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FRIDAY, JAN. 13

 Band students from five elementary fifth grades, Brownell and Pierce middle schools and Grosse Pointe South High School perform at the annual Band-o-rama at 7 p.m. in South's gym. Admission

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◆ The Edsel & Eleanor Ford House hosts a twohour bird walk beginning at 8 a.m. Bring binoculars and wear multi-layers and waterproof footwear. The cost is \$7. To register, call (313) 884-4222.

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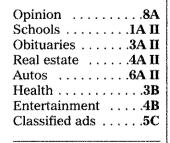
Martin Luther King Jr. ◆ The Grosse Pointe

Unitarian Church, 17150 Maumee, City of Grosse Pointe, hosts a modern folk and acoustic blues concert performance by Matt Watroba and Robert Jones, at 7 p.m. Admission is \$10. Tickets can be reserved by e-mailing concert@gpuc.us. For more information, call Larry Peplin at (313) 882-0063.

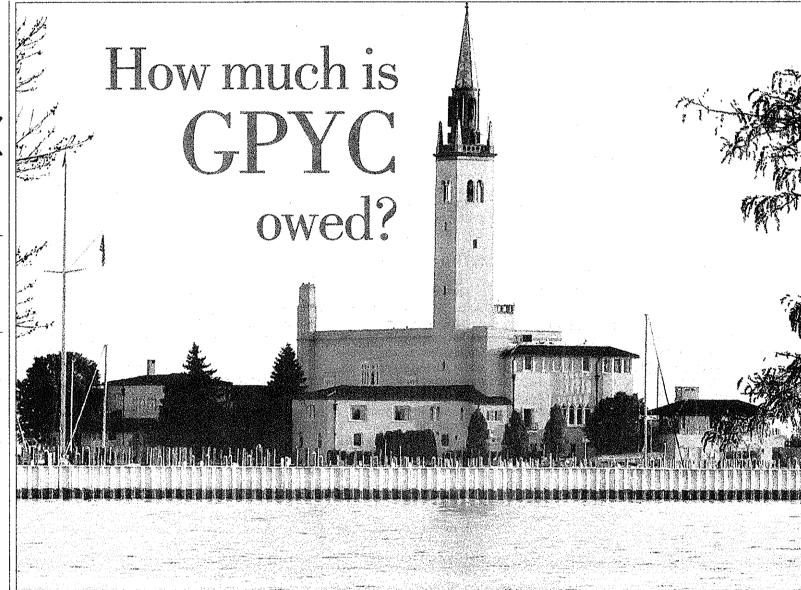
♦ Grosse Pointe Public schools are closed.

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Vick: Council clued in Auditor

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — With a new mayor to answer to and more residents in the know, the city manager is opening up about his role in the city's secret agreement with its largest water customer.

Brian Vick, Grosse Pointe Shores city manager, said club representatives claimed in January 2010, they'd been overbilled.

Disputed bills were from 1997 to 2007, at least a year before Vick was hired.

"(The) club mentioned a figure of approximately \$1 million," he said.

In March, 2010, a club representative asked Vick for the Shores to enter into a tolling agreement.

He agreed, with approval from the city attorney.

The agreement lets both parties try to resolve matters out of court before the statute of limitations expires.

The agreement includes a confidentiality provision:

"Neither GPYC nor Grosse Pointe Shores nor any of their agents, witnesses, or attorneys will mention or allude to this agreement, its terms, its extensions or the existence of any tolling period in any way, directly or indirectly, before a jury or any fact finder in anyproceeding for any purpose," the agreement reads.

Council updates

Vick gave the council a series of updates on the arrange-

One, dated July 20, 2010, appears in a one-page, sixparagraph memo.

"As this is a dispute matter, your discretion regarding this topic and this memo is recommended," Vick concluded.

He followed up verbally at a Nov. 16, 2010, council meet-

Schulte, the only council incumbents elected

November - Kedzierski is now mayor - have said Vick's reports seemed downplayed. They also suspect some former colleagues, who either lost reelection or didn't run, were informed more than others.

Vick's Nov. 16 update consists of:

"Grosse Pointe Yacht Club water billing inquiry. You're all familiar ... We've been approached by the yacht club regarding water billing. And sent them a letter indicating, requested some additional information to assist them with their inquiry."

He started to say "all" council members are "familiar" with the "inquiry." He interrupted himself with background information.

Also, the matter has become an "inquiry," not the "dispute" of July 20, nor, implied, a major liability for a small city trying to regain financial Ted Kedzierski and Dan strength after coming off the

See VICK, page 9A

defends report

By Brad Lindberg Staff writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — The city attorney is distancing himself from auditors for not noting a potential \$1 million municipal liability in the annual audit, released last October.

"I was, frankly, a bit surprised it wasn't in the audit report," said Mark McInerney, Grosse Pointe Shores city attorney. "But, that's not our department. That's the auditor's department."

Not quite, auditors countered. "We're responsible for giving the opinion on the financial statements," said Aaron Stevens, a principal at the Shores' auditing firm, Abraham and Gaffney. "If they (Shores officials) felt there should have been a disclosure,

See REPORT, page 9A

Recall effort leader: Voters kept in dark

By Brad Lindberg

Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES -The leader of a recall effort two years ago believes the city's fi-

November general election.

"From the available information, our city manager and our said during his reelection camnancial problem with the Grosse attorney apparently crafted a paign the matter was between

Pointe Yacht Club was kept se- plan using taxpayer dollars to the city and club. cret to quell voter doubt of some keep citizens from going to the municipal leaders through the polls duly informed," said Shores resident Dr. Robert Lee.

Then-Mayor James Cooper

Adding distrust is a purported e-mail from the club to Brian Vick, Shores city manager.

Although the message and its author haven't been released to See DARK, page 6A

More on Grosse Pointe Shores, page 4A

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Pedestrian hit

A 57-year-old Detroit woman crossing Notre Dame at Kercheval was hit a few minutes before noon Friday, Jan. 6, by a 25-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods woman driving a Chevrolet Malibu.

The victim was taken to a hospital.

"There were some head injuries," said Stephen Poloni, public safety di-

Injuries didn't appear major and there were no broken bones, police said.

The driver was turning left from westbound Kercheval to southbound Notre Dame when she hit the woman walking eastbound in the crosswalk.

"The sun was bright and the driver didn't see the person crossing the road," Poloni said.

Police said they cited the driver for failing to yield.

Car damaged

At 10:37 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 7, a patrolman came upon an orange Honda Element with a broken rear window parked on Chalfonte east of Lincoln.

The vehicle's owner said it had been parked at the location since 3 p.m.

There were no signs of attempted entry.

Business B&E

Currency of an undetermined value was stolen during the break-in Thursday, Jan. 5, of a business in the 17000

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block of Mack.

An officer was dispatched to the business at 5:31 a.m. to investigate a burglar alarm. He discovered the front wind broken and several smashed display cases.

The department's police dog was unable to detect a track.

Car B&E

An in-car global positioning unit and radio were stolen out of a black 2008 Dodge Nitro parked Monday evening, Jan. 2, in the lot behind CVS Pharmacy, off of St. Clair in the Village.

The larceny was reported at 6:48 p.m.

An unknown suspect entered the vehicle by breaking the driver-side

— 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.

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Converted

A resident of the 400 block of McKinley started his 1995 Chevrolet the morning of Monday, Jan. 9, and knew something was wrong.

"(He) heard a loud noise when he started his car," said a public safety officer. "He took the vehicle to the muffler shop."

A mechanic discovered someone had stolen the car's catalytic converter.

The theft occurred

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'Buzzed'

At 12:08 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 7, a 54-year-old man being investigated for driving a 1997 Dodge Caravan the wrong way on westbound Mack from East Warren admitted being "buzzed," said an offi-

The man was arrested for having a .098 percent blood alcohol level, police

Transferred in

A 40-year-old Madison Heights woman, wanted in the Farms on five outstanding warrants, including one for larceny, was picked up by state police and turned over to Farms authorities a few minutes before 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 7.

The transfer was made at the intersection of Old Eight Mile and Harper.

33 suspensions

The driver of a red, 2002 Ford Windstar with a broken taillight was pulled over at 8:32 p.m. Friday, Jan. 6, and arrested for disregarding 33 driving suspensions.

The suspect is a 24year-old Detroit man.

Farms police held him for pickup by Troy officers on an unspecified outstanding warrant.

Dawdling

A man lingering along Mack and nearby residential neighborhoods on Lincoln, Cloverly and McMillan was arrested at 3:28 p.m. Friday, Jan. 6, on an outstanding warrant from Warren for disorderly conduct.

Police had warned the 23-year-old suspect from police. They arrested the Bad checks Detroit to leave the area.

He reportedly told police he was looking for the house of a friend he met on a bus.

No license

The driver of a 2003 Chevrolet Trailblazer, outfitted with an expired license plate, was pulled over in the area of Mack and Moross and arrested at 4:44 p.m. Thursday,

The suspect, a 24-yearold Detroit woman, lacked a driver's license.

Easy rider

Indulgence expired at 1:49 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 5, for an 18-year-old Farms man charged with underage drinking.

"(I) have had previous contacts with (him) in the

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while the car was parked past year," said the arresting officer. "Each time a warning has been issued. The last incident, (his parents) were advised there would be no further warnings. They agreed."

The officer spotted the teen riding a bicycle on eastbound Mack between Roland and Prestwick.

Police said the suspect smelled of alcohol and registered a .51 percent blood alcohol level.

10 suspensions

Police arrested a 47year-old Detroit man shortly after 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 4, for violating 10 driving suspen-

An officer stopped him near Chalfonte for operating a 1996 Toyota 14 mph over the 30 mph limit.

Royal Oak and Auburn Hills authorities wanted the man for failing to appear in court regarding probation violations. Farms officers released him to Royal Oak police.

- 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

Wrong way

Shortly after 3 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 8, a U.S. Border Patrol agent pulled over a 29-year-old Clinton Township man for driving a Chevrolet Trailblazer northbound in the southbound lanes of

Lakeshore from Vernier alcohol.

"(He) was in no condition to continue driving," said the agent.

The agent called Shores man for drunken diving He refused to take a Breathalyzer test, so officers arranged for his blood to be drawn and tested for alcohol content.

Wrong time

A male motorist with 1/4 ounce of marijuana up his sleeve had the bad fortune to drive suspiciously in the Shores during a heightened period of awareness within days of a residential burglary.

8 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 4, Dakota in the driveway of vealed several counterfeit Grosse Pointe Park police, a house in the 700 block checks, as well as coun-

of Lakeshore. The man also drove down Fontana, a dead-end street.

out of place," Werenski said. "Due to the recent home invasion, (I) decided to stop and identify the driver."

The man, 44, of Macomb Township, appeared intoxicated.

"(I) asked (him) what he consumed today," Werenski said. "(He) looked back at a 12-pack of Coors beer in the rear compartment of the vehi-

The man registered a .137 percent blood alcohol level, police said.

"One-quarter ounce of marijuana was in (the) sleeve of his left arm," Werenski said.

Charges consist of driving under the influence of alcohol and possession of marijuana.

The man received an 8 a.m. Jan. 19, court date.

— 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

Trespassing

43-year-old Washington Township resident was taken into custody at 8:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 8, and charged with trespassing. Police were called by a Hampton Road resident who said the man wouldn't leave her porch.

According to police, the homeowner said he knocked at her front door and when she refused to answer, he went to her back door. She called a friend who came over and asked him to leave. When The driver smelled of he refused, they called police. The three had met earlier in the evening at a bar in Harper Woods.

A Detroit resident was arrested at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 7, as she attempted to pass a bad check at the Kroger store on Mack. Police were BB shot called to the store by a cab driver who had driven the not going to be paid his fare. While police were questioning the cab driver, they received a call from store officials about Sgt. Kenneth Werenski his passenger attempting saw the man shortly after to pass the check. She was arrested, and a on these or any other park a 2001 Dodge search of her purse re-

terfeit money that police turned over to the Secret Service. The male was "(The) vehicle looked released after question-

MDP

A Woods Lane resident called police at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 4 to report someone had sprav painted graffiti on an AT&T electric box on Morningside and Woods Lane. Police reported the incident to AT&T.

Copper theft

An empty house on Raymond was entered the morning of Wednesday, Jan. 4, through a back door by an unknown suspect who removed copper plumbing from throughout the basement. A neighbor had noticed someone in the house and called police, but the intruder escaped before police arrived. He was seen leaving the area with a backpack in a white car with a loud muffler.

– Kathy Ryan If you have information on these or any other crimes, contact Grosse Pointe Woods police, (313) 343-2400.

Grosse Pointe Park

Warning

A 2007 Ford Explorer was taken at 7:30 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 3, from a driveway on Bedford. The owner had started the car to warm it up and left it running and unlocked in the driveway. It was last seen heading north toward Mack. Police remind car owners to not leave cars unlocked and running, especially in the morning hours when thieves are actually out. looking for such cars.

Converters gone

Two cars parked in the 15000 block of Mack between 7:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 3, were relieved of their catalytic converters.

A 1998 Audi parked in woman and a male com- the 1000 block of panion to the store. The Yorkshire suffered damcabbie suspected he was age to a rear window when someone shot a bb through the window while the car was parked on the street sometime during the past weekend.

— Kathy Ryan If you have information crimes, please contact (313) 822-7400.

New contract reflects usage

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

GP SHORES

Residents must curtail water consumption within limits of an updated Detroit water contract.

New terms being implemented July 1 are so easily obtainable that compliance is voluntary, involving little more than switching from whisky and water to rum and

Key to compliance is not using more water peak times, generally starting shortly before sunup and for a few hours thereafter.

"A lower rate requires automatic irrigation systems to be rescheduled to the middle of the night," said Jamie Burton, lead engineer on Detroit water contracts with the Shores firm, Hubbell, Roth & Clark.

If watering is performed during off-peak tion during the amend-

contract are likely to be

The "critical time," to avoid peak hour penalties, Burton said, is from 5 a.m. to 9 a.m. "It's as about when you use the water as how much."

Members of the city council set new usage goals during a special meeting Thursday, Jan. 5.

They amended the city's 30-year contract with Detroit to initially increase peak hour volume than contracted during nearly 17 percent to 2.73 million gallons per day, followed by two years of reductions.

Annual reductions from 2.73 to 2.70 to 2.67 million think it's necessary to gallons per day, starting July 1, 2012.

Changes are 1.09 and 2.19 percent less, respectively, than current levels. Maximum day water

than 1 percent to 1.43 million gallons. Restraining consump-

hours between 11 p.m. ments final two years and 5 a.m., goals of the bears on future water rate increases and penalties for exceeding negotiated

"Their decision was to take the lowest possible flows that still reflected the city's current usage. which is much higher than it had been in the prior four or five years," Jamie said.

If customers use significantly more water than contacted, penalties could reach \$70,000.

"It could have been a lot worse," Burton said. "If they'd done nothing penalties could be well over \$100,000."

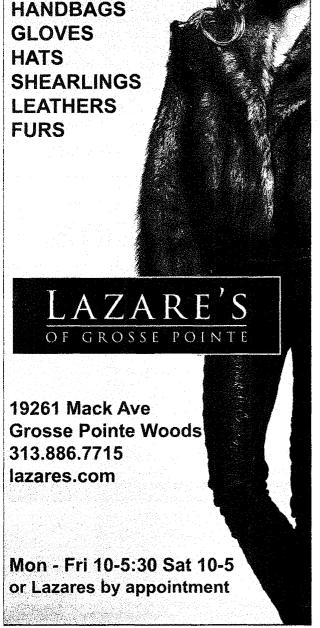
Council members don't mandate enforcement.

The city already recommends off-peak watering.

"Education is the way to go," said Councilman Bruce Barrette. "The comconsulting engineering usage was increased less munity has responded well in the past."

Shores water rates in-

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Pumping up power

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

GP FARMS — A nearly \$5 million renovation of the Kerby Road Pump Station is being conceived to keep waste water at bay in the inland sewer district.p

"The station needs to be attended to as soon as possible," said Shane Reeside, Grosse Pointe Farms city manager.

The first improvement is likely to be installation of permanent backup generators in case utility lines fail, as happened in May due to a falling tree; or in case of power interruptions conspire with a blown fuse in the plant's main control panel, as occurred in September.

Findings came this week in a report by Tom Biehl, vice president of the Farms engineering Hubbell, consultants, Roth & Clark.

"The primary issue, based upon power interruptions last year, is the electrical system at Kerby Station," Biehl said.

The inland district is mainly west of Ridge Road.

Neighborhoods bracketed by Chalfonte and Mack are 578 to 580 feet dant power sources. Two above sea level. They're the lowest in the district, and also the pooling point last year for two tides of

basement flooding. Heavy rains and power problems double-whammied more than 300 houses in both May and million gallons per day. September. Homeowners lost thousands of dollars installation of permanent in soiled and damaged standby generators at the property, plus restoration station to power all the costs. The city faces two pumps," Biehl said. "In lawsuits.

volves more than engineering.

go into how we're going term power interrupto pay for that," Reeside tions." said.

Safeguards can't wait until 2013, the earliest the qualifies for state funding.

The city controller is investigating private sources. He's contacting bonding agencies to de- staff found the building termine financing options.

AA+ bond rating, which bined. is going to help with potential bonds," Reeside said.

The station has operated constantly since constructed in 1929. Planned bring underground acupgrades wouldn't break

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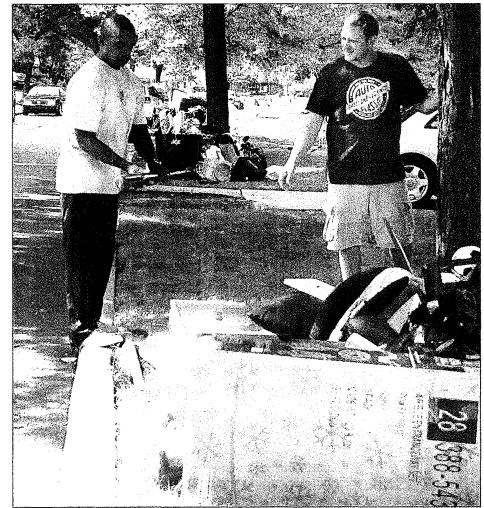
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- ◆ City of Grosse Pointe city hall is closed. ◆ Grosse Pointe Park city
- hall is closed. ♦ Grosse Pointe Woods
- city hall is closed.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Farms city hall is closed.
- ♦ Banks are closed. ◆ There will be no mail
- delivery.
- ◆ State offices are closed. ◆ Federal offices are
- closed.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 18 ◆ The film, "The Help," is shown at 7 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The cost is \$12 and includes hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. The event is co-sponsored by the Spirit of Women - Beaumont Hospital Grosse Pointe, the War Memorial and the Grosse Pointe Public Library. For reservations, call (313) 881-7511.



Basements in areas of the low-lying inland sewer district of Grosse Pointe Farms flooded during heavy rains May 25. Flooding was more extensive during another storm Sept. 9, above.

that string. The station city's retired director or Reside said. would stay in service throughout the job.

It already has redunindependent DTE Energy primary lines feed its eight pumps, including two large storm pumps.

Total pumping power is 15 million gallons of combined sewage and storm runoff per hour, and 358

"We're recommending addition, we're recom-Plant investment in- mending switch gear modifications to eliminate the possibility of multiple "A lot of thought has to switch-overs on short-

Phase I

Upgrades to the facilicity will know if work ty's electrical, mechanical and pumping systems are estimated to

\$3,541,000. Inspection by Biehl's needs a new roof and could use replacement "Fortunately, we have a windows: \$251,500 com-

> The total, including contingencies, engineering and design fees, is \$4,840,700.

An optional project to cess up to code adds \$400,000.

"We're talking about a 30-year upgrade," said Councilman

Theros. Colleagues supported unanimously a motion by Councilman Joe Leonard,

public services, on a motion directing Biehl's next approach \$20 million. assignment.

Biehl is to draw up specifications and more detailed cost estimates for station improvements, but allow the scope of work to accommodate a possible Phase II: partial separation of inland district sewers.

'We'd like this as soon as possible," Reeside said of Biehl's follow-up report. "I think we'd be prepared to make recommendations at the next (council) meeting."

While Biehl tallies costs, Reeside looks for ways to cut them.

do with the water and sewer project fund. There are things we can do inhouse."

The council also is requesting the Wayne County drain commissioner to authorize inspection of the Fox Creek Enclosure.

The 11- by-16-foot enclosure under Chalfonte carries sewage to Detroit for processing. It hasn't been inspected for 35 years, officials said. Flows could be partially restricted by up to four feet of gunk.

Phase II

Less likely in the short term, because it's about Louis four times more expensive, is the related project of separating a portion of inland district sewers.

"Separation is much a civil engineer and the more significant dollars,"

Off-the-cuff estimates

Separate sewers handle sewage and rain water separately, as was done in neighborhoods south of Ridge, collectively called the inland district, during the late 1990s.

Lakeside district basements didn't flood last year with sewer backups.

Installing such a network inland, mainly between Chalfonte, Fisher, Mack and Cook Road, would divert 150 to 250 cubic feet of water per second away from the pumping station, accord-

ing to Biehl. "That water would be "There are things we collected and discharged can pare off," he said. directly to Lake St. Clair," "There are things we can Biehl said. "The pump station would have excess capacity."

> Separation requires extensive infrastructure: more pipes, redundant pumps, new catch basins, a wet well behind the pump station, a main 6,000 feet down Moross to the lake and more.

It's not possible to save on buying new pumps by plumbing pipes for runoff to flow by gravity to the lake.

Inland elevations are only five feet higher the lake's 575-foot average level.

"A pipe, would have to be over 55 feet deep and 11 feet in diameter to take that by gravity," Biehl said. "That's a very expensive undertaking."

On the other hand, separation might qualify for state funding, Reeside

Hearing set for Park lieutenant

By Kathy Ryan Staff Writer

Madison Heights for a Grosse Pointe Park while intoxicated.

John Kretzschmar, 49, was arrested at 3 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 16, by Madison Heights police after they were called to the Red Roof Inn parking lot on Concord Drive.

A Huntington Woods resident claimed Kretzschmar rear-ended her vehicle while she was stopped on the northbound I-75 exit ramp to 14 Mile Road. He did not stop, but proceeded to the motel parking lot.

She followed him to the lot and called police. Kretzschmar, a St. Clair ment conducts an inter-County resident, was off nal investigation.

duty and driving his personal vehicle at the time.

Officers who arrived A pre-trial hearing is at the scene noted that Tuesday, Jan. 31, in 43rd Kretzschmar was un-District Court in able to answer any questions about the accident, and when asked if he Public Safety lieutenant had been drinking, he charged with driving acknowledged that he had "a few." Police conducted a field sobriety test as well as a Breathalyzer test, which resulted in a reading of a blood alcohol level of .24, three times the legal limit for the state of

Michigan. Kretzschmar's attorney, Douglas Gutscher, declined to comment on the case, saying he has not spoken with the city attorney from Madison Heights.

According to David Hiller, the Park's chief of police, Kretzschmar has been placed on restricted duty while his depart-

Linen on hit list

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

GPSHORES - A woman came home from vacation during the giving season to discover someone took her jewelry.

The burglary occurred on Belle Meade between 1 p.m. Friday Dec. 23, and 6 p.m. Monday, Jan.

There are no suspects. Stolen household items indicate whoever did it is the Susie homemaker type.

The 75-year-old victim boxes of jewelry, a laptop computer, table cloths, runners and miscellaneous linen.

She returned Jan. 2, from holiday vacation to find front and rear doors unlocked. Pry marks on a rear garage door, interior door and office hutch revealed the burglar's point of entry and resolve.

"The subjects went into almost every room, including the basement," said Officer John Jabrael.

Detective Sgt. Scott Rohr gathered evidence at the scene.

"Cabinets, doors and drawers were ajar," Rohr said. "Several items were dusted for prints, but only two were lifted. The perpetrators likely wore gloves."

A gate to the rear yard was open, possibly by wind, as happened before, police learned.

Jabrael and Officer Terry Brown interviewed neighbors.

"All stated they didn't hear or see a thing suspicious coming from that reported losing four area within the last week," Jabrael said.

Vacationers are encouraged to give police advance notice.

"We'll give special attention to homes where residents are out of town," said Stephen Poloni, public safety director. "We watch for packages being delivered. If there's snow on the ground, we watch for foot prints around the home.

He also recommended vacationers mask their absence by installing automatic timers on lights.



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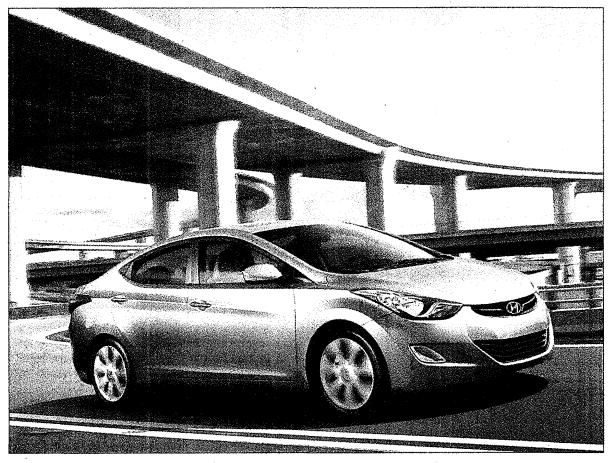


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Car and truck of the year

Judges at the North American International Auto Show recently revealed the Hyundai Elantra is the 2012 North American Car of the Year, at left, and the Land Rover Range Rover Evoque, above, is 2012 North American Truck of the Year. Winners were chosen by a jury of 50 automotive journalists from the United States and Canada. The show at Cobo Hall is open to the public from Jan. 14-22. Tickets are \$12. More information is available at grossepointenews.com.

Manager under fire

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — When planning commissioners on Oct. 18, 2011, wanted a temporary ban on solar panel installation, the city council-

The moratorium, largely to prevent the installation of unsightly panels until building codes are updated, was signed that day by the mayor and city manager.

When the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club wanted time to verify its \$1 million claim against the city for overbilled water purchases, the city manager signed a confidential tolling agreement March 15,

He didn't tell the council until July, four months later.

That energy cell aesthetics rate greater public disclosure than a potential liability nearly equaling one-fifth of the city's annual general fund revenue is. "purpose to do what he was told," Broad

driving criticism of Grosse Pointe Shores City Manager Brian Vick to the boiling point.

"Before a document of that magnitude is signed by anybody representing the city, it should have gone before the council in open or closed session," said Councilman Dan Schulte. "We were never informed."

Two residents speaking at last month's council meeting want Vick, hired in October 2008, discharged.

"I don't want to publicly berate the city manager by reciting a litany of shortcomings and dubious actions during his short tenure," Alan Broad, a Shores resident, said last month to the new mayor and council.

It doesn't mitigate critics that, by terms of Vick's at-will employment contract, his goals and performance are set annually by the mayor, not the council. "In my view, he was hired for the sole

current city manager well in his new endeavors."

Manager's bailiwick

Vick said his actions were principled. "A complete reading of all documents, both public and privileged, supports my integrity," Vick said.

He said the club contacted him Jan. 22, 2010, about overbilling from 1997 to 2007, before he was hired.

"(The) club mentioned a figure of approximately \$1 million," Vick said.

When the club asked for a tolling agreement, he called City Attorney

Mark McInerney. "I advised Mr. Vick that under the charter, since no rights were being foregone by the village, this came within his bailiwick as the chief administrative officer of the city and he could sign the agreement for the city," McInerney said.

The initial agreement lasted one year. Since then, it has been renewed on several occasions at the request of the yacht club, which wants to continue talking rather than sue us," McInerney

"And he did."

Vick was relieved as city clerk at the November council meeting.

It was the first meeting following Councilman Ted Kedzierski's victory over 12-year incumbent, James Cooper,

If Vick is discharged as manager for any reason other than being convicted of a felony or violating official duties, he's due six months of his \$98,000 salary

said. "We should move promptly to a and health coverage, according to a conpart-time city manager and wish our tract signed by Vick, former Mayor James Cooper and former Village Clerk Robert Graziani.

> Broad, a lawyer, former assistant Michigan attorney general and recent Kedzierski appointee to the planning commission, also lacks confidence in McInerney.

> Broad suspects McInerney let Cooper in on the tolling agreement, but left out the council.

> "I assume the city attorney billed the village for those legal services," Broad said. "The bottom line with the city attorney is the community has lost its trust in his competence and, I fear, in his integri-

> "I have at all times endeavored to represent the city to the best of my ability,' McInerney said. "I think I have done so."

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"Nothing in this agreement shall be construed as an admission or denial by any of the parties as to the merits of any of the GPYC's claims against Grosse Pointe Shores or the merits of any of Grosse Pointe Shores' defenses to any of GPYC's claims," according to the agree-

Kedzierski and Schulte are the only members of the current city council to serve at the time the agreement was signed and extended into January 2012.

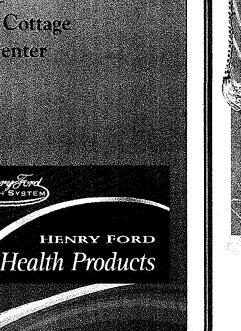


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Durant at GOP meeting Republican U.S. Senate voters, members of our He chaired the group

addresses the Eastside some of the leading candi-Republican Club at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 17. Durant is co-founder of

Schools and a resident of Grosse Pointe Farms. Pointe War

Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Admission is free. The public is welcome.

"As good citizens and

candidate Clark Durant club are anxious to meet dates in the Senate race, and have a special interest in local Pointer, Clark Detroit's Cornerstone Durant," said Jenny Nolan, club chairman.

Durant was nominated The meeting is at the by President Ronald Reagan and confirmed by the Senate to serve on the board of the Legal Services Corporation, which provides legal aid to low-income Americans.

from 1984 to 1988.

In 1991, he co-founded Cornerstone Schools with Adam Cardinal Maida and other civic leaders as an independent, inner city school in Detroit.

He helped establish Cornerstone charter schools.

In 1994, Durant was elected to the State Board of Education, where he served as president.

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Free-form meetings

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

GP SHORES — Harry Kurtz doesn't like the Jackson Pollack approach to city council meetings, where members of the audience toss out ideas whenever they want.

audience just raising their date, incumbent James hands and speaking from their seat," said Kurtz, a Grosse Pointe Shores resident attending the Dec. 20, city council meeting.

"Maybe that's how you want to operate," Kurtz told Mayor Ted Kedzierski, who defeated "We had people in the Kurtz's favored candi-

"I'd like to see people who'd like to comment step up to the podium, identify themselves and see what they have to

Cooper, in November.

say." Every successful candidate in the election opposed the previous mayor's rules regarding public comment.

Particularly disliked was a three-minute, per person limit on comments sanctioned during Cooper's term.

Also disliked were longer-standing rules restricting public comments to designated times near the beginning and end of meetings. The beginning

comment period was limited to forthcoming agenda items. The latter one could be on any topic.

Comments per action item weren't allowed.

Although both periods remained on December council agendas, they weren't enforced.

Supporters of the threeminute rule, which is used in the City of Grosse Pointe, considered it necessary for some speakers organize their thoughts, get to the point and prevent repetition.

Opponents saw it as an effort to stifle criticism.

Backers of allowing public comment per action item say it promotes

more informed and cohesive public discourse.

At the December council meeting, official business was interspersed with comments from audience members. They posed questions and proffered advice from the podium and gallery.

"People make five, 10, 15 comments from the audience," Kurtz said from the podium during the comment period toward the end of the meeting. "It dresses.

seems disruptive."

As the new council, which in addition to the mayor includes only one incumbent, gains experience, it continues amending existing meeting prac-

◆ Councilman Dan Schulte won full support for reciting the pledge of allegiance between call to order and roll call.

 Speakers must give their names, but not ad-

USAGE: Forum hits deadlines

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creased 4 percent this month as part of a prior agreement. Burton expects Detroit to raise rates 8 to 10 percent.

The special council meeting was held to meet Detroit's deadline for amendments, which is before next week's regular meeting at 7 Tuesday, Jan. 17.

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Pursuant to PA 104, an auction will be held on January 25, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. at Woods Towing, located at 22755 Lexington, Eastpointe, MI. The following impounded/abandoned vehicles will be auctioned:

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The above vehicles can be viewed 1/2 hour prior to the auction at Woods Towing. Payment by cash or certified check only. Cars listed may be pulled or released prior to the auction by the Harper Woods Police Department.

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AND

PROPOSED STATEMENT

OF

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GRANT OBJECTIVES

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be

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City Council at the City Municipal Office, 15115 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230, for review

The following activities are proposed for program-

of Community Development Block Grant.

ming of 2012 funding under the Community Development Block Grant Program.

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Administration

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Senior Services (SOC)

Joint Grosse Pointe Senior

Housing Rehabilitation (SOC)

Sgt. Thomas Teatsorth

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16,102

26,663

6,271

Jane M. Blahut

TOTAL \$89,374

DARK: Resident feels agreement was violation of trust

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> city hall insiders, interviewed separately, described it the same way.

They interpret the club representative as suggesting voters would go easier on Shores incumbents if no one knew the city may owe a \$1 million refund.

Vick said the maximum due is half of that figure, at best.

Shores City Attorney, Mark McInerney, acknowledged the e-mail at the December city council meeting.

"It came before the most recent extension of the tolling agreement, at a

point when there was a suspicion the yacht club might use the election as the public, a handful of leverage to (get) some sort of settlement," McInerney said. "It's my judgment that negotiating under the threat of an election is not in the best position for the city to be in. We are much better served with the situation

'In the dark'

now."

Disputed bills date from 1997 to 2007. Residents didn't know

about them until recently. Since March 15, 2010, two months before the re-

call election, the city and club have operated under a confidential tolling circuit court and the pub-

lic eye.

Residents should have been warned of perceived threats to their elections, according to Lee.

"When the attempt by the club became clear to Mr. Vick and Mr. McInerney, should not the proper response from our civic officials have been that, ethically, this is the very reason we cannot pursue a secrecy agreement in the dark," Lee said at the meeting. "Dirty tricksters from the yacht club and our city administration appear to have conspired to keep Shores voters in the dark."

"When this community had to vote, they didn't agreement and this

Lee and Broad were Kedzierski.

part of a four-candidate "clean slate" campaign that lost a bid for Shores office during the late 1990s.

They allege Vick and McInerney broke principles of open government,

"Even if the law has not been violated, what occurred has been an egregious violation of the public trust," Lee told the council. "As our elected officials, you need to act immediately and decisively to clear the air and restore public confidence in our city administration."

Lee tried to recall former Mayor James Cooper in May 2010. Cooper know about this tolling pulled through by 2 percentage points, but lost reagreement to investigate claim," added Shores resi-election in November by billing claims outside of dent Alan Broad. 14 percent to Ted

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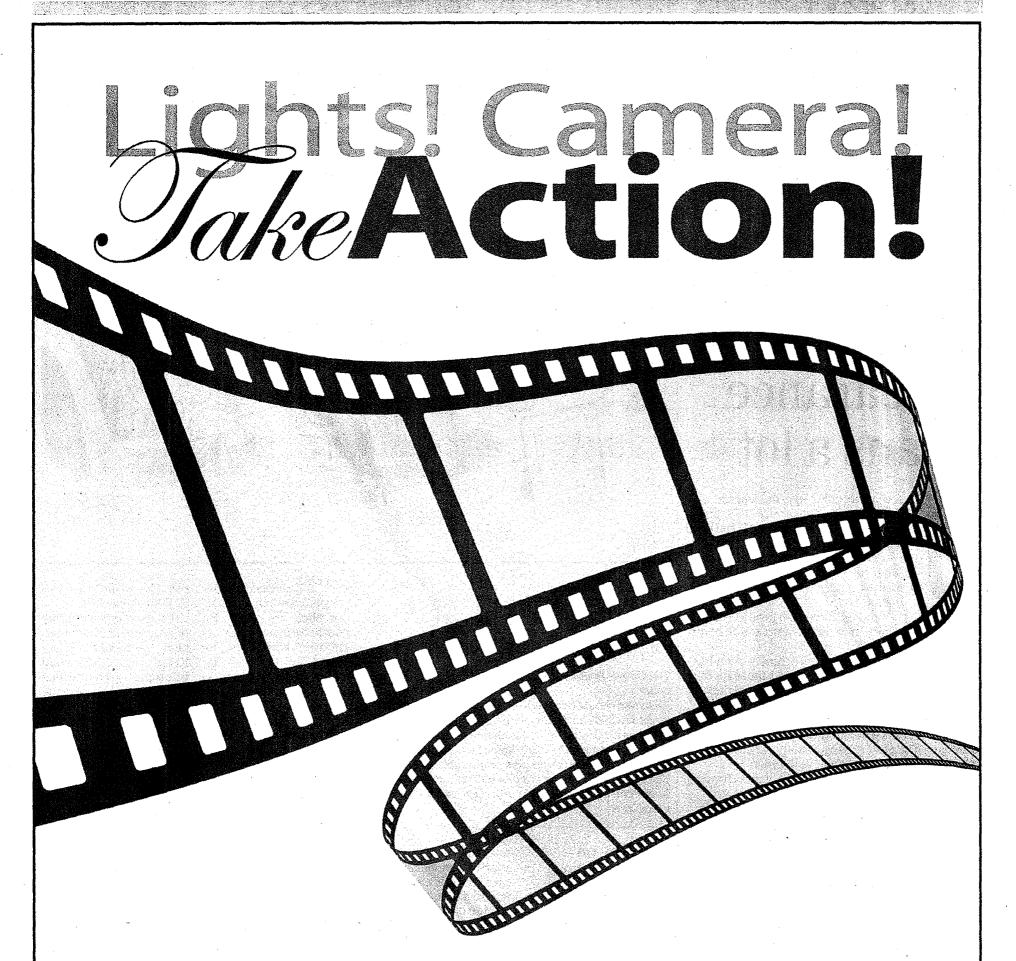
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I SAY By Robert St. John

Lions' playoff appearance means a lot

ust a short time ago, the Detroit Lions were sitting pretty at 5-0 and making reservations for the National Football League playoffs. They were the talk of the NFL, but after the Lions lost five of eight

jeopardy. What is the reason for the losses? Several obvious ones, including a serious lack of discipline, are the culprits.

games, a playoff spot was in serious

In the Thanksgiving Day game against Green Bay, a 27-15 loss, the Lions were flagged 11 times for 82 yards, and a 41-17 loss to the New Orleans Saints, they were flagged 12 times for 107 yards.

Both games were played in front of a national television audience. The penalties played pivotal roles in the defeats. The most glaring penalty occurred in the Green Bay game when defensive lineman Ndamukong Suh was suspended two games for

stomping on the arm of an opposing lineman. It was out of total frustration. I'm not supporting Suh, but watching the Packers' players egg him on was something that should have been flagged, but the officials let it go and Suh reacted out of anger instead of using better judgment.

The personal foul penalties endured during the Saints' game gave the home team all the momentum heading into the fourth quarter when the Lions took away the mojo from New Orleans.

It's these lack of control fouls that left the Lions fighting for a playoff spot.

Center Dominic Raiola, a veteran on a young squad, spoke up before the Vikings' game and told his teammates to shut up and play. It was time to tell the younger players to focus on the game and not get caught up in their press clippings from the 5-0 start.

The speech worked, but just barely, as the Lions beat the Vikings 34-28 Sunday, Dec. 11, and followed that with impressive victories over AFC foes Oakland, 28-27, and San Diego, 38-10, solidifying the Lions' first playoff spot since 1999.

The Lions used a touchdown pass from quarterback Matthew Stafford to wide receiver Calvin Johnson with less than a minute left to beat the Raiders and it took a forced fumble by linebacker DeAndre Levy and a fumble recovery by defensive lineman Cliff Avril to beat the Vikings 34-28.

I'm glad the players rallied to make the playoffs and fix the problems that led to the losing streak.

They had a shot at the No. 5 seed in the NFC playoffs, but losing a shootout to Green Bay's second string and a win by Atlanta put the Lions in the No. 6 slot and a first-round game at New Orleans.

The bandwagon was full heading down South to

The Lions lost to the Saints a few weeks ago, but if they play a solid game on both sides of the ball, they could upset the home team and play at Green Bay in the next round.

For one half the Lions looked like a team focused and ready to upset the Saints. They led 14-10 at half-

New Orleans put 35 points on the board in the second half, running past Detroit 45-28 to advance and send the Lions home to hibernate for the winter.

A final record of 10-7 is a huge step in the right direction. It was only a few years ago when this franchise posted the first 0-16 season in NFL history. Tampa Bay was 0-14 in its inaugural season in the

Next season looks bright.

With a few adjustments, like getting a running game which could happen with rookie Mikel Leshoure returning from injury, and some defensive upgrades like defensive backs who can actually cover wide receivers, the Lions should push Green Bay for the division's top spot and maybe a first-round bye in the 2013 playoffs.

Stafford is on his way to being a consistent top-five QB in this league and Johnson had a monster season and will be better next year.

Thanks Lions for giving us a great fall of football and enjoy the offseason.

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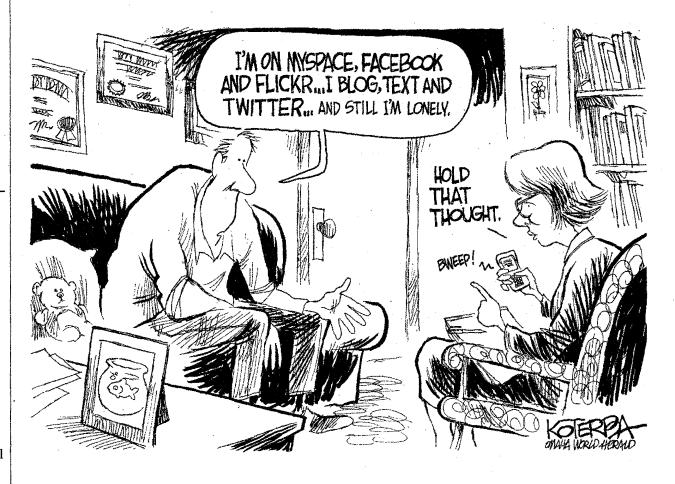
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Vote yes on library millage

To the Editor:

One of our community's most important institutions needs financial help from Grosse Pointe citizens. The Grosse Pointe Public Library system that serves 54,000 residents is used by 81 percent of the population.

Ninety-one percent of the library's operating budget comes from property taxes on real property in the Grosse Pointes plus a small section of Harper Woods.

Over the past few years, property taxes have declined and so has the library's budget. The 2011-12 budget projects a deficit of \$567,294 and future deficits will be worse as property taxes further decline.

The library has already taken significant steps to control its expenses, reducing staff where possible, freezing wages and hiring, cutting back on collection purchases, administration services. newsletter printing and eliminating major programs and author lectures.

To address this situation, the Grosse Pointe Library Board of Trustees approved proposing to the taxpayers a millage

will expire after eight years. If the millage is approved on Feb. 28, the cost to a homeowner with a \$150,000 home would be about \$52.50 per year.

The library board predicts that the consequences of a failed temporary millage vote would be dire, including the library being forced to use "rainy day" funds that would be depleted in 2014, closing one of the three buildings and reducing library staff and hours by another 30 per-

By voting yes for the millage on Feb. 28, you will enhance your own property values and preserve one of our community's crown jewels.

Please vote yes. MARY BETH SMITH Member of Grosse Pointe

Library Board of Directors Member Friends of the Grosse Pointe Library Member of Millage

Santa gives toys, citizens pay taxes

Committee

To the Editor:

The arrogance and condescension in Joseph Lehman's "Government as Santa" editorial (Jan. 5) is so clear, you have to wonder what motivated it: contempt for the idea that our government has a role hard to raise the funds to levy of up to .7 mills that in national life beyond the

necessities like defense and roads, and they also choose to fund such benefits as air-quality improvement, public education, food-purity regulation and health insurance for the elderly. These aren't toys! And they aren't the random inventions of mindless bureaucrats. There isn't one of those programs that could last if the majority of Americans didn't want it and weren't willing to suppoint it politi. cally and with taxes.

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Earth

Small governments work in small countries. Big, rich countries with national and global challenges need and can afford something better.

JIM GERARDI Grosse Pointe Farms

Awarding scholarships

To the Editor:

On behalf of the Grosse Pointe Woman's Club, I would like to thank the many people who helped support our scholarship benefit on Nov. 16, 2011, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

The Grosse Pointe Woman's Club has been in existence for 61 years, and has always awarded at least two students, one from Grosse Pointe North and one from Grosse Pointe South, a scholarship.

Scholarships are the mission of our club.

Our club works very support our students. This

past May we awarded two \$2,000 scholarships.

Thank you to a number of anonymous club members, Athenian Shish Kebob, Dawood Boutique, Hydrangea Boutique, LaLonde Jewelers, Maloof Jewelry & Gifts, Peggy Hickey, Sharon Ruggiroli, Villa Restaurant and many donations from our wonderful club members.

Without all of these wonderful donations, we would be unable to give any scholarships.

Thank you so much. PAMELA ZIMMER President and Benefit Chairwoman

USPS employees step up

To the editor:

I've been a Grosse Pointe letter carrier in the Pointes for 17 years. Every Thursday, rain, sleet and dead of night, I deliver your paper to my customers.

It always amazes me every week the stories and articles around the five Pointes. Even though I don't live here, everyone has been so kind to me throughout the years.

My story is — on Dec. 27 at around 2 a.m., two of my co-workers lost everything in a house fire. Luckily they escaped with their three children. Wow. What a way to celebrate Christmas and the new

All of my co-workers at the Grosse Pointe Farms Post Office collected money and took up a collection of gifts.

Thank you to everyone at the Post Office. Let the new year bring joy, hope and kindness to everyone around us. Maybe 2012 can start off with a new beginning and some light for their entire family.

RACHELLE MEO Frasei

GUEST OPINION By Bill Kalmar

Say hello to Norman Bates

very New Year brings a host of dumb laws enacted by legislators who, in many instances, are out of touch with reality and their constituents.

Here are a few new laws that, in my mind, defy logic:

◆ Illinois motorcyclists don't have to wait for a green light and, under some circumstances, can proceed through a red. Evidently some motorcycles and bicycles are not large enough to trigger magnetic sensors that switch traffic lights from red to green. Unless another vehicle comes along to trigger the sensors, the motorcyclist can proceed with caution if the light fails to change after a rea-

sonable length of time. ◆ People who fire a weapon into an occupied house in Tennessee can now face increased penalties. This law was enacted to curtail drive-by shootings.

And not to be outdone, look no fur-

ther than Michigan:

◆A broader and more powerful range of fireworks can now be sold. Competition from neighboring states to provide Roman candles, bottle rockets and other incendiaries prompted this bill. Look for hospitals to have an influx of fingerless residents around July 4th. Previously children had to amuse themselves with sparklers, smoke devices and noisemakers — but they got to keep their fingers.

◆ Hunting is huge in Michigan and license fees are a good source of income. So why not provide hunting licenses to children under age 10 to hunt turkey, deer and other wildlife with an adult. I don't know many 10year-olds allowed to stay home by themselves and now we are providing them with a gun. Maybe these tykes can amuse themselves on July 4th by shooting into the air.

◆ A Michigan Helmet law repeal would allow residents 21 years of age with two years of riding experience and a \$20,000 personal injury policy in effect to ride sans helmet.

◆ Earlier in the year our astute Michigan legislature toiled with a bill banning bullying. And when I say toiled, it took almost two years. The problem with the first draft was a caveat stating bullying was allowed "for a sincerely held religious belief or moral conviction." Not quite sure whose religion that was, but saner minds prevailed and it was removed from the law. We have ourselves to blame for

these idiotic laws. By not thoroughly researching the backgrounds of those running for office, we have elected a cadre of morons.

Many voters merely look for name recognition. So we have morons voting in morons, thus completing the circle of life.

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

REPORT:

No need for potential liability to be noted until suit is filed

Continued from page 1A

they should have said something."

They did, McInerney

"I provided a memo to the audit group September)," he said.

The memo "laid out a description" of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club's claim of being owed a \$1 million refund for overbilled water purchases from 1997 to 2007, according to McInerney.

Also included was the city's response, he said.

Shores City Manager Brian Vick asserted the statute of limitations reduced the city's maximum exposure to roughly half the club's claim.

"That was all provided auditors," the McInerney said. "They

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City Attorney Mark

McInerney said he pre-

time period," Vick said.

water billing reports.

VICK:

Sept. 14, 2011.

judgment on those things."

The memo didn't identify a definite nor likely liability, auditors said.

"We did not feel it met gent liability," Stevens of Grosse Pointe camsaid. "So, it didn't get disclosed."

December Shores city council meeting.

Stevens wasn't scheduled to attend the meeting. He was contacted afterward.

McInerney was defending himself from perceptions that Shores officials kept the potential refund as secret from auditors as they did from residents.

Although club officials dispute bills dating back

"I also updated elected officials who

during this entire time period."

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- Brian Vick, Shores City Manager

the Grosse Pointe Yacht lic, but isn't, citing the

Council could make report public

state's 2008 fiscal watch they called or stopped by city hall

Club situation.'

hibits, he added.

The memo is six pages

He regards the packet

"The privilege is not

long with 30 pages of ex-

as private, due to attor-

mine," he said. "It belongs

ney-client privilege.

pable of questioning their to Vick until Jan. 22, 2010, he said.

Municipal officials didn't reveal the matter city. publicly until former Mayor James Cooper was asked about it Oct. 11, at a the definition of a contin- League of Women Voters

paign forum. McInerney spoke at the his memo to auditors didn't state an actual liability because there wasn't one. The club's complaint is unresolved and unproven.

"I said I was not in a position, yet, and I'm still not, to judge its validity," he said.

For a potential liability to be noted in an audit, it must be probable and estimable, Stevens said.

prospect of the club filing

2 years old and we haven't

paid a nickel on it,"

McInerney said, no longer

characterizing it as an in-

quiry. "How long we're

going to be able to keep

"We have a claim that is

"Unless there's a law-

made a judgment. I don't nearly 15 years, they suit and it looks like the matter by a Shores reprequestion that. I'm not ca- didn't complain officially city is going to lose, that liability's not probable," he said.

The club hasn't sued the

"It's a discussion, as far as I was informed," Stevens said. "There's nothing to lose, because it's not a lawsuit."

This is at least the sec-McInerney indicated ond time Stevens has been blindsided on the

sentative.

At the October council meeting, he'd finished presenting the audit and was heading out of city hall when recalled by Cooper for questioning by angry audience members.

"The guy wouldn't let me finish my answer," Stevens recalled of a resident. "I just stopped."

He added, "The way I

should have answered it, if I'd had the chance, is if we were to disclose all potential litigation, that audit report would be endless. We can disclose potential liability and potential losses, if they're estimable and probable. But, we're not going to disclose all the people who could possibly be su-Grosse Pointe ing

Shores."

City of **Grosse Pointe** Farms, Michigan

SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES JANUARY 9, 2012

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

Absent Were: None. Also Present: Messrs. Burgess, City Attorney; Cornwall, City Attorney; Reeside, City Manager; Tepper, Assistant City Manager; Lamerato, City Controller/Treasurer; Brennan, Director of Public Service; Jensen, Director Public Safety; Hutchins, Deputy Director of Public Safety; Pamela J. Baker, Exec. Assistant/Deputy City Clerk.

Mayor Farquhar Presided at the Meeting.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on December 5, 2011, were approved as ${f submitted}.$

The Minutes of the Closed Session held on December 5, 2011, were approved as

The Council adopted a resolution authorizing the administration to pursue a prelimi-

nary cost estimate & designs for Phase I of the proposed upgrades to the pump station. The Council adopted a resolution regarding the Fox Creek Enclosure.

The Council approved the Fire Safety Interlocal Agreement.

The Council approved the Resolution regarding deficit elimination plans for water and sewer and municipal radio system.

The Council approved the following items from the Consent Agenda:

New FEMA Map acceptance.

Wayne County Annual Permits.

The Council received the Public Safety Department Report for November 2011 and ordered it placed on file.

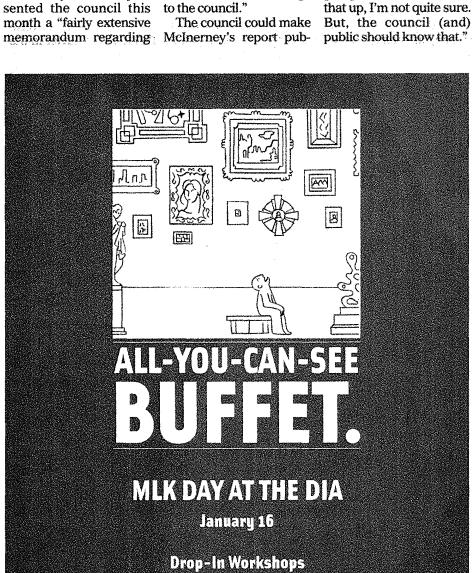
The Council adopted a resolution that immediately following adjournment of the Regular Meeting, a Closed Session shall be held for the purpose of discussing litigation

Upon proper motion made, supported and carried, the Meeting adjourned at 10:03 p.m. THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2012 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 90 KERBY ROAD, GROSSE POINTE FARMS, MICHIGAN 48236. THE MEETING IS PUBLIC, INTERESTED PROPERTY OWNERS AND RESIDENTS OF THE CITY ARE INVITED TO ATTEND. YOU MAY ALSO VIEW THE AGENDA AND MINUTES ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE: www.grossepointefarms.org

James C. Farquhar

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Mayor GPN: 1/12/12



Create a simple book to use for stones, journals or drawings from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Artist Demonstration Michigan artist Hubert Massey demonstrates how he creates his fresco works. Massey is one of the few African

American artists painting in the true fresco style.

Guided Tours Take a guided tour of the African American art galleries. Tours leave from the Family Fitting Room table in Prentis Court at noon, 1 and 2 p.m.

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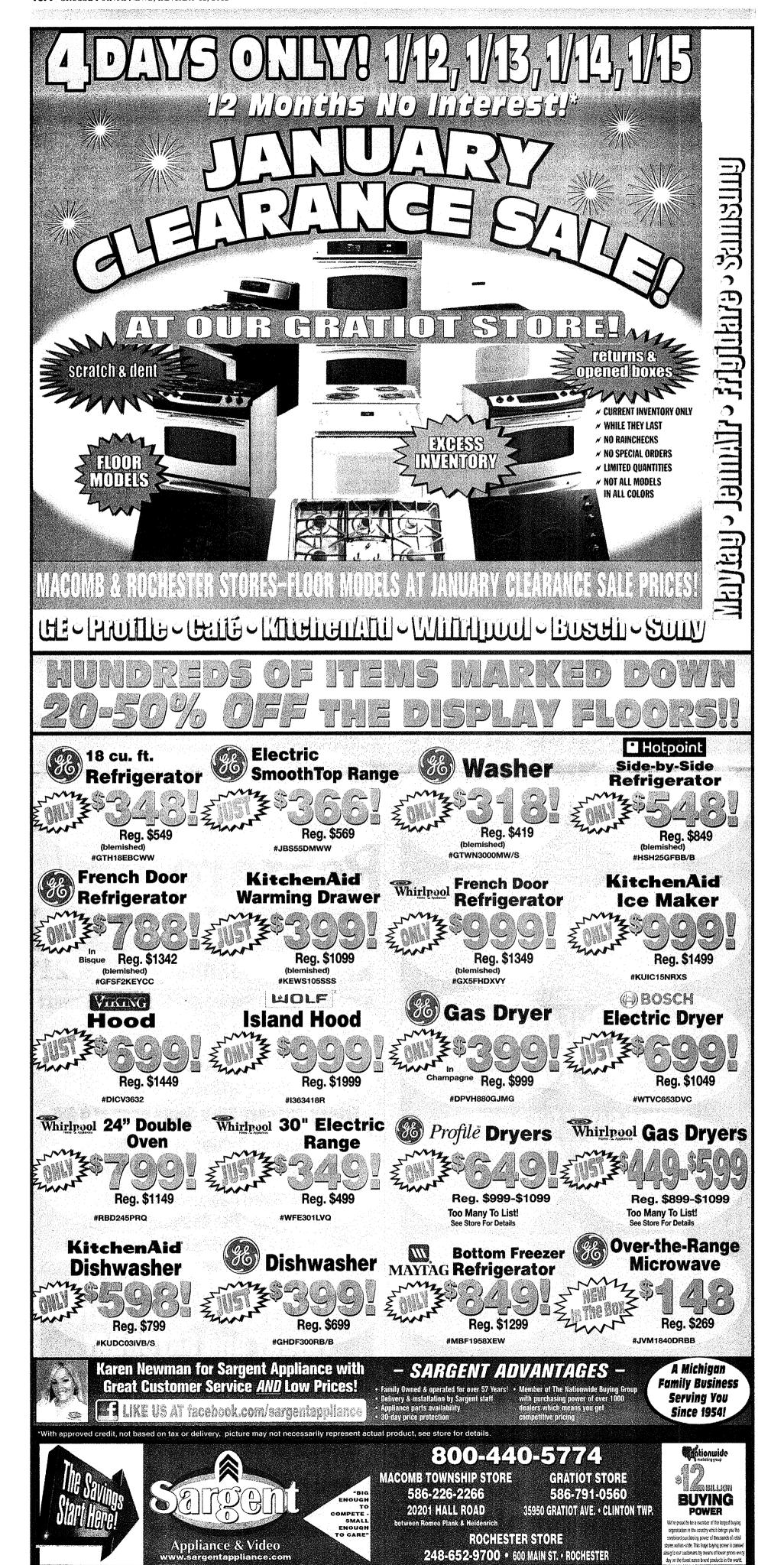
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Defer students donate pennies for power

By A.J. Hakim Staff Writer

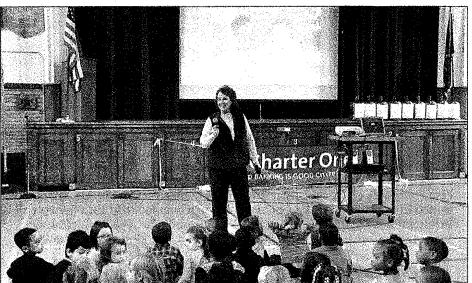
For a second consecuyear, Defer Elementary School students are turning pennies into power this winter, providing emergency utility assistance to Michigan families struggling to pay energy bills.

They are one of eight Metro Detroit elementary and middle schools participating in The Heat and Warmth Fund's schoolbased fundraising and education campaign, "Pennies for Power."

The campaign is in partnership Michigan First Credit Union and WWJ Newsradio 950. It started Dec. 1 and runs through Jan. 20, with each participating school given a week to raise as much money possible in pennies and other coins.

Defer started Monday, Jan. 9 and ends Friday, Jan. 13.

According to THAW, whichever classroom raises the most money at each school receives a pizza party from the nonprofit organization and presents its donation during the 9th annual WWJ Newsradio 950 Winter Survival Radiothon at The Henry Ford in Dearborn. That's the only competition among Defer students, as principal Karen hundred or two, that each classroom's penny



than recognition and re-

year participating and we raised a little over \$1,000 and I was totally amazed," Sullivan said. "I really

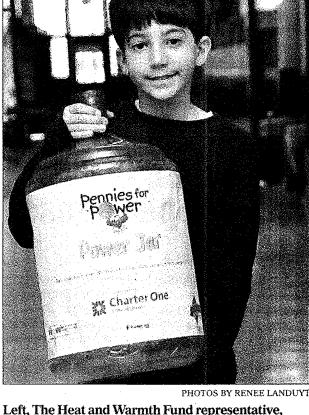
munity support rather because they totally blow sembly on conservation me away."

"Last year was our first campaign, THAW representative and energy edufrom Training, Chris Sims, visited Defer Monday and thought if we had raised a provided glass jugs for

training and energy -In anticipation of the how to conserve it, how to use it and where it comes from.

Defer's art department, along with fifth-grade art students, also created a large poster promoting the fundraiser.

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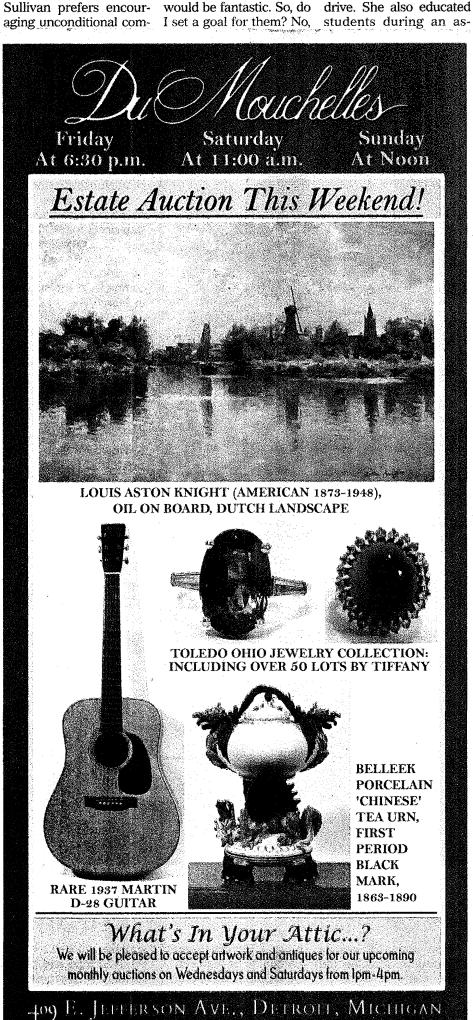


Left, The Heat and Warmth Fund representative, Chris Sims, educates students about energy. Above left, "Pennies for Power" poster designed by Defer Elementary School fifth-grade art students and the art department.

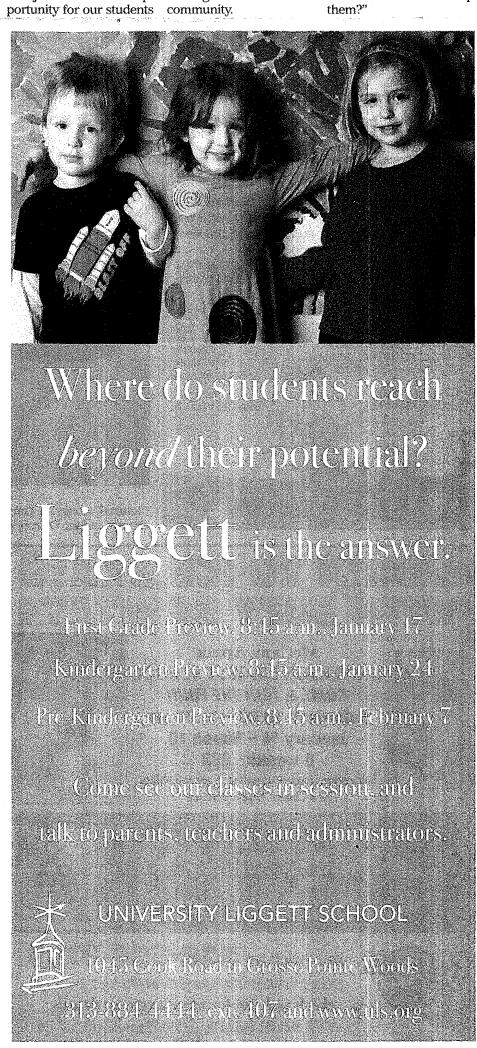
Above, Alex Curcuru shows off the glass jugs each classroom uses for donations.

at Defer to help other students here in the Detroit about how fortunate all of area, who may not be as fortunate as them, to be in a warm house every night and is warm, and how forand to have electricity to read by," Sullivan said. "My real belief here is, it's a chance for kids to do something good for other kids right here in our own

"I really talk to the kids us are to come to a school every day that has lights tunate we are to come home every night to that same situation. There are some kids that don't have that. And can we reach from within to help



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Visual arts curriculum updates await board approval

By A.J. Hakim Staff Writer

Pointe schools art depart- the late 1990s. The addiment updated the district's current sixth- to ing graphic design, aptwelfth-grade visual arts curriculum, conforming to the philosophical shift in curriculum and inchanges in state-mandated art content standards.

Six new courses — Art Now and Advanced sign photography, 2D Buksar-Cecil,

schools, and graphic de- Szmrecsanyi, Robert state-mandated content schools, they thought philosophy, the commitsign in middle schools were added as well since tions, the most recent bepeal to students' growing interest in the graphic arts field.

Rose, one of nine curriculum committee members who started their review Placement studio art in 2009. Other members classes in drawing, 2D de- include: Kit Aro, Micki Susan communication design, Forrest, Keith Howell, design in high Peter Signorello, Thomas

Thies and Natalie Zoufal.

"It was a seven-period Members of the Grosse the district's last review in day then," Rose continued. "Now in a six-period been abandoned. Sixthgrade art is an elective; it's not even mandatory keep up with what's currently out there."

The current philosophical direction consists of emphasizing the connectivity between curricu-

ness of curriculum and instruction differs from the have any understanding previous Discipline Base of basic composition day, prerequisites have Art Education format of art production, art aesthetics, art criticism and art history, in that it offers as it was. We're trying to a more comprehensive "When I was here in appeal to a child who and purposeful use of the struction and recent 1986, so much has might pursue graphics four main components, time they get to the high revised to include producchanged," said Margaret design later on as a career while blending curricuchoice, so we're trying to lum and content standards and aligning course

> "A lot of kids would get some sort of computer background, but by the lum, instruction and time they got to the high

the district.

standards. The cohesive- they knew everything about that, and would not skills, analysis and physical design," Rose said. "So, we're trying to frontload a lot of the information to the students at the middle schools, so by the well-rounded.

"It's the basic foundaexpectations throughout tion. It's not just computer graphics. It's graphics design with computer graphics as well."

Aside from additional courses and changes in

tee also incorporated various new strands, or consistent threads working through each course offering, responding to the high schools' Michigan visual, performing and applied arts credit guidelines. Middle and high school courses were also schools, it's been more tion and aesthetic questioning inherent in art instruction and curriculum.

> The updates now await Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education approval, likely at the board's Jan. 23 meeting.

Catholic schools to host open houses

St. Paul on the Lake

For students and parents interested in St. Paul on the Lake Catholic School, the school is hosting an open house from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 29.

School programs include: three and four-year-olds, young fives, all-day and transitional kindergarten and grades one through eight.

For more information, contact the school at (313) 885-3430 or online at stpaulonthelake.com.

Star of the Sea

Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic School is hosting an open house for prospective students and parents from 12 to 2:30 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 29.

Faculty, staff and current parents and students are conducting tours through the school, which consists of pre-school for three, four and young five-year-olds, kindergarten and grades one to eight.

For more information, contact the school office at 884-1070 (313)online starschoolgrossepointe.org.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Lisa Poszywak, left, poses alongside family members, some of whom are represented in the painting, taken from a photo of a boat tour during a family outing in Saugatuck. Pictured, from left, are Poszywak; Walter Poszywak (father); Vince Licata (uncle); Barbara Licata (aunt); and Kim Donoghue (cousin).

Liggett hosts visiting artist

Poszywak's three main play at University Liggett uate from the College for art series — Occurences, School's Manoogian Arts Leavings and Plastic Winggallery.

Samplings from Lisa Party Cup — are on dis-

Poszywak, a 2009 grad-Creative Studies, is the visiting artist series; her work exhibited during school hours Monday, Jan. 9 through Friday, Jan. 27.

Poszywak's inspiration stems from personal and social relationships and interactions, reflections upon regular situations and objects she deems strange and complex. Her art, mostly oil paintings, employs a narrative style detailing that social relationship or interaction.

Recent exhibitions include: Center Galleries in Detroit; Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center in Birmingham; Pittman-Puckett Gallery in Ferndale; and a permanent collection at Motor City Casino in Detroit.

For more information, contact Liggett's art instructor Jim Pujdowski at fourth artist in Liggett's jpujdowski@uls.org.

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PHOTO COURTESY OF MARY ANNE BRUSH Pictured, alongside geography bee moderator Michael Cowan, school-level champion Sam Durno, right, and runner-up Alexander Minanov.

Grosse Pointe Academy seventh-grader Durno won the school-level competition of the National Geographic Society's 24th annual National Geographic Bee, outlasting eighth-grader Alexander Minanov in the championship round.

Durno advances to the qualifying test stage, one step closer to the top prize - a \$25,000 college scholarship. If selected among the 100 top scorers, he competes at the state bee in March, followed by the national bee in May.

Academy students qualified for the school-level bee by completing a written test. The school's top 10 scorers advanced, answering questions orally.

Other finalists include: sixth-graders Ian Homsy, Karina Minanov and Tristan Shogren, and eighth-graders Rachel Lannen, C.J. Lemanski, James Raudabaugh, Jack Sheeren and Robert Whitaker.



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Event kicks off auction



Pictured, from left, auction honorary chairmen Lew and Happy Echlin, of Grosse Pointe Farms, and patron chairmen Teresa and Alex Lucido, of Grosse Pointe

Lake Catholic School's at the Detroit Yacht Club. wine-tasting event at the Country Club of Detroit.

the school's "St. Paul's materials and classroom 885-3430.

Proceeds from the auction benefit the school by The event jump-starts purchasing instructional

More than 150 people Today ... Heaven Forever" supplies, as well as fundattended St. Paul on the Auction, to be held Feb. 3, ing field trips and professional development and enrichment programs.

> For more information, call the school at (313)

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.

Rosemary Barker

Grosse Pointe Farms Rosemary resident Barker, nee Schultz, died Friday, Dec. 30, 2011, with her husband and children by her side. She was 73.

She was born Oct. 30, 1938, in Detroit, to Arthur Joseph and Marie (nee Sachs) Schultz. She attended the Academy of the Sacred Heart and graduated from Grosse Pointe High School in 1956. She attended Marjorie Webster College and Michigan State University.

Mrs. Barker is survived by her beloved husband, James S. Barker; her children, Debbie (Walker) Bagby, Kim (Gerry) Sherer and Bayard King (Cindy); grandchildren, Bayard, Katie, Aidan, Gerry, Ryan, Walker and Sydney and stepchildren, Robert (Pam) Barker and Desiree Barker.

She was predeceased by her parents and her brother, William Arthur Schultz.

Mrs. Barker was a caring wife, mother, grandmother and friend. She loved spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren. She enjoyed travel and spending winter months in Florida and summer time in Northern Michigan. She was a member of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club. the Bay View Yacht Club and League.

Her family said Mrs. Barker's name embodied her character. "Rosie" withstood a number of made to The Michael J. Grosse Pointe Chamber life's curve balls and al- Fox Foundation for Music Society and was a Detroit, where she earned ways seemed to find her Parkinson's Research, soloist with the Grosse both bachelor's and masfaith and happiness. Attn: Tribute Gifts, Pointe Symphony Or-Everything was sunny- Church Street Station, side up. She will be deeply missed.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Jan. 4 at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Donations may be made to St. John Health Foundation, Hospice, P.O. Box 673271, Detroit, MI 48267-3271 and the Vera Bradley Foundation for Breast Cancer, P.O. Box 80201, Fort Wayne, IN 46898.

George E. Bosch

George Edward Bosch, 91, died Tuesday, Dec. 20, 2011, at his residence in Warren.

He was born Oct. 7, 1920, in New York City to Sarah and Peter Bosch. The family moved to the Detroit area when he was 12 and settled in Grosse Pointe Farms. He graduated from Grosse Pointe High School in 1939, then spent about a year living in Mexico City with relatives. He then attended University Michigan for two years, studying electrical engineering, before being drafted into the army during World War II. The army sent him to Harvard University to study Chinese, but a change in U.S. foreign policy landed him in the infantry. He was sent to the European Theater, where he survived various combat missions, including the Battle of the Bulge.

Europe, Mr. Bosch mar- Detroit ried Kathleen "Kay" Day Daughters of Dayton, Ohio, in January 1947. The couple moved to Cincinnati for several years, before returning to the Detroit area. For more than 46 vived by her children, years they were members George (Jill) Lackey, Joe

of St. Clare of Montefalco parish, where their five children attended grade school.

Mr. Bosch used his technical training in a career in sales engineering, often as a manufacturer's representative. He sold electrical, hydraulic and cable equipment throughout the Midwest and beyond. Two of the area companies he worked for were Mackworth G. Rees and Wateredge Uniflex. During his career, he received patents for two inventions.

A creative person, his avocation was creating art work of many types. Mr. Bosch worked in various media such as glass mosaic, yarn and felt, wood, and a variety of everyday, even mundane, objects. He also enjoyed traveling with his wife throughout the United States, Mexico and Europe. In 2004, the couple moved to Sterling Heights, where they lived until his wife's passing in 2009. He then lived in Warren until his death.

Mr. Bosch is survived by his children, Gigi (Bob) Gates, Sue (Jim Swift), Gary (Kathy), Greg, and Tom (Elizabeth). He also is survived by grandchildren, Amy (Josh) Smift, Michelle Swift, Bridget (Jake) Cooley and Peter Bosch; and great-granddaughter, Juniper Smift.

He was predeceased by his wife and parents.

A funeral Mass was celthe Assistance ebrated Dec. 29 at St. Clare of Montefalco Church in Grosse Pointe

Donations may be P.O. Box 780, New York, NY 10008-0780.

Jean Johnson Lackey

Former Grosse Pointe Farms resident Jean Johnson Lackey, 84, died peacefully Thursday, Dec. 8, 2011, in her home in Scottsdale, Ariz.

She was born June 14, 1927, in Detroit to K.K. and Christina Johnson and graduated from the University of Michigan in 1950 with a Bachelor of Science degree in journalism. While attending U-M, she was the managing editor of the Michigan yearbook. She was also a member of the sorority Delta Gamma.

She worked several years as a journalist for Ford Motor Co. She also worked as a freelance photographer for the Associated Press.

Mrs. Lackey was a gifted artist who showed her paintings in galleries across the United States. She loved a competitive game of bridge and had life master bridge points. She had a strong passion for knitting and spent lots of time knitting caps for soldiers overseas and blankets for the homeless. In her younger years, she was named club champion at The Country Club of Detroit for both bowling and golf. She also enjoyed croquet.

She was a member at After his return from The Country Club of and The of the American Revolution. In her earlier days, she was a member of Ibex and the Detroit Press Club.

Mrs. Lackey is sur-

(Stacy) Lackey and Anne (John) Albright; grandchildren, Robbie Albright, Sarah Lackey, Helen Lackey and Ava Lackey.

A memorial service was held in Scottsdale.

Donations may be made to College for Creative Studies, in memory of Jean Johnson Lackey, 201 East Kerby, Detroit, MI 48202.

Arlene Roy Hendrie

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Arlene Roy Hendrie, 82, died peacefully Monday, Jan. 2, 2012, at Sunrise on Vernier surrounded by her family.

She was the daughter of Mary A. Earle and Ross Roy, founder of Ross Roy Inc. advertising agency, and wife of John A. "Jack" Hendrie, Detroit advertising executive and notable Great Lakes sailboat and iceboat racer.

Mrs. Hendrie was an accomplished concert pianist who began piano studies at 8 and performed her first piano recital at 12.

Mrs. Hendrie graduated from Sacred Heart Convent in Grosse Pointe Farms. She studied piano at the New England Conservatory of Music in Boston and obtained her Bachelor of Arts degree from the Detroit Conservatory of Music. She was a member of and performed for Morning Music Club, Tuesday Musicale of Detroit, chestra. She also performed many piano duets with her daughter, Sara, and her mother.

Mrs. Hendrie's other affiliations included the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Detroit Historical Society, Detroit Zoological Society, Milk Fund Charities and the Grosse Pointe Symphony Orchestra, where she served as a director. She was a member of the Country Club of Detroit and the

Grosse Pointe Club. Mrs. Hendrie loved playing tennis with her family at the "Little Club" and loved watching her children and grandchildren play. She was an outstanding writer and an avid walker and reader. She was known affectionately as the "Trash Angel' of Grosse Pointe for her efforts picking up litter on her daily walks. She was often seen on Grosse Pointe Boulevard and Fisher Road with her plastic bag in hand. She was proud to receive two beautification awards from the city of Grosse Pointe Farms.

Mrs. Hendrie is survived by her daughters, Susan Elizabeth (Arthur) Rohde Sara Alexandra and (David) Sessions; sons, Alexander John (Barbara), David William (Susan) and Philip Roy (Leslie); grandchildren, John A. Hendrie III, Steven Hendrie, Julie Hendrie, Jeffrey Hendrie, A.J. Rohde, Michael Rohde, Carolyn Rohde, Stephen Sessions, Rob Sessions, Billy Sessions, P.J. Hendrie, Jake Hendrie, Joey Hendrie and greatgrandchildren, L.J. Hendrie, Colin Hendrie, Charlotte Rohde and Kylie Hendrie.

She also is survived by her half-brothers. Rex R. Roy and Ross R. Roy.



Rosemary Barker



Arlene Roy Hendrie

Mrs. Hendrie was predeceased by her husband; daughter, Mary Arlene Hendrie; parents; brothers, Robert R. Roy and John H. Roy and a stepbrother, Henry Earle III.

A funeral service was held Jan. 5 at the Elmwood Cemetery chapel in

Donations may be made to the Grosse Pointe Symphony Orchestra, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

Elizabeth M. Klostermeyer

Elizabeth Maureen Klostermeyer, 70, died peacefully Friday, Dec. 30, 2011, in Lincolnshire, Ill. She was born May 10, 1941, in Detroit, to Ross and Mary Van Blaricom.

Known as Maureen to friends and family, she attended St. Martin on the Lake High School in Detroit where she developed many life-long friends. She also attended Marygrove College in ter's degrees in education.

She taught school in the 1960s, working at St. Martin and then at Queen of Peace in Harper Woods until she began a family in 1969. She continued to substitute teach and, after the death of her husband, went back to school to become a paralegal working Dykema Gossett for PLLC in Detroit.

Mrs. Klostermeyer was a devoted mother, wife, grandmother, godmother, sister and aunt. She will be sadly missed by her children, Stephen H. (Cristina) Klostermeyer John Heinrich and (Tracy) Klostermeyer. She was the proud grandmother Olivia, of Katherine, Thomas, Jane and Clara.

She was predeceased by her husband, Herbert Heinrich Klostermeyer.

A funeral service was held Jan. 7 at A.H. Peters Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Donations may be made to the American Diabetes Association, P.O. Box 11454, Alexandria, VA 22312.

Marilyn M. Schervish

Marilyn M. Schervish died peacefully Sunday, Jan. 8, 2012, at home surrounded by her family and close friends.

She was born in Toledo, Ohio, to Chuck and Kay Ammer, and graduated from St. Irsula Academy and attended the University of Toledo. Her family moved to Detroit when she was in her late teens. She worked in retail until she met Herb Schervish whom she married July 1, 1966.

Mrs. Schervish is survived by her husband; children, Liz (Larry)



George E. Bosch



Elizabeth Maureen Klostermeyer

Bsharah of Grosse Pointe; Bill of New York City, Chuck (Melissa) of Grosse Pointe and Katie (fiancé John Biernat) of Harper Woods; grandchildren, Nick, Tommy and Katherine Bsharah and C.J., Ella, and Allie Schervish.

She also is survived by her sisters, Carolyn Abdella and Marcheta Hancock and brother, Chuck Ammer.

After raising her family, Mrs. Schervish worked in a physician's office and devoted her free time as a volunteer for The Divine Mercy Center. She enjoyed tennis, gardening, cooking, socializing with friends and making others laugh. She will be deeply missed.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Jan. 11 at St. Peter The Apostle Church in Harper Woods.

Donations may be made to The Divine Mercy Center, 16103 Chesterfield Ave., Eastpointe, MI 48021 or to St. Peter The Apostle Church, 19851 Anita, Harper Woods, MI 48225.

Sharon Sweenv Snyder

Grosse Pointe Farms and Bay View resident Sharon Sweeny 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. Sweeny Jr. M.D. and Mary Margaret Barnes Sweeny. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Wellesley College in Massachusetts and a Master of Arts 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



Jean Johnson Lackey



Marilyn M. Schervish



Sharon Sweeny Snyder

Chapin School in New York City.

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

Mrs. Snyder was directress 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, Biblio-philes, Grand Marais Questers, Grosse Pointe Historical Society, Christ Church Grosse Pointe Chorale and Grosse Pointe Farm and Garden Club. She also was president of the Marv Thompson Foundation.

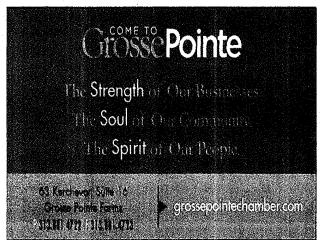
Mrs. Snyder is survived by her husband, John Stewart Snyder; daughter, Martha Sweeny Snyder; son, James Stewart Snyder; sisters, Sheila Sweeny and Sara Sweeny and brother, Donald N. Sweeny III.

A memorial service was held Jan. 7 at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 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 Sweeny** Lecture Endowment, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

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Air Force Airman Ralphael L. Jones graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas. A 2007 graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School, he is the son of Donelda Jones of Harper Woods.



From small to total bathroom overhaul

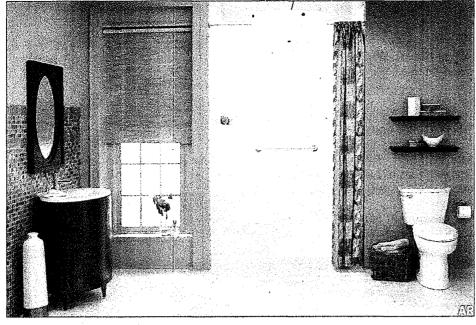
The sky is the limit when it comes to bathroom renovations, even if the budget is not.

Whether planning a few small do-it-yourself changes, or a major overhaul, here are some fresh ideas for bathroom remodeling to help build a smart, stylish and functional bathroom:

Start living large

For a small-budget fixup, replace the old spacewasting vanity with a smart open-design style that maximizes storage, while visually opening up the room.

If the project is major and you are opening the walls, replace the floormounted toilet in favor of a wall-mounted one, such as Porcher Solutions Dual Flush toilet, which stows the water tank behind the wall. The toilet is waterwise, and space-savvy. Its EverClean surface inhibits the growth of stain such as updating a bathand odor-causing bacte- room faucet and accesria, mold and mildew on sories, can still have a dra-the faucet, and splurge on fixtures that will allow the the surface.



Above, American Standard offers an easy solution for creating an accessible bathroom at home with this walk-in seated shower. Right, this water-saving Porcher Solutions Dual Flush toilet allows the choice of 1.6 or 0.8 gallons per flush, while featuring wall-mounted installation that stores the water tank behind the wall.

Focus on the faucet

change on a small budget,

of the room. Faucets with towels and rugs. Making a simple a Speed Connect drain can be installed in minutes. Change light fixtures

Think accessible

A bathroom remodel is and drawer pulls to match a great time to invest in matic impact on the style some updated colors for household to remain inde-



pendent in the house during illness, aging or other unforeseen events. The taller, Right Height toilet is a luxurious comfort. If the bathtub is hardly. used, it can be easily replaced with an acrylic seated-safety shower unit that slides into the exist-

ing tub recess.

Go green to save green

Choose toilets, faucets and showerheads that carry the Environmental Protection Agency's WaterSense certification

Secrets for seasonal home styling

ambience in your home awhile," said Henderson. this winter.

Emily HGTV "Design Star" win- can transform into a magner and host of "Secrets From A Stylist," shares tion." her tips for creating a winter wonderland at home.

"Whether hosting holiday festivities or an afternoon of winter fun, it can be easy to create an atmosphere that encour- mer. Welcome guests in-

ical, memorable destina-

Here she shares her tips for creating a winter wonderland:

1) Keep it fresh. Fresh fresh flowers are to sum-

with a ribbon for a classic, "With just a few small polished look. Instigate Henderson, changes, ordinary spaces fun with family and friends with fresh mistle-

> Or infuse spaces with the scents of the season using scented candles and oil diffusers.

2) Make little changes home greenery is to winter what for a big impact. Changing out accent pieces, such as pillows ages friends and family to doors and out by hanging and throws, is a simple

Create a warm, inviting relax, unwind and stay wreaths in the window and affordable way to transform a space.

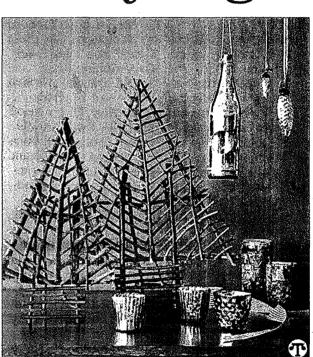
Pieces such as a seasonal needlepoint pillow cover that's mixed and matched with solids, add color and can make a bold statement.

3) Make it personal. Create a unique, inviting with monogrammed items.

Add initials to tablecloths, napkins and table runners to create an everyday gathering place that will be enjoyed all winter. Personalize throws and accent pillows for a living room that's one of a kind.

4) Dial up the warmth. Incorporate soft, plush textures to add warmth to any room. Velvet offers

See SECRETS, page 5A II can add a sense of warmth to the house.



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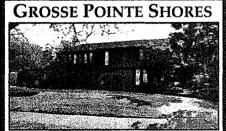
Here are easy ideas:

◆ Make a snowball lamp by day and watch it a glow by night.

Make 40 to 50 firm snowballs in the front yard. Place 12 to 14 snowballs together in a ring shape. Place a votive or pillar candle in the middle of the ring. Add a second ring of 10 to 12 snowballs on top of the first. Continue making each ring slightly smaller until you run out of snowballs. Leave an opening at the top. At sunset, an adult can light the candle. Sip big mugs of hot chocolate as you enjoy the creation.

Note: An adult should be present when a candle is burning. ◆ Groundhog Day is Feb. 2. Folklore has it that the groundhog comes up from his hole looking for his shadow. If he sees it, bad weather is ahead. If there is no shadow, spring is on the way. The celebration is an excuse for shadow fun, such as playing shadow tag with one another.

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begins with "sneak-a- tile fireplaces and handpeek" from 11 a.m. t o 4 carved wood and plaster p.m. Saturday, Feb. 11, throughout the house and and Sunday, Feb. 12, before the May touring dates. Sneak-a-peek admission is \$3 or \$5 for area, with items for sale. two people. Tickets are available at the door.

Local designers, builders and decorators will decorate the house wireless technology, preand its gardens for the viously unavailable or impublic tours, Saturday, practical for holder May 5, through Sunday, homes. May 20.

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dilemma

A couple of days

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— Jolanda, via e-mail 🧠

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By Samantha Mazzotta

The 10,000 plus square- the home of Oscar historic features will offer house features seven bedrooms, a third floor balla view of Lake St. Clair. It also features a boutique and greenery garden

> The first time the house was on tour was in 1994.

In 2012, designers will focus on state-of-the-art

'We are thrilled to be The 10,304 square foot able to showcase this house was built in 1928 as beautiful home again. Its

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foot house at 22 Weber Webber, Joseph L. an elegant backdrop for designers," said JLD president Ann Turnbull.

Advance tickets cost The public can see the room, 11 Pewabic tile \$15 or \$20 at the door. house before design work bathrooms, six Pewabic Group tour specials are available. Tickets can be purchased by calling the JLD office at (313) 881-0040 or ildetroit.org.

Held every other year since 1976, the designers' show house is the organization's most significant fundraiser.

Proceeds from the 2012 Designers' Show House support the group's family and educational programming in Detroit and provides funding for the organization's community assistance grants.



Continued from page 4A II

luxury, while wool and knit items create a comfortable, "homey" feel. Choose classic patterns, such as the navy and white stripe of the Lands' End Mariner Knit Throw, to serve as a building block for other seasonal

5) Create a focal point. Spruce up the hearth. Give holiday greenery new life by changing out bows and adding new wintry accents. Swap stockings with rustic items, such as birch bark candles and pine tree silhouettes crafted out of wood.

6) Don't put those orna-

Ornaments can do dou-

down, place winterthemed ornaments in shapes such snowflakes, leaves or mittens around the house as decorative accents.

made from materials such as pewter or antiqued "mercury glass" for a timeless look.

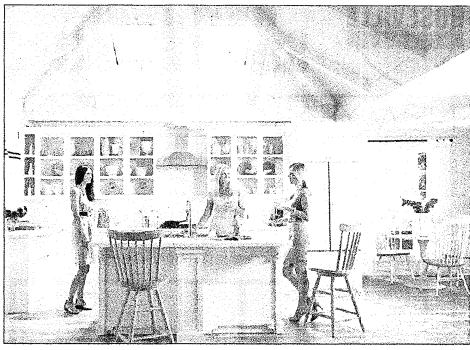
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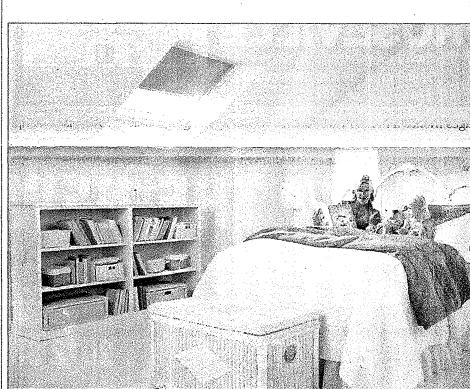
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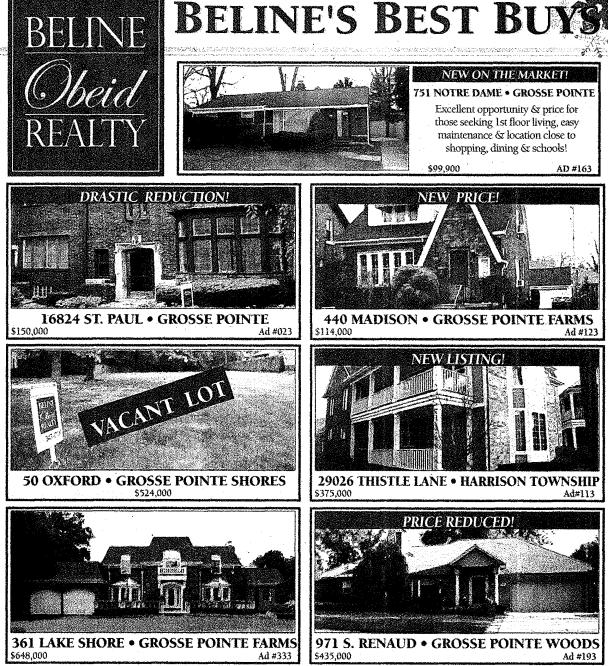
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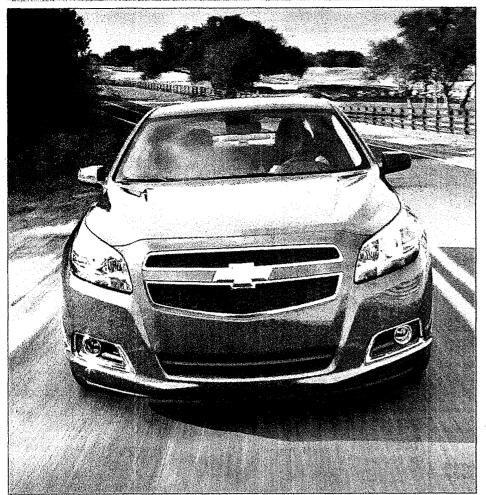


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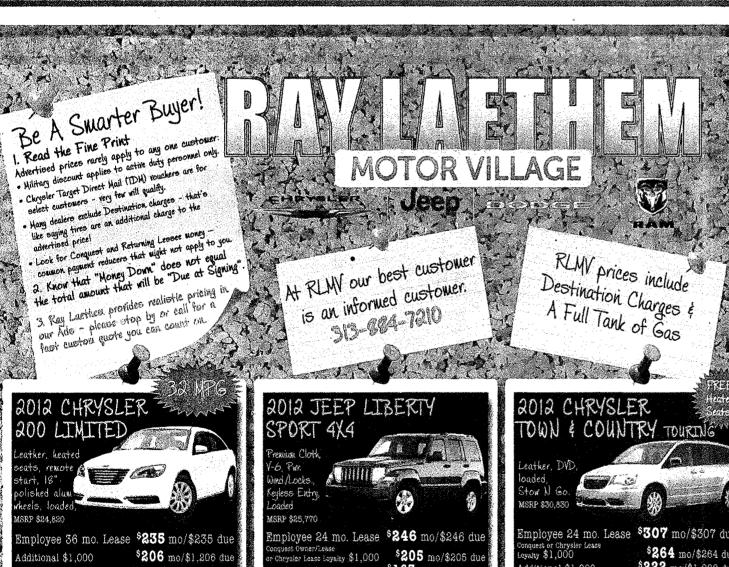
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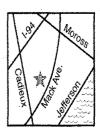
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For bargain hunters and for the do-it-yourselfers, Habitat for Humanity's **ReStore** is now open on Mack near Cadieux.

Restoring the house





PHOTOS BY ANN L. FOUTY

By Ann L. Fouty Features Editor

Environmentally-conscious Grosse Pointers will be happy to know a Habitat for Humanity ReStore is open right next door.

The newest ReStore location is in an 8,500-square-foot site at 17081 Mack, Detroit, near Cadieux, and is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Located in two buildings, it is housed in the former Bob Maxey Lincoln Mercury used car lot.

The dealership's principal, Mike Maxey, said he consolidated the used car lot with the dealership's main facility and sought a tenant to fill the vacant buildings.

"I spent a good year looking for the right tenant. Habitat is the perfect fit," he said. "Recycling needs that avenue and (items) are economically priced."

Vincent Tilford agrees the nonprofit organization has found the right spot.

Tilford, the executive director for Habitat for Humanity Detroit, said, "We are located near customers who have donated household items not useful to them and

Top, Clifford Jarrell and Reginald Poole move used sofas into the new showroom. Left, Habitat for Humanity Detroit ReStore at 17081 Mack, Detroit, is open for business.

rather than filling up a landfill, they give to Habitat."

The donations are three-fold the decision is environmentally sound; it is good for the community; and the donor receives a tax credit for the donation, he said.

Visitors to the ReStore will find new softer items in the front building, said Steve Yakush, the ReStore's director. And the second building is filled with used furniture, kitchen cabinets, remodeling materials, new Pittsburgh paints, painting accessories, area rugs and mattresses.

The store stocks bathroom fixtures, garbage disposals, lamps, new formica counter tops, ceramic tile and carpet squares, with new merchandise arriving daily.

"It's all new," Yakush said of the merchandise. "There's a great variety. It's cheaper than the big box store. Trucks are coming in daily."

Items come from private donations, builder overstocks, manufacturer closeouts, remodeling contractors, retailer odds and ends. wholesaler overstocks and liquida-

The store also offers ReCap appliances, such as stoves and refrigerators, which have undergone a 48-point inspection check by ReStore staff. A six-month warranty is offered on the appliances.

"We replace or service and clean

See RESTORE, page 6B



Jardinieres

The La Societe des Thursday, Jan. 12, at the and trinkets fundraiser. Sharon DeHaven. Members should bring items to auction.

Co-hostesses are Jean and Jill Forton, who provide lunch.

meeting, the club made a noon Monday, Jan. 16, at donation to the Salvation

Questers

The Grosse Pointe Questers meet at 9:30

topic is "Ladies of the State University and Lakes," presented by Jardinieres meet at noon Karen Joslyn. The meeting is hosted by Jane house of Jill Forton for the Hoey and co-hostesses club's biannual treasures are Elsie MacKethan and

The Rotary Club of During the December Grosse Pointe meets at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Rotary club

Lynn Henning, Detroit News sports columnist, is the speaker. Henning joined the sports staff in 1979, is a Michigan native a.m. Friday, Jan. 13. The and covers Michigan

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and Red Wings.

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

Grosse Pointe cellist Judith Vander Weg and three friends from the University of Texas San Antonio perform.

Tickets cost \$12 and can be purchased at the

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

Spirit of Women

The movie "The Help" can be seen Wednesday, Jan. 18, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The evening for women begins with heavy hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar at 6 p.m. and the 146minute movie is at 7 p.m. Free popcorn is available. A Beaumont Hospital Grosse Pointe health expert introduces the movie.

The cost is \$12 and to register call (313) 881-

This PG-13 movie and two more are sponsored by Beaumont Hospital Grosse Pointe, the War Memorial and the Grosse Pointe Public Library.

The second movie, "Julie & Julia," is shown Wednesday, Feb. 15, and the third is "Calendar Girls" on Wednesday, March 21.

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From 2 to 4 p.m. staff from St. John Hospital and Medical Center Physical Rehabilitation Services provide free balance and fall prevention

screenings. Make a screening appointment by calling (313) 885-8063 before Jan. 18.

Woman's club

The Grosse Pointe Woman's Club meets at noon Wednesday, Jan. 18, in the Crystal Ballroom of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The program is "Come Visit Chaiten Volcano in Chile" with speaker Karen Dionne, an author of two suspense thrillers.

Guest reservations can be made by calling Sue Plath at (313) 884-5081 by Saturday, Jan. 14.

For more information. call Pam Zimmer at (313) 882-9087.

Men's garden club

The Men's Garden Club of Grosse Pointe meets at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 19, in the cafeteria of Brownell Middle School, 240 Chalfonte, Grosse

topic is "Belle Isle: The

Pointe Farms. Speaker Lori Feret's

The public can attend. Admission is free.

Jewel of Detroit." She has

been involved with the

Friends of Belle Isle since

Community chorus

The Grosse Pointe Community Chorus is accepting members from Tuesday, Jan. 17 through Feb. 7 to sing in the May 20 concert, "Dancing Through the Decades." Registration begins at 7 p.m.

No auditions are necessary and rehearsals are from 7:30 to 9 p.m. in the Grosse Pointe North High School choral room. Dues are \$35.

The chorus is rehearsing for its 60th anniversary spring concert and is under the direction of Joseph Palazzolo and accompanied by Ron Pietrantoni.

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

Wigs 4 Kids

Local artist Dominic Pangborn is part of an art show and book signing fundraiser for Wigs 4 Kids at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 1, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe

He debuts his new children's book, "Follow Me." Admission is \$25 and includes a copy of

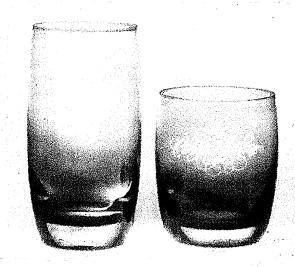
Pangborn's book. Tickets are available at wigs4kids.org.

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Panhellenic association

Members of the Detroit Alumnae Panhellenic Association met at the Royal Oak Woman's Club last month to honor the organization's new president, Lisa Porter, a Phi Mu from Michigan State University, and to donate gifts to The Children's Miracle Network. Gifts are distributed to local hospitals for young patients. Gathered at the tea, were from left, Madison Pscheidl, of Canton; Sue Auch, of Grosse Pointe Shores; Porter; and Amy Stanis, of Farmington Hills.



Five new members were recently inducted into Grosse Pointe's Louisa St. Clair

Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution. From left,

chapter regent Grace Bliss Smith and new members Martha Cimmarrusti; Carolyn

Candler, Mary Drummy, Barbara Caputo and PJ Steeby. The chapter celebrates its

119th birthday Saturday, Jan. 21, with a luncheon and program at the Grosse Pointe

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ASK THE EXPERTS By Mary Beth Garvey

How busy is too busy for a child?



This is the second of a two-part series on children's schedules

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

The current think-A. ing is more is better and the busiest families have been held up as the model for success in our achievement-oriented culture. Parents want

what is best for their children and are trying to promote healthy development and a sense of accomplishment by providing so many opportunities for success. But the demands on children, and their schedules, have be-

come excessive. Life for most families has become so busy many parents have not stopped to reflect on whether this "busyness" makes any sense or is meeting the needs they hoped. Children are going from one activity to another with little consideration given to the value of family time or solitude. Studies indicate families are spending less time together, while children are reporting they would like to have more time with their parents.

It is important to prepare our children for success in this competitive climate, but it may be time to revisit how to best

. **SAVE the DATE**

The documentary film "The Race to Nowhere - The Dark Side of America's Achievement Culture" 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 24 Grosse Pointe South High School

Admission: \$5

NOTE: This presentation is designed for adults and open to high school students accompanied by their parent.

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prepare them.

Though simplistic, protecting family time is critical to that end.

Children need time and space for refueling, reflection and creating. They need attention, affection, guidance, discipline and conversation. Children need laughter, playtime,

affection and touch. And they need a responsible, caring adult to know and love them intimately and to be actively engaged in their development.

Success, self-regard, growth - all can be best developed in the context of family. We do have the responsibility to connect

our children to opportunities in the broader community, but we would be well served by looking critically at our choices and following through in a mindful, selective man-

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Donation made to St. John gym

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Gretchen Valade donated \$500,000 to St. Hospital John and Medical Center for its bone and joint gym, education center and day spa in memory of her friend, Michael C. Burke.

"St. John Hospital is a cause close to my heart and I am happy to make a gift that will benefit many patients in the area," Valade said.

The new bone and joint Gretchen Valade gym provides rehabilitation for those who have had joint replacement or spinal surgery and assists them in physical therapy prior to discharge. The gym is equipped for both individual and group ther-

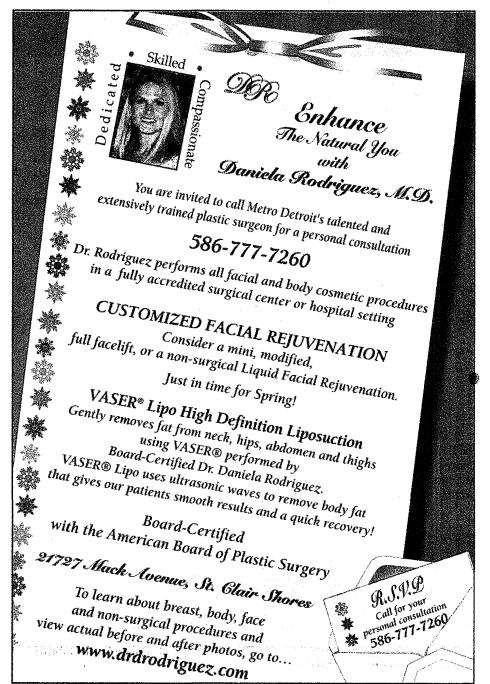


apy clinics and includes a car simulator to teach patients the proper body. mechanics of entering and exiting a vehicle post-

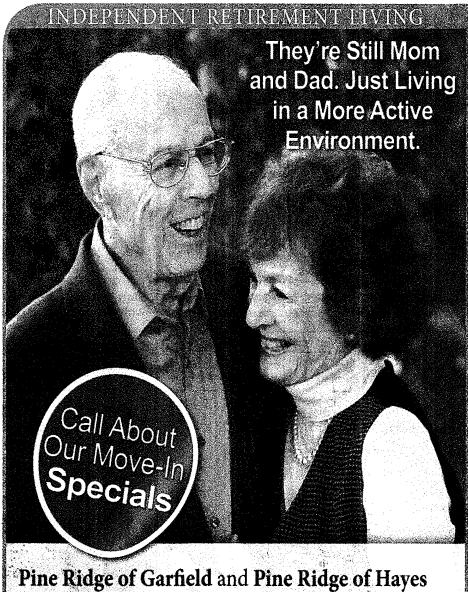
The education center is and hairstyling.

a part of the preoperative process where joint replacement and spinal surgery patients learn what to expect and plan for before a procedure. Along with their at-home coaches, patients attend classes taught by patient care staff, pharmacy, social work, therapy and home care personnel. By having the classroom on the patient floor, surgical candidates can see their post-surgical rooms and treatment areas prior to

In addition, the day spa provides holistic healing and wellness sessions for patients, including massage therapies, manicures

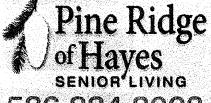






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Yesterday's Headlines



FROM THE JAN. 11, 1962, ISSUE OF THE GROSSE POINTE NEWS

Just nine months after its plush opening last April 3, flames engulfed Al Green's On The Hill. Starting early in the evening when the restaurant was catering to more than 100 diners, the blaze was probably one of the best attended in Pointe history. Crowds watched a host of firemen with all kinds of equipment battle the fire until after midnight. This is the frightful mess after the fire was extinguished.

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

50 years ago this week

◆ TWO MAJOR FIRES HIT FARMS: Thirteen pieces of fire fighting equipment and approximately 100 firemen

fought two multi-alarm fires Thursday, evening, Jan. 4, that totally destroyed a restaurant and two stores in the Farms. The combined damage to the properties was estimated at more than \$500,000.

The fires destroyed Al Green's On The Hill, 123 Kercheval; Beaupre Hardware, 366 Kercheval and Sidney Cleaners, 368 Kercheval. A restaurant employee and four firemen were overcome by smoke and another fireman suffered burns.

The fire scenes were a mile apart, and the fires occurred within 30 minutes of each other, the first time in Farms history that two major conflagrations happened almost simultaneously.

♦ STORE LOSES MERCHANDISE WORTH \$1,500:

Merchandise worth over \$1,500 was stolen from Walton Pierce Co., 17100 Kercheval. The thief or thieves entered the building, crowded with last minute New Year's shoppers, and removed 10 complete outfits just unpacked from New York.

♦ BOY ADMITS

Juvenile Court authorities against a 15-year-old Detroit boy who was apprehended Tuesday, Jan. 2, for siphoning gas from a car parked in a lot at the rear of the Pointer Bar on Mack avenue. The boy confessed to stealing automobile parts.

WHOLESALE CAR LOOTING: Farms police

filed charges with

25 years ago this week

♦ TWO PARK WOMEN ARE FIRST TO JOIN DAC: One more barrier to women in business fell last month when the Detroit Athletic Club opened its membership rolls to women. The first two known beneficiaries of the new policy are women from Grosse Pointe Park.

♦ SMOKE WON'T GET IN YOUR EYES: Grosse Pointe's smokers will be placed on the defensive as soon as local officials begin implementing Michigan's Clean Indoor Air Act, which went into effect Jan. 1.

Non-smokers must receive priority treatment, according to the new law. Government buildings, public universities, museums, auditoriums — any place where groups of people meet - must be designated as no smoking areas. In work areas occupied by both smokers and non-smokers, a separate section must be designated for those who smoke. Non-smokers must have space closest to a supply of fresh air.

> – Compiled by Karen Fontanive

What's happening

Memorial offers programs to develop the mind and body, helping shrink waistlines and expand horizons. To register for these and other programs, call (313) 881-7511.

Here what's ahead:

In the Spirit of Women - 6 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 18. The film, "The Help," hearty hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar in the Fries Ballroom, along with advice on healthy living. The cost is \$12. Advance registration is required.

Beers of the British Isles & Ireland — 7 to 9 p.m., Monday, Jan. 23. A beer tasting featuring stouts, old ales, and India pale ales. Anthony Minne leads the program that features six traditional styles of beer from England, Ireland and Scotland. The cost is \$28 and participants must be

Cooking Boot Camp -6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Monday, Jan. 23, Wednesday, Jan. 25 and Friday, Jan. 27. A three-day program designed to develop basic culinary skills needed for cooking competency. Led by chef Pam Gustairs, students prepare dishes using various techniques and discuss what's been learned. The cost is \$47 per class or \$133 for the series.

Gentle Yoga for Seniors — 2 to 3 p.m., Tuesdays, Jan. 17 - Feb. 21. Designed for seniors and less flexible beginners more than 50 years old. The program is led by Jasmin Cromwell. The cost is \$75 for six weeks; \$80 if registering on day class starts.

Mommy & Me Yoga -1 to 2 p.m., Thursdays,

The Grosse Pointe War Jan. 19 - Feb. 23. The program is led by Jasmin Cromwell. The cost is \$75 for six weeks; \$80 if registering on day class starts.

Raja Yoga Retreat: Science of the Soul — 9 a.m. to noon, Saturdays, Jan. 21 or Feb. 18. This three hour yoga retreat is designed to help practitioners step deeper into Raja or Royal yoga. Led by Roy Thibodeau, the retreat focuses on discussion of yoga philosophy, Yoga Hatha Pranayama techniques. The cost is \$53.

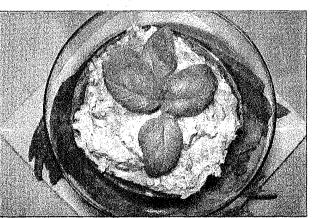
Trendy Tweens 2: **Taking Fashion** Illustration to Color! — 9 a.m. to noon, Saturdays, Jan. 14 - Feb. 11. Fashionistas ages 8-12 develop a sense of creative style, rendering new fabric - sequins, fur, beading - all on a fashion figure using markers and colored pencil. Milda Bublys leads the class. The cost is \$133 plus \$25 for materials.

Wintry Delights — 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Friday, Jan. 20. A trip to the Chelsea Teddy Bear Company for a behind the scenes look at how teddy bears are made and a chance to examine a 10foot tall teddy bear, eat at a German restaurant and visit the Plymouth ice sculpture show. The cost is \$47 and includes tour, lunch and bus transporta-

Come Dine with Us! — 6:30 a.m., Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Jan. 19 - 28. Eat in the Crystal Ballroom before seeing the Grosse Pointe Theatre production, "Jekyll & Hyde." The cost is \$17.95 for adults and \$8.95 for children.

A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

Countdown to Super Bowl 2012



Start planning the Super Bowl menu and include the white bean hummus dip.

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or the next four weeks, I'll be putting together a selection of appetizers to please your half time crowd. I'm starting with white bean hummus. This is a take on the Mediterranean spread that calls for chick peas

White bean hummus pulls its flavor from fresh basil, garlic, lemon and a hint of toasted walnuts. Yummy.

and tahini.

White Bean Hummus

2 15-oz. cans northern white beans, drained and rinsed

1/3 cup plain Greek yo-

1/3 cup packed fresh

basil leaves 1 large (or 2 medium) garlic clove, coarsely chopped

3 tablespoons tasted walnut pieces

I tablespoon fresh lemon zest

1 tablespoon plus 2 teaspoons fresh lemon

1 tablespoon olive oil, plus more for serving 1/2 teaspoon salt

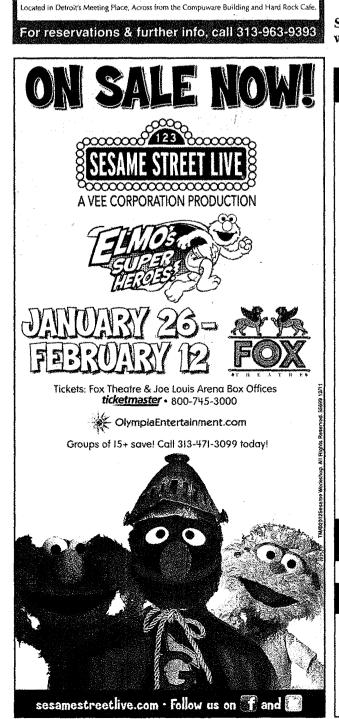
Place all ingredients in a food processor and pulse until well combined. Scrape the sides of the processor after every few pulses. Pulse until desired texture.

Serve this delicious hummus with bread sticks, crackers or as the main attraction on your veggie tray.

You'll score big with your football fans. Refrigerate until ready

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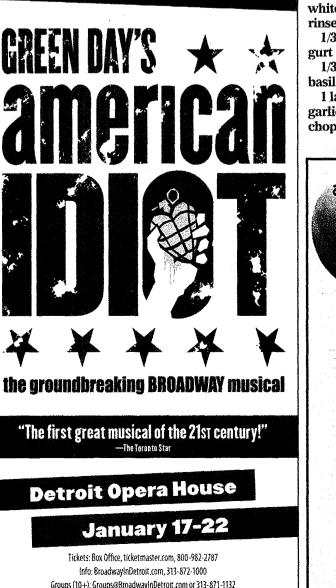
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PASTOR'S CORNER By Roger Skully

What Sabbath means

n Jewish life there is a special holiday that comes every week. It is called Shabbat or the Sabbath.

Its origins are somewhat clouded in ancient times, but by the beginning of the common era, it was a regular institution of Jewish observance. It begins Friday evening and ends with a special ceremony Saturday evening, called "Havdolah" which means to separate the secular from the holy.

The Lord enjoins his people in the Torah to observe his Sabbath.

It is a very special day of the week because on the seventh day he rested from his labors of creating the world. And so, each

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is served at 7:15 a.m. fol-

speaker, the Rev. Hoang

Lam from St. Joan of Arc

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a.m.

Jew must desist from doing labor on the seventh

The spirit of Sabbath is best expressed in a discussion of Jewish observance which my wife pointed out to me. It goes as follows:

Six days shall you be a workaholic, on the seventh day shall you join in the serene company of human beings.

Six days shall you take orders from your boss; on the seventh day shall you be master/mistress of your own life.

Six days shall you toil in the market; on the seventh day shall you detach from money matters.

Six days shall you create, drive, invent, push, drive; on the seventh day shall you reflect.

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Christ Church Grosse The Grosse Pointe Pointe Schola sings at the 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 15, evensong service.

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The service is drawn fee at the Grosse Pointe from Psalms, lessons from the Old and New Testaments and canticles.

The public can attend. ◆ An afternoon at the opera begins at 4:30 p.m. lowed at 7:45 a.m. by the Sunday, Jan. 22. A free will offering is accepted.

The church is located at The event ends at 8:15 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms.

Six days shall you be a perfect success; on the seventh day shall you remember not everything is in your power.

Six days shall you be miserable; on the seventh day shall you be on top of the world.

Six days shall you enjoy the blessings of work; on the seventh day shall you understand being is as important as doing.

I trust this will help explain what the Sabbath really means.

Amen and amen. Skully is the Downtown Synagogue cantor and is president of the Grosse Pointe Ministerial Association.

John Robert Crandall

Stefanie and Robbie

Crandall, of St. Clair Shores, are the parents of son, John Robert Crandall, born July 9,

Maternal grandparents are Ruth Sliva, of St. Clair Shores, and the late John Sliva.

Sheila and Rob Crandall, of Grosse Pointe Farms, are the paternal grandparents.

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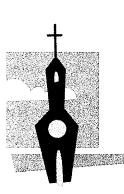
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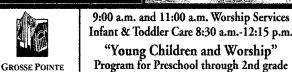
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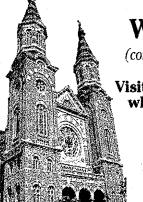
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FEATURES





Marianne Endicott and Marian Impastato, of Grosse Pointe Shores, and Rosetta Ajluni, of Bloomfield Hills at the Roostertail.

Dancin' the night away

Jump, Jive & Swing! The Flirty '40s featured 1940s-inspired cocktails, dinner, decor and the big band sounds of the Johnny Trudell Orchestra to raise money for the Josephine Ford Cancer Center and the newly-established Josephine Ford Cancer Center Endowment Fund. Joining the festivities were, above left, Bill and Happy Rands,



of the City of Grosse Pointe. Above center, Dale and Dr. Don Austin, of the City of Grosse Pointe and Millie and Bob Pastor, of Bloomfield Hills. Left, from left, Judie Sherman, of Bloomfield Hills, Tom Schoenith, of the City of Grosse Pointe. Dale Austin, of the City of Grosse Pointe, and Valerie Straith, of Bloomfield Hills, attended the event.

EXPERTS: Scheduling

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Over scheduling signs

- ♦ An increase in negative temperament characteristics, such as whining, separation anxiety or oppositional behavior.
- Complaints that scheduled activities are "boring" or resistance to attending scheduled activ-
- Changes in sleeping or eating habits, mood swings, repeated illness or a decline in academic or extra curricular performance.
- ♦ An increase in fighting or irritability, particularly around transitions.

Protecting family time

- Limit activities of family members. Have one day a week when nothing is scheduled, maintain regular mealtimes or institute family meetings or game night.
- ♦ Create family rituals which protect time. Read aloud together, have nightly bedtime conversations, make meals as a family or attend religious services.
- Maintain family routines. The repetitive nature of routines provides children comfort, predictability and a sense of control.
- ♠ Turn off the TV computer and cell phones.

♦ Work together, rather than dividing chores so that children can contribute to communal work and feel genuinely useful.

♦ Celebrate together and develop traditions that support family relationships.

Mary Beth Garvey, LM-SW is a member of the Family Center's Association of Professional Board and Program Planning Committee. She is a clinical therapist who works with children, adolescents and adults.

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RESTORE: Recycle, reuse, refurbish

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and check it before the segment of customers, he sale. It's not Energy Star certification. People respond well to the ReCap. It's half the price and the warranty gives them some assurance," he said.

Tilford said there are two kinds of customers who he anticipates frequenting the new ReStore - the low- and middleincome bracket house owners who are repairing or refurbishing and those who are being environmentally friendly by using recycled products. The Habitat, Yakush said. latter are the do-it-yourselfers who buy items, refurbish them to create the popular shabby chic look.

do it themselves, also The house owner receives first-time homeowners a tax deduction from the who furnish their home recovered materials. eclectically," Yakush said.

Store manager Reggie Poole said he anticipates mattresses, appliances, paint, painting accessories and furniture will be the best sellers at his new store.

Poole, who has been with Habitat for six years, has a background in construction and was part of Habitat's deconstruction

house owner and for The material is sold in the A ribbon or

A Habitat for Humanity crew demolishes and removes materials prior to remodeling projects done "We have people who by a private contractor."

The ReStore staff evalu-Landlords maintaining ates the material which their property are another can be salvaged against

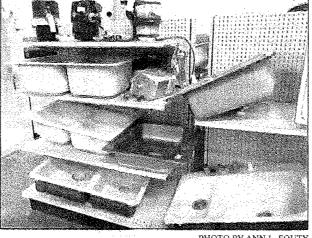


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Remodeling? The ReStore has new kitchen sinks and garbage disposals for 30 to 75 percent below retail.

the cost of the labor, trans- sion of building afford-This is a win-win for the portation and storage. able homes. support for Habitat's mis- Friday, Jan. 20.

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Small = Big.

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John Prost Show

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BOYS BASKETBALL

Williams' basket lifts North

By A.J. Hakim School Writer

A lay-up in the waning seconds of the fourth quarter capped Grosse Pointe North's boy's basketball team's 60-59, come-from-behind victory against previously unbeaten Utica High in both teams' Macomb Area Conference White division opener.

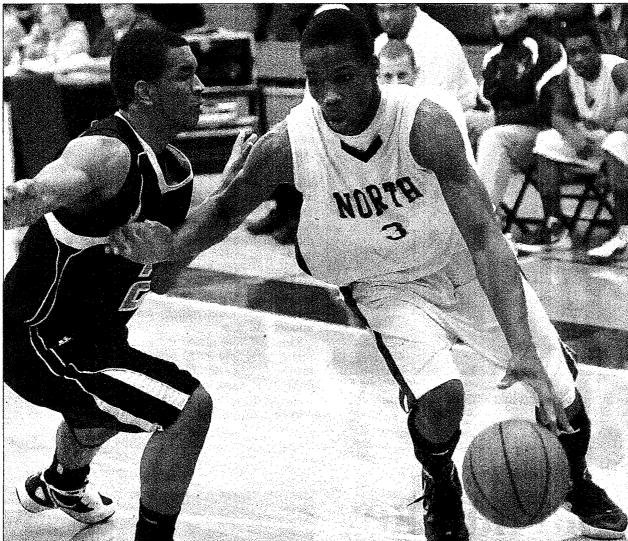
After trailing a majority of the game, North was within a point in the final 10 seconds when senior guard Jamal Williams dribbled baseline and scooped in the winning lay-up between two defenders.

The basket completed a 14-point, second-half comeback for North.

Utica senior Andrew Thompson (18 points and four rebounds) missed a contested lay-up at the

"I felt like he couldn't check me," Williams said. "Coach gave me the green light, I took him and it was over. I scored, good basket, and I just kept taking it to him. I so that's when I gave it to 59 win over Utica.

his team-high 18 points in Hollingsworth, instrumental in helping second.



seen him sagging off me, North senior Jamal Williams, right, drives to the hoop and scored the winning basket in the Norsemen's 60-

Williams scored 10 of defend against Mighael

And with Hollingsworth faded as North, re- 17-6 run. who a non-factor, Utica's of- bounding and defending had 10 rebounds and was but was held to two in the minutes, its 39-25 lead fense more efficiently, Williams early in the third quarter ended the quarter on a "Offensively, he was a MAC White.

"What we had to was the final quarter. He also scored 10 first-half points fense struggled. Within better and running its of- stop (Hollingsworth)," said.

great guy and he was good, outstanding getting to the hole and stuff. But what I did was, try my best, stopped him, we boxed out as a team, got a couple rebounds, started running our plays, moving the ball, got some open guys to shoot, knocked down a couple of 3's and got us back in the game. And I thought we just did great come the fourth quarter."

Seniors Dondre Young (16 points, 10 rebounds) and Corey Clifton (six points) and juniors Taiwan Wiggins (five points) and Clark Ditzhazy (four points) also contributed during North's comeback.

"Hard work, determination," Young said of the team's resiliency. "We fought hard, knew what we had to do coming out of the second quarter. We had to come back strong ... Basically, just determination and hard work got

us back in the game and the win. "We're 1-0 to start off, so a lot of people didn't think we were going to win, but it's 13 or 14, including our coaches of us

against everyone else. It really doesn't matter, so a win like this is just a start to a great season."

North is 3-3, 1-0 in the

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Head coach of No. 1 Knights resigns

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Liggett girls' basketball Wayne head coach resigned Gigante Tuesday, Jan. 3, to the

surprise of many. Gigante, 51-6 in his 2 1/2 years as the Knights' head coach, told Liggett Athletic Director Michelle Hicks his resignation is due to personal reasons, including as he called it, "extreme parental interference."

"I had phenomenal support from Michelle Hicks, Trey Cassidy and many other teachers and friends, but it was just the right time to step down," Gigante said. "I'm really sad to leave this program because I love coaching and stepping into the gym with my players, but it's not worth it to have such parental interference get-

"I did not want to leave. I thought about this for a long time. I sat down with Michelle and Trey about a month ago and they total-

"Coach Joe and coach Ashley will do a wonderful job and I know Madison (Ristovski) is the best player in the state. They're a great group of players, but there were some things going on in the inside I didn't want to be a part of anymore."

unfortunate, but the girls and coaches have to move forward and stay focused on the goal of trying to return to the Class C state championship game and winning it," Hicks said.

Gigante's assistant coach. Joe LaMagno, was promoted to interim head coach for the remainder of the season.

ting in the way. ly supported me.

> LaMagno was the Knights' varsity volleyball head coach in the fall and led the team to one of its best seasons in decades.

"Joe brings intensity and understanding to the job and he knows the "Wayne's resignation is goals of this team," Hicks said. "We're comfortable with him taking over and guiding the girls to hopefully another shot at the state title."

> "Our goals remain the same and we're on the same page after I had a chance to talk to the girls the when I took over as head coach," LaMagno said. "I'm going to bring more discipline to the program,

things with the talent on with 26 points, followed Ristovski with 15 and with 13. this team."

LaMagno's first day as coach head Thursday, Jan. 5, and with the help of his new assistant coach, Ashley Alles, he had a chat with the girls and told them his coaching style and expectations.

He won his opening game at the helm as Liggett dismantled host Southfield Christian 75-25, improving to 1-0 in Michigan Independent Athletic Conference and 4-1 overall.

Senior

Joe LaMagno, standing center, takes over as Liggett's girls' basketball team's head coach after Wayne Gigante resigned. but overall, we expect big Ristovski led the Knights by

junior Haleigh freshman Jessica Rotzoll

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Girls basketball

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils start 2012 with wins



South guard Cierra Rice drives in for two points in the Blue Devils' home win against Fraser.

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

games, but in the end Grosse Pointe South's girls' basketball team earned the win, 48-30, over Fraser last week.

After playing two perennial state powers, Detroit Renaissance and Inkster, the host Blue Devils faced a Fraserteam that emphasizes playing a slow-down, pass-happy offense averaging less than 40 points per game.

"They slowed us down and our effort wasn't where it needed to be tonight," head coach Kevin Richards said. "We didn't play with the energy we need to, but at least we won the game."

The Blue Devils were in control of the game, but they never seemed to get into second gear.

They led 13-4 after the first quarter and 27-13 at it to 10 points, 40-30, with position to win at Division and 6-2 overall.

quarter.

A final 8-0 run to end It wasn't the prettiest of the game, capped by freshman Aliezza Brown's three-pointer, put the game in the win column.

Brown finished with six points, while junior Claire DeBoer had another double-double, netting 16 points and grabbing 10 rebounds.

Senior Caitlin Moore had 12 points and six rebounds, while freshman Cierra Rice scored 10 points and grabbed four rebounds.

For most of the game, the Ramblers had more turnovers than points. That finally changed with 1:19 left in the third quarter when they scored their 20th and 21st points on a basket and had 20 turnovers.

For the game, the Ramblers had 24 turnovers to 18 for the Blue Devils.

With the division openthe half. The Ramblers er the next game, kept the score within Richards was concerned shouting distance and cut the Blue Devils aren't in in the MAC White

a run to start the fourth title-contender Warren Fitzgerald.

"They will be ready for us and hungry to beat us," Richards said. "We have to have a better effort than we had tonight to beat a Fitzgerald team that features one of the best guards in the state (Dajoure Turner).'

Turner scored 36 points, but it was all South in its Macomb Area White Conference Division opening 65-45 road win over Fitzgerald.

The Blue Devils emphasized a "team" can smother an individual as they led 29-15 at the half and never let off the gas pedal in the second half.

DeBoer's string of double-doubles ended, but she still had eight points, 11 rebounds, five steals and four blocks.

The team was led in scoring by Moore and Rice with 16 points apiece, while Brown tallied 12 and senior Carmen Engel added 11.

South improved to 1-0

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Strong 2nd half key to league victory

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's girls' basketball team ended its four-game losing streak last weekend, beating Utica Ford 40-26.

It was the Macomb Area Conference Red Division opener for both Gutierrez stepped up her led by Gutierrez, Liddane

energy on defense in the cluding 10 in the third third quarter and took some pressure off of our offense by scoring some points out of our press," head coach Gary Bennett said. "We made a nice run at the end of the third and the beginning of the fourth and this was all keyed by our defensive the second half with an 8intensity.

can see what a difference late to take a 33-22 adtheir defense made in vantage into the fourth

this game and we can use quarter. this to keep improving over the next few games."

Neither team did much in the first half, but the host Norsemen did have a two-point, 14-12, lead at the intermission.

Junior play in the second half, "We finally got some scoring all 13 points, inquarter, in which the Norsemen outscored the Falcons 26-14 to earn the needed victory.

Gutierrez nearly had a double-double, grabbing nine rebounds and blocking one shot.

The Norsemen opened 0 run to lead 22-12 and "Hopefully the girls they had another 6-0 run

Juniors Stavroula Varlamos and Taryn Kiah each scored six points, while sophomore Maria Liddane and freshman Megan Lesha had four points apiece.

In the third quarter Anajai runs, the Norsemen were and Variamos and a lastsecond baseline basket by junior Lauren Koeppe. Earlier in the week, North's losing streak reached four with a 41-30

> loss to L'Anse Creuse. They trailed 16-9 after a sluggish opening half and fell behind 29-16 af-

> ter three quarters. Kiah had a team-leading 12 points and Varlamos hit two threepointers as North sits 1-0 and 2-4 overall.



in the MAC Red Division North junior Anajai Gutierrez, left, put together a strong second half, scoring 13 points to help the Norsemen beat Ford and end a four-game losing streak.

Boys basketball

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Losing streak reaches four

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's boys' basketball team never got into a rhythm in its non-league game last week against undefeated Fraser.

The host Blue Devils committed 18 turnovers and didn't rebound, but 7-0 run, capped by guard Joe Srebernak's layup.

It was tied at 45 with 2:24 left, but missed free turnovers turned the deficit to a single point

the Blue Devils.

"We had so many simple things go wrong for us that really led to the defeat," head coach Dave Grauzer said. "They play hard and I have to keep repeating they have to do the little things to win games."

The Blue Devils turned still stormed back from a up the defensive intensity fourth-quarter deficit to in the fourth quarter and take a 45-44 lead, using a it worked as they forced the Ramblers into several turnovers, turning those into easy buckets.

Ethan Duffield hit a big throws and consecutive three-pointer to cut the

give the home team its final lead of the game, 46-

The Ramblers scored the final five points of the game to improve to 5-0 before division play be-

45, with two minutes left.

The Blue Devils led 10-5 in the opening quarter before the opposition scored the final eight points of the stanza and the first three of the second quarter to take a 16-10 lead.

The home team trailed 30-24 at the half and 42-34 entering the fourth quar-

"We had to make a move, so we had to press more and try to force the tempo," Grauzer said. "Our kids played hard and got right back in the game. I need this effort for four quarters."

18 points, while Duffield finished with eight. Kevin dropping it to 0-1 in the Reck had seven points, while the leading re- 2-4 overall.

game into a 50-46 loss for and hit a free throw to bounders were Matt Temrowski with eight and Tim Kramer with seven.

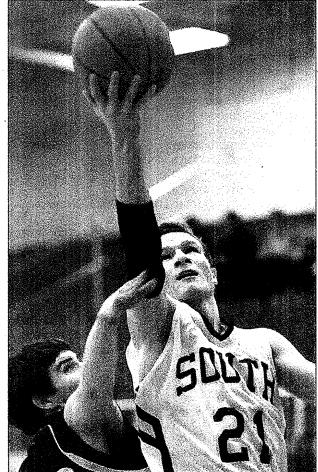
> Next on the schedule was the Macomb Area Conference Division opener against defending champ Eastpointe East Detroit.

> "We have to slow down their transition game because they like to get out and run, press and force an up-tempo game," Grauzer said.

> Things looked good early as the Blue Devils jumped out to an 18-9 lead over the host Shamrocks.

It went down hill in a hurry. The Blue Devils were outscored 24-9 in the second quarter and 14-6 in the third period, falling behind 47-33 heading into the final quarter.

South won the final Srebernak finished with stanza, 14-4, but in the end it was a 51-47 loss, MAC White Division and



South senior Joe Srebernak drives for two of his team-leading 18 points in the Blue Devils' loss to

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Boys hockey

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

South beats

Grosse Pointe South's boys' hockey players hit more goal posts and crossbars on their first day back to school in 2012, than they have in any three games this season.

However, Monforton came up all smiles when his tiebreaking game-winning goal sailed just under the cross bar with 1:53 left in the third period, lifting South to a 4-3 victory over Dearborn Divine Child.

The host Falcons scored first, but the Blue Devils evened the score on a short-handed gem. Late in the first period, an alert Cam Gibson stole an errant Falcon pass and ended up on a twoon-one with linemate Max Corden. Gibson made a picture-perfect pass and Corden's shot was even better, tying the game 1-1.

In the second period, the Blue Devils once again tied the game at 2-2 on another short-handed goal. Monforton made a great defensive takeaway and went the length of the ice. Monforton dropped the puck to Wes Cimmarrusti at the most opportune time in this 2rush, on-1

Cimmarrusti scored. Gibson made another terrific defensive zone play that led to a Blue Devil goal. Gibson stole the puck and passed into



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

South goalie C.J. Schebil stops one of more than two dozen shots fired his way in the Blue Devils' 4-3 win over Divine Child.

Welsher, who passed to Falcon's defense. Corden, who drilled it by the Falcon goalie for a 3-2

The Falcons tied the In the third period, game with 10 minutes remaining, but it was the Blue Devils' night.

With two minutes to play, Cimmarrusti hit a streaking Monforton,

Monforton's shot was one of his most memorable. It blazed by the Falcon netminder for the winning goal.

Head coach Jamie Buffalino was enthusiastic about the play of goalie C.J. Schebil, as well as senior defensethe neutral zone to Geoff who had slipped by the men Marty Moesta, Jake and is 6-4 overall.

Corden, Sam Hartman and Austin Jones.

Also noteworthy was the tough, hard-nosed play of forwards Shane Sparkman and Ian Corbett.

Grosse Pointe South remained unbeaten in the Michigan Metro Hockey League, improving to 5-0,

NORTH & LIGGETT

Norsemen split; Knights win two

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Head coach Scott Lock hoped a restful holiday break would benefit his Grosse Pointe North boys' hockey team.

The Norsemen were stuck in a scoring slump, but the new year seemed to break the streak.

The team traveled to Marquette for a tournament last weekend and it finished 1-1, losing 6-3 in the opener to Green Bay Notre Dame Academy and beating host Marquette 6-1 in the consolation contest.

The six goals were a season high and who knew it would come against a perennial state power.

"We haven't beat Marquette in a while, so it was nice to get the win," Lock said. "The guys responded pretty well and some guys who haven't scored in a while were able to put the puck in the net."

The Norsemen trailed 1-0 after the first period before they scored four goals in the second stanza and added two more in the third to run away with the win.

Joe Aluia had a hat trick, including scoring the Norsemen's two third-period tallies. Other goal scorers were Joey Giordano, Nick Rahaim and Brad Werenski. For Rahaim, it was his first varsity goal.

Goalie Chip Wujek stopped 22-of-23 shots to all.

earn the victory.

North was in a tough battle against one of the top-ranked teams in the first game, Notre Dame Academy.

The school Wisconsin won the tournament with a 3-0 victory over Howell in the championship game.

"They are a very skilled team and they're the No. 1-ranked team Wisconsin," Lock said. "The four games were well played with four solid teams. It was a good tournament all the way around."

Anthony Saleh, Jack Guest and C.J. Kusch scored for the Norsemen.

The nine goals in the two games are two more than the Norsemen scored in their previous five combined.

Grosse Pointe North improved to 4-6 overall.

Liggett

University Liggett's boys' hockey team returned to the ice after the holiday break and beat host Toledo de Sales 3-1 last weekend.

Junior Jake Soyka was one of the Knights' three different goal scorers. Junior Manny Counsman and senior David Gushee had the others.

The following night Liggett took to the ice against Utica Eisenhower.

The visiting Knights prevailed, 4-3 in overtime, stretching its winning streak to nine.

Liggett is now 9-2 over-

Girls hockey

LIGGETT

Team effort yields

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Head coach Cassie Jaeckle had three weeks to get players to find their

Liggett's girls' hockey team struggled out of the gate, winning two of its first eight games.

However, the girls skated during the holiday break and the light bulb went on when they took the ice last week against Northville.

Jaeckle was all smiles coming out of the locker room after the Knights dismantled Mustangs, 6-2.

"I think we finally found our identity,' Jaeckle said. "We're trying to get a better commitment and we had that tonight. It was nice to see the girls moving the puck, getting shots on net and playing better defense.'

Senior Haleigh Bolton had four points, netting three goals and adding one assist, while sophomores Ania Dow, Caroline Eckrich and Danielle Lorant had one goal apiece.



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

Liggett freshman Jenalyn Pangborn played well on both ends of the ice to help the Knights beat Northville.

Others with assists were freshman Valentia Peruzzi, sophomore Hannah Hodges and sophomore Anna Canzano.

Freshman goalie Jenna Pleva stopped 27-of-29 shots to earn the victory. It's the first game this season in which Pleva didn't have to face more than 40

shots.

Liggett improved to 3-4 in the Michigan Metro High School Girls Hockey League and 3-6 overall.

NORTH & SOUTH

Squads net league wins

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South girls' hockey teams opened 2012 with easy

victories. recorded at least one in recent years, winning point in Grosse Pointe North's 6-0 win over host Livonia Ladywood last weekend.

North head coach Joe Lucchese's squad has South now outscored its last three foes 16-3, improving to 5-2 in the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League Division 1 standings and 6-3 overall.

"The girls played very well and it was nice to get our first shutout of the season," Lucchese said. "We ended 2011 on a high note and started 2012 on a high note."

Jennifer Cusmano had a hat trick and added an assist for a four-point night, while Melissa Mermiges and Jacci Sherry each had one goal and two assists.

Julia Henderson scored the Norsemen's other goal. Players with assists were Karina Lucchese, Melanie Mermiges, Katie Bowles, Bryn Moody and Sara Villani. Coming up for the

Norsemen is a rematch with division-leading Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood at into game speed.'

4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 14, Grosse **Pointe** Community Rink.

Two of the Norsemen's three losses this season have been 2-1 outcomes to Cranbrook Kingswood.

Cranbrook Kingswood Eight different players has had North's number several one-goal games. including a few in overtime.

Grosse Pointe

Grosse Pointe South didn't have to play its scheduled game against Birmingham Detroit Country Day.

The game was a forfeit as Country Day decided not to play against the Division 1 Blue Devils.

"We're gearing up for a big game with Liggett and then the rest of our January schedule is busy," South head coach Joe Provenzano said.

South improved to 6-2 in the MMGHSHL.

Coming up for the Blue Devils is an away game at 5 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 12, against city rival Liggett, followed by a 2 p.m. home game Sunday, Jan. 15, against Port Huron.

"We expect some tough competition in the near future, which is what we need after having a few weeks off with the holiday break," Provenzano said. "It will be nice to get back

Swimming

LIGGETT

Knights sweep

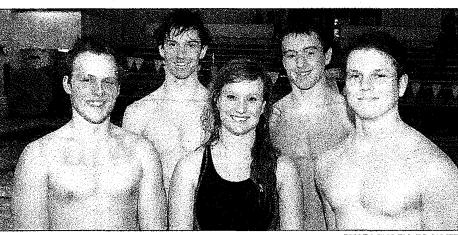
By Bob St. John Sports Editor

University Liggett's coed swimming and diving team swept its double dual meet last week, beating Clawson and St. Clair Shores Lakeview.

Junior Mallory Jamett the 200-yard won freestyle with a time of 2:20.04, and freshman Chris Cornell was a multiple winner, taking first in the 200-yard individual medley with a time of 2:26.84 and 100-yard breaststroke with a time of 1:13.54.

the 50-yard freestyle with a time of 28.15 and sophomore Steven Kneiser took first in diving with 116.50 points.

Other individual event



Liggett swimmers, from left, seniors Patrick Monahan, Brian Gutermuth, Kara Zmyslowski, Billy Marx and Caleb Ninivaggi, helped the Knights sweep.

400-yard 4:43.89, and senior Brian Gutermuth in the 100yard freestyle, 1:02.

The Knights' 200-yard freestyle relay team of Cornell, Marx, Gutermuth and Borrego won with a Senior Billy Marx won time of 1:59.03, and the 400-yard freestyle relay foursome of Marx, Jamett, Borrego and Cornell took the top spot with a time of 4:28.26.

winners were junior the meet were senior Kara freestyle; Jamett and Zymslowski was fourth. Connor Borrego in the Zmyslowski, freshman freshman Kacie Wuthrich

Grimm Julia and Gutermuth in the 200medley relay; yard Zmyslowski in the 200yard freestyle; Borrego in the 200-yard IM; senior and Grimm in the 100-Caleb Ninivaggi, freshman Paul Sidhu and junior Cristina Milenius in lay, Szymanski, Ninivaggi, the 50-yard freestyle; Grimm and Monahan Zmyslowski and Grimm in the 100-yard butterfly; and the 400-freestyle relay Marx, Szymanski and Other top performers in Ninivaggi in the 100-yard Monahan

freestyle, Renata Szymanski, junior in the 400-yard freestyle; Wuthrich, Sidhu, Milenius and senior Monahan in the 100-yard backstroke; and Gutermuth, Szymanski yard breaststroke.

> In the 200-freestyle reposted a third-place finish, squad of Sidhu, Wuthrich,

Liggett is 3-1 overall.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen lose division opener

The Grosse Pointe Toenjes and Rober North boys' swimming and diving team dropped freestyle by Danny a 115-71 decision to MacAskill, McGovern Macomb Dakota last and Jacob Flowers; the week.

Christian Mellos was a MacAskill, double winner, taking the 200-yard individual medley and the 100-yard plus James McNelis won the diving event.

achieved in the 50-yard freestyle by A.J. Owens, Michael Jansenn and Matt Stander; the 100-McGovern, Matthew and 1-1 overall.

Nesom; the 200-yard 500-yard freestyle by Flowers and Michael Reith; the 100-yard backstroke by John Leone; breastroke with Division the 100-yard breastroke 2 state qualifying times, by Mellos, John Hales and Andrew Hauler; the 100-yard butterfly by Head coach Mike Dan Santalucia; the 200-O'Connor said season yard individual medley best performances were by John Hales; and in diving by McNelis, Duncan MacAskill and

North dropped to 0-1 yard freestyle by Peter in the Macomb Area Shea, Owens, Robert Conference Red Division

Graham Eger.

Wrestling

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils drop matches

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's wrestling team opened division play last week, losing to Center Line and host Warren Lincoln.

"It was tough to get into the swing of things after Yglesias earned a silver the break and we didn't wrestle very well," head coach Greg Snider said.

145-pound class, won the medal rounds. both of his matches to lead the Blue Devils.

to Clinton High School for a tournament.

"It was much better today than Thursday," Snider said. "I was very happy with our wrestling. It gives us some momentum."

Freshman Jeshua medal in the 112-pound

Alexander came within Senior Josh Alexander, one win of making it to

South dropped to 0-2 in Macomb the Last weekend, the Blue Conference Gold Division **COLLEGE NEWS**

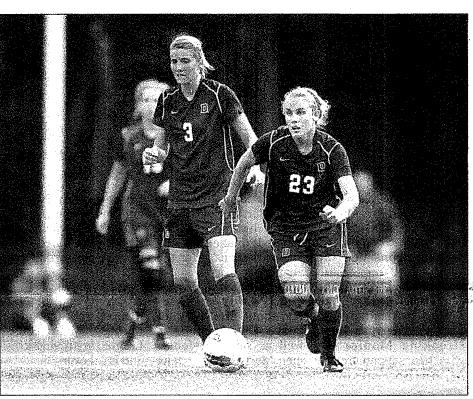


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Performing well

The Dartmouth women's soccer team handed out its annual team awards at its season-ending banquet Wednesday, Nov. 30. The Player of the Year Award went to Grosse Pointe Park's Emma Brush, right, a junior midfielder. Brush, in the opinion of both her teammates and coaches, was the most valuable on the field. Brush had a breakout junior campaign, playing in all 16 games and starting 15. She scored her first collegiate goal this season against Yale and earned All-Ivy second team hon-

Devils drove 90-minutes and 0-6 overall.

Norsemen fall

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's wrestling team went into its division opening matches with less than a full lineup last week.

Giving up several voids were keys in losses to L'Anse Creuse North and host Macomb Dakota.

"We had some nice results, but we didn't stand much of a chance to win with the voids in our lineup," head coach Eric Julien said.

The Norsemen had Conference some highlights. Patrick Division.

Salazar, 119-pound class, Michael Bennett, 130 pounds, and Andrew Lock, 152 pounds, won both matches.

Last weekend, the Norsemen competed in the Wyandotte Roosevelt Tournament.

Salazar earned bronze medal in the 119pound class, while Paul Menth, 140 pounds, and Lock, 145 pounds, both earned sixth-place medals in the 17-team field.

North dropped to 0-2 in the Macomb Area White

FOOTBALL NEWS

Several earn football honors

earned post-season football honors this fall.

East First Team honors at defensive back. He also earned C&G All-East Second Team honor. The Blue Devils' most valuable player had 39 tackles, seven interceptions and two fumble recoveries, plus on offense caught 22 passes for 346 yards. He also kicked 10

field goals.

Several players from South also earned multi- Firl, Grosse Pointe South and ple honors. He was Grosse Pointe North Detroi Free Press All-State honorable mention at linebacker, as well as From South, senior Jon Detroit News All-Metro Parker earned Detroit East Second team line-Free Press All-East and backer, C&G First Team Press Detroit News All-Metro defense and Detroit Free Press All-East Honorable

Mention at linebacker. Other Blue Devils on the Detroit News All-East honorable mention list are senior Kevin Reck, defensive end, and senior Robby Kish, quarterback.

Those who made the C&G Honorable Mention list are Reck, senior Eddy Junior Jack Doyle of Mollison, senior Tom Hamilton

senior Sattelmeier and Kish.

Reck also made the Detroit News All-East Second Team at offensive end.

Mention list are Kish at quarterback, and Mollison at running back.

For Grosse Pointe North, senior Joe Tolliver Press First Team at offensive line and senior Charles Idemudia made the Second Team at line-

Pat Honorable Mention at receiver and defensive back, respectively.

Tolliver was also on the Detroit News All-Metro East and C&G First Team Those on the Free at offensive line and de-Honorable fensive line, respectively, while Idemudia made the C&G First Team and Detroit News All-Metr East Second Team at linebacker.

News All-Metro East made the Detroit Free Honorable Mention players are Sarkis and sophomore Tod Long on offense, while the C&G Honorable Mention list backer. Senior Anthony includes Sarkis, Long, Sarkis and junior Chris Hamilton, and Dylan made Balicki.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Register for camp

sents the Dan Griesbaum for one day and \$100 for Baseball School Indoor both sessions. Camp, which is Saturday, Jan. 21, and Sunday, Jan. 22, in the South high school gymnasium.

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Brochures are also available on the Grosse Pointe Farms/City and Park Little League webFIGURE SKATING



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Love it

Grosse Pointe Skating Club held its open house Saturday, Jan. 7, at **Grosse Pointe** Community Rink. Taking part in the festivities were, from left, Sophia LaRose of Grosse Pointe Woods, Paisley MacKay of the City of Grosse Pointe, Leah MacKay of the City of Grosse Pointe and Maria LaRose of Grosse Pointe Woods. For information regarding skating skills and the club's upcoming season starting Wednesday, Feb. 15, and Saturday, Feb. 18, call Club Director Theresa Gehrke at (586) 775-4652 or the club's website at grossepointeskatin club.org

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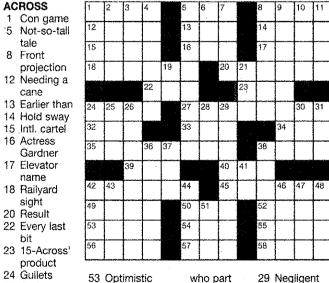
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