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THURSDAY, JAN. 5

◆ Grosse Pointe Shores city council holds a special meeting at 7 p.m. in the first floor council room, 795 Lakeshore.

SATURDAY, JAN. 7

◆ Emergency and weather sirens tested at 1 p.m.
◆ The Grosse Pointe Skating club holds an open house from 9 to 10 a.m. at the Grosse Pointe Community Rink, 4831 Canyon, Detroit. The cost is \$5 and includes a raffle ticket. Participants should bring their own skates. For more information, call Theresa at (586) 775-4642 or visit grossepointeskatingclub@hotmail.com

SUNDAY, JAN. 8

◆ Detroit Symphony Orchestra performs at 3 p.m. at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Tickets cost \$25. This is the first of four concerts at the church. For more information, call (313) 576-5111.

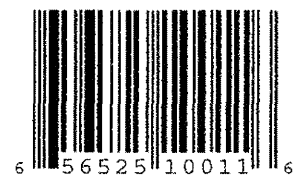
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◆ Wayne County Commissioner Tim Killeen, D-Detroit, hosts Chat with the Commish from 9 to 10 a.m. at the Grosse Pointe Woods Municipal Court, 20025

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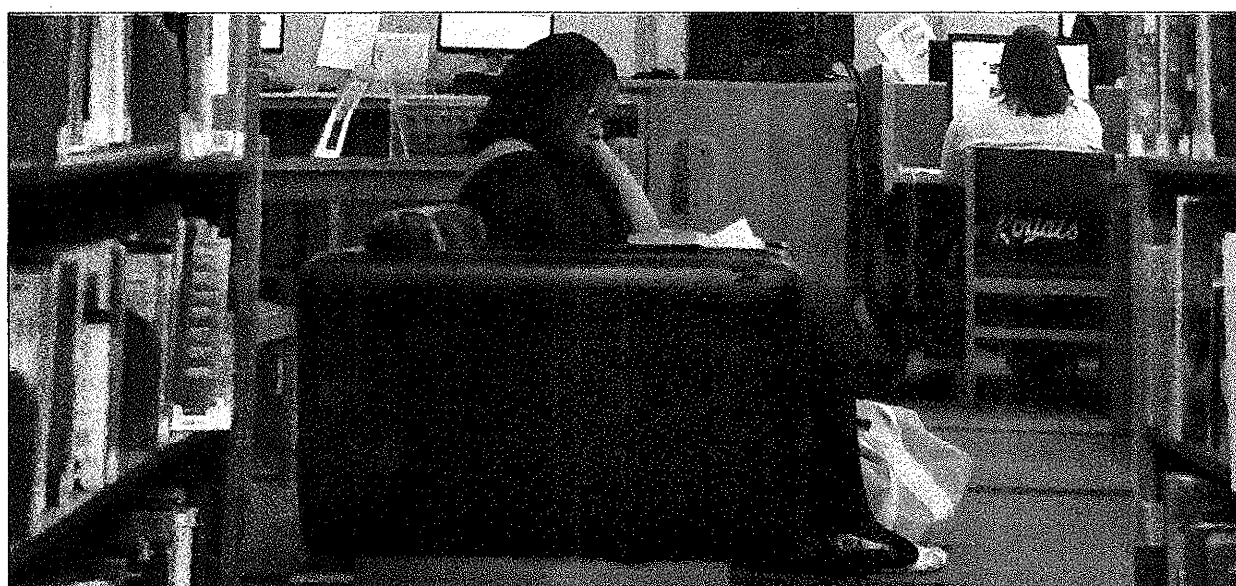
By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — Leaked municipal documents related to a \$1 million water dispute the prior administration wanted kept secret are flying out of Grosse Pointe Shores city hall as though written on Mr. Dick's

kite.
Mr. Dick is the finger-sucking eccentric in Charles Dickens' "David Copperfield."
"When it flies high," Mr. Dick said of his seven-foot kite laboriously written with manuscript, "it takes the facts a long way. That's my manner of diffusing 'em."
The Grosse Pointe News used

the Freedom of Information Act last month to obtain nearly 200 pages of municipal documents regarding the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club's claim of being over-billed for water purchases.
Yet, many more pages are still being kept from the public.

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High school student Jordan Redwine, 16, of Grosse Pointe Park, reads at the Central Branch library, swimming in debt due to construction of two branches.

Savings through shared services

2011 Year in Review, Grosse Pointes

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

THE GROSSE POINTES — Matters of common interest to the five Grosse Pointes during 2011 included proposed municipal cost savings through shared services.

As the year ended, the formation of a multi-jurisdictional committee was approved to organize the sharing of fire apparatus, joint purchasing of supplies and combined officer training.

In an unrelated development, groundbreaking took place on a new, expanded Neighborhood Club.

The facility is being constructed in the same location as the old one, at the corner of Waterloo and St. Clair, just off the Village in the City of Grosse Pointe.

A Pointewide year in review:

January

◆ Hands-on know-how is added to multi-city discussions about saving municipal costs by sharing police and firefighting duties.

Public safety directors of the five Grosse Pointes are invited to attend meetings with the city managers about sharing, consolidating and piggybacking services.

February

◆ Three of the five Grosse Pointes face higher water rates from Detroit.

Detroit has in mind a 10.4 percent increase for the Park.

The Woods' increase is 18.2 percent, which is nearly twice the 9.4 percent proposed for the Shores.

The City buys drinking water from the Farms.

The Park, Woods and Shores' combined 7 square miles represent less than .65 percent of Detroit's 1,079-square-mile coverage area.

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Auto aid moves forward

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — This smallest of Grosse Pointes' public safety departments is lending forces to a community-wide fire protection pact.

"It's a safe, common sense agreement," said Stephen Poloni, Grosse Pointe Shores public safety director.

Shores elected officials in December endorsed a five-Pointe agreement to enhance the longstanding mutual aid pact with automatic aid.

"Automatic aid gives a quicker response to a major incident," Poloni said.

The tactic bypasses multiple alarms, which often requires on-site assessment before each alarm is called.

Instead, first-responders from multiple jurisdictions respond automatically to emergencies at high-risk locations.

Such locations include schools, hospitals, senior living centers and other large structures where potential risk to life is greater merely by the presence of more people.

"If we get a call that there's smoke at the (Grosse Pointe) yacht club, we don't have to wait. They would automatically come," Poloni said, referring to sister agencies.

Related agreements approved in December involve multi-jurisdictional purchases of supplies and equipment, standardized equipment and joint training of officers.

City councils in the other four Grosse Pointes signed the agreement.

Poloni is retiring soon from the Shores. He's already employed as public safety director

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City works hard to stay financially sound

2011 Year in Review, City of Grosse Pointe

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — Concerns about declining municipal revenue and increasing operating costs impacted nearly every issue at City of Grosse Pointe headquarters during 2011.

The year in review:

January

◆ A homeowner on privately-owned Sycamore Road wants the city to clear it of snow.

"We don't plow private streets and haven't for a long time," said City Manager Peter Dame.

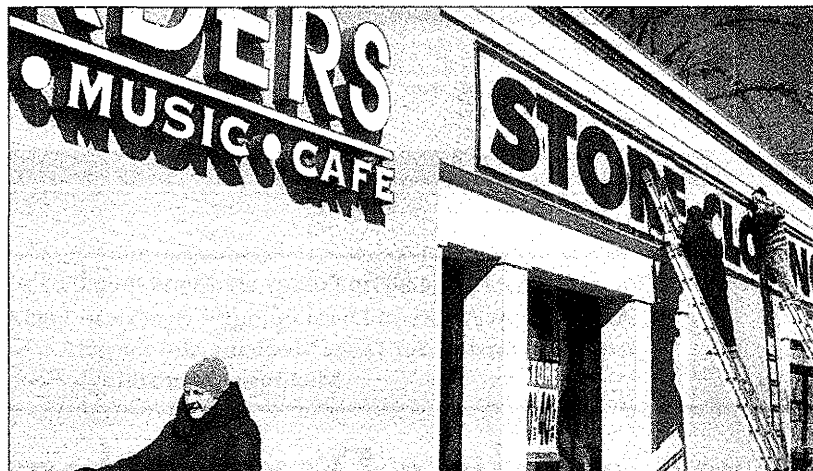
◆ Efforts to reduce municipal costs will include some degree of

shared public safety operations.

"Given that public safety now comprises 58 percent of the city's general fund, ongoing efforts to seek collaborative solutions with our Grosse Pointe neighbors is a major part of the upcoming budget review," Dame said.

◆ A separate hospital zoning district for Beaumont Hospital Grosse Pointe, formerly Bon Secours Hospital, is expected to be established this year.

"(The hospital) is currently residentially zoned," Dame said. "The idea would be to help the city, neighbors and hospital understand what is and what is not allowed to build or not build there."



It was a sign of bad times when Borders left the Village.

February

◆ City officials intend to apply for a Michigan Department of Transportation enhancement

grant to pay for a sizable portion of improvements to the Mack

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POINTES: Busy year

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◆ Freighters along the Grosse Pointe shoreline are in the catbird seat. Traffic is on the upswing. U.S.-flagged Great Lakes freighters carried nearly 89 million tons of cargo on the inland seas during 2010, according to the Lake Carrier's Association. The tally exceeds by 1/3 the total for 2009.

March

◆ The community's elected advocates in the state capitol are at various degrees of separation with Gov. Rick Snyder's decision to cut tax credits for movie makers. First-term state Sen. Bert Johnson, D-

Highland Park, said rescinding the prior administration's tax credit for film producers would cost Michigan money it can't afford to refuse. Second-term state Rep. Timothy Bledsoe, D-City of Grosse Pointe, opposes the concept of using tax breaks to attract business investment, yet feels Snyder's recommendations go too far. ◆ A nationally-known consultant said consolidating public safety dispatch services across jurisdictional lines is a proven way to reduce municipal operating costs. "I've done a lot of police consolidation work," said Ed Henschel, senior manager of RW Management Group in Wisconsin. "In most cases of consolidation, particularly with dis-

patch, you generate significant savings." April ◆ The cost of debt incurred to replace two branch libraries in the Park and Woods is insurmountable, according to members of the Grosse Pointe Public Library Board. "We either have to ask for a millage increase, or we're going to have to make cuts that are going to significantly impact what the public sees," said Brian Garves, board secretary, chairman of the millage committee and resident of Grosse Pointe Shores. ◆ A pair of tree experts give green thumbs up to an American elm that defies the species' nemesis. Princeton elm, which shares American elms' graceful habit but not it's

Achilles heel to invasive Dutch elm disease, is being planted by Grosse Pointe Park City Forester Brian Colter. "It is touted with a 99.9 percent success rate," Colter said. "Little did we know when Dutch elm came to the U.S. in 1922, that (Princeton elm) would be resistant," said Jared Bookhardt, American elm specialists at Sharp Top Trees in White, Ga. May ◆ Final approval for construction of a new and expanded Neighborhood Club in the City of Grosse Pointe is expected no later than June 30. The City council endorses the \$7 million project, but is withholding the go-ahead until a detailed site plan of the proposed 39,712-square-foot

building is agreed upon. Construction would be impossible without Beaumont Hospital signing on as a tenant and associate. June ◆ During a special meeting, members of the City of Grosse Pointe council give final approval for the latest incarnation of the Neighborhood Club, which has roots intertwined with more than 100 years of the community's history. Overall plans for construction haven't changed from last month when the council welcomed the \$7 million partnership between the club and Beaumont Hospital.

July

◆ Grosse Pointe public safety officers respond to a multiple alarm emergency at Kroger grocery store on Harper in Harper Woods.

The building risks catching fire when the driver of a semi-truck on the eastbound I-94 expressway loses control, drives up the embankment, knocks a hole in the building and spills diesel fuel inside. The driver dies in the wreck. ◆ A committee composed of the Grosse Pointes' mayors, managers and one council member from each city give themselves an October deadline to recommend mutual firefighting strategies at lower costs.

"We're trying to seek savings from shared use of equipment," said Dale Krajniak, manager of Grosse Pointe Park. "The question is, do we have more equipment than required for fire runs in the communities?"

August

◆ Most residents listening to scientists at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial present conceptual methods to artificially raise water levels of Lake Huron nearly two feet don't think the benefits equal its estimated \$222 million cost. Canadians living on a portion of the Hudson Bay shoreline want water levels increased to facilitate pleasure boating. A likely consequence is lower levels of Lake St. Clair.

September

◆ Demolition of the Neighborhood Club begins. The forthcoming two-story replacement, a partnership with Beaumont Hospital Grosse Pointe, features a wellness center, exercise equipment and more space for more services. The date of reconstruction isn't set, but could start in four months, according to Amy Roy, the

club's marketing and communications director. ◆ Some of the toughest language against Gov. Snyder's school of choice proposal came this month as Grosse Pointe city councils passed resolutions opposing state interference with local districts. "It's ridiculous," said John Stempfle, of the City of Grosse Pointe council.

October

◆ Santa's helpers from Friends of the Grosse Pointe Parade are at it again. They're planning another addition to the Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade in November. The Friends are coordinating construction of a float fashioned as a self-propelled railroad train named the Wellness Express and sponsored by Beaumont Hospital Grosse Pointe.

November

◆ The Neighborhood Club Thrift Shop is operating at 17888 Mack, between Rivard and Washington. The shop shares commercial property with the Michigan Works! Grosse Pointe Career Center. Although the shop is no longer located within Neighborhood Club headquarters, which is being rebuilt on Waterloo, it remains a club operation.

December

◆ A beefed-up public safety mutual aid strategy is being considered to kill potentially large fires in their infancy. The strategy, called automatic aid, involved firefighters from more than one city responding to potentially big emergencies at high-risk locations, such as schools and hospitals, without waiting for multiple alarms. ◆ A state grant could help the five Grosse Pointes consolidate public safety dispatch centers and prisoner lock-ups. Potential funding is enough to let the cities overcome financial obstacles limiting combined dispatch to pairs of cities, such as the Farms and Shores. ◆ Representatives of the five Grosse Pointes agree to establish a public safety committee to find ways of saving operating costs through shared use of fire trucks, joint purchase of standardized supplies and equipment, and joint officer training.

WEEK AHEAD:

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Mack Plaza. ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods city council meets at 7:30 p.m. in council chambers, 20025 Mack Plaza. ◆ Grosse Pointe Park city council meets at 7 p.m. in council chambers, 15515 E. Jefferson. ◆ Grosse Pointe Farms city council meets at 7 p.m. in council chambers, 90 Kerby Road.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 11

◆ The films, "Rapunzel" and "Princess Furball," are shown for preschoolers at 10:30 a.m. at the Grosse Pointe Public Library, Woods branch, 20680 Mack. ◆ The Grosse Pointe Public Library Teen Advisory board meets at 5 p.m. in the Woods branch, 20680 Mack. Admission is free.

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Park council defers consolidation issues to new year

2011 Year in Review: GIP Park

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe Park stayed the course in 2011, with incumbent council members being reelected, but it grappled with power outages and the ongoing discussion regarding consolidation with the other Grosse Pointes. It looks to 2012 as a year that will bring challenges with regard to maintaining services and revenues while keeping taxes at current levels.

January

◆ City administrators were pleased to see the annual Public Safety Report which showed a decline in overall crime for 2010. According to Chief David Hiller, it was the lowest crime rate the Park had seen in several years. For example, Hiller said there were 173 reported larcenies, down from 225 the previous year. Car thefts were the lowest they had been in 10 years.

◆ A Grosse Pointe Park resident, a student at Grosse Pointe South High

School was shot and killed by a retired Detroit Police officer during a robbery attempt in Detroit.

February

◆ Grosse Pointe Park officially locked the gate on the idea of a dog park for the city's four-legged residents, based on a recommendation from the city's Parks and Recreation commission.

◆ On Monday, Feb. 28, a 74-year-old nun was locking the doors to St. Clare of Montefalco Church after services and was approached by an armed assailant who demanded money. When she replied she had none, he patted down her pockets and ordered her into a bathroom. He eventually left the church and the nun was not harmed.

March

◆ An 18-year-old Detroit resident was arraigned on Friday, March 11, in the attempted armed robbery of a nun at St. Clare of Montefalco Church. He could face up to life in prison.



The annual Park Chilly Fest is always popular for young and old.

April

◆ Approximately 1,300 Grosse Pointe Park residents let city officials know their priorities as to how their tax dollars should be spent via a survey put together by city administrator Dale Krajniak.

Residents were asked to rate several city services as to their importance and public safety was ranked as the most important priority. Residents also indicated they were willing to pay for it, agreeing by a nearly three to one margin they would be willing to pay additional taxes to main-

tain current public safety levels. Second in importance to public safety was garbage pick up, while other services like recycling, curb side leaf pick-up and recreation programs were all ranked about the same.

May

◆ The Grosse Pointe Park city council approved the 2011-2012 fiscal year budget at its May meeting, and while it does not include a tax increase "at this stage," it also does not include money for any major improvements, especially for road and street repairs. The

\$9,852,000 general operations budget is affected by a \$178,000 decline in property tax revenue and a \$77,000 decrease in revenue sharing funds from the State of Michigan, according to city manager Dale Krajniak.

◆ With all the rain the Pointes had this spring, it was hard to believe that the lake level was down, but that was the situation in the marina at Grosse Pointe Park's Windmill Pointe Park. The Army Corps of Engineers estimated the lake level was down as much as 12 to 18 inches from 2010, so for the first time in seven years, the Park was forced to dredge the marina.

June

◆ A Pemberton Road couple came before city council in June to ask permission to keep the four chickens they have been raising since last fall, but citing a city ordinance that bans any animal not considered a household pet, their request was denied.

July

◆ Powerful thunderstorms brought down trees, power lines and holiday plans throughout Grosse Pointe Park. DTE Energy reported about 2,500 customers in the area were without power immediately following the storm, with several blocks in the Park still being affected by press time Tuesday. In addition to homes, the city's Windmill Pointe Park was also without power which forced city officials to close down much of the park, including the city's Olympic-size pool for the entire Fourth of July weekend. Some residents were without power for more than a week.

August

◆ It was a huge spike in a neighbor's electricity bill that led Grosse Pointe Park police to raid a house in the 1400 block of Somerset at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 2, where they found approximately 40 marijuana plants being grown in the basement. Two Park residents were taken into custody. It was suggested that if you are going to establish a large-scale marijuana growing operation in your basement, don't tap into your

neighbor's electricity to run the grow lights.

◆ Park mayor Palmer Heenen told the city council the latest mandate from Lansing that divides the five Pointes into two separate legislative districts might be just what local governments need to unite the Pointes and this might be the time for all five Pointes to get serious about consolidation.

September

◆ It may be a work in progress, but progress is being made to reduce the number of power outages experienced by the residents of Grosse Pointe Park, at least that is what representatives from DTE Energy told the city council at its September meeting. Improving circuit loads, burying cables and replacing light fixtures are just some of the steps being taken, as well as improved reporting options residents can use when outages happen.

◆ The Park's annual Fall Festival, long the official kick off to the autumn season, was Saturday, Sept. 24, at the West Park Farmers Market on Kercheval.

October

◆ Based on resident complaints and a personal visit to Patterson Park from the chief of police, duck hunting was banned in Grosse Pointe Park. The issue was the proximity of hunters to Patterson Park and the discharging of firearms so close to the park's boardwalk, not to mention other park facilities.

November

◆ Incumbents held their seats in the municipal election. Re-elected officials included Mayor Palmer Heenan and council members Dan Clark, Bob Denner and Greg Theokas. They held off a challenge from newcomer John Teodecki.

December

◆ The Grosse Pointe Park city council put off until January voting on joining with the other Grosse Pointes in a shared fire services agreement. Instead, amid concerns of whether the plan is in the Park's best interest, the council referred the agreement to the city attorney for his review and recommendations.

CITY: Consolidation, business retention keys

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streetscape.

Work would coincide with replacement of a water main.

◆ City manager Dame recommends consolidating public safety dispatch services as a means to save expenses.

"We spend \$250,000 per year on dispatch services," Dame said. "We have the same staffing levels as Grosse Pointe Woods, which has significantly more call demand than we do."

◆ A 25-foot-long, black and yellow "Store closing" banner is hung on the Kercheval facade of Borders Books in the Village.

The store is among four in Michigan being closed due to the chain's filing for bankruptcy.

City Mayor Dale Scrace is among hundreds of shoppers taking advantage of discounts.

His purchase, "Punching Out," is about dismantling of the once-vibrant Budd Manufacturing factory on Detroit's eastside, where Scrace said his father and grandfather worked.

◆ A big hurdle is in the way of balancing next year's city budget.

"We've projected a shortfall of approximately \$400,000 that we'll have to come up with this year to make our budget balance," Dame said.

The projected deficit is despite elimination of several management positions, pay freezes, a hiring freeze, imposing higher deductible health care plans for non-union employees and public safety officers, user fees for recreation programs and lower pension benefits for new employees when hiring restrictions end.

March

◆ The Border's "closing" banner is taken off the building.

Removal complies with a City ordinance, not a reversal of the company's bankruptcy proceedings.

"We don't allow banners or flags on buildings at all," said Paul Weitzel, the City's public service director.

April

◆ Overall crime reported in the City during 2010 increased by 41 cases from 2009.

The data is contained in the 2010 annual crime report.

During 2009, however, the City noted its lowest criminal activity in years.

"Even with the increase we had this year, we're still well below where we were six years ago," said James Fox, public safety director.

◆ Borders Books closes its Village branch April 13.

The few books, compact discs and movie videos not sold during a weeks-long bankruptcy sale, culminating with 90 percent discounts and three books for 99 cents, are boxed and taken away.

City manager Dame said he's received "a number of preliminary inquiries on reuse of the Borders site — all things that would be well-received by the community."

◆ City officials intend to solicit bids from private contractors to handle commercial rubbish pick-up.

The service isn't paying its own way, requiring subsidies from residential taxpayers.

"Residents should not pay for commercial pick-up," Dame said.

May

◆ Despite signs the recession is easing, hopes for a fiscal turnaround next year in the City is doused by another projected decline in property values.

"I was hoping next year would be the last year of decline," said Dame.

He expects the city's overall property values to go down next year another 4.7 percent.

Residential property values in the city are 47.5 percent less than in 2007.

◆ Municipal cost cutting measures announced during the budget planning process include, but are not limited to, reducing administrative and supervisory costs, deferring capital purchases, no wage increases, reducing part-time and seasonal employment, contracting the job of court administrator, reducing health care and retiree benefits for new hires and eliminating poorly-attended recreation programs.

June

◆ City officials approve sidewalk sales of flowers, fruits and vegetables at

Kroger in the Village.

The policy is intended to increase the grocery store's bottom line and the downtown district's reputation as a pedestrian-friendly place to shop.

◆ Ceremonial groundbreaking takes place for the new Neighborhood Club.

The new club will be built on the site of the existing one at the corner of Waterloo and St. Clair in the City of Grosse Pointe.

July

◆ A group of high-ranking representatives of the five Grosse Pointes continue exploring the joint purchase and use of fire-fighting apparatus.

"Implementation of any recommendations require city council approval from each municipality affected," said Dame, City manager and coordinator of the Ad Hoc Grosse Pointe Public Safety Committee.

August

◆ November elections for mayor and city council are uncontested.

Mayor Scrace is the only candidate to file for the city's top job.

Council candidates consist of incumbents Donald Parthum Jr. and John Stempfle. Andrew Turnbull is the only candidate to file for the seat of John Stevens, stepping down at the end of this term.

Municipal Judge Russell Ethridge also is unopposed.

September

◆ The city is awarded state funding critical for construction of the Mack Avenue streetscape.

"We have a grant of over \$600,000," said Dame.

The grant pays nearly two-thirds the \$1 million cost of a new water main, plus a sidewalk beautification project in the commercial district from Cadieux to Fisher.

◆ City leaders consider an ordinance requiring commercial property owners in the Village shopping district to dress up their buildings at night with illumination.

The goal is to make the district a more appealing area to shop and do business.

"Have store owners make it look more alive," said Councilman John Stevens.

◆ A new method of re-

placing old sewers is intended to fix problems in the 500 blocks of University and Rivard.

Instead of digging a trench to access portions of sewer needing repair, the work is done by new "pipe bursting" technology.

The process requires digging only two holes to insert a liner into old pipe.

◆ Some \$28,986 raised through drug forfeitures pays for a new City public safety car.

October

◆ James Fox announces his retirement as public safety director.

Fox is a 28-year veteran of the department.

"Jim continually displayed the integrity and respect one looks for in an employee," said Scrace.

◆ The Shores public safety director is hired to the same position in the City.

Stephen Poloni, retiring from a 25-year career in the Shores, replaces Fox.

"I'm looking forward to the next 25 years in the City of Grosse Pointe," Poloni said. "I look forward to starting with its great administrative team."

◆ Property owners along Mack will be charged a special assessment amounting to \$27.51 per lineal foot to help pay for streetscape improvements.

Assessments for individual properties range from \$687.75 to \$6,487.41, and total 10 percent of overall construction costs.

November

◆ Everybody wins their uncontested municipal elections.

Mayor Scrace wins a sixth, two-year term.

Incumbent Councilmen Parthum Jr. and Stempfle retain office.

They're joined by newcomer, Turnbull, the only candidate to file for the seat of Stevens, stepping down from office.

December

◆ Lacking a crystal ball, city manager Dame gazes into the city's future by conjuring five-year financial forecasts.

His latest prediction is for municipal expenditures to exceed revenues by about \$400,000.

That is, "if we change nothing, if we do nothing," Dame said.



POINTER OF INTEREST

Breakfast is served

By Kathy Ryan
Staff writer

Any way you look at it, Linda Jacoby has cracked a lot of eggs.

As the day cook at the venerable Janet's Lunch on Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Park, Jacoby has held forth at the neighborhood landmark for nearly 50 years.

She has no idea how many eggs she's scrambled, fried, poached, whisked into omelets or made into French toast or pancakes. She just knows from her vantage point at the grill right in the middle of the cozy establishment, she has watched young people grow into parents and grandparents and has watched the famous and the infamous settle onto the counter stools looking forward to whatever she was cooking up that day.

"I think my omelets are my favorite thing to make," she said, "and

probably the most popular seller, especially on weekends."

Jacoby typically begins preparing for the breakfast and lunch crowd at 4:30 a.m., doing prep work and making gallons of pancake batter for the stack lovers who begin arriving at 8 a.m. She stays through lunch, usually until 1:30 p.m.

And while she has flipped a lot of burgers for the lunch crowd, she also prides herself on Janet's homemade soups and roast beef sandwiches, as much a fixture at Janet's as she is.

The eatery dates back to the 1930s and is named after Jacoby's grandmother, Janet Dohrman. Not much has changed since then. According to Jacoby, the interior of Janet's is exactly as has been for more than 50 years, and much of the staff is the same as it has been for decades.

"I started working here

when I was 11 years old," Jacoby said. "We lived right down the street, and I started out washing dishes and peeling potatoes. I've been here ever since."

Not only has she been at Janet's, but she's been in the same house as well, a resident of the Park for all of her 59 years, and is an alumna of Defer, Pierce and "The High."

"I haven't really gone very far," Jacoby said, continuing a long family tradition of working at Janet's, as had her mother and her aunt, Mary Thomas, who took over Janet's from Dohrman.

It was that commitment to keeping Janet's Janet's that prompted Thomas to sell the restaurant to its current owner, Bob Larson in the late '90s. Larson had his own Janet's traditions to continue.

"I lived in the Park and was having lunch at Janet's when I saw a real

estate agent with a sign under his arm out on the sidewalk looking at the building," Larson recalled. "I went out and talked to him and he told me the building was going on the market and I knew right then I wanted to buy it."

While Larson had extensive restaurant experience, he also had personal reasons for wanting to buy Janet's.

"I grew up in the Park and when I was a student at Pierce (Middle School) I used to save my money and when I had enough, I would go to Janet's for a cheeseburger," he said. "I lived in Denver for several years, but when I returned to the Pointes, I would still come back to eat at Janet's. It is a neighborhood institution."

Larson was committed to keeping it that way, and as part of the sales agreement, he kept on several staff members including Jacoby, Betty Howell,

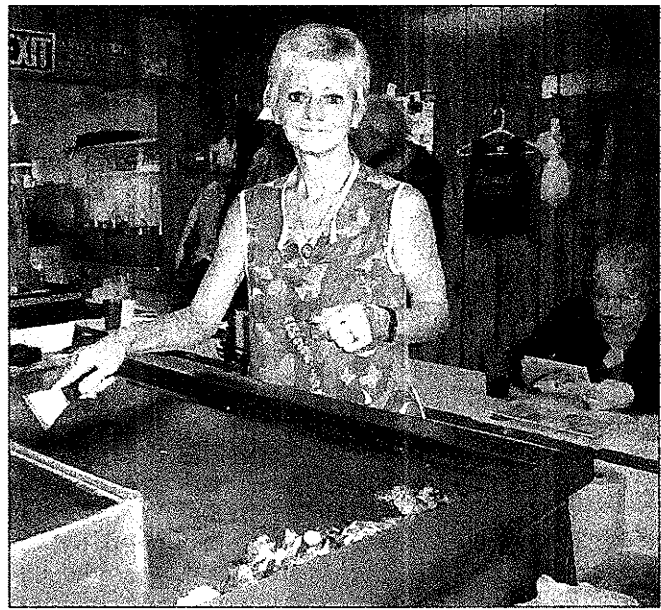


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Linda Jacoby cooking up eggs for her regulars at Janet's Lunch in Grosse Pointe Park.

Linda Beatty and Leroy Moore, each with more than 25 years' experience.

Jacoby tells of her grandmother keeping Janet's open 24 hours a day during World War II in order to feed workers at the defense plants. In the '60s and '70s it was a popular spot for the many professional athletes who lived in the Pointes. Most recently, Jacoby was kept busy feeding the crew of Clint Eastwood's "Gran Torino" when they filmed several scenes for the movie at the hardware store across the street.

"I could offer them something different than what the food service was giving them," Jacoby said. Jacoby counts among her regulars several lawyers and judges who stop on their way to court for breakfast, as well as several neighborhood regulars.

And by regulars, she means regulars.

"I know exactly what they want every time they come in," she said. "So I can stand here and look out the window and when I see them coming toward us, I start cooking their order."

When Larson agreed to keep Janet's staff as part

of the sales agreement, he also told Thomas he would keep Janet's as it was, and little décor-wise or on the menu has changed, with one exception.

Larson has added a liquor license and will soon be serving alcohol, which means Jacoby will be serving up those omelets with bloody marys and mimosas.

"I have no intention of turning Janet's into a bar," Larson said. "We'll have a very limited selection, but it will be nice in the summer to come and have brunch and a mimosa in our outdoor seating area."

He will also start offering selected grilled items, such as steaks and shish kebobs for dinner, along with a cocktail.

But by the dinner hour, Jacoby has turned over the cooking duties to the other cooks at Janet's and is home, where she enjoys reading and gardening.

Jacoby said she cooks for herself at home and seldom relies on a carry-out from Janet's.

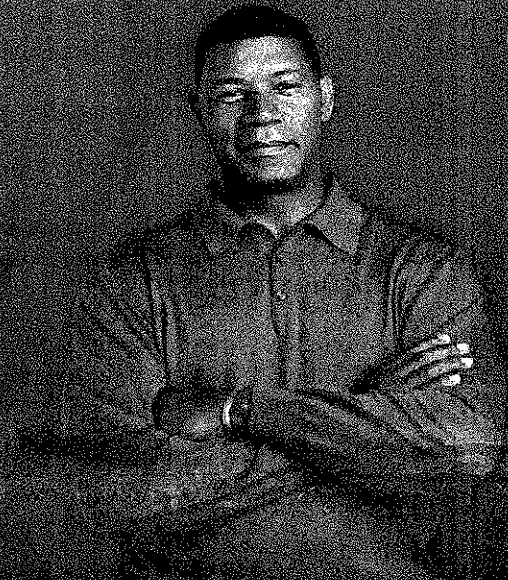
And while she cooks just about everything, there's one thing she won't cook or eat at home.

"I don't eat eggs at all," she said.

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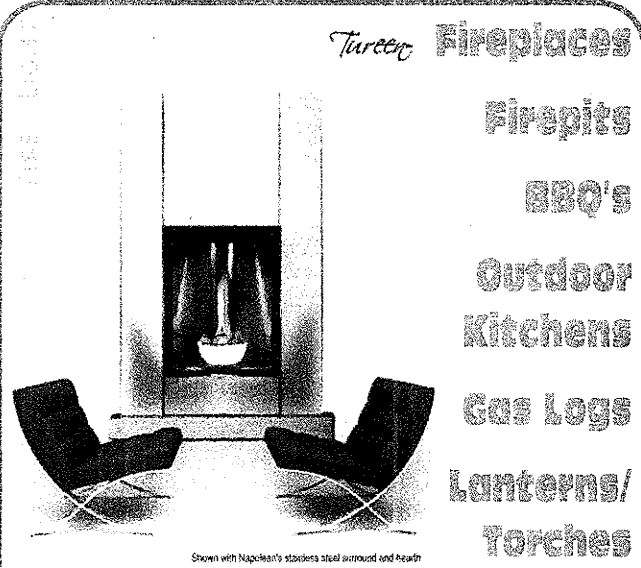
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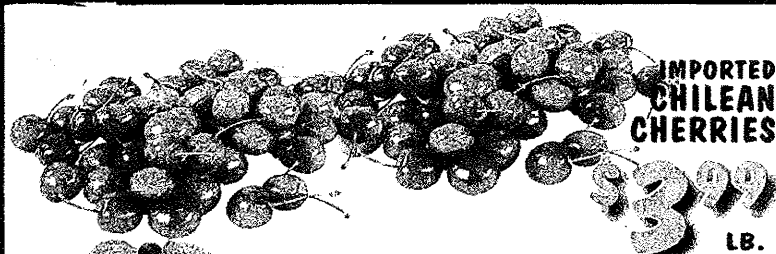
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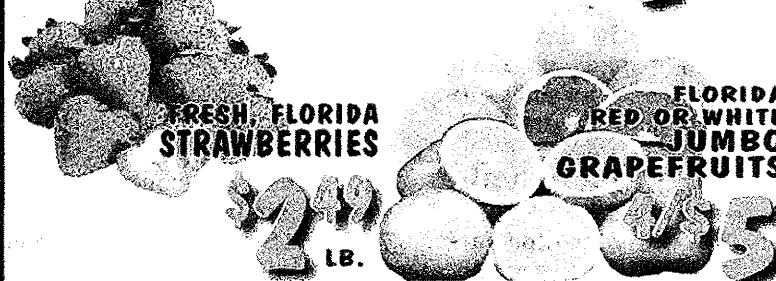
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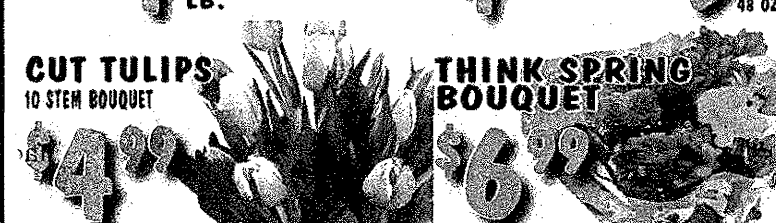
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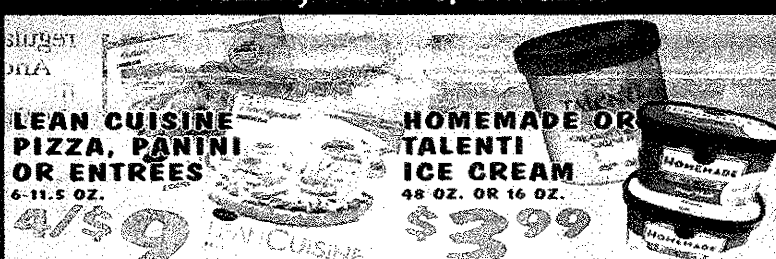
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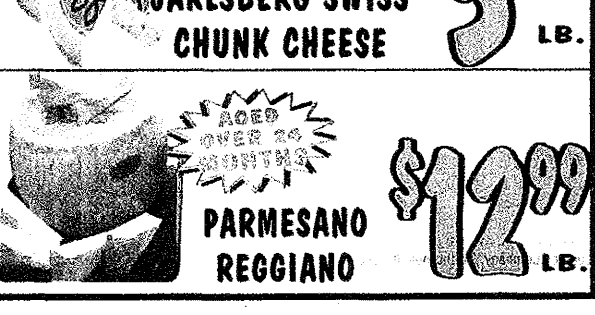
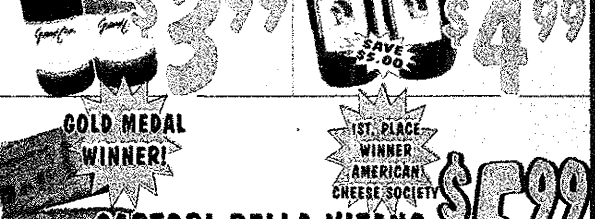
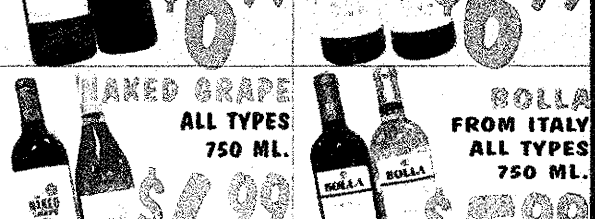
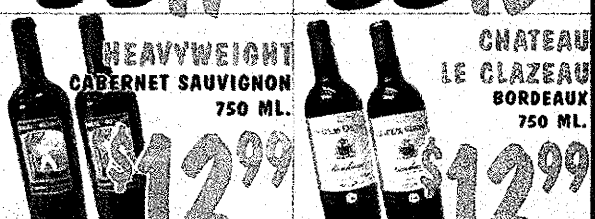
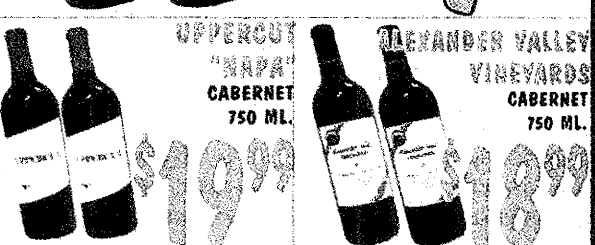
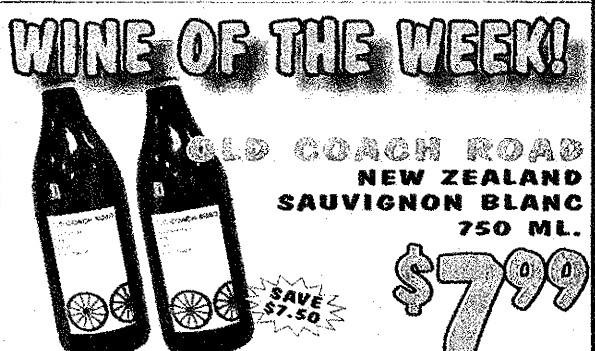
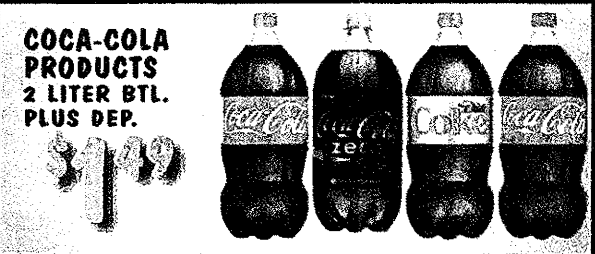
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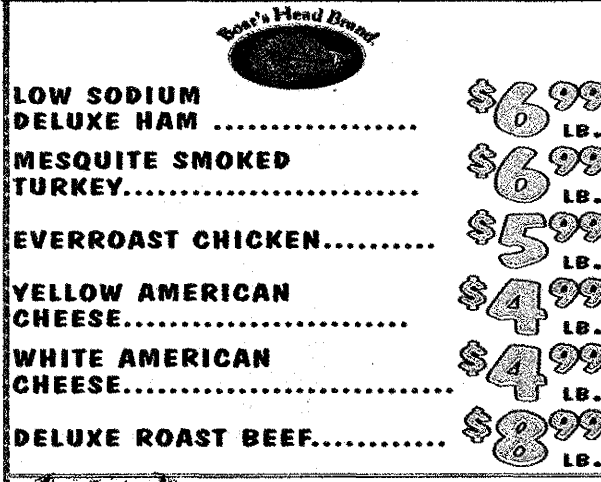


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City of Grosse Pointe

Felony drunk

An officer monitoring the Village from a cruiser parked on Notre Dame was warned by a citizen shortly before 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 27, of a suspected drunken driver.

The witness said a man so drunk he could hardly walk entered his parked car and was trying to drive away.

The suspect, a 38-year-old Grosse Pointe Farms man, entered the roadway behind the wheel of a silver Audi. The driver nearly hit the officer's cruiser during a short and meandering circuit that ended with the man stopping his car near the cruiser and exiting.

"He (said he) knew he was drunk and was going to pull his car into the lot behind Starbucks," the officer said.

The suspect registered a .237 percent blood alcohol level and was arrested

for drunken driving, police said.

He has "numerous prior" drunken driving arrests, including a felony conviction six years ago in Roseville, said the officer.

— 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

Bike found

A bicycle of undescrbed make and model was found during the early afternoon of Tuesday, Dec. 27, on the grounds of Kerby Elementary School.

Police are holding the bike in a storage room at headquarters.

Just kidding'

A 33-year-old Detroit woman, who a patrolman reported speeding more

than 10 mph over the limit on westbound Mack before entering southbound Moran and slowing to 12 mph, was arrested for drunken driving at 1:17 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 28.

She failed a series of field sobriety tests, including naming the number between 21 and 19.

She answered, "18," said an officer, then added, "Just kidding, 20."

The woman didn't perform breath tests correctly, so officers obtained a search warrant for her blood to be drawn at an area hospital and sent to a crime lab for measuring of alcohol content.

Wrong way valet

A 23-year-old Farms man, working as a valet at the Hill Seafood & Chop House, has some answering to do about allegedly driving off with the 2010 Cadillac SRX owned by a Grosse Pointe Shores woman.

The woman told police that at about 9:45 p.m. Monday, Dec. 26, she re-

quested the valet retrieve her car; then saw him drive it away southbound on Hall Place.

He returned 15 to 20 minutes later, parked the car in front of the restaurant and ran away, she added.

Officers found the suspect at his nearby residence. He reportedly explained he didn't know he had the woman's car keys, was gone only five minutes and fled because he was being yelled at.

Shoplifts

An unknown man wearing a "Detroit" stocking cap reportedly shoplifted 15 coconut scented air fresheners at 7:02 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 25, from a business at Mack and Moross.

A clerk photographed the suspect with a cell phone camera.

First case of 2012

The first incident of 2012 concerned a Christmas lawn display

reported vandalized at 12:32 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 1, in the 200 block of McKinley.

A witness saw two unknown young men exit a dark SUV, either a Honda or Jeep, with baseball bats or hockey sticks and smash a light-up tree and reindeer.

— 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

Five suspensions

At 11:24 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 29, police arrested a 29-year-old Detroit man on Ballantyne near Woodland Shores for violating five driving suspensions.

The man, operating a red 1997 Ford Econoline van, had been cruising the area slowly.

He flagged down a patrolman, saying he was lost.

Police said the man was wanted in Detroit and Wayne County on unspecified warrants. A

Michigan license plate was found inside the vehicle, police added.

Free Tasers

The department received five new Tasers paid by a \$2,000 grant from the Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority and drug forfeiture funds, according to Stephen Poloni, public safety director.

"There was no general fund money used for any of those items," Poloni said.

— Brad Lindberg

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

Grosse Pointe Woods

Young drinkers

A mother picking up her 14-year-old son at 2 a.m. from a friend's New Year's party determined her son had been drinking and when she confronted the parent holding the party, she was told to leave. Instead, she called police. Three 14-year-olds, with blood alcohol levels ranging from .11 to .15, were cited for minors in possession and the investigation continues into the mother hosting the party.

Drug arrest

A 47-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods resident was arrested and charged with possession of heroin, crack cocaine and drug paraphernalia following a call to police at 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 31, by the woman's mother who wanted her daughter to leave her house. The daughter, wanted on a misdemeanor warrant out of Grosse Pointe Woods, was detained by police.

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A 21-year-old City of Grosse Pointe resident told police another car had cut him off when officers found his car wedged against the fence at Ferry School at 3 a.m. Friday, Dec. 29. Police also found the driver had a blood alcohol level of .12 and a container of medical marijuana in the car's console.

— Kathy Ryan

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

Grosse Pointe Park

Hit and run

Police responded to a hit and run accident at 10:50 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 29 on Charlevoix. The victim told police he was hit by someone he knew, but had failed to stop. He supplied police with an address, where police found the driver and took him into custody. The Somerset resident was charged with operating while intoxicated.

UDAA

A 2001 Chrysler minivan was taken from the 1300 block of Somerset overnight Saturday, Dec. 31.

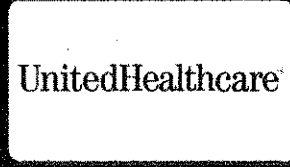
Tools taken

Several Black & Decker tools were reported missing Tuesday, Dec. 27, from a basement of a multi-family unit on Wayburn.

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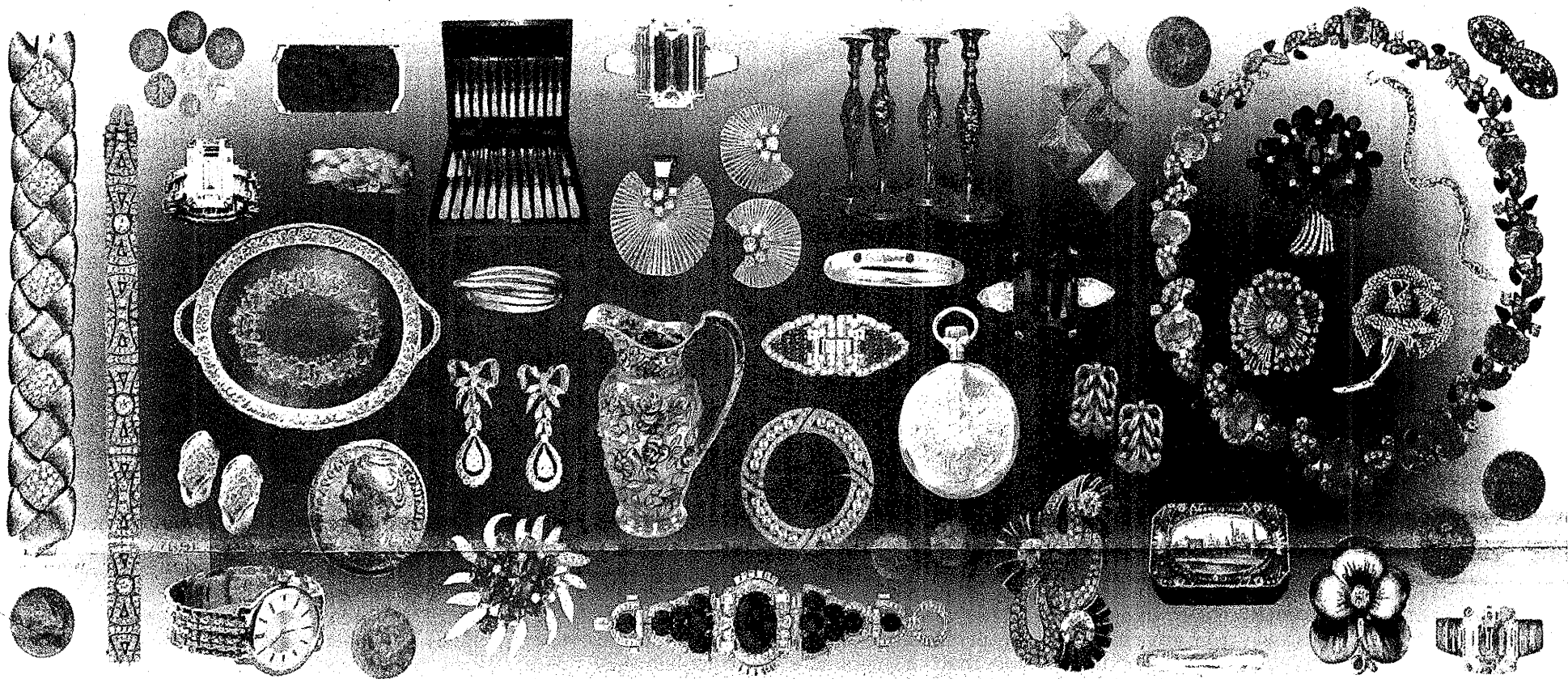
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GUEST OPINION

By Joseph G. Lehman

Government as Santa

Most people eventually abandon the idea of Santa Claus ... and yet so many never abandon belief in an omnipotent government. Santa Claus is magic. His toy sack never empties, he traverses the globe faster than lightning, his reindeer never tire, his elves never strike and he's never too fat for the chimney. Awed by his powers, young children approach the Jolly One clutching wish lists itemizing the objects of their "unbridled avarice," as a popular Christmas movie put it.

Too many adults treat government the way children treat Santa. But government is not magic.

And why not? Santa's little supplicants are prodded by plenty of parental encouragement. No toy is beyond the ability of Santa's elves to build. Nothing Santa gives to one child takes away from any other child. Plus, Santa knows who's been naughty or nice, so the great toy distribution is bound to be fair in some cosmically satisfying way, with everyone getting what they deserve and probably a little bit more. Who wouldn't want to live in such a world? Too many adults treat government the way children treat Santa. But government is not magic. Most adults expect government to provide at least the basics of society, such as courts, police, defense, roads, mail and schools. Yet these so often seem beyond the reach of government we may seriously question whether some — like schools — should be entrusted to it at all. Many adults want government to cover everything under Santa's flying sleigh. Their wish lists say, "subsidize my retirement, my big house, a year's worth of unemployment, my medicine, my college loans, my electric car, my auto company, my union, my bank, my bad decisions in general and my ethanol and solar companies." But unlike Santa's bottomless bag of toys, every subsidy government gives must be taken from someone else. Adults may expect only the deserving get the goodies, but the dilemma of fairness inherent in forced redistribution needs no elaboration here. Let's just say it takes a lot of magic government fairy dust to make it all fair.

My point is not to ridicule those who want government to provide what they think they deserve. Rather, it is to confront the reality of an extremely durable myth — government as Santa Claus — and to prevent that belief from destroying our nation. Children may be sad when they are in-the-know about Santa, but mom and dad can usually ameliorate that disappointment. No one will rescue us when our collective "unbridled avarice" runs up a debt so high it can never be repaid. Joseph G. Lehman is president of the Mackinac Center for Public Policy.

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I SAY By Joe Warner

Lions are getting there; bowls are ridiculous



Happy New Year. While time with the family, friends and kids make the holidays worthwhile, I'm glad they're over and we can get on with normal, whatever that is. A couple observations during the long holiday stretch make for some column fodder. The Lions are in the playoffs. That hasn't happened very often in my lifetime and certainly there has been no real playoff success. They've come a long way in the couple years since that 0-16 nightmare of 2008. They have a coach who is fired up. They've got some great players. Matthew Stafford, who played a full, healthy year, is the real deal. The last few games he put the ball wherever he wanted and we actually have receivers who can catch it. We've had a great kicking game for two decades. And at times, our defense has been great. In my opinion, the Lions played the year's best game when they clinched the playoff spot with a win against San Diego. They marched up and down the field on offense. Their defense held when it needed to and

special teams were, umm, special. Missing was the stupid penalties, both of offense and defense. It was a great game to watch. It reminded me of anything but the Lions. But then we played Green Bay Jan. 1. The ghosts of Lions past were on the not-so-frozen tundra of Lambeau Field. Detroit hasn't won there in 20 years and they certainly had a great chance with the Packers resting a few of their best players. Backup quarterback Matt Flynn had 480 yards passing and six touchdowns, setting all kinds of records against a Detroit defense resting players because of injuries. Flynn was starting in just his second NFL game. And while the Lions faithful have reason to complain about referee calls that cost time outs and a touchdown, the refs didn't give up 45 points to Green Bay. We had a couple stupid penalties again. Ndamukong Suh, who was booted from the Green Bay-Detroit Thanksgiving game for stomping on an opponent, did the Aaron Rodgers "title-belt" celebration after he sacked Flynn in the third quarter. It was a move that had people second-guessing his image again. It reminded me of when former Lions receiver Roy Williams used to get a first down. He'd dance and make the first-down gesture, drawing attention to himself while the team was miserably losing another game. Suh is a great player. If he can control himself, he could be one of the best. But along with playing the right way comes winning the right way. This has been a great season, but we haven't won anything yet. I can't remember too much pressure last Sunday on Flynn as he hit pass after pass. Imagine what Drew Brees could do this week with the same lackluster effort on defense. Much has been made about the Lion's "Bad Boys" attitude this year. Harkens back to the Pistons of yesteryear. The difference is they were winning championships while they acted like punks. Other teams hated them, but wanted to win like them. It's important sometimes to act like you've been there before, even if you haven't. Save your title belt move for Aaron Rodgers when you beat him. Then it will be cool. Rodgers is the reigning Super Bowl MVP and his team won the Vince Lombardi trophy at last year's Super Bowl. Imagine if we could bring that to Detroit. Then we could all dance. Too many bowls The college football bowl season is officially longer than the regular season, I think. Spread out over close to a month, I now long for the days

when all the bowl games were played on New Year's Day. I remember the lineup including the Cotton, Orange, Rose and Sugar bowls and not much else. Now they begin halfway through December and end halfway through January. It's silly unranked teams play in a beef bowl, a potato bowl, a pizza bowl, a military bowl, an Armed Forces Bowl, a pinstripe bowl and a Sun Bowl, a Fight Hunger Bowl and a Chick-Fil-A Bowl, an Outback Bowl and a Godaddy.com Bowl. I'm so hungry after typing those. There are another hundred or so bowl games, but you get the idea. Teams with 6-6 records shouldn't be in a bowl game. One bowl game this year featured fill-in coaches after the head coaches were fired because their teams didn't do well. They didn't do well, but they were in a bowl game. Bowls aren't that special anymore, but they're here to stay because it's all about revenue. I understand that and can't stand it. Another Texas A&M vs Northwestern sleeper could get me to cancel my DirecTV so I don't waste time watching games. As of press time, the best game of the year was Michigan State and Georgia. A great comeback and fun to watch. Also, it was a Big Ten victory, hard to come by.

GUEST OPINION By Bill Kalmar

The 'Ins' and 'Outs' for 2012



Each year at this time we are bombarded with "Top Ten Lists" — whether it be movies, books, television programs or Broadway plays. We also have to endure legions of prognosticators who usually predict disasters including the end of the world. I have compiled my own "In" and "Out" list. As with most lists, it is completely meaningless and only reflects my own warped sense of what is important and what should be ignored. There are few reasons given for my choices other than I am politically in-

correct. Keep in mind, sometimes just a nod of the head indicates your concurrence or approval. In some cases there's the customary scratching of the head, wondering what I had in mind. Whatever the case, here are my choices:
In: "Ozzie & Harriet;" Out: "The Kardashians."
In: marriage; Out: cohabitation.
In: Super Bowl; Out: Pro Bowl.
In: teetotalers; Out: drunkards.
In: personal phone calls; Out: texting.
In: Detroit Lions; Out: Dallas Cowboys.
In: Baldrige winners; Out: newspaper "Best of List."
In: looking natural; Out: plastic surgery/implants.
In: performance excellence; Out: indifferent planning.
In: George Clooney;
Out: anyone he dates.
In: management by walking around; Out: dysfunctional management.
In: Big Macs; Out: sushi.
In: exercise; Out: reclining chairs.
In: world peace; Out: Iran and North Korea.
In: cleaning; Out: hoarding.
In: Pinterest; Out: obscure search engines.
In: Pepsi Throwback; Out: diet pop.
In: Gumby; Out: Pee Wee Herman.
In: Kool Aid "Oh Yeah" guy; Out: Mr. Peanut.
In: competent, skillful government; Out: Congress.
In: Bud Light commercials; Out: Viagra commercials.
In: enforcement; Out: amnesty.
In: de-friending; Out: Facebook.
In: reading a good

book; Out: napping.
In: Christianity; Out: Atheism.
In: marathon training; Out: thumb wrestling.
In: Detroit Coney Island hot dogs; Out: Chicago hot dogs.
In: dress slacks; Out: ripped jeans.
In: rednecks, Bubba and Cooter; Out: blue bloods Buffy and Biff.
In: family room; Out: man cave.
In: pirates; Out: hippies.
In: embrace/acceptance; Out: bullying.
In: intelligent parlor games; Out: Farmville.
This is not a scientific list. Items on the Out list have the opportunity to be redeemed during 2012 and transferred to the In list — except Congress. Bill Kalmar is the former director of the Michigan Quality Council and a former resident of Grosse Pointe.

Chief choice due soon in Shores

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — At first, there were two dozen candidates for public safety director. Then, there were four. Soon, there will be one.

A final selection could be made this month.

The winning nominee may attend the 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 17, city council meeting for confirmation.

Two candidates are re-

tired Grosse Pointe public safety employees. The other is from an Oakland County suburb.

Their names aren't being released.

"We received approximately 25 applications to fill the very large shoes of Steve Poloni," said Brian Vick, Grosse Pointe Shores city manager.

Poloni, a 25-year Shores veteran, announced his retirement in October. He accepted the directorship of City of Grosse Pointe public safety,

yet remains with the Shores until a replacement is confirmed.

Applications were forwarded to a committee that included Councilman Robert Barrette Jr. and retired Shores chief Gary Mitchell, Poloni's immediate predecessor.

They narrowed contenders to four.

"One of the applicants asked to be withdrawn," Vick said.

He interviewed the rest. "I asked them a number of fixed questions, 13 or

14 for each candidate — the same questions," Vick said. "I narrowed my focus on one candidate and related that to elected officials."

Contracting the job to a retiree would save costs because the Shores wouldn't have to provide health care and retirement benefits.

Vick said he intends to negotiate the final candidate's compensation "contingent upon a background search and council confirmation."

RUMORS: Resident calls for state investigation

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They're contained, according to City Manager Brian Vick, in a roughly four-inch thick binder set aside for members of the city council and other approved parties in a second-floor reading room of city hall.

Not contained in the News' packet, but purportedly in the binder, is a memo indicating the water dispute was being harbored for political reasons. The alleged purpose was, in part, to not rile voters during the run-up to last year's recall election of the former mayor and two council members.

"Three council members have told me they read in the binder an e-mail from Mr. Vick to (city attorney Mark) McNerney that states the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club wanted to enter into a tolling agreement so that 'this matter does not effect the election,' an obvious reference to the May 2010 recall election," said Dr. Robert Lee, Shores resident, at the December city council meeting.

Lee organized the recall. His targets prevailed, yet Mayor James Cooper retained office by only a couple percentage points until being defeated in the November election.

Vick said he was approached by the club March 5, 2010, about a tolling agreement relating to alleged overbilling from 1997 to 2007.

"(The) club requested entering into a tolling agreement to allow both parties to look into water billing questions," Vick said.

Tolling agreements suspend the statute of limitations. The suspension allows potentially litigious parties time to resolve a dispute without feeling forced into a lawsuit simply by the pending expiration of the right to do so.

"Had the tolling agree-

ment not been executed, the club would have had the choice of either suing us right there, starting the running of legal fees or, possibly, foregoing some of their claim as the statute of limitations ticked off," McNerney said. "The tolling agreement gave up no rights of the city."

He claims no knowledge of links between the agreement and recall.

Vick didn't inform the council of the agreement until more than four months later.

"My actions did not take (the) Grosse Pointe Yacht Club's preferences related to elections into consideration while performing my duties," Vick said.

Lee and other critics don't dispute a tolling agreement's legality. Nor do they claim the agreement between the city and club usurped municipal legal rights.

But, keeping such a potentially costly matter from the public is something they won't accept. Particularly, when Cooper said the matter was between the city and club, and not the residents.

"Making a tolling agreement with the specific intent of not having a critical issue city residents were entitled to be aware of before an election is nefarious," Lee said. "Clearly, the yacht club requested a course of action that a tolling agreement be undertaken with the specific intent of keeping this problem quiet before an election."

"Our city manager and city attorney acquiesced, having to know this endeavor was for the benefit of Mayor Cooper and the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, not so that all citizens of our city could have the facts before they passed an educated ballot."

He called for a state investigation into possible election law violations.

The e-mail Lee said

council members told him about is likely to be released to the public.

Mayor Ted Kedzierski, elected in November, said he doesn't "see the harm" of letting people read the binder.

"I don't see any specific

harm," agreed McNerney.

Councilman Bruce Barrette said it takes about two hours to read the whole binder.

"It will resolve a lot of issues people have, when it becomes available in a week or two," he said.

AID: Pact would save

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in the City of Grosse Pointe.

Among reasons City officials hired him is his support of shared use and standardized purchasing of public safety resources. Such practices are intended to save operating costs and improve effectiveness.

"They're talking about making sure when we pull up there's the same equipment so I don't have 5-inch hose and someone else has 4-inch hose," Poloni said. "We want to make sure we can connect."

He said agreements don't involve reducing the community's fleet of fire trucks, which a Southeast Michigan Council of Governments consultant criticized as redundant.

"This does not address fire apparatus sharing," said Brian Vick, Shores city manager. "There's been no conversation at this point with regard to

buying ladder trucks together."

Shores officials also signed a multi-city grant application to fund consolidated public safety dispatch services.

Although the Shores already contracted its dispatch services to the Farms for three years, a community-wide goal is to consolidate all four remaining centers into one unit. A single, central prisoner lock-up facility is part of the plan.

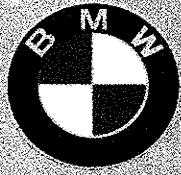
"All the Grosse Pointes are receptive to additional conversations on greater scenarios," Vick said.

Shared services conforms to financial inducements Gov. Rick Snyder offered in the Economic Vitality Incentive Program.

The program replaces statutory revenue sharing and rewards cities, in part, for consolidating services.

"EVIP dollars for us are very small, under \$5,000," Vick said.

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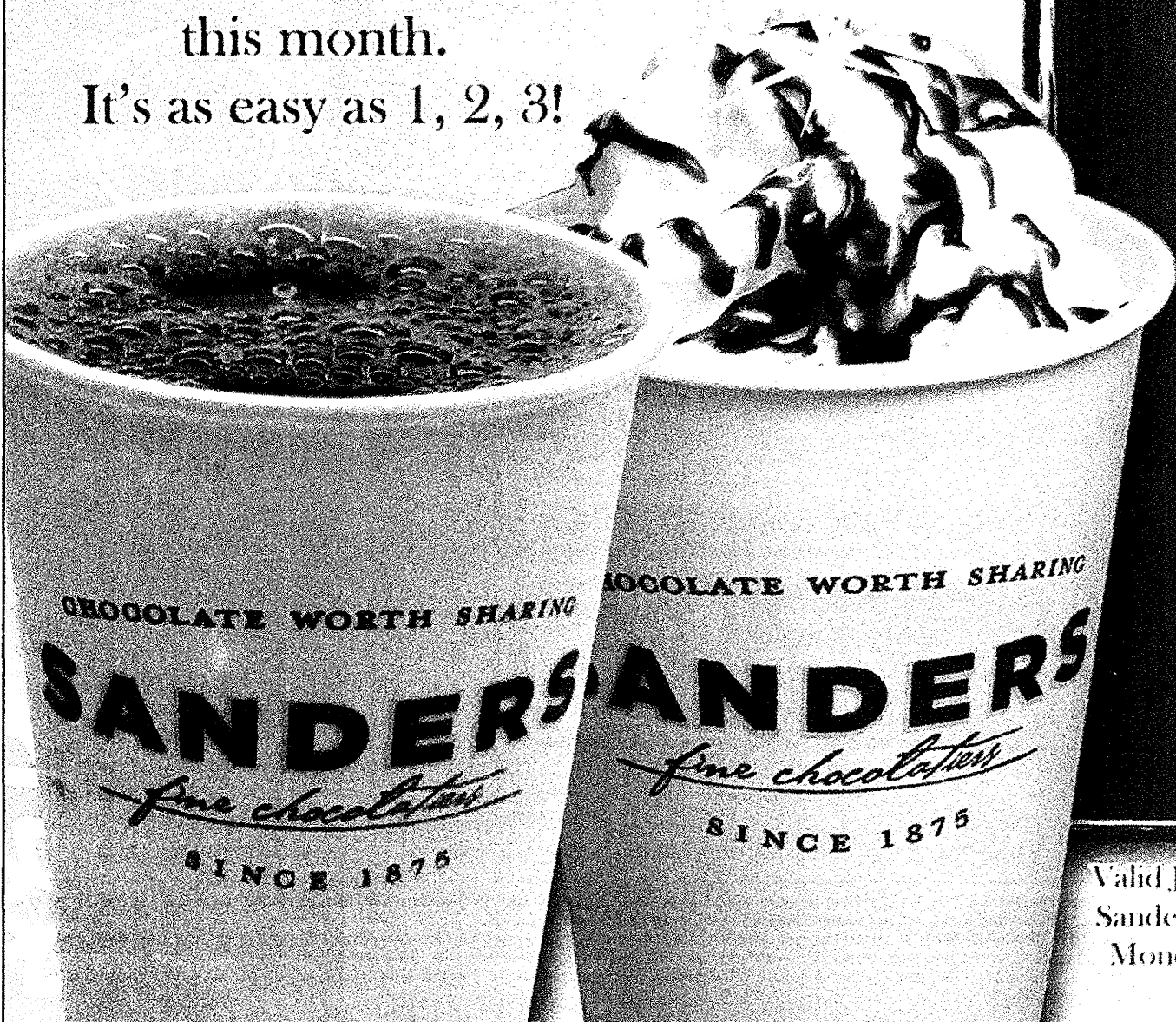
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Her path intersects with women's rights

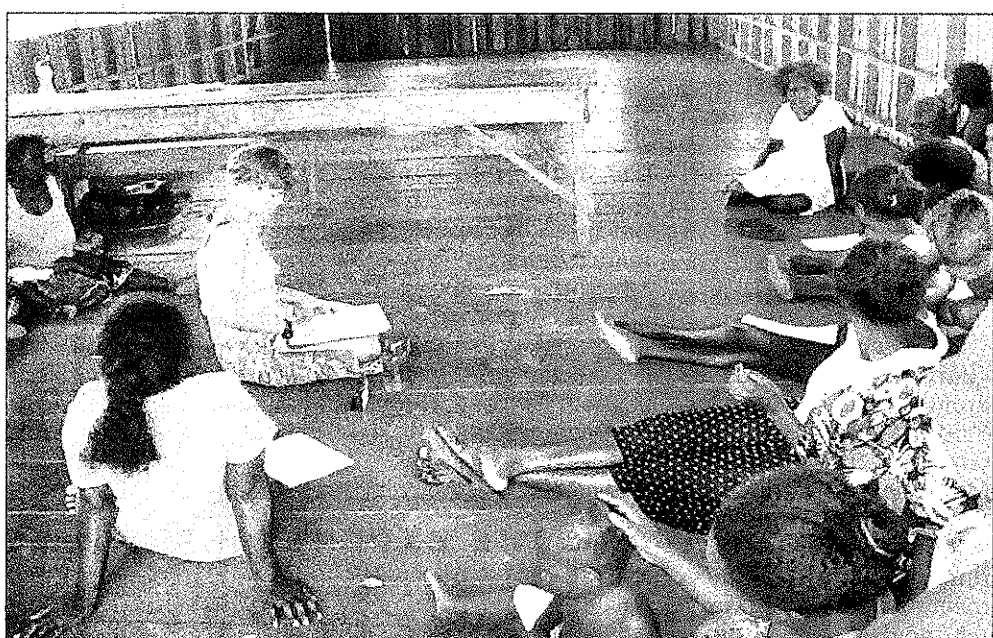
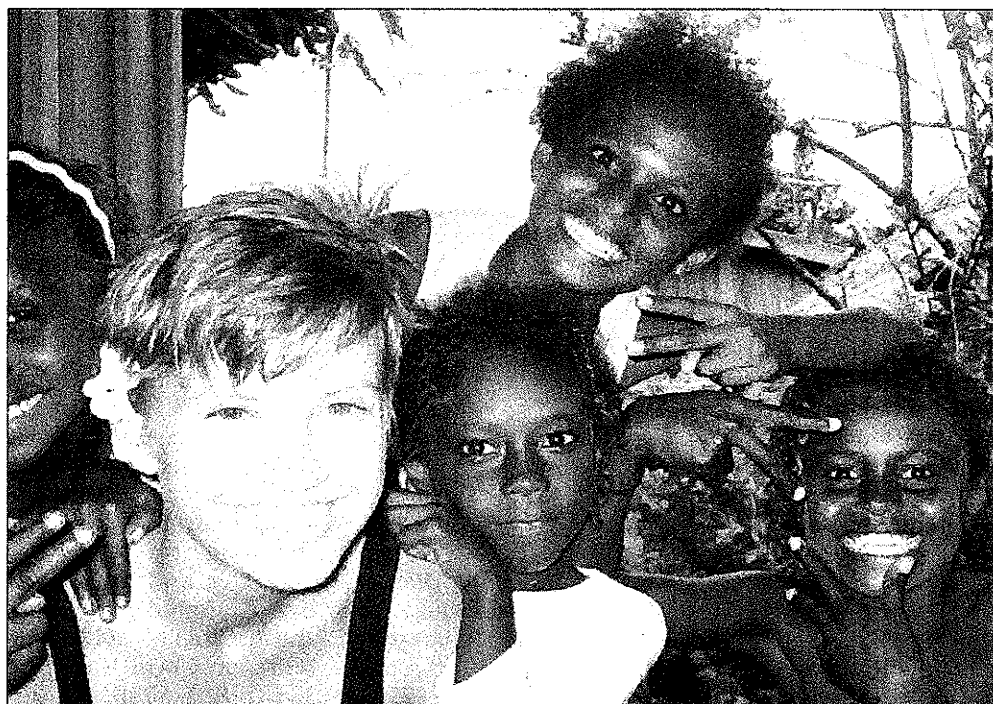
By Ann L. Fouty
Features Editor

Laurie Smolenski, of the City of Grosse Pointe, soon to be of New York City, has set her goal — to bring human rights inequities to light and strive for freedom, particularly for women.

A 2002 graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School, Smolenski, like many Grosse Pointe young women, earned both bachelor's and master's degrees. But that doesn't tell the story of the roads she has journeyed. Nor does it touch on the three weeks she spent in the Solomon Islands talking with women about climate change. It doesn't mention her discussions with female survivors of human trafficking with Project Hope in Spain.

"I have always been very drawn to witnessing other people's stories and finding ways to document and share them, as well as to raise awareness. This learning and sharing aspect has really resonated with me while working with both groups," she said of her work with Project Hope and the Solomon Island focus groups.

While working on her master's degree at the University of Spain in Madrid, she interviewed Eastern Europe and African women between age 16 and their mid-20s,



Top, Laurie Smolenski and children of the Solomon Islands. Above, Smolenski, left, discusses weather changes with women in a focus group in the Solomon Islands.



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César Fernández Egido and Laurie Smolenski on the terrace of her Madrid house in summer 2011. Egido and Smolenski became friends when she was a Rotary exchange student in 2002-03.

who were promised better lives only to be forced into lives of servitude and the sex trade.

Smolenski is collating their data and stories to educate and influence change in Spain on this issue.

Her role in Project Hope was a quasi-chaperone when the displaced women were in public, guarding them from being recaptured.

"My role was to be present so they can be safe in the city. I would take them to school and help them with their Spanish," she said. "They need to learn Spanish."

Smolenski explained the women must stay in Spain, rather than return home where traffickers could recapture them.

"It's safer for them not

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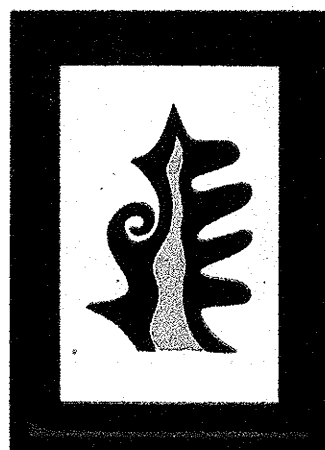
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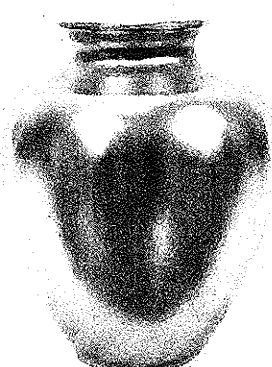
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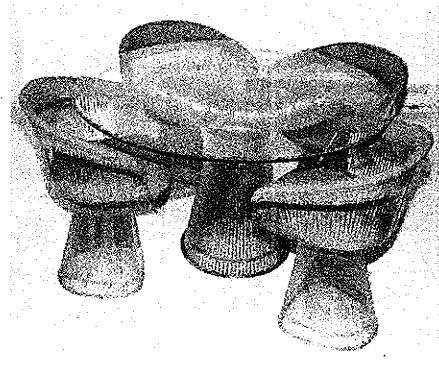
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Rotary club

The Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe meets at noon Monday, Jan. 9, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Lunch costs \$15. The public can attend.

Grosse Pointe Library Board Treasurer Ed Frederickson discusses the library's financial con-

dition and its pending operating millage vote.

Club members delivered baskets of food, household items and presents to 25 Detroit families on behalf of St. Mark's Orthodox Church, Rochester Hills.

New or gently used books for any age can be dropped off between 7 and 9 p.m. Wednesday,

Jan. 11, at the rear entrance of the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

For more information, visit grossepointerotary.org.

Senior Men's Club

The Senior Men's Club of Grosse Pointe meets at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 10, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The cost is \$10.

Speaker U.S. Rep. Gary Peters, D-Oakland County, offers a perspective on the economy, jobs and key local issues.

Men 55 years and older can attend. Sports coats are required.

Alliance Francaise

The Alliance Francaise de Grosse Pointe hosts a free film showing of "The Earrings of Madame de ..." at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 11, at the Grosse Pointe Public Library, Woods branch, 20680 Mack. There are English subtitles.

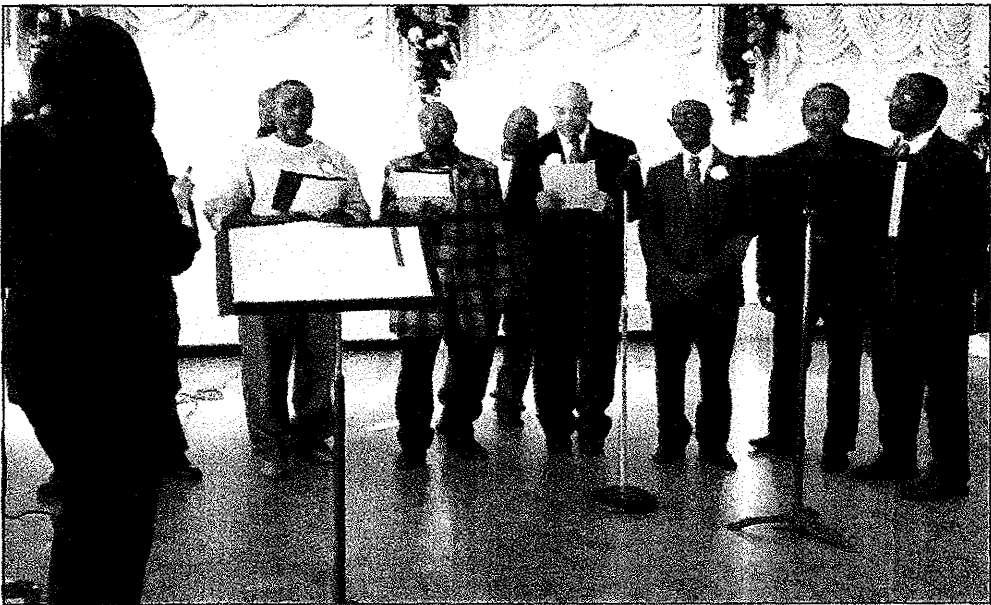
Garden Center

The Grosse Pointe Garden Center holds its annual meeting at noon Friday, Jan. 20, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Lunch is served at 12:15 p.m. and the business meeting begins at 1 p.m.

"Ease of Flower Arranging" is the topic of speaker David Calcaterra.

The cost is \$25 and reservations must be made by Wednesday, Jan. 11, call (313) 881-7511, ext. 206 or via e-mail at



The Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe hosts the Mariners' Inn Men's Choir for lunch and holiday songs. The Mariners' Inn provides 24-hour, residential, substance abuse treatment for adult, homeless men of Southeastern Michigan with the goal of "saving families, one father at a time."

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GPT

Grosse Pointe Theatre holds dance workshops for those interested in auditioning for "Hairspray" from 7 to 10 p.m. Tuesdays, Jan. 10, 17, and 24, at the theater's rehearsal studio, 315 Fisher, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Auditions for "Hairspray" are 1 to 5 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 28, and 3 to 7 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 29, also at the rehearsal studio. Performance dates are May 6, 9-13 and 17-20 at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

Director and choreographer Timothy Higgins, of Birmingham, and co-

choreographer Marcy Kazmirowski, of Warren, teach the complimentary dance workshops. Participation in the workshops won't guarantee a spot in the show.

Scripts and music cuts are available by calling the theater at (313) 886-8901 or Chris Kaiser at (313) 881-8040. To reserve tickets for productions, call (313) 881-4004.

Chamber concert

The Grosse Pointe Chamber Music concert begins at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 15, in the Crystal Ballroom, Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Music by Telemann, Bruch, Poulenc and

Schickele are played. Tickets cost \$12. Children under the age of 18 are admitted free.

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

Spirit of Women

Register to see the film, "The Help," Wednesday, Jan. 18, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The evening begins at 6 p.m. with hors d'oeuvres and wine. The movie begins at 7 p.m.

The cost is \$12. To register, call (313) 881-7511.

This is the first of three movies sponsored by the Beaumont Health System and the Grosse Pointe Public Library.

ASK THE EXPERTS By Mary Beth Garvey

Striking a balance



Q. I feel there is a lot of pressure to have my children in multiple activities. While I would like them to be involved in what interests them, I worry about over-scheduling. As parents, how can we help our children strike the right balance?

A. As our culture becomes more preoccupied with success, hyper achievement is becoming a norm in family values. There is pressure for "good" parents to provide their children with a wide range of competitive opportunities and manage a demanding schedule. The idea is that by exposing children to these experiences, you are preparing them for academic, athletic and extra curricular successes.

These demands, which often begin at an early age, are usually motivated by desire to give children a competitive edge or build self esteem.

Children are now racing to meet the demands of traveling sports teams, music lessons, academic tutoring and school enrichment programs. The thinking is self-esteem is driven by a long list of accomplishments and the ability to compete. Given our current culture, it is understandable parents feel this way, but it is also misguided.

These schedules come at a cost. Perhaps one of the greatest is the disintegration of family time. Nothing shapes a child's life more than the family experience. Parents teach their children what to love and value, behavioral expectations and how they are perceived and experienced by others. Families need to protect themselves from excessive interruptions and demands to teach these lessons.

If the family connection is undermined by over scheduling, it is the cultural influence, rather than the family, that begins to define children. In an increasingly complex world, most children need more time with an engaged adult than an addi-

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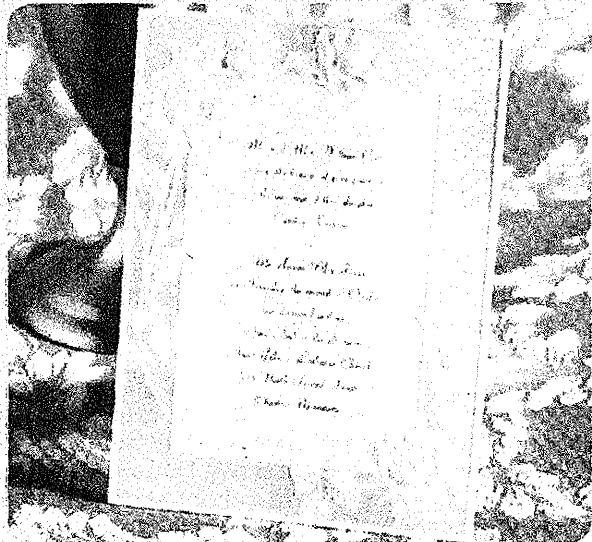
tional activity.

The cultural message is "the more activities, the better."

Yet, children shuttled from one activity to the next often have only a superficial immersion in an activity. Multiple activities can lead to boredom and lack of passion. Passion is critical to the confidence building that parents seek for several reasons:

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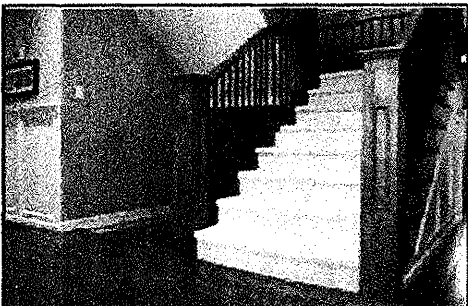
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PASTOR'S CORNER By Marcia L. Fairrow

Bring about justice in 2012

Like no other in the Protestant church year, Christmas is the time when we turn our focus on Mary, the virgin mother of Jesus. She is mentioned in a good many of our Christmas carols and in some way, in all of the scripture readings for the Christmas season.

After Christmas, Mary's role diminishes, as I suppose it should, and we in the church have only a few months before we begin our focus on Jesus' death and resurrection.

It is my prayer we remember throughout the year salvation's agents and make a commitment to study them and try, in some small way, to be like them.

What part can we play?

I understand Mary to be hand-picked by God to be the agent in which he would offer, once again, a way of salvation to his people; the agent through which he would make his last and final

covenant with his people.

Mary can be and has been compared to many women in the Old Testament.

When we look back at women in the Old Testament not usually compared to Mary, we can find many who played a part in the deliverance of their people. Shiphrah and Puah, the midwives in Exodus who made excuses why they couldn't kill the babies, thereby being agents of salvation; Deborah and Jael, both in Judges, did battle for the salvation of their people. Esther and Judith were also agents of salvation for their people. All of these women stood out as agents used by God to bring salvation and/or justice to his people.

How does God want to use you to bring about justice for his people?

Hannah, like Mary, gave birth to a son she knew would not be hers, but would

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CHURCH EVENTS

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St. Paul on the Lake

St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church conducts a series, "Catholics Returning Home," from 7:30 to 9 p.m., seven consecutive Thursdays, beginning Jan. 5.

The sessions are at the church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Classes are for non-practicing Catholics who may be thinking about returning to the church. Informal sharing and an update of the Catholic

faith is discussed.

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

Christ Church

The Men and Girls' choir of Christ Church sing at 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 6, during the Epiphany procession.

The church is located at 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms.

For more information, visit christchurchgp.org

Ecumenical breakfast

The Grosse Pointe Men's Ecumenical breakfast begins at 6:45 a.m. Friday, Jan. 6, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

A 7:15 a.m. buffet breakfast is followed at 7:45 a.m. by speaker Carl Meyering. The event ends at 8:15 a.m.

All Grosse Pointe men can attend.

For more information,

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4:30 pm Musical Storytime
5:00 pm In a Heartbeat
5:30 pm Glory
6:00 pm Legal Insider
6:30 pm Shine a Light
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
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9:30 pm Pointes of Horticulture
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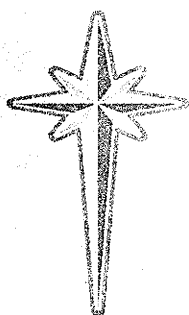
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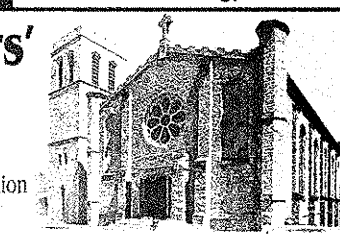
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North alum gives back to community

By A.J. Hakim
Staff Writer

Before Santa Claus shimmed down their chimneys, Poupard Elementary School students received an early and unexpected gift. First-graders at Wass Elementary School in Troy gave them 415 books. "I think it was just so nice and just an amazing thing for someone to do," Poupard Title I reading specialist Lori Woznicki said. The donation was the culmination of Wass elementary student-teacher and 2006 Grosse Pointe North graduate Kendra Beedle's challenge to her students. "She had a class assignment to inspire her students to give back to the community," Woznicki said. "She wanted to do something different than having her students simply make cards for a hospital or nursing home, so she decided to inspire

them by doing something to get their attention." Beedle's source of inspiration: She cut off nine inches of hair and donated it to Locks of Love, a public non-profit organization providing hairpieces to financially disadvantaged families whose child suffers from long-term medical hair loss. And while it garnered a variety of nerve-jittering responses — "I thought they were about to have a heart attack" — she succeeded in capturing her students' attention. "With the first graders, it's hard for them to really grasp the concept of giving their things to someone else because they're still reinforcing sharing within the classroom," Beedle said. "I cut my hair in the classroom in front of them and told them, 'this is how we're going to start off our giving.' And I just gave something that was personal to me,



Wass Elementary School student teacher, Kendra Beedle, left, with her niece and Poupard Elementary School kindergartner, Elora Gee. Beedle's first-grade students donated 415 books to Poupard. and they were going to give something that was

personal to them." That next week, students began the book drive and before long, amassed a collection of 415 new or gently used books. "I think it says a lot, not only about the kids, but about the families and how willing they are to give and how excited they can be to give once they have an opportunity," Beedle said. Her older brother Joby, whose child, Elora Gee, currently attends Poupard, suggested she donate the books to Poupard. Joby Gee's son, Jonas, graduated from Poupard last year and attends Parcels Middle School. Following her brother's advice, Beedle contacted Poupard and was overwhelmed at the school's excited and gracious response. "It was amazing, she said. "I think the teachers and the administrators there were so excited. Just telling them I was

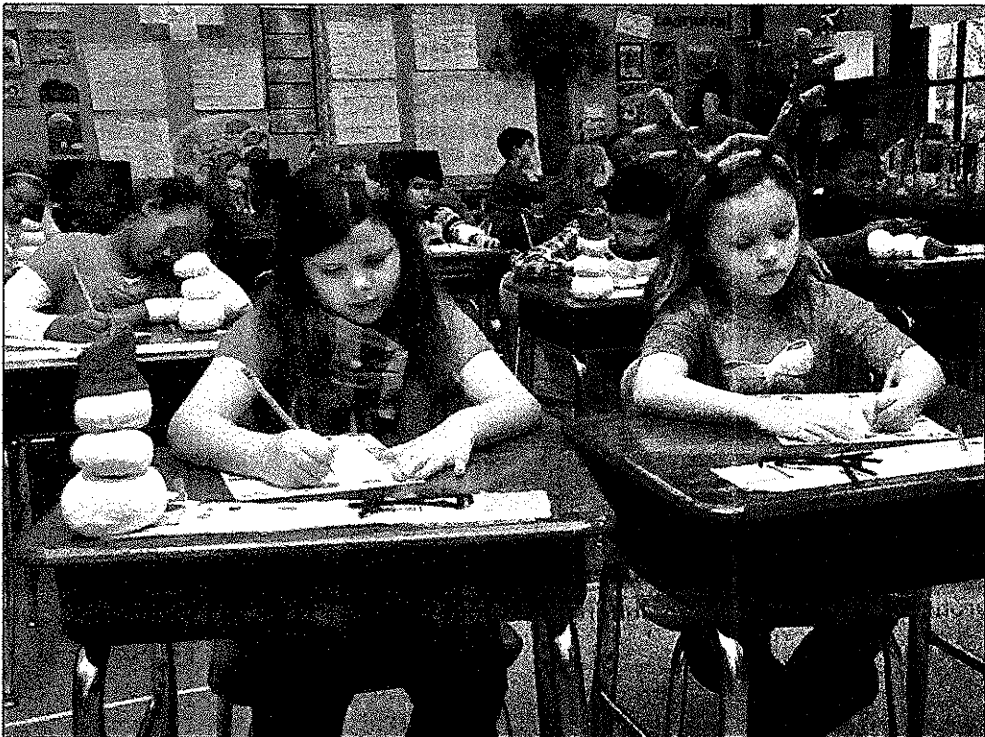
going to donate the books before it even happened, they were so welcoming." "It was more excitement than I expected and just reinforced the whole thing and put more drive for me because I knew they really were thankful." According to Woznicki, Poupard teachers and administrators are determining each book's readability level, which enables children to select books at their respective reading levels. "I almost feel like there needs to be more opportunities like this, that we have a lot of resources that we aren't tapping into," Beedle said. "Especially when our kids get a lot older, there are so many books we just either keep laying around our house or we donate them to Goodwill. "I think we need to tap more into what we do have and not take it for granted."

St. Paul year in review

Among St. Paul on the Lake Catholic School's accomplishments last year, its annual report states, it stands at the forefront of diocesan schools in integrating technology into the curriculum. In September, the school of 496 students and 43 full- or part-time staff piloted the "Power School" program, a student information system enabling parents to view real-time updates to their children's achievements. St. Paul also features SMART boards, "Elmos," or document cameras, shared netbooks, clickers

and e-readers in each classroom. And in 2012, the school is planning to add iPads, to be shared throughout the building. Academically, eighth-grade students performed at a tenth-grade level on the Iowa Achievement Test, a national standardized test administered to grades two through eight. "We have students with a wide range of needs and abilities, and we're able to differentiate our curriculum to meet the needs of students on both ends of the spectrum, both the academically-gifted and the students with special

learning needs," principal Mary Miller said in the report. **Other statistics** • St. Paul's average class size is 22 • Teachers average 12 years experience and a majority have advanced degrees. • Tuition accounts for 75 percent of education costs, while the parish subsidy provides 20 percent and grants and fundraisers, five percent. • According to its report, 78 percent of graduates place in honors courses in high school.



Jennifer Nihem, left, and Elli Richter, along with the rest of Rebecca Golus' third-grade class, prepare letters for Joey Caretti.

Letters for a cause

Diagnosed a third time with a rare form of brain cancer, 11-year-old Joey Caretti, of Washington Township, in seeking support against the disease, is asking for "Get well soon" cards from anyone and

everyone. In his honor, Macomb Township resident Laura Pokas started a card challenge. Taking time from their holiday parties Dec. 22, the 270-plus students at Trombly Elementary

School accepted that challenge. Under the guidance of Trombly's community outreach program chair, Nancy Nihem, the students hand-wrote letters for Caretti.

Band extravaganzas

More than 300 musicians from Defer, Maire, Trombly, Richard and Kerby elementary schools, Brownell and Pierce middle schools and Grosse Pointe South High School bands and ensembles are performing at South's Band-O-Rama. Dan White and Jim Cadotte direct the fifth-grade elementary bands, while James Gross (Pierce, sixth grade), Dean Doss (Brownell) and Steve Cross (Pierce,

seventh and eighth grade) direct the middle school bands. Cross also directs South's bands and ensembles. The show is at 7 p.m., Friday, Jan. 13, at South's gym. Admission is free. **North band-o-rama** Following an eventful December, during which the Grosse Pointe North Jazz Band performed at Ferry Elementary School's Santa dinner, Barnes Early Childhood

Center's holiday party and Sunrise Assisted Living Center, among other shows, the band opens the New Year with its Band-O-Rama. The concert is at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 11, in North's gym and features performances from North, Parcels Middle School and Monteith, Mason, Poupard and Ferry elementary school bands. Admission includes a donation of at least \$1.

Interviews for human resource vacancy to commence Jan. 9, 12

In a month's time, the Grosse Pointe Public School System received 57 applications for its assistant superintendent of human resources and labor relations position. The post was vacated by Tom Harwood, the district's new superintendent. By screening and reviewing each application, the district's cabinet and central office administra-

tive staff narrowed the field to 11 candidates, with interviews scheduled for Jan. 9 and 12. According to Harwood, the administration intends to select his successor when interviews are completed. "Hopefully, at the end of the day on the 12th, we've identified a strong candidate that we will do our due diligence to check references and review that

particular recommended candidate's background and information," Harwood said. Following successful reference and background checks, the potential replacement is recommended to the board of education at its January meeting and, pending board approval, takes over upon contractual agreement. —A.J. Hakim

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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.

Mary Jane Elanges

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Mary Jane Elanges, 83, died Friday, Dec. 23, 2011, at Sunrise of Grosse Pointe Woods.

She was born Aug. 2, 1928, in South Milwaukee, Wis., to James and Anastasia Chininis and graduated from South Milwaukee High School in 1946. She worked for Ladish Co. in Milwaukee and at Phoenix Mutual Insurance Co. in Detroit.

Mrs. Elanges enjoyed music and played clarinet in the Milwaukee Municipal Band. She was an avid reader, excellent homemaker and cook and loved nature and gardening. She was an artist and used her talents to illustrate her high school yearbook and provide fashion illustration for the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel.

She was a member of the Ladies Philoptochos Society at Assumption Greek Orthodox Church in St. Clair Shores and a member of its senior group.

Mrs. Elanges is survived by her daughter, Sandra (Jerry) Guerra; sons, Dean and James; grandchildren, Michael, Stephanie, Steven and Jerry and great-grandchildren, Anna, Michael, Sierra and Xavier.

She was predeceased by her husband, Milton Elanges; parents and brother, Michael.

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

Mary Elizabeth Patterson

Grosse Pointe Park resident Mary Elizabeth Patterson, nee Anhut, died Thursday, Dec. 22, 2011, in her home. She was 93.

Born in New York City, Mrs. Patterson, known as Betty to family and friends, was raised in Detroit and received her education at the Academy of the Sacred Heart in Grosse Pointe, University of Detroit and Michigan State University. She married Neil A. Patterson in 1945 and raised eight children.

A loving wife and mother, Mrs. Patterson was also an active volunteer in her community. As a parent, she volunteered at the St. Clare of Montefalco school library and was a Cub Scout leader. She served as president of the Dominican High Mother's Club, where her daughters were students. She was active in the St. Clare Parish, serving as president of the Archconfraternity (Altar Society), member of the sacristan and a Eucharistic Minister, as well as on the parish council.

As a volunteer, Mrs. Patterson served in many leadership roles, giving her time and support to such organizations as the Bon Secours Assistance League, the Disclaled Carmelites, Friends of the Stapleton Center, the Kundig Center, the League of Catholic Women, the Jesuit League, the Christ Child Society and the Red Cross.

Mrs. Patterson was predeceased by her husband, Neil and grandson, Geoffrey Rogers.

She is survived by her children, Katherine (Dale) Rogers, Neil, Elizabeth, Susan (Michael Muma)

Michael (Bridget), Timothy, John and Scott (Melissa); 11 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; siblings, Justine McKnight, John Anhut, Louise (Joseph) Eichenlaub and William (Mary Claire) Anhut and 28 nieces and nephews.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Dec. 28 at St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church.

Donations may be made to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen in Detroit at cskdetroit.org or to University of Detroit Mercy at udm Mercy.edu/giving.

Sara L. Patrosso

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Sara L. Patrosso, 84, died peacefully Thursday, Dec. 29, 2011, at St. John Hospital and Medical Center in Detroit.

She was born July 6, 1927, in Detroit, to John and Hattie Thorpe, and graduated from Southeastern High School in 1945 and attended the Detroit Commercial College.

She worked several years as an executive administrative assistant for the Maryland Casualty Insurance Co. and General Motors Corp. When her children were teenagers, she went back to work for several years and worked for Kelly Services.

In 1953, she married Albert Patrosso at Jefferson Avenue Baptist Church in Detroit. They lived in East Detroit, and then 40 years in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Mrs. Patrosso enjoyed bowling, bridge and socializing. She volunteered at Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church, where she was a member for more than 33 years. She served on the church's Worship Enrichment Committee and other women's groups. She also was an avid Detroit Tigers fan.

Mrs. Patrosso is survived by her husband of 58 years, Albert; sons, Mark and Gary (Jeanne) and granddaughters, Aubry and Brittany.

A funeral service was held Jan. 3.

Donations may be made to the American Heart Association, 3816 Paysphere Circle, Chicago, IL 60674.

Mary Jane Rudolph

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Mary Jane Rudolph, 90, died Friday, Dec. 23, 2011, at Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe.

She was born June 15, 1921, in Detroit to Lyle and Helga Dickerson. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in library science from Wayne State University and a master's degree in education from the University of Michigan. She was an elementary school teacher and librarian for the East Detroit Public Schools.

Mrs. Rudolph enjoyed sailing, square dancing, camping and all outdoor activities. She was a member of the American Association of University Women, Daughters of the American Revolution, Christ Church Grosse Pointe and St. Columba Church in Detroit.

Mrs. Rudolph is survived by her sons, Kenneth and Burt; grandchildren, Jessica, Lindsey,

Tom and Jonathon and great-granddaughter, Allison. She also is survived by her brothers, John, Burt and Glenn.

She was predeceased by her husband, Warren.

A funeral service was held Dec. 28.

Donations may be made to Grass River Natural Area, Bellaire, MI 49615.

Jane Carol Thompson

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Jane Carol Thompson, 21, died suddenly, Friday, Dec. 23, 2011, after courageously battling a brain tumor.

She was born Feb. 7, 1990, and graduated from Grosse Pointe North High School in 2008. She attended Loyola University in Chicago and Wayne State University. She was employed at Moosejaw headquarters in Madison Heights.

Jane loved animals, especially her dog, Sadie. She was an avid reader and excellent writer. She especially enjoyed Jet Skiing at her family's cottage in the summer.

Jane is survived by her parents, Bill and Lori Thompson; brother, Billy (Natalie); adored niece and nephew, Alina and Nicholas; grandparents, William Thompson and Bill and Claire Hunt and many loving aunts, uncles and cousins.

She was predeceased by her grandmother, Nancy Thompson.

Jane will be greatly missed by her best friend, Sadie.

A funeral service was held Dec. 27 at A.H. Peters Funeral Home.

Donations may be made to the Michigan Humane Society at michiganhumane.org.

Sharon Sweeney Snyder

Grosse Pointe Farms and Bay View resident Sharon Sweeney Snyder, 67, died Thursday, Dec. 29, 2011, at St. John Hospital and Medical Center in Detroit.

She was born Dec. 30, 1943, in Boston, to Donald N. Sweeney Jr. M.D. and Mary Margaret Barnes Sweeney. She earned a bachelor's degree from Wellesley College in Massachusetts and a master's degree from the University of Michigan.

Mrs. Snyder taught at Cranbrook Kingswood School, in Bloomfield Hills and served as the history department head. She previously taught at the Chapin School in New York City.

She enjoyed knitting, needlepoint and gardening. She was an inveterate reader.

Mrs. Snyder was director of the Altar Guild at Christ Church Grosse Pointe and at the Bay View Association in Bay View.

She was a member of the Detroit Historical Society, DSO, Detroit Zoological Society, Junior League, Libri, Bibliophiles, Grand Marais Questers, Grosse Pointe Historical Society, Christ Church Grosse Pointe Chorale and Grosse Pointe Farm and Gardens Club. She also was president of the Mary Thompson Foundation.

Mrs. Snyder is survived by her husband, John Stewart Snyder; daughter, Martha Sweeney Snyder; son, James Stewart Snyder; sisters,



Mary Jane Elanges



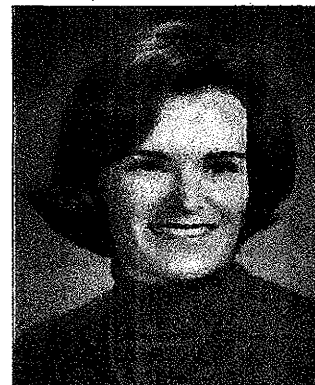
Sara L. Patrosso



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Sheila Sweeney and Sara Sweeney and brother, Donald N. Sweeney III.

A funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 7, at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms.

Donations may be made to the Bay View Association Worship Endowment, P.O. Box 583, Petoskey, MI 49770 or Christ Church Grosse Pointe Altar Guild Endowment or Sweeney Lecture Endowment, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

Yvonne Stahl

Yvonne Stahl, 81, died Tuesday, Dec. 27, 2011.

Born, Aug. 19, 1930, in Grand Rapids, she enjoyed socializing with fellow teachers at University Liggett School, as well as bike riding, going to movies and having lunch with close friends weekly. Most weekends she enjoyed spending time at her cottage on Lake St. Clair and was active at Lake Shore Presbyterian Church. Above all, she enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren.

Mrs. Stahl is survived by her children, Jim (Brenda), Bob (Wendy) and Suzanne (Dave) Hofmann; eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

She was predeceased by her dear husband,

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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 Councilperson Vivian M. Sawicki.

MOTIONS PASSED

- 1) To excuse Councilperson 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 on December 5, 2011 the Special Council meeting held December 15, 2011 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Board of Review meeting held on December 12, 2011 and the Board of Zoning Appeals held December 14, 2011.
- 3) To add an addendum to the Acting City Manager's contract to reflect that the Acting City Manager must give a 30 day notice if he decides to terminate his contract.
- 4) To add to the agenda the year end budget adjustments.
- 5) That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

RESOLUTION PASSED

- 1) To approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: (1) Approve the Accounts Payable listing for Check Numbers 96013 through 96120 in the amount of \$ 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 Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$10,481.20 for professional services during the month of November 2001 for the following projects: 2011 Emergency Concrete Pavement Repair project, #180-136; Traffic Signal Upgrade project, #180-124 and 2011 Pavement Joint & Crack Sealing project, #180-139. (3) Approve payment to Wayne County in the amount of \$9,359.24 for services performed on the tax rolls. (4) Approve payment in the amount of \$5,672.00 to the Michigan Municipal League for membership dues covering the period February 1, 2012 through January 31, 2013.
- 2) To authorize the acting City Clerk to establish one Receiving Board for the February 28, August 7 and November 6, 2012 elections, and appoint at least two individuals to serve on said Board, consistent with Michigan Election Law, Act 116 of 1954, as amended, 168.679a, Section 679a(1).
- 3) To adopt the Performance and Indemnification Resolution related to the City's Permit to Work on County Roads.
- 4) To authorize the acceptance of the project proposal submitted by AEW to undertake the design and engineering portion of the 2012 SRF Sewer Rehabilitation project and to approve the attached resolution to accept the S2 grant agreement and to designate the acting City Manager as the authorized project representative.
- 5) To approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Harper Woods and the Technical, Professional, Office Workers Association of Michigan (TPOAM) - Clerical Bargaining Unit covering the period January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012.
- 6) Approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Harper Woods and the Technical, Professional, Office Workers Association of Michigan (TPOAM) Public Works bargaining unit covering the period January 1, through December 31, 2012.
- 7) To approve the extension of the contract for the acting City Manager Randolph Skotarczyk through December 31, 2012.
- 8) To approve the year end budget adjustments to the 2011 Budget as attached submitted by the Finance Director and the acting City Manager.

Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor

Leslie M. Frank, Acting City Clerk

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WOMEN:
Focusing on human rights

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to return home," she said. Having contact, talking and listening to their stories, Smolenski has much information to consolidate and organize.

"Writing is my greatest skill and being socially conscious about human/women's rights," she said.

Ultimately, the 27-year-old would like to not only

write about human trafficking, but take an active role in pointing out the inefficiencies in the Spanish laws, as well as make the general population aware of the crimes being committed, she said.

Smolenski's career goal is to work for an independent media outlet, using that to inform and expose

human rights violations of these women.

Her interest in emigration stems from her work with Freedom House in Detroit during her undergraduate years at Wayne State University.

Freedom House offers temporary lodging for those seeking asylum in the United States and Canada. It was there she became involved in women's rights and immigration issues.

Once she finished her degree at WSU in 2007, it was natural to return to Spain. After graduating from South in 2002, she spent a year in Alicante, Spain, attending high school.

"Mom encouraged me to be an exchange student. She fostered the idea," Smolenski said.

Over the years, the Smolenskis have been family to Rotary ex-

change students from Poland, Spain, Finland, Japan and the Republic of Colombia.

And Smolenski stayed with two Spanish Rotarian families during her year in Spain.

Her ties with Rotary not only included the friendships established through the exchange program, but by being a member of the Interact Club at South, the Rotary's high school club.

After high school

With a bachelor's degree in sociology and urban studies, Smolenski taught from 2007 to the spring of 2010 through a Spanish Education Ministry-sponsored program.

"It was cool teaching because (during vacations) I traveled a lot and visited Rotary students," she said. "I went to India

and traveled through Europe."

With a suggestion from Grosse Pointe Rotarian Kim Towar, Smolenski applied for the Rotary Global Grant in January 2010. Three days before the start of the school year, Smolenski learned she had received the grant and could begin her master's program at the University of Spain.

"It was intensive. Though I have spoken fluid Spanish, I haven't written papers in Spanish. It was a big challenge," she said.

She returned to the States having completed her master's in international relations, focusing on African studies, particularly women's rights/gender issues.

Smolenski worked on an organic farm before learning of a Spanish professor, Shankar Aswani, who worked for the University of California, Santa Barbara, studying climate change in the Solomon Islands.

She took four planes and a four-hour boat ride to reach the island and village of Baraulu, with a population of a few hundred.

Every morning for three weeks, Smolenski took a boat to one of seven villages, seeking out the chief to receive permission to discuss climate change with the women, a component not touched upon by the professor's studies. She said she completed about 100 surveys.

"They don't say climate change, but changes in the weather," she said. For example, the is-

lands are experiencing high winds, a rising sea level, cooler temperatures and unceasing rains, saturating their gardens.

Women tend the gardens while men fish.

"It's a struggle to feed their families. The gardens are not producing as

much, so their diets are changing.

Women are disproportionately affected because their purchasing power is reduced," she said of the extra

produce which had been sold.

The women claim only after cell phones and towers were introduced did the weather change in the past 10 years.

"They are correlating to what they know," she said. "They are astute to know the climate."

Documenting women's stories whether in the Solomon Islands or Spain, Smolenski sees inequities, which she would like to help turn.

"Having the opportunity to see other parts of the world (much thanks to Rotary) has enabled me to see that not everyone is free. Not all governments and institutions respect human rights.

"Not everyone has access to information (or education) or a voice to express their opinions, values and needs. Working with asylum seekers at Freedom House in Detroit and then with trafficking survivors in Spain, I have also been confronted with this reality.

"My eyes were opened to reality, not everybody lives free," she said.

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Boyne Mountain

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Hickory Hills Ski Area

Traverse City

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Eight runs and five rope tows. Night skiing is available. 5k of trails with a 1k trail lighted for cross-country skiers. Snowshoeing. Snowboarders are welcome. Lodge with a fireplace and snack bar.

Pine Mountain Resort

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Mt. Holiday Ski and Recreation Area

Traverse City

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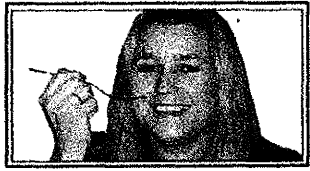
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A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

Start year with low carb breakfast



After an exhausting holiday (of eating) season, it's time to get back into something on the healthy side.

A crustless quiche comes to mind, one satisfying in flavor without the calories from a pastry crust. I've chosen one of my favorites, ham and veggies.

Farmer's Quiche
(minus the crust)
1 cup sliced mushrooms

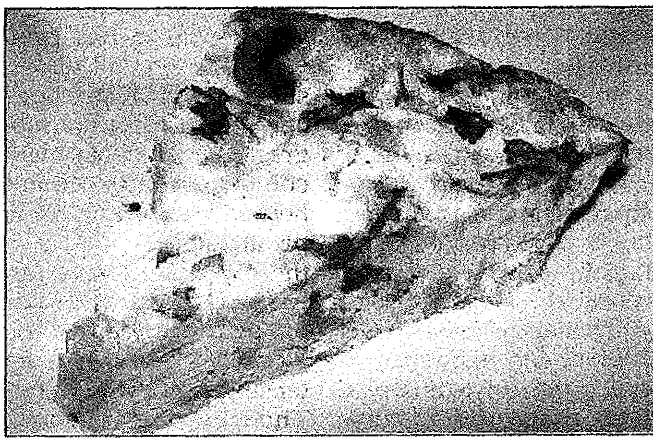


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Negate a few of the holiday calories consumed with the crustless quiche.

1 cup chopped ham
1 cup chopped broccoli
1 cup chopped onion
1 1/2 cups shredded mozzarella cheese
1 16-oz. container egg substitute
4 eggs

1/3 cup milk
parsley for garnish

Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Saute mushrooms in a bit of oil until just cooked. Drain off excess liquid

and place in a large bowl. Add ham, broccoli, onion and cheese and toss well. Season lightly with salt and pepper.

In a medium bowl, whisk together egg substitute with eggs and milk. Add mixture to the tossed ham and veggies and mix well to combine. Pour mixture into a greased 9-inch glass pie plate. Bake for 45 minutes or longer, until the quiche's center is set and the edges are a deep golden brown. Remove from oven and cool for 10 minutes before serving.

Enjoy Farmer's Quiche with fresh fruit for a low-carb breakfast. I like to have the crustless quiche on a toasted roll for a fast breakfast on the run. Yummy.

PASTOR: Justice in 2012

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one day administer justice upon Israel. Mary, like these other women, also said yes when God asked, "can I use you to bring about my purpose?"

The early church fathers, namely Jerome and Irenaeus, spoke of the doctrine of the "Second Eve." Of Mary they said, "Being obedient she became the cause of salvation for herself and for the whole human race. Hence a few of the early fathers gladly assert, 'the knot of Eve's disobedience was untied by Mary's obedience: what the virgin Eve bound through her disbelief, Mary loosened by her

faith.'" (Against Heresies 3, 22; Mary and the Fathers of the Church).

The important thing about the story of Mary as an agent of salvation for humanity is that she said, "yes" and God made the impossible, possible.

Can the same thing happen in 2012 if we say, "yes?" Are you the one chosen to bring justice where injustice abounds? Pray and then answer, "yes."

I pray that our New Year brings about a new us.

Rev. Fairrow is minister at Grace United Church of Christ

EVENTS: Music

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Yesterday's Headlines

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

1961

50 years ago this week

◆ **BUFALINO PURCHASES HOME IN SHORES:** Detroit Teamster official William E. Bufalino, who contends he failed to qualify as a desirable Grosse Pointer two years ago under the terms of the now-defunct "Point System," will move into a new home in the Shores late this month.

Bufalino claims he scored only 69 points of the required 75 "points" necessary for Italian-Americans to pass Grosse Pointe's screening system, and was prevented from building on two lots on which he had already made a down payment because of his rating as "medium swarthy," and "undesirable" by virtue of

an alleged involvement in union rackets.

He filed a million dollar libel suit against a Grosse Pointe real estate company, the Grosse Pointe Property Owners Association and the Grosse Pointe Brokers Association. Losing in Circuit Court, the special counsel for the Teamsters International Union is presently appealing to the Michigan Supreme Court.

◆ **FARMS FINDS FREE PARKING STILL PAYS:** The free Christmas parking granted by the Farms in the municipal lot for customers shopping in the Hill District, from December 1 through December 24, was not a total loss to the city, according to Farms Police Chief James Furton.

The chief said that based on meter revenue collected from the lot for the same period last year, customers deposited almost 10 percent of last year's collection.

Many of the Hill customers, either unaware

that parking was free, or through force of habit, deposited coins in the meters.

◆ **LATE SNACK COSTS DRINKER \$150 IN FINE AND DAMAGES:** A Detroit resident paid more than \$150 for a hamburger and cup of coffee at the White Tower on East Jefferson in Grosse Pointe Park.

Park Judge C. Joseph Belanger found Wagner being drunk and disorderly and fined him \$50. In addition, Wagner voluntarily agreed to pay more than \$100 to repair the damage he caused in the eatery.

According to Park authorities, the man placed his order. Upon presentation of his check, the man handed the waitress a \$20 bill, and was given his change.

The man insisted he gave the woman a \$50 bill and demanded his change from that amount. When told he had change coming from \$20, he became sarcastic and abusive, began to use foul language and then proceeded to break up the place.

1986

25 years ago this week

◆ **CAR WINDOWS SHATTERED BY VANDALS OVER HOLIDAY:** Finding a car window shot out on Christmas Eve morning is no way to start a long holiday weekend, and worse yet is knowing it won't likely get fixed until the weekend is over.

At least 44 Grosse Pointe residents in the City, Farms, Park and Woods, apparently the victims of random malicious destruction, discovered the windows of the vehicles shattered when they went out to their cars Wednesday, Dec. 24.

Compiled by Karen Fontanive

EXPERTS: Striking a balance

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vated, which gives children greater persistence,

◆ It encourages love of learning,

◆ It increases frustration tolerance through the struggle to attain mastery and

◆ Praise or success is less of a motivator than simply doing the activity.

Crowding out passion by trying to provide unlimited opportunities denies children the chance to develop a stronger sense of identity and self-assurance or a deeper interest in what matter to them.

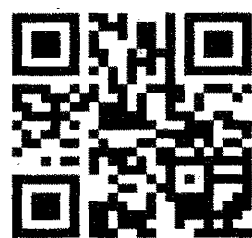
Garvey, LMSW is a clinical therapist who works

with children, adolescents and adults. She can be reached at (313) 408-2180.

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Special Shores water meeting tonight

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — Municipal officials have until Jan. 16 to adjust the city's 30-year water contract with Detroit to reflect actual usage.

A decision to tweak the contract or stay with current terms will be made at a special Grosse Pointe Shores city council meeting, 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 5, at city hall.

Amending the contract to allow more water consumption may safeguard the city from penalties up to \$100,000 should residents use more water, called an exceedence, than prescribed when the contract was signed 18 months ago.

"Shores summer flows have gone up over the last two years," said Jamie Burton, lead engineer on Detroit water contracts with the Shores consulting engineering firm, Hubbell, Roth & Clark.

"The good news is the Shores has not had an exceedence as defined by the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department contract," Tom Biehl, HRC vice president, told the city council last month. "But, you did come close during the first 18 months of your contract."

Contract revisions are routine. Changes are optional. Terms are reviewed periodically and often adjusted accordingly to avoid exceeding projected usage.

The Shores' contract is scheduled for review after the first two years, then in three years, then every five years for the duration, according to Burton.

He encouraged Shores officials to alter the contract to accommodate increased usage.

"The new reality and new-normal suggests higher contract flows to reduce the risk of an exceedence enough to risk a penalty," he said.

Burton recommended the city increase allowable maximum-day usage less than 1 percent to 1.43 million gallons per day.

He also said the city should increase peak-hour volume nearly 17 percent to 2.73 million gallons per day.

Revised limits "provide a realistic picture of where the city's flow rates will be over the next three years," Burton wrote in a rate report.

Increased limits are expected to result in 10 percent higher annual payments to Detroit, he added.

Higher payments are in addition to Detroit's anticipated rate increases.

"Detroit is projecting an 8 to 10 percent rate increase over the next few years, independent of a change in your flow volumes," Burton told the council. "You are in for the likelihood of a double-digit rate increase from Detroit."

Other options

The city has two other options regarding the contract:

- ◆ maintain current terms, which increases the risk of penalties, or

- ◆ mandate water restrictions, such as limiting lawn irrigation to late-night, off-peak hours when rates are lower.

"Demand placed on the system by residents is creeping toward more peak usage during summer months," Burton said. "If we could move automatic irrigation systems to start at 11 p.m. or midnight and be done by 3 or 4 a.m., we could reverse this trend. When we renegotiate in three years, we could be below the curve."

The simplest and least intrusive option is to bump up the usage limit.

"I don't think you need a mandatory ordinance at this point," Burton told the council.

The Shores already asks residents to water

lawns during off-peak times.

"Compliance has been good," Burton said.

Mandatory restrictions would transform the municipal water department into "an enforcement agency," said Brian Vick, city manager.

"You don't have an obligation to amend your contract," Burton told the council. "You can keep existing flows where they are, but you're at a much higher risk level of penalty. If you do nothing, the numbers you have currently will continue. (Detroit) will use those to set rates for the following year."

Holds off choice

The seven-member council consists of five, first-time office-holders elected in November. The council agreed unanimously to delay its choice of option until a special meeting this month.

"The factual and legal matters are very complicated," said Mayor Ted Kedzierski. "We decided to postpone it so we can think through the issues. There's pro and cons of having a mandatory enforcement ordinance,

which we currently don't have."

HRC engineers will attend. They'll present more detailed usage figures and cost projections resulting from mandatory restrictions.

More than 70 of Detroit's 86 water customers have new contracts, according to Burton.

Despite Shores water usage lapping against the allowable threshold, the city's existing contract is a good one, according to Burton.

"The original contract, with original flows, resulted in a really reasonable rate," Burton said. "Residents used that water. There was no extra capacity purchased. We did not have an exceedence. That's a pretty fair starting point."

Shores water rate went up 4 percent Jan. 1, as part of a prior agreement.

"You might want to look at your rate structure by July 1," Burton advised the council. "We recommend you perform a rate study to mitigate cash-flow stress with fixed-month payments and that you accept the contract with Detroit."

A good time to plan outdoor updates

Landscape and remodeling professionals use the winter months to plan spring projects — and so should homeowners.

Planning and prepping now ensures full use of outdoor space is available for the warm weather season.

Get a head start by planning some of these spring projects now:

Grass

To ensure a lush lawn, spend time this winter researching grass seed options to repair any sparse areas in the yard. Planting grass seed early gives the seed plenty of time to germinate and provide a healthy, green lawn in the spring. In addition to research, ask someone at the local nursery for help choosing the appropriate grass to plant in early



November.

Deck

Adding a new deck or replacing an existing one adds value. Homeowners have been choosing composite decking over wooden decks over the past several years because composite decking is high performance and low maintenance.

Wood decking can splinter and crack and often requires staining and sealing.

Trees and shrubs

Consider a plan to plant trees and/or shrubbery to provide a more natural outdoor atmosphere. The right type of landscaping will be visually appealing and provide privacy and

shade.

Planting the selections early can have many benefits, including time for each tree or shrub to establish a strong root system so it flourishes for many years to come.

Instead of dreaming of warm weather, put that energy into planning your outdoor space.

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A great way to start



finding the value of a piece is at the 5th Annual

Antiques Road Show from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 28, in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Ballroom, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Up to six items per person can be appraised by the area's experts at a charge of \$8 each. The appraisals are non-legally binding.

To register or for more information, call (313) 881-7511 or visit warmemorial.org.

Before deciding if, how or where to sell your treasures, take the time to find out what you have.

Prepare for power outages

Losing power during the winter can be uncomfortable and dangerous.

Help ensure a warm and safe winter season by following these tips:

Prepare

Preparedness is the best defense in an emergency situation. Whether expecting an outage or not, install storm windows and insulate the house.

Pack an emergency kit that includes nonperishable food and water. The guideline is about one gallon of water per person per day.

Keep a first aid kit handy and teach all the members of the family how to use its contents. A flashlight, battery-operat-

ed radio, spare batteries, and a supply of medications should round out the emergency kit.

Prevent

Avoid the danger of an outage with a standby generator that links directly into the natural gas system. The generator will turn on automatically during a power failure or blackout.

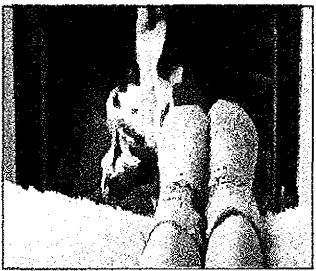


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Protect

When the power goes out, use common sense and cover up if it's really cold. Layers are best, starting with long underwear. Wear a hat — most body heat is lost through the top of the head. Wear mittens and thick socks.

If experiencing a loss of feeling in your extremities or they appear unusually pale, seek medical attention right away. Uncontrollable shivering, slurred speech and disorientation are signs of hypothermia and deserve immediate attention.

The best protection from a power outage is prevention by relying on a backup generator as an alternate energy source.

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GIRLS BASKETBALL

Holiday basketball for all

Blue Devils play two tough foes

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's girls' basketball team took advantage of the two-week holiday break, playing two top-notch foes, Detroit Renaissance and Inkster.

"These games will only make our girls better basketball players," head coach Kevin Richards said. "It's great to get these teams on our schedule."

The Blue Devils destroyed Renaissance 75-42 behind senior Caitlin Moore's 24 points. The game was part of the Holiday Basketball Tournament.

Junior Claire DeBoer had another double-double, netting 18 points and 13 rebounds, plus she added five assists and five steals. Freshman Cierra Rice had 15 points and five assists and junior Emily Satterfield saw extended minutes off the bench and contributed five points and seven rebounds.



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

South freshman Aliezza Brown, No. 2, played well in the Blue Devils' narrow loss to defending state champ, Inkster.

Freshman Aliezza Brown had six points and four other players scored at least one point in the rout.

Two nights later, the Blue Devils lost 73-71 in overtime to defending Class A state champ Inkster at Detroit Country Day.

"We looked like deer in the headlights in the first half and we were lucky to be down only 13 points at

the half," Richards said.

The Blue Devils trailed 34-21 at the intermission and saw the deficit hit 19 points early in the third quarter.

They scored 42 second-half points and eight in overtime, but it was a basket shy of Inkster.

Rice had a career-high 19 points, while Moore and DeBoer had 17 points apiece as South stand at 4-2 overall.

Knights defeat Cass Tech

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

University Liggett's girls' basketball team continued its torrid opening stretch of non-league games Dec. 30, playing Detroit Cass Tech in the Roundball Classic at Detroit Country Day School.

The Knights opened the season with games against Livonia Ladywood, Goodrich and Dearborn Divine Child, winning two of the three.

Liggett improved to 3-1 overall with a 58-49 win over Cass Tech.

Head coach Wayne Gigante masterfully put together this tough non-league slate to get his players ready to compete for the ultimate goal, a Class C state championship.

The Knights scored 17 first-quarter points and followed with a 14 point second quarter. They were able to put some distance between themselves and the Lady Technicians by pouring in

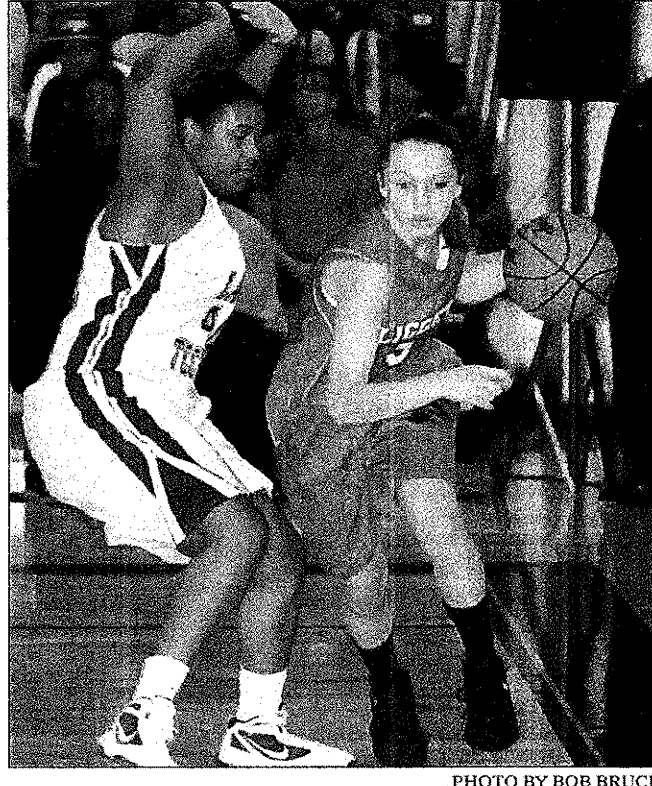


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Liggett freshman Lola Ristovski, right, cuts to the basket to score two of her 14 points in the Knights' win over Cass Tech.

19 third-quarter points.

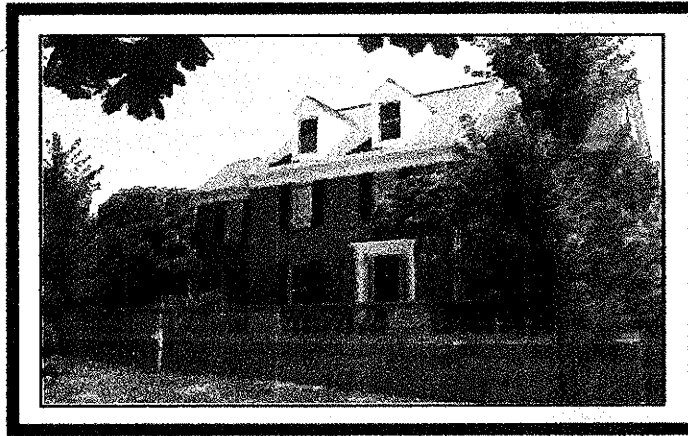
They protected a double-digit lead in the final quarter, hitting six free throws and passing the ball effectively to stay away from turnovers.

Senior Madison Ristovski led the way with 23 points, making 9-of-11 free throws, and her younger sister, freshman Lola Ristovski, had 14

points and made 5-of-6 free throws.

Junior Haleigh Ristovski and sophomore Bre Andrews were also in double figures, scoring 11 and 10 points, respectively.

The Knights had nearly as many made free throws (15) as field goals (16) in the victory over the PSL foe.



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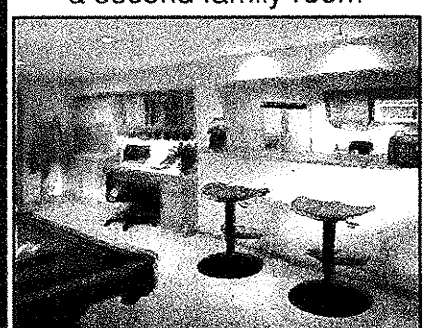
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Grosse Pointe South Year in Review

2011 is year of the state championships

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

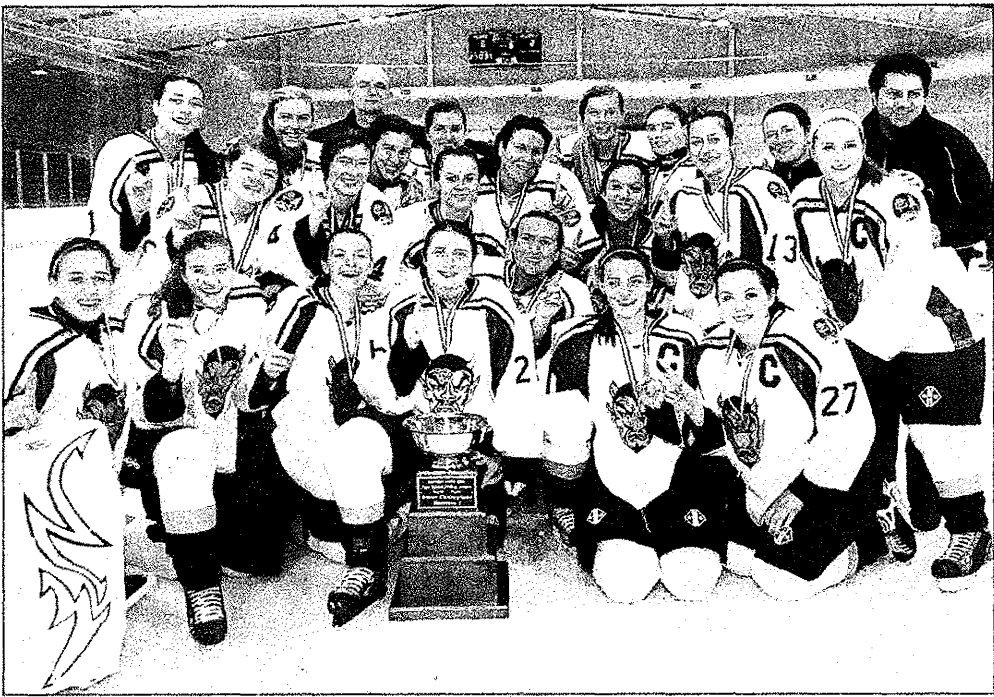
Grosse Pointe South enjoyed its most prosperous year in the school's history in 2011.

Among all the success stories came not one or two, but four state championships. A team won a state title in each season with the fall taking the top ranking with two.

Kicking off the year was the girls' hockey squad, under then first-year head coach Joe Provenzano.

Early-season injuries allowed several girls to get more playing time, which, in the long run, made the Blue Devils a deeper, stronger team.

They finished third in the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League regular season standings at 16-3-1, but turned on the jets in the state playoffs.



FILE PHOTOS

The girls hockey team, under head coach Joe Provenzano, was the first Blue Devils squad to win a state title in 2011.

swimming and diving team won the Macomb Area Conference Red Division dual and cham-

They blasted Fraser 10-2 in the opening round.

First-year head basket-

the points needed for the win," Zaranek said.

Hannah Meier broke two state records. She won the 1,600-meter run with a time of 4:42. The old mark was set in 1985 by Bloomfield Hills Andover's Laura Matson at 4:45.20. Meier also won the 800-meter run with a record time of 2:07.37. She broke her own record set last year of 2:08.83.

Haley Meier also earned all-state honors in the 1,600- and 800-meter runs, taking second with a time of 4:45.80 and third at 2:12.05.

Several other runners earned all-state honors, including Carmen Engel and Veronica Schacht.

The girls won every dual meet and invitational on the schedule to truly put an exclamation mark on the 2011 season.

Head coach Gene Harkins and the girls' soccer team advanced to

field team, under head coach Werner Schienke, won 3-of-5 dual meets in the MAC White Division.

Head coach Mark Sobieralski and the girls' tennis team exceeded expectations, finishing 5-0-5 in dual meets before tying for first in a state regional tournament with 26 points.

They finished fourth in the state finals with a relatively young and inexperienced squad.

The boys' golf team, under head coach Rob McIntyre, finished 5-3 in the regular season before winning the MAC Red Division Tournament, as well as the district tournament the following week.

The team finished one stroke from making the state finals. They had a 314 to take fourth, while DeLaSalle had a 313 and Utica Ford a 311 to finish in the top three and advance.

On the diamond, the girls' softball team enjoyed a 16-8 season under head coach Nicole Crane, while long time baseball head coach Dan Griesbaum led the Blue Devils to a 28-9 mark and a district title, 12-4 over city rival Grosse Pointe North.

The boys lost 7-4 in eight innings to Sterling Heights Stevenson in a regional semifinal.

Included in the season was the MAC Red Division championship shared with Macomb Dakota and Stevenson at 6-4.

This fall, two more squads hoisted a state championship trophy.

In mid-October, head coach Peter Kingsley watched his Blue Devils' girls golf team win the Division 1 state crown,

points, followed by Saline with 111 and Grand Haven with 163.

"We had a great final week of practice and the girls were ready for a great race," head coach Steve Zaranek said. "It was so impressive to see our new girls, freshman Ersula Farrow and Megan Sklarski, handle the pressure so well."

"We knew our top four would match up with any team in the state extremely well. They are one of the best top-four combinations in the country. The key was our fifth runner. We've had a big game between four and five during the season and we needed one girl to step up with a solid sub-20 minute time. Megan Sklarski did exactly that with her 19:41."

Junior Hannah Meier was third with a time 17:24.1. Three others earned All-State honors with sophomore Kelsie Schwartz, junior Haley Meier and freshman Ersula Farrow placing seventh, ninth and 15th with times of 18:21.2, 18:24.1 and 18:41.7.

Sklarski also earned points for the Blue Devils, taking 73rd with a time of 19:41.7.

The boys cross-country team, under head coach

Mark Sonnenberg, also made the state finals, but finished near the bottom of the standings. The football squad, under head coach Tim Brandon, made the state playoffs again with a 6-3 record.

Their season ended with a 46-7 loss to Detroit Martin Luther King in the first round of the playoffs.

Head coach Ryan Welser once again had



The girls track and field team, under head coach Steve Zaranek, won a state title the first weekend in June.

"We played our best hockey during the state finals week," Provenzano said. "Everyone stepped up their game and we won the ultimate goal, the state championship."

"The girls put in a lot of hard work."

In the quarterfinals, the Blue Devils beat Port Huron 6-0 and in the semifinals they defeated Northville 4-0.

It was all South in the state championship game, a 6-2 whipping of Ann Arbor that set off the celebration.

South is the most successful program in the MMGSHL history.

Team members were Dylan McColl, Marissa Monforton, Anne Crowley, Melissa Klinger, Tenley Shield, Andrea Marshall, Samantha Taylor, Christine Daudlin, Cara Monforton, Meghan Polack, Carly Verkuilen, Elizabeth Clem, Allison Daudlin, Dana Davenport, Darian Dempsey, Chantal Chuba, Gabriella Hartman, Hayley Altshuler, Lorna Burns, Claire Boyle and Anastasia Diamond.

Head coach Eric Gunderson and the boys'

pionship meet titles, finishing 11-3 overall.

The Blue Devils finished sixth in the state finals with 171 points. Gunderson has turned the program into one of the state's best.

The team had several all-state performers and a few are back on the squad this winter.

The girls' basketball team had high expectations under head coach Kevin Richards. Even a slow start, 0-3, couldn't keep the Blue Devils down as they went on to win a MAC White Division title and 16 of their final 17 regular season games.

Then came an encounter with city rival and nemesis Grosse Pointe North in the first round of the state playoffs.

It was one and done, a 40-38 overtime defeat, as the Blue Devils finished with a 16-5 record.

They're back with a vengeance this winter; look out, the team is loaded with talent.

The boys' ice hockey team, under head coach Jamie Bufalino, finished 15-10-1, losing 5-1 to Warren DeLaSalle in the second round of the state regional playoffs.

ball coach Dave Grauzer took his boys' squad to a 10-12 campaign.

He learned a lot in his first year as a head coach. The long-time assistant is more comfortable the second year at the helm.

The wrestling team, under head coach Greg Snider, struggled, finishing 4-18. Injuries and a less than full lineup dampened the hard work and dedication of the head coach and his grapplers.

In the spring, the Blue Devils' girls' track and field team won the school's second state championship. South edged Detroit Cass Tech and Ann Arbor Huron, 54-50, to capture the state crown.

The Blue Devils needed to place in the 1,600-meter relay and the team of Caitlin Moore, Christina Firl, Haley Meier and Hannah Meier got the job done, finishing fourth with a time of 3:53.78.

They had to finish fifth or higher to secure No. 1.

"The four on the track for us were completely aware of what they needed to do and they completed the relay in 3:53 to place fourth and give us

the Division 1 state semifinals.

In the districts, the Blue Devils, 16-4-1, beat Dearborn Edsel Ford, Dearborn and Dearborn Heights Crestwood by a combined score of 14-1, and in the regionals they defeated Canton 1-0 in the semifinals and Ann Arbor Pioneer 2-0 in the finals.

The Blue Devils' season ended with a 2-1 semifinal loss to Novi, who beat Troy 1-0 in the title game.

Don Wolford, boys lacrosse head coach, also led the Blue Devils to a spot in the state Final Four.

They finished 15-5, which included regional victories over Madison Heights Bishop Foley, 10-2, Orchard Lake St. Mary's, 6-3, and Warren DeLaSalle, 7-5.

In the semifinals, the Blue Devils lost 16-5 to East Grand Rapids.

The girls' lacrosse team, under Lauren Germaine, finished 7-12 and the boys' track and

firing a two-day total of 692 at Grand Valley State University's Meadows golf course.

"The girls were focused both days and played consistent golf, following the game plan we had all season," Kingsley said. "Winning the state championship is wonderful for this group and the entire school."

Leading the way for the Blue Devils was sophomore Tenley Shield, who tied for sixth with a 167 and senior Ella Pendy, who tied for 10th with a 174.

Senior Claire Boyle was next with a 175 and sophomore Lily Pendy had a 176. Junior Hannah Buzolits broke 200, posting a 197 to help the Blue Devils stake claim as the Division 1 champs.

The second state champ came the second Saturday in November when the girls cross-country team won the Division 1 trophy.

South won with 106

the girls volleyball team playing well, heading into its district title match against Grosse Pointe North.

A loss to the Norsemen was tough to handle, but the team still finished 31-11-5.

The boys soccer team, under head coach Stefan Harris, finished 7-7-3 after losing 3-0 to Livonia Churchill in the districts.

The girls field hockey team, under head coach Millie Tompkins, was above .500 at 7-5-3, losing 5-0 to eventual state champ Ann Arbor Huron in the state quarterfinals.

The boys tennis team was 6-5 and finished fourth in its regional tournament under first-year head coach John Willard, and the girls swim squad, under head coach Eric Gunderson, was 14-1 and won a MAC Red Division dual and league meet title.

They finished in the top 10 in the state finals to cap off one of South's best fall seasons in school history.



The final state championship was earned by the girls cross-country team under Steve Zaranek.

Liggett Year in Review

Baseball team's state title crown jewel

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

University Liggett enjoyed quite a spring in 2011.

The crowning moment for the school was head coach Dan Cimini guiding the Knights to a Division IV state championship, beating Merrill 5-1.

The Knights, 30-4, trailed 1-0 entering the bottom of the sixth inning, but erupted for five runs with Connor Fannon, Nate Gaggin and Carl Ghafari driving in runs.

Senior pitcher Nate Weiss did the rest, earning the win.

He pitched all seven innings, giving up only three hits, one earned run, two walks and struck out six. He faced only 25 hitters.

Fannon led the way with two hits, while Mark Auk, Gaggin, Kevin Allen, Ghafari and Weiss each had a hit. Senior Dominic Jamett walked three times and scored a run, as did, Fannon, Gaggin, Ghafari



FILE PHOTOS

The baseball team entered the 2011 season with the ultimate goal of winning a state championship. The goal was reached in June under the tutelage of head coach Dan Cimini.

strict title game loss to Sterling Heights Parkway Christian.

Most of the girls return, including Danielle Lorient, Susan Stefani, Courtney Slabaugh,

Dan Sullivan's boys golf team enjoyed a 10-4 season and finished sixth in a district tournament. With extra work in the off-season, the Knights could post better num-

The Knights finished 25-2 as Ristovski poured in 30 points in the loss. Bre Andrew had nine points, followed by Angelia Evangelista with eight and Haleigh

The Knights crushed everyone in district play. Their only other loss was 59-51 to Romulus.

The other girls on the state finalists were Ariana Catillo, Grace Edmonds, Rosie DeRoo, Caitlin deRuiter, Andriana Evangelista, Sarah Edmonds and Baldwin.

The boys basketball team made lots of noise during the regular season, roaring to an 18-2 mark under head coach Sidney Johnson.

Unfortunately, the Knights couldn't sustain the mojo in a 52-45 upset loss to PEC Prep in the first round of the district playoffs.

Despite the loss, the Knights' future is bright with a plethora of underclassmen returning.

Ryan Gunderson led the co-ed swimming and diving team to an 8-7 mark and his squad is off to a fast start this winter.

Head coach Robb McIntyre led his all-underclassmen boys hockey team to the 20-win plateau, but that was it as the squad lost 2-1 to Detroit Country Day in a Division 3 regional championship game.

The dream matchup against Cranbrook Kingswood never materialized as the Knights came out flat and never recovered.

The only winter team to finish below the .500 mark was girls hockey under Laura Aiken. They had many victorious moments during the season, but losing six of the final seven games, including a state playoff defeat to city rival Grosse Pointe North, was the reason

behind the 10-14 finish.

This fall, first-year head coach Lou Ray guided the football team to a perfect 9-0 regular season.

However, their playoff opener was a nightmare loss to host Royal Oak Shrine.

Despite the 9-1 record, the Knights provided fans a ton of excitement and the 2012 season should be even better.

The boys soccer team had an unbelievable regular season that included a perfect 12-0 mark in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference.

The year ended at 15-3 after the Knights lost to Roper in the first round of the state playoffs.

Another first year head coach, Joe LaMagno, made an instant splash with the girls volleyball team.

After the players spent the first few weeks understanding his system and the need to win and not just play for the fun of it, the Knights went on a 20-game unbeaten streak that included crushing foes in the district playoffs and Burton Bendle in a Class C regional semifinal.

The Knights made it to the Sweet 16 before bowing out to a very sound and senior-oriented Bishop Foley team.

Despite the loss, LaMagno's spikers finished the season 27-9-3, which is the program's best record in more than a decade.

The boys tennis team, under first-year head coach and alum Drew Mascarini, won five dual matches and a couple of tournaments during the regular season.

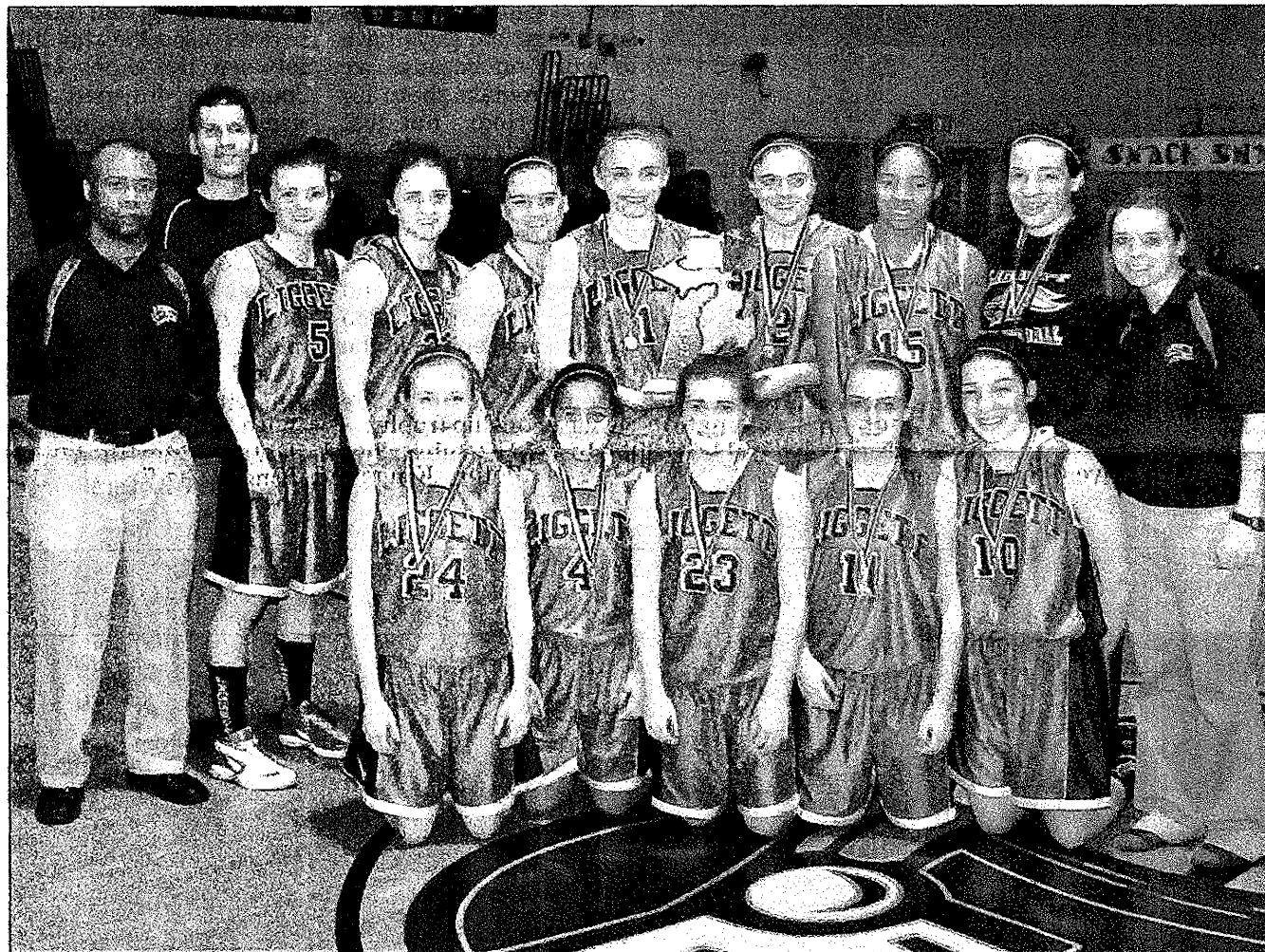
They also earned another spot in the state finals, finishing fifth with 16 points.

Another outstanding moment from 2011 was the No. 2 doubles team of Alec Petitpren and Patrick Thomas winning a state championship with a 6-3, 6-1 victory over Grand Rapids West Catholic's Alex LeMire and Cal Wila.

The girls cross-country team, under head coach Trey Cassidy, made the state finals and earned a ton of respect with a solid season.

For the boys, Kevin Allen ran in the state finals, but the boys team fell short in its regional meet.

The girls field hockey team played hard and lost several one-goal games en route to a 2-11-4 season.



The girls basketball team enjoyed a tremendous season that ended one game short of a state championship, led by head coach Wayne Gigante, standing second from left.

and Weiss.

"It was a great moment," Cimini said. "All the hard work during the off-season paid off with this state title. All the guys worked very hard toward one goal and this was a team goal."

In the semifinals, Liggett defeated Beal City 5-1, breaking a 1-1 tie with four runs in the bottom of the fifth inning.

Junior Alex Daar pitched seven innings, giving up five hits and one earned run. He walked three and struck out nine in another dominating performance.

Offensively, senior Joe Simon and Daar had two hits apiece. Simon scored twice and Daar drove in two runs.

In the quarterfinals, Liggett blanked Petersburg-Summerfield 9-0 and in the regionals, the Knights defeated Lutheran Westland 3-1 and Royal Oak Shrine 6-1.

The rest of the players on the championship team were Anthony Simon, Michael Meyering, Mitch Gatzke, Kevin Allen and Patrick Broder.

The girls softball team, under Ted Alpert, had an up-and-down season, finishing 18-16. They upset highly ranked Marine City Cardinal Mooney in a district semifinal, but came out flat in the dis-

Colleen Klimek, Ashley Tengler, Lia Evangelista, Julie DeRoo and Amber Baldwin.

Head coach David Dwaihy led the girls soccer team to a 12-7 record. They beat Bloomfield Hills Roper 8-1 and Southfield Christian 8-0 in the state district playoffs before losing 3-0 to state power Madison Heights Bishop Foley in the championship game.

The girls tennis squad, under head coach Cathy Hackenberger, made it once again to the state finals and finished 12th with seven points in the championships.

bers in the spring.

The girls and boys lacrosse teams struggled, posting a 2-10 record under head coach Tamara Fobare and 3-8 mark under Jon Bartoy, respectively.

Another highlight in 2011 was the girls' basketball squad under head coach Wayne Gigante.

Behind all-state guard Madison Ristovski, the Knights made it to the Class C state championship game against St. Ignace. They were in the game until midway through the fourth quarter in an eventual 65-54 defeat.

Ristovski with seven.

In the semifinals, the Knights whipped Sand Creek 49-29 and earned a tough 65-62 victory over Saginaw Swan Valley in the quarterfinals.

In regional play, the Knights rolled to a 54-29 victory over Allen Park Cabrini and 74-37 win over Bishop Foley in the regional semifinals.

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Holiday hoops

University Liggett boys' basketball team dropped holiday tournament games to Detroit Renaissance, 66-55, and Lansing Summit, 77-36. In the first game, senior Eddie Thomas, No. 22, and juniors Stephen Benard and Connor Fannon, right, scored 11 points apiece. The Knights led Renaissance in the first quarter, but fell behind at the half. They battled in the second half, cutting the deficit to four points midway through the fourth quarter. Head coach Sidney Johnson said he was happy with several positives playing against one of the Public School League's top teams. Summit's Dominez Burnett nearly outscored the Knights by himself. He scored 29 points, while the Knights were led by junior Eric Ewing with 14 and Thomas added seven. Liggett dropped to 1-2 overall. Liggett begins its division schedule this week.

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LIGGETT

Knights end 2011 with tournament victories

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

University Liggett's boys' hockey team won its second straight tournament at the end of December, beating Jackson Lumen Christi 5-3 in the Big Rapids Tournament championship game.

The Knights jumped all over Lumen Christi in the first two periods, outshooting them 30-5 and building a 4-1 lead.

"We played very well in the first two periods, skating fast and getting a lot of quality shots on goal," head coach Robb McIntyre said. "Then we fell asleep once again in the third period and forgot to play with intensity."

"We keep letting teams back in games and that is something the guys have to work on because we have to remain sharp for three periods, not just two."

Sophomore Vinny Scarfone scored two goals to lead the Knights. Senior David Gushee and juniors Jake Soyka and Manny Counsman also tallied a goal apiece in the title game victory.

Senior goalie Joe Davenport earned the win, playing well and making a couple of key

saves when called upon.

"Joe didn't see many shots, but he made the saves when he had to," McIntyre said. "We had a fun couple of days and now the guys earned some much-needed rest before they get back to school."

"We have a busy January."

In the opening game of the tournament, Liggett mercied host Big Rapids 8-0. The game ended midway through the third period.

"I heard the coach say something that this was the first time the team has ever been mercied," McIntyre said. "I have no idea if that is true, but I do know our guys played very well and were flying around the ice."

Freshman goalie Luke Soyka posted the shutout between the pipes and Counsman provided the biggest offensive punch, scoring a hat trick.

Sophomore Lordanthony Grissom scored two goals, while Jake Soyka, senior Jake Hodges and sophomore Mark Auk had a goal apiece.

After starting the season with two one-goal losses, Liggett has won seven straight games, improving to 7-2 overall.

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All-state

University Liggett junior quarterback Nate Gaggin, right, and junior linebacker Dan Baird were named 2011 Football All-State Honorable Mention by the Detroit News this season. They were also named to the All-Conference First Team. They had great seasons individually and were key to the first 9-0 regular season in more than a decade. Gaggin and Baird have been teammates since playing for the Grosse Pointe Red Barons at age 9. In their three years of football at Liggett, Gaggin has passed for more than 4,500 yards and 50 touchdowns, while Baird has more than 200 tackles at linebacker.



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Silver Stick champs

The Grosse Pointe-based 1997 Michigan Ice Hawks won the Bantam AA division of the Regional Silver Stick Tournament held in St. Clair Shores the second week of December. The Ice Hawks won all five games they played, outscoring their opponents 25-6. The Ice Hawks round-robin victories were 4-0 over Suburban Stars, 7-4 over the Rochester Rattlers and 6-0 over the St. Clair Shores Saints. In the semifinals, the Ice Hawks defeated Belle Tire Dearborn 2-1 before besting the Farmington Flames 6-1 in the championship game. The Flames scored the first goal of the game just 11 seconds into the first period, but the Ice Hawks scored the next six goals for the win. The Ice Hawks currently sit 32-2-1 on the season. In addition to winning the Silver Stick Regional, the Ice Hawks were champions of the Bauer Invitational AAA Division, the Belle Tire South "Back to School Classic" and a finalist in the AAA Border City Cup in Sarnia. The Ice Hawks are, front row from left, goalies Tyler Parsons (tournament MVP) and Nick Salliotte; kneeling from left, William Walker, Liam Walker, Alexander Minanov, Marko DerManulian and Austin Levering; middle row standing from left, Antonio Tijerina, Ramone Kammo, Bobby Kaiser, Jake Smith and Brent Jones; and back row from left, Steven Frederick, Richie Filippelli, Keenan Sabatini, Austin Levering, Jason Sommerville, Mitchell Visbara, Kyle Schultz and Alex Potter. Coaches are Craig Furstanau, squatting left, and Greg Cheesewright, far right. Not pictured, coaches Mike Hamilton and Larry Knapp.

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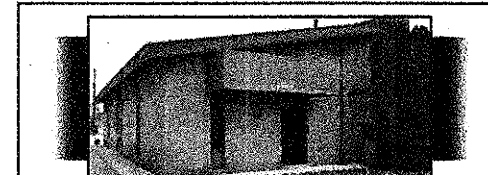
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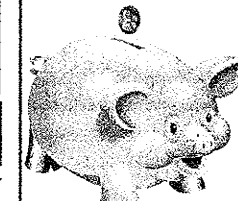
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