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◆ University Liggett School boys ice hockey team plays Grosse Pointe North High School ice hockey team at 5 p.m. at McCann Ice Arena, 1044 Cook Road, Grosse Pointe Woods. Students who bring a new book or toy are admitted free. Donated items are given to the Children's Center-Detroit.

FRIDAY, DEC. 17

◆ Library of Congress' "Gateway to Knowledge" exhibit is open from 4 to 9 p.m. at the Provencal-Weir House, 376 Kercheval Ave., Grosse Pointe Farms. Admission is free.
◆ Volunteers assembly gift baskets at Services for Older Citizens, 17150 Waterloo, City of Grosse Pointe. To volunteer, call (313) 882-9600, ext. 246.
◆ Kerby Elementary's school choir sings from 11:15 to 11:45 a.m. at Services for Older Citizens, 17150 Waterloo, City of Grosse Pointe.

SATURDAY, DEC. 18

◆ Library of Congress' "Gateway to Knowledge" exhibit is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Provencal-Weir House, 376 Kercheval Ave., Grosse Pointe Farms. Admission is free.

MONDAY, DEC. 20

◆ The Grosse Pointe Public Library Board meets at 7 p.m. in the Woods branch, 20680 Mack. An agenda is available at gp.lib.mi.us. The library's foundation budget is on the agenda.
◆ Learn how to play Texas hold'em from 9:30 a.m. to noon at Services for Older Citizens, 17150 Waterloo, City of Grosse Pointe.

TUESDAY, DEC. 21

◆ The Grosse Pointe Shores city council meets at 7 p.m. in council chambers, 795 Lakeshore Road.
◆ Services for Older Citizens, 17150 Waterloo, City of Grosse Pointe, hosts a sing-a-long at 11:45 a.m.
◆ Play Santa's bingo from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at Services for Older Citizens, 17150 Waterloo, City of Grosse Pointe. The cost is \$1.25.

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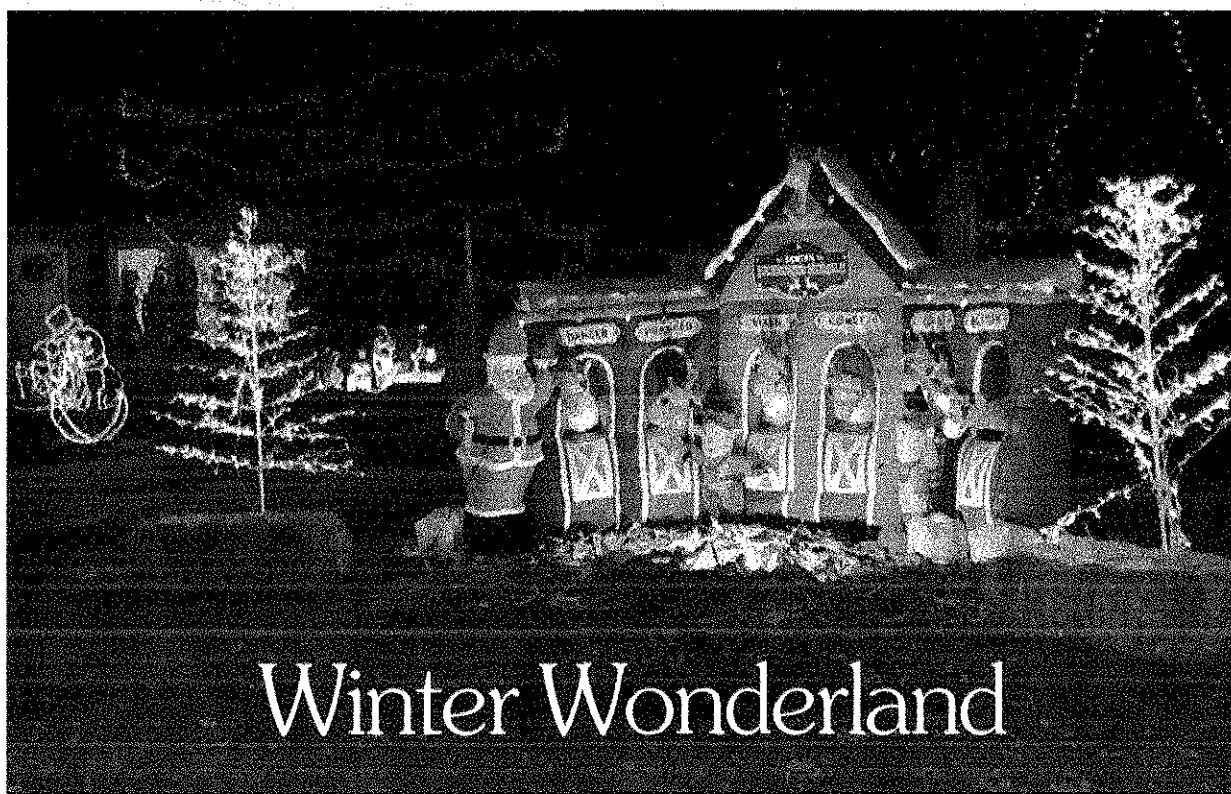


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Snow and ice were added to the mix of holiday spirit throughout the Grosse Pointes earlier in the week. Above, this Mack Avenue house in Grosse Pointe Woods doubles as Santa Claus' reindeer stables. At right, Barry Hull of Grosse Pointe Park clears his driveway on the first snowy day of the year. Below, Santa takes off for another house along Mack Avenue.



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PHOTO BY DANA KAISER

Numbers show progress

By Brad Lindberg
Staff writer

Criminals are taking a holiday in lieu of cars. A monthly tally of reported crime in Grosse Pointe Farms shows only 10 auto thefts through November this year.

Last year at this time, 26 cars were stolen. "Our auto thefts are way down," said Dan Jensen, public safety director.

He attributes it to patrolmen making their presence known.

"I have young, aggressive guys who love being out working," Jensen said.

Statistics also show a 20 percent decline in larcenies.

There have been seven bicycle thefts this year compared to 12 through November last year. Shoplifting cases total four, down more than half compared to 2009.

Two recent break-ins of businesses on Mack bumped up burglary totals for the year to 12, an increase of two cases compared to this time last year.

Armed robbery has doubled from one to two reported incidents. There's been one unarmed robbery so far this year compared to none in 2009.

Sixteen incidents of malicious destruction of property during 2010 represent a 23 percent decline from 21 cases reported by the end of November last year.

"Our crime in general is down," Jensen said. "We have an occasional door kicked in on Mack. It happens every year."

Lt. Richard Rosati, head of the Farms detective unit, thinks the city's reputation as being tough on crime makes would-be law-breakers from outside the community leery of coming in and trying their luck.

"Reputation matters," Rosati said. "I'd go to

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Climbing for technology

Even the children are excited about who is climbing a mountain a world away from Grosse Pointe.

Grosse Pointe family doctor Russ Chavey is scaling Tanzania's Mount Kilimanjaro today and tweeting the Grosse Pointe Public Schools children about his experiences.

Chavey's four-day climb of the 19,341 foot high mountain is to raise funds for the Grosse

Pointe Foundation for Public Education's Climbing for Technology project.

The kickoff, Sunday, Dec. 5, encouraged residents to donate a dollar for every foot Chavey climbs which will be matched by the John A. and Marlene L. Boll Foundation, with the potential of raising \$750,000 for classroom technology.

To follow Chavey's ascent,

through Dec. 18, and his descent, Dec. 19, visit gpfpe.org and click on the logo of the child holding the sign "helping our children reach the peak." His daily tweets are on the right side of the screen. Additionally, there are pictures of him at Detroit Metro Airport and at the border of Kenya.

Accompanying Chavey is Flat Stanley, who is packed in his backpack and staying quite warm, said Lisa Vreede, a foundation member.

Chavey and Stanley's first day, according to the tweet, culminated at Machame camp at 7,100 feet.

"We climbed 2,000 feet today through a rain forest with towering camphor trees that grow to 200 feet and tiny colobus monkeys. Now we are in a montane forest with trees about 25 feet," Chavey wrote.

Children in the classroom will be able to follow Chavey via the use of a GPS and read



PHOTOS BY DANA KAISER

Grosse Pointe Foundation for Public Education member Lisa Vreede presented an update on Climbing for Technology during the Grosse Pointe Board of Education meeting Monday.

his latest information, all on the foundation's website.

The money raised is to be used for SMART boards, projectors, clickers, tablets and equipment to provide teaching training.

To donate, visit gpfpe.org or call (313) 432-3058.

Donations may be mailed to GPFPE, care of Northern Trust Bank, 120 Kercheval Ave., Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.



The fund-raising project had a place in the Santa parade.

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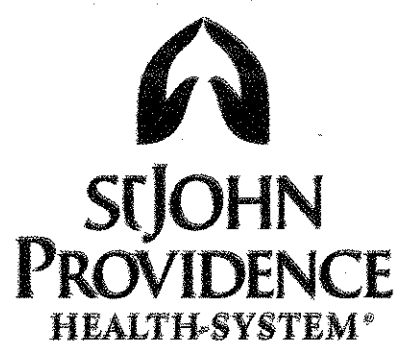
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Woods needs new vehicles

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

Very few consumers lamented the passing of the Ford Crown Victoria which takes place when production of the car winds down beginning in March.

But if that model represents your "office," as Woods city administrator Skip Fincham refers to the car now in use by the city's public safety department, its impending demise has officials looking at the need to replace several of the city's aging police cruisers in a way that saves the city money and works to the benefit of the city's public safety officers.

"We believe that ordering Crown Victorias before they stop production is the most cost efficient way to handle our need for new cars," Fincham told the council. "The Crown Victoria offers the largest interior space, and our officers consider it a rolling office. By ordering new Crown Vics before production stops, it will also save us the cost of having to purchase new equipment for a new model car. We will be able to retrofit all the equipment in our current cars into the new ones, which will save us money."

Law enforcement agencies are looking at other cars, in-

cluding the Chevrolet Impala and the Dodge Charger. Fincham noted that by purchasing new Crown Victorias before production stops will allow the city time to research what other models are available.

"Crown Victorias have been used for several years primarily because they offer the largest space," Fincham said. "As a public safety department, our officers carry more equipment than other departments, including fire fighting gear. Our officers prefer the Crown Vics."

Fincham recommends replacing seven of the city's public safety fleet, based on mileage and a factor referred to as the hour meter, which measures how many idle hours a car is subjected to.

"For every one hour an emergency vehicle idles, it is counted as 30 miles driven," explained Public Safety Officer Scott Nota, the officer in charge of the city's police fleet.

"Our cars are on the street 24/7," Nota told the council. "Much of that time is spent in an idle mode which still involves the engine. So a car is measured both by the miles on the odometer, but with the hour meter as well."

Based on those measurements, Nota said, the seven

cars the department is seeking to replace have a total of 686,712 actual odometer miles and 70,369 idle hours, adding up to more than 2 million miles.

The cost for replacing the cars is estimated to be \$182,000. Fincham advised that some of the cost will be offset by savings the department was able to realize through a recent restructuring, and the city will be selling the used police cars for about \$3,000 per car.

The city will also realize a savings of about \$700 per car by switching from a black and white color scheme to a solid color.

Based on recommendations from the Public Safety Department, the new cars will be solid black, with white, blue and silver graphics.

Mayor Robert Novitke asked Fincham to investigate the cost of purchasing an extended warranty policy for the cars, with an eye toward saving repair costs in the future.

The council is expected to approve Fincham's recommendation at its Jan. 3 meeting, allowing the city to order the vehicles prior to Ford's March 1 deadline.

Delivery should take place within 90 to 120 days following the order.



Mitten tree

Grosse Pointe Hockey Association players John Poplawski, Spencer Warezak, Jack Ring, Frances Ring and Zach Wollenzin provided decorations for the holiday mitten tree at the Grosse Pointe Community Rink. Hockey families donated new or gently-used hats, gloves, scarves and mittens to benefit The Children's Center of Wayne County. The project runs through Friday, Dec. 24, and is coordinated by the Grosse Pointe Hockey Mom's Club. For more information, visit gphockey.org.

Robbery suspect guilty

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Outside a Wayne County Circuit courtroom last week, prosecution witness Shanen Bernardo wondered if personal destitution and social misfortune pushed Ameen Jamar Taylor to pull out a revolver Aug. 6 and rob Mr. A's Party Store in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Bernardo, 34, of Detroit, was a customer the morning Taylor, 32, also of Detroit, forced everyone in the store to the basement and fled with cash from the register.

Maybe Taylor, with a seventh-grade education and a two-year gap in his resume for time served on a 2006 firearms felony, had short odds for a meaningful life.

Maybe he had a rotten upbringing. Maybe the bad economy hit him hard at a time he needed money for his down-and-out girlfriend.

While Bernardo wondered, sheriff's deputies took Taylor to jail.

Minutes earlier, in a hearing before Circuit Judge Ulysses Boykin, Taylor pleaded guilty to armed robbery and his second firearms violation. Taylor faces 12 years in prison when sentenced Jan. 5.

Bernardo gave up wondering.

"He got what he deserved," he concluded.

"Due to his prior conviction, he gets an automatic five years on the gun charge followed by a minimum of seven years for the robbery," said Farms Detective Rick Good, one of the officers that captured Taylor.

Taylor's sentences run consecutively, not simultaneously.

The Champines' 911 call had police en route before Taylor bolted from the store back across Mack into Detroit. Police from three Grosse Pointe jurisdictions coordinated Taylor's capture within minutes. Officers also recovered the discarded weapon.

He'll be in his mid-40s and labeled a career criminal when his next chance for freedom comes up.

"You will have to do at least 12 years before you are eligible for parole," Boykin told Taylor.

Taylor had requested a bench trial, but changed his mind at the last moment and pleaded guilty.

Farms Lt. Detective Richard Rosati thinks Taylor surrendered to:

- ◆ his own confession;
- ◆ a pile of crime-scene evidence — including a chrome handgun sealed in a white cardboard evidence box with bold, black letters on one side reading "muzzle this end;"
- ◆ recordings of 911 calls and police radio dispatches detailing Taylor's appearance, attire, actions and almost each step taken entering and fleeing the store, and
- ◆ 11 prosecution witnesses.

"The case is so strong, it doesn't depend on the merit of any one element, such as his confession," Rosati said. "I figured it would end this way."

"The evidence is overwhelming," said Taylor's court-appointed attorney, Susan Dunn.

Witnesses for the prosecution included Jim Champine, of Grosse Pointe Woods.

Champine and his wife, Val, were walking along Mack opposite Mr. A's when they saw

Taylor cross from Detroit into the Farms, pause on the sidewalk in front of the deli, cover the lower part of his face with a scarf or mask, reach into his waistband and enter.

The Champines' 911 call had police en route before Taylor bolted from the store back across Mack into Detroit. Police from three Grosse Pointe jurisdictions coordinated Taylor's capture within minutes. Officers also recovered the discarded weapon.

"Mr. Champine was right on the spot," Dunn said.

Champine said he and his wife were happy to help rid the streets of another criminal and weapon.

"We're glad we could be part of it," he said.

Store owner Vince DeLorenzo said he's "fine" with the outcome.

"I hope (Taylor) sees the error of his ways and comes out better for it," DeLorenzo said.

Cashier Stephanie Semmler, 21, of the Farms, was working the day of the robbery. She, DeLorenzo and Bernardo were the ones Taylor ordered to the basement, to get on their knees and to count to 10 before coming back up.

Now, normally away at college, Semmler returned from campus to the court hearing, ready to testify.

"It feels good to finally be over (this)," she said.

License fees made simple

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — A rewrite of the business license ordinance is expected to save paperwork for applicants while generating a few hundred dollars more revenue per year for the City of Grosse Pointe.

An ordinance amendment passed this week bases the cost of business licenses on an operation's gross square footage rather than its function or type of operation.

"There's only three categories: big, medium or small," said Peter Dame, city manager.

The same couldn't be said for the previous ordinance, which hadn't been updated in 30 years, according to City Clerk Julie Arthurs.

"The existing business license ordinance gets really detailed for service-related functions," Arthurs said. "It has a lot of antiquated terms that regulate milk sales, candy sales. We're trying to simplify it (by) square footage. Businesses would be charged based on their square footage, not what they do — a restaurant, selling books or apparel."

The city has about 85 licensed businesses.

New annual fees go into effect immediately. Implementation starts with the next cycle of license renewals.

New fees per size are:

- ◆ \$50 for less than 5,000 square feet.
- ◆ \$100 for 5,001 to 10,000 square feet.
- ◆ \$200 for 10,001 square feet

or more.

In addition, licenses for peddlers, solicitors or taxicabs cost \$25 each.

Business licenses account for \$4,600 revenue annually, Dame said.

New rates are expected to

generate \$500 additional revenue, he added.

"(This) was assumed to be passed as part of our budget deliberations," Dame said. "We assumed the funds when we balanced the budget. This (is) a cost-recovery item."

Woods needs apps

The resignation of Grosse Pointe Woods city councilwoman Gabriella Boddy left city officials in a quandary on how to fill the vacancy.

Boddy, who is moving to Shanghai due to her husband's job relocation, resigned from the council Dec. 7, leaving Woods officials discussing several options, including not filling the vacancy until the city's general election in November, holding a special election in February, or appointing a resident to serve until the November election.

Meeting as a committee of the whole, the council voted to appoint a resident to fill the

position, and has hung out the "help wanted" sign on the city's website.

Interested residents are asked to complete the city's standard biographical sketch, which can be found on the city's website, gpwmi.us, or by submitting a statement of interest.

Either form must be turned in to city clerk Lisa Hathaway by Monday, Jan. 10. Forms may be e-mailed to lhathaway@gpwmi.us or faxed to (313) 343-5667.

Council members will evaluate applicants and expect to make a decision by Feb. 1.

— Kathy Ryan

PROGRESS: Patrols, residents help cause

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(the Wayne County) jail to pick up a prisoner and guys in the bullpen say, 'Grosse Pointe — I don't never go into Grosse Pointe.'"

The Farms is one cog in the Pointes' anti-crime crusade.

"Our city has heavy (police) visibility on Mack and in the Village," added Ron Wiczorek, a City of Grosse Pointe detective. "We're trying to keep criminals out of Grosse Pointe."

Rosati doesn't see a justifiable correlation between a bad economy and increased criminal behavior.

"Most crime is not economy-related," Rosati said. "Most times, if you're a good person who finds yourself out of work, you don't start breaking into cars and houses. You had to be

a criminal already."

Rosati sees greater kinship between criminals and usage of illegal drugs.

"Anytime we've caught people breaking into autos, houses or businesses, it's almost always related to narcotics," Rosati said. "Getting money for drugs has nothing to do with the economy."

Police throughout the Pointes credit residents with helping hold down crime by reporting suspicious situations.

"You can't beat thousands of pairs of eyes compared to 33 pairs of eyes of sworn officers," Rosati said.

"Our residents are good about calling us if they see anything," said James Fox, public safety director in the City of Grosse Pointe. "If they see anything suspicious at all, we want them to call us right away. Don't wait."

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POINTER OF INTEREST

Ermanni living life to the fullest

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

He has the world in the palms of his hands and is at the mecca of the sports world.

This sports guru is Grosse Pointe Park's Ryan Ermanni.

The 31-year-old is an icon in the local sports scene. This exposure exploded tenfold a year ago when he signed a two-year contract to do a radio show on WDFN called Ermanni Middays.

"Life is going very well right now," Ermanni said. "I have a beautiful wife, great family and friends and jobs I love to go to every day."

"I'm the quintessential glass is half full kind of guy."

Ermanni is on the radio, 1130



Ryan Ermanni hosts a Fox 2 high school football show each fall called Friday Night Blitz. It gives fans analysis of all the action each Friday night.

AM, from 10 a.m. to noon Monday through Friday. His radio show caters to men and women who love to talk sports. He spent some time as a fill-

in during sports updates on the Deminski and Doyle show on 94.7 FM, his first dabble in radio.

He heard WDFN was returning to local programming, so he asked friend Sean Baligian if he could throw his name around the station's top brass and possibly do the sports update segments each half-hour.

A couple of weeks later, Clear Channel Communications, Inc. Manager Todd Thomas called to set up an interview.

"I thought I was interviewing to be an update guy, but a few days later, Todd offered me the 10 a.m. to noon time slot as a show host," Ermanni said.

During his two-week indoctrination, WDFN veterans Baligian and Tom "The Killer" Kowalski coached him through his two-hour time slot.

"It was totally new to me, but Sean and Tom were patient and helped me learn the ropes," Ermanni said. "Filling two hours on a radio show isn't as easy as it seems."

"I have a lot of fun doing the show and I get to give my opinion on everything related to sports."

Ermanni's signature laugh doesn't always translate into happy moments for some listeners. There are some listeners who don't agree with Ermanni's opinions and they let him know it.

"I receive a lot of positive feedback, but I also get some e-mails from people who don't like what I have to say," he said. "You have to have thick skin in this business and you're not supposed to let the negativity get to you, but sometimes it does get to me."

"However, once I leave the radio station and head to the TV station, I forget about it and focus on what I have to do for Fox 2."

Local professional sports teams, as well as the college programs, keep Ermanni busy.

"We're fortunate here in the Detroit area because we have tons of sports teams to watch and follow, as well as some great college programs to follow," he said. "There is never a dull moment in the sports world."

Ermanni grew up in Eastpointe, attending St. Veronica Grade School, before the family moved to Grosse Pointe.

He attended Grosse Pointe South High School where he was an All-State football player for former coach Mike McLeod and All-State baseball player for the Blue Devils' legendary head coach Dan Griesbaum.

During his four years on the varsity football team, the Blue Devils finished 11-25.

However, his fortunes turned for the better when he played baseball for Griesbaum. The Blue Devils fielded good teams and he went from the valley to the mountain top, just like Detroit fans do when they cheer for the Lions and Tigers.

"I'm always happy and I want everyone to be happy," Ermanni said. "I wake up every morning ready to go to work. I love doing the radio show and working at Fox 2. I don't feel like I'm going to work because I love what I do so much. I work for some great people. We're



PHOTOS COURTESY OF FOX 2

Ryan Ermanni signed a contract to host his own sports talk show on WDFN 1130, called Ermanni Middays.

like a big family."

Ermanni chose the perfect job even though his college road headed toward economics.

Thanks to his good high school grade point average, Ermanni was accepted to the University of Michigan where he majored in econ.

"Ever since I was a little kid, I wanted to go to U-M," he said. "As I grew up and entered high school, I knew the only way I would get to U-M was to get good grades because I wasn't going to make it on an athletic scholarship."

"I loved playing sports, but I wasn't a standout by any means. I valued my education and studied hard. I loved my days at U-M, but after some time I knew economics wasn't for me."

Former Fox 2 employee Fanchon Stinger ran into Ermanni when he was in college.

"I asked Fanchon if Fox 2 had any internships and she said she would call me the next day, at 11 a.m.," Ermanni said. "Sure enough she called at 11 a.m. the next day and said Dan Miller (one of Ermanni's current directors at the Fox 2 sports department) would set it up."

He landed the internship with Fox 2 in 1999 when sports producer Gregg Kanner hired

him. Ermanni was Kanner's first hire and the two have been friends since.

Ermanni graduated with his bachelor's degree and moved to Cadillac to work for the No. 117 market in the nation.

"I had to do everything when I worked at the station, covering a little bit of everything," he said. "It was a great way to learn the ropes and I appreciate everything my co-workers do to prepare a newscast."

After a year, he moved a couple of hours south and worked in Toledo, the No. 68 market, for another year, covering a lot of college sports including the University of Toledo and Bowling Green State University.

From that point, he heard Fox 2 had an opening and called...and called...and called Miller to get the job.

"I bugged Dan every day and I finally got the job," Ermanni said. "I have been here since 2003 and every day is a blessing. I get to work in the area I grew up and I'm close to my family and friends. It doesn't get any better than that."

Dana Hahn hired Ermanni for the Fox 2 gig.

The icing on his cake came 18 months ago when he married Jessica, a neonatal nurse practitioner.

"Our schedules are busy, so we make sure we have a date night every week," Ermanni said. "We balance each other out. She is a beautiful person and I'm lucky to have her in my life."

Despite the long 16-hour days at the radio and television stations, Ermanni still finds time to visit with his brother, Rob, and his kids.

"Rob has the looks for radio," Ermanni said. "I'm just kidding. We're very close and I have a very close family."

During his near decade at Fox 2, Ermanni has covered the Super Bowl, NCAA Final Four, NBA Finals, Stanley Cup and the Ryder Cup, among many other highly publicized events.

"I get paid to watch some of the biggest sporting events in the world," Ermanni said. "It doesn't get any better than that."

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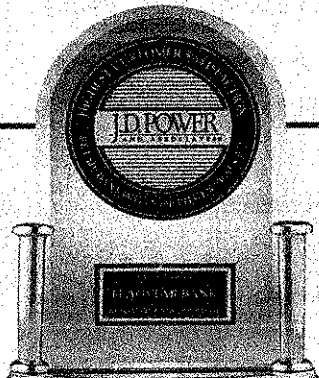
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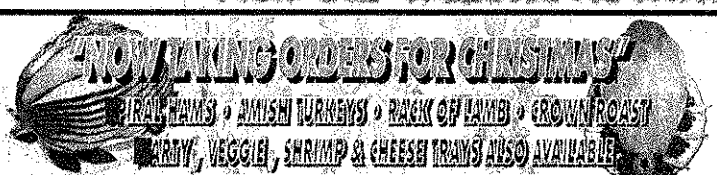
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City of Grosse Pointe

Fake script

A 51-year-old Grosse Pointe Park woman is suspected of submitting a fraudulent prescription for OxyContin at CVS pharmacy in the Village during the morning of Wednesday, Dec. 8.

“(A male employee) stated he attempted to verify (the) script through the issuing doctor’s office, with negative results,” said a public safety officer.

The officer retained the prescription as evidence. While at headquarters writing his initial incident report, the suspect

called asking to retrieve the paperwork she’d given the pharmacist.

“(She) was notified she could pick it up in person” at the police station, the officer added.

Drugs found

A civilian gets credit for the arrest at noon Thursday, Dec. 9, of a 16-year-old City girl for possession of marijuana.

The tipster reported the girl and two other juveniles smoking marijuana in a car parked on Neff north of Kercheval.

An officer pulled over the car, a blue 1995 Toyota four-door, on eastbound Kercheval. Officers confiscated one

ounce of marijuana, arrested the driver and impounded the car.

—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

Check cheater

Police arrested a 29-year-old Detroit woman shortly before 4 p.m. Friday, Dec. 10, for trying to pass a stolen check at Chase bank on St. Clair in the Village.

A bank employee noticed that the check had been “endorsement canceled” at another branch.

“There was a fraud alert on the checking account,” said a public safety officer.

The check belonged to a Detroit resident.

Flame out

A 13-year-old City of Grosse Pointe boy admitted shoplifting a \$1.79 Bic lighter at 4:35 p.m. Friday, Dec. 10, from Rite Aid on the Hill.

The manager said the boy took the lighter from a checkout display, but was

caught trying to leave.

“He admitted he did steal the lighter so he could burn things,” said an officer.

“There were several friends of the suspect (nearby). Upon (my) arrival, they left the store.”

Police said it was the youth’s second shoplifting charge.

Saw taken

An unknown, heavy-set white male wearing black clothes is accused of stealing a concrete saw from a contractor working in the area of Lewiston and Kercheval.

The theft reportedly occurred at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8.

The victim told police the thief took an \$868 Husqvarna Partner K760 Cut-n-Break saw from a tool container and left the area in a green and silver Buick four-door.

35 suspensions

A 35-year-old Detroit man with 35 driving suspensions was arrested during a traffic stop at 7:49 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8, in the area of Mack and Kerby.

A patrolman monitoring the area noticed the man driving a 2002 Ford Taurus outfitted with an expired license plate for a 1995 Ford station wagon.

“(The driver) admitted (he) was suspended and the plate was improper” said the arresting officer.

Warrants

Shortly after 2 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 7, a patrolman on northbound Moross near Chalfonte spotted a man driving a dark blue 1999 Ford Taurus with a portion of the license plate missing.

“It appeared as though one digit was cut away,” said the officer.

The driver, a 21-year-old Detroit man, was arrested for violating nine driving suspensions. Farms police turned him over to Eastpointe authorities on two unspecified warrants totaling \$1,660.

—Brad Lindberg

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

Grosse Pointe Shores

Power out

Homeowners on Roslyn, Hawthorne and Vernier reported power outages a few hours before sunup Sunday, Dec. 12.

Pipe bursts

A public works crew was notified shortly after 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 11, to shut off water to a vacant house on Stillmeadow.

Water from a broken backyard sprinkler pipe was about to spill into the basement.

Coyote tracks

At 11:37 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 11, a Woodland Shores homeowner reported coyote tracks in the backyard.

“Impressions in the snow look as if a coyote was tracking a rabbit into” a neighboring property, according to a public safety officer.

Big talk

Police notified a 35-year-old Detroit man’s parole officer of the man’s arrest and conduct last week at headquarters.

“During booking, the subject was uncooperative and refused to answer questions,” said the arresting officer. “(He) also made multiple comments about the ‘Black Mafia’ coming down here in fatigues with M16s.”

Police arrested the man at 11 a.m. Friday, Dec. 10, for a traffic infraction.

A patrolman stopped him in the 700 block of northbound Lakeshore for driving a black 1997 Dodge pickup without a license plate.

The man smelled of marijuana, but didn’t have drugs in his possession. He also was wanted in Detroit on an unspecified warrant.

On the lookout

An officer confirmed a resident’s report on Friday, Dec. 10, of suspicious footprints outside a house on South Deeplands.

Police are giving the property extra attention.

Alarming

Six residential burglar alarms sounded last week in the Shores. All were deemed false by investigative officers.

Two alarms sounded Tuesday, Dec. 7, at a house in the 600 block of Lakeshore.

Workmen accidentally triggered the first incident at 2:17 p.m.

“The company was advised

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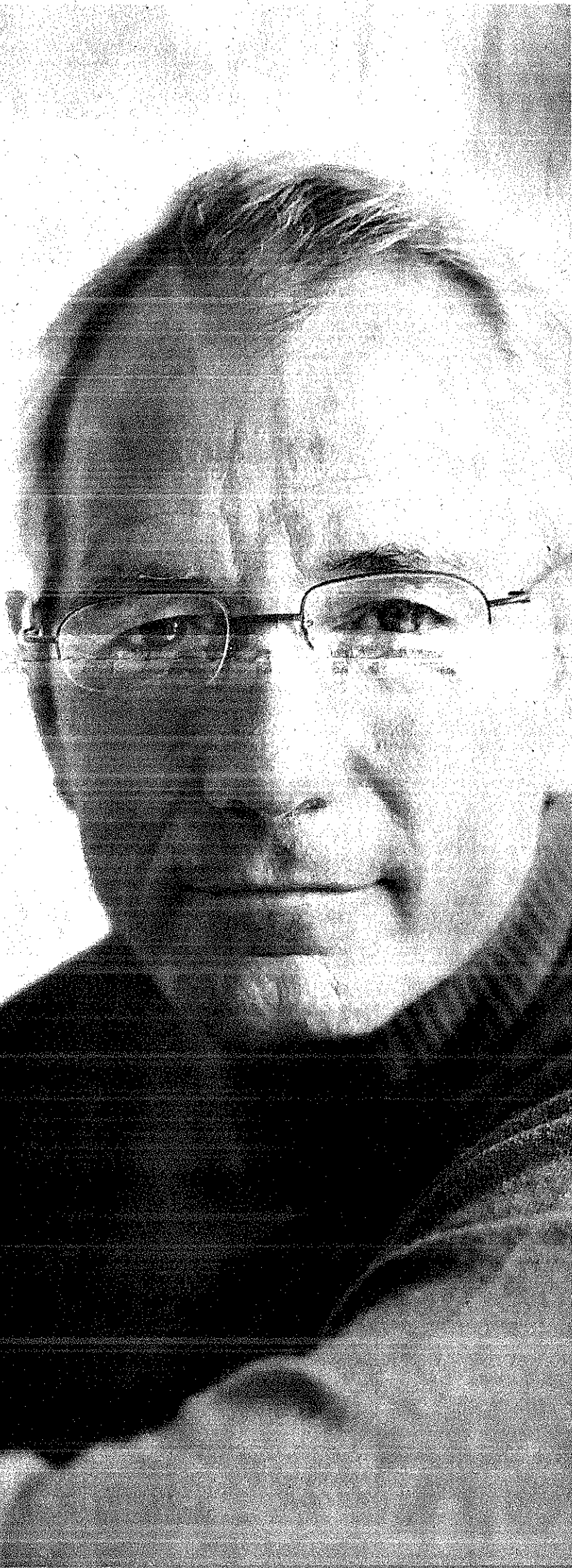
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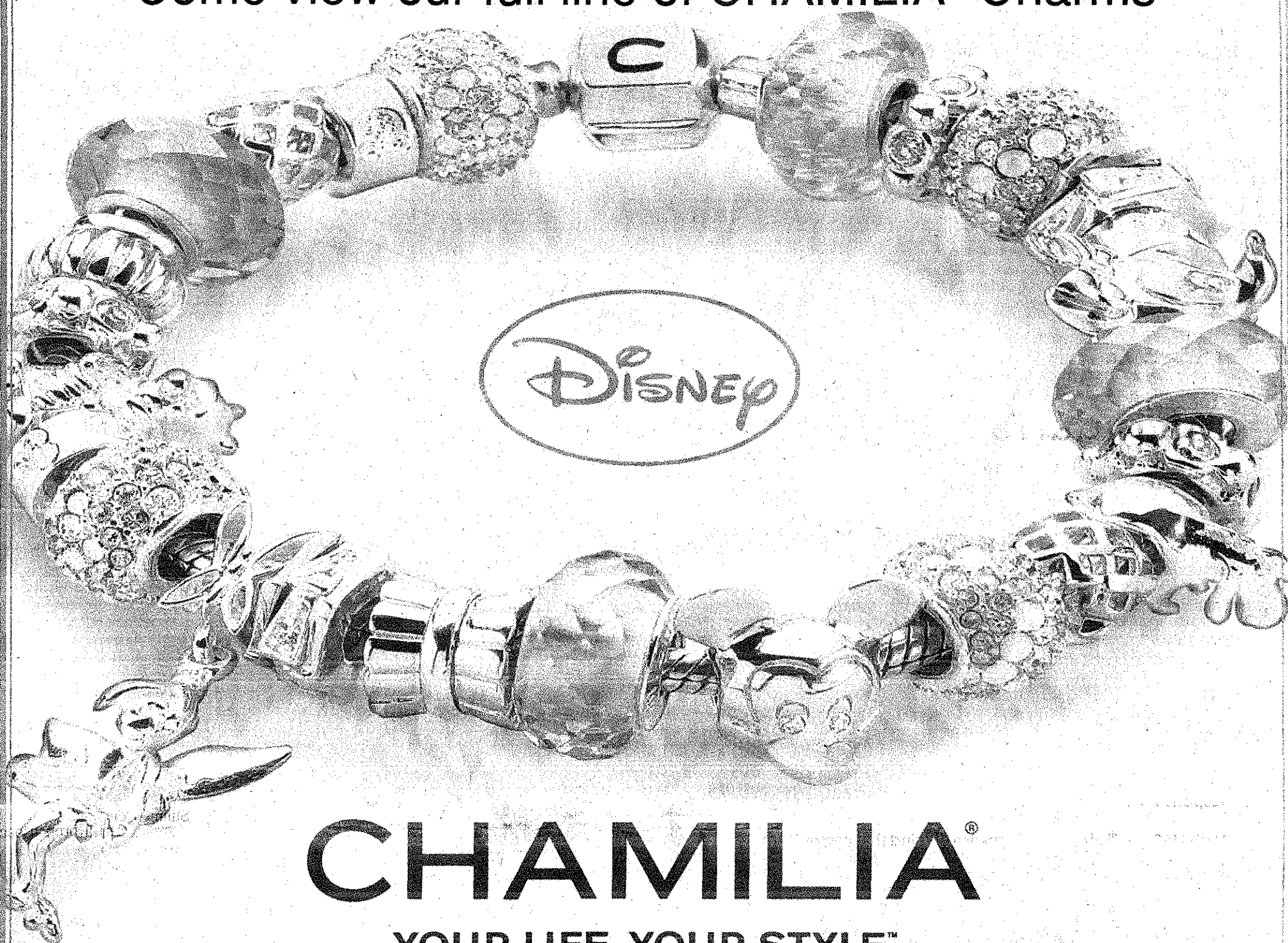
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GUEST OPINION By Joseph G. Lehman

Forget election, focus on the outcomes

The Republicans did it. One of their strongest election showings was in Michigan, where they decisively recaptured the governorship, the Supreme Court and the state House by large margins.

They increased their Senate majority to a supermajority. They picked up two seats in Congress. They maintained control of the Secretary of State and Attorney General offices. It was a sweeping political victory, but it says nothing yet about policy change.

That's because political victories do not guarantee policy victories. We need only remember how Republicans behaved after their historic congressional victories of 1994 to know shrinking government is different from campaigning to shrink government. Likewise, when Republicans controlled Michigan's executive and legislative branches in the 1990s, they grew state spending at a pace far exceeding inflation and population growth combined.

At least Michigan's deepening crisis helps clarify what "policy victory" must look like. Balance the budget. Stop overpaying for things such as gold-plated public-employee benefits. Wrestle down tax burdens for all businesses so we don't have to bribe them with ridiculous subsidies and gimmicky tax deals. Stop driving employers crazy with labyrinthine, nonsense regulations. Limit government to necessary, core functions.

And when interest groups such as unions try to block these reforms, eliminate the lucrative sweetheart deals they've cleverly baked into the law for themselves over the last five decades.

But I must warn you. Don't expect Republicans, who now control everything, to just start sending Gov. Rick Snyder bills to accomplish these things come January. The reasons for this are many, but let me illustrate the situation with a statement made in a radio interview by the incoming Senate majority leader, Randy Richardville.

When asked about a right-to-work law, which would prohibit employers from firing workers who do not support a union, he said he did not "see it as being a top priority" this year. He added right-to-work "...seems to me to be more disruptive with little positive results," and that it "... could possibly reduce the strength of our workforce."

Those were just words, and we have to judge a lawmaker more on what he does than what he says. But I bet a lot of voters who elected the new Senate Republican supermajority will be unhappy to learn that the man who decides which bills come to the floor for a vote has already effectively nixed a labor reform adopted by 22 states that are outperforming Michigan.

It's also possible putting right-to-work on hold is a political tactic to allow lawmakers to immediately address even more urgent fiscal matters, such saving as much as \$5.7 billion annually by bringing public-sector employee benefits in line with the private sector. I hope so.

The point is voters should not take for granted that any lawmaker, once elected, will automatically do what he or she was elected to do. Watch what they do, not what they say and don't stop watching them after the election.

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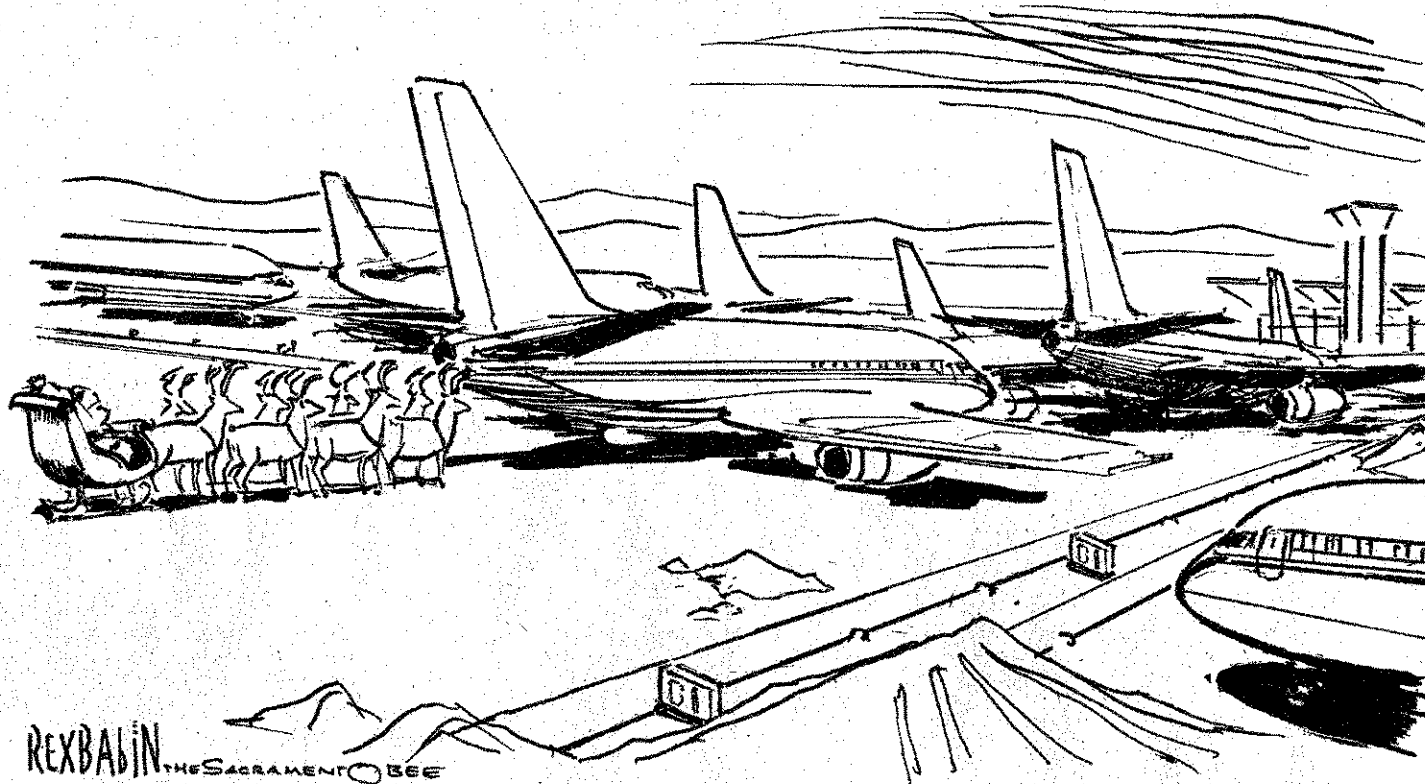
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Paraphrasing what Milton Friedman said, it's not enough to elect the right people, because the right people will do the wrong thing if we don't change the incentives.

Joseph G. Lehman is president of the Mackinac Center for Public Policy.

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Holiday house

To the Editor:

The best Christmas light display of all of Grosse Pointe is located at the corner of

Lakeshore and Moross.

This house is absolutely beautiful.

I really think your readers would love a picture of this house in your paper for the

holidays.

It is a large house on Lakeshore that is decorated from top to bottom all around the house. Everything is moving and it is synchronized to music.

A very special sight.

JOHN CONNELL
Grosse Pointe Park

South concert

To the Editor:

I had the pleasure to attend the Grosse Pointe South High School Christmas Concert at Brownell Middle School's new auditorium on Friday, Dec. 10, under direction of Messrs. James Gross and

Steve Cross.

The symphony orchestra, band and jazz band were wonderful!

As a grandmother of two of the members, it was so great to see and hear such talented students put so much effort into their work.

They play because they like to and not because they have to — practice is all on their own time, before or after school hours.

The finale was a rendition of "Jingle Bells" in the style of Glenn Miller's music. It really put one "In the Mood" for the Christmas season!

CAROLE TECH
Grosse Pointe Shores

GUEST OPINION By Rich Lowry

Innovation is the thing

This is the miracle of the modern world: In advanced economies, real income per capita is at least 16 times what it was about 200 years ago.

We take this for granted. It is as natural as a grande latte macchiato, or Dish TV. But it's one of the most astonishing and consequential facts ever.

"In 1800 the average human consumed and expected her children and grandchildren and great-grandchildren to go on consuming a mere \$3 a day," Deirdre N. McCloskey writes in her book, "Bourgeois Dignity." "The only people much better off than \$3 or so up to 1,800 were lords or bishops or some few of the merchants."

It had been this way for all of history. With her \$3 a day, the average denizen of the Earth got a few pounds of potatoes, a little milk, an occasional scrap of meat.

In short, almost all the world was Bangladesh. Then, everything changed.

What happened? McCloskey's answer is it was

It was simply a new attitude toward wealth and its creation. McCloskey calls it the "Bourgeois Revaluation." It afforded the shopkeeper the dignity that he had always been denied because he wasn't a manorial lord, a cavalry officer or a priest.

n't foreign trade (too small), it wasn't imperialism (it didn't enrich the imperial countries), it wasn't the establishment of property rights (they had existed before) and it wasn't the Protestant work ethic (hard work wasn't new).

It was simply a new attitude toward wealth and its creation. McCloskey calls it the "Bourgeois Revaluation." It afforded the shopkeeper the dignity that he had always been denied because he wasn't a manorial lord, a cavalry officer or a priest. Europe began to get a few pounds of potatoes, a little milk, an occasional scrap of meat.

The combination of liberty and dignity for the bourgeoisie sparked the modern revolution that we wrongly, in

McCloskey's view, attribute to "capitalism." The word is inapt, she argues, because the mere accumulation of capital is beside the point. The kings of Spain collected lots of gold from the New World, and no economic miracle ensued. It's innovation that's the thing, entrepreneurial "alertness," the ceaseless drive for the new, the better, the cheaper.

This offers cold comfort at a time of 9.6 percent unemployment. It suggests, though, the basic recipe for economic success is simple, if not necessarily easy — celebrate, reward and create the conditions for innovation.

Unfortunately, we have a president of the United States who has been a member his entire adult life of what McCloskey — borrowing from

Samuel Taylor Coleridge — calls "the clerisy." These are the intellectualoids who never lost their instinctual scorn for commercial activity.

Unfortunately, special interests will always pursue anti-innovation trade and regulatory policies to protect their fiefdoms.

Unfortunately, it's easier to prop up what's old rather than foster what's new. A few years ago, the Federal Reserve handed out billions upon billions of dollars to practically every large, established firm in America.

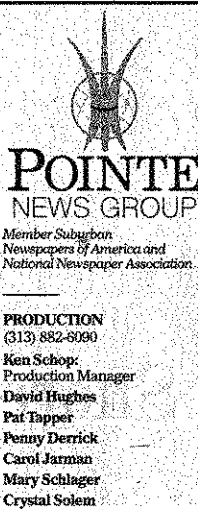
The flip side to bourgeois dignity is governmental humility. Near the end of her tour de force, McCloskey quotes the great economist Frederic Bastiat: "Nothing is more senseless than to base so many expectations on the state, that is, to assume the existence of collective wisdom and foresight after taking for granted the existence of individual imbecility and improvidence."

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GUEST OPINION By Freddy Groves

People who made a difference

Over the years I've written about various people who have stepped forward and done something for veterans, active service members and those who've been left behind when a veteran dies. They're all still doing what they started.

The nonprofit Maine Troop Greeters in Bangor started meeting flights of returning and outward-bound service members in 2003. When I first wrote about them, they'd met 400,000 men and women as they stepped off planes or prepared to board. As of now, they've met 5,500 planes and greeted 1,140,000 service members — plus 281 military dogs.

What began as a 5,000 wreath donation at Arlington National Cemetery has grown to more than 100,000 wreaths at 400 cemeteries, and has expanded into a nonprofit called Wreaths Across America.

They provide snacks, cell phones for calls home and hugs and cheers of appreciation.

For more information, visit themainetroopgreeters.com. Founder Bill Knight is 87-years-old and is fighting cancer. He still hasn't missed a plane.

Worcester Wreath Company has been donating wreaths to be placed on graves at national cemeteries to honor veterans

since 1992. What began as a 5,000 wreath donation at Arlington National Cemetery has grown to more than 100,000 wreaths at 400 cemeteries, and has expanded into a nonprofit called Wreaths Across America.

The annual tractor-trailer caravan is led by the Patriot Guard Riders, who provide an escort across the states from Maine to Arlington. Logistics are handled by the Civil Air

Patrol.

For more information, visit wreathsasscrossamerica.org. Operation Gratitude started at Carolyn Blashek's dining-room table in 2003 with her desire to send a few individual care packages to service members in hostile areas. This November and December, nonprofit OpGrat sent out another 50,000 packages, bringing its total to more than 600,000 sent since 2003.

For more information, visit opgratitude.com.

These three people — Bill Knight, Morrill Worcester and Carolyn Blashek — started with only an idea. What are you doing this year?

Freddy Groves is a writer for *King Features Syndicate*.

I SAY By Kathy Ryan

Rage against the machine



It's 10 a.m. Do you know where your dog is? For a certain Grosse Pointe St. Bernard, Abbey, 10 a.m. used to find her in one of two of her favorite spots. On a cloudy, sunless day, she would be sound asleep on her bed, curled up in just a small corner of it until her dreams overtook her and she's suddenly running in place, her legs stretched out, quietly barking at some rabbit running through imaginary fields.

On a sunny day, she could be

found fully stretched out in her favorite patch of living room floor where the sun streams through the windows. She only wakes long enough to move a few inches, following the rays, at peace with the world.

But 10 a.m. has taken on a whole new meaning to poor Abbey, disrupting her sleep cycle for sure, but leaving the floors of the Ryan household much cleaner, thanks to the new robotic vacuum that has taken charge of the first floor of the house.

Every morning, at 10 a.m. the machine we have dubbed Mr. French plays a little tune to alert anyone or anything within its range to clear the decks, it's going into action. It is at this point Abbey, who normally moves at the speed of a giant sloth, springs up on all

fours and heads to the second floor landing, not to return to the first floor until she hears that triumphant little tune Mr. French plays to signify his job for the day is done and he is standing down.

Actually, it is Abbey's fault that I needed to call in Mr. French in the first place. Though she truly is the world's best dog (OK, I'm willing to overlook that incident on the white couch), she sheds. Profusely. Without fail. Even after a thorough brushing with the FURminator. Dog hair. Everywhere.

I have given up wearing a black coat and am starting to look for something in a St. Bernard brown and white print.

So my interest was definitely piqued when I saw an ad on

the Internet for a "Pet Series" robotic vacuum. Friends with golden retrievers told me they swear by theirs, that it works like a charm. So with a leap of faith that would have been cushioned by several pounds of dog fur if it failed, I ordered the robot.

Only after it came did I realize I was intimidated by anything made of metal that is smarter than me.

Not that I haven't come to terms with computers, those were easy. I have even come to rely on the backup warning system on my car, though friends reminded me the system is easy to become overly-dependent on.

While renting a car that did not have a warning system, continued to back up until they ran into a rock. It wasn't

their fault that the car was too dumb to tell them it was there, was it?

Anyway, the robot arrived and I actually thought it might be important to read the directions on this one. I was able to figure out what parts needed to be plugged in (they came with a cord and a prong on the end), but was a bit stumped when it talked about a "docking station" and "lighthouses," and how, when its work was done, Mr. French would automatically return to its docking station to recharge and prepare for his next work day.

Now, being neither nautical nor mechanical, I wasn't able to tell the difference between the docking station and the lighthouses. So I figured if this machine was so smart, why didn't I just set it on the floor

and let it figure out where it was supposed to go. OK, it wasn't that smart, nor was it charged. So I did what I always do when faced with maritime themes, I turned it over to my son-in-law, Scott.

A graduate of the Great Lakes Maritime Academy, the U.S. Coast Guard allows Scott to pilot huge oil and chemical tankers. With that vote of confidence, I felt very comfortable turning Mr. French over to him, and he did not fail.

The world's best son-in-law came through, and even as I write this column, Mr. French is patrolling the first floor, keeping the world safe from dog hair, even as Abbey sits at the top of the stairs, waiting for the interloper into her perfect world to be done and gone.

STREETWISE By Renee Landuyt

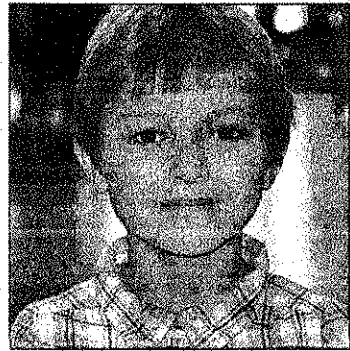
Would you spend the day on a pogo stick or a scooter?

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GUEST OPINION By Bill Kalmar

Holiday travel



Travel during the holidays has always been an American tradition whether it is to visit family and relatives or to take that restful trip to a warm island climate.

For the Thanksgiving holiday, the American Automobile Association predicted 94 percent of travelers would travel by automobile. Attribute it to the new guidelines at the airports or even the high cost of flying. But with gasoline prices hovering around \$3 per gallon, perhaps many more just opted for staying at home. Whatever the case, holiday travel can be exhausting, exhilarating or just plain fun. By car, it gives one an opportunity to explore the real Americana. And that is just what we did during the Thanksgiving holiday. We traveled to St. Louis to be with our 11 grandchildren. Our trip included a two-day stop over in Chicago where the Windy City really knows how to decorate itself for the Holidays. As we embarked on our journey, we encountered several sights and sounds and experiences that I want to share with you:

◆ Newspapers, radio and TV reports were filled with information on Black Friday deals, that is, if you wanted to camp out for days or arrive at the store of your choice after midnight while you awaited the 2:30 a.m. opening of the doors. Then if you were able to survive the Pamplona such as "Running of the Shoppers" and the first crucial moments when everyone bursts through the doors, you might have been lucky enough to corral that digital juicer for Uncle Ed at a savings of \$25. Wow! Was it worth the hassle? I sure hope so.

◆ Lots of radio stations began broadcasting Christmas songs right after Halloween. As we listened to choruses of "All I Want For Christmas is a Hippopotamus," ad nauseam, it occurred to me everyone has

a holiday album these days. Even Snoop Dogg has a Christmas album featuring favorite songs from some of his cohorts including "My Little Mama Trippin' On Xmas," a true spirit of the holidays song — yikes. The only Christmas artists I want to hear from would be Bing Crosby, The Carpenters and of course Johnny Mathis.

◆ Have you noticed in most Christmas songs there is a reference to children coming down the stairs in the morning to view their presents? What do children who live in a ranch style home do? Maybe travel down the stairs to the basement?

◆ Chicago, as expected, was bedecked in holiday lights and decorations. And the stores were filled with shoppers who evidently were not aware unemployment is still hovering around 10 percent. The Cheesecake Factory, as is the custom, always has a wait for seating. Wish we had a location here in Michigan, especially since the owners are from the Mitten State.

◆ Traveling by car always gives one a new perspective on the various tax structures in the states. When we left Michigan, gasoline was around \$2.90 a gallon. Upon reaching Missouri we were delighted to find prices at \$2.52. The savings over a year's time would be enough to buy a nice CD player and load it with some Snoop Dogg albums for that special person on your list. Please not me though.

◆ We knew we were in Illinois and Missouri by the number of foreign cars on the road. I'm always confused by the "foreign car" designation. Most of the cars are built in America with American workers so why do we refer to these vehicles as "foreign"? Could it be all the profits go back to Asia and Europe.

◆ There seems to be a new practice in St. Louis. Seems drivers are decorating their cars with monograms on the rear window. For me, looking at someone's initials seems meaningless unless that is one's way of finding their car in the parking lot. And here's another item of interest — in Michigan, our license plates are more than of

ten encased with the name of the dealer where we purchased the car which also includes the city of the dealer. In Missouri and Illinois, most people have opted for personalized plates. Coupled with monograms on the "Show Me State's" cars, guess there is little chance of getting into the wrong car.

◆ Most of the fast food restaurants allow the patrons to fill and refill their beverage cups at lobby dispensers. We did encounter a couple of towns where beverages were only dispensed by the employees behind the counter. Guess those towns must have encountered some heavy Dr. Pepper imbibers and they want to curtail the flow of soda.

◆ Seems the James Dean museum in Indiana has moved off the main highway and relocated to a less conspicuous site somewhere in town. My question is, are there really any people who are still attracted to a film star who had only about three movies? Hard to imagine. But then again Justin Bieber has already written his autobiography. Wow — 16 years of riveting experiences.

◆ Every now and then we heard a radio sports report of how Tiger Woods was doing in the latest tournament. Don't the reporters know that we don't care.

◆ If you ever want a real slice of Americana, be sure to dine at a Cracker Barrel Restaurant. The food is plentiful and the kitschy items on the shelves are a delight to observe. And seeing some of the patrons in bib overalls with a corncob pipe is a sight to behold. Certainly not to be seen on the Miracle Mile in Chicago.

Needless to say, we had a marvelous trip. Spending time with family is what the holidays are all about. Now if I could just learn how to conquer my grandchildren playing Wii baseball.

Well, time for some eggnog and a final present wrapping. Maybe I will settle back by the fireplace and listen to the strains of "Christmas In The Hood" from the Snoop Dogg Holiday album. Yeah right!

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

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to stop working until the resident arrived home to turn off the alarm," said a patrolman.

At 3:21 p.m., it happened again.

"(The resident) informed the

officer that he would be turning the alarm off," said a dispatcher.

—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 PARK

He's a mean one

Several reports of missing Christmas decorations have been reported this week, including a reindeer with lights from a yard in the 1300 block of Balfour, several ornaments and a wreath from a yard in the 1300 block of Devonshire and the attempted theft of a baby

Jesus from a yard in the 1000 block of Somerset. All incidents occurred overnight Friday, Dec. 10.

Trespass

Two 17-year-old Detroit males have been arrested and charged with trespassing after a resident noticed the pair entering a vacant house in the 1400 block of Devonshire. One of the suspects had worked on

the house and had a key, but not permission to be in the house. The pair were arraigned and released on \$100 bond.

Fire runs

Fire equipment was called to a house in the 1200 block of Lakepointe at 1:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 6. Roofers using a torch to seal roofing material on a house on Lakepointe set

fire to the roof and attempted to extinguish the blaze with a garden hose. The fire was extinguished with minimal damage.

A trash container in the 1300 block of Devonshire was set ablaze at 5 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 1.

Fire personnel investigating a report of smoke in a house on the 1100 block of Buckingham at 1:15 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 10, used a thermal imaging camera and found a hot light switch in the bathroom. The switch was removed.

Burglary arrest

Police arrested a homeless man and charged him with larceny from a building in connection with the theft of jewelry and money from a house on Park Lane. The suspect, arrested at a house on Ashland, is being held on \$10,000 bond.

—By Kathy Ryan
If you have information on these or any other crimes, call Grosse Pointe Park police at (313) 822-7400.

GROSSE POINTE WOODS

Warming up

Residents are advised to not leave unlocked cars running while they warm up on cold winter mornings. The first theft of the new season took place last week on Allard, and police warn that organized car theft rings are working the area early in the morning, searching for cars left running in driveways. Police also ask residents to call them immediately if they see anyone acting suspiciously.

You insured?

A snowplow driver is suspected after police found a light pole had been knocked off its base in an insurance company parking lot on Mack shortly after midnight Monday, Dec. 13.

Phone scam

A 76-year-old Shorepointe resident notified police at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8, that she had received a phone call allegedly from a relative asking for \$2,000 to be wired to him in England where he said he was being held by police on a poaching charge. She recognized it as a scam and notified police.

DWLS

An 18-year-old Grosse Pointe Farms resident was arrested and charged with driving with a suspended license following a routine traffic stop on Vernier at 12:30 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 12.

—By Kathy Ryan
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◆ The Grosse Pointe North High School alumni quartet sings from 11:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. at Services for Older Citizens, 17150 Waterloo, City of Grosse Pointe.

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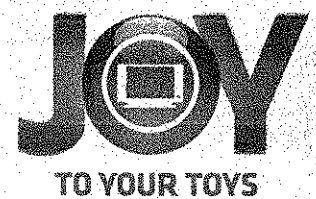
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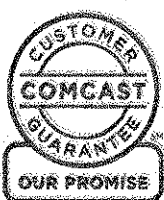
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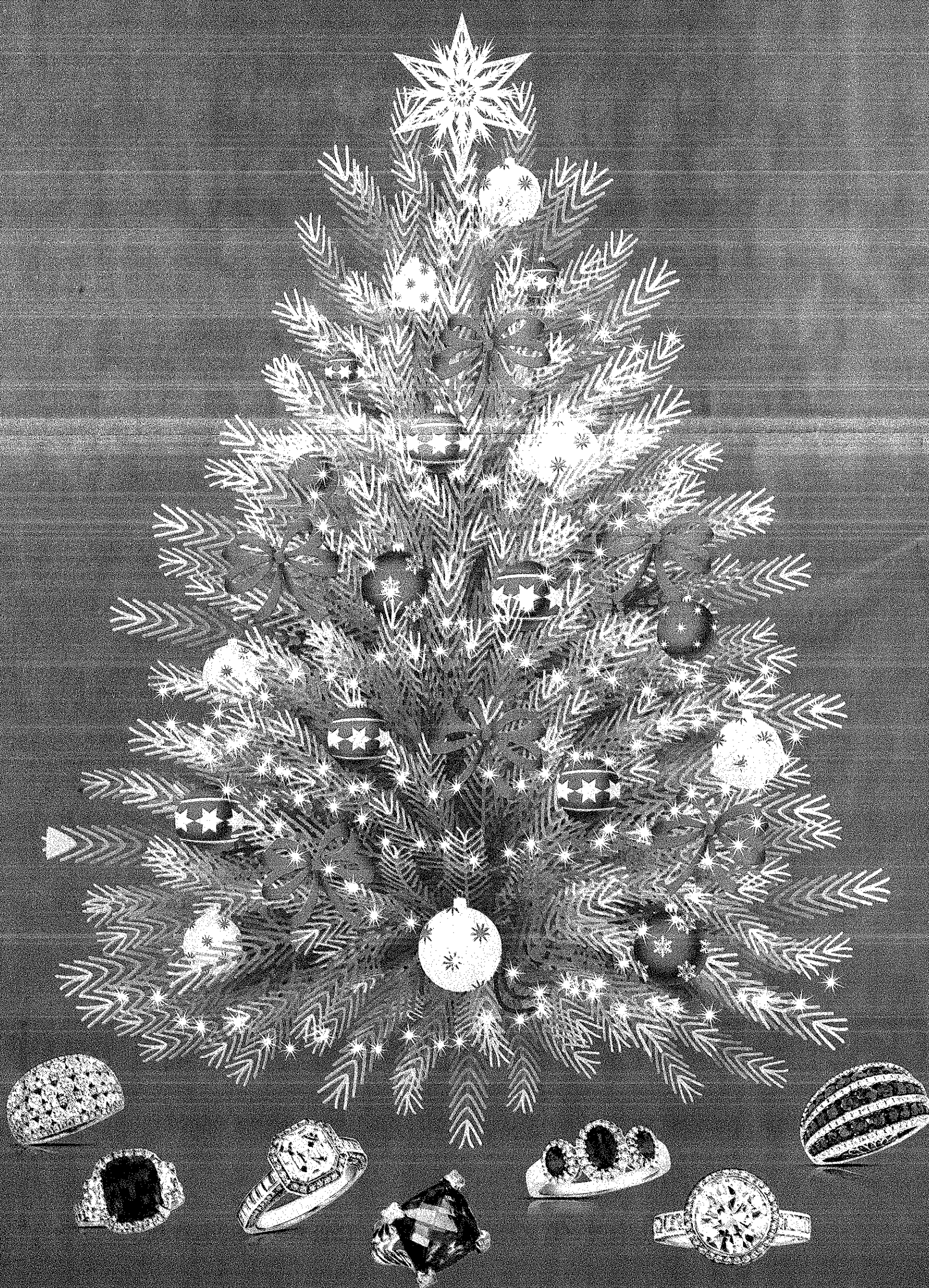


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New face debuts at academy campus

By Amy Salvagno
Staff Writer

Outside James Murdoch's Grosse Pointe Academy office, there's a scene different from what he's accustomed.

Where he once interacted with college students, the new director of finance and operations is now sharing hallways with elementary-age learners and middle schoolers.

And he says he's thrilled about the transition. "I haven't had any second guesses," he said. "It's a great opportunity and I'm really looking forward to it."

Murdoch took over the position from Angie Boyle, though he admits his feet are still a little wet having only started the job last week.

"There's the intrigue and challenge of being in a different environment. There are a lot of things I know will be similar to the learning environment I came from, but what I have already learned is here, parents are a really important ingredient," he noted. "In a university, students are all grown up and independent. Here, I can tell one of the major differences will be interacting with the community and with parents because they're the ones making the investment."

"I'm a numbers person, but I'm absolutely thrilled to be a numbers person that doesn't stay behind a computer or stay behind a desk all the time. That's what I hope will be the most positive change."

Murdoch's career in finance and planning has spanned three decades and with the Maize and Blue always in his peripheral.

The Ohio native realized early on he had a calling in higher education administration and received a bachelor's degree from Muskingum College, near Columbus, and a master's from the Wharton School of the University of

Pennsylvania.

But he set his sights on the University of Michigan Center for the Study of Higher Education, where he attained his Ph.D. Candidacy.

In 1976, he took a job at the school's Flint campus, where he stayed until 1986 when he transferred to Ann Arbor to work under the dean of U-M's Ross School of Business.

His positions included the disciplines of finance and planning, analytical studies and institutional research, facility operations and human resources administration. When he retired last summer, it was as assistant dean of finance and planning.

"I had a really great career there with a lot of fun. I can look back at my career so positively because I only worked for three different deans. That's a lot of stability in an organization, to have such little turnover," he said.

Murdoch, who resides in Brighton with his wife, Lori, realized quickly he may not be cut out for the retired life — at least not yet.

"After two or three months enjoying a summer off, I decided it was time to look for a job again. I was not going to be happy just doing personal stuff around the house," he admitted.

He came across the opening at the academy and after determining his commute wouldn't be much different than his drive to Ann Arbor, applied for the job.

"My duties here are just really similar to what I've done in university settings. It felt good, but it also felt a little less stressful," Murdoch said, noting he has a \$5-6 million budget to manage now, compared to the business school's \$130 million financial plan.

His job entails budget and finance, facilities



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James Murdoch is settling into his new job at the Grosse Pointe Academy.

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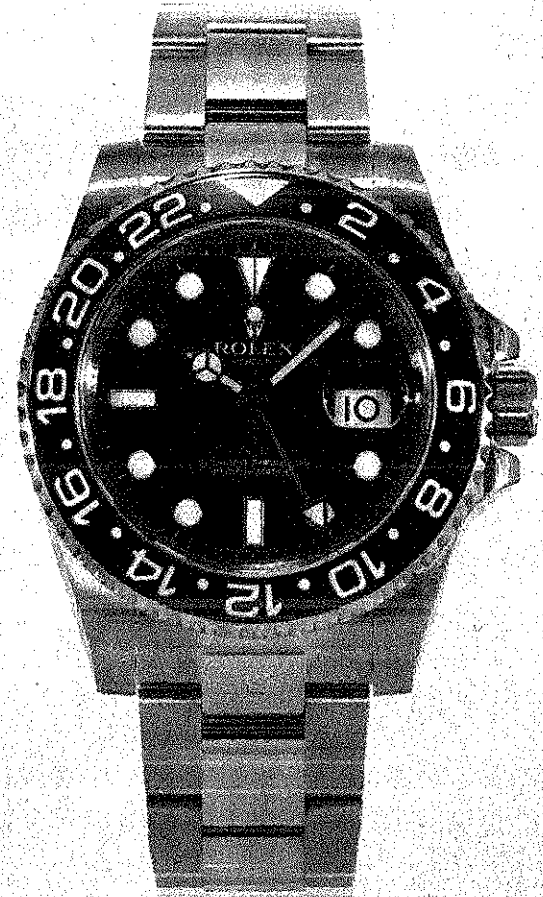
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management, business operations and even financial aid.

"I'm following a really successful person. As I talked to the board and the head of school, I found out Angie is extremely well respected and did a really good job," Murdoch said.

"My decision was pretty easy to make."

Murdoch has five children — two in their 40s from a first marriage, two in their early 20s with his wife, Lori — the youngest is finishing up college — and a step-daughter. While he partakes in an occasional round of golf, he prefers being a spectator of the many U-M athletic events.

Teacher of the Week

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This week, it's **Brownell Middle School** sixth-grade teacher **Shelley Garland**.

She was nominated by former student and eighth-grader **Hank Belcher**: "I feel that she is more of a teacher of the decade than teacher of the week. Before, sixth-grade writing was my worst subject and my work ethic was atrocious. Teachers before Mrs. Garland always used to pass me and if I did not reach my full potential, they honestly didn't care. I thought this was just the norm and an average teaching style."

"However, when I was in sixth grade and would turn something in last moment and was not to my potential, she wouldn't accept it. She kept on making me redo something five or six times before she would accept it."

"Needless to say, she raised my work ethic to that of an honors student. And now English is my favorite subject. In fact, I'm in honors. Mrs. Garland in my opinion is the best teacher in Brownell."

Years at the Grosse Pointe Farms school: Four

Previous work: I spent 12 years at Pierce Middle School. Prior to that, I taught in Mount Clemens schools for a year and in Chippewa Valley schools for three.

Why did you become a teacher?

I have an aunt who's a retired teacher. The pride and enthusiasm she shared about her teaching was contagious. Then, rewarding experiences as a swimming instructor, camp counselor and school-age childcare worker cinched the deal.

What do you enjoy about teaching?

It's impossible to write what I enjoy about teaching in one newspaper! However, as a lan-



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Brownell Middle School teacher Shelley Garland was nominated by Hank Belcher.

guage arts teacher, it's a real privilege to get to know my students as they share their inner-selves through their writing.

How do you feel about being nominated?

It's a great honor! Thank you, Hank!

Favorite book to share with students?

My favorite book to share is usually the one I'm currently reading, and I love it when students recommend books to me.

—Amy Salvagno

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OBITUARIES

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

Charles W. Adams D.D.S.

Charles W. Adams D.D.S. passed away at home Sunday, Dec. 12, 2010, following a brief illness. He was predeceased by his first wife, Helen D. Adams and is survived by his second wife, Florence A. Adams. He also was predeceased by his sister, Jean A. Robb. Beloved father of Susan Adams (Thomas) White, and Charles W. (Teresa) Adams Jr. Loving grandfather of Thomas E. III, Charles and Katie White, Charles W. III and Elizabeth Adams, and great-grandfather to Thomas E. White IV. Uncle to Bruce P. Robb, Dr. Peter C. and Helen Jean Dodenhoff.

Dr. Adams was a 1934 graduate of Grosse Pointe High School. He graduated from the Northwestern University School of Dentistry in May 1943, and entered the U.S. Army that month. He spent 16 months during World War II as a dental surgeon in the European Theater, involved in the actions and campaigns of the U.S. Ninth Army, in its drive across Central Europe. Upon his return, he entered private dental practice, caring for his many patients' needs for more than 50 years, retiring from active practice in 1997.

He had many interests and leisure pursuits, with boating and golf among his particular favorites. As a young man, he was a fixture at the Detroit Yacht Club and along the Detroit River in his favorite outboards and runabouts, and as a life member of the Bayview Yacht Club, he was an active sailor as well.

A fanatic golfer, over the

years the appearance of "Doc" and his foursome in early spring on the Country Club of Detroit's first tee, signaled the unofficial kickoff of each new golf season.

A memorial gathering will be held from 1 to 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 17, at the Chas. Verheyden Funeral Home, 16300 Mack, Grosse Pointe Park. A funeral service will be held at 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 18, at the funeral home. Visitation begins at noon.

Share a memory at verheyden.org.

Allyn A. Beaudette

Harper Woods resident Allyn A. Beaudette, 64, died Friday, Dec. 10, 2010.

He was the beloved husband of Nancy; dear brother of Theodore, Floyd and Fay Fee and dear uncle of Suzanne and Michelle.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Dec. 14 at Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church, Harper Woods, followed by interment in Resurrection Cemetery, Clinton Township.

Arrangements were handled by A.H. Peters Funeral Home, Grosse Pointe Woods.

George E. and Eunice H. Kurz

The Rev. George E. and Eunice H. Kurz, ages 94 and 95 respectively, died within a day of each other Wednesday, Dec. 1, 2010, and Thursday, Dec. 2, 2010, after 70 years of marriage.

They are survived by their

children, Kathryn (the Rev. Richard) Gerken and James (Linda) Kurz; grandchildren, Timothy (Kathryn) Gerken and Mark (Robin) Gerken, Susan (Keith) Gracey, Rebecca Gerken, Andy Kurz and Gretchen Kurz and great-grandchildren, Jessica, Jacob, Tommy, Zachary, Janelle, Trevor, Abigail and Garrett.

The Rev. Kurz was born July 13, 1916, in Detroit, to Ernest and Anna Kurz. At age 14, he enrolled in Concordia Junior College in Indiana for pre-ministerial education, graduating in 1935. He then attended Concordia Theological Seminary in St. Louis, Mo. When he graduated in 1939, there were no calls for any in his class of 150.

During 1939 he preached at various churches, and it was when preaching at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Detroit, he met his wife, Eunice, the daughter of the church's pastor, Albert Tong and his wife, Minna. Eunice, who was born Sept. 15, 1915, and George married in December 1940.

The Rev. Kurz was assigned to determine if there was enough interest to start a mission congregation in Grosse Pointe. The result was the formation of St. James Lutheran Church in Grosse Pointe Farms. The Rev. Kurz was called to be the congregation's pastor in June 1940.

Besides singing in the choir, teaching Sunday School and actively participating in various women's groups, Mrs. Kurz was instrumental in building the congregation by greeting visitors and members in the parthex every Sunday before worship service.



Charles W. Adams D.D.S.



Allyn A. Beaudette



George and Eunice Kurz

The Rev. and Mrs. Kurz spent his 40-year ministry at St. James which grew from the original 12 members in 1940 to 750 members, when they retired in 1980.

When the Rev. Kurz retired, the couple moved to Washington to be near their family and became members of Resurrection Lutheran Church, in Des Moines, Wash., where their son-in-law was pastor, and the Rev. Kurz preached from time to time. They lived in Des Moines' Huntington Park, an adult community, where they enjoyed bridge, golf and various other activities.

The Rev. Kurz died Wednesday, Dec. 1, 2010. He was a very kind, loving and wise man and will be missed my many, especially his family.

A few hours later, on Thursday, Dec. 2, 2010, Mrs. Kurz died. She was a blessing to many, especially to her family. She will be missed.

A funeral service was held Dec. 11 at Resurrection Lutheran Church in Washington.

Share a memory at bonneywatson.com.

George Laugel Palms

Longtime Grosse Pointe resident George L. Palms, 81, died Sunday, Nov. 28, 2010.

He was born Dec. 21, 1928, to Charles L. Palms Jr. and Marion Dwyer Palms.

Following in his father's footsteps, Mr. Palms went into the real estate business. He was a Realtor and appraiser in Grosse Pointe for more than 50 years, working for several real estate companies before operating his own company for the majority of his career.

He was a member of the Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club and the Grosse Pointe Lions Club, and for more than 40 years, a member of the Country Club of Detroit.

Throughout his life, Mr. Palms was active in sports. He won tennis tournaments at the Cranwell Preparatory School three years running and was a defenseman on the Boston College hockey team. He also loved to ice skate, play paddle tennis, golf and bowl. He passed on his passion for sports to his children, teaching them how to ice skate, play tennis and golf.

He was a loving husband and caring father whose greatest joy was his family. He will be remembered by those who knew and loved him as someone who greeted you with a cheerful hello and a warm smile.

Mr. Palms is survived by his devoted wife of 47 years, Micaela Murphy Palms; sons, George Jr. (Susan) and Stephen (Elizabeth); daughter,



George Laugel Palms

Micaela (Klayton) Monroe; grandchildren, Christopher, Katherine and Megan Palms and Logan and Luke Monroe; his sister, Mary (Edward) Carpenter and many nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his parents and brothers, Charles III, Robert and Joseph X.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Dec. 21, 2010, on what would have been his 82nd birthday, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Visitation begins at 9:30 a.m. in the church's gathering space.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Father Solanus Guild, 1780 Mount Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207.

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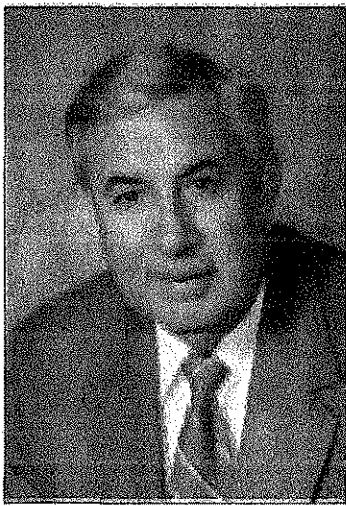
Anthony Joseph
Spada

Former Grosse Pointe Park resident Anthony Joseph Spada, 85, died Friday, Dec. 10, 2010, at St. John Hospital and Medical Center in Detroit with his sons by his side. He remained devoted to his ex-wife, Carole, and seven children, Tony, Steve, Paul, Chris, James, JoEllen and Maria. He also is survived by his brothers, Paul and Joe and eight grandchildren.

Mr. Spada was born July 22, 1925, in Detroit and worked in his father's grocery store beginning at age 6. He graduated from Denby High School and continued to attend reunions until this year.

Mr. Spada joined the U.S. Navy at 17 and then attended the University of Michigan and earned a bachelor's degree in engineering. He also attended the University of Detroit and earned a juris doctorate in 1953.

Mr. Spada's life experiences were varied and plentiful. While enjoying raising his large family, he also was key in the implementation of the automated postal system, as well as in sales at Jervis B. Webb. After



Anthony Joseph Spada

a heart attack in 1969, he turned to the law working in the Wayne County prosecutor's office before starting a private practice. He even managed a rock group in the late 1960s.

Mr. Spada was a past president of the PTO at Maire Elementary School and became active in politics in Grosse Pointe Park, serving several years as a councilman.

He was committed to the military and served in the naval reserves and as an admissions blue and gold counselor for the U.S. Naval Academy, swearing in the first female midshipman in 1976.

Mr. Spada practiced law until his final days, never wanting to give up. His family said the sparkle in his eyes and his hearty laugh brought smiles to those around him.

A memorial service will be held in February.

False alarms fined

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — Private security systems that sound with fury while signifying nothing soon could cost their owners up to \$100 per false alarm.

Terms outlined in a new City of Grosse Pointe ordinance limit security systems to one false activation per fiscal year, July 1 to June 30.

Following the mulligan, the city may answer false alarms within the same 12-month period with fines.

Residential violators face a \$30 penalty. The rate for commercial users is \$100.

A unanimous city council Monday, Dec. 13, passed the ordinance, which goes into effect by the end of this month.

Enforcement will be lenient. "We're going to be really generous in how we interpret these alarms — in the residents' favor," said James Fox, public safety director.

Another provision requires annual registration of residential and commercial alarm systems. Enforcement becomes fully effective July 1, 2011.

Registration costs \$20 each year.

"(Registration) would help the public safety department, when we respond to an alarm, contact the homeowner or anybody listed as an emergency contact," Fox said. "We're going to send out a registration form with the park pass package. (Residents) would be asked to fill out that form."

Payments can be enclosed with completed park pass ap-

plications and mailed to city hall.

Failure to register alarms could trigger a \$50 fine.

"If their alarm goes off and they're not on the registration list, they'll get a courtesy letter from the public safety department reminding them of the registration (policy)," Fox said.

Alarms must be installed by a state-licensed contractor. Infractions are punishable by fines of up to \$500.

"It is estimated the city would collect approximately \$10,000 per year in alarm licensing fees and excessive alarm fees," said Peter Dame, city manager.

Violations are a civil infraction. Delinquent fines become liens on land where the alarm system is located and may be collected along with property

taxes. There were between 400 and 500 false alarms last year in the city, according to Fox. Only about 20 were legitimate, Fox added.

The rate of false alarms means members of the public safety department, which consists of three or four road patrolman per shift, may have averaged almost 1.5 wild goose chases per day, more than nine per week and nearly 42 per month.

Fees and fines have been talked about since at least last spring.

"Adoption of this type of ordinance was discussed and assumed during the adoption of the budget this year as a means to improve alarm response procedures as well as recover costs of responding to alarms," Dame said.

"The Farms has a similar ordinance," Fox said. "The Woods is working on an alarm ordinance."

Auditor makes deal to help city

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — Audits come cheaper next year in the City of Grosse Pointe.

Under a five-year deal advanced by the city's auditors, Plante Moran, the firm is cutting its fee next year by 5 percent. Annual rate increases for the contract's four-year bal-

ance are capped at 2.5 percent. Plante Moran has audited the city for the past four years.

"City staff, including the current and more recent former finance director (who retired), have been very impressed with their professionalism and efficiency," said City Manager Peter Dame.

Members of the city council this week accepted the offer unanimously.

With the discount, next year's audit will cost \$36,600.

Subsequent rate increases account for inflation, according to the company proposal.

The city's former agreement with Plante Moran expired upon completion of the fiscal year 2009-2010 audit, results of which were presented in November to the council.

Dame saw no reason to seek competitive bids for upcoming

auditing services in hopes of obtaining lower fees.

"As with many professional services, you have to look at more than just costs," Dame said. "We get excellent service from this firm. Far better than the firm we were using previously."

"That, coupled with that they're willing to lower their fee, this is in our best interests."

Library scavenger hunt top prize is a Nook E-Reader

A scavenger hunt through the mobile Library of Congress will reward one student a Nook E-Reader.

The scavenger hunt, for students through grade 12, is a

one-page questionnaire that can be answered by visiting the Library of Congress Gateway to Knowledge exhibit. The questionnaire can be downloaded from the library's web-

site, gp.lib.mi.us, or picked up at any of the three branches of the library.

The 18-wheel mobile library is open 4 to 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 17, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 18, outside the Provencal Weir House, 375 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms.

"Every student who returns the completed questionnaire to the library before 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 19, receives a free video buck, good for one free movie rental from the library."

Completed questionnaires

are entered in the drawing for a grand prize and second prizes.

The grand prize is a Nook E-Reader, donated by the Friends of the Grosse Pointe Public Library, a daily calendar of Shakespeare insults, a book on the Library of Congress Jefferson building, a Library of Congress owl holiday ornament and a Grosse Pointe Public Library hoodie.

Three second prizes are a scale replica of the traveling exhibit, donated by the firm which built the exhibit, MRA Mobile Tours and Equipment.

The Nook E-Reader is an electronic device for reading electronic books. The library has electronic books available for 3-week free downloads and the Nook is compatible with its system.

The free exhibit features facsimiles of the 1507 Waldseemüller Map, the first document to use the word "America;" the 1455 Gutenberg Bible; the rough draft of the Declaration of Independence written in Thomas Jefferson's hand with edit by Benjamin Franklin and John Adams; the 1962 drawings for the comic book introducing Spider-Man; the handwritten manuscript to jazz pioneer Jelly Roll Morton's "Frog-i-More Rag"; and Walt Whitman's poem "Leaves of Grass."

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AUTOS By Jenny King

Four-wheeled shopping pals



How extensive is your shopping list? How deep are your pockets? Here are three recent test vehicles one of which is likely to suit someone's retail needs now and into the new year. Read on...

For the shop-until-you-drop expert: There are tie-down hooks and a removable tailgate in the bed of this 2011 Ford F-250 Super Duty pickup. A stowable bed extender and tailgate step are options.

Those and a maximum payload of more than 3 tons should prove very useful for large-scale shopping needs. The crew cab holds five with front buckers; a three-person front bench is available. The basic F-250 Super Duty, \$39,420, features air conditioning, an AM/FM single CD/MP3 player, power windows and locks, trailer brake controller and four-wheel antilock brakes. Optional equipment tends to be item-by-item rather than a package. Those comprise a rearview camera, power sliding rear window, electronic shift-on-the-fly for 2WD



2011 Ford F-250 Super Duty pickup

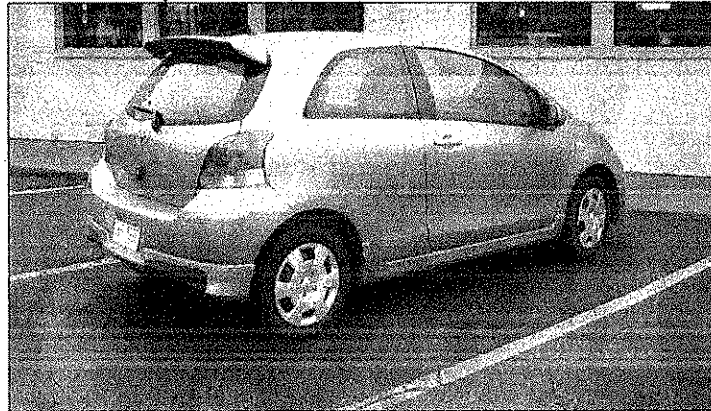
to 4WD purposes and a Sync voice-activated communication system. Fuel economy numbers were not available, but this is no gas-sipper. However, you can do all your many errands on a single (if long) trip, and not have to shop the local purveyor of fossil fuels as often.

For medium-size shopping: Kia's redesigned Sorento for 2011 has some crisp exterior lines and a proud stance that had the attendant at the parking structure across from Henry Ford Cottage Hospital showing a lot of interest. He liked the base price of the five-passenger Sorento EX with front drive, \$24,795, and didn't noticeably flinch at the \$3,750

in added equipment like nav system, leather seat trim, one-temper heated front seats and 18-inch alloy wheels. The 2011 Kia Sorento with 2.4-liter four earned an average 24 miles per gallon combined city-highway in EPA testing: that translates to 21 mpg city and 29 highway. Assembled at Kia's U.S. plant in Georgia, Sorento comes in three trim levels: LX, EX and SX. Engine choices include a 175-horsepower 2.4-liter four or 276-horsepower 3.5-liter V-6. Both use a new six-speed automatic transmission. All trims feature front seat-mounted side air bags, first and second row side curtain air bags, front active headrests, electronic stability control and electronic



2011 Kia Sorento



2011 Toyota Yaris S

brake distribution. Standard hill start assist control and downhill brake control will be useful if shopping on The Hill in Grosse Pointe Farms or in Mount Clemens. Pricing for

the compact utility vehicle begins at \$22,395.

Shopping on a shoestring: It's cozy inside the 2011 three-door liftback Toyota Yaris S. And the truck is not very big,

but the rear seat folds forward once the adjustable headrests are in their lowest position. Toyota's smallest vehicle currently for sale in the U.S. starts at \$13,655. The sporty S model priced out at \$17,400, including delivery. That sport package includes front and underbody spoilers, side rocker panels and a rear spoiler. Not to worry about needing their help in hugging the road.

The engine is a 106-horsepower 1.5-liter four with four-speed automatic. Fuel economy and safety are the Yaris's strengths. With a five-speed manual, the subcompact is rated at 29 mpg city and 36 highway.

The automatic pinches one mpg from the highway rating. The standard Toyota Star Safety System includes stability control, traction control, antilock brakes, electronic brake-force distribution and brake assist. This is a great car for everyday errands and keeps up with traffic on highway commutes. Parking is a delight — because of its size you may have trouble finding it in a crowded lot. Ours was silver; choose a brighter color. Yaris comes in this body style, a four-door sedan and a five-door liftback — we could locate only one cupholder.

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

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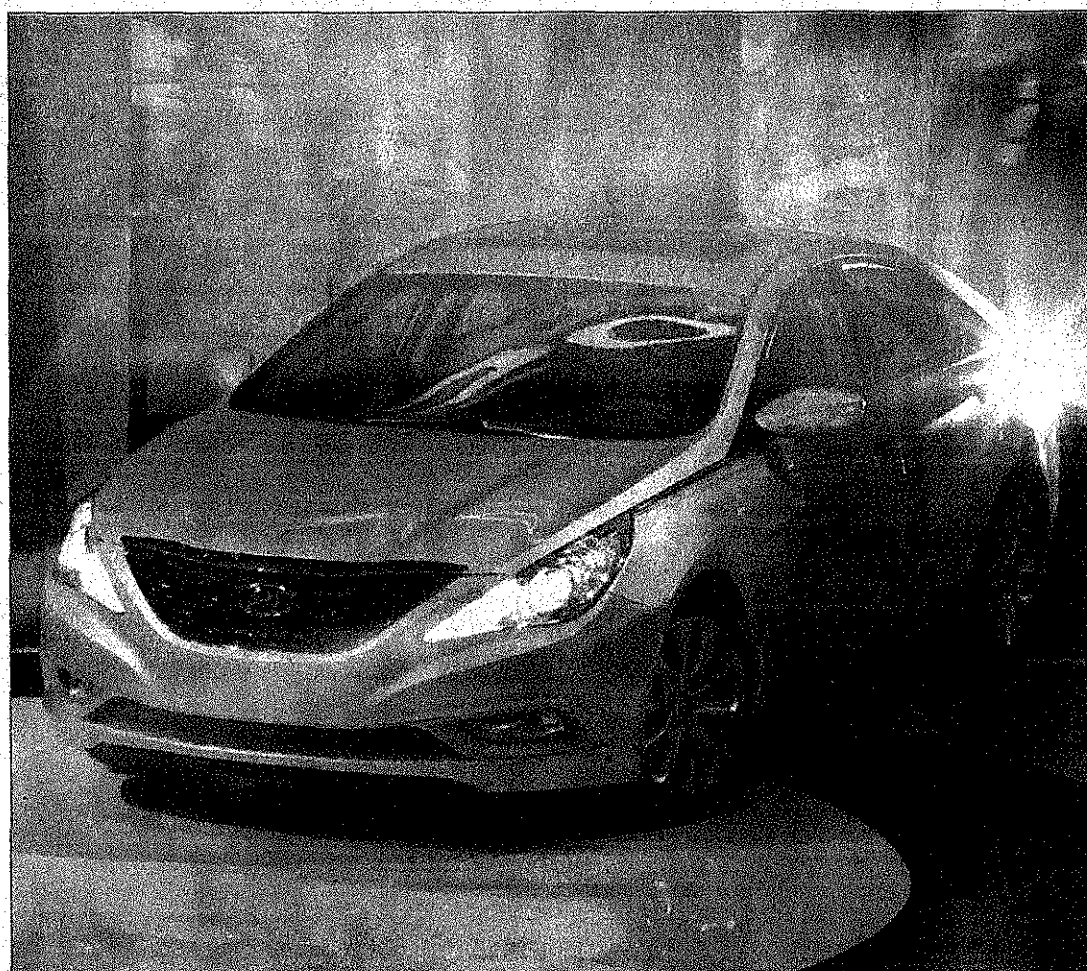


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2011 Hyundai Sonata

The all-new 2011 Hyundai Sonata has been named one of the 10 "Best Cars for 2011" by Car and Driver magazine.

"We're delighted so many American consumers have put a 2011 Sonata in their driveway this year," said John Krafcik, president and CEO of Hyundai Motor America. "Achieving our first Car and Driver '10Best' award is tasty icing on the cake, and a tribute to the team of global engineers, California designers and Alabama plant associates who made this game-changing product a reality."

According to Car and Driver, the 10Best award celebrates the best cars on sale in America for less than \$80,000. Testing takes place over a week on public roads in rural Michigan. The staff tested more than 60 new cars before selecting the 10Best.

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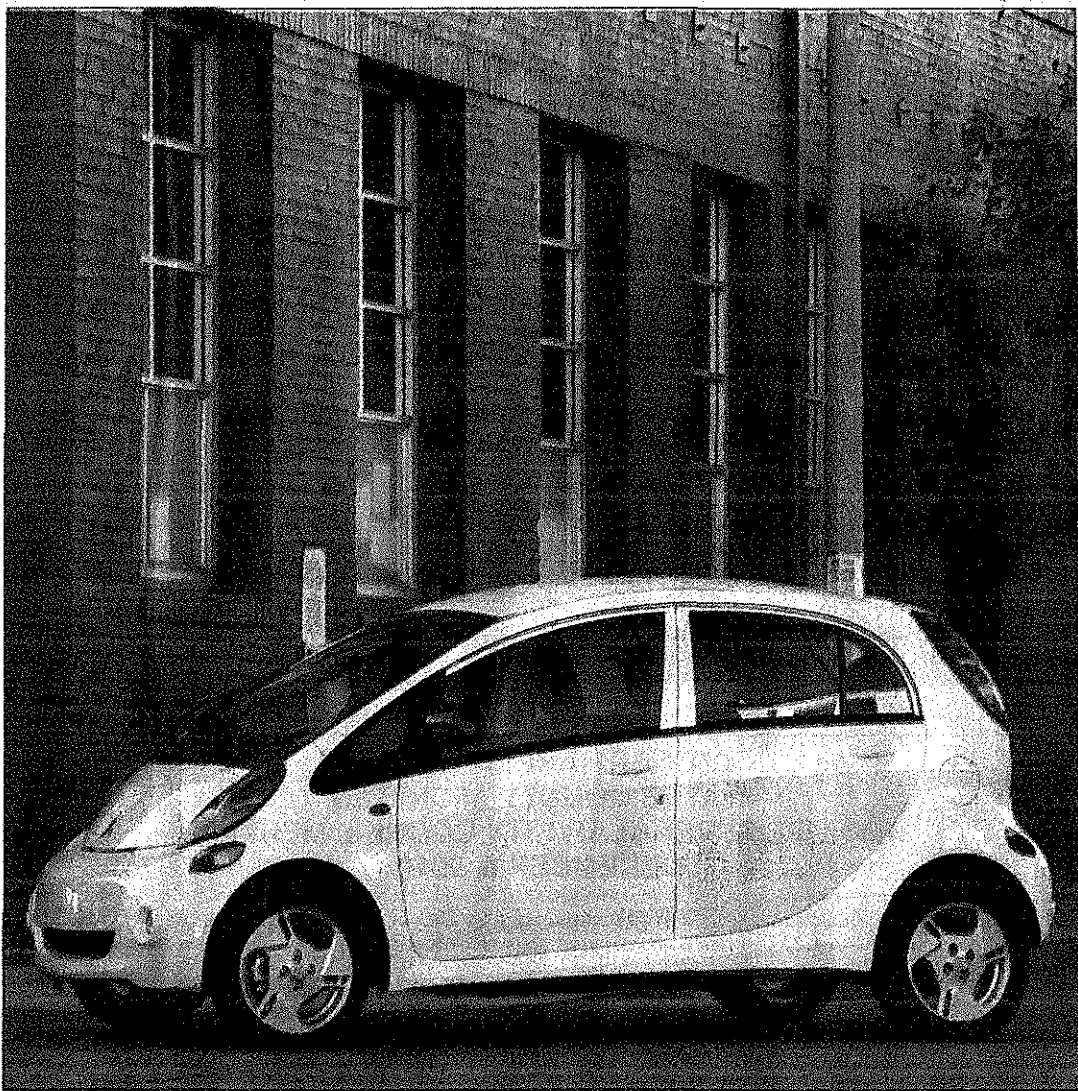


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2012 Mitsubishi i

Building on the company's more than 35 years of involvement in advanced electric vehicle development, Mitsubishi Motors recently unveiled its first all-electric production vehicle bound for the North American market.

Based on the gasoline-powered "i" minicar in the Japanese market, this roomy and practical four-door 2012 model serves as the basis for the new 100 percent battery-powered Mitsubishi i for the North American market. The zero tailpipe emission i will be the first North American production vehicle to be powered by Mitsubishi innovative Electric Vehicle technology cutting edge drivetrain engineering that will serve as the basis for future ultra-environmentally-friendly vehicles from the company. Gone are conventional automotive systems including a gasoline engine, transmission and a fuel tank, having been replaced by advanced components including a lithium-ion battery system, electric motor and an efficient battery charging system in the all-new i. Mitsubishi anticipates an initial roll out of the i to its dealership network in the western United States — specifically California, Oregon, Washington and Hawaii — in November 2011, with entry into the northeastern market to follow by March 2012 and nationwide availability by the end of 2012. The vehicle's manufacturers suggested retail price is expected to be around \$30,000, not including Federal and available state financial incentives.

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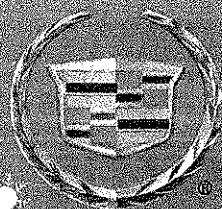
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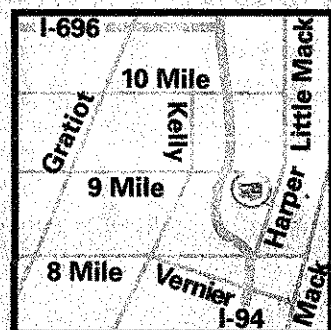
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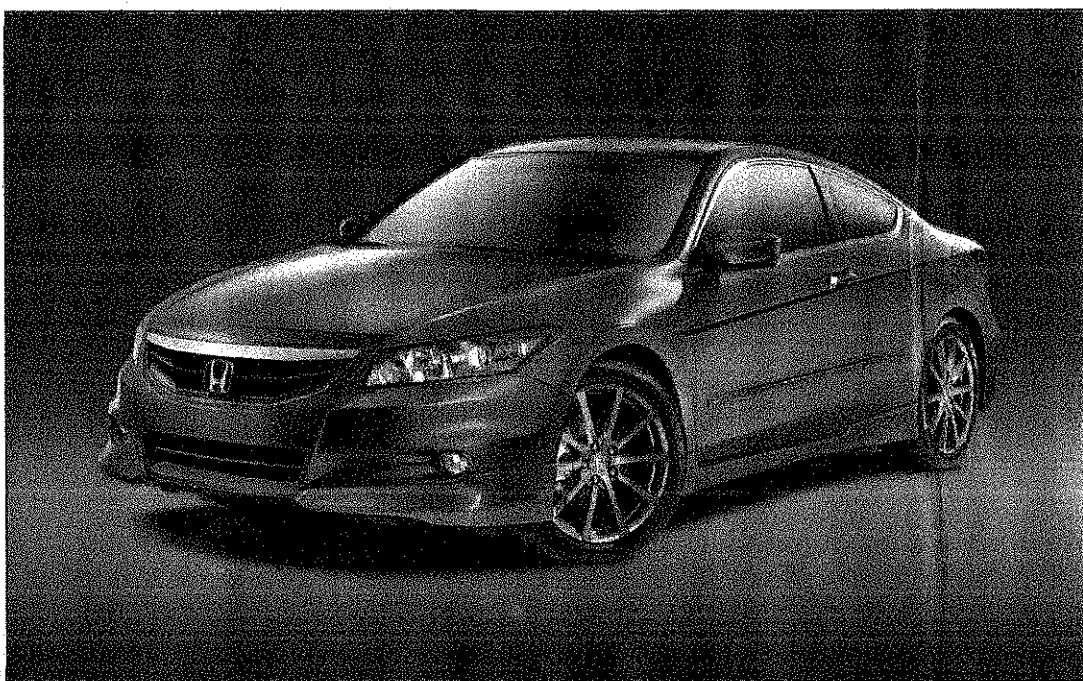


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City of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan

SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES December 6, 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, West, Joseph, Davis, Theros, Leonard & Waldmeir
Absent Were: None.
Also Present: Messrs. Burgess, City Attorney; Reeside, City Manager; Tepper, Assistant City Manager; Modzinski, City Controller/Treasurer; Jensen, Director Public Safety; Hutchins, Deputy Director of Public Safety.

Mayor Farquhar Presided at the Meeting.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on November 8, 2010, were approved as submitted.

The Council approved the following items from its Consent Agenda:

1. 2011 City Council Schedule of Meeting, beginning at 7 p.m., as follows * w/ "a" indicating work sessions:
 - January 10
 - January 24*
 - February 7
 - March 7
 - March 21*
 - April 11
 - April 25*
 - May 16
 - June 6
 - June 20*
 - July 11
 - August 8
 - September 12
 - October 3
 - October 24*
 - November 14
 - December 5

The Council approved a dedicated third space to the Grosse Pointe Theatre; the Council recognizing that such action is not permanent and may be revoked upon review.

The following Report was received by the Council and ordered placed on file:

- Public Safety Department Report for the months of November, 2010.

The Council approved the request from the Grosse Pointe Historical Society hosting the new Library of Congress traveling exhibition "Gateway to Knowledge" held on Friday, December 17, 2010, including mobile home being placed adjacent to the Historical Society with notices being sent to surrounding neighbors; such approval subject to specific conditions.

The Council adopted a resolution that immediately following adjournment of the Regular Meeting, a Closed Session shall be held for the purpose of discussing certain personnel matters.

Upon proper motion made, supported and carried, the Meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, January 10, 2011 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 90 KERBY ROAD, GROSSE POINTE FARMS, MICHIGAN 48236. THE MEETING IS PUBLIC. INTERESTED PROPERTY OWNERS AND RESIDENTS OF THE CITY ARE INVITED TO ATTEND. YOU MAY ALSO VIEW THE AGENDA AND MINUTES ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE: www.ci.grosse-pointe-farms.mi.us/

James C. Farquhar Jr.
Mayor
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Matthew J. Tepper
City Clerk

CITY OF HARPER WOODS WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING DECEMBER 6, 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 Councilwoman Vivian M. Sawicki.

MOTIONS PASSED

- 1) To excuse Councilwoman Vivian M. Sawicki from tonight's meeting because of a prior commitment.
- 2) To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held November 15, 2010, and furthermore, receive and file the minutes of the Employees Retirement System meeting held November 22, 2010 and the Library Board meeting held October 21, 2010.
- 3) To Table the calling of a Special Election for February 22, 2011, for the purpose of putting forth a ballot proposal requesting a Charter Amendment regarding the City's Public Safety services, until the City Attorney and City Manager can review the ballot language with a representative from Attorney General's Office.
- 4) That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

RESOLUTION PASSED

- 1) To approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: (1) Approve the Accounts Payable listing for Check Numbers 92354 through 92554 in the amount of \$934,871.08 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 \$8,659.36 for prisoner lodging and maintenance for the month of October 2010. (3) Approve payment in the amount of \$5,672.00 to the Michigan Municipal League for membership dues covering the period February 1, 2011 through January 31, 2012.
- 2) To renew the City's participation in the Michigan Municipal League's Liability and Property Pool for 2011 in the amount of \$207,594 for coverage as stated in their renewal proposal and, further that competitive bidding be waived in accordance with City policy.
- 3) To approve payment to Zuniga Cement Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$52,044.72 for Progress Payment No. 1 on the 2010 Miscellaneous Concrete Pavement Repair Program, #180-129.
- 4) To approve the Memorandum of Understanding and Agreement for Provision of Access, Education and Government Television Programming between the Cities of Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Farms, Grosse Pointe Park, Village of Grosse Pointe Shores, Grosse Pointe Woods and Harper Woods and the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Association.
- 5) To adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing a collective bargaining matter.

Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor

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TEST DRIVE By Greg Zyla

2011 Chevy 3500 HD Series Duramax



This week, we're driving perhaps the biggest vehicle I'll test drive before it comes to driving a small bus — the 2011 Chevy Silverado 3500 Series Crew Cab Dually Duramax Diesel 4WD.

With the vastly improved Duramax diesel under the hood and the heavy duty dual rear tires, our tester came ready to work in the toughest of environments, yet still deliver a surprisingly good and comfortable ride along the way. Be it quarry, oil field or towing a boat, RV or race car, this Chevy Silverado — and corporate twin GMC Sierra HD — is fully competent regardless of task.

As for behind the wheel input, a noted ride improvement — especially when compared to Dodge Ram HD Cummins and Ford HD Powerstroke — comes, thanks to GM's "no-compromise" front suspension.

Unlike the competitor's solid front axles, Chevy/GMC comes with an independent front suspension that GM feels is every bit as capable as Ford and Ram's solid setup, yet it delivers a better ride quality and offers ride height that's easily adjusted.

After driving more than 125 miles in two days, I agree. This bruiser delivers an extremely comfortable ride, almost to the point of forgetting you're behind the wheel of a 7,000 pound truck. (Which isn't good, so don't allow yourself to get lulled into "comfort and handling" illusion, thanks to

the \$465 optional "LTZ Plus" interior package). Surprisingly, however, is Duramax HD's full box frame being sturdier for 2011, thanks to 2-inch wider rear leaf springs, a 66 percent stronger steering knuckle and more beefy precision forged front upper control arms.

Under the hood, which is easier to open, due to a lower ride height than Ford and Dodge, lies the exceptional and most powerful Duramax Diesel ever bolted into the engine bay of a Chevy/GMC.

Last year, Duramax diesel produced 365 horses and 660 pound-feet of torque, yet the "more is better" ideology, also brought on by the competition, persuaded GM engineers to upgrade in all areas its popular turbo Duramax for 2011. They went to work on things such as camshaft profiles, induction, exhaust and the Garrett designed turbo resulting in today's massive 397 horse diesel that produces 765 pound-feet of torque at just 1,600 rpm. With more than 1.2 million Duramax engines on the road in the last decade, proven performance and reliability are keen buyer incentives.

With enough torque to move the toughest of jobs, and then carry five to six full size adults along the way, our tester also came in 4WD dress, which relies on GM's proven electronic shift transfer case and HD locking differential.

Not surprisingly, turbo diesel power such as this doesn't come cheap, as \$7,195 is the retail option price for GM's Duramax versus the standard 6.0 Vortec gasoline V8. Also reworked is the Duramax-mated Allison 6-speed automatic transmission (\$1,200 extra), which combines to deliver a potential of 680 highway miles from its 36 gallon diesel fuel, only tank for an average of

18.8 miles per gallon. EPA averages were unavailable, but expect way less while towing and in city traffic. This is an 11-percent increase in fuel mileage over last year's model and the engine is B-20 Biodiesel compatible. (B-20 is a diesel fuel that contains a 20-percent mixture that blends with regular diesel fuel and comes from domestic, renewable sources.)

In comparison, Ford's 6.7 Powerstroke develops three more horses at 400 and 35 more torque at 800, while Dodge Ram's 6.7 Cummins produces 350 horses and 650 torque. Ford, Chevy/GMC and Dodge Ram are close in all major categories, including towing capacity (Chevy/GM 21,700, Ford 22,600 and Ram 18,500) and maximum payload (Chevy/GMC 5,724, Ford 5,530 and Dodge 5,130). All three trucks offer 5-year, 100,000 mile powertrain limited warranties.

Other important numbers include a wheelbase of 167.7 inches, 13,000 pound GVW rating, 3.73 rear axle ratio, 75.5 feet of long box cargo space, and a whopping 7,200 pound curb weight.

Our Duramax LTZ, which starts at \$44,945, included some other high cost options, including a rear seat entertainment system, power sunroof and a rear vision camera, which, when added to the diesel and transmission costs, pushed the final tally to \$55,980.

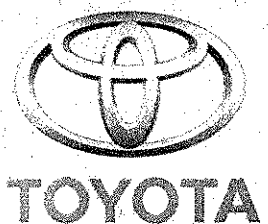
In summary, Chevy/GMC Sierra Duramax Turbo Diesel is one very tough truck and can do it all. Best of all, you can start with the Duramax 3500 HD Crew Cab without all the bells and whistles, which you can park in your driveway for \$44,465 delivered.

Greg Zyla is a syndicated automotive columnist.



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YOUR PRICE **\$16,006^{72*}**

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MSRP **\$18,810⁰⁰**
A/Z PLAN DISCOUNT PRICE **\$17,334^{53*}**
LESS FORD FACTORY RCL RENEWAL **- \$500⁰⁰**
LESS FORD FACTORY SPECIAL CASH **- \$1,250⁰⁰**

27 Month Lease Payment **\$159^{00*}** per month
YOUR PRICE **\$15,584^{53*}**

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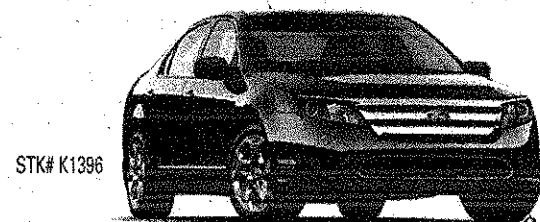
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2011 FORD FUSION SE

BLUE FLAME METALLIC, CHARCOAL BLACK CLOTH SEATS, RAPID SPEC 200A, 2.5L I4 ENGINE, 6-SPEED AUTO TRANS



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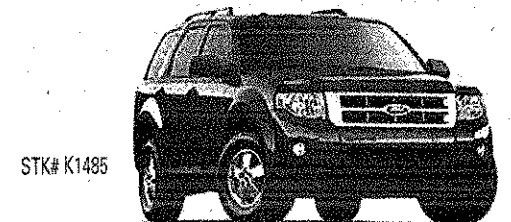
MSRP **\$22,975⁰⁰**
A/Z PLAN DISCOUNT PRICE **\$20,913^{38*}**
LESS FORD FACTORY RCL RENEWAL **- \$750⁰⁰**
LESS FORD FACTORY SPECIAL CASH **- \$450⁰⁰**

27 Month Lease Payment **\$189^{00*}** per month
YOUR PRICE **\$19,713^{38*}**

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BLUE FLAME METALLIC, STONE PREM. CLOTH SEATS, RAPID SPEC 200A, 2.5L I4 ENGINE, 6-SPEED AUTO TRANS



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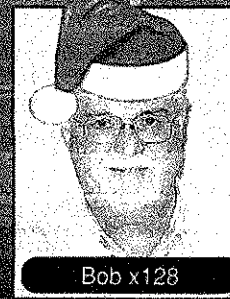
MSRP **\$25,070⁰⁰**
A/Z PLAN DISCOUNT PRICE **\$23,043^{38*}**
LESS FORD FACTORY RCL RENEWAL **- \$750⁰⁰**
LESS FORD FACTORY SPECIAL CASH **- \$900⁰⁰**

27 Month Lease Payment **\$219^{00*}** per month
YOUR PRICE **\$21,393^{38*}**

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Angelo x220



Bob x128

2011 FORD EDGE FWD SE

WHITE SUEDE, STONE CLOTH SEATS, RAPID SPEC 100A, 3.5L TI-VCT V6 ENGINE, 6-SPEED AUTO TRANS



STK# K1670

MSRP **\$28,190⁰⁰**
A/Z PLAN DISCOUNT PRICE **\$26,254^{39*}**
LESS FORD FACTORY RCL RENEWAL **- \$750⁰⁰**

27 Month Lease Payment **\$239^{00*}** per month
YOUR PRICE **\$25,504^{39*}**

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STK# K1465

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A/Z PLAN DISCOUNT PRICE **\$18,770^{47*}**
LESS FORD FACTORY RCL RENEWAL **- \$750⁰⁰**

27 Month Lease Payment **\$299^{00*}** per month
YOUR PRICE **\$18,020^{47*}**

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Jerry x126



Loren x229

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STK# K1610

MSRP **\$28,195⁰⁰**
A/Z PLAN DISCOUNT PRICE **\$25,662^{29*}**
LESS FORD FACTORY RCL RENEWAL **- \$750⁰⁰**
LESS FORD FACTORY CUSTOMER CASH **- \$1,000⁰⁰**

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YOUR PRICE **\$23,912^{29*}**

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LESS FORD FACTORY RCL RENEWAL **- \$750⁰⁰**

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YOUR PRICE **\$24,779^{56*}**

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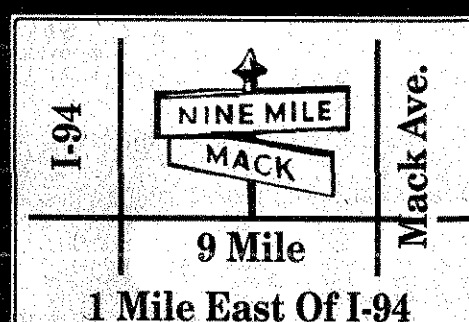
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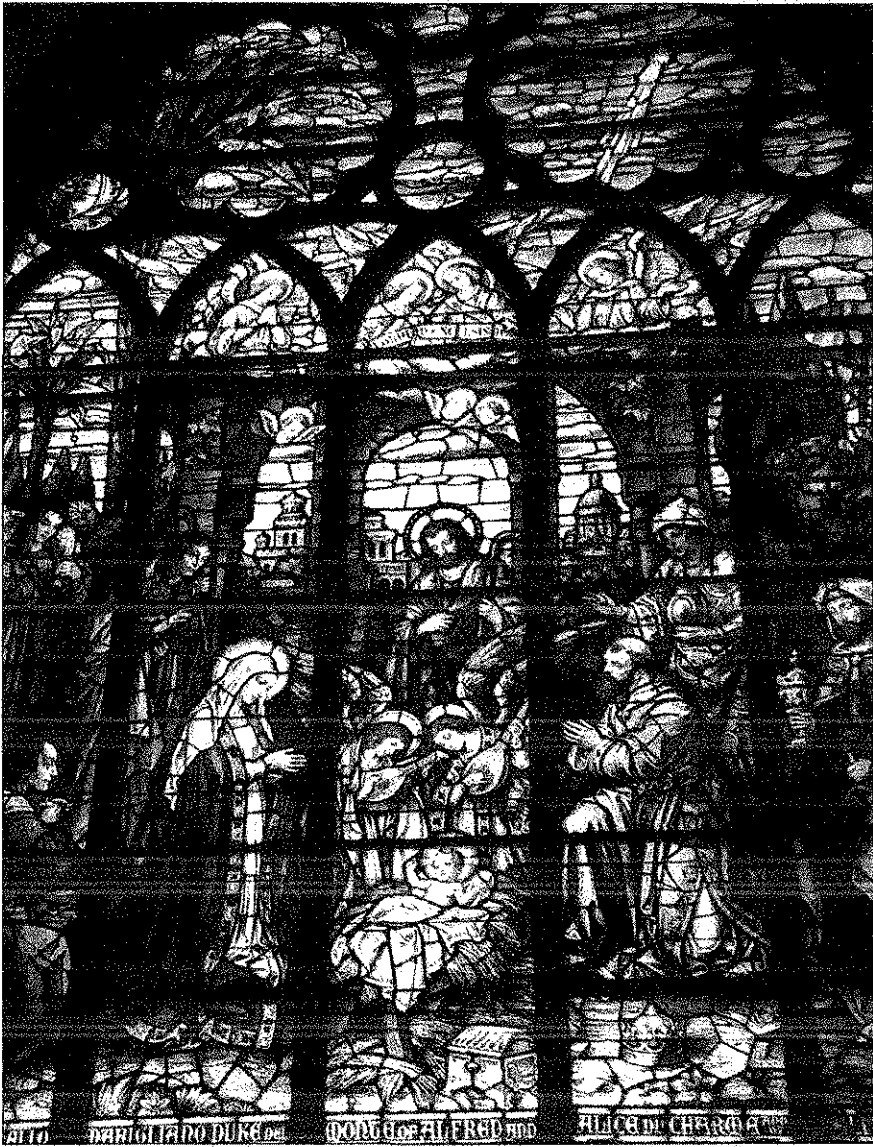


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Story in the Window



PHOTOS BY ANN L. FOUTY

Christmas celebrates the birth of Jesus Christ. He is the Christian religion's basis for hope, faith and charity and the promise of eternal life. Christians around the world prominently display a

crèche to remind them of the meaning of Christmas. Whether the nativity pieces are made of wood, resin, glass, ceramic or clay, in vibrant colors or in monotonous, they tell the story in one picture.

Similarly, in a single window, a story is told of worshipping shepherds and magi; of a humble beginning, devoted parents and adoring angels.

Such a story is told in the south facing window at Grosse Pointe Farms' St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church.

At Christmas, eyes linger on the 15-by-20 foot nativity scene dedicated to the memory of Agnello Marigliano Duke del Monte of Alfred and Alice du Charme and of Alfred du Charme Jr.

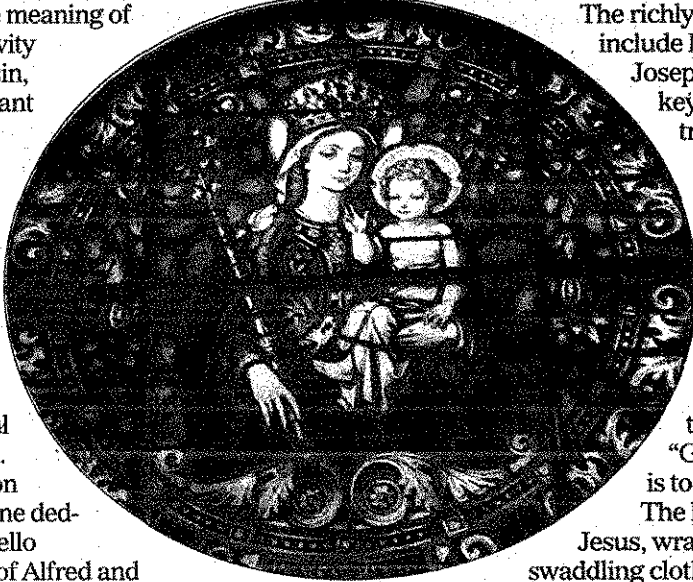
Monsignor Patrick Halfpenny explains the window's figures combine the narrative of Jesus' birth from the gospels of Luke and Matthew.

Luke's version is on the left (when standing in the sanctuary) with three purple-robed shepherds. Guided by singing angels, they came to Bethlehem of Judea to see what was being heralded. On the right is Matthew's account of the magi, sometimes referred to as wise men or kings, following a star.

Left, the window combines the stories of Jesus' birth from the books of Matthew and Luke. Above, Madonna holding Jesus.

They presented the new family with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

In the foreground, an earthly king has laid his golden crown on the ground before the newborn king.



The richly-colored panes include Mary and Joseph, a cow, donkey, camel, palm trees and the star radiating beams. Two angels near Jesus play lutes while other angels hover above holding a banner with the words "Gloria in excelsis is to God" on it.

The light from Jesus, wrapped in white swaddling clothing, and his head surrounded by a golden halo, seems to emanate into the window.

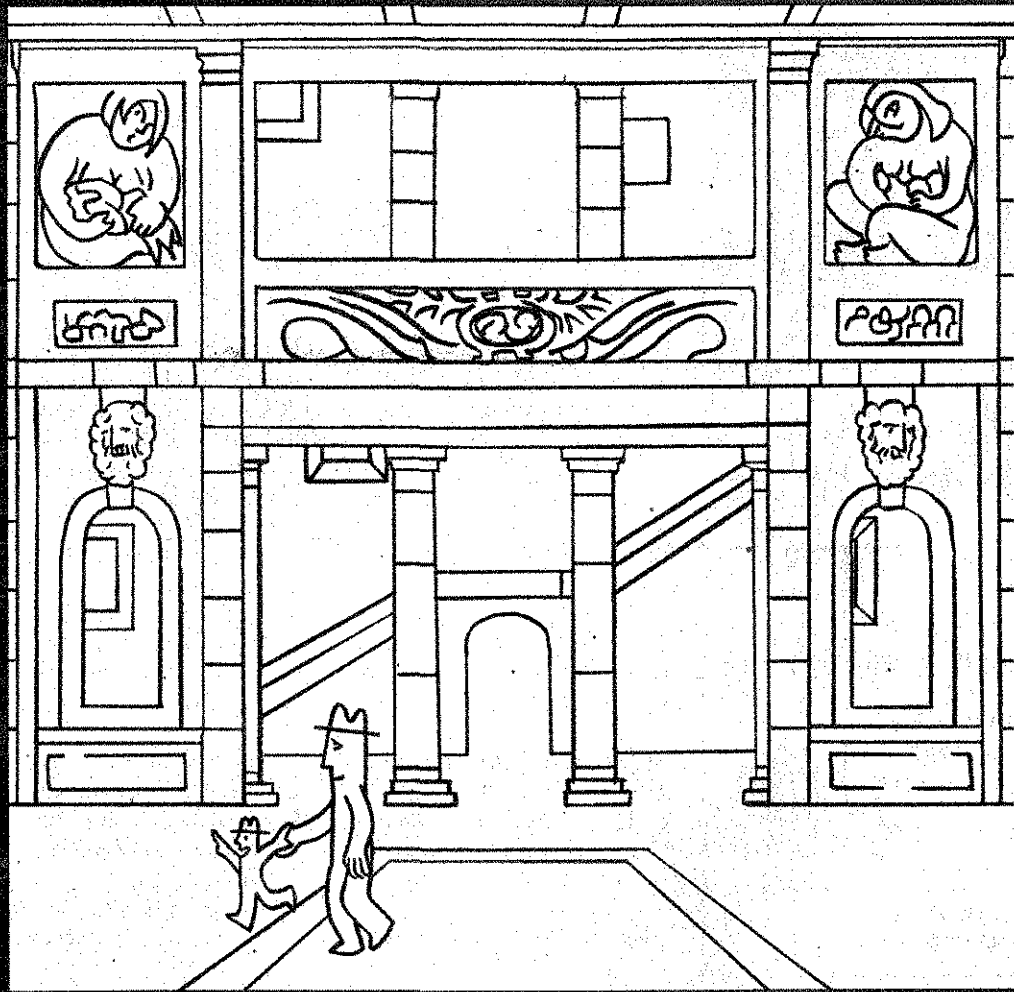
Recently, Halfpenny discovered the meaning of the three buildings in the nativity window's background. From right to left is a Moslem mosque, a Jewish synagogue and a Christian church.

It's an interesting concept, Halfpenny says.

The pictures in the windows are more than decoration, he says. They are to engage the worshiper in the service.

"As Roman Catholics, part of our belief is of grace, of incarnation, the nativity and birth of Christ be-

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Yesterday's Headlines

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

1960

50 years ago this week

◆ **FOX CREEK CLEANUP:** The Park council authorized advertising of bids for the improvement of the storm water pumping stations, Jefferson and Maryland, and the installation of a larger storm water sewer connection to a Detroit interceptor sewer. The program is for the elimination of the pollution of Fox Creek.

◆ **FOUR HELD IN TV STORE ROBBERY:** Four men, two of them Jackson Prison parolees, are being held in the Wayne County Jail for investigation of breaking and entering of a Woods television store.

The four were arrested by Detroit police a few hours after they broke into the K.L.A. Electronic Shop on Mack.

The foursome broke into the television store and stole radio and television sets valued at more than \$800 and \$42 cash.

◆ **BIG SCALE BURGLAR CLEARS POINTE ROBBERY:** A burglar who was arrested by St. Louis, Mo., police in October, is still talking. He confessed to at least one burglary in the Farms.

The burglar confessed to breaking and entering a home on Stephens road last July. Farms police are hoping he will clear another burglary the same night on the same street.

1985

25 years ago this week

◆ **FARMS OKS REDEVELOPMENT:** The redevelopment of the Punch and Judy is back on track. The agreement between the developers and the city was given unanimous final approval by the Farms council.



FROM THE DEC. 12, 1985 ISSUE OF THE GROSSE POINTE NEWS

1985: Carols and caring

It was a perfect night to kick off the War Memorial's first Tribute Tree last week. It wasn't too cold, snow was gently falling and hot cocoa was available to the dozens of carollers who journeyed to the center to sing along with Santa and Christmas Carol. The Tibute Tree lighting ceremony was preceded by a musical selection by William DeTurk on the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church carillon. White lights on the tree will shine in honor of friends, family and members of the community.

Lack of parking had held up the project.

◆ **FAULTY FURNACE TO BLAME:** A faulty furnace overheated and started a fire in the kitchen of a home on Cambridge in the Farms. The owner of the house, who had gone out, returned to find the house full of smoke. The fire had already burned through a wood partition boxing in the furnace and was spreading through the walls to the upstairs.

◆ **FAMILY ESCAPES SMOKE-FILLED HOME:** A smoked filled home almost spelled tragedy for a Windmill Pointe Drive family. The homeowner awoke

about 3:30 a.m. to find the bedroom filled with smoke. He awakened his wife and two children and hustled them outside, then returned to extinguish a smoldering chair in the living room. The incident is believed to have been caused by a candle left burning when the family went to bed.

2000

10 years ago this week

◆ **CITY SETS MEETING ON NEFF PARK:** Officials from the City of Grosse Pointe will hold a public forum to update residents on future plans for Neff Park.

For the past several months a special committee has been reviewing the park infrastructure, including the pools, and studying the best way to upgrade and renovate the park.

◆ **LETTER LITTER LEADS TO ARREST:** Some litter left by a postal carrier on a Grosse Pointe Woods street resulted in the arrest of the carrier a couple of weeks later on charges of tampering with the U.S. mail.

A Shores public safety officer noticed the litter in front of his house and turned it over to the post office. A part-time employee was charge with mail-tampering, a federal offense. The carrier was suspected of looking for cash in the cards and letters.

◆ **ROBBERS LEAD POLICE ON MERRY CHASE:** An armed robbery that began at Mr. C's on Mack in Grosse Pointe Farms ended up at Outer Drive, near I-94 in Detroit.

The incident began when

two men wearing ski masks walked into the store and produced a small, silver handgun. While the robbers were busy in the back of the store, an employee left the store through the front, went to the bar next door and called 9-1-1. An off-duty Farms detective was in the bar and went out the front in time to see the suspects leave in a black Neon. The detective followed the car, found to be stolen, until on-duty officers were able to assist.

With police close at hand, the two robbers and a driver jumped out of the Neon and fled on foot. Police were able to track one suspect, who was arrested.

2005

Five years ago this week

◆ **PURCHASE APPROVED:** Grosse Pointe Woods city council approved the bid of \$33,447 for the purchase of an American Roads 17-cubic yard Vacuum Leaf Collector and the bid of \$15, 675 for the purchase of a Dymax Grab and Grip 2.7-cubic yard Leaf Bucket.

◆ **LIBRARY LEASE TABLED:** The Grosse Pointe Board of Education tabled a proposed lease with the Grosse Pointe Public Library.

The proposed lease of the Woods library would be for 50 years with two 25-year extensions.

Concerns centered around operation and maintenance of the plaza and its shrubbery, a parking gate, parking lots, and Dumpsters.

Compiled by Karen Fontanive

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AREA ACTIVITIES

des Jardiniers

The La Societe des Jardiniers meet at 6 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 16, at the home of Kathie Smith for a Christmas party.

Following dinner, there is a white elephant grab bag gift exchange.

The club made a donation to Services for Older Citizens and the Capuchin Soup Kitchen for its Christmas charity project.

Sunrise Rotary

The Grosse Pointe Sunrise Rotary meets at 7 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 21, at The Hill Seafood & Chop House, 123 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms.

SOC

Senior citizens play Santa bingo Tuesday, Dec. 21, at Services for Older Citizens, 17150 Waterloo, City of Grosse Pointe. Games begin at 10 a.m. with new cards sold each hour for \$1.25. New games begin at noon, 1 and 2 p.m. A 3 p.m. raffle awards the remaining prizes. Lunch is served at 11:15 a.m.

For reservations, call (313) 882-9600.

Belle Isle

Take a holiday stroll through the conservatory from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 17, at the Belle Isle Conservatory, 8109 E. Jefferson, Detroit.

Symphony orchestra

The Lake St. Clair Symphony Orchestra presents "A Christmas Festival" at 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 18, at Redeemer Lutheran Church, 30003 Jefferson, St. Clair Shores.

Adult tickets cost \$15, senior citizens and college students pay \$10 and school-aged children pay \$5.

Tickets are available at Gifts Afloat, 10 Mile and Jefferson, St. Clair Shores, or at the door.

Goodfellows

The Old Newsboys' Goodfellow Fund of Detroit has raised \$631,670.20, representing 48.6 percent of its 2010 fundraising goal of \$1.3 mil-

lion. It still needs the public's support to ensure needy children have a Christmas.

The Detroit Goodfellows distributes 36,000 gift packages through Detroit Police precincts to needy children in Detroit, Hamtramck, Highland Park and River Rouge through Dec. 18. Funds raised by the local charity help pay for the holiday gift boxes.

Monetary donations, in any amount are needed, as the organization is currently \$668,329.80 short of its 2010 fundraising goal. Tax-deductible contributions are accepted through Jan. 31 and can be sent to: The Old Newsboys' Goodfellow Fund of Detroit, P.O. Box 44444, Detroit, MI 48244-0444. Donations may also be made online using the organization's secure website detroitgoodfellows.org.

Soroptimist

Soroptimist International of



side and the triangle flag with GPYC on the reverse side.

To buy a 3 1/4 inch ornament, contact Roseanne at rosewa33@aol.com. It is also available at The League Shop, 72 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms; Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms; Grosse Pointe Florists, 174 Kerby Road, Grosse Pointe Farms; Flagstar Bank, 19733 Mack Ave., Grosse Pointe Woods; and aretée. Therapeutic Wellness Spa, 20559 Mack Ave., Grosse Pointe Woods.

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Palmer Woods Music

Naima Shamborguer

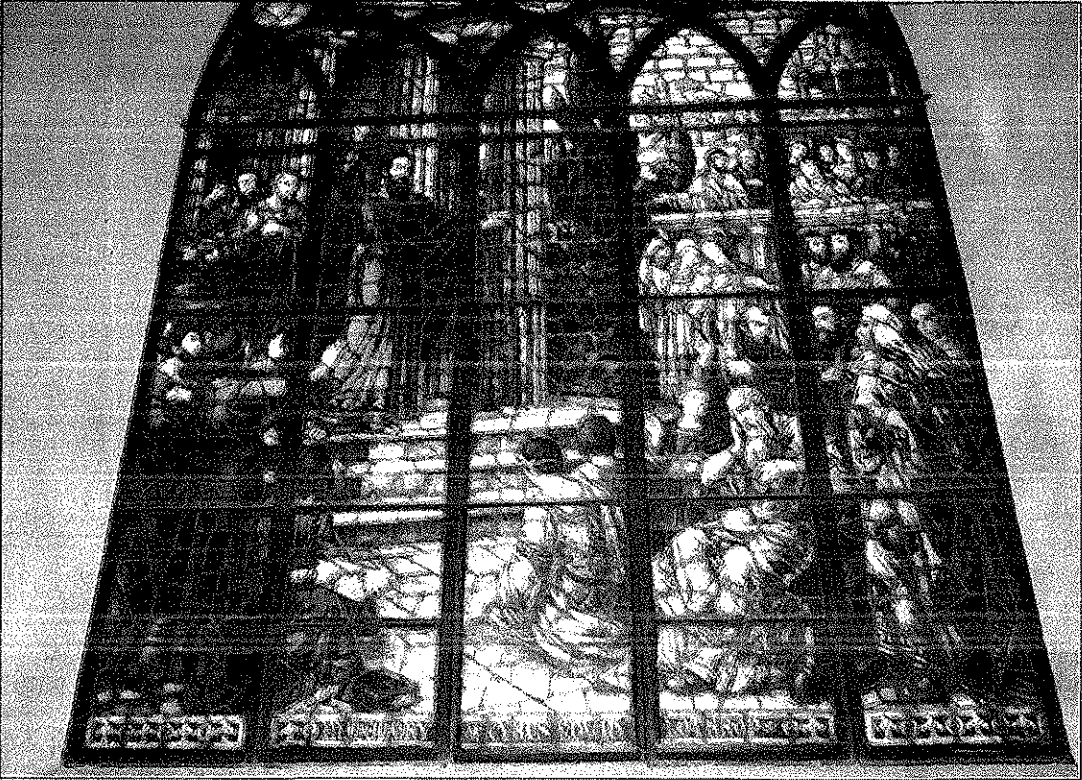
Grosse Pointe is selling a holiday ornament featuring the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club. This is the second in the series.

The \$10 ornament has a picture of the yacht club on one

Palmer Woods Music in Homes series is 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 26 with the Naima Shamborguer Trio.

Tickets cost \$35.

For tickets and location, call (313) 891-2514 or visit palmerwoods.org.



PHOTOS BY ANN L. FOUTY

Paul preaching in Athens is depicted in a 15-by-20 foot window in St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, established in 1879.

WINDOW: Picturing stories

Continued from page 1B

coming flesh. All of creation is good. The human person in worship fully engages all senses — sight, sound, taste, smell and touch. By inviting every sense to take of things of God, the more the worship of God is enriched," he says.

Stained glass windows, Halfpenny explains, began centuries ago as a way to teach illiterate parishioners. Priests used Biblical scenes as a way to bring lessons and religions meaning to the masses, a way of transmitting theological ideas.

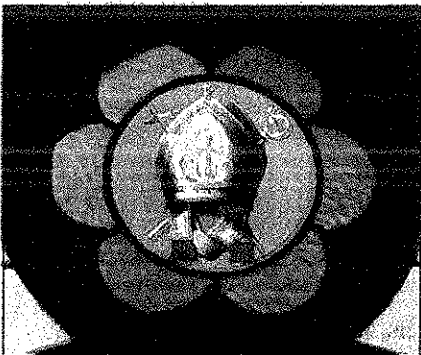
Today, Halfpenny uses the visuals of the sanctuary's windows as an additional teaching tool for the parish's children.

Opposite the nativity scene is the German-made window showing Paul preaching in Athens with the pagan temple, the Parthenon, in the background.

At the foot of one of the listeners is a Bible, unheard of in Paul's time. The listener holds his hands up as if to say, "Enough, yet is curious about the new religion," Halfpenny says.

A white bearded man looks despondent and Halfpenny surmises this to be Socrates in the north side window.

There are others who seem to be getting ready to dispute Paul's oration and yet, another is depicted as a scribe taking down every word Paul is



At left, the bishop's mitre.



Below, the Keys of Peter, installed in St. Paul Catholic Church on the Lake in 1900.

preaching.

Halfpenny also points to the four sets of windows on the north and south walls of the church which mirror each other in tones of rose, blue and gold glass.

The bishop's mitre, triple crown, is mirrored by the south-facing Keys of Peter or the keys of heaven in one set of windows.

Noah's ark is on the north wall and is mirrored by the Barque (ship) of Peter, whose first career was a fisherman. When persecuted, Christians drew either a fish or a ship in the dirt to designate their faith to others, thus a significance of

these two windows.

Installed in 1900, a third side window set on the north wall includes the scourge and pillar and the hammer and nails used to crucify Jesus.

The three theological attributes are seen in yet another window. Faith illustrated with a cross, hope with the anchor and charity with the heart. On the south wall, in vivid blue and golds is the crown of glory and empty cross.

Windows tell the story of the Christian faith. Windows hold the story pages in brightly colored glass pieces to be read no matter the language or age.

— By Ann L. Fouty

NEW ARRIVALS

Martin Peter Krall IV

Mr. and Mrs. Martin A. Krall, of Grosse Pointe Farms, are the parents of a son, Martin Peter Krall IV, born July 15, 2010.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas J. Rine, of Oldsmar, Fla., and Mr. and Mrs. Walter S. Cyacki, of Grosse Pointe Farms.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin P. Krall, of the City of Grosse Pointe, are paternal grandparents.

Great-grandparents are Mary Jane Nutter, of the City of Grosse Pointe; Mrs. Alvine Krall, of Roseville; Marie Easley, of Surprise, Ariz.; Marilyn Nutter, of Sun City, Ariz. and Mrs. and Mrs. Jack Staudt, of Del Ray, Fla.

Brooklyn Miller Anderson

Jeff and Michelle Anderson, of St. Clair Shores, are the parents of a daughter, Brooklyn Miller Anderson, born April 5, 2010.

Maternal grandparents are Chuck and Donna Schultz, of Grosse Pointe Shores, and Michael and Josephine Dunn, of Grosse Pointe Woods.

Paternal grandparents are Jerry and Fran Anderson, of Grosse Pointe Farms, and the late Pamela Anderson.

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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)
7:30 pm Things to Do at the War Memorial
8:00 pm In a Heartbeat
8:30 pm Senior Men's Club
9:00 pm Art & Design
9:30 pm Pointes of Horticulture
10:00 pm The John Prost Show
10:30 pm Great Lakes Log
11:00 pm Out of the Ordinary
11:30 pm Senior Men's Club

Midnight Economic Club of Detroit
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1:30 am Great Lakes Log
2:00 am The John Prost Show
2:30 am Senior Men's Club
3:00 am Art & Design
3:30 am Pointes of Horticulture
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7:30 am Musical Storytime
8:00 am In a Heartbeat

Featured Guests & Topics

Who's in the Kitchen?

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CHURCH EVENTS

Men's breakfast

The Grosse Pointe Men's Ecumenical breakfast begins at 6:45 a.m. Friday, Dec. 17, with coffee at the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

A buffet breakfast is served at 7:15 a.m. and the speaker,

the Rev. Peter Henry of Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, is at 7:45 a.m. For more information, call Eric Lindquist at (313) 530-8656.

Christ Church

Christ Church of Grosse

Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms, has a candlelight service of nine lessons and carols at 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 19. The combined choirs of the church sing the readings and music celebrating the Nativity of the Lord.

Congregational Church

Grosse Pointe Congregational Church, 240 Chalfonte,

Grosse Pointe Farms, has a Christmas pageant at 10 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 19.

♦ The Rev. Richard Yeager-Stiver leads a Blue Christmas Service of healing, compassion, and understanding at 12:10 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 22, in the church lounge.

Anyone feeling sad due to the loss of a loved one, health problems, divorce, financial concerns, etc., is invited to this service of Psalms, readings, and prayers.

Attendees can bring their lunch to eat during the service.

♦ Christmas Eve candle light services are at 6 and 11 p.m. The former is a family service.

♦ The Bourne Christmas service is at 10 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 26, explaining what the day after Jesus' birth was like, as viewed through modern visual media.

For more information, call (313) 884-3075 or visit gpcong.org.

St. Paul Catholic

St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, hosts a series "Catholics Returning Home" on seven consecutive Thursdays from 7:30 to 9 p.m. beginning Jan. 9.

The event is for non-practicing Catholics who are considering returning to the church. There will be informal sharing

See CHURCH, page 5B

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December 31, 2010
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11:00 p.m. Festival Holy Eucharist

Christmas Day
December 25
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First Sunday After Christmas
December 26
10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist

New Year's Eve
December 31
5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist

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Dec 19- Worship services 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.
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Dec 24- Christmas Eve Worship Services
Worship, 11:30 a.m. - lunch at 12:30 p.m.
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Friday, December 24 - Christmas Eve
7:30 and 11:00 p.m. - Duplicate Services
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ASK THE EXPERTS By Mark Menestrina

Discussing personal history with children



Q: Before I had children I was a pretty heavy drinker. I was raised in a family where drinking was associated with every event so (to me) my drinking was "normal." When I decided to get married and have children, I stopped drinking. Is it necessary for my children to know about the drinking issues in my (and my family) history?

A: I am going to answer this a couple different ways because the real answer is, "it depends." Sometimes I answer a question with a question, so let's start there:

Q: You indicated there is a family history of drink-

ing "issues." If your family genetics included diabetes, cancer or any other life threatening disease, would you feel compelled to educate your children about precautions they might consider in their diet, exercise or lifestyle?

A: I am hoping your answer is yes. While addiction is often viewed as a "behavior," it is medically recognized by the American Medical Association as a disease. I like to tell people genetics load the gun, environment pulls the trigger. By this, I mean if your children are genetically loaded for potential dangers of any disease (cancer, diabetes or addiction), parents should educate them about the family genealogy and associated behaviors that can change their outcomes.

A2: Education never hurt anyone, or at the very least it never hurt anyone more

than ignorance. However, it isn't necessary to educate your children with the specific antics of your drinking days. It may be important to educate them about your adolescent use and lack of education on the potential health dangers and how the disease of addiction can pass through to them genetically.

There are a few children and adolescent day-camp programs that educate children and adolescent-aged children about addiction and genetics. Some include:

Brighton Hospital Childrens Camp: brightonhospital.org/addiction-treatment/programs-for/childrens-addiction-program/ or contact Pat Schafer at (810) 220-1807

Care of Macomb: careofmacomb.com/How_You_Can_Help

St. Joseph Mercy Health

Exploration Station, Drugs 101: What Parents Want to Know: healthexplorationstation.com/more_info2.html

A3: If you drank as an adolescent, but there is no history of addiction or consequences from your drinking and you do not suspect any such antics from your adolescents, it is probably safe to skip the subject on an in-depth level. However, it is always advised to have regular conversations with your children about alcohol and drugs and to keep yourself informed of today's adolescent dangers. For this I would recommend checking out St. Joseph's program "Drugs 101: What Parents Need to Know."

Being a parent is full of challenges, but remember to be a parent — not a friend. Addressing substance use issues with your children is not

easy. But to not address them can be even more traumatic. We teach our children at an early age to wear seatbelts, to be aware of fire safety and to not go with strangers. These are appropriate topics, to be sure. We often don't address the risks of teen alcohol, tobacco and substance use and our young people sometimes die before they have a chance to hear such messages.

Get informed, seek advice and counseling when needed, and always know it's not just someone else's children who may have problems. It can happen to anyone. Lastly, if your teen may be using substances, you are not alone.

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Correction: Ted Kasper's phone number is (586) 255-2295. It was incorrect in the Nov. 25 issue.

CHURCH: Christmas services

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and an update of the Catholic faith.

For more information, call the parish office at (313) 885-8855.

First English

◆ The community is invited to the Sunday School Christmas pageant at 11 a.m.

Sunday, Dec. 19, at First English Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Children from preschool through fifth grade tell the nativity story and sing traditional Christmas hymns telling of the event.

◆ Three candlelight services are offered Dec. 24. At 5 p.m. a special children's service is featured. At 7:15 p.m. special mu-

sic is performed prior to the 7:30 p.m. service. The 11 p.m. service, which includes holy communion, is preceded with seasonal music beginning at 10:45 p.m.

◆ The annual Christmas Tree Walk and Tea begins at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 29.

For more information, call the church office at (313) 884-5040.

◆ The New Year's Eve service begins at 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 31.

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Career network

East-Side Take Control: Ecumenical Career Network Group meets from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. Monday, Dec. 20, for testimonials with facilitator Sadie Bolos at St. Ambrose Catholic Church, 15020 Hampton, Grosse Pointe Park.

For more information, call Sarah Sharp at (313) 822-2814 or contact sarahsharp521@gmail.com.

From 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 22, the Wellness group meets at First Christian Reformed Church, 1444 Maryland Ave., Grosse Pointe Park.

For more information, call the Rev. Ben Van Arragon at (313) 824-3511 or visit ben.vanarragon@gmail.com.



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Holly Fest

The eighth annual Holly Fest drew a sell out crowd of 125 guests and raised \$35,000 during silent and live auctions for The Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods. Wayne County Commissioner Tim Killeen, left, presented the organization's president Mary Beth Garvey with a plaque in recognition of The Family Center's 10th anniversary. The funds are used to support the center's educational enrichment program services.

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By Joe Dymont, C. Ped



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In addition to proper shoes, you may require an accommodative or functional orthotic to help balance the biomechanical function of your feet. This device fits comfortably in the shoe and helps the foot function in a more normal manner. It is important to have the proper orthotic design to give you the best results. Knee, hip and back pain can often be helped with orthotics and proper footwear as well.

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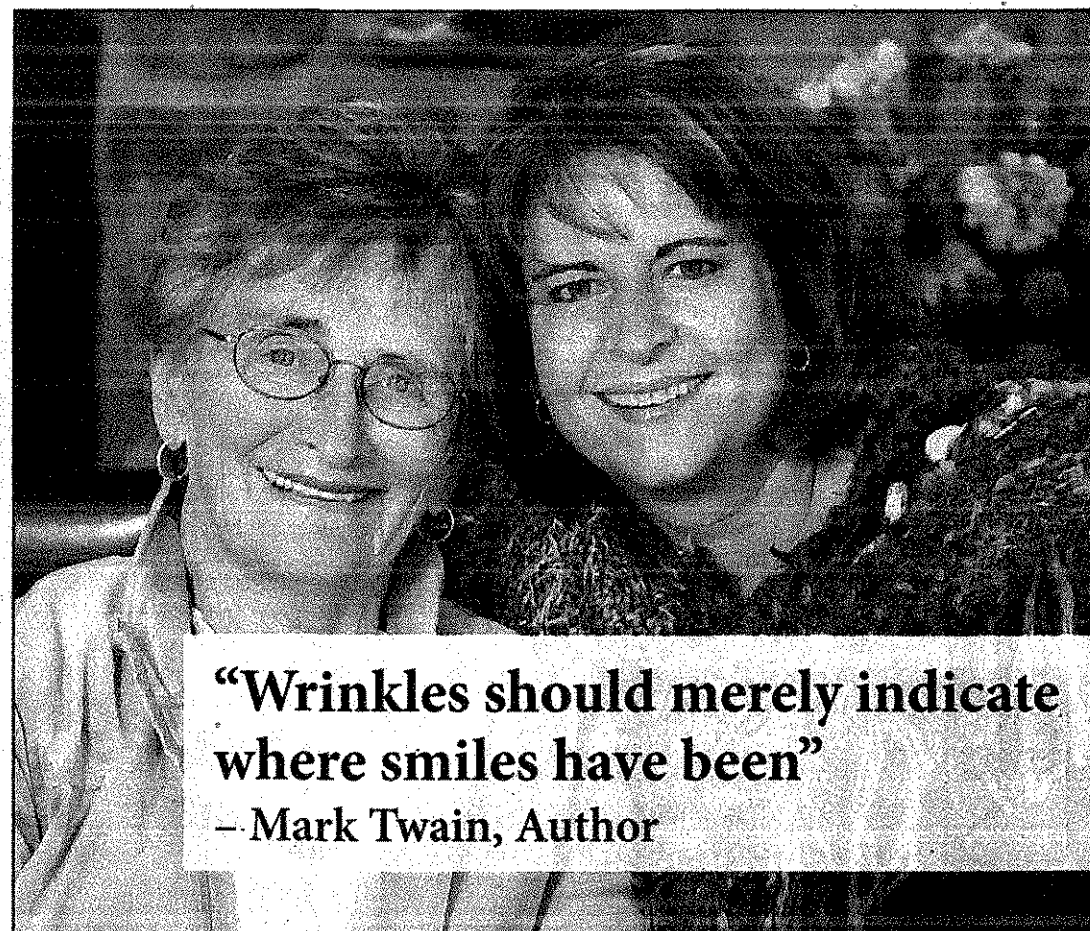
Diabetes disrupts the vascular system, affecting many areas of the body such as the eyes, kidneys, legs, and feet. As such, people with diabetes should pay special attention to their feet and wear properly fitted shoes to help keep the feet healthy. It is very important for diabetics with neuropathy or loss of feeling in the foot to take necessary precautions to prevent injury. If you have diabetes and are experiencing a foot problem, immediately consult with your foot doctor. In addition to loss of feeling in the feet, diabetics are prone to complications such as changes in foot shape and ulcers or sores that do not heal. If you have diabetes, ask your doctor if you could benefit from therapeutic shoes or call me for more details.

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6B | ENTERTAINMENT

A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

Christmas cut-out cookies a labor of love



Cut out Christmas cookies are truly a labor of love. First the dough, then the rolling and cutting, the baking and finally the decorating. The finished product was well worth it. I started with a sugar dough recipe (passed down) from the McBride home in Grosse Pointe Woods. Unlike the usual sugar cookie dough, this one

calls for a good dose of cinnamon. Yummy. I tried my hand at royal icing and found the paint-like texture easy to work with. The frosting hardens and allows you to create a special cookie. Break up the recipe into three separate stages and you'll enjoy this cookie project. For sure.

- Mickey's Christmas Cut-Outs**
- 1 lb. butter, softened
 - 1 1/2 cups sugar
 - 2 eggs, room temperature
 - 1 teaspoon vanilla
 - 5 cups flour
 - 1 teaspoon salt
 - 2 tablespoons cinnamon



the thicker the dough. Place the cut-outs on a bake sheet lined with parchment paper and bake for eight minutes (smaller cookies) to 15 minutes (larger cookies). Remove from oven and cool completely. Store air tight until ready to decorate. I made 16 super-large cookies. Or it can make up to six dozen regular-sized cookies.

Royal Icing

- 2 cups confectioners sugar
- 2 egg whites
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla (or other flavored extract)

Combine the above and mix or beat together. Use an angled spatula to spread icing over the cut-outs. Allow time for drying. Color little bowls of frosting then paint to complete the decoration. I also used sprinkles. After you have finished painting the cookies, allow them to sit uncovered for several hours, giving the frosting plenty of time to harden. Store carefully until ready to serve or slip into a clear bag for gift giving. Decorate these tasty Christmas cut-out cookies with your kids. The perfect reason to spend the afternoon in the kitchen.

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Cut-out Christmas cookies are perfect for Santa's midnight treat.

Place the pound of butter in a large bowl. Cover and set out overnight to soften. Set out the eggs as well. Beat the softened butter and the sugar together. Beat in the eggs, one at a time. Mix in the vanilla. In a medium bowl combine the flour with the salt and cinnamon. Gradually add the flour mixture to the sugar mixture, stirring well. Bring the dough together into a ball then cover tightly and chill for at least one hour or up to three days in the refrigerator.

(Overnight dough will need time out of the refrigerator before rolling.) Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Divide the dough into 4 pieces and roll out on a floured surface. The larger the cookie cutter,

Toys for Tots

Hundreds of toys were donated to the annual Toys for Tots collection Dec. 4 at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. Top from left are event chairs David and Janet Cornillie, of Grosse Pointe Farms, and Donna and Brian Satterfield, of Grosse Pointe Park. More than 300 people attended the event at which, at right, Marines Lt. Col. Steve White, Lt. Col. Chris Douglas, Lance Cpl. Ben Hehman, Lance Cpl. Chaz Washko and Lt. Col. VC, Shurig collected the toys.



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BOYS BASKETBALL

Liggett pulls off stunner over South

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

University Liggett's boys' basketball team pulled off a stunner to open the season last week, beating city rival Grosse Pointe South, 52-48.

"We were able to get after it on both ends of the floor and made some key plays down the stretch to win a really big game for our program," Liggett head coach Sidney Johnson said. "The guys really wanted this one and it showed because they played well."

"We played some tough scrimmages against Cody, Oak Park, Allen Academy and Anchor Bay, which I thought got us ready for this game tonight."

"They (Liggett) had better execution. We weren't crisp offensively or defensively," South head coach Dave Grauzer said. "I take responsibility because, as the coach, I have to have my players ready and they weren't ready for this game."

The visiting Knights came out aggressively and built a 19-14 lead by working the ball around, hitting open mid-range jumpers.

The Blue Devils cut into the deficit at the half, trailing 25-23 and it was a 36-35 Liggett lead with one quarter left.

The home team used a 6-0 run midway through the final



PHOTO BY RENATO JAMETT

University Liggett sophomore Eric Ewing, center, drives to the basket between South's, from left, Matt Temrowski, Kevin Reck and Tim Kramer during the Knights' win over the host Blue Devils.

quarter to take a 44-39 lead, but the Knights outscored the Blue Devils 13-4 the rest of the way to win the season opener.

Sophomore KeVaughn Jackson's three-point play off a missed shot gave the Knights a 48-46 lead, but with 2:11 left,

South junior Kevin Reck buried a basket to tie it.

Johnson watched one of his two seniors, Dominic Jamett,

go up strong for a basket and he was fouled. Jamett hit the free throw, giving the Knights a 51-48 lead with 1:10 left on the clock.

Jamett also corralled a rebound off a missed Blue Devils shot and fellow senior Carl Ghafari was fouled with 21.1 seconds left. He missed the first free throw, but made the second, giving the Knights some breathing room.

The Blue Devils had two final shots, but both missed and the Knights grabbed the rebound, running out the final few seconds.

For the Knights, sophomore Eric Ewing had a game-high 15 points, followed by Jamett with 11 and junior Eddie Thomas with 10. Jackson had six, while sophomore Stephen Benard and Ghafari had three points apiece.

For the Blue Devils, senior Brandon Barkley and junior Joe Srebernak had 11 points apiece, followed by senior Corbet Conroy with seven and Reck with six.

"We're going to get more of the same up-tempo style of play from Harper Woods in our next game, so the guys better be ready for a couple of tough practices to get ready for them," Grauzer said.

The Blue Devils got back to work the following day in practice and Grauzer watched his

players put together a solid four-quarter effort, leading to a 62-47 win over visiting Harper Woods.

"We changed up our defense and played a little more zone to slow down their dribble penetration," Grauzer said. "The guys were more focused on both ends of the court and it showed with an all-around good effort. This is what I expect from the guys."

The Blue Devils led 32-25 at the half and used a 15-7 third quarter to extend the lead to 47-32.

Conroy had 14 points, followed by Reck and Barkley with 11 points apiece as the Blue Devils improved to 1-1 overall.

Liggett also played late last week, defeating Detroit Academy of Arts and Sciences 60-22.

They jumped out to a 21-1 lead after the first quarter and 34-7 at the half. The host Knights won the third period 17-8 to open a comfortable 51-15 advantage.

Ewing had 15 points to lead all scorers, while sophomore Connor Fannon had nine. Sophomore Drew Jerome and Benard chipped in with seven points apiece, followed by Thomas with six.

Eleven of the 12 players scored for the Knights, which improved to 2-0 overall.

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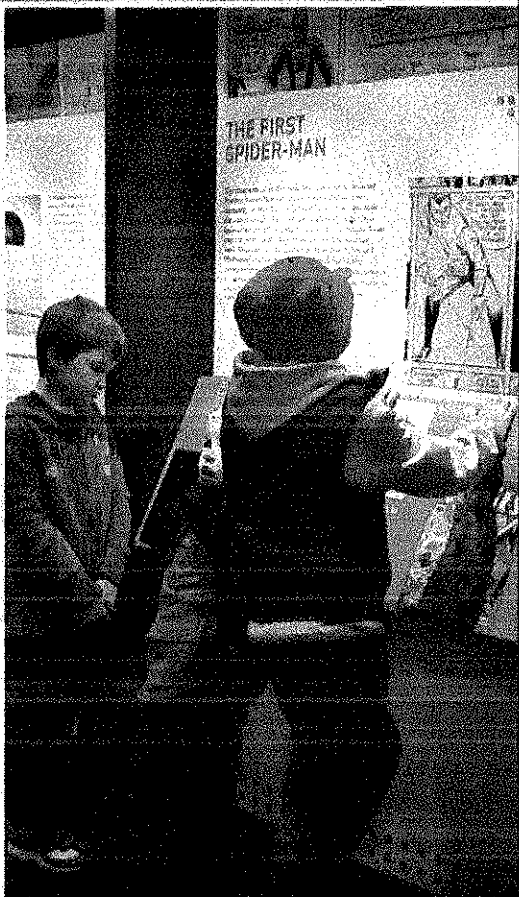
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Boys hockey

RIVALS

South battles city rivals Liggett, North

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's boys' hockey team had the tough task of battling city rivals University Liggett and Grosse Pointe North last week.

The Blue Devils won part one, beating the host Knights 6-3. It was the second time in five days the Blue Devils beat the Knights.

"We didn't play with any energy at all, but still had a ton of scoring chances," Liggett head coach Robb McIntyre said. "This wasn't a 6-3 game. However, we didn't play well enough to win. South wanted to show us that last week's one-goal win wasn't good enough.

"We have to play better in our own zone and get after the opponent."

The Blue Devils got off to a fast start, scoring twice in the opening period when junior Nolan Monforton and sophomore Thomas Marantette lit the lamp.

Junior Wes Cimmarrusti assisted the first goal and senior Jess Martinelli assisted the second.

Liggett junior Connor Wiggins missed a penalty shot early in the second period, but the Knights got on the board a few minutes later when sophomore Mark Auk tallied a power play goal with sophomore Manny Counsman and Wiggins drawing assists.

Martinelli, from Monforton and Cimmarrusti, scored the Blue Devils' third goal as the visitors led 3-1 after two periods.

The Blue Devils put the game out of reach, scoring the next two goals as sophomore Andrew Holder and senior Chris Flanagan tallied.

Wiggins scored on a two-man advantage and 38 seconds later, junior David Gushee scored a power play to round out the Knights' scoring.

The Blue Devils put the finishing touches on the victory



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

Grosse Pointe North junior Julian Quinlan, No. 17, grabs the loose puck and heads up ice during the Norsemen's win over the Blue Devils last weekend.

when junior Frank Welsher scored with 1:39 left in the game.

South completed its two-game series last weekend, losing 7-2 to Grosse Pointe North.

"I think they outworked us, but we have some skilled players who can put the puck in the net," North head coach Scott Lock said. "We let our emotions get the best of us and that always happens in this rivalry game with South. We have to play our system and we did not tonight, but won the game."

The host Blue Devils had the better scoring chances in the first five minutes of the opening period, but senior goaltender Jeff Ryan held his ground.

The Norsemen put three goals on the board in the final four minutes of the opening period.

Junior Anthony Saleh scored a beautiful power play goal, lifting a backhand shot over the shoulder of junior netminder C.J. Schebil for a 1-0 lead at the 4:21 mark. Sophomore Brad

Werenski drew the assist.

Junior Scott Dornbrock made it 2-0 after blasting a slap shot by Schebil to add another power play tally on the board. Freshman Chris Kusch and



PHOTO BY RENATO JAMETT

Liggett junior Jake Hodges rips a slap shot in the Knights' loss to city rival South.

sophomore Jeff Herron had assists.

It was 3-0 after Werenski scored with only 59.3 seconds left in the first period with Herron and Saleh netting assists.

The Blue Devils got on the board with a goal with only two-tenths of a second left. They had a draw deep in the Norsemen's zone with only 2.8 seconds left and were able to win the faceoff and Martinelli scored. Cimmarrusti had the assist.

"We should have never given up that goal in the final second," Lock said. "We weren't in right position to begin with. I tried to get everyone in the right position to win that draw, but they couldn't hear me in time and the next thing I knew the puck was in the net."

Junior J.P. Lucchese scored late in the second period with sophomore Jack Stander netting the assist, giving the Norsemen a 4-1 lead.

The Blue Devils carried the play for most of the third period, but the Norsemen scored three times to put the game out of reach.

Saleh scored his second goal



PHOTO BY RENATO JAMETT

South junior Wes Cimmarrusti had two assists to help the Blue Devils beat Liggett for the second time in five days.

of the game in the first two minutes as Werenski and Herron drew assists.

Junior Joe Aluia tallied to make it 6-1 as Lucchese had the assist and the Norsemen's final goal was scored at the 2:30 mark when Werenski lit the lamp, assisted by Dornbrock.

The Blue Devils' second goal was scored by Welsher, assisted by Martinelli and Cimmarrusti at the 6:47 mark.

Earlier in the week, North tied Birmingham Brother Rice 3-3.

The Norsemen trailed 2-0 in the opening period before Lucchese scored in the second period, assisted by sophomore David Chavis and Werenski.

In the first two minutes of the third period, the Norsemen grabbed a 3-2 lead as Saleh tallied twice. The first was unassisted and the second tally came on a power play and was assisted by Dornbrock and Herron.

The Warriors scored with only 1:45 left to earn a point with

the tie.

"We haven't been very crisp and at the level I want," Lock said.

Liggett also played another game last week, beating visiting Mattawan 4-1 behind goals by junior Austin Petitpren, sophomore Mark Auk, Wiggins and junior Jake Hodges.

Hodges, Auk, freshman Lordanthony Grissom, junior Jeff Mott, sophomore Manny Counsman and sophomore Jacob Soyka (two) had assists.

Liggett stands 6-2 overall, while Grosse Pointe North is 3-2-1 overall and 2-2-1 in the Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League; and Grosse Pointe South is 5-2 overall.

South alumni game

The annual Grosse Pointe South Hockey Alumni game is 5 to 6:30 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 26, at City Ice Arena. All South hockey alumni are invited to skate and eat pizza after. Contact Tom Klick with questions or responses at (586) 218-7381.

Girls hockey

RIVALS

North blanks South, 2-0

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

For the first time in a couple of seasons, Grosse Pointe North beat city rival Grosse Pointe South, 2-0, last weekend.

"Our team defensively played very well," North head coach Scott Dockett said. "Our four defenseman played well, Emma (Huellmantel) was outstanding in net and we played them tight in the neutral zone,

which really limited the number of shots South had against us.

"Overall, it was nice to finally beat South."

"Any time you play a tough team like North, you have to be on the top of your game and we weren't tonight," South head coach Joe Provenzano said. "They outplayed us and they were physical with us. We didn't respond well, but we can get back to practice and work on these things."



Grosse Pointe South sophomore Darian Dempsey and her teammates came up short in their bid to beat city rival Grosse Pointe North.

The visiting Norsemen scored in the first two minutes of the game when senior Kailey Sickmiller tallied, assisted by sophomore Natalie Skorupski.

Late in the second period, it was sophomore Julia Henderson who lit the lamp, assisted by Sickmiller and senior Taylor Moody.

In the third period, the Norsemen displayed an even tighter defense, keeping the Blue Devils without a quality scoring chance.

"They started taking shots from a distance, which gave Emma a good look at all of them," Dockett said. "We needed this big win after coming close in our tournament loss in overtime to Cranbrook."

For the Blue Devils, top forwards Claire Boyle and Andrea Marshall missed the game due to injuries. They will have the two-week holiday break to nurse them back to full strength.

"Not having Claire and Andrea out on the ice hurt, but that just means other girls have to step up and fill their shoes," Provenzano said.

In other action last week, both North and South defeated Detroit Country Day with the Norsemen winning 9-1 and the Blue Devils 8-0.

For the Norsemen, sophomore Dylan Trout had her first start of the season in net and earned the victory.

For the Blue Devils, all four lines chipped in with goals.

Grosse Pointe North improved to 5-0 in the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League and 6-1 overall; Grosse Pointe South fell to 3-1 in the MMGSHL and overall.



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Grosse Pointe North sophomore Natalie Skorupski assisted the game-winning goal early in the first period and played stellar defense to help the Norsemen beat Grosse Pointe South.

LIGGETT

Knights rally, beat PCS

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Sophomore Aria Ganz-Waple's goal at 5:10 of overtime lifted University Liggett's girls' hockey team to a 3-2 win over Plymouth-Canton-Salem last week.

The host Knights trailed twice by a goal before battling back to force overtime on Ganz-Waple's first tally of the night with 6:59 left in the third period. Junior Haleigh Bolton assisted on the power-play goal that slipped through the pads of the Penguins' goalie.

The Penguins led 1-0 in the first period on a goal by Sarah Coleman, but Bolton tied it early in the second period. Ganz-Waple drew the assist, giving her a three-point night.

PCS regained the lead later in the second period before the Knights tied it with a dominating performance in the third period.

"We played very well and outshot Ann Arbor by a 2-1 margin, but lost the game before," head coach Laura Aiken said. "This was a nice win for the girls, especially after trailing a couple of times."

The play of the game was made by senior goalie Maria Passalacqua, who stopped a breakaway with only 23.6 seconds left in the third stanza.

"I told the girls they have to be more attentive on the defensive end and not let anyone get free and then they have a breakaway," Aiken said. "Mariah is very good at stopping those, but I think my heart still skipped a beat. She made the play of the game."

Liggett is 3-2 in the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League and 3-4 overall.

Girls basketball

LIGGETT

Knights gain split

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

University Liggett's girls' basketball team battled one of the states top squads last week, Romulus.

"This was a very good basketball game," head coach Wayne Gigante said. "They had three Division 1 players, but our girls didn't back down. We went right after them and were in good position in the fourth quarter, but just fell a little short."

The visiting Knights lost 59-51, but gained a lot of respect throughout the state with the effort.

"We went to Romulus to win the game," Gigante said. "We need to test our girls and get them playing against tough teams. These games make us better."

Junior Madison Ristovski

was the star of the game, scoring 28 points. She was in a zone, making shots all over the court, but in the end Romulus' experience paved the way to win, especially during crunch time.

Last weekend, the Knights hosted an 8:30 p.m. game against Lutheran Westland. It was the opening game of the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference slate.

The first quarter said it all as the Knights forced 15 turnovers and led 28-4. It was 51-9 at the half as the Knights pulled off the gas with two minutes left in the second quarter and ahead 49-9.

It was a cruise control second half as the home team outscored the Warriors 10-0 in the third quarter and 14-3 in the fourth to account for the final score.

When the final buzzer sound-

ed, the Knights forced the Warriors into 30 turnovers, while committing only seven and they had as many three pointers, four, as the opposition had field goals made.

Madison Ristovski had 26 points and six rebounds, while sophomore Haleigh Ristovski had 14 points and five rebounds.

Junior Andrianna and freshman Angelia Evangelista had 10 points apiece, while freshman Bre'Nae Andrews scored nine points and grabbed a team-high eight rebounds.

Liggett improved to 2-1 overall and 1-0 in the MIAC.

Head coach Ashley Alles' Liggett junior varsity team also won its MIAC opener over Lutheran Westland, 28-24.

"Our girls really played a nice, game and we're happy to get that first win of the season," Alles said.



PHOTO BY RENATO JAMETT

Junior Andrianna Evangelista, dribbling, was one of four Knights scoring in double figures with 10 points in the easy win over Lutheran Westland.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

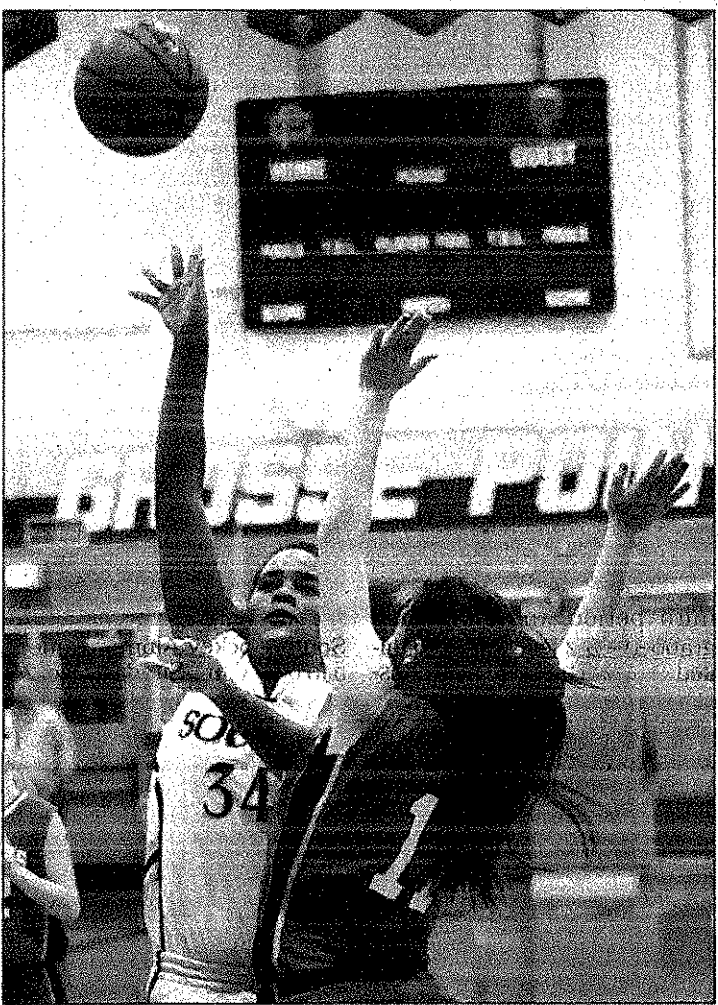


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Senior Aisha Rodney goes up for two points in the Blue Devils' season-opening loss to Dearborn Divine Child.

Falcons trip South in its opener

By John McTaggart
Special Writer

Grosse Pointe South girls' head basketball coach Kevin Richards knew the opponent his squad opened up the season against, Divine Child, was a very good team.

"We knew they were one of the better, if not the best team in the Catholic League," Richards said. "But still, I was disappointed in how we played."

After a solid first quarter that was knotted at 15-15, the Falcons took control and cruised to a 50-32 victory last week.

"You know, the first quarter went okay for us," the coach said. "We had the game at a fast pace, which is what we like, and I thought we were playing well. After that, though, I think we just ran out of gas."

Richards noticed his team fatiguing throughout the second half, in particular.

"I think our conditioning was a factor," he said. "It just

isn't where it needs to be. We're searching for depth too. Both of these things we're working on, and we'll get there."

Junior Caitlin Moore led the Blue Devils with 14 points, eight of which came in the opening quarter.

"We ask her to do a lot for us," Richards said of his standout guard. "And every time she is on the floor, she's the best athlete out there. Still, I think she just got tired."

The Falcons took advantage of the weary Blue Devils and the result was uncharacteris-

tically easy baskets for Divine Child, particularly in transition.

"Our transition defense was not very good," Richards explained. "And we didn't do a very good job of getting out and locating their shooters either."

"It just wasn't a very good performance from us. It's disappointing."

In fairness, Richards and his squad have never been the type of team to load their non-conference schedule with cupcakes and easy wins. Instead, they square off

against some of the best programs in the state, including Divine Child.

"We hope by playing these tough teams, we'll be a better team as the season goes on," the coach explained. "We want to be there, playing our best at state tournament time, and we want to be there in our league (Macomb Area Conference White Division). That's our goal."

Grosse Pointe South is 0-1 overall.

"We came out the next day and had a great practice," Richards said.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen's youthful team hits peaks, valleys

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's girls' basketball team had to wait a couple more days to play its home opener, thanks to Mother Nature dumping rain, sleet and snow on the area.

The Norsemen's game with Anchor Bay was postponed and will be made up at a later date.

The team did play two road games last week, losing 52-48 to Okemos and 49-28 to Livonia Ladywood, falling to 0-3 on the young season.

Of the three games, the Norsemen played its best against Okemos, who featured a 6-foot, 3-inch post player headed to Ferris State

University on a basketball scholarship.

"We were active on defense right from the start and caused many turnovers," head coach Gary Bennett said. "It was our best team defensive effort of the year and it was exciting and fun to watch the girls work so very hard to get to the right spots and to disrupt what Okemos was trying to do on offense."

"I couldn't have been any prouder of the girls. They gave it their all every minute they were on the court. I was very pleased."

Taryn Kiah had 17 points, seven steals and five rebounds, despite fouling out with six minutes left in the fourth quarter.

Anajai Gutierrez chipped in with nine points, seven rebounds and four steals, while Micaela Liddance had nine points. Anna Giordano and Nicole Strickland scored six points apiece as the Norsemen lost in overtime.

Against Ladywood, the Norsemen trailed 24-8 at the half and 40-15 at the end of three quarters.

"We came out flat against Ladywood and were never in the game," Bennett said. "All of the energy and enthusiasm from the Okemos game were gone and we really struggled."

Kiah had 16 points and Gutierrez had five steals to go with Strickland's six rebounds to lead the Norsemen.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Register for scrap book marathon

The Grosse Pointe South girls' basketball team is hosting a scrap madness crop from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 29, at the Grosse Pointe South High School cafeteria.

The cost is \$50 and due by Jan. 22. Check or cash is accepted and walk-ups are accepted.

Coordinator Kara Richards says there is plenty of crop-

ping space for participants and a continental breakfast, lunch and dinner, as well as desserts, snacks and beverages.

Go green. Bring your own cup with a lid to use for your beverages all day and receive a free raffle ticket.

To register, send check written to Grosse Pointe South High School, c/o Kara

Richards, 11 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

The non-refundable cropping fee of \$50 is due at the time of registration. All cropping spaces are on a first-come-first-serve basis.

For further questions or information, contact Richards at (313) 709-7214 or e-mail at karadickinson@hotmail.com.

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Swimming

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils blast Fraser

Grosse Pointe South's boys' swimming and diving team opened its season in style last week, pummeling Fraser 136-47.

Head coach Eric Gunderson watched his 200-yard medley relay team win the first event of the season with freshman Patrick Jackson, junior Luke Hessburg, freshman Nicholas Yoo and senior Cam Johnson winning with a state-qualifying time of 1:45.40.

The Blue Devils also placed second when junior Joe Zampardo, senior Ryan Graham, senior Sam Effinger and sophomore Frankie Cusumano posting a MISCA-qualifying time of 1:51.95.

Senior Craig Campbell won the 200-yard freestyle with a state-qualifying time of 1:50.01 and senior Roby Boggs and sophomore C.J. Stafford placed third and fourth with times of 1:59.88 and 2:00.06.

Graham easily won the 200-yard individual medley, posting a MISCA-qualifying time of 2:09.88 and Yoo was second with a time of 2:16.52.

In the 50-yard freestyle, Johnson edged out senior Johnny Allen for first place. They had times of 23.69 and 24.96, respectively, and the Blue Devils had the only three divers in the meet.

Ben Cornille won with 177.05 points, followed by Eric Addy at 169.05 and Josh

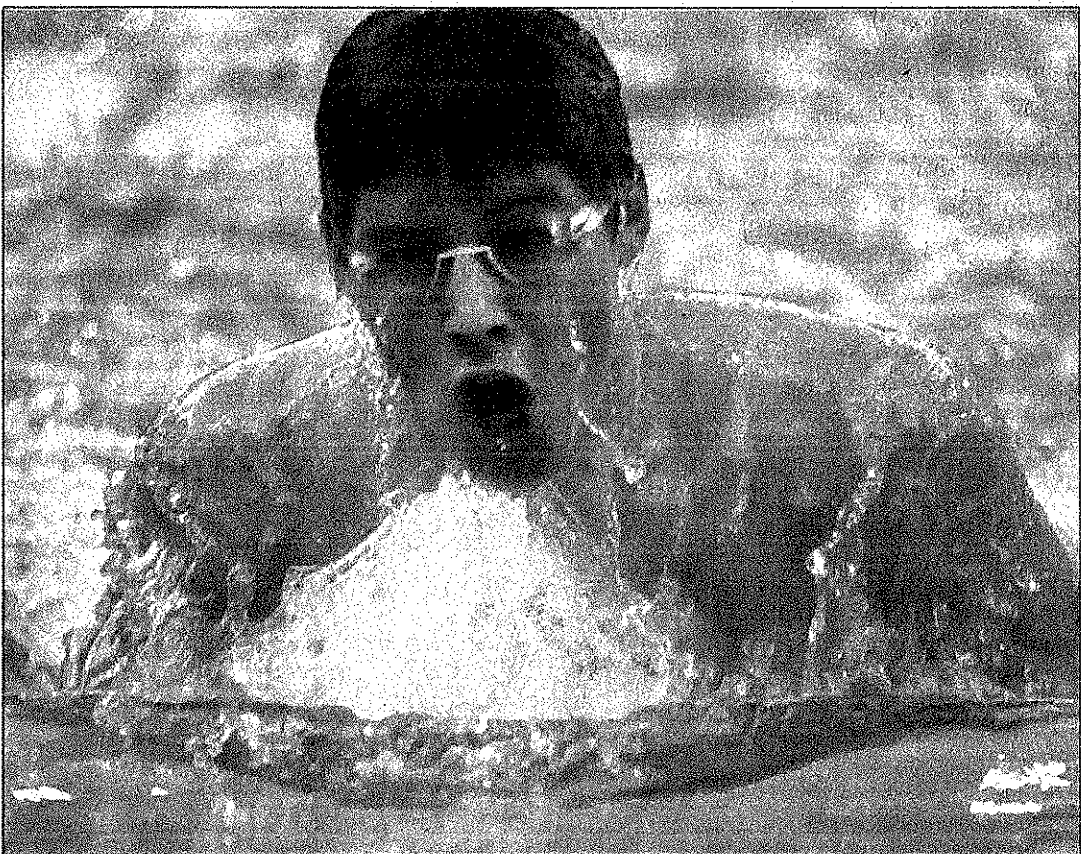


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Grosse Pointe South's Luke Hessburg had a stellar opening week, winning several events against Fraser and in the Warrior Relays.

Trempus with 107.25.

After the break, Jackson won the 100-yard butterfly and Yoo and Zampardo followed to take second and third. All three qualified for the MISCA meet with their times of 57.06, 58.19 and 58.21, respectively.

The home team took first and third in the 100-yard freestyle with Johnson winning with a time of 52.33 and Cusumano was third at 57.36.

Campbell, Hessburg and Stafford took first, second and third in the 500-yard freestyle, posting times of 4:59.01 (state qualifying), 5:19.93 and 5:35.09.

In the 200-yard freestyle relay, Boggs, Allen, Yoo and Campbell won with a MISCA-qualifying time of 1:37.01, and the 400-freestyle relay squad of Campbell, Johnson, Graham and Jackson also won the event with a MISCA-qualifying time of 3:39.53.

Jackson, Zampardo and sophomore Jack Chase placed second, third and fourth in the 100-yard backstroke, turning in times of 1:01.90, 1:03.00 and 1:05.85, respectively, but the home team came back strong in the final individual event, the 100-yard breaststroke.

Hessburg, Graham and Boggs took first, second and third with times of 1:05.12 (state qualifying), 1:06.51 (MISCA qualifying) and 1:07.31 (MISCA qualifying).

South improved to 1-0 overall. Last weekend, South finished third in the 13-team Brother Rice Warrior Relays.

Birmingham Seaholm won the meet with 386 points, followed by Ann Arbor Pioneer with 358, South and Brother Rice with 324, Ann Arbor Huron with 308, Detroit Catholic Central and Grand Blanc with 248, Howell with

240, Romeo with 218, Rochester with 214, Troy with 170, Waterford United with 110 and Ann Arbor Pioneer Purple with 12.

Gunderson watched his 400-yard IM relay team of Campbell, Hessburg, Boggs and Graham win the gold medal, as did the 200-yard breaststroke relay squad of Graham, Boggs, Allen and Hessburg to lead the Blue Devils' efforts.

In the 400-yard medley relay, Boggs, Hessburg, Jackson and Campbell took second and the 200-yard butterfly relay team of Yoo, Zampardo, Johnson and Jackson took second.

The 400-yard freestyle relay team of Jackson, Johnson, Yoo and Campbell placed second, while the 200-yard medley relay foursome of Chase, Allen, Zampardo and Johnson placed fifth.

LIGGETT

Knights start on positive note

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Marx, with times of 1:25.47 and 1:27.71.

University Liggett's co-ed swim team beat 2-of-3 opponents in its opening week of competition.

The Knights, behind captains Veeral Patel, Mary Nehra, Morgan Walker and Kara Zmyslowski, opened with a 123-53 win over host Hazel Park as the 200-yard medley relay team of Zmyslowski, Walker, Connor Borrego and Patel won with a time of 2:06.57.

In the 200-yard freestyle, Mallory Jamett won with a time of 2:11.58 and Nehra took second at 2:53.82, and the Knights took first and third in the 200-yard individual medley as Borrego was first with a time of 2:26.46 and Ellene Bricolas was third at 3:18.08.

Head coach Ryan Gunderson watched his swimmers sweep the 100-yard butterfly as Zmyslowski won with a time of 1:10.02, followed by Borrego and Bricolas with times of 1:11.92 and 1:33.04.

Billy Marx won the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 1:00.27 and Patel and Patrick Monahan placed second and third with times of 1:08.08 and 1:16.67, respectively.

The Knights also won the 200-yard freestyle relay with Monahan, Patel, Marx and Jamett posting a time of 1:51.10 and the 400-yard freestyle relay squad of Borrego, Marx, Zmyslowski and Jamett won with a time of 4:20.68.

Zmyslowski was the champ in the 100-yard backstroke, turning in a time of 1:09.51 and Walker was first in the 100-yard breaststroke, followed by

One night later, Liggett beat Ann Arbor Greenhills 129-27, but lost to state powerhouse Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood 248-129.

In the 200-yard freestyle, Jamett was third with a time of 2:03.71 and Nehra was eighth at 2:43.83 and in the 200-IM, Borrego placed third with a time of 2:23.96.

The Knights had a little more success in the 50-yard freestyle as Patel was second with a time of 25.77. Caleb Ninivaggi, Victoria Chochla and Cristina Milenius finished seventh, eighth and ninth with times of 31.21, 38.96 and 39.15, respectively.

Zmyslowski was second, while Borrego took fifth and Bricolas eighth in the 100-yard butterfly, posting times of 1:08.26, 1:15.04 and 1:24.36.

For the Knights in the 100-yard freestyle, Michael Leahy was sixth, followed by Patel, seventh, and Walker, eighth, with times of 1:05.54, 1:06.31 and 1:12.61.

Jamett and Nehra placed fourth and fifth in the 500-yard freestyle with times of 5:41.92 and 7:30.15, and the 200-yard freestyle relay team of Patel, Leahy, Walker and Jamett took second at 1:54.69.

Zmyslowski was fourth in the 100-yard backstroke with a time of 1:08.91 and Walker took sixth in the 100-yard breaststroke at 1:28.80.

In the final event of the meet, the 400-yard freestyle relay, the foursome of Borrego, Nehra, Zmyslowski and Jamett finished second with a time of 4:16.23.

Liggett heads into the holiday break with a 2-1 record.

Boys basketball

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen endure woes

By John McTaggart
Special Writer

They are, admittedly, a work in progress.

"I knew we were young and I knew we had some new kids this year," Grosse Pointe North head coach Matt Lockhart said. "We're younger, but what happened tonight is more than that. We just didn't play well at all. We just had too many turnovers."

Lockhart's Norsemen fell last weekend to Warren Mott, 55-51, behind a pair of turnover-fueled second-half runs from the Marauders.

"Those runs killed us, no doubt," Lockhart admitted. "We gave up a couple of big runs against Warren DeLaSalle too. You just can't do those kinds of things and expect to win. Like I said though, we're young and we're learning, and the best way to do that is just get out

there and play."

The inexperience is evident at times, and was apparent during the two runs North endured against Mott — one a 10-3 run to close out the third quarter, followed by a 10-0 run in the fourth quarter.

The Norsemen clamped down defensively in the closing minutes of the game, creeping to within two points, 53-51. A pair of free throws from Mott's Victor Sharp secured the victory for the Marauders.

"They out-hustled us in the second half," Lockhart said. "It's as simple as that. We can't control how young we are or how much experience we have right now. But we can control our effort and our hustle. There's no excuse for getting out-worked like we were in the second half. No excuse at all for that."

North entered the third quarter with a 28-22 lead, only

to get outscored by the opposition, 33-23, in the closing two quarters of play.

"We have a group that is similar to the group we had two years ago. We're long and athletic, we can shoot, and we have a lot of potential," Lockhart explained. "But we need to reach that potential. We have the kids to do that."

If North is going to round into shape this season, then the effort has to be better, Lockhart says.

"Our defensive effort tonight was not acceptable at all," the coach admitted. "We gave up 33 points in the second half, and they killed us on the glass tonight. That is just not acceptable. These are mental lapses for us, too."

In the big picture however, at this point in the season, such a game can be a valuable learning experience for a young club.

Earlier in the week, the

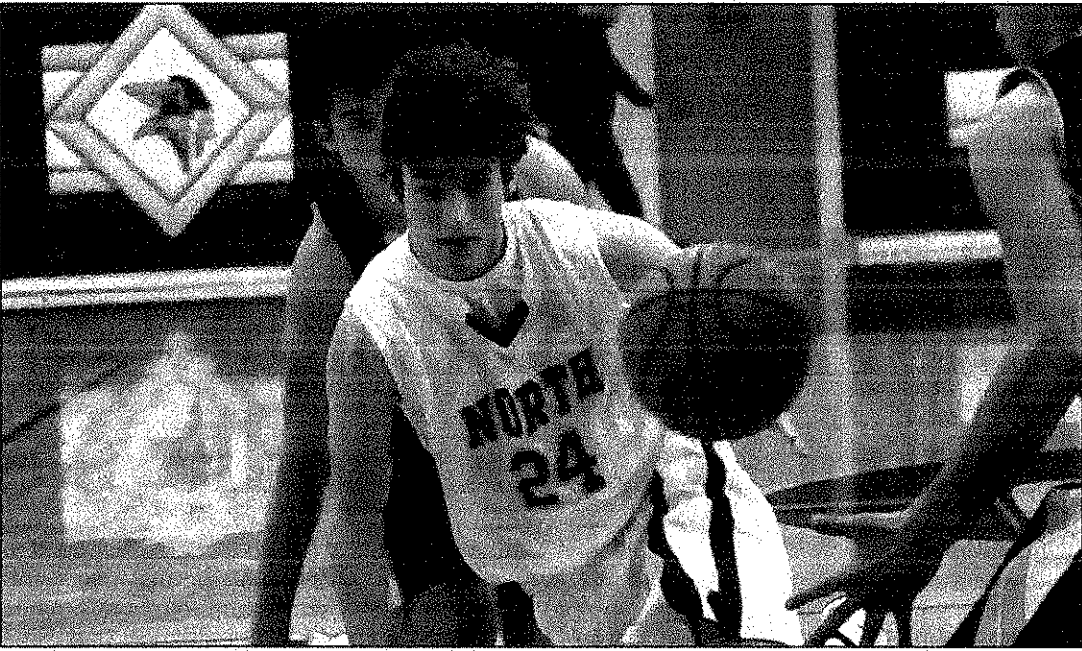


PHOTO BY DANA KAISER

Grosse Pointe North junior Adam Andrzejczak drives between DeLaSalle defenders during the Norsemen's season opener against the Catholic League power.

Norsemen opened the season with a 63-49 loss to DeLaSalle. They fell behind 18-10 in the opening quarter and 32-21 at the half.

Grosse Pointe North is 0-2 overall.

COLLEGE NEWS

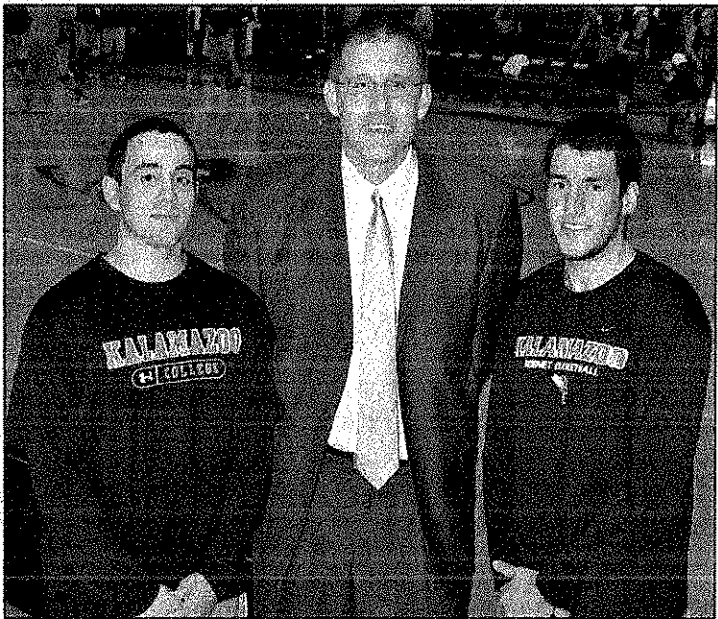


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Connected

Kalamazoo College men's basketball head coach Rob Passage, center, has two local student-athletes on his roster, Grosse Pointe North 2009 graduate Danny Calcaterra, left, and University Liggett 2010 graduate Mark Ghafari. Ghafari was in the starting five as the Hornets beat the University of Chicago 68-61 last weekend, scoring six points.

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LIGGETT

Wuthrich nets MVP honors

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Liggett sophomore Tori Wuthrich earned Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Red Division most valuable player honors this season.

Not bad for a player who beat out three seniors, including the defending MVP, for the exclusive honor.

"I worked hard and it is definitely an honor to be chosen MVP," the 15-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods resident said.

"Tori is probably the hardest working player I have ever coached," Liggett volleyball head coach Dan Sullivan said. "She brings her full attention to the sport whether it is at a practice, a scrimmage or a match."

"She leads by example and that is why she is the captain on the floor whenever we play."

Wuthrich began playing volleyball in the fourth grade while a student at Our Lady Star of the Sea.

"Margaret Spindler (Star of the Sea's volleyball coach) allowed me to play on the fifth- and sixth-grade volleyball team," Wuthrich said. "I instantly loved the game."

Wuthrich has taken that passion and signed up to play for the Michigan Elite volleyball club and currently plays on one of the best travel volleyball teams in the state, Instant Replay 16U out of Farmington Hills.

Her coach, Birmingham Marian head coach Irick Gardner, is a strict leader who pushes her players to excel on the court.

Wuthrich brought this intensity to Liggett this fall and helped the Knights finish 18-10-3, good enough for first place in the MIAC Red Division and third-place in the MIAC Tournament.

This was one of the best seasons the Knights have had in several years and next season looks to be even better if the girls strive to improve, which means attending summer camps.

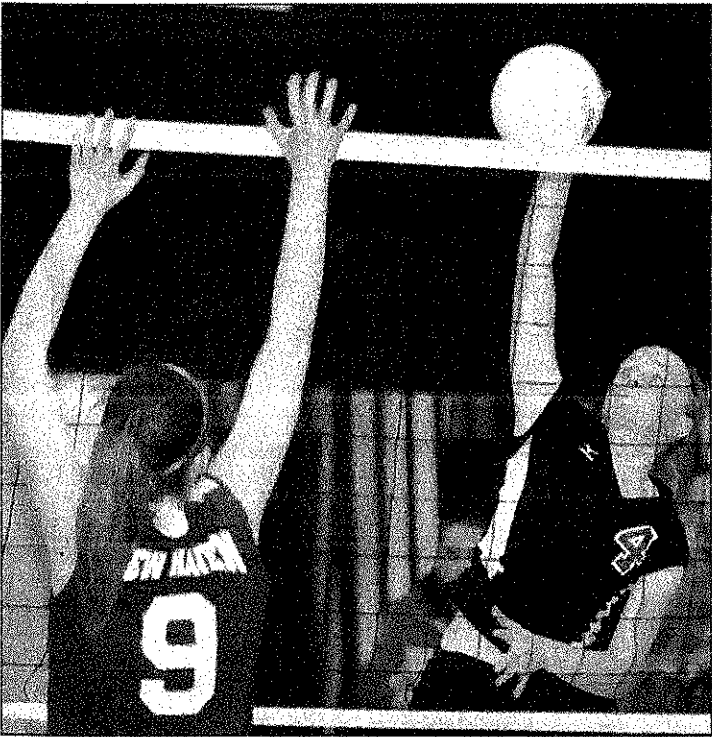
Despite standing only 5-feet, 6-inches, Wuthrich is a lightning bolt on the court. She was second on the team in kills with 207 and had an 88.4 serve percentage and a 29.7 serving ace percentage.

She developed a mean jump serve, which befuddled many opponents.

"Her selection as a sophomore as league MVP is an outstanding achievement as she beat out three nominees who are seniors, one of which was the league MVP last year," Sullivan said. "Tori works extremely hard in the offseason with her travel team and developed a jump serve last year that was very effective this year."

"We look forward to great things from her in the next two years at Liggett."

Wuthrich puts her game in overdrive, whether it is playing



FILE PHOTO

Liggett sophomore Tori Wuthrich, right, used her intensity and passion for the sport to earn MIAC division MVP honors this fall.

for the Knights or Instant Replay.

It is this drive that is the catalyst for her immense success in a sport dominated by 6-foot hitters.

"I need to work hard and improve mentally and physically," she said. "Playing for Instant Replay is intense, but I love it."

She carries a 4.0 grade point average, despite practicing multiple evenings each week in Farmington Hills for Instant Replay. Her curriculum includes a couple of honors courses.

"I like school and I study hard to get good grades," she said.

She is a master at organizing her time and uses this useful tool to stay on top of everything from schoolwork to volleyball matches.

Even though college is still more than two years away, Wuthrich is already thinking about playing volleyball at the next level.

"Playing volleyball in college is definitely something I would like to do," she said.

However, she will put those thoughts on the shelf for now and focus on finishing her first semester on a positive note and practice hard for Instant Replay.

She is also a role model for her younger sister, Kacie, an eighth-grade student at Star of the Sea where Wuthrich attended through eighth grade.

Both her parents, father, Ron, and mother, Mary Lynn, played sports in high school and never miss a match. Kacie is also in the stands, cheering on her older sister.

Wrestling

SOUTH & NORTH

Grapplers earn nonleague wins

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South wrestlers took home six medals in last weekend's Cousino Tournament.

"It was nice to see some of our guys have success," head coach Greg Snider said. "We didn't do that well as a team because we're still giving points away with voids, but overall we're making progress as we get ready for the big county tournament."

Nolan Goodall, 140 pounds, Zack Donatiello, 215 pounds, and Sergio Rodriguez, 112 pounds, each earned gold medals, winning each of their four matches against Harper Woods, Sterling Heights Stevenson, Warren Cousino and L'Anse Creuse's "B" team.

Andrew Stieber suffered his first defeat of the season, but still took home a silver medal in the 119-pound class, and Jake Merritt, 145 pounds, and Zak Moyer, 103 pounds, were bronze medalists, going 2-2.

In the team standings, the Blue Devils lost to Stevenson, Cousino and L'Anse Creuse, but pulled out a victory over Harper Woods when Josh Alexander pinned his foe in the final seconds.

He was on the verge of getting pinned a few times, but fought out of those situations each time and hung tough until he was able to get the advantage and put the winning six points on the board.

Earlier in the week, the Blue

Devils lost 42-36 to St. Clair Shores Lake Shore and 54-24 to host Warren Lincoln in non-league matches.

Against the Shorians, Rodriguez, Stieber, Ryan Ennis, Goodall and Reggie Lewis pinned their opponents, while Alexander won by void.

Josh Pangborn, Merritt, Hunter Benz, Austin Pirrello, Nick Henderson and Saad Alobaidi lost their matches.

In the Abes' match, Rodriguez, Stieber and Pangborn put wins on the board as the Blue Devils dropped to 1-7 overall.

Grosse Pointe North

Grosse Pointe North's wrestling team came closer to a victory last week, but when it was all said and done, the squad remained winless.

The Norsemen lost 51-27 to Chippewa Valley and 42-33 to Utica Ford, falling to 0-5 on the young season.

For head coach Bryan Lorenzo, Patrick Salazar won both of his matches at 119 pounds, while Jake Brazil also won both of his matches at 171 pounds.

Evan Lock was a dual winner at the 215-pound class.

Other individual winners against Chippewa Valley were Andrew Lock, 145 pounds, and Jadon Cook, 189 pounds.

In the Ford meet, Paul Muenth won at 135 pounds, as did Chris Hagood at 130 pounds, Shawn Miller at 160 pounds and Joe Tolliver at heavyweight.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH



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Scholar athletes

Bill Flom, pictured center and past president of the Grosse Pointe South Athletic Booster Club, is with the school's 2010 Scholar-Athlete Award winners, from left, Michael Shook, Torie Palffy, Katherine Steen and Joe Hessburg. On Jan. 22, the Athletic Booster Club hosts a "Time Out" for parents and friends of South athletes. This new event, called the Booster Bash, is at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. For tickets or information, call (313) 885-1078.

GROSSE POINTE ACADEMY

School slates athletic honors

The Grosse Pointe Academy athletic department announces the winners of the 2010 fall sports awards for the girls' and boys' cross country team and the boys' tennis and soccer teams.

For the cross country team, the award winners are seventh-grader Leonie Leslie, most valuable runner; sixth-grader Gabriela Cavataio and fifth-grader Elizabeth Sheeren, sportsmanship; and eighth-

grader George Spica and fifth-grader Hannah Lemanski, most improved.

Team captains were Spica and seventh-grader James Raudabaugh and the team was coached by Michelle Roberts.

The tennis team award recipients are eighth-graders Joseph Cavataio and Michael Schaller, Bulldog award; seventh-grader William Buhl and Tripp Grader, most valuable doubles team; eighth-grader Jared

Brush, most improved singles player; eighth-graders Jonathan Valente and Jack Weaver, most improved doubles team; and sixth-graders Luke Roberts and J'Von Tolbert, sportsmanship award.

Roberts, Schaller, Tolbert, and sixth-grader Sam Durno and eighth-grader McCalla Mecke received awards for perfect attendance.

The captains were Schaller and eighth-grader Mac Carroll

and the team manager was eighth-grader Carmella Goree. The team was coached by Cheryl Carroll.

The awards for the boys' varsity soccer team, coached by Nick Rutan, went to eighth-graders Nikolas Minanov and James Scott, team captains, and seventh-graders Christian Smith and Robert Whitaker, assistant captains. A special hat trick award was given to seventh-grader Jared Demkowicz.

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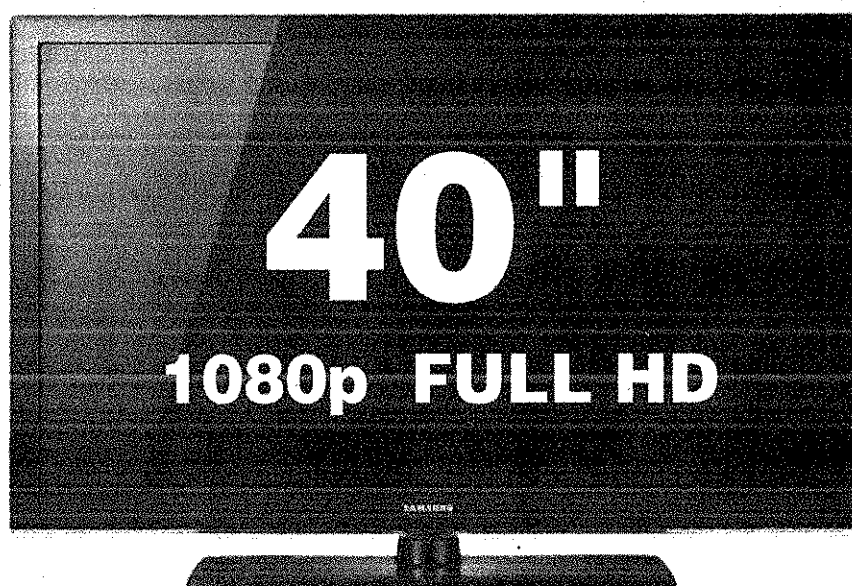
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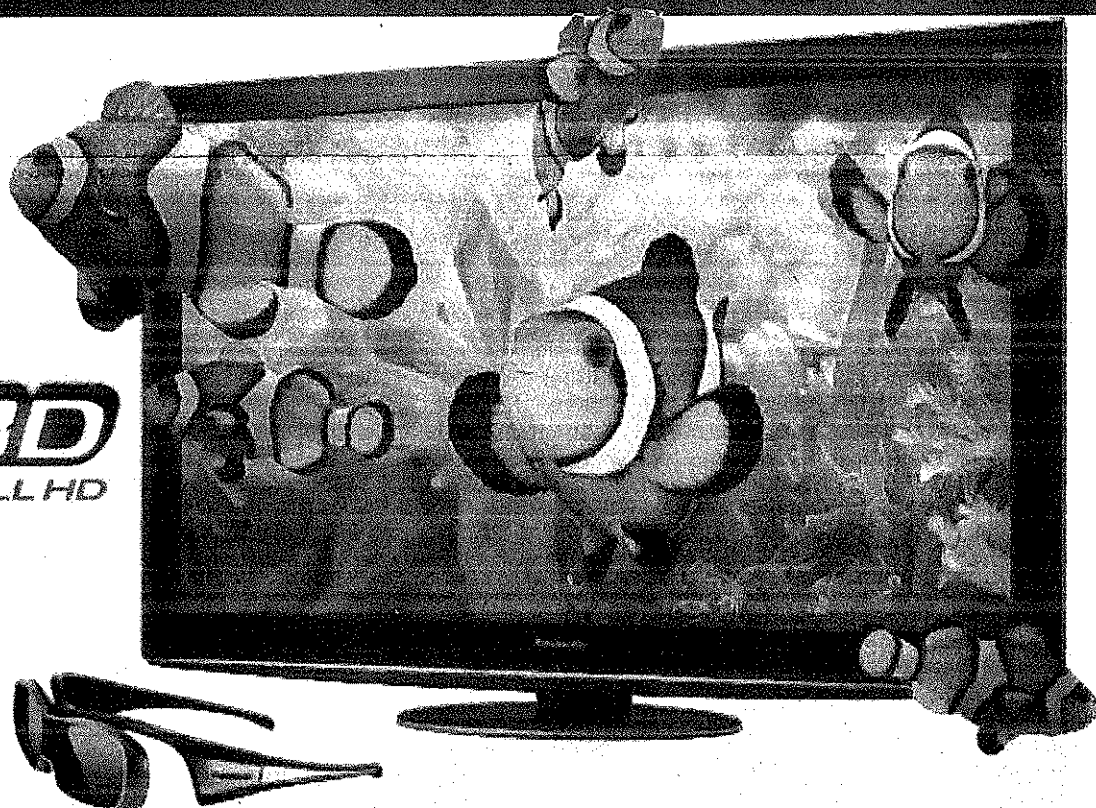
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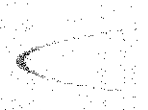
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