved a Farms woman \$10,000 according to Woods police.

The woman was approached by two women who claimed to have found an envelope containing \$45,000.

After much discussion, the women decided to split the money, after each put up good-faith cash.

2000

10 years ago this week

◆ **SCHOOL CAMPUSES TO REMAIN OPEN:** "Out to lunch" will continue to be an acceptable phrase at Grosse Pointe North and South high schools. The Grosse Pointe Board of Education decided to keep the existing modified open campuses at lunchtime at both high schools.

2005

Five years ago this week

◆ **SUNRISE PRESSED ON-WARD IN CITY:** Sunrise Development, an international company that provides various degrees of assisted living, wants to construct senior-oriented condominiums in the Village business district.

The site in question consists mainly of the southern section of a City of Grosse Pointe parking lot south of Kercheval between residential neighborhoods on St. Clair and Neff. The lot also contains a cellular communications tower.

— Karen Fontanive

RELAY:

A reason to walk

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In June 2008, he was rushed to the ER due to some odd behavior caused by rapid swelling around his brain tumors. Little did we know he would never return home.

He was hospitalized in Grand Rapids, near my family's home. My husband and I spent the weekends with him.

The oncologist told us radiation therapy was his last and only hope. My family was on edge for days before being told the treatments did not work and he only had days to live. On July 8, 2008, he passed away, two days after my parent's 35th wedding anniversary. He was

58.

He will never meet his grandchildren, step inside of my first home or pet my new dog. As a family, we strive every day to keep his spirit alive in our homes and hearts.

No one should have to experience what we experienced or make the difficult decisions that we had to make. No one should ever see a family member suffer from a disease with no real cure.

No one should ever see their parent strapped to a hospital bed with a hospital-appointed "sitter" due to violent outbursts caused by their illness. No one should have to see the sparkle in their mother's eye go out because she had to bury her soul mate and life-long companion.

This is why I relay.

Jill Jarboe is with Phil's Five team.

CHAMBER:  
A melodic  
'Spoon River'

Continued from page 7B

kiss; cynical and bitter in "Widow McFarlane," and reverent and mystical in "Faith Matheny."

Bland sings them well, but, unfortunately, most of the words could not be understood, without the help of the written text. This was not the fault of the singer, whose words could be clearly discerned in other works she sang that afternoon.

The words of "Spoon River" inspired Ratner, just as the poems of various poets inspired Schubert, Richard Strauss and Gustav Mahler.

In his "Wayfare" for instance, Mahler often uses powerful orchestration, but the words are always understood, must be understood, provided the listener is familiar with the language being sung. It can be done. But not by treating the human voice merely as another instrument. In order for words to be understood, writing for the singer needs a different use of instrumentation and voice.

Ratner caught something special with his music. I wondered how it might be if an actor (male or female) declaimed the words instead of singing them. It might produce a potent effect and make this work

A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff



PHOTO BY VIRGINIA O. MCCOY

Mexican chorizo is on the left and soy chorizo on the right.

Mexican celebration  
includes queso fundido

Yesterday was Cinco de Mayo. I celebrated with queso fundido — baked cheese infused with chorizo, onions and poblano peppers.

We sampled the popular Mexican appetizer from four different restaurants in Mexican Town, where the appetizer is called queso flameado, among others. I created my own version combining the best of each.

Chorizo sausage is loaded with fat, so I turned to a soy chorizo to pair with the cheese and sauteed vegetables.

Queso Fundido  
A la Annie

- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 medium onion, halved and thinly sliced
- 1 poblano pepper, seeded and thinly sliced
- salt and pepper to taste
- 12 oz. queso fresco cheese
- 12 oz. package soy chorizo sausage

warmed tortillas (corn or flour) or corn chips for serving

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Heat the oil in a small no-stick skillet over medium heat. Add onion and poblano pepper and stir for 10 minutes or so, until the vegetables become soft and are just beginning to brown. Season with a touch of salt and pepper and scatter over the bottom of a medium greased baking dish. Crumble half the queso over the vegetables.

Crumble the chorizo (from the plastic casing) over the queso then top with the remaining queso.

Bake for 40 minutes, until bubbly and golden brown. Serve with warm tortillas or fresh corn chips.

I prepared queso fundido using both traditional chorizo (with all the fat and calories) and the healthy soy chorizo. Two separate tasting panels said the only difference was the extra grease in the baking dish. No flavor was compromised with the soy variety.

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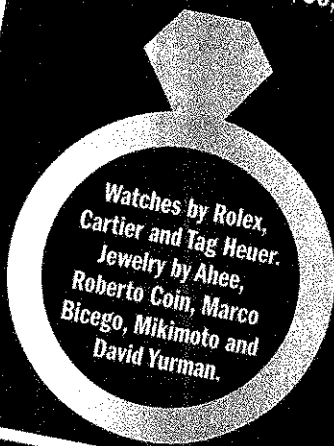
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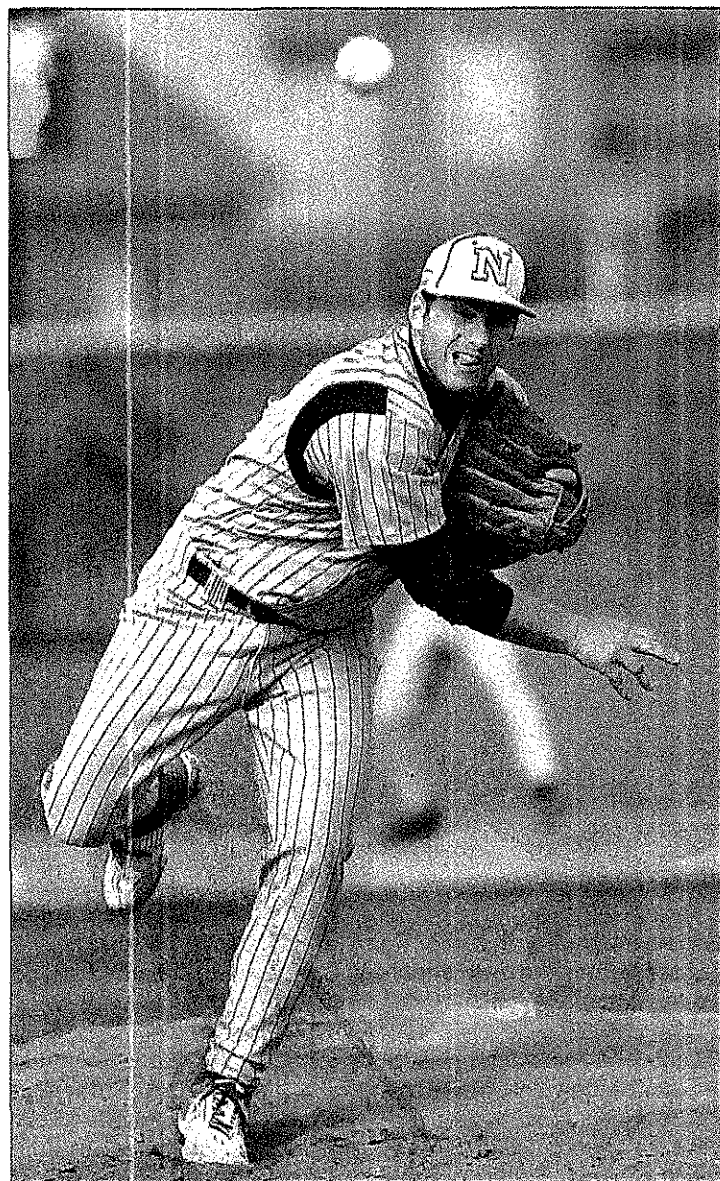
## Bragging rights

Local teams battled on the athletic fields for the city honors PAGE 2C

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## BASEBALL

## Norsemen repeat as tourney champions



Senior Marc Palazzolo earned the win when Grosse Pointe North beat host Macomb Dakota 8-5.

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's boys' baseball team repeated as Alpena Tournament champions last weekend, beating the host squad 5-1.

"The guys played some solid baseball during the tournament and defended our title," head coach Frank Sumbera said.

Junior Nolan Rozich pitched a complete-game five hitter, striking out five, to lead the Norsemen.

Offensively, junior Paul Kappaz was 2-for-3 with a double, while junior Jordan Ulmer drove in two runs. Other standouts were seniors Nate Lewis, Teddie Williams and Marc Palazzolo.

In the other tournament games, the Norsemen beat Rogers City 7-3 and previously unbeaten Escanaba 9-8 in eight innings.

In the first game, senior Josh Richardson tossed a two-hitter, striking out nine, to get the win.

Senior Brandon D'Agnese was 3-for-4 with a double and an RBI to lead the offense. Senior Tony Casano and sophomore Joe Aluia each had two hits and two RBIs.

Sumbera's squad relied on senior Nate Lewis' near perfect four and 1/3 innings of one-hit relief pitching to upend Escanaba.



Senior Tony Casano had plenty of hits during the Norsemen's five-win week.

Palazzolo was 2-for-3 with a double, two walks and two RBIs, while D'Agnese was 2-for-5 with three RBIs and senior Mitch Capp was 2-for-4 with a double and two RBIs.

The Norsemen opened division play last week, beating Utica Eisenhower 17-10 in 10 innings and Macomb Dakota 8-5.

The Norsemen scored four

runs in the top of the seventh inning to tie Eisenhower and exploded in the 10th inning to get the win.

Kappaz had four hits, including a two-run homer and three doubles, and drove in six runs to lead the offensive charge. Williams had four hits and three RBIs to go with Capp and Aluia's four hits apiece and three runs scored.

In the win over Dakota, Palazzolo fired a five-hitter to get the win, while junior Jim Guest was 3-for-4 to lead the offense.

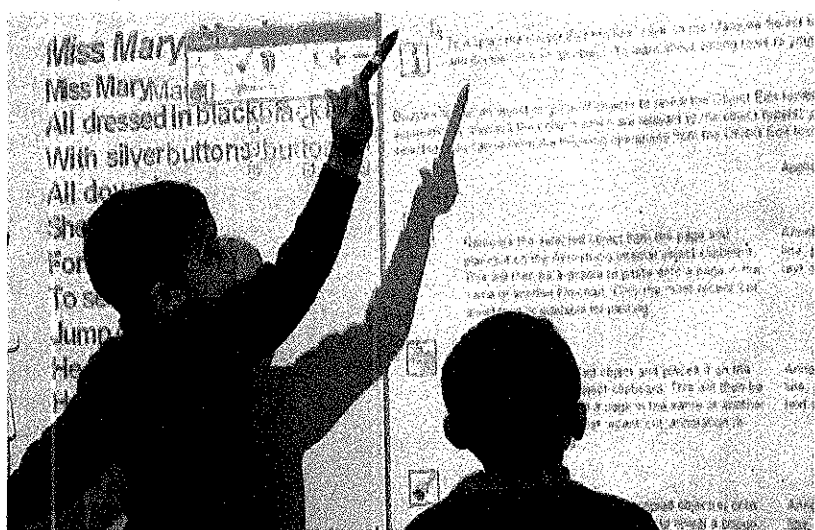
The Norsemen also played a nonleague game against Utica Ford, losing 9-5.

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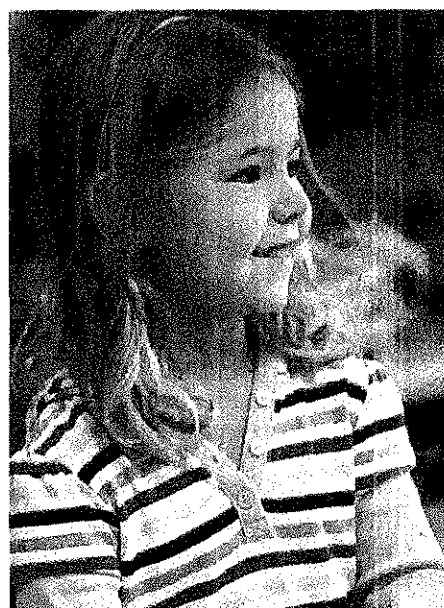
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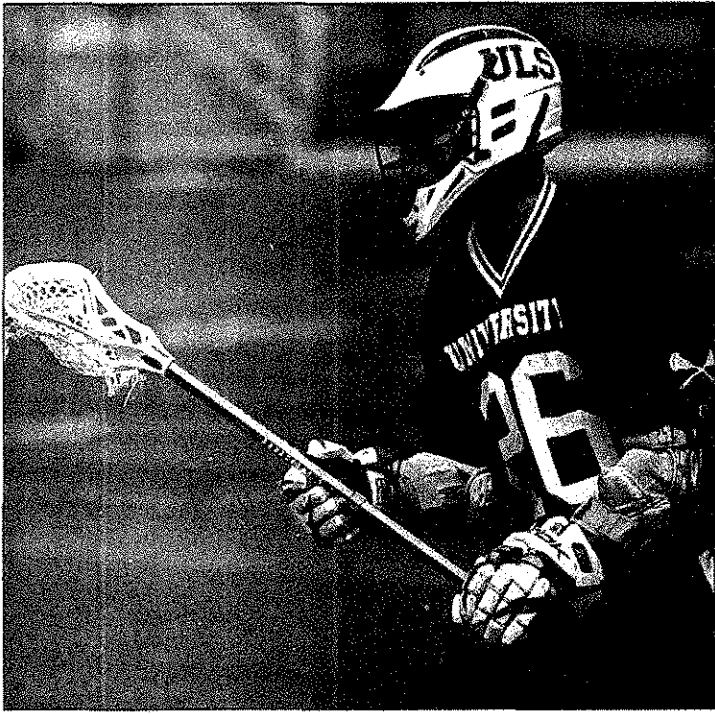
Rivalries

BOYS LACROSSE

South battles North, ULS

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's boys' lacrosse team evened the score last week, beating city rival Grosse Pointe South 10-7. Both teams won on the road. "This was nice considering South beat us a few weeks ago," North head coach Dan Preston said. "The guys played very well and this was a great game to watch with a lot of action." The visiting Norsemen jumped out to a 6-3 halftime lead, but the Blue Devils cut the deficit to 6-5 early in the third quarter. It was a 7-5 game entering the final quarter and remained close until the final horn



PHOTOS BY DANA KAISER

Liggett's Mac Decker had a goal in the Knights' loss to city rival Grosse Pointe South.

too much." In other action last week, North beat Sterling Heights Stevenson 16-2 and 18-2, while South beat L'Anse Creuse 14-1.

South vs. ULS

By John McTaggart  
Special Writer

It may not attract the crowd of a Friday night football game,

way, 7-2, with Blue Devils standouts Nelson (3 goals) and Morris (2 goals) leading the way. Goalie Jeffrey Blazoff was also stellar in the win.

"I thought our defense played really, really well," Wolford said. "Our biggest problem this year has been guys just sitting back and watching the ball. We didn't do a lot of that today. Our intensity has really improved from the beginning of the season to this point."

Despite the defeat, the Knights played well, Bartoy says.

"I really think we might have had some nerves out there today," Bartoy explained. "It's a big rivalry game and we're a young team. But, we still just weren't clicking on all cylinders today. The effort was there, though. It was there."

Standout senior Daniel Zukas scored one goal for the Knights, while fellow senior Mac Decker scored the second goal for the visitors.

"They've (Liggett) got a very good goalie (Rory Deane) and Dan Zukas is an outstanding player," Wolford said. "We knew we'd have to pay extra attention to them. I thought we did a good job neutralizing Zukas, and we got a few shots past their goalie, but it was a tough game."

"Teams key on Dan," Bartoy said. "We know this is going to happen. That's why it's important for the rest of the guys to step up."

With the rivalry in the books, both squads look toward the rest of the campaign.

"I want to see us move the ball a little bit quicker," Bartoy said. "The effort is there, but I just want to see more ball movement and for us to play the game at our pace, at our speed. That comes with experience and it's going to come. I know it."

Wolford hopes his Blue Devils will continue to fine-tune their game.

"We need to see more improvement in the things we've been doing," Wolford explained. "We run two sets now, and we would like to add another set with the same intensity. We just want to fine-tune things, and keep getting better."

Grosse Pointe North improved to 7-4 overall, while Grosse Pointe South stands 7-5 and Liggett is 3-2 after beating Ann Arbor Greenhills 17-11.

GIRLS SOCCER

Late goals lift South

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's girls' soccer team waited nearly one year to get its rematch with city rival Grosse Pointe North.

The teams met last year in the district playoffs and the Norsemen came away with a shootout victory.

"The girls were pumped up, ready to play," South head coach Gene Harkins said. "They always get up to play North."

The host Blue Devils were sky high, beating the Norsemen 2-0.

After a scoreless first half, sophomore Cathy Palazzolo scored at the 14:59 mark, giving the home team a 1-0 lead. Junior Nora Beierwaltes drew an assist.

Only three minutes later, the Blue Devils finished the scoring when senior Rae Sklarski tallied off an assist from junior Chelsea MacGriff.

In net, junior Joanna Manos and freshman Anastasia Diamond each played and stopped every shot that came their way.

"We are continuing to work on the offensive attacks from the midfield, to add depth to the young forwards," North head coach Jen Nadeau said. "We have improved in formulating a successful attack. Finishing the ball and keeping possession is what their goals are right now, along with team chemistry on the field."

"I thought we played very well and had more scoring chances," Harkins said. "We can't relax because the (Macomb Area Conference) Red Division is tough and we have another solid foe in Utica



PHOTOS BY DANA KAISER

Grosse Pointe South senior Rae Sklarski, background, and Grosse Pointe North senior Nikki Capizzo, No. 4, battle for possession of the ball.

Eisenhower to contend with."

Later in the week, South lost 2-0 to Utica Eisenhower, dipping its record to 1-2 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division and 3-4-3 overall.

Nadeau's squad played two games last week, losing a pair of 3-1 decisions to Sterling Heights Stevenson and Rochester Adams.

Lindsay Brown scored the Norsemen's goal in each game as North fell to 0-3 and 3-6.

Fundraiser game

On May 14, Grosse Pointe North will host Grosse Pointe South with breast cancer awareness leading the theme.

The varsity game starts at 7:30 p.m. as the Norsemen players will wear pink jerseys with a special honoree name on their left arm.

The honoree will be recognized by the specific player as one who has been battling breast cancer or any type of cancer or has fallen to the fight.

After the game, the honoree and family is invited to a special reception in the cafeteria.

The jerseys worn will be auctioned off to the highest bidder. All proceeds from the auction go directly to the VanEslander Cancer Center, breast cancer and general cancer fund.

The honorees and their families receive free admission that evening.

The Grosse Pointe North Athletic Booster Club will have several opportunities at the event for the community to donate to this cause. A portion of the proceeds from the admissions will also be donated to the cause.

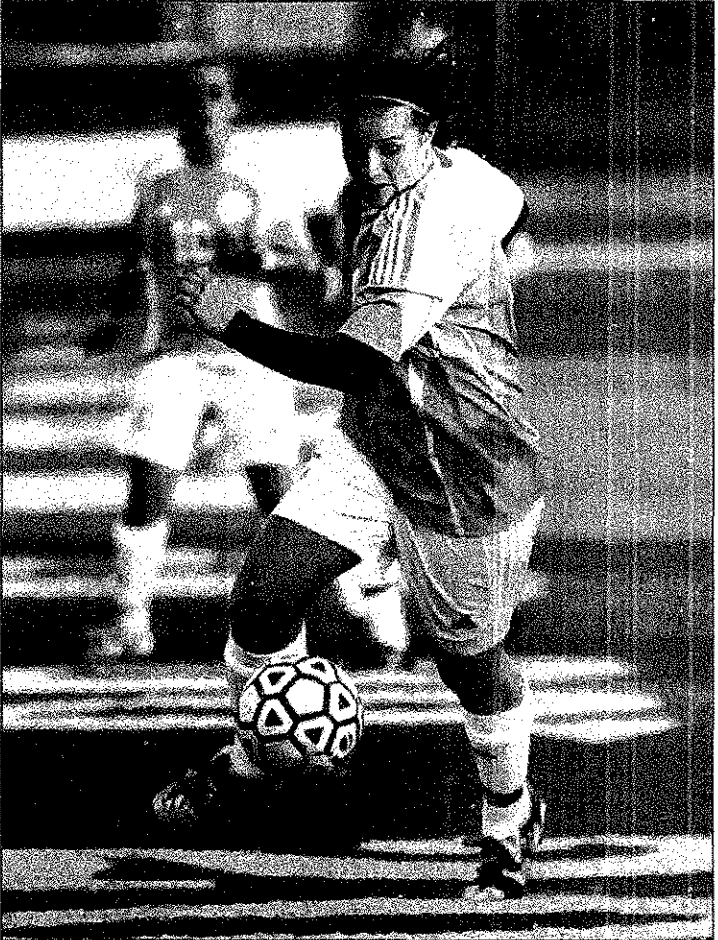
"We are hoping for a large turnout that evening," Nadeau said. "It is a great way for the community to come together and support a worthy cause."

"The GPN players are excited to participate in this inaugural event. The varsity team has participated in other events last season to raise money for noteworthy causes."

"But, this year, they wanted to show the community their support by honoring this fight with a soccer game against GP South."

"The GPN players will also be selling pink T-shirts, starting Wednesday, May 5, during lunches and after school to commemorate the evening. Proceeds will go the cause."

Call the North Athletic Department at (313) 432-3255 for more information.



Grosse Pointe South sophomore Cathy Palazzolo, left, scored the game-winning goal in the Blue Devils' 2-0 win over rival North.

LIGGETT

Counsman nets three

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

It had been a week between games, but that didn't slow down Liggett's girls' soccer team.

The visiting Knights used a senior Paige Counsman hat trick to beat Bloomfield Hills Roeper 3-1 at Ultimate Soccer in Pontiac.

"It's a nice facility and the girls had fun playing in that

venue," head coach David Dwaihy said. "Paige had a great game and it was nice to see three different girls assisting her goals."

Counsman's first tally came early in the first half, but Roeper came back shortly after to score and tie it.

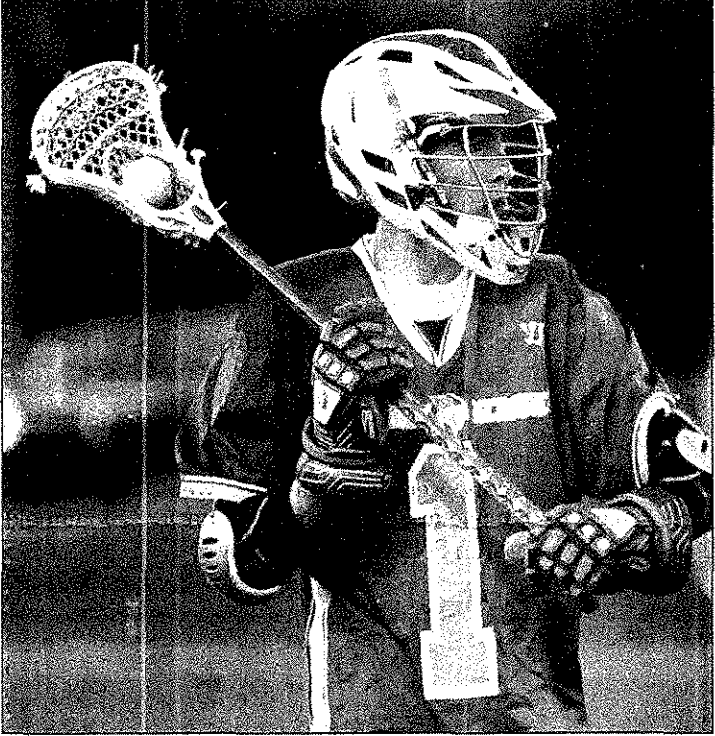
After that, the Knights dominated and took a 2-1 lead with Counsman's second goal found the back of the net.

She added an insurance goal

in the second half as the Knights had assists from sophomore Morgan Hutson, senior Hannah Baird and freshman Eleni Pitses.

Liggett improved to 3-2 overall and 2-1 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference.

"This was definitely a great effort by the girls and I think they're ready for a tough stretch of games we have in the next few weeks," Dwaihy said.



Grosse Pointe North's Jimmy Mattes put three shots into the back of South's net during the Norsemen's road win over the Blue Devils.

sounded. The Norsemen were able to get a near empty net goal with only three seconds left in the game.

North senior Jeremy Payton led all scorers with four goals. Senior Jim Mattes had three goals, while senior Matt Lucchese had two and junior Sean Seaman had one to round out the Norsemen's offensive output.

Defensively for the Norsemen, Jake Simon made 16 saves in net, while Troy Seeley, Dustin Baker, John Filippelli and J.D. Andrews were solid.

For the Blue Devils, Nick Diehl, Peter Nelson and Spencer Ray had two goals apiece with Jimmy Morris netting one.

"We didn't move our feet and it showed with not a good effort," South head coach Don Wolford said. "The games we played well, the guys moved their feet away from the ball and got into the offense, but the games we did not play well, like tonight, they stood around

nor is it as mainstream as basketball or baseball.

The truth is, however, that lacrosse is equally as demanding as the aforementioned games.

The game, steeped in tradition and wildly popular on the East Coast, combines athletic ability with strength, stamina and skill, and offers fans a fast-paced, exciting contest.

Some of the best lacrosse action can be found right in the Pointes and one of the areas best boys lacrosse rivalries is undoubtedly Grosse Pointe South versus Liggett.

"It's a great rivalry and has been for a while," Wolford. "It's really a lot of fun to be a part of something like this. It really is."

The two squared off last weekend at South.

"We knew we were in for a tough game," Liggett head coach Jon Bartoy said. "They're a good team and in rivalry games you know you're going to get the best of both teams."

The physical, defensive-minded contest went South's



Grosse Pointe South goalie Jeff Blazoff makes a save against Liggett's Dan Zukas. Blazoff was one of the main stars in the Blue Devils' win.



## Golf

## NORTH VS. SOUTH

# Lochmoor hosts Challenge Cup May 10

The annual Grosse Pointe South versus Grosse Pointe North Challenge Cup is ready to tee up.

The fourth annual Challenge Cup benefits the athletic departments at both Grosse Pointe-area high schools.

This year's Challenge Cup is Monday, May 10, at Lochmoor Club, and pits golfing parents from each school against each other.

While the ultimate goal is to raise funds — some \$40,000 has been distributed to each school, thanks to this event — the “real” trophy is bragging rights to see which booster club can field the best top six teams. South remains undefeated.

“This is a joint effort between the two schools, local businesses and most importantly, our booster clubs,” said Grosse Pointe North club president Bill Doetsch. “Both clubs donate 100 percent of cup profits to their respective school's athletic programs. It is like its own ‘stimulus pack-



FILE PHOTO

Last year's competitors in the Challenge Cup enjoyed a successful third season of friendly rivalry. This is the fourth year and South is 3-0.

age.”

Monies come from team participation, auction items and community support. This year's major sponsors include Wells Fargo Bank, National Coney Island, Kapnick Insurance, BDO Seidman LLC and Honigman, Miller

Schwartz and Cohen.

“Sponsorship levels from the community are close to that of last year, which in this economy is very heartwarming,” said Suzanne Conroy, Grosse Pointe South's incoming president. “As boosters, we recognize the importance of

athletics in our student's lives, and that the business community continues its support of this event validates our efforts.”

Auction highlights include a one-year membership at The Huntsman Club; premium seats at the new University of

Michigan stadium; a Boyne Highlands vacation condo; free pizza for a year from Hungry Howie's; Tiger “Den” tickets; reserved front-row seats for each school's commencement exercises; and reserved premium seats at the annual North-South football

game.

There is also a table of silent auction items available.

Tickets are available for the dinner and auction. For those interested in attending, contact Suzanne Conroy at (313) 884-0986.

—Dutch Mandel

## NORTH VS. SOUTH

## South sweeps North; inches closer to title

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

On a quiet, warm spring afternoon on Lochmoor Club's front nine, Grosse Pointe South's boys' golf team beat city rival Grosse Pointe North 155-162.

“It was a great day for golf, but we didn't get the results we wanted,” North head coach Brian Stackpoole said.

With the win, the Blue Devils swept the regular-season series with the host Norsemen and inched closer to winning the Macomb Area Conference Red Division dual meet championship.

“The guys shot some good rounds today,” South head coach Rob McIntyre said. “If we win out, we will win the division title.”

For the Blue Devils, Evan Inger was the medalist, shooting a 37. Geoff Welscher and Matt Taflinger each had a 39 for the winning squad.

For the Norsemen, Jon Freismuth had a 39. He was followed by Eric Sandmeir with a 40, Zach Hanna with a 41 and Alex Plomaritis with a 42.

In other division action, North lost 152-156 to Utica Ford and beat Romeo 151-162 to stand 3-3 in the Red Division.

Freismuth had a 36, while Hanna and Sandmeir each shot a 39 against Ford. Sandmeir had a 35 in the win. In that match, Hanna and Freismuth each posted a 38.

South improved to 5-1 in the division with a 151-159 victory over Utica Eisenhower. Matt Temrowski led the team with a 36 and was followed by Tommy Pandy with a 37 and Inger with a 38.

The highlight of the week was Inger drilling a hole-in-one on Detroit Golf Club's South Course hole No. 9.

More than a dozen golfers and coaches were close to the



PHOTO BY MARK WRIGHT

Grosse Pointe South's Tommy Pandy has been a steady force for the Blue Devils' golf team this spring.

green when the ball slowly rolled into the middle of the cup.

“What a great shot with a lot of people standing around and watching Evan,” McIntyre

said. “It was the best time to get an ace.”

Inger's ace came in the U-D Jesuit Invitational in which the Blue Devils posted a 305, which was in the top 10.

## LIGGETT

## Knights salvage split

Liggett's boys' golf team split its matches last week, beating Warren Macomb Christian 186-226 and losing 169-186 to Ann Arbor Greenhills.

Head coach Dan Sullivan and his squad of 11 underclassmen have held its own,

standing 2-3 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference.

“We're going to get better, but it will take some time,” Sullivan said during an interview earlier this season.

The Knights are led by juniors Ian Quinlan and Morgan

Walker; sophomores Boris Canzano, Chris Monsour, Caleb Ninivaggi, Robert Stanley and Austin Petitpren; and freshmen Matt Ninivaggi, Alec Petitpren, Mike Shields and Jake Soyka.

—Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

## Girls tennis

## RIVALS

## Liggett beats North in friendly rivalry

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Liggett's girls' tennis team got the upper hand in its city rivalry with Grosse Pointe North last week, winning 7-1.

“Our girls are playing with a lot of confidence right now,” Liggett head coach Cathy Hackenberger said. “This is a nice win for us.”

“Our matches with Liggett have been close in recent years and this time around our girls played well, but lost some tough games,” North head coach Matt Eszes said.

The Knights won three of the four singles.

Senior Morgan Ellis won 7-5, 6-1 over sophomore Holly Gilezan, while junior Medea Shandize beat senior Kim Woods 7-5, 7-5 and senior Sophie Mair defeated senior Emily Biegas 6-1, 7-5.

The Norsemen's lone win was freshman Ali Scoggin, who beat senior Paige Counsman 6-3, 6-2.

At No. 1 doubles, sophomores Emily Broder and

Madeline Mair beat sophomores Alyse Victor and Kelsey Richards 6-1, 6-1, while at No. 2 doubles, senior Sarah Pollick and junior Jasmine Policherla defeated juniors Sarah Warnez and Kiera Maloney 4-6, 6-3, 6-1.

The Knights also swept the final two doubles matches as juniors Carolyn Charbonier and Mary Nehra beat junior Maura Bresser and sophomore Erin McCarthy 6-4, 6-2 and junior Nimet Williams and sophomore Meghan Berkery beat junior Natalie Rusinow and senior Kim Cooper 7-5, 6-3.

In other action last week, the Norsemen lost 5-3 to host Grosse Ile as Victor and Richards earned their first win of the season at No. 1 doubles.

Other winners were the No. 3 doubles team of Bresser and McCarthy and the No. 4 doubles squad of Cooper and Rusinow.

Eszes said Scoggin played well, but lost 6-2, 6-4 and Woods pushed her foe to a third set tiebreaker before los-

ing.

Last weekend, the Norsemen hosted Bloomfield Hills Andover, Warren Cousino, and North Farmington in its annual spring invitational.

The home team lost 7-1 to North Farmington, 8-0 to Andover and tied Cousino 4-4, dropping to 1-9-1 overall.

Against North Farmington, Gilezan won 6-4, 6-4 at No. 4 singles, and she beat Cousino's Weronika Jaworski 6-1, 6-0.

Woods won in straight sets; 6-0, 6-, to round out the Norsemen's singles matches.

Eszes also watched two of his four doubles teams win. Richards and Victor won 6-3, 3-6 (10-2) at No. 1 doubles and Cooper and senior Lydia Fuller won 7-5, 6-4 at the No. 4 flight.

Liggett also played last weekend, losing 6-2 to Bloomfield Hills Academy of the Sacred Heart, falling to 2-2 overall.

Counsman beat Jessica Davis 3-6, 7-6 (8-6), 7-5 at No. 1 singles and Ellis defeated Heidi Lemon 7-6 (7-4), 6-2 at No. 4 singles.

## GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

## Blue Devils ranked No. 4

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's girls' tennis team took second in last weekend's rain-delayed Ann Arbor Pioneer Invitational.

The host team won it with 17 points and South was right there, finishing with 15 points.

“I had a lot of fun coaching the girls in the invitational,” head coach Mark Sobieralski said. “The girls really played well and played very well against some of the best teams in the state. It was a good confidence builder.”

Emma Hyde was the only Blue Devil to win a flight, taking the No. 2 singles top spot. The other singles players, Julie Wittwer, Emily Lynch and E.A. Kennedy played well, too.

The Blue Devils' doubles teams that won multiple matches were Carla Schmidt and Cecelie Uldbjerg; Amelia Boccaccio and Courtney Nestor; and Carrie Lynch and Clare Brennan.

“We were in the running for



FILE PHOTO

Julie Wittwer is playing well at No. 1 singles for Grosse Pointe South's girls' tennis team.

first place the entire tournament,” Sobieralski said. “It was a long day with the rain delays, but well worth it since our girls played some solid tennis.”

Earlier in the week, the Blue Devils faced nonleague competitors Birmingham Detroit Country Day and Farmington Hills Mercy.

They lost 6-3 to the

Yellowjackets, ranked No. 1 in Division 3, and beat the Marlins 7-1.

“We held our own against a very good Country Day team and it was nice for our girls to face that level of tennis,” Sobieralski said.

South stands 8-1 overall and hosts the MAC Red Division Tournament May 11.



Baseball

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH



Senior Bobby Peltz pitched well in South's division-opening win over Sterling Heights Stevenson.

PHOTO BY DANA KAISER

Blue Devils use big inning to beat SC

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's boys' baseball team used a 10-run third inning to beat previously unbeaten St. Clair, 10-6, last week.

The host Blue Devils trailed 6-0 heading into its at-bat in the bottom of the third, but 25 minutes later walked onto the diamond to play defense with a 10-6 advantage.

The Blue Devils used an array of weapons, including a perfectly executed suicide squeeze bunt and a long home run off the bat of Brad Remillet.

"After getting down 6-0, we didn't fold," head coach Dan Griesbaum said. "I told the guys anything can happen. Everything came into place tonight and we beat a good St. Clair team that came into the game ranked in Division 2 and unbeaten. It's a nice win."

Joe Aliotta earned the win, pitching five innings of relief and did not yield a run. Ross

Muniga, Alex Koski, Matt Reno, Billy Mestdagh, Corbet Conroy, Pat Kennedy came up with big hits in that 10-run explosion. In addition, Tim Kramer and Andrew Lejdzia reached base on errors and Charlie Getz walked.

The big blow in the inning came when Brad Remillet hit a monster three-run homer over the centerfield fence.

In the final four innings, Aliotta had the Saints' hitters off balance, giving up only four hits, and the Blue Devils played flawless defense, including Kennedy who made several plays at third.

Earlier in the week, the Blue Devils opened division play with wins over Sterling Heights Stevenson, 6-3, and Utica Eisenhower, 8-7.

"The guys played very well and earned a couple of tough wins," Griesbaum said.

Senior Bobby Peltz was on his game against the Titans, earning the win, giving up only three hits with four strikeouts in five innings of work. Senior

Chris Shirar pitched the final two innings, picking up the save.

Senior Karl Brecht was 2-for-3 with a homer and three RBIs and Aliotta was 2-for-2 with a double and two RBIs. Karl Brecht led the team with a single and a two-run homer, while Carmen Benedetti and Shirar chipped in with key hits.

The visiting Blue Devils had to come from behind once again to beat the Eagles. Matt Reno scored on an error in the top of the seventh inning to score the winning run.

Cooper Hartman earned the win, pitching the final three innings, and had plenty of help from Shirar, who belted a three-run home run in the third inning to tie it 3-3.

Other standouts were Muniga, who doubled in Getz, while Remillet and Benedetti had two hits apiece.

With the wins, South extended its winning streak to seven games and improved to 2-0 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division and 10-5 overall.

LIGGETT

Knights split

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Liggett's boys' baseball team split its league games last week, losing 6-2 to Southfield Christian and beating Ann Arbor Greenhills 17-1.

In the defeat, junior Joe Simon took the loss, giving up all six runs. Junior Nate Weiss came in to shut out Southfield Christian in a relief role, but it wasn't enough to prevent the loss.

Junior Dominic Jamett was 2-for-2 with a double and Simon had a double.

"Joe didn't have his 'A' game on the mound and he was the first to admit it," head coach Dan Cimini said. "He bounced back, as did the team, which was nice to see because we actually hit the ball pretty well in the final few innings in the loss and kept it going against

Greenhills."

Junior Mitch Gatzke earned the win against Greenhills, pitching the second and third innings.

Offensively, senior Mark Ghafari, Jamett and Simon had three hits and three RBIs apiece, while senior Joey Shannon had two hits.

Everyone in the lineup had at least one hit, including freshmen Nate Gaggin, Mark Auk and Connon Fannon.

On Monday afternoon, the Knights lost 5-2 to defending Division 1 state champ Warren DeLaSalle.

"We were right there against the defending state champs," Cimini said. "Our kids played well, but we just came up a little short in the end."

The Knights dropped to 8-4 overall and 4-2 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference.



Skippy Faber is having a solid season on the mound and at the plate for the Knights' baseball team.

PHOTO BY RENATO JAMETT

Softball

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH



PHOTO BY DANA KAISER

Victorious

After getting off to a slow start, the Grosse Pointe South girls' softball team is in the win column, beating Warren Lincoln 7-1 last week. Emily Wybo had a couple of hits, including a double, and Kelsey Whitney blasted a long double to lead the Blue Devils.

In addition to timely hitting, the Blue Devils' defense was anchored by Emma Maniere, left. Earlier in the week, the Blue Devils lost 7-3 to Warren Mott and 6-1 to L'Anse Creuse to stand at 1-2 in the Macomb Area Conference Blue Division and 1-10 overall.

LIGGETT

DeRoo's HR lifts Knights

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

With one mighty swing, freshman Julia DeRoo hit a tape-measuring three-run homer that propelled Liggett's girls' softball team past host Lutheran Westland, 12-11, last week.

"Julia's ball left her bat on a rope, nine feet off the ground, was in the outfield at nine feet off the ground and clearly made over the fence at nine

feet off the ground," head coach Ted Alpert said. "In all my years of coaching, I haven't seen a ball hit that hard and that far. It was an incredible shot."

The Knights entered the seventh inning trailing 11-6, but after DeRoo's homer, had grabbed a one-run lead.

Junior Kinaya Smith led-off the top of the seventh inning with a walk, stole second base and scored when freshman Amber Baldwin singled.

Junior Carrie Chouinard grounded out to short, advancing Baldwin to second. Sophomore Sloane Klene grounded out, leaving the Knights one out from defeat.

Junior Jess Bandos walked and freshman Courtney Slabaugh delivered a big run-scoring single to make it 11-8. Bandos scored on freshman Colleen Klimek's single, setting the stage for DeRoo.

In the bottom of the seventh, Bandos made a game-ending

unassisted double play. She caught a line drive at second and tagged the advancing runner.

Two days later, the Knights made it two wins in a row, blasting Plymouth Christian Academy 19-9.

Smith drove in the final two runs to end the game via the mercy rule.

With the wins, Liggett improved to 3-2 overall and in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen on a learning curve

By John McTaggart  
Special Writer

Grosse Pointe North's girls' softball players spent the opening weekend of May dodging showers and thunderstorms at

the Michigan Stars Softball Tournament, but despite the soggy weather, head coach Bill Taylor said the experience is a valuable one.

"These tournaments are always a good thing," Taylor ex-

plained. "It gives you a chance to play a lot of young players, and it lets the team get out there and see a lot of different teams and players. These tournaments are important."

More so than the outcomes of each game, the experience is what matters, Taylor says.

"Sure, you want to play well," the coach said. "But it's more than that."

North got to play three games over the course of the rain-shortened tournament, dropping the first two games before wrapping up the day with a win.

Taylor pointed out the stellar play of Shelly Perna and Amy Zaranek, in particular.

Taylor admits, the Norsemen are a work-in-progress, improving day-to-day and getting a better grasp on the subtleties of the game.

"We are getting to be a better team," he said. "I can see us getting more comfortable and that's what I want to see."

Getting comfortable with the game is certain to be a crucial part of North's hopes to contend in the Macomb Area Conference White division.

"I think we've got a good division this year," Taylor said. "Right now, we're 1-1 in the division and I'm hoping we continue this. We're shooting for .500, but hoping to do better even than that."

St. Clair, Utica and Marine City seem early favorites in the White, with North, Lake Shore and Ford II hoping to sneak in to the mix.

"I like how we're hitting, and I think we've got good pitching," Taylor said. "We need to cut down on unearned runs, though. We're just giving up too many. Basically, we're good defensively, but we just still have some things to work on."

Tightening the defense up is all a part of the improvement process some teams go through as the season wears on - North appears to be one of these clubs.

"This team is learning and improving," the coach added. "We have some more learning to do and more improving too, but we're getting there."

North stands 3-8 overall after dropping a tough 3-2 game Monday afternoon to Lake Shore.

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## Girls lacrosse

## GROSSE POINTE NORTH

## North rocks

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Head coach Bill Seaman knew this would be a tough week for his Grosse Pointe North girls' lacrosse team.

It hosted three Oakland County teams, Livonia Ladywood, Troy and North Farmington.

"If we can hold our own in these games, then I think we will be ready for a nice run in the second half," he said.

Seaman couldn't be happier since the Norsemen finished the three-game home stand 2-0-1, beating Ladywood 17-9 and North Farmington 19-5, and tying Troy 13-13.

Against Ladywood, senior Molly Youngblood had five goals with junior Mackenzie Seaman and senior Hannah Everett scoring four goals apiece.

Juniors Meghan Williams and Sam Capizzo rounded out the scoring with two goals apiece.

They had no trouble blasting a solid North Farmington team.

The Norsemen built a 12-0 halftime lead and cruised in the final 25 minutes.

Youngblood had a team-high six goals, followed by senior Laura Thibault with three, Seaman with three and Everett with two. Scoring one goal were juniors Taylor Moody, Madeline Lacey and

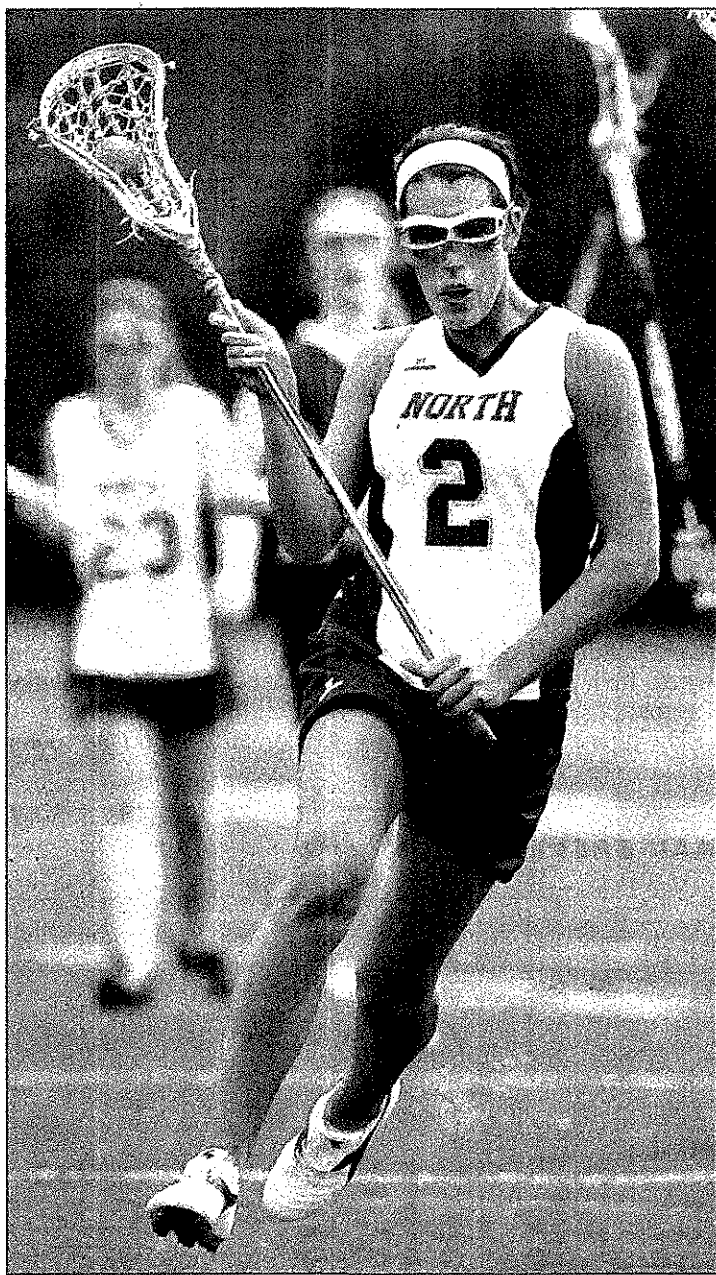


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**Junior Sam Capizzo was stellar on face-offs during the Norsemen's destruction of North Farmington.**

Lauren Annas.

Seaman was worried about an explosive Troy team pouring in goals. The Norsemen defense played well and the offense had just enough

strength to forge the tie.

Once again Youngblood led the team with six goals. Seaman had four and Everett had three as North improved to 6-2-1 overall.

## Track and field

## GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

## Ladies win in Algonac

The Grosse Pointe South girls track team raced to its second major invitational championship in as many weeks, establishing seven new meet and school records in the process.

In the past three weeks, the Blue Devils have broken 25 school and meet records.

Last weekend, the Blue Devils' 102 points at Algonac placed it well ahead of previously unbeaten teams Dearborn Divine Child, Macomb Dakota, Rochester Adams, Rochester, Rochester Hills Stony Creek, Farmington Hills Harrison and Chippewa Valley.

South sprinters, distance runners and jumpers were at the top of their game.

Highlighting the meet was the South school record 100-yard dash sprint by sophomore Caitlin Moore. Her time of 12.4 seconds broke the 1989 record of 12.5 held by Traci Lee.

The Blue Devils' pole vaulters established a new vault relay mark as the combined total of Madi Kaiser, Harper Pizzimenti and Sydney Burke equaled 23-feet, 6-inches.

The most incredible performance of the meet came from freshman Hannah Meier. Competing in four relays, she helped lead her teams to four victories and three new records.

"Hannah had one of the most remarkable days I have ever seen," head coach Steve Zaranek said. "From the 400-

yard dash to the 3,200-yard run, Meier handled the races, the competition and the elements with amazing focus."

Meier covered the 400-yard dash in 56 seconds, the 800-yard run in 2:16 and the 3,200-yard run in 10:47. She also was the overall first-place finisher in the 1,600-yard cross country run.

Meier teamed up with Margaret Levasseur, Kelly Langton and Christina Firl to win the 8,000 long distance relay, establishing both meet and school records with a time of 27:23.

Meier, Firl, Levasseur and Haley Meier teamed up one hour later to win the 3,200-yard relay also breaking the meet record and lowering the school record mark to 9:31.

Firl, Levasseur and Meier teamed up one more time to win the 3 x 1,600 off track (cross country style) run. Meier and Firl went 1-2 in the race followed by Levasseur's seventh-place finish in the 45-runner field.

In the final event of the day, Meier teamed with Kathleen Nelson, Andrea DiCresce and Ali DeLoof to win the 1,600 (4x400) relay. Meier's split time of 56 seconds was the fastest ever recorded for a South runner.

The wins continued to roll in the sprint events. The Blue Devils' 800-yard sprint relay team of Moore, Katie Raymond, Marissa Monforton and Amanda Ray won the event over favored Divine

Child and Adams with a season-best performance of 1:47.3.

Moore, Raymond, Ray and Firl came back to win the host schools sprint "Rat" relay in a record time of 3:09.

"We had so many outstanding efforts that spanned such a wide variety of events," Zaranek said. "Christina Firl, Caitlin Moore, Katie Raymond, Cara and Marissa Monforton, Amanda Ray, Margaret Levasseur and Veronica Schacht — just to name a few. The versatility they provided was the primary reason for our success."

Other relays that gave South point-producing results included the shuttle hurdle team of Alexis DeBrunner, Cara and Marissa Monforton and Schacht; the 4 X 100 sprint team of Moore, Raymond, Schacht and Ray ran a season best 51.3 to take second; and the high jump and long jump teams both medaled with season best performances and included Andrea DiCresce, Aubryn Samaroo, Allie Fowler, DeBrunner and the Monforton sisters.

"What was so evident about our depth is that we were able to rest several of our key runners and still produce a championship," Zaranek said. "We now look forward to two 'regional' format meets that will lead us to the State Regional in three weeks."

South, currently 4-0 in dual meets, hosts the state regional Friday, May 21.



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**Grosse Pointe South 4 X 200-yard relay team of, from left, Marissa Monforton, Amanda Ray, Caitlin Moore and Katie Raymond, was one of six victorious relays and instrumental in helping set seven new meet and school records.**

## GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

## Palms' four goals lead to victory over CHSL foe

Grosse Pointe South's girls' lacrosse team evened its record at 4-4 last week after beating Farmington Hills Mercy 14-4.

The Blue Devils relied on an airtight defense that allowed only 12 shots on rookie goalie Bailey Rist and an offense that rediscovered the passing game that had been absent.

Katherine Palms led the attack with four goals and Melanie Parke added a hat trick. Hannah Doyle, Libby Griffith and Molly Mecke added two goals apiece and Shannon Burke had one tally.

Though the stats didn't show it, Burke played her best game of the season, helping the Blue Devils' control the ground and transition game.

Haley Altshuler stepped up defensively as the visitors jumped out to a 3-0 lead on goals by Palms, Parke and Doyle.

They had a 4-0 lead before Mercy scored three unanswered goals to cut it to 4-3 late in the opening half. On the fourth goal, defenseman Torie Palffy started the rush up field with an outlet pass to Parke, who dished to Palms who scored.

The Blue Devils were able to add two goals to double Mercy, 6-3, heading into intermission.

Griffith's goal made it 7-3 early in the second half and the route was on as Lindsey Thibodeau's passing helped the visitors tack on several more tallies to put the Marlins

away.

The Blue Devils needed the momentum as it headed to Culver Academy in Indiana for a tournament last weekend.

The Blue Devils couldn't sustain the mojo, losing 7-4 to Barrington and 8-7 to Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood.

Rist stopped 28 Barrington shots and the defense in front of her was led by Palffy and Altshuler.

Offensive standouts were Burke and Jenna Morris.

Against Cranbrook Kingswood, Doyle, Elizabeth Clem and Thibodeau scored goals with Palms netting four assists.

South returned home 4-6 overall.

## LIGGETT

## Almost

Liggett's girls' lacrosse team had a 6-5 halftime lead of its home game last week against Toledo Notre Dame Academy. It was tight and well played, but in the end the Knights' first win went up in smoke after Notre Dame Academy scored with two seconds left in the game to win 12-11. "It was a valiant effort by the Knights," head coach Tamara Fobare said. "Defense was key in creating turnovers." Maggie Zinkel led the team with four goals with Nozomi Yamasaki and Anne Sullivan netting two tallies apiece. Natalie Boll, Abby Belcrest and Chandler Warren also scored as the Knights dropped to 0-6 overall. Pictured right is Ai Yamasaki.

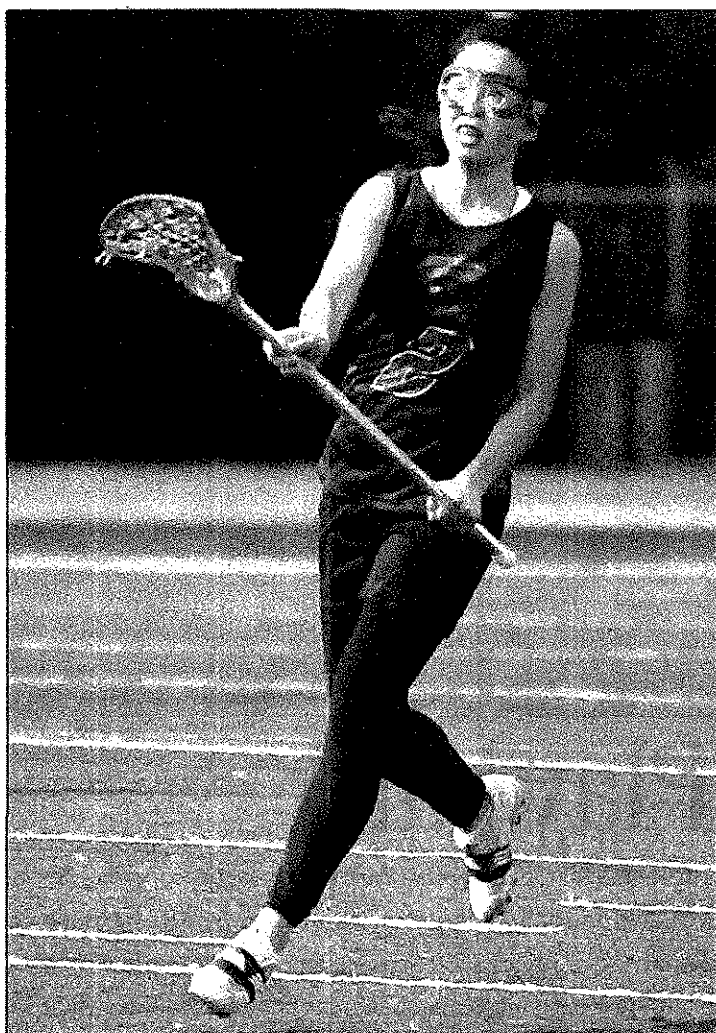


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## GROSSE POINTE NORTH

## Norsemen boys, girls fall shy to Eisenhower

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's girls' and boys' track and field teams took it on the chin last week, losing 73-64 and 84-52, respectively, to Utica Eisenhower.

For the girls, senior sHaley Abessinio and Aretha Frazier took first and second in the long jump, posting marks of 14-feet, 8 7/8-inches, and 14-feet, 5 7/8-inches, and senior Chrissy Hess was third in the high jump, clearing 4-feet, 6-inches.

In the shot put, senior Kayla Womack continued her solid season, winning the event with a throw of 30-feet. Junior Natasha Gilbert and freshman Anajai Gutierrez also earned points, taking second and third with throws of 29-feet, 6-inches, and 29-feet, 4-inches, which was a personal best.

Gilbert was second in the discus with a toss of 71-feet, 7-inches, and junior Alesia Alexander was third with a

throw of 70-feet, 1-inch.

In the 100-hurdles, senior Krystal Bush won with a time of 16.99 and Gutierrez was third at 19.03, and Frazier was able to capture third place in the 100-dash, posting a time of 13.76.

The Norsemen's 800-relay team of Frazier, Abessinio, freshman Taylor Lang and Womack won with a time of 1:53.74 and in the mile run, juniors Micaela Liddane and Kailley Sickmiller earned a second and third place with times of 5:50.33 and 6:01, respectively.

North's 400-relay squad of Frazier, Abessinio, Lang and Womack also placed second with a time of 53.57, while senior Kamille Hamzey won the 400-dash with a time of 1:06.17. She was less than a second ahead of Eisenhower's runner.

In the 300-hurdles, Bush and senior Zyanya Wright-Servais placed first and third, posting times of 50.03 and 52.0, while

senior Christina Embree was third in the 800-run with a time of 2:42.9.

Freshmen Allison Francis and Hailey Ferguson each had a personal record in the two-mile run, taking second and third with times of 13:08 and 13:56, respectively.

The Norsemen beat the Eagles in relay and hurdle points and were close in field event and distance points. However, the Eagles were able to squeeze out more points in the sprints and middle-distance events to win the meet.

For the boys, senior JeJuan Henderson won the high hurdles with a time of 16.6.

Other individual winners were Raphael Starks in the discus with a throw of 110-feet, 7-inches, and Shane Kurza in the pole vault, clearing 10-feet even.

The North boys' team fell to 0-2 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division and the girls evened the mark at 1-1.



Accolades

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Mager earns honor

Grosse Pointe South senior Alex Mager earned Michigan Hockey's 2010 Male Scholar-Athlete of the Year honor last month.

Mager was nominated by head coach, Fred Costello. In a letter to the award committee, Costello said, "As anyone could see from a look at his transcripts, Alex is an outstanding person in the classroom. Though our team requires a serious time commitment from each of our players, Alex always has been able to make time to put school first. He is highly self-motivated, both on and off the ice."

His mother, Lisa Mager, said, "Alex is an outstanding student-athlete and he does



PHOTO COURTESY OF LISA MAGER

Grosse Pointe South senior Alex Mager gets the job done between the pipes and in the classroom.

his best at school and on the ice. This is a nice honor for Alex."

In 30 games with the Sting, Mager has a 2.21 goals against average and a 94.2 percent save percentage. He led the Sting to first place in its division of the Little Caesar's Amateur Hockey League, thanks to posting 10 shutouts.

In the classroom, Mager is enrolled in five Advanced Placement courses and received a five, the highest score possible, on the AP chemistry exam during his junior year.

He plans to major in chemical engineering next year and has applied to the top engineering schools in Michigan, New York and Maryland.

GROSSE POINTE ACADEMY

Winter award honorees

The Grosse Pointe Academy athletic department announced the winner of the 2010 winter sports awards for the girls' and boys' middle school basketball teams.

For the boys' varsity basketball team, the award winners are eighth grader Josh Gray, most valuable player; seventh graders Jared Brush, Mac Carroll and R.J. McCarren and eighth grader Karstan Minanov, most improved; eighth grader Wade Penman, best team player; and eighth grader Andrew Cornwall, team bulldog. Team captains were Josh Gray and Wade Penman.

The junior varsity award re-

cipients are sixth grader Ryan McWood and seventh grader Jack Weaver, most valuable players; sixth grader Christian Smith, most improved; seventh grader McCalla Mecke, best defensive player; and seventh grader Jonathan Montgomery, team bulldog.

The awards for the girls' basketball team went to sixth grader Emma Andreasen, most valuable player; sixth grader Sara Anthony, most improved; and fifth grader Jyena Jones, team bulldog.

After each sports season, The Grosse Pointe Academy announces the team that has the highest percentage of scholar athletes on its roster.

This winter the winning team was boys' junior varsity with 85 percent of the players making the honor roll, carrying a grade point average of 3.25 or higher, or the high honor roll, carrying a grade point average of 3.75 or higher.

Awards were also given to Blue Crew members who helped out with concessions, scoreboard, photography, signage and general school spirit.

Honors were given to fifth grader RaeAnne Woodman, golden crew member; fifth grader Antonina Cinnamon, sportsmanship; sixth grader Dominique Jackson, most improved; and fifth grader Megan McCarren, leadership.

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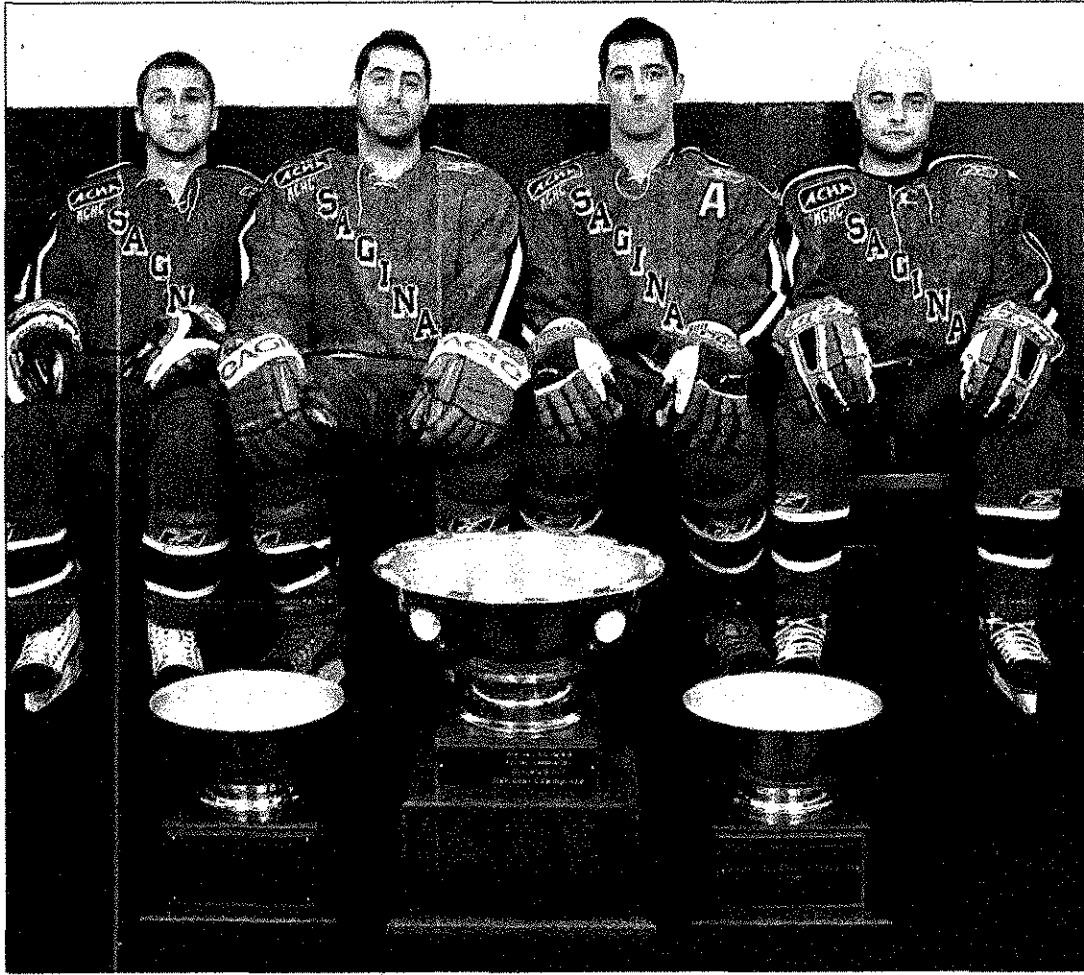


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Hometown heroes

Former Grosse Pointe North hockey players, from left, Brandon Cleary, Chris Tibaud, John Tibaud and Mike Lucchese, helped Saginaw Valley State University earn its second consecutive ACHA National Hockey Championship. This year the ACHA National Championships were held in Fort Myers, Florida from March 10 to 13. Saginaw Valley defeated five teams from across the country to win the national title.

AAU BASKETBALL

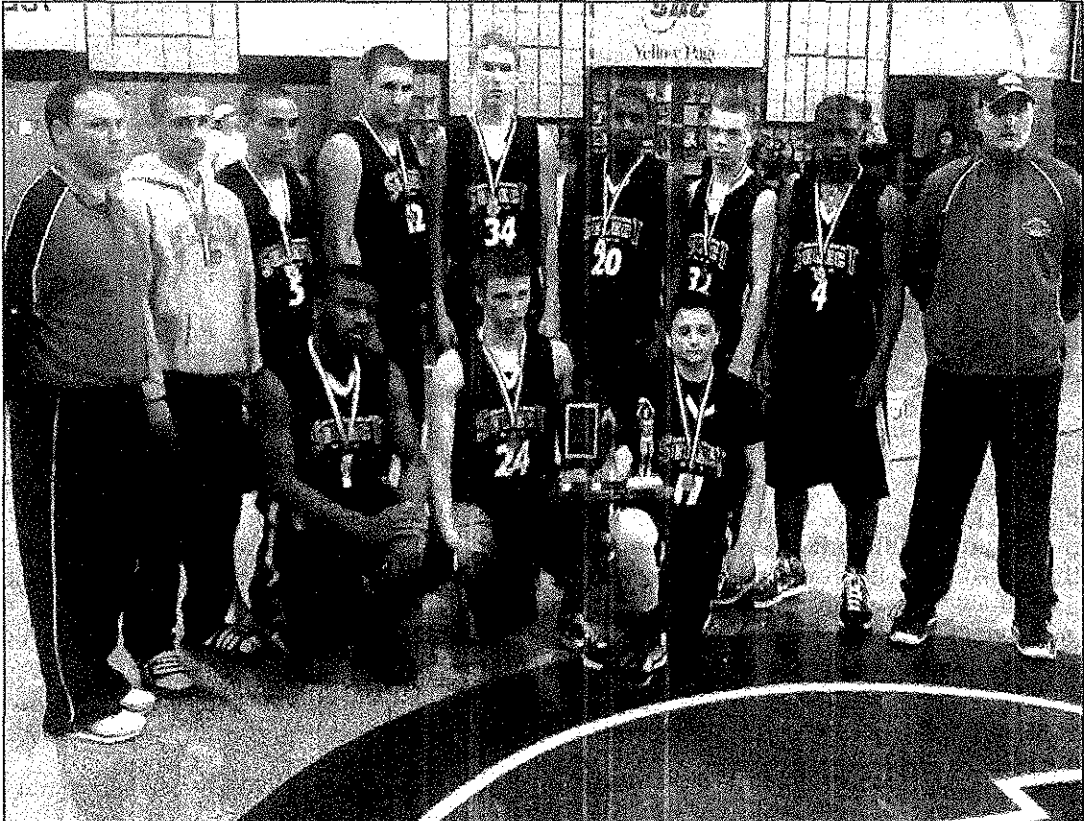


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Runner-up

Grosse Pointe Woods' Steve Benard coached his 15U Michigan BBC Select boys' basketball team to a second-place finish in the Division 1 AAU regional qualifying state tournament in early April. The team moved up to the Division-1 level after winning the 14U Division 2 Regional a year ago. In pool play, the team defeated the Southfield Transition 92-80 and lost to the Division-1 defending champs Detroit Super Friends 61-57. In bracket play later in the day, Benard's squad won big, 84-50, over Team Michigan. Next came a hard fought 66-57 win over D-1 Basketball club in the semifinals. The Detroit Super Friends proved to be to dominate in the finals, beating Benard's club 72-38. Despite the loss, the team earned an automatic bid to the Division-1 Championship tournament in Little Rock, Arkansas. Team members above are Wesley Karle from Roseville High School, Justin Hudson from Fraser, Dan Hall from Trenton, Nolan Linville from Fraser, Travon DeSaussure from St. Clair Shores South Lake, Stephen Benard Jr. from Grosse Pointe North, Josh Cox from Warren DeLaSalle, Eric Ewing from Liggett, Steven Elliott from Grosse Pointe North and Zach Ferguson from Fraser.

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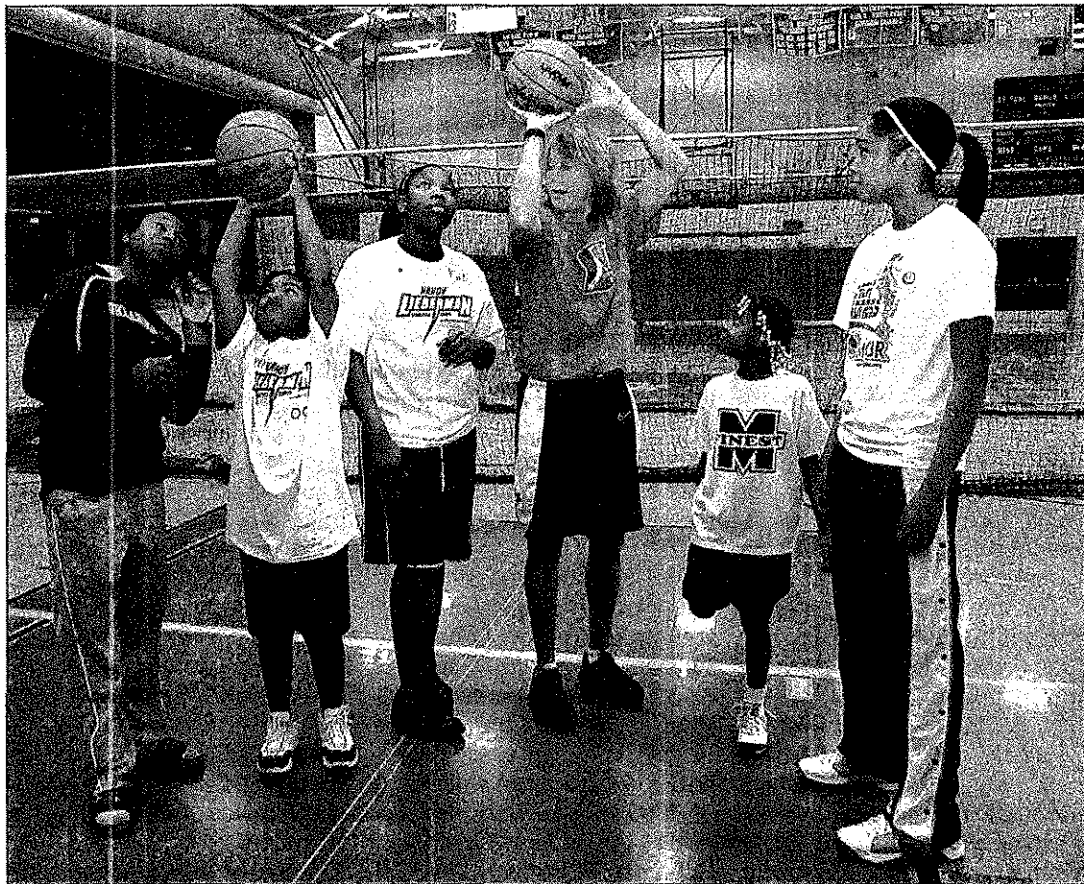


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Learning the game

Basketball legend Nancy Lieberman, center, and Oklahoma State University point guard Andrea Riley, far left, gave shooting and several other basketball tips during a clinic held last week at St. Paul Catholic School. Listening intently on every word are, from left, Ny'dea Terrell of Harper Woods, Jayla Hubbard of Harper Woods, Laila Logan of Harper Woods and Bre'nae Andrews of St. Paul.

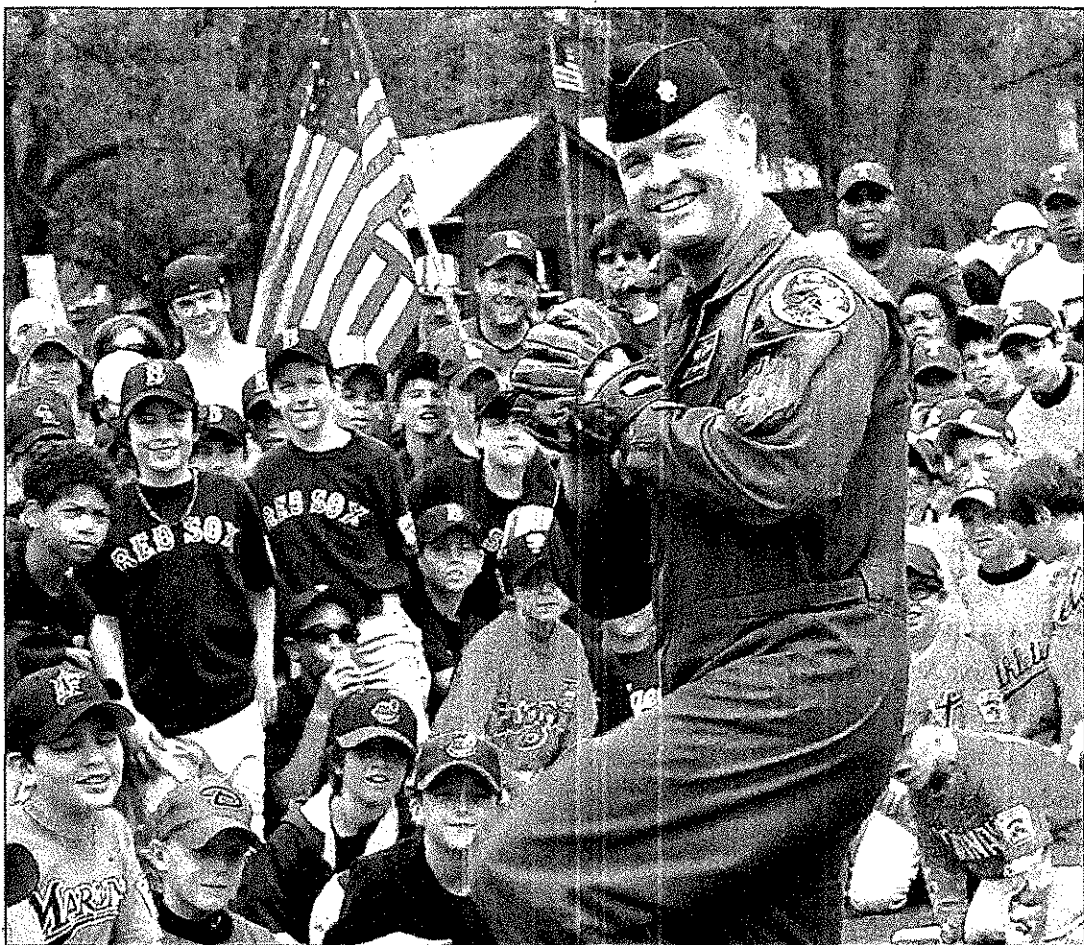


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Play ball!

The theme for Grosse Pointe Park Little League's opening day was patriotism. The parade was last weekend and hundreds of families lined the field to watch their children take part in the annual tradition. Above, Major Scott Schaupeter, who grew up in Grosse Pointe Park, threw out the first pitch. He is currently a member of the Ohio Air National Guard and lives with his family in the Park.



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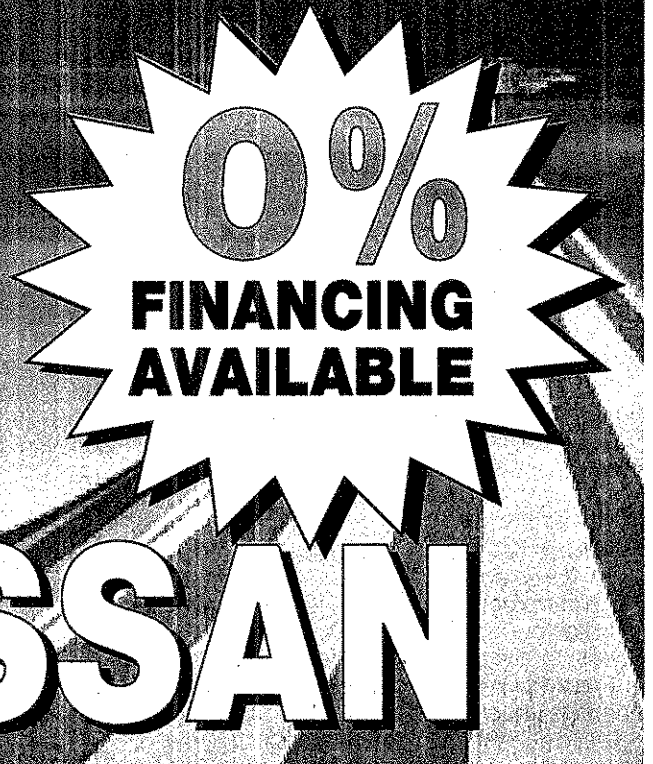
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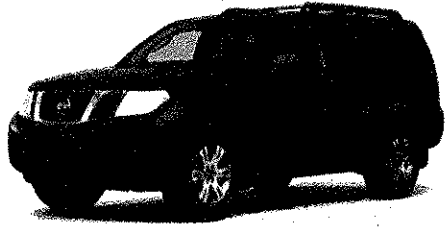


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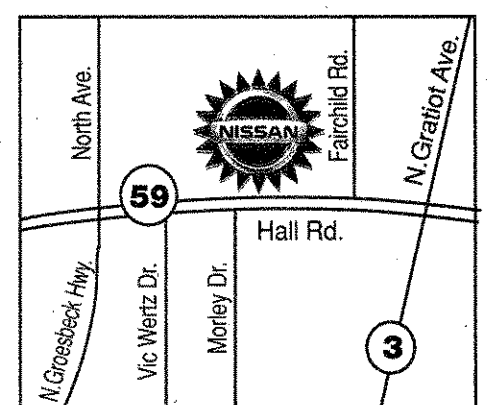
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