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♦ Grosse Pointe Public Schools are closed.

SATURDAY, JAN. 28

♦ WinterFest is at Grosse Pointe Woods' Lake Front Park from noon to 2 p.m. ♦ Grosse Pointe Theatre holds auditions for the musical, "Hairspray," from I to 5 p.m. at the rehearsal studio, 315 Fisher, Grosse Pointe Farms.

SUNDAY, JAN. 29

• Grosse Pointe Theatre holds auditions for the musical, "Hairspray," from 3 to 7 p.m. at the rehearsal studio, 315 Fisher, Grosse Pointe Farms.

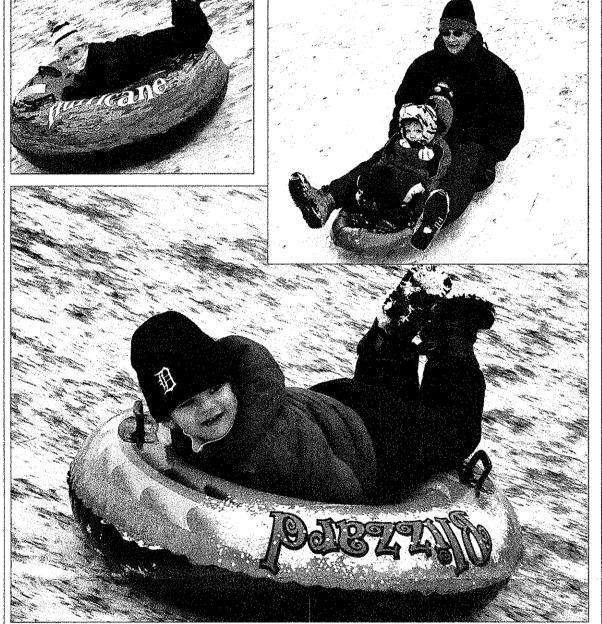
MONDAY, JAN. 30

 Last day to register to vote in the Feb. 28 primary election. Register either at city hall or a Secretary of State office.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 1

♦ Ted Kasper discusses "Good & Angry, A Positive Way for Busy Parents to Express Anger/Frustration Toward Their Children" at 7 p.m. in the Barnes Early Childhood Center, 20090 Morningside, Grosse Pointe Farms. Admission

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Brief blast

A brief blast of winter brought daredevils with their sleds and tubes to a hill near Moross and Lakeshore. Top left, and left, Joey Michelotti of Grosse Pointe Farms takes some style points with his running and diving start down the hill. Top right, Farms resident Steve White took his son, Nick, and his friend Finn Preston (tiger hat) for a speedy ride down the hill. Above, Farms resident Joseph Agnone laughs his way down the hill over and over until it was time for dinner.

Farms asked to join

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

Discussions about a joint City of Grosse Pointe-Park public safety operation is spilling into the Farms.

Recipients of a state grant to partially fund a feasibility study of City-Park consolidation want to include the Farms.

"The City and Park were awarded up to \$20,000 to help us fund the study by an outside expert to evaluate consolidation of public safety departments," said Peter Dame, City of Grosse Pointe manager. "I contacted the state to ask if I could ask the Farms to do this."

"There's no reason a bigger and stronger police force, in a collaborative effort with other Grosse Pointes, can't be a better police force, providing better service and more specialized units that could address specific concerns of the day," said City Councilman Chris Walsh.

Dame posed the question last week in a letter to Farms offi-

"I'm confident it will be a subject for discussion at our February council meeting," said Shane Reeside, Farms manag-

Farms officials have a lot to work on. They decided last month to develop plans for up to \$5 million in improvements to the Kerby Road Pump Station. Also being considered is a \$20 million partial separation of storm and sanitary sewers in most of the inland sewer district. The Farms also doesn't face a \$1 million projected deficit, like the City.

"We have enough on our plate right now," Reeside said. "We have to take care of some other items before we take that

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Watching out for water customers

By Brad Lindberg

GROSSE POINTE SHORES - The city attorney announced giving the city council a "short memo" on the status of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club water situation prior to this

month's meeting, Jan. 17.

The memo contained "nothing particularly earth-shattering," said Mark McInerney, city attorney. "We're pressing on in accordance with council's wishes from the last meeting."

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Chief nearly hired

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES -The search for a new public safety director is near an end.

Contract details are being settled for John Schulte, a 32year veteran lawman, to replace retiring chief Stephen

Schulte, himself retired two years ago as assistant director of Grosse Pointe Park public safety, was sworn in this week at Shores headquarters.

Schulte received unreserved endorsement from Park Mayor Palmer Heenan and City Manager Dale Krajniak.

"It is our privilege to recom- him to start work at a fast mend his service for any employment he may be seeking," they wrote.

As a Park retiree, Schulte doesn't need Shores employment or retirement benefits.

"There's no legacy costs, no overtime, no cost of living, membership dues or pension," said Shores Mayor Ted Kedzierski.

Schulte is being offered \$70,000 per year. Terms include holiday, vacation and sick days, a department car for official use only and \$50,000 life insurance coverage.

His background and familiarity with the Pointes qualifies pace.

"My career has afforded me the opportunity to work closely with our Grosse Pointe mutual aid partners through a cooperative sharing of information and resources," he wrote in his application letter. "These professional relationships have given me a comprehensive understanding of all current public safety operations in the Grosse Pointe communities."

Contract

Discussion of Schulte's pro-

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City Winterfest this Saturday

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — Last Hardenbrook said. weekend's snowfall raised the curtain

This weekend's Winterfest is the opening act.

Activities start at 1 p.m., Saturday,

Jan. 28. at Neff Park. Catered all-you-can-eat meals, cost-

ing \$5 each, are scheduled at about 2 p.m. The main course is roasted pork. Admission is by resident park pass.

Regular guest privileges apply. The eighth annual event also marks

the return of a petting zoo.

"They bring a variety of animals," said Christopher Hardenbrook, park director. "Last year, the major draw was a camel."

Three warming fires throughout the park double as s'mores stations.

"We'll have free hot chocolate,"

An ice carver will be working to a nautical theme.

Cold weather is helping park staff prepare the ice skating rink for a hockey shootout, broom ball and curling.

'The ice rink is a key component of drawing people to take advantage of the lakefront park in winter,"

Hardenbrook said. The ice rink is refrigerated, in case of warm spells.

"Main activities taper off and stop by 5 p.m.," Hardenbrook said. "The day rolls into open skating and hockey."

Attendance at the park has been good this winter, Hardenbrook said.

"It was amazing to see the number

of people who came down last Saturday when it started to snow," he said. "It gets people thinking about winter activities. Snow makes the park look so much more picturesque."

Skating lessons

The second session of beginning ice skating lessons starts next month.

"It's basically for ages 5 to 10," Hardenbrook said. "Nothing fancy. Kids get time on the ice to learn the basics.'

The session costs \$15 and consists of three lessons. Students can choose between 45-minute classes starting at 3 and 4 p.m. the first three Saturdays in February.

Winter park hours are noon to 7 p.m. through March.

Bledsoe to host informal meetings

State Rep. Timothy Bledsoe, D-City of Grosse Pointe, hosts two informal meetings with constituents Monday, Jan. 30.

Meetings are:

◆ 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Grosse Pointe Public Library, Grosse Pointe Woods Branch, 20680 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods:

◆ 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Harper Woods Public Library, 19601 Harper, Harper

Bledsoe's district includes the five Grosse Pointes, Harper Woods and a portion of eastside Detroit.

He encourages constituents to contact him toll-free at (888) 254-5291 or by e-mail at timbledsoe@house.mi.gov.

No injuries in Neff fire

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — Three tenants of a duplex on Neff one block south of the Village escaped a house fire without injury shortly before 3 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 18.

There were no injuries among officers from three Grosse Pointe departments called to put out the three-alarm fire.

Flames burned away most of the third floor living space and attic. Smoke and water damage spread throughout.

The next day, one of the residents, an 84-year-old woman living with her son on the second and third floors, suffered an apparent heart attack, the son said.

Medics took her to the hospital, from which she is expected to be released this week, he added.

Investigators determined the fire was caused by careless smoking.

The house's owner, a builder, said its reparable.

Smells smoke

Frank Rice, a 50-yearold heart patient, smoked a cigarette and went to bed at about 10 p.m. in his third floor room the night of the fire.

"I was extremely tired," he said.

His mother, a General Motors retiree, stayed up to watch the late news on television before falling asleep in her room on the second floor, Rice said.

"Around 12:30 to 1 a.m., I smelled smoke," Rice said. "It wasn't heavy."

He got out of bed. searched and didn't find anything.

The door to his 14-yearold daughter's third-floor corner bedroom was closed. She was spending the night at her mother's

"I didn't think to look in her room," Rice said.

And so to bed. An hour later, he got up to heavy smoke.

"I go downstairs running, hollering at my mother, shaking her to wake up," Rice said. "It's starting to get really

He tried calling 911 on his cell phone.

"I love my daughter to death, but the phone didn't work because she drops it all the time," Rice

He went downstairs and used the house phone, a land line, to contact City public safety dis-

his bedroom, 520 Neff," the dispatcher logged at 2:15 a.m.

Rice also roused the first-floor tenant, a 76year-old man. Smoke became heavier.

Rice's mother got up. "I hear pounding downstairs," he said. "I go

down. It's the police." Less than two minutes after the 911 call, Sgt. John Alcorn was at the front door with a fire ex-

tinguisher. He and Rice ran up-

"As we were running, I told him. 'You're going to need more than a fire extinguisher," Rice said.

Second alarm

When they got to the third floor, flames were coming from under the daughter's door. Inside, a four-poster bed in the room was engulfed.

"Flame was up the bed posts, all along the bed skirt," Rice said.

Alcorn ordered a second alarm.

Grosse Pointe Park deployed a tower truck and crew to join the City's two trucks. Alcorn advised the Park crew, en route, to station the tower in front of the house and prepare to shoot water through a window.

Five minutes into the emergency, the dispatcher started calling in offduty officers as additional backup.

Firefighters on scene prepared for an interior "Caller reports fire in attack by gearing up with protective clothing, air tanks and masks.

City officers strung a hose north to a hydrant. They supplied hand lines and ran a supply line to the tower in addition to the interior attack.

The house, believed built in the 1930s, was stout and compartmentalized.

Rice described the third floor accessed by a narrow stairway, with living space remodeled to have a cathedral ceiling, divided rooms and attic space.

City Lt. Eddie Tujaka arrived from home at 2:40 a.m. He took over command, called a third alarm and requested an ambulance.

Rice stood outside watching in the cold.

"I was in slippers, sweatpants and a shirt," Rice said. "My mother was in the ambulance with the other tenant."

Third alarm

Farms officers answered the third alarm with a pumper truck.

Farms Lt. Jack Patterson pulled up and saw a man with a Labrador retriever standing in the cold. "I said, 'I have blankets

on my truck, do you want one?" Patterson said.

"He was very kind," Rice said of Patterson. "He threw a blanket over me. I put it over my dog and we kept each other sort of warm." Officers continued the

interior attack.

"With the way the attic was cut up, they were undown," Patterson said.

The Park put its tower into operation.

point," "At that Patterson said, "you back everybody out, because putting all that water in there can either push the fire back onto the firefighters or cause a collapse from the weight of the water."

Overspray froze on a tree in the front yard.

were called to spread Rice, in the Farms. road salt in the street.

a second supply line from another hydrant.

"We try not to put all our eggs into one basket," Patterson said. "You don't want to run too many lines off of one hydrant. If vou run into a problem. you lose everything at once.

His crew set up an attack line on the south side of the house to extinguish flames coming from beneath eaves. Officers hooked a second supply line to the tower to boost water pressure.

By 3:38 a.m., water from the tower beat back heavy flames. Tujaka ordered it shut down and sent a crew back in to extinguish hot spots.

"An officer from the Park, myself and two of our firefighters went to the third floor," Patterson said. "We started opening walls and ceilings, moving away part of the roof that had fallen in to get to burning embers."

They worked inside until their air packs beeped, signaling dwindling sup-

different crew, which able to knock the fire went up and pretty much did the same thing," Patterson said.

> At 3:53 a.m., Tujaka reported the fire under control. At 4:43 a.m., he reported it out.

Later that morning

The first-floor tenant was taken to his daughter's house in the City.

Rice and his mother went to the house of his

Public works crews older daughter, Nicole

At about midmorning, Farms officers stretched Nicole Rice was driving her father and grandmother back to the damaged residence when the woman became overwhelmed.

"She had a heart attack in my car," Nicole Rice said. "I think the stress and seeing the house caused problems. The ambulance came.'

The house's owner, Jim Sandercott, of the City. said, "I feel bad for the people involved."

He expects one of his construction crews can make repairs.

"It will have to be completely stripped down because there's water damage all through the house," Sandercott said. "It's got to be gutted down to the studs. It's reparable because it's a sound, brick house. But, my insurance agent and adjuster will have to agree on all that."

Investigation

An eight-member team of fire inspectors from the City, Farms, Shores, Woods and an insurance company conducted a "We were relieved by a two-day investigation into the fire's cause and origin.

Officers found a glass ashtray melted into the carpet in the area where Rice reported seeing early flames.

"Directly above this area, rafters in the ceiling show heavy charring," according to a report by Shores Sgt. William Nicholson, senior fire investigator. "The fire is determined to be accidental, caused by careless smok-

While sifting through the rubble, investigators recovered Rice's Freemason ring.

"It a little burnt, but I'm glad they found it," he said.





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Tiger cubs fan favorites

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

THE TOLEDO ZOO -the Toledo Zoo are as happy as bulls in Texas.

The 4-month-old brother and sister littermates are considered toddlers. As with human counterparts, sibling rivalry accounts for most of their antics.

"Although the female is smaller and lighter colored, she's the most precocious," said Dr. Randi Meyerson, curator of animals. "She's into everything. She does a lot of stalking her mom and brother.

The onset of winter is a good time for tigers of their type to enter the world.

"They have dense coats, coarser than a cat's, more of a winter coat," Meyerson said.

Born Sept. 26, in a darkened den, they tiptoed this month for the first time into their double-wide outdoor enclosure. Zoo-goers rejoiced.

"The cubs are incredibly popular," said Kandace York, the zoo's communications coordinator.

During a cold and rainy morning last week, a ticket seller at the zoo's main gate informed each patron the cubs are displayed from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. daily. Unless they're not. Keepers consider weather conditions and the animals' moods before letting them outside.

Tiger cubs are fractious children. All fur, furtiveness and fangs.

"It's not their strength," Two Siberian tiger cubs at Meyerson said. "It's their teeth and claws.'

Their curiosity doesn't

A favorite game is chasing their mother's threefoot tail and climbing on her when she lies down.

"Their mom is very playful and attentive," Meyerson said. "There are times when she's walking by rocks and the cubs are up there jumping on her."

The cubs' absence makes the mom upset.

"One day, we lured the mom outside with treats while giving her inner den a thorough cleaning," Meyerson said.

Both cubs were kept in-

"Mom was great until one of her cubs called out," Meyerson said. "She roared and roared at the den door."

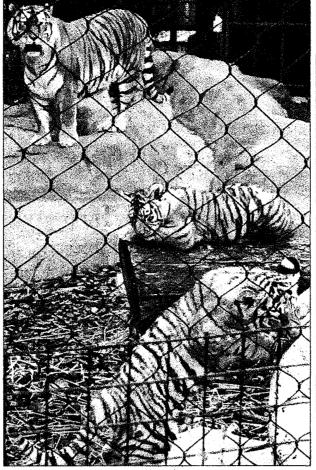
Although still commonly known as Siberian tigers, the subspecies from eastern Russia is properly identified as Amur tigers.

"It's more accurate to where they're found,". Meyerson said.

Happy family

The girl's name, Talya, is Russian for "birthday." The boy's name, Viktor, means "conqueror."

They're the offspring of Marta, an 8-year-old, firsttime mother born at the zoo in 2003.



Mother Amur tiger, Marta, watches 4-month-old son, Viktor, rest while daughter, Marta, foreground, explores.

The father, Strannik, in the wild, according to was brought to Toledo last spring for breeding.

"It was a quick love connection," Meyerson said.

The cubs are getting most of their nutrition from nursing, but are starting to nibble meat.

Tigers live about 16 captivity, in vears Meyerson said. Sexual maturity starts around 2 years.

The cubs are likely to be separated from their mother at that time and distributed to other institutions. Their journey is charted by Association of Zoos and Aquariums' species sur-

vival plan. tigers are thought to exist zoos."

Meverson.

Captive breeding produces an insurance population that may be the species' last hope.

"These animals are critically endangered because of habitat loss, poaching for Asian medication and loss of food because of poaching of their prey," Meyerson said.

Zoo animals do double duty as ambassadors of their wild brethren.

"Hopefully, when people see these animals, it makes them think about them in the wild as well," Meyerson said. "It would be a shame if the only Less than 400 Amur place tigers lived was in

Park approves fire agreement

By Kathy Ryan

With a guarantee that all the i's are dotted and the t's are crossed the Grosse Pointe Park city council approved the Fire Interlocal Safety Agreement, a plan put together by city and public administrators safetv from the five Grosse Pointes.

consolidation of fire services through a revised automatic aid policy, cross training of officers and coordination of purchases.

The plan was initially presented to the council at its December meeting, but with concerns overwhether the plan was in the Park's best interest, the council referred the agreement to the city attorney for his review and recommendations.

City attorney Dennis Levasseur told the council at its Monday meeting that he reviewed the agreement and after some very minor corrections, he felt comfortable recommending the agreement be approved. The Park is the last of the Pointes to endorse the

agreement.

'This is a good step in the direction of communities sharing services," said Councilman Bob Denner.

But even as the council approved the agreement, Councilman Dan Clark repeated his concerns over training levels, which he initially raised at the December council meet-

"If we are to act collec-It is the first step in the tively, we have to set a standard that the other cities will follow," he said.

David Hiller, the Park's director of public safety, assured Clark that all officers would have the same level of training.

"I wouldn't send our guys out unless everyone had the same level of training," he told the council.

Hiller also said concerns over the value of the Park's fire trucks and other equipment would be addressed in future discussions and would be factored in to any cost sharing formulas.

Following the meeting, Hiller said there are no new meetings planned to work on the agreement, but expects that talks will continue soon.

Chilly Fest set

By Kathy Ryan Staff Writer

Winter has arrived just in time for Grosse Pointe Park's Chilly Fest, noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 4, with lots of fun coldweather events being held

at both of the city's parks. Activities at Patterson Park include a horse-1:15 p.m. with open skating to music after the show, a snowman building station, an ice carving demonstration, putt putt snow golf, a snowball throwing contest, a s'mores station, free massages in the lodge by the skating rink and a snowboarding demonstration

at 2:30 on the sledding "Obviously, we're hoping for snow," said Terry Solomon, the Park's director of parks and recreation. "But even if it doesn't snow, we have lots of other activities, including several fun indoor games and events."

Windmill Pointe Park activities include face painting and crafts in the Lavins Center, bouncy inflatables and a balloon artist in the gym, snowshoes to borrow for trekking around the park, drawn trolley ride, an ice ice fishing in the marina skating show from 1 to and a snowmobile saucer pull in back of the Tompkins Center. The center will have warm chili for sale.

As in past years, residents are welcome to bring their dogs to Windmill Pointe Park that day.

When residents enter either park, they will receive a map showing the various activities, as well as a coupon book. Once they have attended one of the events, the coupon

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Hill Winterfest Feb. 4

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

GROSSE THE **POINTES** — The entry deadline for the chili cook-off during this year's Winterfest on the Hill is Wednesday, Feb. 1.

To enter, obtain a registration form by calling the Grosse Pointe Farms recreation office at (313) 343-2405

Competition is limited to 20 entrants. Chefs are likely to include last year's winner, David Barthel, of the Farms. His "Chicken chili bam-bam" won by people's choice.

Barthel was unavailable for comment. But, his wife, Jennifer, indicated he's planning a surprise.

"He's talking about smoking some, I don't know, stuff, before he puts it in his chili," she

gallon of chili.

This is the sixth year Winterfest, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 4, is an all-Pointes event.

Previous celebrations were at Pier Park for Farms residents and guests.

"This makes it more of a community event," said Dick Huhn, Farms park director. "There's a lot more involvement, a bigger celebration that also promotes the Hill commercial district."

Attractions include three ice carving demonstrations, 30 ice carvings, miniature golf, food, flag football and door prizes.

Winterfest wouldn't be as big without sponsors. "A majority of business-

es on the Hill are participating," Huhn said. "It

makes it a full community Association, Chefs must submit a event. Fun for everybody."

Chili rule highlights

◆ Registration deadline, including a list of ingredients, is Wednesday, Feb. 1.

◆ Judging, by the public, starts at 11:30 a.m., on the lower level of 131 Kercheval Center.

◆ Chefs must submit a serving utensil and at least one gallon of precooked chili in a crock

◆ The winner is announced between 2:30 and 3 p.m. in the main tent in the parking lot to Richard Elementary School.

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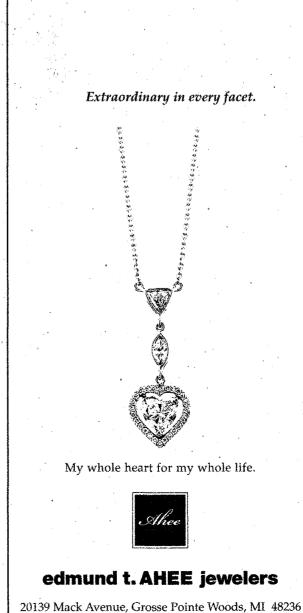
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WATER: City wants to help

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In December, council members authorized a 90day extension of a tolling agreement with the club.

The agreement is controversial because of the way City Manager Brian Vick entered into it March 15, 2010, and didn't tell the council for four months.

The agreement isn't being criticized. It is credited with holding off legal action while parties involved try to validate or disprove the club's claim of being overcharged at least \$500,000 for water purchases since 1997.

Also at this month's council meeting, Vick proposed the finance consider committee changing the way the city addresses delinquent water customers.

He wants to review how

the city handles "hardship; (when) someone, for whatever reason, notifies the city they can't make that payment on time."

Another issue is what to do if water customers have "an internal water issue they're unaware of," Vick said.

A broken water pipe emptying drinking water into a sanitary line, for instance.

Customers probably wouldn't suspect unseen leaks until tipped off by an unusually high quarterly water bill.

"Potentially, for that three-month period, they could have water they're paying for just exiting their system," Vick theorized. "They won't know about it until they get their next bill."

Unfortunately, after three months, that may equate to a large bill.'





Marquee idea for Village

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE **POINTE** — Blockbusters could be coming to a theater nearer than you think.

Movies will play on a hometown screen if developers come through with plans for the Village.

Interest is at the preproduction stage, but is enticing Peter Dame, manager of the City of Grosse Pointe, to act.

"Several theater developers have approached the city," he said. "Were planning to solicit proposals this week for theater uses in Lot 2."

The parking lot is north of Kercheval between Notre Dame and St. Clair.

The site is a popular location for would-be moguls.

In 2005 and 2008, investors eyed the space for construction of mid-rise condominiums and a small hotel, respectively. Both fell flat on funding.

"Neither are anywhere close to happening,' Dame said.

The parking lot remains the best city-owned land for a theater, he added. A ing. The 19,000-squaretheater also fits with plans to broaden commercial activity in the district and cross-pollinate new enterprises with existing ones.

"Entertainment-type uses (are) consistent with

the master plan to diversi- on the market. fy uses in the Village," Dame said. "It would be a draw for traffic that shops and restaurants would enjoy."

Dame didn't name the developers.

He did, however, affirm the city's renewed focus on a vibrant Village.

Central city

"The Village is central to the city as a whole's economic vitality," Dame said.

Municipal officials plan to invite district stakeholders to a special city council meeting "in the near future" to discuss Village prospects.

"We'll ask people what we can do to retain the businesses we have and attract more new business," Dame said.

"We're trying to look at whatever we can do, and however we can do it, to keep the city as strong as possible," said Andrew Councilman Turnbull.

Tax break

A sure topic is the former Borders Books buildfoot structure, vacated last year when the Borders chain when bankrupt, occupies nearly one-half Kercheval.

It was foreclosed and is

"We'll continue working aggressively to assist potential redevelopment of the building," Dame

A real estate agent for the property and a potential buyer indicated tax relief might move things along, according Dame.

'We have never done any property tax reduction for businesses," Dame said. "There aren't a lot of state-authorized reductions for commercial enterprises in the Village. There's a lot for industrial and manufacturing property."

Opportunities increased with passage in June of the Commercial Rehabilitation Act.

"The law (creates) property tax incentives for redevelopment of vacant property that may be pertinent to the Borders property; perhaps to other properties as well." Dame said.

Incentives include freezing taxes of existing, qualified properties for up to 10 years.

As a result, the city and Downtown Development Authority, which encompasses the Village, would forego added taxable value of redeveloped proper-

Local jurisdictions aren't shortchanged, according to Dame.

"It doesn't exempt (developers) from taxes on land or school taxes," he said. "It's not going to cut our general fund by offering this tax incentive."

"I don't see why we wouldn't do it," said Councilman Chris Walsh.

Incentive zone

A united council authorized Dame this week to probe creation of a commercial rehabilitation tax incentive and zone.

The program protects developers from being charged higher taxes for investing in their property. To qualify, improvements must amount to at least 10 percent of the property's current value.

Councilman Christopher Boettcher wants owners of occupied buildings to have the same reward to improve

their property. "As we go forward with these incentives, you want to make them available to a multitude of parties," Boettcher said.

"We could apply it to other properties in the future," Dame answered. "You can establish whatever criteria you may wish. Make sure its uniform."

"It's important for us to know what discretion the city would have," said Councilwoman Weipert.

Director will make less than officers

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posed contract occupied a significant portion of the Jan. 17 city council ses-

The second second

Although the council looked forward to working with him, they opposed his original compensation package.

McInerney was considered too liberal, given the city's efforts to reduce personnel costs.

We could have three, contracts," one-year

Kedzierski said. Of special concern was a termination clause that, under certain circumstances, paid Schulte "his base salary from the effective date of termination until the end of the agreement term," plus accrued

unused vacation time. "I have no problem with the candidate," said Councilman Dan Schulte, no relation. "But we have a contract that says for any reason we decide to part company with the chief a month after he starts, we owe him for three years. There's a lot of reasons that could happen. We could consolidate with other communities. I'm surprised we'd come

up with a contract like Kedzierski said this week.

this." agree," Councilman Alexander Ajlouni.

"If Grosse Pointe A three-year contract Shores is on the cusp of negotiated by Vick and considering any consoli-City Attorney Mark dation of public safety, three-year language in it," Vick advised.

> "We're getting a quality candidate at a very cheap rate compared to what other departments are paying," Poloni, contracted as chief of the City of Grosse Pointe, told the Shores council. "He will" be making less money that any public safety officer you have."

Councilman Bruce Bisballe suggested terms be modified to one-year contracts with threemonth severance and automatic renewal after one vear if Schulte's not terminated within 90 days.

"Then, we can move the process forward," Bisballe said. "We've got to get a chief on board. Let's move forward with this and not keep wordsmithing."

"We agreed on three months severance,'

Experience

Dr. Schulte's professionat rap sheet is extensive.

He began his career in 1978 as a patrolman and school safety officer.

He progressed steadily you would not want this up the ranks to sergeant, lieutenant, tactical team leader and lead detective prior to reaching second in command.

His academic background includes a master's degree in public administration and criminal justice from Wayne State University.

He also attended the Federal Bureau of Investigation-Michigan State Police academy and taught at the Wayne County Regional Police

Academy. Shores officials chose Schulte from two dozen

candidates. A selection committee comprised of Poloni, Councilman Barrette Jr. and former chief Gary Mitchell recommended Schulte to City Manager Brian Vick, who did the same with the mayor and council.

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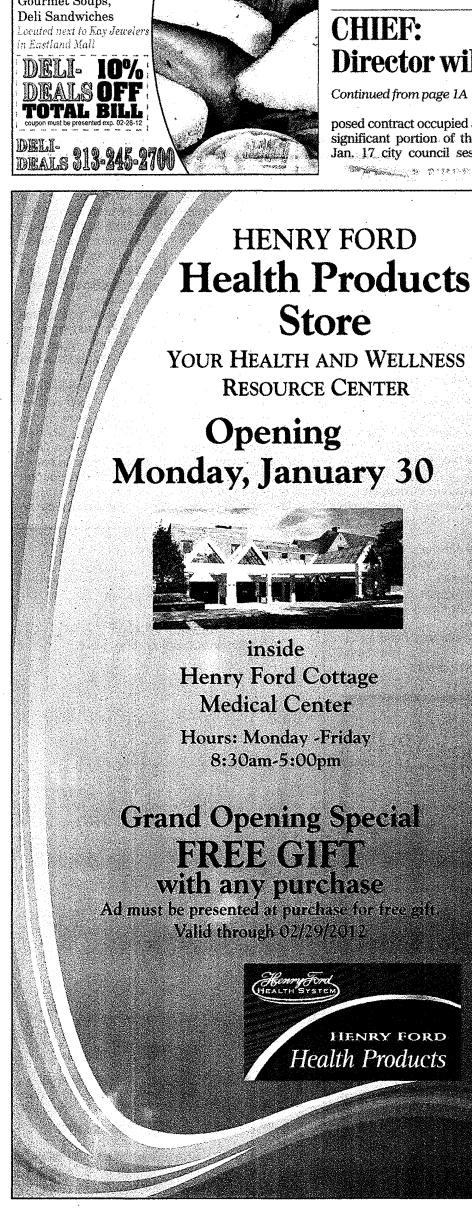
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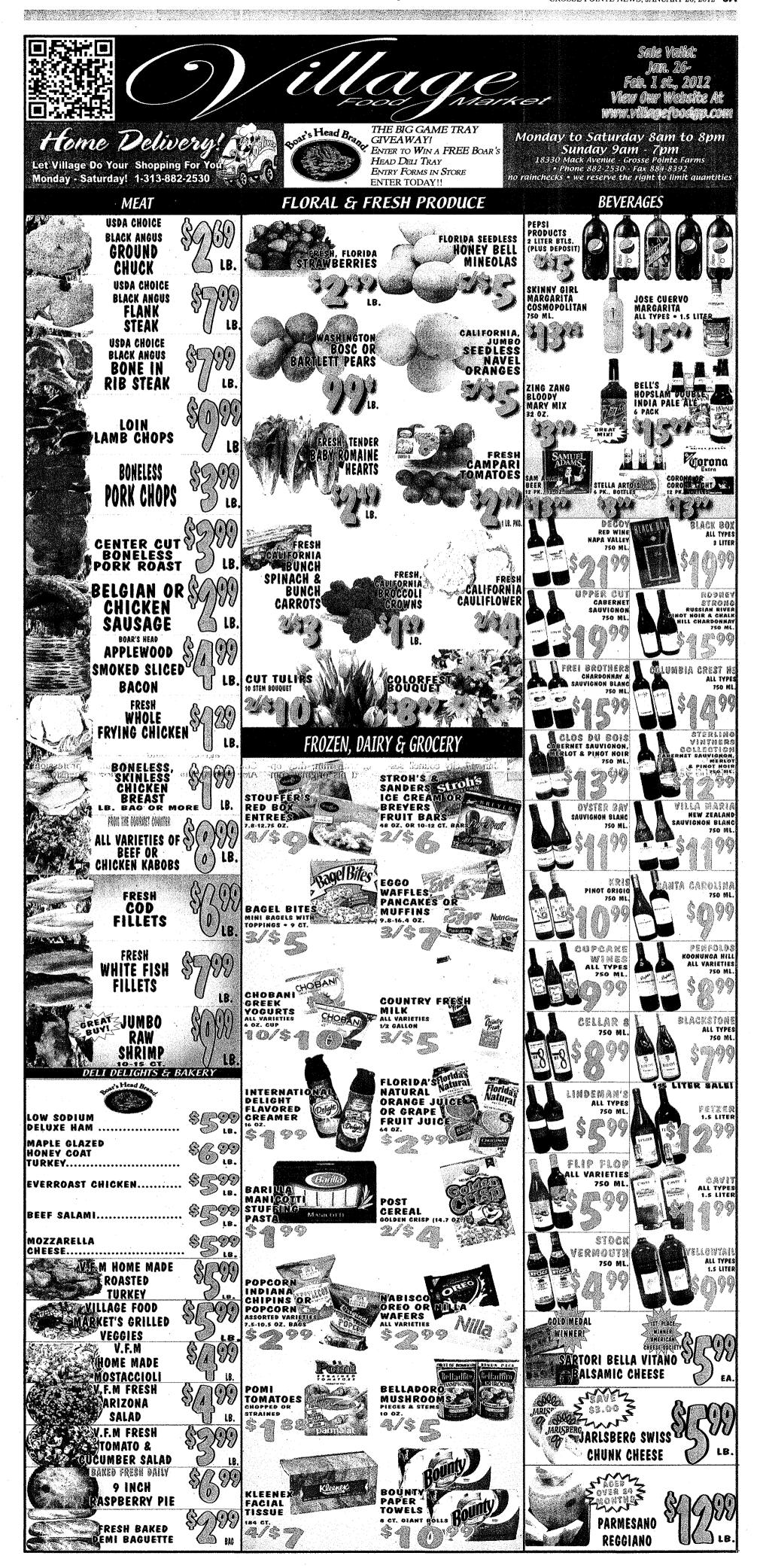
This is always a fun and always very well attended, even on the coldest of days," Solomon said. "Everyone enjoys

getting outside and seeing their neighbors. Now all we need is snow to make the day complete, but even without it, there will still be lots to do."

Information on Chilly event for our residents Fest can be found on the city's website, grossepointepark.org. or by calling Solomon, (313) 822-







PUBLIC SAFETY REPO

Grosse Pointe Woods

-Brad Lindberg returned, the customer and the laptop were gone. The clerk told police the man had been in the store the day before.

City of Grosse Pointe

Nothing doing

No entries this week in the police blotter.

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

Grosse Pointe Farms

Having fun

Fresh snow on a broad parking lot proved too tempting for a 20-year-old City of Grosse Pointe man behind the wheel of a red, 2000 Ford F150 pickup

truck.

At 7:06 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 20, an officer monitoring the lot between St. Paul Church and school caught him spinning the truck on the slippery sur-

"Upon reaching the center of the lot, the vehicle was quickly turned to the right and the vehicle started sliding and doing doughnuts," said the officer. "(The driver) freely admitted his actions were done on purpose."

Police cited the man for violating a suspended driver's license and lacking proof of auto insurance.

Heroin needles

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Police confiscated two 1 cc needles from a selfduring a traffic stop at 7:02 p.m. Friday, Jan. 19, on westbound Mack near Gateshead.

The suspect is a 48year-old Detroit woman. (She) admitted they

were used for shooting heroin," said the officer.

The woman was a passenger in a 2000 Lincoln LS. Police pulled over the car because its windows were tinted too dark to read a paper license plate taped inside.

Police searching the woman also found a bottle cap with burn marks and suspected drug residue.

Her criminal record includes four outstanding warrants from Dearborn Heights for giving false information to police, a weapons charge and two traffic offenses. She also is wanted in Ferndale for possession of narcotics paraphernalia.

Farms officers arrested her and held her for pickup by Dearborn Heights authorities.

The driver, a 39-yearold Detroit man, was arrested for violating a suspended operators license.

Boy gets out

A 2-year-old Farms boy was found last week alone on a sidewalk in the 18400 block of Mack.

A woman saw the boy and called police. They determined he'd ventured from his nearby residence.

"(The boy) had a runny

confessed heroin user nose, red checks and skin Armed robbery

cold to the touch," said an

officer. "He was dressed

in indoor clothing and did

not have any jacket, hat or

Detroit police last week

found property stolen in

August from a car in the

and

Security card belong to a

woman formerly living in

the 100 block of Stephens,

At 9:41 a.m. Saturday,

Jan. 13, two men were ar-

rested during a traffic stop

in the 19100 block of east-

the men for being in a

1991 Chevrolet Camaro

The 27-year-old driver

was wanted on two out-

standing warrants in his

hometown of Warren.

Farms police held him for

pickup by Warren offi-

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department at (313) 885-

— Brad Lindberg.

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An officer investigated

according to police.

Two caught

bound Mack.

cense plate.

The recovered driver's

Social

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gloves."

Farms.

license

At 5 a.m. Friday, Jan. 20, a man wearing a mask and scarf at the Mobil gas station at Mack and Vernier was told it was company policy to not wait on people wearing masks. He produced an automatic weapon and ordered the clerk to put his hands up and place the money from the cash register into a shopping bag.

The thief also took an envelope of cash found under the counter and fled in a Dodge Dakota.

The clerk, who was not hurt, provided a partialplate number of the vehicle which was reported stolen In Warren a few hours earlier.

Police said the robber is a black male, 5'9, medium build, wearing a black cotton facemask, black hat, black jacket, blue jeans and red gloves.

Heroin overdose

Police responded to a call of an unresponsive man in the restroom of the Mobil gas station on Mack and Vernier at 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 20.

The 31-year-old Grosse Pointe Shores man was found among drug paraphernalia, police said. While being treated by an Emergency Medical Technician, the man regained consciousness and admitted to injecting himself with heroin. He was transported to St. John Hospital and his car im-

Car break-ins

Sunday, Jan. 15, was not a good day to park in the St. John Hospital lot. A 2004 Jeep was stolen and the drivers side door and steering column were damaged on two ve-

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

Grosse Pointe Park

Snow blower taken

A Toro snow blower was stolen from a garage in the 1400 block of Somerset overnight Saturday, July 21.

Purse taken

A guest at a house party on Trombley Friday, Jan. 20, reported her purse was stolen.

Attempted B&E

A Wayburn resident reported seeing a stranger running from behind his neighbor's house at 12:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 20.

Police found a back door window broken.

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Grosse Pointe Shores

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Laptop taken

An employee of an electronics store on Mack reported a customer stole a laptop computer at 12:20 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 18.

The clerk's personal laptop was on the counter when the clerk left the main sales area to retrieve an item the customer requested. When the clerk

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leaves **Shores** for City

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — Chief Stephen Poloni said goodbye last week to the city council.

Poloni, due to retire as public safety director. when his replacement is hired, worked for Grosse Pointe Shores 25 years.

"I anticipate this being my last meeting," he told council members Tuesday, Jan. 17. "I assure residents they are in great hands with this public safety department. I cannot be prouder of the group of men I work with."

Poloni was contracted recently to direct City of Grosse Pointe public safe-

He's been working double duty - more than 40 hours per week in the City and about 20 per week in the Shores - for two months.

He puts a lot of time in the Shores on weekends.

While praising Shores officers to the council, he cited their performance during an ambulance run on a recent Saturday.

"It was a cardiac arrest," Poloni said. "I was impressed by the staff two of our paramedics working feverishly. Residents should be elated they have that kind of staff in Grosse Pointe Shores. They are giving 100 percent."

"Thank you for your years of service," said Mayor Ted Kedzierski. "We were lucky to have you."

-Brad Lindberg

New Yaris makes a lot of little



oyota redesigned its tiny Yaris for the 2012 model year.

Available as a threedoor or five-door liftback, Yaris comes in three "grades:" entry-level L, LE and a sport-tuned SE. The last is available only in the five-door liftback body style and the sedan is no longer available.

The new Yaris has a longer wheelbase and overall length and is not quite as tall, translating into 68 percent more cargo room and interior space for passengers, Toyota said.

The two rear window seats revealed amazing hip, head, leg and foot room. But the center seat is hard, headroom is OK and a flat floor allows some room for feet.

Impressive safety

All on board have threepoint safety belts. Side air bags protect outboard rear-seat passengers and front-mounted and seatback mounted air bags protect the front. Front seats also feature seat cushion air bags; and the driver's seat has a needbolster bag.

Yaris features Toyota's Star Safety System, which includes vehicle stability control, traction control, anti-lock braking system, electronic brakeforce distribution and brake assist. The 2012 Yaris also features as standard Toyota's brake-override system, called smart





The Toyota Yaris was redesigned for 2012. With its bug-eye taillights, the sub-compact is available in three-door and five-door liftback models. Beneath the liftback, the Yaris offers room for stuff and the folding rear seat backs expand that space, when needed.

stop technology.

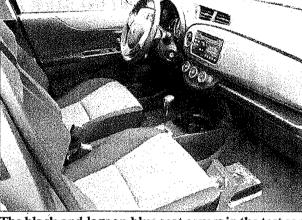
For 2012, Yaris is equipped with Toyota's advanced whiplash injury-lessening front-seat structure. The automaker says this design helps ensure all areas from head to lower back are equally supported.

The vehicle also has a large, single windshield wiper with wet-arm system that helps reduce vehicle weight. Washer fluid is sprayed from the base of the wiper arm directly in the path of the blade.

Under the hood

All Yaris models are powered by a 106 horse-power 1.5-liter four with variable valve timing. L and SE models can be ordered with a five-speed manual transmission.

Toyota says the dual overhead cam and variable valve timing with intelligence produces a broad torque curve — 103 pound-feet of torque at



The black-and-lagoon-blue seat covers in the test car mimicked the lagoon blue exterior.

4,200 rpms.

We found the Yaris able to zip into turnpike traffic and hold its own, but there isn't a lot of power. The upside, in our view, is the amazing fuel economy. In all-highway driving at speeds generally between 65 and 70 mph we averaged 39-plus mpg.

Toyota's limited warranties include a comprehensive, bumper-tobumper for three years or 36,000 miles; five years or 60,000 miles on the powertrain; and five years on corrosion protection.

All Yaris L, LE and SE models come with a new four-speed electronically controlled automatic in a more compact, lighter-weight design that reduces friction for greater fuel efficiency. A smooth-shifting five-speed manual is available on L and SE models only.



ward and easy to use; it could stand more backlighting for nighttime driving.

Over long haul

Our time in the 2012 Yaris put comfort and road noise issues to the test.

Our harshest criticism is aimed at the sound system; the bass was too high, making all music unpleasant.

Another problem is lack of light during night-time driving. Up-front cupholders were hard to see without switching on an overhead light. So were some instrument panel controls and a few

buttons on the steering wheel.

The black, floor-mounted lever to open the fuel filler door was unmarked and hard to find on black carpeting.

Our well-contented SE with automatic transmission had a base price of \$17,200. The three-door liftback with manual transmission starts a little more than \$14,000. Yaris is assembled in Japan.

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



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I SAY By Ann L. Fouty

Shooting down tea leaves

'm a tea drinker. I gave up coffee years ago. Though I still enjoy the 'brew's aroma,



it hasn't enticed me to return to a ritual of imbibing in the beverage - hot, cold or flavored up. Instead, I consume tea with breakfast and lunch

and sometimes indulge in an evening cup to sooth my jangled nerves. I've left behind the designer teas with flavors of raspberry, lemon, orange and sugar and go right for

the unadulterated traditional dried tea leaves from China, Tanzania, Japan, Africa, India or Charleston, My father was tea drinker. With every noon meal,

he had green tea — cold in the summer and hot in the winter. Every Sunday he deviated from the weekday green and drank minimally-processed gunpowder tea. It's a strong green tea made of tiny curled leaves, so named by British sailors who thought the leaves were gunpowder-pellet shaped.

I can still hear my mother say, "Willard, you're going to kill your taste buds drinking that tea so

He said he wouldn't, but I noticed as the years went on, his taste buds dulled. Was it the strong tea he insisted on brewing or age and constant use of

Once I shyly asked to taste the gunpowder tea. After a swallow or two, I had to agree with my mother, gunpowder tea was like drinking gunpowder. It was strong enough to execute any lingering taste in my young mouth. That experience was decades ago and memories, like taste buds, have dulled, just a lit-

It was time to revisit the experience because I had decided I needed something stronger on Thursday and Friday mornings when caffeine should be directly pumped into my veins via over-brewing English breakfast tea or Earl Grey.

That did the trick until the infuser came into my life last month.

Accompanying my infuser were two hearty black teas just perfect for getting me going in the dark, ear-

I felt the need to experience something different,

to cross over to the dark side.

My memories of the taste of gunpowder had been dimmed by Lipton, Cherry Republic, Red Rose and private blends from various stores. I thought I'd give gunpowder another shot.

I began my own tea ceremony by putting a teaspoon of dried tea leaves in the warmed brewing station. I retrieved my favorite Saturday morning mug and set it on a place mat with a coordinating cloth napkin. I don't have a mug for everyday just the green or black one for Saturday and the pink and white one for Sunday. The rest of the week mugs are whatever is in the front of the cabinet.

Today's choice was the black mug - sort of poetic to go with gunpowder.

The tea kettle was steaming. I poured the hot, filtered water into the infuser and let the uncurling leaves steep. I dribbled the amber liquid into my mug and lifted it to my mouth, reminiscing how my father had lifted his tea cup every Sunday at the dinner table. I can see the second best china and white table cloth covered with mouth-watering home-cooked

But today was my day. I sipped, swallowed and sipped again.

She was right. And why wouldn't Mother be right? Mothers are always right.

That stuff will decimate my taste buds. It really was like drinking gunpowder.

I'm going back to Twinings English breakfast tea. I'll find another way to wake up Thursdays and Fridays.

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Superintendent's cuts and more. But it isn't retirement

To the Editor:

What a wonderful article the Grosse Pointe News presented in, "Retirement, legislation headline 2011 school year," Dec. 29 Grosse Pointe News, regarding Superintendent Suzanne Klein's retirement.

She certainly deserves any accolades given to her. Klein was one of the brary for information, most approachable peo- Internet access, enterple in a supervisory posi-tainment and critical reftion I have ever met.

She was always available to hear what you had to say or offer. She attended the League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe's "Running and Winning" workshops, geared to encourage high school girls to consider politics as a possible career choice.

Her leadership during these sessions were both creative and knowledge-

able. She will be dearly

missed. MARION MC CARTHY

St. Paul, Minn.

Future of G.P. library

Letter to the Editor: Open Letter to the Community:

As Grosse Pointe residents, we want to take this opportunity to share an individual and collective concern — the future of our library.

A millage vote will be on the ballot Feb. 28. We will be voting "Yes" and we want you to know why.

The Grosse Pointe Public Library has been an integral part of our community for more than 70 years and it has never been in the jeopardy it is now.

Our library, which receives 91 percent of its revenue from a millage on property taxes, has seen its revenue decimated in the past three years as a result of the recession's impact on property

values in our community. Unfortunately, this reduction in revenue can't be made up by library spending cuts. The library board and staff have worked hard to minimize the impact of the reduced revenue with staff reductions, wage freezes, collection budget enough — the library deficit in 2012-13 could be \$1.1 million.

Without additional support our library will be forced, to make drastic cuts in service and hours, 30 percent, and/or close one entire branch. We don't believe library

cuts serve well to our community, children or the thousands of people who depend on the lierence and resource information.

The library is more in demand now than ever, with more information; media, for content delivery; high speed bandwidth; and children, than ever participating in "Story Time," "Reader Dog and "Lapsit" programs.

The Board of Trustees of the Grosse Pointe Public Library has voted to request a temporary millage of up to a maximum of .7 mills for a period of eight years. For the owner of a house with a market value of \$150,000, the amount would be \$52.50 per year. It's about a \$1 week more.

Our library is a highly utilized asset that reflects the values of what we believe our community is all about - neighborhood, education, community and property. And, we believe this is \$1 per week more that is well worth spending.

We hope you agree and will join with us to support the library proposal and vote Yes Feb. 28.

Please share this letter with your friends and neighbors who are residents of our community and ask them for their support as well.

The Grosse Pointe Public Library Millage Committee:

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Find excitement

at the library

To the Editor:

My wife and I introduced our children to the excitement of the library early in thier lives and today it remains one of their favorite memories. Their early exposure to the wonder of literature certainly was and is integral to the interesting

lives they live today. We take advantage of the library's ability to locate books at out-state libraries and have, on occasion, appreciated the skills of the outreach librarian, whose visits we so welcomed.

Schools, parks, libraries are quality components of living in the Grosse Pointes.

Jackie and I are certainly going to vote "yes" on the Feb. 28th library millage proposal and we hope voters will be moved to do the same and retain this very important component of the quality of life in the Grosse Pointes. JACKIE AND DAN BECK

Grosse Pointe Woods

Support library's millage To the Editor:

I'm now 82, can still recall going with my father to the original "two attached houses" library, around Kercheval and Cadieux. I'm still in Grosse Pointe, in the ranch house at this same corner, just look for the lawn sign "Support Our Libraries." I presently use the library weekly.

My main reasons for supporting an excellent library are:

◆ Communities similar to ours require this; it ED FREDERICKSON helps maintain our home

- ◆ All age groups enjoy the facilities - books (some large print) and others to be borrowed from other locations, magazines, newspapers from other cities, recorded music, movies, children's area, computers for library and Internet access, etc.
- ◆ Well informed staff to answer questions.
- Open seven days a week.

Additional support includes:

 Guest speakers and special programs.

◆ Convenient locations. The library system has made cost saving changes and I think this is still a major objective, as well as reaching agreements on a future, multi-year plan. Right now however, the current library millage proposal seems required to meet committed costs and a time period to make major changes, if approved in an efficient, cost-conscience manner.

> FRED CURTO Grosse Pointe Park

Good public library needed

To the Editor:

I am a member of Friends of the Grosse Pointe Public Library.

I grew up in a town where the public library was housed in a small room in the city hall. All you could do was check out a book and leave.

When I was in my mid-20s, my hometown finally built a decent-sized, modern library.

Each visit to the Grosse Pointe Public Library makes me happy when I see the children's section where the young can explore the real and imaginary worlds.

What a sad thing it would be to reduce access to our library. But that is what we are facing. The drop in property values since 2007 has caused a paring down to the bone of operating expenses.

Unless more revenue is forthcoming, metaphorical bone itself will be whittled away by 30 percent beginning in 2014.

The citizens of the five Grosse Pointe communities will be voting Feb. 28 on an initiative to raise the library portion of property taxes by up to 0.7 mills.

I have lived in Grosse Pointe Park since 1979. I have degrees from two universities. Yet, I have no doubt the lack of a good public library when I was young impaired my intellectual development.

I do not want to see this happen to the young citizens of our community.

I urge my fellow citizens to vote "yes" on Feb.

RICHARD G. LARRY Grosse Pointe Park

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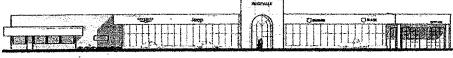
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Grant for joint dispatch

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

A single, all-Pointes public safety dispatch center could be built by next summer.

A \$300,000, 50 percent state matching grant for construction requires approval within two months by the five Grosse Pointe city councils.

"Technology being what it is today, probably means dispatch services can be done in a much more efficient manner than we've done for years," said City of Grosse Pointe Councilman Chris Walsh. "We don't want to see people lose jobs, but we want services done in an efficient manner."

If each council passes resolutions accepting the grant within deadline, a year's worth of legal preparation and construc-

tion of the center could follow.

"The grant is for capital improvements at a 50 per-Dame, manager of the City.

Dame also coordinates the Pointes' public safety ad hoc committee. The committee was formed to brainstorm and evaluate cost savings through shared operations and economies of scale.

The state grant matches 50 percent of construction costs, for a total grant of \$300,000.

"If we spend \$600,000 in capital improvements, they'd give us \$300,000," Dame said. "If we spend \$400,000, they'd give us \$200,000."

The committee, comprised of the Pointes' mayors, managers, one elected official from each and a consultant, had process," Dame said.

been thwarted on consolidating dispatch due to construction costs.

"One of the obstacles to cent rate," said Peter immediately doing a fivecity dispatch was we had to build space to accommodate at least four positions for dispatchers to operate," Dame said.

Grosse Pointe Shores, needing immediate personnel cost savings, contracted dispatching to the Farms for three years.

Dame is seeking full consolidation and applied for the grant.

If the money is awarded, Pointe officials would need to establish a public safety dispatch authority.

"Then, we'd go out to bid to undertake the work and build it," Dame said.

Establishing the authority, soliciting contractors and completing construction is a "year-long

Bottomland a no go

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — Alvin York's nary the only one tryin' to git a piece of bottomland.

Three years off the state fiscal watch list, Grosse Pointe Shores is rebuilding its balance sheet, yet lacks deep pockets.

What assets it doesn't have on hand, it may have in bottomland — dock space — at the municipal harbor shared with the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club.

Club officials are eying

cash-equivalent bailout of memo from the club to money it says the city owes for a decade of overbilled water purchases.

Shores City manager Brian Vick said the club's \$1 million claim should be no more than \$504,521.

Club officials feel the balance presents an inkind opportunity to expand their harbor capacity without expanding the harbor's overall footprint. When they proposed building a bigger footprint 10 years ago, Shores voters said no.

The proposed swap ac-

the city. The Grosse Pointe News obtained the memo through the Freedom of Information

Vick acknowledged the memo at the December city council meeting.

"Grosse Pointe Yacht Club proposed a financial scenario to address their \$500,000 calculation, part of which included transferring parkland and boat well slips," Vick said. "This club scenario was never entertained by city staff nor considered as a negotiable matter."



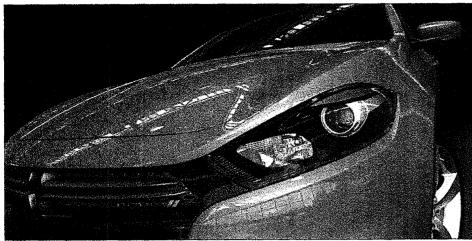
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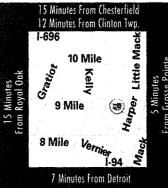
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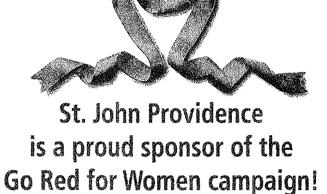
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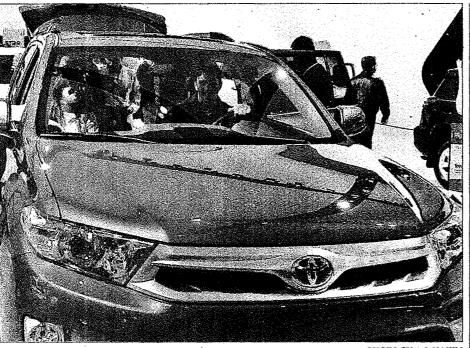
A Day at the auto show

By A.J. Hakim Staff Writer

In addressing the class premise "how can we maintain our planet in a way that allows life into the future," 34 University Liggett School environmental science students researched the sustainability of alternative fuel vehicles while attending the North American International Auto Show last week.

The science department funded student participation in the auto show's education day event, designed to provide students a customized and engaging educational experience.

"They're sort of looking at sustainability from an economic standpoint, environment standpoint and the social standpoint," teacher Russ Glenn said. "So, in addition to just looking at the fuel economy, they're looking at what kind of waste is generated in the production of the vehicle. They'll also be looking at, is this vehicle going to



University Liggett School environmental science students Janine Puleo and David Gushee test out a car at the North American International Auto Show.

students selected an alternative fuel vehicle -Chevrolet Volt, Toyota Prius, Nissan Leaf and hybrids, among others and questioned representatives and spokesmen regarding the vehicle's propulsion system, production, marketing, vehicle specifications and its overall sustainability. Additional independent research is also required and students will compile their information into presentations in a format of their choosing.

"If you're studying sustainability it's really hard because it's such an abstract idea," senior Janine Puleo said. "I think if you really see how they are putting it into action, especially with ears because they're such gasguzzlers. Seeing them put it into action is really

For their assignment, cool and it really drives some issues that we're talking about in class; it really helps you put it all together."

Through the education day experience, students also heard a presentation from Toyota public rela-"Green and tions Technology" spokesman Curt McAllister, who afterward assisted several students with their re-

"Prius was really interesting," senior Mike Meyering said. "The man who presented was gracious enough to help me with my project. He talked about the recycled parts, how fuel efficient they are, how a lot of the models you can do plugin electric mode and beyond that, they get like 50 miles per gallon as a hybrid too, so you get some pretty crazy mileage with

those."

This is the second year Glenn's students attended education day and the hope, he said, is students learn about the variety of alternative fuel vehicles, their sustainability and the future of the automotive industry.

"One of the ways I'm going to finish this project up, they will definitely be sharing their information with their pods, maybe between pods, so that we can get a nice view of different types of alternative vehicles," Glenn said. "So without every kid having to study every vehicle, they're sort of becoming an expert on one vehicle and then they'll be able to share that information with the rest of the class.'

School board takes shape

By A.J. Hakim Staff Writer

A new regime materialized Monday, headed by former secretary Judy Gafa, as the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education officially designated member positions during its January regular meet-

The board contentiously elected for the atypical, with Gafa assuming the presidency following three years as secretary and rookies Lois Valente (vice president) and Dan Roeske (secretary) taking roles typically reserved for more experienced members. Brendan Walsh resumes his role as treasurer, while Tom Jakubiec, Cindy Pangborn and Joan Dindoffer — the presumed heir apparent for president — are trustees.

A visibly frustrated Jakubiec and Pangborn openly voiced their opposition to Gafa's (4-3 vote), Valente's (4-3) and Roeske's (5-2) designations. Walsh's ap-

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District fills final vacancy

By A.J. Hakim Staff Writer

The last of the district's administrative vacancies was filled Monday after the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education approved Michael "Jon" Dean as the assistant superintendent of human services and educational development.

For Dean, a Grosse Pointe Woods resident and former finalist for superintendent, it's a lateral movement, as he held a similar position for more than four years at Birmingham Public Schools. Though, he receives a possible salary increase from \$142,000 annually (Birmingham salary) to a maximum \$150,879 in

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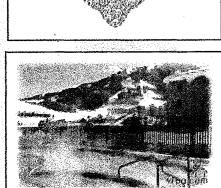
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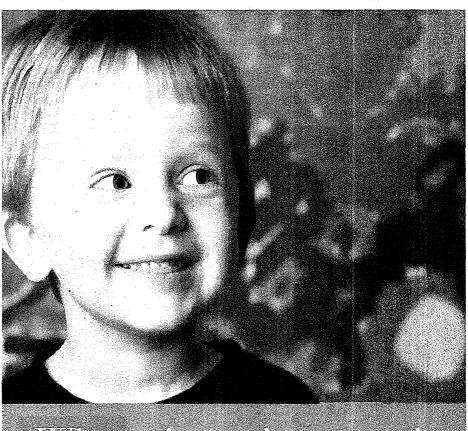
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Recognized for positive behavior and academic improvement, Parcells Middle School students, from left, Thomas Jarecki, Wesley Peters, Maya Williams, Kaylah McGee and Markael Butler received a "gourmet" lunch courtesy of Sodexo Food Services.

Parcells students learn fine dining etiquette

The 11 lucky raffle win- event, started last Mav at School recognized for positive behavior and academic improvement received a fine dining luncheon last week courtesy Sodexo Food Services.

Sodexo general manager for Grosse Pointe schools Michelle Knotts home, in the school cafehosted the quarterly teria or at a restaurant.

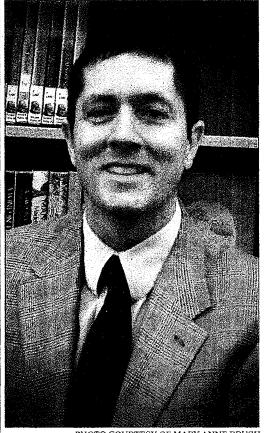
ners at Parcells Middle Pierce Middle School as a means of partnering with the community and rewarding students for positive behavior.

Selected students learned about fine dining etiquette and proper table manners, whether at

They were treated to a "gourmet" lunch of salad, penne marinara, meatgarlic bread, balls, sparkling punch and homemade cookies, as classical music played in the background, adding to the atmosphere and students' experience.

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Search complete; Academy announces new head of school



Lars Kuelling, Grosse Pointe Academy's new Head of School effective July 1, 2012.

week when Grosse Pointe Academy announced Lars Kuelling as its next Head of School after he received unanimous approval from both the Head of School search committee and board of trustees.

Kuelling starts effective July 1, 2012. Interim Head of School Michael Kennedy resumes his role in the meantime.

Kuelling previously served as high school faculty member (2000-2004) and middle school head (grades 5-8) at The Canterbury School in Fort Wayne, Ind., a position held since 2004.

Prior to The Canterbury School, Kuelling taught sixth-grade American History and seventhgrade global studies at The Bryn Mawr School for Girls, an independent school in Baltimore, Md.

He received a bachelor's degree in Latin American Studies with a minor in history from the University of Virginia and a Master of Arts degree in anthropology as an Ethnology Fellowship recipient from the University of New Mexico.

Since April 2010, Kuelling served as administrative services committee member with the Independent Schools Association of the Central States.

Also with ISACS, he was an ac-A year-long search concluded last creditation visiting team member (2009 and 2011) and accreditation selfstudy steering committee chair (2011-2012).

St. Paul forensics places first

Lake Catholic School seventh- and eighth-grade forensics team earned top several awards, during St. Thecla School's eastside compe-

The competitive public speaking event; from Saturday, Dec. 10, featured seven eastside Catholic schools and three scored rounds. St. Paul placed first with 242 Elysse Knapp and Ashley points, followed by St. Brieden earned a first and Duo, Williamson and Thecla (204),Lawrence and Our Lady Star of the Sea.

Students placing among the top three included: Louis Wyre, Rebecca Adams and Jenny Lessnau each finished with three firstplace honors; Mary Kate

The St. Paul on the Bodien, Emily Kanan, Claire Young, Kathryn Williamson, Mary Grace O'Shea, Madison Berg, overall honors, as well as Abby Reid, Catherine individual Gardy and Monica VanBerkum earned two firsts and a second; Eryn VanDerHoeven and Elizabeth Sullivan had two firsts and a third; T.J. Dulac, Zoe Evans, Boelstler. Natasha Elizabeth Rauh, Margaret Brennan, Erin Gormley, St. two seconds; Julian O'Shea, Berg and Reid, Karustis, Megan Gall and Gardey and VanBerkum Lilly Cusumano, a first and a second; Julia Fox

Top overall honors and plaque-winners include: In Prose, Wyre (first) and VanDerHoeven Dulac (tied for second); Poetry, Bodien and Kanan tied for second; Drama, Evans and Sullivan tied for first; Storytelling, a Boelstler (second); Multiple; Rauh, Brennan, Gormley, Knapp and Brieden placed second; Impromptu, Young (first); each tied for second; and Declamation. Lessnau

St. Paul forensics coaches are Paula Vokal, Beth Reilly, AnnMarie Jauch and Lisa Manz-

and Adams tied for first.

District hosts kindergarten night

Kindergarten information nights are an opportion nights are scheduled for 7 p.m. today at each of the district's nine elemen-

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BOARD: I think we all come with our strengths and our weaknesses ...'

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proval was unanimous.

"My input is that there are positions within the board that have a sequence, and while I feel Ms. Gafa did an outstanding job as secretary," Jakubiec said, "I do feel there is someone else on the board who has served as vice president these past two years I think would be an excellent choice helping the board move forward in a collective, collaborative fash-

ion." Added Pangborn about board cadence: "To have someone who is newly elected, who's not familhas not been a regular attendee of board meetings, to come into a position next to the president, which on occasion would ward we can all work to- Act Amendment No. 2.

call for her to lead meet- gether to move this disings, I don't think trict into being the best vaientei nas the experience and understands the policy of the board at this time."

Roeske, Valente, Gafa and Walsh voted in approval of Gafa, Valente and Roeske.

Jakubiec was the fifth vote for Roeske.

this board for the best interests of the district." Gafa said.

"I think we all can work collaboratively together ... I don't think anybody on this board does anything on a whim. I think we all come with our strengths and our weakiar with board policy, who nesses to provide what we can to this district in the best fashion we can provide it.

"I hope moving for-

Board briefs

 The meeting marked Tom Harwood's first as superintendent, as well as Roeske's and Valente's first since their elections in November. The latter "I intend to work with two were administered an oath of office at the meeting's start.

 Board-approved agenda action items included: an updated secondary art curriculum; repairs to Trombly Elementary School's attic and stair windows (24 windows); Michael "Jon" Dean as the new assistant superintendent of human services and educational development; and the General Appropriations

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third; Kyle Johnson fin-

ished first and two thirds;

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DEAN: 'This is an amazing opportunity'

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Grosse Pointe. He starts effective Feb.

"This is an amazing opportunity for me," said Dean, currently pursuing a doctorate of education Wayne State University. He also has an education specialist degree in edu-

cation leadership from Saginaw Valley State University. "I spent my whole career focusing on entailed primarily negorelationships and achievement for all kids. And now I get the opportunity to do it working for you, working with this team, with this board of education and this community. And nothing can make me happier

than doing that."

labor negotiations - ac- ing of skills and decisioncounting for Dean's expanded role within the district. Aside from negotiations, human resources and labor relations, his involvement also includes: engaging in staff and educational dein education policy from velopment regarding cultural diversity, differentiating instruction and reviewing staff evaluations and student growth mea-

"The previous position tiations, human resources, labor relations," said superintendent Tom Harwood, who held the position previously. "And what we are recognizing in this particular role is that those roles wouldn't be changing in this capacity. But we also recog-The board renamed nize that there's not a sithe position — previously lo of work that's just assistant superintendent purely that of human refor human resources and sources, that the blend-

making needs to be pervasive across many different avenues of the educational community and what we're attempting to do in the school district."

The month-long search garnered 57 applicants. Dean again was one of three finalists and, according to Harwood, was selected based on wealth of experience in human resources, skills and familiarity with the district.

"He understands education, he understands strategic planning, he understands the vision of where we need to go as a school district," Harwood said. "And I look forward to having him be an additional person that will professionally advance our school system with his knowledge, his expertise and his input."

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.

Janet Hohendorf

Janet Hohendorf, 54, passed away Friday, Jan. 20, 2012. She will be remember by her family as a wonderful, artistic sister and aunt.

She was surrounded by love starting with her best friend and dog, Lefty; brothers, Paul, David and John; sisters, Joanne Gasparotto, Susan Danmeyer and Beth

She was the daughter of Al and Mary Hohendorf of Sterling Heights.

Ms. Hohendorf was a longtime Detroit resident, well-known in the art circle for her embellished glassware and creative jewelry. She enjoyed creating artwork that pleasure to brought

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 31, at St. Ambrose Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe Park.

Luther Anderson Neeb

Luther Anderson Neeb passed away peacefully Christmas morning, Dec. 25, 2011, his 79th birthday, in Sun City Grand in Phoenix, Ariz.

Christmas Eve was filled with joy surrounded by family having dinner served at his bedside and watching grandchildren unwrap Christmas gifts around the tree.

Mr. Neeb led a life balanced with success in business, devotion to family, respect of the community and unending love for all who knew him.

He injured his back in November, had surgery in December, and, although his physical health deteriorated, his mind, spirit and faith remained strong.

Mr. Neeb and his wife put their three children through college, built a home in Clarkston, vacationed at the family cabin Beaumont in Luzerne and retired to

Sun City Grand in Phoenix.

Mr. Neeb is survived by his sister, Norma Ann; children, Kimberly and her fiancé, Mark, Bill and his wife, Sarah and Eric and his wife, Leslie and his grandchildren, Rider and Ruby.

He was predeceased by his wife, Shirley; brother, William and parents, Viola and Austin.

11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 28, White Chapel Cemetery, 621 West Long Lake Road, Troy in the Chapel of the Psalms.

Donations may be made to St. Labre Indian School, 1000 Tongue River Road, Ashland, MT 59003.

Corinne E. Beeby

Longtime Grosse Pointe resident Corinne E. Beeby, 88, died Friday, Jan. 13, 2012, at Hospital Grosse Pointe.



Luther Anderson Neeb

She was born Dec. 21. 1923 in Duluth, Minn. to Carl and Victoria (nee LeBlanc) Kunerth.

She is survived by her children, Karen Bunge, Sue (Neil) Kennedy, Bill (Sharon), Barbara Palazzolo, Donna McCarthy and Patty (Ray) Dueweke; 15 grandchildren and three greatgrandchildren.

She was predeceased by her husband, William.

A memorial service was A service will be held at held at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Donations may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

Sherryl Lynn **Smith**

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Sherryl Lynn Smith, died Wednesday, Jan. 18, 2012.

Born April 10, 1951, in Detroit, she graduated from Finney High School in 1969. She was known by her friends and family



Corinne E. Beeby

as a sweet and kind person, friendly and cheerful, who cared for others. and gave a warm and friendly home to exotic birds that were once neglected and rescued.

Ms. Smith earned Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degrees in Education from Wayne State University. She taught fine arts at Denby Jessica (Smith) Benoit High School. After her teaching career, she worked as a jeweler and owned her own business on Mack Avenue in Grosse Pointe Woods. She also worked for to 9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 27, many years as a landscaping consultant. She loved flowers and gardening and maintained a large garden at her house.

Ms. Smith is survived by her mother, Shelby J. funeral home.



Sherryl Lynn Smith

Smith-Steves; brothers, Fred W. Smith, and his wife, Phyllis, and Ronald She had a love of animals D. Smith, his wife, Tran, and daughter, Melisa; and nieces and nephews, U.S. Navy Captain Fred Winton Smith Jr., his wife, Kara and their sons, Pierceson and Dashel, David Smith, his wife, Carrie and their sons, Jordan, A.J. and Blake, and her husband, Chad, and their children, Blake, Cody and Emma.

Visitation will be held from 3 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 26, and 1 at Chas. Verheyden Funeral Home, 16300 Mack Avenue, Grosse Pointe Park.

A Memorial Service will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 28, at the

Committee promotes Shores | Solar panel

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

Mayor Ted Kedzierski announced he's creating a municipal committee to boost sales of Grosse Pointe Shores housing.

"This will be an ambassador program composed nesses moving their emof interested residents ployees downtown," and real estate professionals to promote our to promote our communihomes to the metropoli- ty. We need to attract tan Detroit community," Kedzierski said. "The old have fabulous homes, ways of waiting for a many prospective buyer to views." come to us have to change."

Applicants can contact him or city hall.

"Please consider joining meetings, intends to this prospective committee," Kedzierski said. "We already have one mem-

A target of the committee is people working in downtown Detroit.

"There are large busi-Kedzierski said. "We need some of these buyers. We

Town hall

Kedzierski, an advocate

schedule one this month in council chambers at city hall.

On the third Saturday of January, I am going to plan a town hall meeting here," he said at last month's council meeting. Hours are 10 a.m. to noon, Saturday, Jan. 21.

"Please see either myself or (City Manager) Brian Vick if you plan to attend, so we don't exceed the seating capacity of

Office hours

Kedzierski is continu-

Cooper's office hours. "I met with two residents Friday," last Kedzierski said.

The mayor's office hours are the 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. the third Friday of the month.

19 Kedzierski gencouraged members of the city councilto do likewise and aren'

"This is your city, your chairs," he told residents attending the council meeting.

"We're just temporary registered seats.

Residents seeking a meeting during mayoral office hours are asked to schedule an appointment of informal town hall ing former Mayor James by calling (313) 881-6565.

stay extended

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — A moratorium on solar panel installation has been extended another 90 days.

The ending date corresponds with the March lar panels or solar shin-20, Grosse Pointe Shores city council meeting.

expect to regulate roomop solar panels.

The. moratorium. passed originally Oct. 18, gave the planning commission time to draft a proposed ordinance.

"We want to make it air tight," said Mary Matuja, commission chair. "We're trying to make sure we have the T's crossed and I's dotted."

A draft of restrictions was discussed at the December council meeting.

Provisions include: ◆ Integrated solar shingles are preferred.

◆ Roof or structuremounted panels are allowed on a facade and roof, but can't be more than six inches above a roof line and can't be located within three feet of

a peak, eave or valley.

◆ All wiring must be obscured from view.

 Freestanding panels aren't allowed.

A provision proposed by former Councilman Brian Geraghty protects tree owners:

"The installation of sogles shall not require or be dependent upon the At that time, officials clear cutting or mass pruning of trees or other vegetation on the subject property or any adjacent property."

> It might be wishful thinking for commissioners to submit something for the council to vote on at this month's meeting, Jan. 17.

"I don't know if this can be done in the January council meeting," said Mark McInerney, city attorney. "It may be February. We asked for March just to be safe."

Councilman Dan Schulte supports the moratorium and regulations, but not the 90-day extension. He said it's too

He was the lone official to vote against it.

"Ninety days is probably more than we need," he said.

Mayor makes appointments

By Brad Lindberg

Staff Writer

GROSSE SHORES — The new mayor's appointments to city boards and commissions aren't much different than his predeces-

"I ran a clean campaign trying to unite the city," said first-term Mayor Ted Kedzierski. "That's why, with my appointments, I recognize the value of many (former) Mayor (James) Cooper's supporters, who I believe were acting in the best interests of the city."

Kedzierski's biggest changes are on the finance committee and parks committee.

The finance team is reduced from a sevenmember committee of the whole to a threemember finance committee, as it was during most of the Shores 100-year history.

Kedzierski expanded parks committee membership by three, including longtime Osius Park lifeguard and recent college graduate, Angela

"The focus is to increase recreational offerto children, teenagers and young adults," Kedzierski said.

He wants to enhance volleyball, basketball and tennis programs.

Alan Broad, an attor-

More on the Shores at grossepointenews.com

POINTE ney, accepted membership on the planning commission. Kedzierski appointed him to deal with legal aspects of commission business.

Bruce Campbell, an attorney with Wayne County, was named to the employee retirement system, commonly called the pension commission.

"He works on benefit plans for Wayne County," Kedzierski said.

Helen Bai is retained as chair of the beautification committee. She also continues serving on the tree board.

Both committees, along with the Grosse Pointe Shores Foundation and parks committee, are credited with helping the Shores win numerous beautification awards and consecutive Tree City USA designations.

Committee appointments for 2012 are:

◆ Finance Committee: Councilman Bruce Bisballe, chair; Councilman Robert Gesell, Councilwoman Kay Felt and Mayor Ted Kedzierski.

Commission: Manager Brian Vick, Gesell and Vito Cusenza. ◆ Public works liaison:

Councilman

Barrette.

Election City chair; Councilman Robert

Robert

♦ Municipal Buildings liaison: Councilman Robert Barrette.

◆ Public Safety liaison: Mayor Ted Kedzierski.

◆ Parks & Harbor Ad Hoc Committee: Frank Tenkel, chairman, Bruce Kopf, Kim Lane, Alissa McMann, Kathy Mermiges, Bruce Vollmer, Angela Lee, John Fodell, Tom Krolczyk, City Manager Brian Vick and Councilman Daniel

Schulte, council liaison. ◆ Public Relations liaison: Councilman Daniel Schulte.

Grosse Pointes/Clinton Refuse Authority: Disposal Public Works Director Brett Smith, delegate and City Manager Brian Vick, alternate delegate.

◆ Council Liaison to the Beautification Advisory Committee: Councilman Alexander Ajlouni.

◆ Council Liaison to the Shores Improvement Foundation: Mayor Ted Kedzierski.

Planning Commission: Mary Matuja, chair; Alex DePetro, Gary Mitchell, Patrick McCarroll, Alan Broad.

Mike Monahan, Mayor Ted Kedzierski, City Manager Brian Vick and Councilman Daniel Schulte, liaison.

◆ Employee Retirement System (pension commission): James Vandenbergh, chair; Bruce Campbell, Finance Director Rhonda Ricketts, Public Safety Officer James Wardowski, Mayor Ted Kedzierski and City Manager Brian Vick.

◆ 2011 Board of Review Members: John Lizza, chair; Vincent LoCicero, Janice Pemberton and Marlene Smith. ◆ Beautification Advisory

Committee: Helen Bai, Chair; Pat Cardellio, Mary Ellen Dakmak, Elaine Malcoun, Dianne O'Keefe, Gerrie Paddock, Elly Karen Shea, Sattler, Monica Silverston, Anne Stricker, Rose Garland Thornton, Rachelle VanHollebeke, Mickey Wrona, Bonnie Krueger, Madhavi Kanneganti, Mary Matuja Councilman Alexander

Ajlouni, council liaison. ◆ Shores Improvement Foundation Board of Trustees: Lynn Galbenski, president; Susan Walton, vice president; Marty Ellis, treasurer; and

Connie Houin, secretary. ◆ Tree Board: Brett Marshall, chair; Helen Bai, Robert Squiers, Councilman Alexander Ajlouni, council liaison; Public Works Director Brett Smith, Shores grounds supervisor Harold Michaux, Lynn Michaux, secretary; and City Manager Brian Vick.





Crime in irons

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE **POINTE** — Burglars were no help last year in keeping the overall crime rate flat.

Burglary increased more than 300 percent, from 7 cases in 2010 to 23 in 2011, according to the City of Grosse Pointe public safety department annual report.

"One suspect was arrested for six or seven of those," said Stephen Poloni, department direc-

Car theft increased 60 percent.

"We had 13 stolen vehicles, but we recovered 12," Poloni said.

As with burglaries, some thefts were credited to the same suspect, a Detroit teenager. He con-

tinued breaking into and stealing parked cars while awaiting trial and being tracked by a Global Positioning system tether.

Overall crime last year totaled 302 cases.

Poloni called it a "minimal, 1 percent increase" from 299 cases in 2010.

Both figures are greater than record lows of 2009, but remain 10 to 25 percent less than total crime reported in 2006 through

Serious crime, rated by the FBI to include burglary, auto theft, larceny, felonious assault and more, declined 2.5 percent in 2011.

Within that category, the city's 80 larcenies reported during 2011 were the least since at least 2008.

No robberies were reported.

Less serious crimes, which the FBI includes, but does not limit to, nonaggravated assault, fraud, stalking, malicious destruction of property, possession of narcotics and drunken driving, increased 3.3 percent.

The department consists of 28 officers, including the chief and five dispatchers.

Officers responded to 5,322 calls for service, a 5 percent increase from the previous year.

"Many more juveniles were detained or arrested last year for various offenses," Poloni said. "It was a significant increase, from 15 in 2010 to 54."

The most common juvenile offenses were logged as malicious mischief (77), family trouble (54) and minor in possession of alcohol or drugs

Total adult arrests declined 31 percent to 143. Two-thirds were males, a ratio to females that is slightly lower than in recent years. Of 265 arrests in 2008, more than 80 percent were of males.

Traffic officers issued 405 moving violations, made 20 drunken driving arrests, issued 699 nonmoving violations and 358 parking citations.

There were 195 motor vehicle accidents. Only eight involved injuries. Two crashes were hit and run. The rest involved motorists hitting property.

Fire division

Five fires last year caused \$26,000 damage. Four were residential.

One was at a business in

the Village.

sponded 386 times to alarms, reports of smoke, downed wires, natural gas leaks and more.

Medics made 206 ambulance runs, an increase from last year.

"The state requires an ambulance run to be logged with fire runs,' Poloni said.

Average response time was 4 minutes, he said.

K9 division

Raleigh the police dog took part in 270 cases. Some 202 involved narcotics. He found illegal substances in 34 vehicles.

He detected narcotics residue three times on currency totaling \$1,292.

Of 30 live tracks, he found what he was looking for seven times.

Raleigh logged one bite next few months.

Overall, officers re- last year during an apprehension.

Awards

Lt. Eddie Tujaka, a 25year veteran, received a department citation for outstanding performance involving personal risk.

Receiving unit citations were Sgt. Tony Railing, Sgt. Michael Almeranti, Officers Matthew Wallis, Officer Jason Strohmeyer, K9 Raleigh, Sgt. John Alcorn, Sgt. Thomas Martindale, Christopher Cotzias and Officer Christopher Lee.

"Unit commendations came from reacting quickly to B&Es and catching the suspects,' Poloni said.

An awards ceremony is being planned for a council meeting within the

Nixle postings coming

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

POINTE **SHORES** — Police are eying "some persons of interest" in the holiday-period break-in of a house on Belle Meade.

Despite leads, "there's nothing solid," according to Stephen Poloni, Grosse Pointe Shores public safe-

Investigators are awaiting analysis of forensic evidence gathered at the scene and sent to the state police crime lab.

The house was broken into roughly between Christmas and New Years. The owners were on vacation.

Shores residents are encouraged to let police know when they'll be out of town so officers can give their property special

attention. Nixle.com

Police said the city is due to activate its subscription to Nixle.com.

"We subscribed, but stopped," Poloni said.

The subscription was superseded by installing updating equipment related to contracting dispatch services to Grosse Pointe

police and related agen- the next city newsletter, cies to post notices about he said.

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Grosse Pointe Farms and Woods use Nixle.

Woods police Friday, Jan. 20, posted information about the 5 a.m. armed robbery of the Mobil Gas station in the 20700 block of Mack.

The most recent Farms posting, Jan. 10, concerned closure of a lane of Lakeshore near Kerby due to construction.

"We will pick up getting the Nixle message out," Poloni said.

Residents can expect an drop out of the harbor." Nixle.com is used by update on the matter in

Well rates raised 3%

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

GROSSE SHORES — It costs 3 percent more this year to rent wells at the municipal ma-

An increase approved this month will be adjusted next year in response to customer reaction.

"We are trying to maximize (marina) occupancy and find out what the market is," said Brian Vick, Grosse Pointe Shores city manager. "At some point, people may

Then, rate-setters will know they're too high.

year," said Councilman Dan Schulte, chair of the parks and harbor committee. "We're only going one year at a time.'

New rates for 2012 10 cents per square foot Ted Kedzierski. more than last year. With the increase, rentals at the open wells by offering from \$870 to \$4,178.

"Rates in the marina were held constant for you get a second (well) three years," Vick said. "Last year, they were increased. (Our) rates are tended another promocompetitive, especially if you consider the harbor buyers with free wells.

rebuilt in 2008 at a cost of ing new residents a free on the park."

money.

"The marina fund is POINTE separate from the general ers participated. Three fund," Vick said. "There is no drain on the general fund. If the city does not make its bond obligation, yes, then there would be

> The harbor has 137 wells ranging from 25 to 55 feet.

Floating docks adjust automatically with changing water levels.

Harbor occupancy last summer was in the "high 80" percentile, generating \$205,199 revenue, according to Vick.

"It will come up every rent rates would generate house at Osius Park \$266,000 per year, he added.

> might not be realistic," Vick said. "We're going to be los-

amount to \$3.48 per ing money for the next square foot. The figure is eight years," said Mayor He proposed filling

Osius Park marina range boaters a quantity discount. "If you have one (well),

> half off," he said. Council members extion that rewards house

\$3.8 million, is losing municipal well for one vear.

In 2010, four homeownrented wells the following season, generating \$4,005 the harbor fund otherwise would have done without.

In 2011, four more new residents opted for wells. The deadline to reserve a well this year is forthcom-

Park proposals

Members of the parks and harbor committee discussed the following during a recent meeting, according to Schulte:

Pool Full occupancy at cur- Ventilation to the pool should be increased.

"It's wet and slippery in "One hundred percent there," Schulte said. "It doesn't dry out as well as it should." ◆ Schroeder Field: A

no aog ruie Schroeder Field isn't being obeyed. "It needs to be enforced

more," Schulte said. "We talked about putting new signs to make it clear that we have a dog park, and Schroeder Park is not it."

◆ Dog park: The entrance is muddy.

"We're going to look at either putting concrete or some other material down," Schulte said. "We're going to talk about stepping up maintenance

Between Wedgewood & River Rd. The "buy a home, get a we have with the ameniwell" program, launched Freedom Lovers, Tax Payers, The harbor, completely in 2010, gives house-buy-

Tickets on sale Feb. 1 Clark Durant is Cofounder & Past CEO of Cornerstone Schools Clark is endorsed by Bob Lutz (A former top

executive of each of the "Big Three") who has agreed to chair his finance committee. "Laudable" is how Ronald Reagan described Durant Reforms in the 1980's.

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POINTES — Registration and ticket sales for the **All-Pointes** Daddy

Thursday, Feb. 1. through each of the recreation departments," to an all-Pointe event. said Dick Huhn, Farms park director.

The dance is 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, March 10, at

GROSSE Grosse Pointe South High more this year." School, in the Farms.

couple. Additional tickets Daughter Dance starts cost \$8 each.

Registration ends "Tickets are available Wednesday, March 10.

This is the second year Grosse Pointe parks and the dance is combined in-

> said. "We anticipate having

Dances in prior years Tickets cost \$16 per were sponsored by individual recreation departments and held in respective cities.

Consolidation eliminates duplication. A single event for all residents also lets schoolmates "We had over 400 at- from neighboring cities tending last year," Huhn celebrate together.

- Brad Lindberg

City of Grosse Hointe, Michigan Public Notice - Ordinance No. 403

Please take notice that the City of Grosse Pointe has adopted the following

The City of Grosse Pointe ordains:

I. Chapter 14, Article XIII. Flood Prone Hazard Areas, is added to the Grosse Pointe City Code.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency requires that the city adopt federal and state rules concerning flood plain construction to maintain eligibility for federal flood plain insurance. The ordinance adopts the Flood Insurance Study, and Map by reference for the purposes of administration of the Michigan Construction, Building and Residential Codes and designates the Grosse Pointe

Building Code official as the enforcing agency. This ordinance shall take effect ten days after publication of this notice. If you have any questions regarding this ordinance, please contact City Hall, 17147 Maumee Ave., Grosse Pointe, MI 48230, 313-885-5800, Mon.-Fri., 8:30 am to 5

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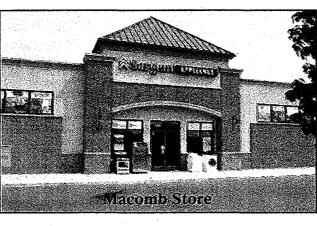
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Sargent's entry fee to local charities. tures and pricing options. Money has been raised for

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All Sargent employees based business are specialist in the field that supports and have years of accumu-Michigan based lated appliance knowledge. "So if you haven't been in "We give prior- the market for a large ity to local com- appliance in a while, and panies in decid- you don't really know what



part of their slogan benefit the community at edge to help you make the hits home. Sargent the same time" said Nicki. right decision. They've Appliance belongs to Sales associates are on been with us for years and a nationwide buying hand to answer questions receive updated training group that allows them to about the products as well. from the manufacturers on cooking a regular basis" John said. for over 50 years, now tive prices. So Sargent classes are held at the All major brands are at Clinton Twp, downtown happy knowing they are locations and participants Appliance, giving custom-Rochester and Macomb on getting the best price donate \$10 per person as ers a wide range of fea-

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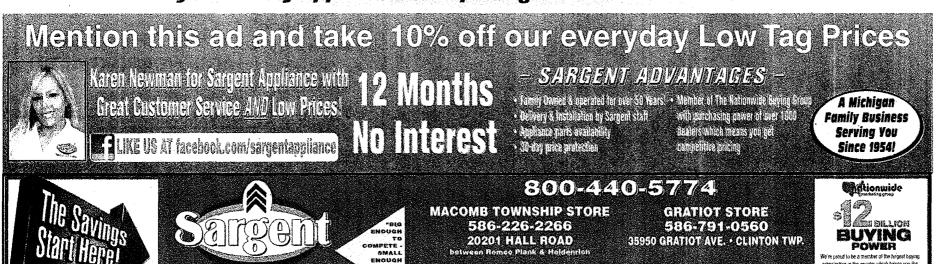
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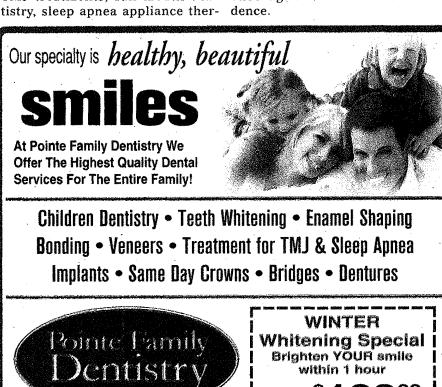
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Dr. Zilli brings her experience and commitment to three offices in Grosse Pointe Woods, Dearborn, and Canton. She worked as a partner in an Ear, Nose, and Throat practice for half of her professional career before opening Ear Center Audiology. She still maintains a close association with local E.N.T. practices for patients who need referrals.

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Dr. Rodriguez helps patients blend their inner and outer self

By Bob St. John Staff Writer

Compassion, dedication, Rodriquez.

resident was born and raised with precision. in the Metro Detroit area.

University of Health said. Sciences at Chicago Medical

School. She graduated at the top of her class and was inducted into the Alpha Honor Society. She was also nominated for the Women Surgeons Outstanding Resident

Award. " | have always had a

Rodriguez said.

Rodriguez's father is a vascular surgeon, while her sisters are an ophthalmologist and dentist

Center in New York City.

Her clinical research won

Society of Plastic Surgery aged 18 to 80. Journal and the Journal of

and commitment are three ease when they are seen by cerns about their appearwords that define Dr. Daniela Dr. Rodriguez. She listens to ance with me," Rodriguez The Grosse Pointe Shores game plan and executes it that is what I have spent a

Clinical Physiology and need to have a reconstruc- natural looking." Medical Degree from the tive procedure," Rodriguez

If a woman chooses to Plastic Surgery; is a mem-

passion of becoming a sur- have reconstructive surgery structive surgery. She has geon since I was a child," after a mastectomy, Dr. staff privileges at Beaumont Rodriguez is ready to help and "make the patient feel good about their outer, as well as inner self."

In addition, cosmetic sur-She began her intensive gery, such as facelifts and plastic surgical training in the eyelifts for facial rejuvenation five-year integrated plastic and liposuction and breast surgery program at the pres- enhancement for body restigious Montefiore Medical culpting, are popular procedures.

Some of the non-surgical awards at the New York facial rejuvenation proce-Regional Plastic Surgery dures Rodriguez performs Meeting at the New York are facial injectables done in have surgery, and it really Academy of Medicine. The the office such as puts the patient at ease, New York Society for the Restylane®, a dermal filler communicating in their flu-Surgery of the Hand, the that restores volume and full- ent language when the National Senior Residents ness to the skin to correct stress level is high," Conference at Brown moderate to severe facial Rodriguez said. University in Providence, RI, wrinkles and folds and Botox and the American Society of Cosmetic, in which low reached at (586) 777-7260, Peripheral Nerve Meeting in doses of Botox® are injected that temporarily improves the 21727 Mack Avenue, which Rodriguez has been pub- appearances of moderate to is between 8 and 9 Mile lished in the American severe frown lines in people roads, in St. Clair Shores.

"My patients are comfort-Reconstructive Microsurgery. able coming into my office Patients of all ages feel at and discussing their conthe patient, formulates a said. "I am here to help, and lot of years in school and "I perform surgery on men several years of training to She received her BA from and women who are seeking do to the best of my ability. I the University of Michigan in facial and body cosmetic truly believe in 'enhancing Ann Arbor, and earned both surgery, as well as children the natural you' and as a her Master's Degree in and senior citizens who may result, all my surgery is very

> She is board certified by the American Board of

> > ber of the American Society of Plastic Surgeons; and the American Medical Association and Michigan Academy of Plastic Surgeons.

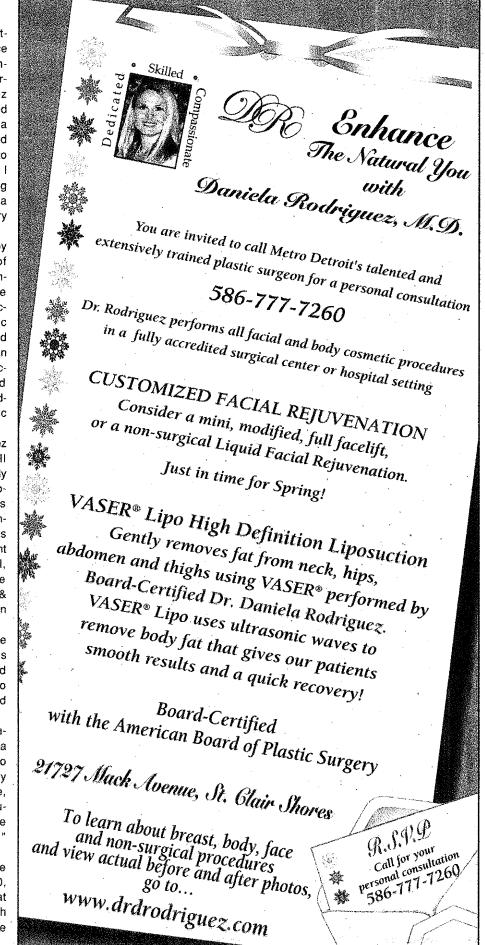
Dr. Rodriguez performs all facial and body cosmetic procedures, as

Grosse Pointe Hospital, Henry Ford Cottage Hospital, St. John Hospital & Medical Center and St. John Surgery Center.

In addition to being one of Metro Detroit area's talented and respected surgeons, she can also speak fluent French and Spanish.

"I have had the opportunity to speak French with a patient who is waiting to

Dr. Rodriguez can be and her office is located at



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customers with incomplete or improperly done work, taking their money and disappearing. They rob home and business owners of their confidence and cash. They take advantage of them both on new jobs or during times of stress after they have had a fire, floor or weather related disaster.

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With a background in management with Burroughs and Sears, and years of hands-on experience in construction, Swanquist started this familyowned and operated business 16 years ago. His company philosophy is sim-

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first. "I tell peoup that they may not like what I have to tell them,"

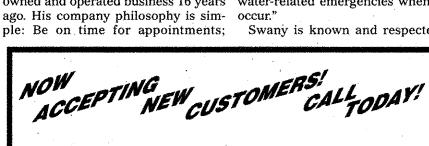
Swanguist, facets of residential and commercial "but at least they'll know it's the addition or dormer. truth." Other contractors may hook people in with low prices, and stick it to them later. Not so with Swany.

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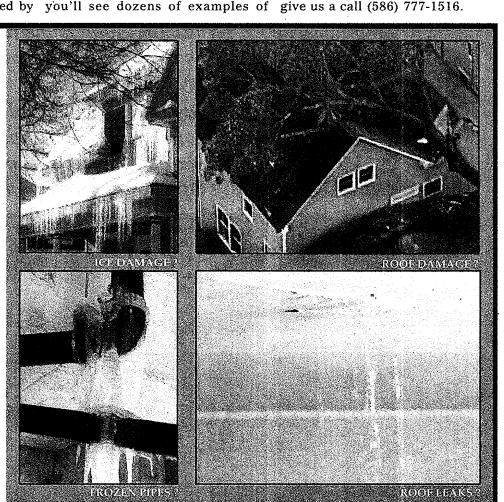
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They also use the most advanced orthodontic products, such as hightech metal braces and clear aligner therapy that can actually reduce the number of visits necessary to achieve optimal results.

"This cutting-edge technology combined with new types of braces results in more efficient care and comfort for our patients," says Dr. Mertz. "For example, we're now also using mini-orthodontic implants that help improve the outcome of

Jennifer Mertz, DDS, M.S., and her difficult cases and actually decrease

Dr. Mertz grew up in Grosse Pointe and attended Grosse Pointe South High School. She earned a bachelor's degree in biology at the University of Michigan and continued her education at the U of M Dental School. She later attended the University of Detroit Mercy's Orthodontic Program, earning a certificate in orthodontics and a master's in science. Dr. Mertz is on staff at St. John Hospital in Detroit, and Providence Hospital in Novi where she is a member of the Craniofacial Team. She is also a member of the Beaumont Craniofacial.

Dr. Mertz and her friendly and impressively qualified staff are particularly proud of their commitment to patients, and their ability to produce beautiful and healthy smiles in a caring, patientfocused environment. It's a high standard that is set by Dr. Mertz's own, personal example.

-Dr. Jennifer Mertz Pointe Orthodontics

Auto repair serves neighborhood for generations

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Tires and service (with a smile) is their last name and their first and only order of business. They know what their customers look for and what they have come to expect at. Mack-Alger. "Customers are comfortable with our service people, the customer is not talked down to, they're treated fairly and honestly and we give them service with a fair price," said Bill.

Mack-Alger sells all the major brands of tires, but their main line is Bridgestone -Firestone, and with good reason. With a mission of "serving society with superior quality products," Bridgestone-Firestone has been making tires since 1900. They have gone on to become the largest tire manufacturer in the world for units sold and come as original equipment on more than 200 different car and light truck models sold in the U.S. The Firestone brand has won more Indianapolis 500 races than all of the other tire brands

combined.

Their seven auto service bays handle everything but heavy engine and transmission repairs. They service all makes and models including foreign cars. Very important to them is the service they perform on fleet vehicles, which includes police cars from the surrounding cities. Mike, a fleet customer from Eco-Lab, commended Mack-Alger saying, "I've been working for Eco Lab for 15 years and this is where I bring our cars. I choose here because it's convenient and I get good service. I can get all my maintenance done here."

In talking with some of the other customers that were in the store, they echoed the same sentiment - Mack-Alger was conveniently close to their home, they offered reliable, honest service at a good price and most of the time they can pick up their car in the

All the mechanics at Mack-Alger are state certified and ASE (Auto Service Excellence) certified. That means quality auto service with quality customer service. Their core technicians have each been with the company between 20 to 32 years, giving their customers familiarity and consistency. It's

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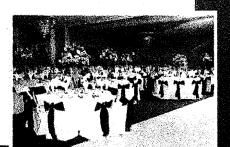
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The banquet center hosts events seven days a week, from smaller parties to weddings to events with more than 1,000 people.

"Any type of party or event, we can handle it," said LaHood-Sarkis, who is a hands-on owner of the newly-remodeled venue. "Political events, fundraisers, business luncheons, recognition dinners, we can do it all.'

For events of 75 or more people, Barrister Gardens can host up to four events at a time. They also can host more than 1,000. The facility features Italian marble, a baby grand piano, crystal chandeliers, a waterfall and winding staircase, picture perfect for any event. All of the food at Barrister Gardens is prepared from scratch, in house by a talented

We do events for local hospitals, St. John, Henry Ford and Beaumont," said LaHood-Sarkis. "We also had 700 people for an appreciation dinner for the General Motors engineering department. Small or large events, we will bend over backwards to do every thing we can to make it a great event.'

LaHood-Sarkis said schools in Grosse Pointe and St. Clair Shores use Barrister Gardens for awards dinners and proms.

Grosse Pointe North, Grosse Pointe South, Liggett, they all have sports dinners and other events here," LaHood-Sarkis said. "My family has been in Grosse Pointe and St. Clair Shores for many years. We want to continue to a great job. We grew up with the people in these communities and we work hard."

Working hard is something LaHood-Sarkis shows his staff of more than 60 by leading

"I'm on the floor. I'm in the office. I'm out greeting people. I'm in the kitchen and I'm out serving. I visit each table and I'm part of the experience because we enjoy what we do," LaHood-Sarkis said. "Our chefs and servers thrive on the compliments they receive for their work. Our goal is to have people enjoy their entire experience at our

For weddings, it goes well beyond a reception

'We can help them with flowers, music, the wedding cake," LaHood-Sarkis said. "We can help out with any special needs, not just for weddings, but for any special event."

Barrister Gardens is located at 24225 Harper Ave. in St. Clair Shores. For more information, call (586) 773-4040, e-mail barristergardens@comcast.net or visit barristergardens.com.

Caring For Your Parents

sure to hear of someone fretting about their never seen our parents so vulnerable. The parent's health and well-being. The amount pain of watching them deteriorate is real. of adult children caring for their parents has In many instances, old wounds begin to rereached over 44 million. In addition, many emerge. Sibling rivalries flare up. Instead are caring for their parents while raising of seeing this as an extra burden, this can their own children, hence the term "sandwich generation".

The majority of the adult children are women, taking on the traditional role of car- Join a support group for adult children caring. The only difference is the resources and —ing for their parents. Have family meetings support one finds in caring for their children to make sure everyone is on the same are harder to find when caring for our par- page. ents. Instead many adult children muddle through the day to day realities putting The truth be known, most of us will be car-Band-Aids on where they can and handling crisis as they arise. We are living in a different time where people are living longer than dren for support.

parents. The psychological impact is not to parents.

Go to a dinner party or the gym and you are be taken lightly. For many of us, we have be a wonderful time to heal those wounds and deepen the relationship with one's parents and siblings. Take time to speak with a friend or therapist of the feelings arising.

ing for an older adult some time in our life, whether we like it or not. To prepare it is important to begin gathering information. ever before with more health ailments. Many One of the best places to start is the Area of us women did not have role models in car- Agency on Aging (AAA) in your area. Every ing for the elderly like we had in caring for county in the country has an AAA, which children. It can seem daunting. The worst oversees all the state and federal programs part is many of our parents don't want our on aging. Other resources are available at help or don't want to be a bother. Their need Alzheimer's Association, which provides for independence is vital and never did they education information and support groups think they would be leaning on their chil- for any forms of dementia. Many local senior centers provide classes and support groups for adult children caring for your parents. It becomes important to first come to terms Check your local paper for upcoming with the idea of role reversal, in many classes. Remember, you are not alone, but instances; you become the parents to your one of over 44 million people caring for your



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Nature lovers flock to Wild Birds Unlimited

video of birds throughout the store and the ers feature removable bases that make availability of a fresh cup of "bird-friendly coffee" as you browse, the Wild Birds Unlimited Nature Shop in Grosse Pointe Woods offers a pleasant shopping experi-

Wild Birds Unlimited (WBU) prides itself on carrying the freshest bird food on the market and expert advice on which food to offer to attract the birds you want. Each staff member is a Certified Bird Feeding Specialist®, so they can assist you with selecting the proper bird food and bird feeder to entice the birds you want to attract to your yard. From goldfinches to cardinals, the staff will guide you to make the right choices, calling upon more than 60 years of combined experience feeding the birds in this area.

The seed blends at WBU are no-waste blends that are made

of 100% edible seed, exclusively formulated for the feeding preferences of local birds. No cereal fillers are used - just fresh, high-quality seed the birds will love. With no shells to clean up, the Michigan No-Mess Blend continues to be the best seller at WBU.

"I'm proud that most of the products in this store are American made and always have been!"

"In spring and summer, when the blackbirds are so numerous in the area, many of our customers will switch to using safflower," says Rosann Kovalcik, owner of the Grosse Pointe Woods WBU. "Though cardinals, house finches, chickadees and many other birds will readily eat safflower, it has a bitter taste that is unpalatable to blackbirds and squirrels. So many customers use it year round because of squirrels.'

Kovalcik acknowledges that there are challenges with the local squirrel population. "Weighted feeders, like our Eliminator and Fundamentals, are some of our best sellers," Kovalcik says. "The weighted system shuts off the seed ports, denying access to squirrels."

The seed cylinders offered at WBU are another problem solver. Available in Cardinal Fare, Cranberry Fare and pure Safflower, these cylinders are ideal for birds with sturdy beaks that are able to pry the seeds from their molded form. Chickadees and downy woodpeckers chisel away the seeds one at a time.

"House sparrows and pigeons, of which we have an abundance, are not as successful with seed cylinders," said Kovalcik. "Also, birds will stay longer because they have to work harder to feed, and watching them longer is always a benefit for customers." Specialty feeders like the Dinner Bell are perfect for cylinders. The Dinner Bell catches all of the seed shells and helps keep the feeding area clean.

Quick-Clean feeders are ideal to offer to share your love of birds and nature.

With birds singing in the background, seed blends or Nyjer® (thistle). These feedcleaning a breeze. These private label feeders are made in the United States and have a lifetime guarantee.

> "I'm proud that most of the products in this store are American made and always have been," added Kovalcik. "I believe that when you consider price, you should also consider quality and service. When I buy from these chosen suppliers, I know that I am getting good quality and service which I am able to pass along to my customers."

Proper placement of the feeding station within the yard is important'" Kovalcik said. "You want to enjoy the birds up close, yet keep the squirrels out. We can show you how easy it is to accomplish a squirrel proof feeding station with our Advanced Pole System (APS) hardware." The exclusive, patented APS is comprised of inter-

changeable hardware pieces that combine to create a system to suit customers' needs whether they are hanging feeders from a deck or want a freestanding pole system.

More than a bird food and feeder store, Wild Birds Unlimited carries a variety of other products that help customers enjoy birds

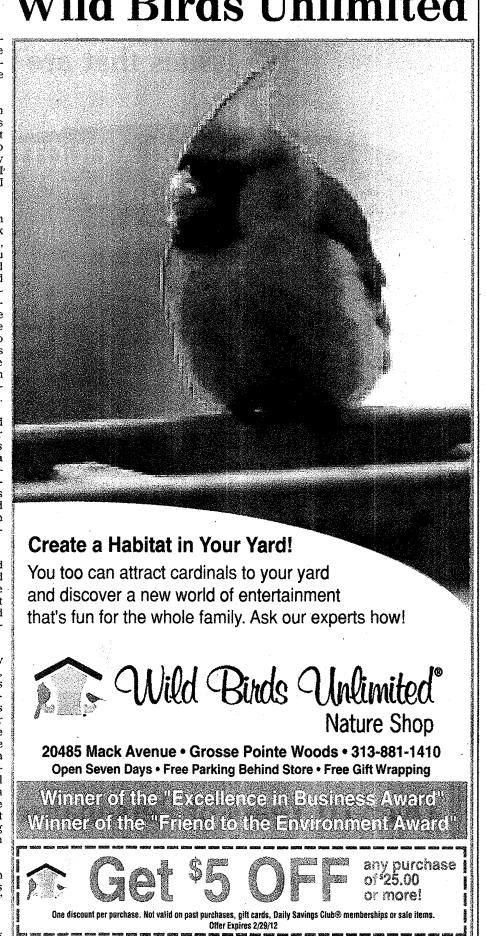
and nature, including bird houses, bird baths and water accessories and garden accents such as flags, wind chimes, specialty planters and ceramic mushrooms.

For the past fifteen years Kovalcik has led Bird Walks at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, inspiring people to take in the beauty of the local birds and tallying almost 200 species of birds. Wild Birds Unlimited carries field guides, bird song guides, bin-oculars and nature related books.

Wild Birds Unlimited also offers a variety of environmentally friendly gift items, including soy candles from companies based in Michigan and Iowa. The birdfriendly coffee is grown in the shade as opposed to the sun, saving habitat for migrants birds as well as being fair trade and organic. Zulugrass jewelry strands are constructed by the Maasai women of Kenya using local grass that is sustainably harvested and strung on elastic with crystal beads. This project supports the women directly. Save Your World personal care products are made with organic rainforest ingredients, with each purchase helping preserve 200,000 acres of rain forest in South America.

Kovalcik believes that personal attention to each customer's needs distinguishes Wild Birds Unlimited from the "big box"

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ReStore opening

Michigan's 46th Habitat for Humanity ReStore opened Jan. 20 with representation from both the Grosse Pointes and Detroit. Located at 17081 Mack, Detroit, near Cadieux, the store provides new and used household items, keeps debris out of landfills and with the store's proceeds, more families are assisted in getting a house and furnishing it. Attending the ribbon cutting, from left, are Jessica Pellegrino from Detroit's Habitat for Humanity, Jacquelyn Hayes, ReStore manager Steve Yakush, Steve Gannon, Bishop Edgar Vann, store manager Reggie Poole, Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Jenny Boettcher, Clyde Lewers, Habitat for Humanity Detroit Executive Director Vincent Tilford, representative from Kenneth V. Cockrel Jr.'s office Adam Munday, president and CEO of Habitat for Humanity Michigan Sandy Pearson and Jim Garlough, of the Grosse Pointe Partners, Ashley Ingram, Mark Briggs, holding the ribbon is Habitat's Director of Volunteers Nina Ciccolini and construction director Bob Layne. The store is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.



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People in business

Thirteen Butzel Long attorneys have been recognized as top lawyers in Metro Detroit 2012 by DBusiness magazine.

James C. Bruno, of the City of Grosse Pointe; Robert G. Buydens and James E. Wynne, of Grosse Pointe Shores; Jeremy R. Cnudde, George B. Donnini, Jack D. Schumate and John P. Hancock Jr., of Grosse Pointe Park; Robert A. Hudson, Clara DeMatteis Mager and Louis Theros, of Grosse Pointe Farms; and Justin G. Klimko, Donald B. Miller and Daniel R.W. Rustmann, of Grosse Pointe Woods.



Katherine J. Donahue

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employment, noncompete and trade secret litigation, traditional labor law, higher education law and employment-related and e-discov-

Ribbon cutting for crepes

Good Girls Go To Paris, 14929 Charlevoix, Grosse Pointe Park, opened with a ribbon cutting attended by, from left: Paul Lavens, Krista McGee-Champion; Alysah McGee, Donald Howell, Vera Howell, Grosse Pointe Park Mayor Palmer Heenan, owner Torya Blanchard, Grosse Pointe City Councilmen Greg Theokas and James Robson, Grosse Pointe Park City Planner Fred Rottach and Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Jennifer Boettcher. The restaurant offers crepes in an interactive setting and specializes in serving large groups.

EARTHTALK By Roddy Scheer and Doug Moss

Seek reputable energy audits

There are a number of companies now doing "energy audits" for the house, after which they try to sell attic insulation and other products and services. Is this a scam or would it be wise for me to look into this?

— Bill Richards, via e-

For the most part, A. companies offering energy audits are reputable and legitimate and will help you save money and reduce your carbon footprint if you follow their advice in regard to upgrading things like insulation, windows and appliances.

According to the U.S. Department of Energy, a home energy audit assesses how much energy a house consumes and evaluates what measures can be taken to make it more energy efficient.

During the assessment, you can pinpoint where the house is losing energy and determine the efficiency of the heating and cooling systems. An assessment may also provide ways to conserve hot water and electricity.

Guidelines to help homeowners conduct do-it-yourself assessments can be found at energysavers.gov.

DOE recommends homeowners make a list of obvious air leaks, such as through gaps along baseboards or at the edges of flooring and at wall and ceiling junc-

Also, check the filters on heating and cooling equipment to see if they need to be changed to keep your furnace and air conditioners functioning at maximum efficiency. If these or other appliances more than 15 years old, consider replacing them with newer models that meet federal EnergyStar efficiency criteria.

Also, swapping out older incandescent bulbs in light fixtures with higher efficiency compact fluorescent or LED bulbs will save money and energy.

A professional energy auditor with trusty assessment tools and the knowledge of how to use them can carry out a

more comprehensive assessment than you can

do yourself. If you are concerned about enlisting a forprofit firm that upsells its own energy efficiency upgrade services based on a "free" energy audit, check with your utility to see whether it offers unbiased, independent energy audit services.

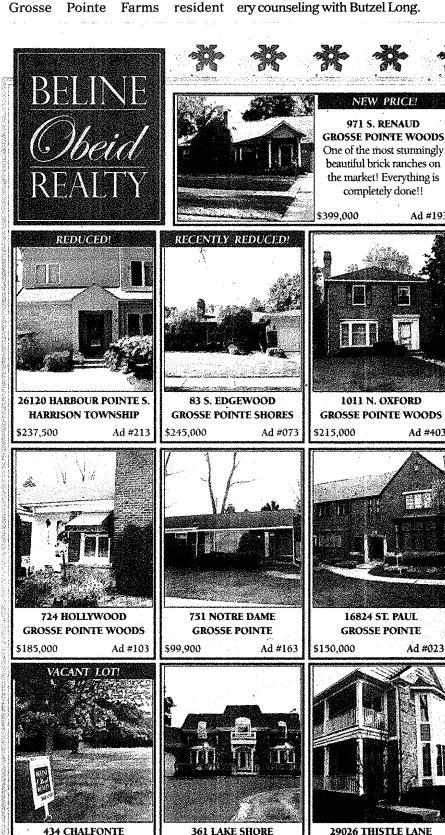
The assessor from your utility may be able to recommend window and door replacement companies, heating and cooling specialists and other vendors nearby that do reputable work to make your house energy efficient year round.

For more information, visit the websites DOE Energy Savers, energysavers.gov; and EnergyStar, energystar.gov.

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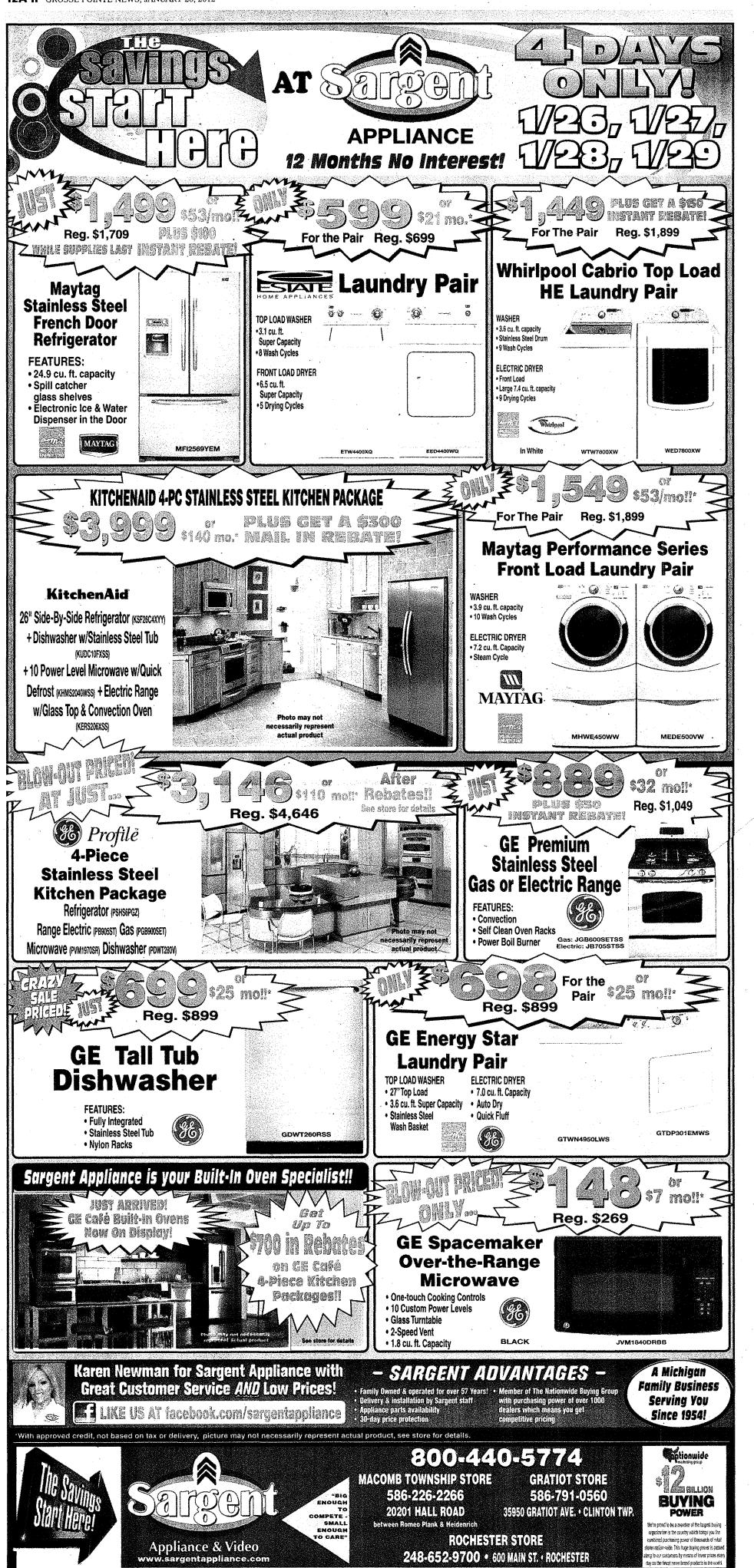
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For library patrons armed with the newest technology and in a quandary how to download books, the Grosse Pointe **Public Library** offers a class on how to borrow digital books.

E-reader 101 class

By Kathy Ryan Staff Writer

They have opened up a whole new world for people who love to read, one where book stores never close and the latest best seller is no more than a few clicks away.

Whether it's called a Kindle, a Nook, an iPad or the more generic "tablet," ereaders used to download reading materials ranging from the Bible to the latest John Grisham novel and everything in between, have taken the book world by storm.

And while there are Above, tech services librarian Danis Houses navigates Grosse Pointe Farms' resident Jack English's new iPad2. He takes notes the old-fashthose who maintain ioned way, on a yellow notepad. English received the iPad as a Christmas present from his grandchildren. they prefer the feel of Right, Grosse Pointe Public Library Woods branch head librarian Priscilla Burns shows Mary Jane Roraff, of St. Clair Shores, and Patty book over the small

plastic box and the motion of turning a page to the click of a button, it's clear e-read- the Grosse Pointe Public Library on how to "borrow" digital editions of books from ers are here to stay and their use will continue to grow. According to a report in the library, and how to download them on to an e-reader. Bloomberg Businessweek, 25 million e-readers were sold in 2011, and that number is expected to nearly triple by 2016, with 67 million sales expected.

half to two-thirds the cost of their "hardcover" counterparts, more and more e-reader owners are looking to their public libraries as an affordable source for books.

It is no surprise several owners of e-readers have signed up for classes offered by





PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

the traditional "paper" Miriani, of Grosse Pointe Woods, how to find books and download them to their Kindles.

The first session, offered last Tuesday at the Woods branch, was a "sell out," according to Woods branch chief librarian Priscilla Burns, and another class was But with the cost of newly released digital book downloads ranging from about added for Tuesday afternoon. Burns also said classes at the Central and Ewald branches, scheduled for February and March, are also filled.

See E-READER, page 6B



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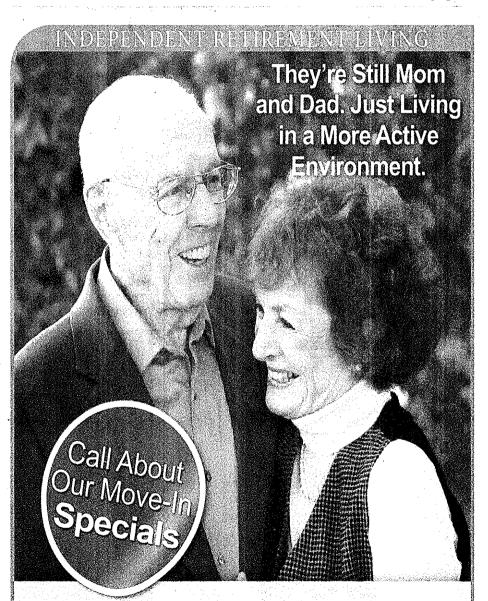
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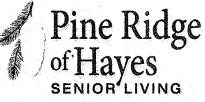
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Spirit of Women

Grosse Pointe's fifth annual Antiques Road Show is from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 28, in the ballroom of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The cost is \$8 and attendees are limited to bringing six items. No weapons are allowed.

Boat club

Grosse Pointe Farms Boat Club co-sponsors its Third Annual Winter Wine Wonderland from 7 to 10 a.m., Saturday, Jan. 28, at the Grosse Pointe Farms boat house.

world are available for tasting.

Members pay \$25 and non-members pay \$30 non-members. Tickets at the door cost \$35. The price includes hors d'oeuvres, wine tasting, beer and other refreshments.

Call Tanya Naumenko Bartoszewicz at (313) 506-8447 by Jan. 27 for state college football reservations.

Rotary club

The Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe meets at noon Monday, Jan. 30, at



Tau Beta's ninth annual Spring Market is April 26 to 28 at the Grosse Pointe Little Club. The 2012 Spring Market general chairwomen are Vicki Liggett, of Grosse Pointe Shores, left, and Barbara Kennedy, of Grosse Pointe Farms, right. Honorary Chairwoman is Jane Manoogian, of Grosse Pointe Park. Event proceeds benefit the Children's Center of Detroit. The market includes some 22 specialty boutiques. Preview night is from 6 to 9 p.m., Thursday, April 26, and in-More than 60 different cludes a raffle and silent auction. For more event inforwines from around the mation or sponsorship opportunities visit taubeta.org or facebook.com/TBSpringMarket.

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high school robotics.

public can attend.

Lynn Henning discussed Detroit sports and teams during the Jan. 16 meeting.

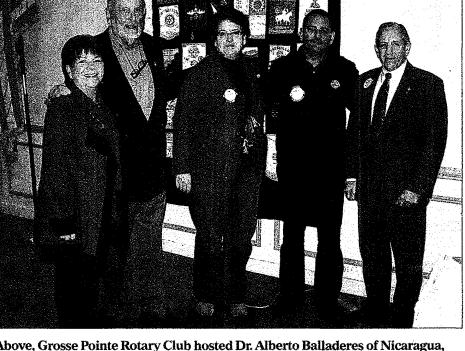
Pointes for Peace

Pointes for Peace hosts U.S. Rep. Hansen Clarke, the Grosse Pointe War D-Detroit, at 7 p.m. Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Monday, Jan. 30, at the

Harper Woods Public The day's speakers, Library, 19601 Harper Grosse Pointe South High Ave. He discusses the School students, explain Detroit Jobs Trust Fund Act, his bill before Lunch costs \$15 and the Congress which would reinvest federal tax dollars to rebuild the city and create jobs.

The proposed bill would provide an estimated \$2 billion to pay down the debt of the city and its public schools, develop employment opportunities, enhance public safety, improve education and rebuild essential infrastructure.

To receive the fund, Detroit would be required to reduce its property tax event can be made by and eliminate its income



Above, Grosse Pointe Rotary Club hosted Dr. Alberto Balladeres of Nicaragua, who provides medical treatment to the Chinadega, Nicaragua's children living in a landfill. From left, past district president and Grosse Pointe Rotary member Kim Towar, Dearborn Rotary member Ray Trudeau, Grosse Pointe Rotarian Amy Trudeau Gennaro, Balladeres and Rotary Grosse Pointe president Bill Scott. Trudeau and Gennaro have taken medical supplies to Chinadega.

(313) 882-7732 or e-mail pointesforpeace@yahoo.c

Judson Center

The Judson Center Grosse Pointe hosts a Groundhog Day Meet and Peek from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 1, at Pier Park Community Center, 350 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The event includes refreshments, children's activities, photos with a plush groundhog, mini skits performed by Grosse Pointe Theatre members and singalongs.

Reservations to the free contacting Deborah

Blood drive

The Grosse Pointe Community Blood Council holds an American Red Cross Blood drive from 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 2, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32. Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Walk-ins can come in after 10 a.m. and are taken as the schedule per-

For more information and make an appointment, call (313) 884-5542 for register online at redcrossblood.org.

Family Center

the Busy Lives of Women at Home and Work" at 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 9, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The event is free but reservations must be made by Wednesday, Feb. 1, by calling (313) 432-3832.

WCCCD

Wayne County Community College hosts singer Steve March Tormé at 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 11, in the college's Prechter Heinz Educational and Performing Arts Center, 21000 Northline, Taylor.

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Some \$225,000 was Market's Shed 3.

For the fourth consecutive year, the event featured Detroiters and business leaders in a "Dancing with Detroit's Stars" competition, raising more ball, which netted the than \$49,000.

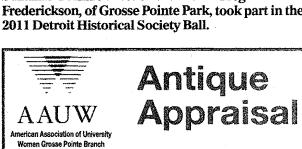
The overall dancing competition winner was Detroit businesswoman Nedda Sha-yota, vice Park, Karla Hall of Depresident Associates.

Detroiter Sharon Madraised by more than 500 ison, of Madison Internapeople attending the 2011 tional, won the "Best Detroit Historical Society Performance" trophy, Ball Dec. 2, at Eastern, awarded by a panel of celebrity judges including ABC's "Dancing with the Stars" professionals Jonathan Roberts & Anna Trebunskaya.

Co-chairwomen for the most money raised during the annual event, were Suzanne Germack Frederickson of Grosse Pointe of Sigma troit, and Lauren Rakolta of Birmingham.



Suzanne Germack Frederickson and Greg Frederickson, of Grosse Pointe Park, took part in the

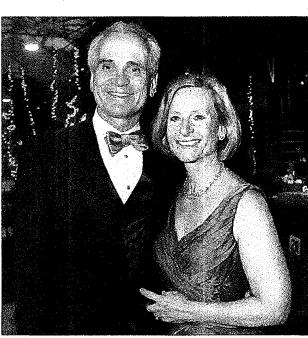


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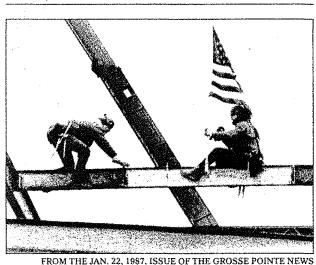
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PASTOR'S CORNER By Ben Van Arragon

Tough times and human decency

n my work with an organization called Eastside Take Control, I have regular conversations with vulnerable people.

ETC is an organization supporting local job seekers. By and large, the ETC community consists of people who have made a full-time job out of finding work.

Many have, due to lost income, had to significantly trim their lifestyles and part with property (at cut rate prices). Most live with an understandable degree of crushing financial stress. And most experience something you only understand if you've lost a job: shame. The unemployed in our community has become an unofficial second class. Many of them think of themselves as worth less than they were when they were working.

This unexpressed, often unconscious, attitude, is perpetuated in the minds of the gainfully employed (ask yourself honestly what your gut reaction is when someone tells you,

"I'm unemployed"). It's also reinforced by prospective employers. Not only are employers more likely to bypass the unemployed to hire those already employed. I've increasingly heard job seekers recount very dismissive treatment at the hands of recruiters and interviewers. Those seekers who have actually had interviews are repeatedly told, "We'll call you one way or other." Consis-

tently they don't receive

any follow-up. There's also the phenomenon of professionals being let go, then hired to do the same work (sometimes even by the same employer) at a drastically reduced rate of pay. There are plenty of ways the above behavior can be justified: "People are busy. Don't take it personally;" "So many people need work now that employers can afford to pay less. And besides, they have to think about their bottom lines.

But we've reached a point at which the economy has simply become an excuse to sacrifice human decency. A justification for treating people as less than human.

None of us has the power to change the economy. Few of us even have the power to improve one other person's financial straits. But each of us has

the power to treat others the way we ourselves want to be treated.

If you interview someone looking for work. treat them with the respect you'd give one of your clients. Or one of your kids.

Call them back. Encourage them. Provide some feedback about how they can improve their resume.

If you know people who are unemployed, look for opportunities to remind them that they matter. Have them over for dinner. Take them out for cof-

Do what you can to demonstrate they have a valued and important place in the world — job or no job. Our economic times have contributed to the wholesale denigration of vulnerable human beings.

We can't wait for times to get better to recapture our decency and restore their humanity.

Van Arragon is the minister at First Christian Reformed Church, 1444 Maryland, Grosse Pointe Park. He can be contact-

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CHURCH EVENTS

Ecumenical breakfast

The Grosse Pointe Men's Ecumenical breakfast begins at 6:45 a.m. Friday, Jan. 27, at the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

A 7:15 a.m. buffet breakfast is followed at 7:45 a.m. by the speaker, Rev. Samar Azar, ecumenical minister from Amman, Jordan. The event ends at 8:15

All Grosse Pointe men can attend. For more information, call Eric Lindquist at (313) 530-8656.

Assumption

Assumption Cultural Center, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores, hosts its annual "Empty Bowls" from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 5. Some 17 local restaurants donate a variety of soups for guests to purchase.

Attendees receive soup, bread, pastry and a hand-painted bowl. The cost is \$10. Proceeds benefit Cass Community Social Services.

Entertainment is provided by the Ambassadors, an all-men's inspirational singing group from Cass.

For more information, call the church

office at (586) 779-6111, ext. 3.

Congregational Church

Grosse Pointe Congregational Church hosts and chaperones a musical high school youth event, "Fifth Quarter," from 7 to 10:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 27, at the church, 240 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Live rock bands, made up of Grosse Pointe South High School students, including, The Kickbacks, Mixed Messages, and students from the School of Rock, perform.

The cost is \$5. High school student cards are needed for admission.

For more information, call (313) 884-3075.

Christ Church

Christ Church Grosse Pointe Men and Boys choir with an orchestra perform at the Feast of the Presentation at 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 2.

The choir also sings at Evensong at 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 5.

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

The public is invited to both services.

NEW ARRIVALS

Meghan Jane Kavanagh

and Tim Gina Kavanagh, of New Milford, N.J., are the parents of a daughter, Meghan Jane Kavanagh, born Sept. 13, 2011.

are Bill and Marge Fetzko, of Adrian.

Patrick and Jeanne Kavanagh, of Grosse Pointe Woods, are the paternal grandparents.

John Thomas Hindelang

Michael and Elise

Maternal grandparents Hindelang, of Grosse Pointe Park, are the parents of a son, John Thomas Hindelang, born Oct. 7, 2011.

> Nancy and Michel Pilorget, of Grosse Pointe. Park, are maternal grandparents.

> Paternal grandparents are Robert and Paula Hindelang, of the City of Grosse Pointe.



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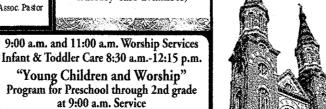




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A Journey Through Detroit Tigers History — 7 to 8:30 p.m., Monday, Jan. 30. Baseball author Tom Stanton discusses the Tigers' history and shares stories of more than a century of Detroit baseball.

The cost is \$24.

Little Chef: Sloppy Joes for Dinner — 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 31. Youngsters 6-12 learn how to prepare a complete dinner in this hands-on class led by Chef Pam Gustairs. The cost is \$43.

Get Your Book Published — 7 to 8:30 p.m., Tuesdays, Jan. 31 and Feb. 7. Author Joe Grimm teaches the latest developments in technology and discusses the law of turning a manuscript into a book.

The cost is \$50.

Cooking with Cordier — 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 2. Doug Cordier creates sautéed spicy shrimp, mussels in white wine and salmon mousse. During the program, an assorted antipasti platter and rustic bread with salsa verde dipping sauce and Italian regional wines are served.

The cost is \$48

Attendees must be 21 years of age and up.

Middle School Dance: White Out Dance — 7 p.m., Friday, Feb. 3. This is open to all students in grades 6-8 who reside in or attend school in Grosse Pointe. Students should wear white and show a War Memorial ID card. No tickets are sold at the door.

Practicing Self Care: Tools to Enrich the Busy Lives of Women at Home and Work - 7 to 9 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 9. Consultant Christina Pitts offers tools and techniques to enrich family relationships, cultivate mindfulness and explore the value of being fully engaged. The program is co-sponsored with The Family Center. Admission is free.



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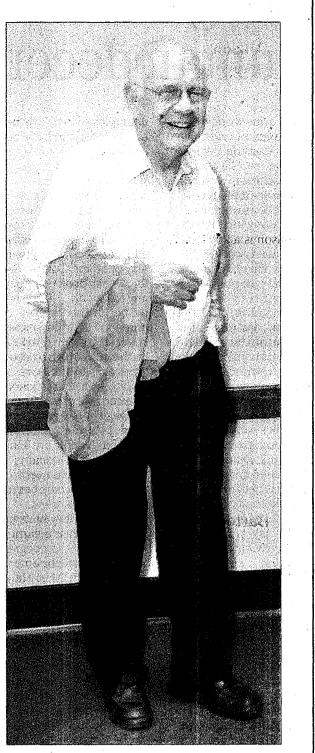
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ASK THE EXPERTS By Lori Warner, Ph.D.

Kindergarten readiness

My daughter has a O. late birthday so she will still be 4 when kindergarten starts. However, she is advanced in her reading skills and I don't think another year of preschool is needed. How do I decide if she is ready for kindergarten?

This is always an in-A. dividual decision parents need to make, but enlist the help of others to make your choice. Talk to her preschool teacher and to the kindergarten teacher to find out if your daughter is socially and emotionally ready for kindergarten. Some children will be young like her, whereas others may have completed an extra year of preschool and will

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of 2011 in the

be a full year older. Academic skills are not the only criteria for deciding if kindergarten is the appropriate choice.

What are some of . the key social and emotional skills needed in kindergarten? Every kindergarten A. class is different,

but all represent the child's first foray into elementary school, and this is a true milestone! Kindergarten is a time when children increasingly learn they are part of a larger community. They learn more about the world around them and how their family, home, school, and familiar places like the park, li-

brary, and grocery store fit into larger organizations and institutions. Kindergartners begin learning how to better identify and express their feelings and develop stronger empathy and understanding of others. Socializing with new classmates, learning to share and play cooperatively, and learning to assert oneself while understanding the importance of rules and authority are all key skills. Children also broaden their interests and spark their creativity and excitement of discovery during this timeframe.

What can I expect . my child to learn in terms of social and emotional growth during kindergarten?

Here are some help-A. ful benchmarks from the Colorado State Library:

Most kindergarteners can:

- ◆ follow a classroom routine
- ◆ play cooperatively
- with others ♦ label and express
- feelings and emotions
- ◆ try new activities will-♦ stand up for them-
- selves but know that bullying and violence are wrong
- ◆ wait fairly, patiently for a turn or to speak
- ◆ take care of personal needs such as toileting, handwashing and cloth-
- ◆ pay attention to a story or activity for 10 minutes

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Warner is a Licensed Psychologist and Director of the HOPE Center, Center for Human Development at William Beaumont Hospital in Berkley.



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FEATURES

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- Allison -Jesgarz

Dick and Susan Allison, of Grosse Pointe Farms, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Shawn Elizabeth Allison, to Nate Jesgarz, son of Fred and Janet Jesgarz, of Washington, Utah. A May wedding is planned.

Allison is a 2005 graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in English and religious studies in 2009 from Albion College and a paralegal certificate from Oakland University in 2010. She is a paralegal.

Manistee High School in 2004 and earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in gree in education from history and political science in 2008 from Albion. He is in online retail.

Bartock -Lankford

David and Brenda Bartock, of Spencerport, N.Y., have announced the the director of marketing Detroit Mercy graduate engagement of their with Dispose-All. daughter, Jessica Lynne Bartock, to David Anthony Lankford, son of David and Ruby Lankford, of Grosse Pointe Park. A September wedding is planned.

from Spencerport High School in 2004 and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in biology from St. Bonaventure University in 2008. She is a student at Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine and pursuing a general from the University of surgery residency.

Lankford graduated from Grosse Pointe South High School in 2003 and trial and operations engiis a 2007 graduate of the neering. She is a supply

University of Michigan chain software consultant Science degree in psychology and anthropology. He attends Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine, pursuing a pediatrics residency.

Bassett-Agley

Gregory and Christine Bassett, of Grosse Pointe Farms, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Emily Bassett, to Cyril Agley, son of James and Rosario Agley, of Grosse Pointe Park. A June wedding is planned.

Bassett is a 2004 Grosse Jesgarz graduated from Pointe South High School graduate and earned a Bachelor of Science de-Central Michigan University in 2009. She is a fifth-grade reading and social studies teacher in Houston.

South in 2004 and earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in sports management from CMU in May. He is

Broderick-Kristjanson

Cindy Jeff and Broderick, of Grosse Bartock graduated Pointe Woods, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Michelle Broderick, to Erik Kristjanson, son of Mrs. Remmawii Krist-janson, of Atlanta. A summer wedding is planned.

Broderick graduated Michigan with a Bachelor of Science Engineering Salas degree, majoring in indus-

earning a Bachelor of with Manhattan Associates Inc., Melbourne, Australia.

> Kristjanson earned a Bachelor of Science Engineering degree from Georgia Tech, majoring in in- Elizabeth Allison dustrial and system engineering. He is a sales engineer with Manhattan Associates Inc. in Melbourne.

Fortune -Case

James and Barbara Erik Kristjanson and Fortune, of Grosse Pointe Shores, have announced daughter, Alexandria Grace Fortune, to Daniel Roland Case, son of Michael and Lorene Case, of Warren. An August wedding is planned.

Fortune graduated from Grosse Pointe North High School in 2006 and earned a Bachelor of Arts degree Agley graduated from in psychology, with a minor in communication studies, from Albion College in 2010. She attends the University of field hockey coach and the assistant soccer coach at Cranbrook Kingswood.

> High School in 2004 and earned a bachelor's degree in biology from Oakland University in 2008. He is pursuing a master's degree in education at OU and is a Detroit Country Day middle school science teacher.

Turner -Cazabon

Lauren Turner, of Grosse Pointe Park and sance marine in the of Science degrees in hon-



Nate Jesgarz and Shawn



Michelle Broderick

the engagement of their Michael Cazabon of Heath, Texas, have announced their engagement. A September wedding is planned.

Turner is CEO of Turner Inc., Grosse Pointe Park. Both are 1974 Grosse Pointe South High School graduates.

Rutkofske-**Thompson**

Randall Rutkofske and Valerie Ellis, of Grosse school in the school coun- Pointe Woods, have anseling program. She is a nounced the engagement of their daughter, Ellisse Rutkofske, to William Thompson, son of Arthur Case graduated from and Marybeth Thompson, De La Salle Collegiate of Grosse Pointe Woods. An August wedding is planned.

> Rutkofske graduated from Grosse Pointe North High School in 2004 and earned a political science degree in 2010 from Wayne State University. She is pursuing a juris doctor degree at University of Detroit Mercy School of Law.

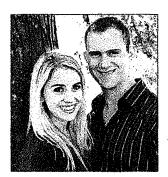
Thompson is a 2004 North graduate and served as a reconnais-



David Anthony Lankford and Jessica Bartock



Daniel Roland Case and Alexandria Fortune



Ellisse Rutkofske and William Thompson

United State Marine Corps, earning the rank of staff sergeant serving in Iraq and Afghanistan. He is pursuing a finance degree at WSU.

Brooks -**Jones**

Judy L. Burke Brooks, of Grosse Pointe Woods, and Mark D. Brooks, of Grosse Pointe Farms, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Dr. Christine M. Brooks, to Morgan A. Jones, son of Inga and W. Allyn Jones Jr., Binghamton, N.Y. A September wedding is planned.

Brooks earned Bachelor



Cyril Agley and Emily Bassett



Michael Cazabon and Lauren Turner



Morgan A. Jones and Dr. Christine M. Brooks

ors and biology and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Spanish language and literature from Villanova University. She also earned a Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree from Michigan State University and is a resident physican at St. Joseph Mercy Health System.

Jones earned Bachelor of Science degrees in honors and biology and a Master of Science degree in biology from Villanova. He is in the medical scientist training program at the University of Michigan pursuing medical doctor and Ph.D. degrees.

Phillips -Charvat

Kathryn Elizabeth Phillips, daughter of Sheila and Robert Phillips, of Rome, N.Y., married Gregory Louis Charvat, son of Dave and Rita Charvat, of Grosse Pointe Farms, Oct. 15, 2011, in

Plymouth, Mass. Justice of the Peace Michael R. Sheppard, presided at the lake-side ceremony, which was followed by a reception at the Bournedale Function

Facility, Plymouth. The bride wore a Justin Alexander ivory ball gown with bead work on the bodice. The cathedral train had pickups, beading and a bubble hem. Her lace veil was made from her mother's wedding veil. The bride carried a bouquet of ivory roses.

The bride's friend, Rebecca Smetana, of Nutley, N.J., served as maid of honor.

Bridesmaids were the sisters-in-law, bride's Phillips, of Sharon Latham, N.Y., and Molly Phillips, of Skaneatles, N.Y.; Katrina Renfew, of Alviso, Calif., a childhood friend; and Amanda Cornwall, of Eugene, Ore., the bride's friend.

The bride's niece, Jane Phillips, of Skaneatles, was the flower girl.

Attendants wore David's bridal tea length gowns of burgundy with a wide strap tank bodice and sweetheart neckline. The hand-held carnation bouquets were in colors of maroon, yellow and ivory.

Michigan State University friend, Dustan June, of South Lyon, served as the best man.

Groomsmen were the bride's brothers, Todd

Phillips, of Skaneatles, and Eric Phillips, of Latham; and the groom's friend, Alex Stewart, of Roselle, Ill. They wore yellow rose boutonnieres.

The ringbearer was the bride's nephew, Jack Phillips, of Skaneatles.

The bride's mother wore a navy tea length dress and an ivory rose wrist corsage.

The groom's mother wore a silver wrap blouse with a black knee length skirt and an ivory rose wrist corsage.

Readers were the bride's nephew, Brandon Phillips, and the bride's mother, Sheila Phillips.

The bride earned a Bachelor of Science degree in IT and marketing from SUNY Albany, a Master of Arts degree in counseling psychology from Lesley University, a Master of Science degree in nursing from Boston College and is pursuing her Ph.D. in nursing at Boston College. She is an internal medicine nurse practitioner at McLean Hospital, Belmont, Mass.

The groom earned a bachelor's, master's and Ph.D. from Michigan State University in electrical engineering and is a research engineer with Butterfly Network Inc.

The couple took a British Virgin Islands sailing honeymoon and reside in Westbrook, Conn.

Campbell-Passon

Anne Frost Campbell married Alexander Scott Passon Oct. 15, 2011, at Como Park Conservatory, St. Paul, Minn.

The Rev. Brad

McDowell, the bride's ception was in Como Park.

The bride's parents are Ruth and Bob Campbell, of Grosse Pointe Park. Carla and Scott Passon, of Lakeville, Minn., are the groom's parents.

The bride wore a strapless silk satin Maggie Sorreto gown with a sweetheart neckline and corset back. She carried a bouquet of white roses and mini hydrangeas wrapped in lace taken from her mother's wedding dress.

Gayle Campbell, of La Union, Honduras, served as her sister's maid of honor.

Bridesmaids were Patty Theokas, of Chicago; Genna Grossman, of North Caldwell, N.J.; Sam Lehto, of Ann Arbor; and Kate Rodriguez,

Missoula, Mont. Attendants wore strapless wine-colored Watters and Watters cocktail dresses and carried bouquets of red dahlias, mini hydrangeas and chocolate

cosmos. Elizabeth Murphy, of South Bend, Ind., the bride's personal attendant, read "The Art of Marriage" by Wilfred A. Peterson.

Passon, Tony Shakopee, Minn., was his brother's best man.

Groomsmen were Craig Campbell, of Amherst, Mass., the bride's brother; Kyle Knutson, Lakeville; Jason Wong, of Lakeville; and Gregg Neumann, of Cottage Grove, Minn.

Ushers were Mike Johnson, of Minneapolis, Minn., and Chuck Anderson, of Apple Valley, Minn.

In2uition, a jazz band led by Keith Brown, the groom's friend, provided the music at the ceremony and reception.



Gregory Louis Charvat and Kathryn Phillips

The bride graduated from Grosse Pointe South High School in 2004 and earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in communications from the University of Michigan. She is a marketing analyst with Target.

The groom graduated from Lakeville High School and earned a bachelor's degree in economics from St. Thomas University. He is a buyer with Target.

The couple honeymooned in Ochos Rios, Jamaica, and reside in Minneapolis.

O'Sullivan -Holtz

Colleen O'Sullivan married Morgan Holtz Oct. 8, 2011, at the Novi Sheraton with the Rev. Nathan Filpansick officiating.

The bride is the daughof ter of Mary and Mike Bamford, of Grosse Pointe Park, and Michael and Rachael O'Sullivan, of Northville. The groom is the son of Dave and Debbie Holtz, of Adrian.

A reception was in the Novi Sheraton.

The bride wore a oneshoulder satin beaded gown and carried a bouquet of white calla lilies and red roses. Sarah Kelson, of Bloom-

field Hills, served as her friend's maid of honor.

Bridesmaids were Kimberly Onofey, the bride's friend from Grosse Pointe; and the bride's



Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Scott Passon

cousin, Jennifer Benoit, of St. Clair Shores.

Riley Holtz, of Adrian, served as his brother's best man. Ushers were Kyle

groom's cousin, Zach Lavoy, of Adrian.



Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Holtz

Kalmeach, the groom's ing University and is friend of Adrian; and the working with Chrysler in human factors.

The groom earned a The bride earned a bachelor's degree in mebachelor's degree in me- chanical engineering from chanical and industrial Kettering and is working engineering from Ketter- with Masco Cabinetry.





ENTERTAINMENT

A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau Scheriff

Gridiron chili a stand-out with beef tenderloin

uper Bowl Sunday is a big day for chili. Across the country, folks will be stirring pots of one of America's first created meals, with ingredients and flavors changing from region to region.

My party is going to be small this year so I have decided to splurge on my chili. Grilled beef tenderloin is the only meat you'll find in this gridiron chili that cooks together with poblano peppers, onions and other chili fixens.

Gridiron Chili

2 lbs. whole beef tenderloin

1 to 2 tablespoons steak seasoning

3 tablespoons olive oil, plus enough to rub on

2 poblano chili peppers, seeded and cut into 2 inch strips

1 large (about 2 cups) onion, halved, quartered

2 Eggs, Bacon,

Ham or Sausage,

Hash Browns & Toast

and thinly sliced 4 to 5 garlic cloves,

finely chopped 2 tablespoons chili

2 15-oz. cans kidney beans, with juice 2 15-oz. cans diced

tomatoes with juice 1 12-oz. can beer (your choice)

1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper (optional) or more to taste

salt and pepper to taste Start by preparing meat. Heat grill to high. Coat tenderloin with olive oil and rub streak seasoning over it. Cook tenderloin to medium rare

grees). Allow meat to rest for at least one hour. Meat can be prepared a day in advance.

(about 135 to 140 de-

Heat 3 tablespoons olive oil in a large, deep, heavy pot over medium high heat. Add peppers. and onions. Cook and stir for about 10 minutes. Add

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garlic and chili powder and continue to cook for another 10 minutes or so.

While veggies are cooking cut meat into 1/2 inch pieces. add meat to pot along with kidney beans, diced tomatoes and beer. Bring the pot to a simmer and cook and stir for about an hour, covered.

Stir in cayenne when ever

you wish. Taste. Season with salt and pepper to taste.

I'm serving my gridiron chili 5-way style.

Start with pasta, top with chili, followed by shredded cheese, diced onion and sour cream.

With just one week left until Super Bowl, there's room for one more chili

recipe. And it's super quick. I promise.

Gridiron chili makes taste buds stand up and cheer.

> PHOTO BY VIRGINIA O MCCOY



E-READER: Library books

Continued from page 1B

"I think this just shows how popular these devices are," she noted. "We will probably be adding additional classes."

In the class, e-reader owners are divided up according to which device they own, with Kindle and Kindle Fire owners at one table, iPad owners at another, Nooks at anothlong-time e-reader owners. Others, like Marlene Sanders, received theirs as a Christmas present.

"I had been thinking about one for a while and I'm just starting to get into it," she said. "I'm gethow to download books from the library."

Research Danis Houser, head of technical services for the library, walked e-reader owners through the process via a computerized presentation. For the less tech savvy, there were handouts listing each step for each device.

.The good news is that all that's really needed to access digital library



er and so on. Many were Tech services librarian Danis House, left, shows the class how to borrow an ebook from the library.

books is a Grosse Pointe tem is that if a patron fin-there are not a number of library card, a digital ishes a book in just a few books available, and a book provider identification and password and internet access.

The bad news, accordting more relaxed with it ing to Houser, is there are and I'd like to figure out not that many digital books available to be loaned, which could librarian mean a long wait for more popular authors.

An e-reader loan works much like a regular library loan, which in virtual terms means it is uploaded to a patron's ereader for a two-week period, then removed by the library and passed on to the next e-reader in the queue.

One glitch in the sys-

days, several devices, including Kindles, will not allow the patron to "return" the book early. Thus, it sits in the virtual world of one patron's ereader the entire two weeks. Also, if a patron hasn't finished the book in the two-week lending period, it's difficult to renew the loan, especially

for a very popular book. The problem, according to Houser, is publishers are reluctant to sell digital versions of popudar books, to public libraries. While several ereader suppliers offer hundreds of older books to download for free or for as little as 99 cents, ereader owners who want to borrow the hottest new about any book I want to title from a public library read at my fingertips, may simply be out of

luck. "It is unfortunate that publishers are holding back," Burns said. "But take into account is that people use libraries as a way to learn about new a chance to sample a book or new author."

search of the Grosse Pointe Library site reveals more than 200 books, ranging from Condoleeza Rice's new memoir to Janet Evanovich's newest novel to a study guide for the LSAT exams.

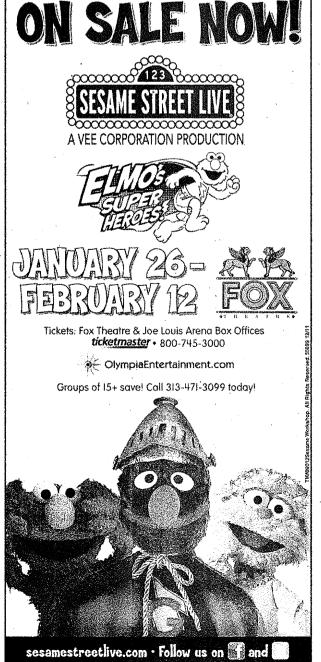
The Grosse Pointe library is a member of the Midwest Collaborative for Library Services, a consortium allowing local libraries to pool resources in order to offer more ti-

Joanne Mualem, of Grosse Pointe Woods, said she loves her Kindle Fire and was delighted to see what the library had

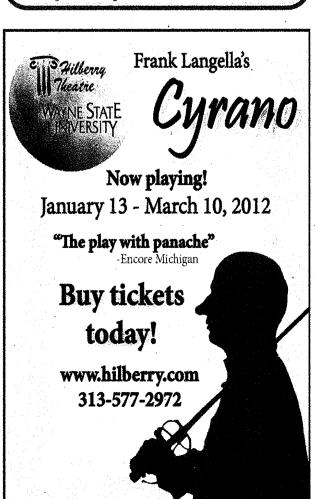
"I enjoy having just she said. "We're fortunate to have a library that can provide us with even more."

E-readers can explore what publishers don't the selection by visiting the library's website, gp.lib.mi.us and clicking on the catalog link. Both authors and give readers Burns and Houser say residents can get their ereader questions an-That doesn't mean swered by library staff.



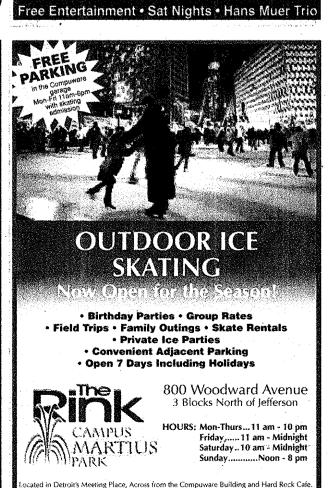






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Five Eagle Scouts honored

South High School graduates in Boy Scout Troop 86 are now Eagle Scouts.

Hoffman, Eric Lucander, Patrick Mulier and David Pingree earned between Grosse Pointe Park," he 21 and 38 merit badges and completed a required community project to achieve the highest scout rank.

Grosse Pointe Woods resident.

An accident resulting from the woman's attempt to save her child from crossing the street left her a paraplegic.

"She has a wheelchair ramp in her garage," Dettloff said, "but it has (Americans with Disabilities Act) standards.

project through Services for Older Citizens, through which I had done community service. Now that the ramp is Indian lore, leather built, she can freely go out in the backyard and enjoy her time there with her kids."

Of his time in scouts, Dettloff said, "scouting to me means more than all the memories. It means life-long lessons and ways to act like an adult. It teaches us to be role models and speak with actions and not

"It meant enough to me that I was willing to put up with the criticism me a great deal of self of my friends and the extra time and effort I put ability to be prepared for into it, to stick with it and anything at any given I'm glad I did."

Valley State College, Dettloff earned 21 merit including archery, dentistry, fish- Hewis the son of shooting. Because of his love for the water, he also earned swimming and canoeing badges.

Dettloff said the earn was camping.

and Grosse Pointe.

hydrants.

"I directed the survey, Gregory Dettloff, Tyler both aesthetically and operationally, of all 345 hydrants in the City of said. "A final report was presented to the fire department chief."

The Grosse Pointe court Park resident started his Dettloff, 18, built a scouting experience as a wheelchair ramp for a Tiger Cub and earned the Arrow of Light Award. Hoffman earned 34 merit badges with wilderness survival being his favorite; he slept "outside in the woods with literally nothing but the clothes on my back," he said.

His most challenging no railings nor is it up to was environmental science.

also earned "I found out about the archery, art, climbing, composite materials, crime prevention, entrepreneurship, fingerprinting, fishing, forestry, work, nature, public speaking, pulp and paper, reptile and amphibian study, rifle and shotgun shooting, salesmanship, theater and wood carving badges.

The 18-year-old said, "Eagle Scouts and Boy Scouting, in general, show a great sense of preparedness in all settings as well as the ability to take on leadership in any role.

"Scouting has taught discipline, as well as the moment. Obtaining my A freshman at Grand Eagle Scout has already benefited me. It is one of my proudest achievements thus far."

Park.

his scouting experience as a Tiger Cub.

He has 26 challenging badge to badges, including elec- survival and environ-His parents are Jackie ing, fire safety, fly fish-Dettloff, of Grosse Pointe ing, forestry, nature, ori-Greg enteering, pioneering, Dettloff, of the City of snow sports, wilderness survival and sailing. He Hoffman, a freshman said his favorite badges at the University of Mich- to earn were art, archery igan, surveyed fire hy- and small boat sailing. drants in Grosse Pointe Lucander's most chal-

Five Grosse Pointe pay for the reflective Chief Pontiac Trail and to hold to this day. I also tape to adhere to all the Oak Openings medals appreciate the tremen-

> the Florida Keys is his favorite scouting memory.

For his Eagle community service project, Lucander raised funds and constructed a ball at Richard Elementary School.

"My Eagle Scout project consisted of obtaining various levels of apconstructing a GaGa ball court for the school chil-Richard dren at Elementary School to promote communication, physical activity and sportsmanship.

"GaGa Ball is an outplayed in an octagonal, walled court. It was a lot of fun, especially when the children stopped by during construction and were excited to learn they were getting a GaGa ball court.'

He continued, "Scouting means learning new skills, meeting new people and always finding tance of a park ranger. new ways to improve An extra bench was dooneself and their community."

Lucander and his fa-Grosse Pointe Farms. His mother, Martha Ingalls, lives in Northville. He attends the College for Creative Studies.

to scouting in the first grade as a Tiger Cub.

During his Boy Scouting years, Mulier earned the Arrow of Light Award. In addition to the Award and 28 merit required badges, he badges. In addition to the required badges, Mulier earned others in archery, art, basketry, canoeing, climbing, cooking, motor boating, mu- Doreen and Ronald ing, crime prevention, sic and rifle and shotgun Hoffman, Grosse Pointe fingerprinting, forestry, motor boating, music, ri-Lucander, 18, began fle shooting, rowing, small boat sailing and woodcarving. He said his favorites are wilderness tives of climbing, cook- mental science, due to his love of the outdoors. The most challenging was citizenship in the community.

"To me," Mulier said, "scouting was a fulfilling component to my childhood. It helped define who I am today by teach-Park as his Eagle project. lenging was personal ing me leadership, life With the help of volun- management. He has al- skills and a number of teers, he raised funds to so earned the Heritage, moral values I continue

and the Arrow of Light dous fellowship that came along with it. I feel A week scuba diving in a great deal of nostalgia when I think back at the memories that were made with my fellow scouts. Whether it be laughing at the summer the stars in the hills of New Mexico, or singing Beach Boys tunes holds one in archery, vorite scouting memory. around the campfire backpacking, canoeing, with my fellow scouts; I chemistry, climbing, proval, raising funds and hold these memories close to my heart."

Mulier's community service project enhanced a public recreation area.

"My Eagle Scout project consisted of designing and building hiking trail benches and securthe trails of the Pinckney Recreation Area.

"We had to modify the bench designs during construction to adhere to the (Department of Natural Resources) regulations.

"After construction, a small team installed the benches with the assisnated to (Boy Scout camp) Cole Canoe Base." The 18-year-old is a

ther, Christer, live in freshman at Michigan State University and is the son of Mary Murphy and Michael Mulier, of Grosse Pointe Park.

Pingree, 19, also be-Mulier was introduced gan his scouting experience as a Tiger Cub.

Along with 38 merit badges, Pingree earned the Arrow of Light



camp dance, looking into From left, Tyler Hoffman, Patrick Mulier, Gregory Dettloff, Eric Lucander and David Pingree.

cooking, crime prevention, energy, fingerprinting, geology, Indian lore, law, leather work, mammal study, medicine, motor boating, orienteering, pulp and paper, rifle and shotgun shooting, rowing, space exploration, door form of dodge ball ing these benches along theater, weather and house in Ghesquire Park, wilderness survival, which he said, was his favorite.

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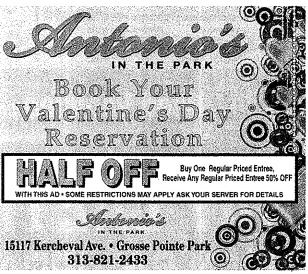
Philmont Scout Ranch in Ben New Mexico, is his fa- Charlotte, N.C.

"Scouting

means learning new skills, meeting new people and always finding new ways to improve oneself and their community,

"My Eagle Scout project consisted of designing and constructing 16 window shutters for the historic Cook School-Grosse Pointe Woods. Also, we had to raise funds from the community to pay for the materials."

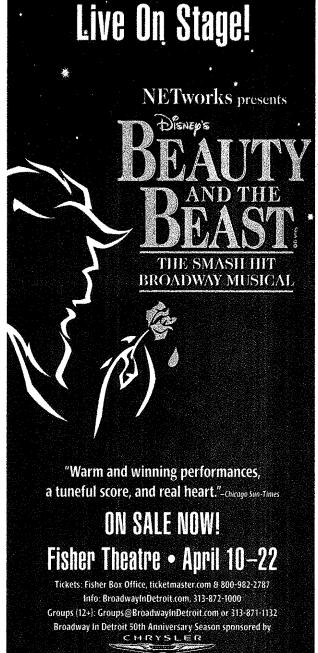
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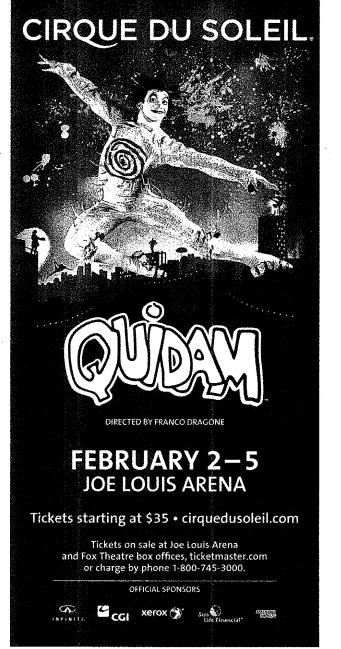
















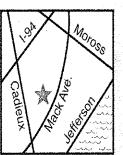






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BOYS HOCKEY

North, South & Liggett playing well

LIGGETT

Knights blast way to 12th win

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

The University Liggett boys' hockey team had its game in full gear last week in its 8-0 mercy win Southgate Anderson.

"The guys had some spunk tonight and it showed with a nice offensive showing," head coach Robb McIntyre

The host Knights scored four goals in each of the two periods and outshot their guests 25-

Senior goalie Joe Davenport earned the win and posted the shutout.

. Offensively, three players scored two goals, juniors Manny Counsman and Mark Auk, and sophomore William Yates.

Auk got the ball rolling, tucking a shot by Anderson goalie Trevor-Presnell at the 12:26 mark. Presnell couldn't keep up with Auk, who juked three times before slipping the puck into the



Liggett junior Mark Auk deeks past a defender during the Knights' home victory over Southgate Anderson.

back of the net.

and sophomore Vincent Scarfone also scored. Petitpren scored on the power play and Yates' second tally came with the man advantage.

Counsman had a fourpoint night, adding two assists, and Auk made it a four-point night with his two assists.

Others with assists

were Scarfone (two), ju-Senior Austin Petitpren nior Jake Soyka (three), senior Jake Hodges (one), senior David Gushee (one), freshman Josh Soyka (one), sophomore Lordanthony Grissom (one) and sophomore Jake Jerome (one).

Last weekend, Liggett stretched its winning streak to 12 games (only two losses) with a 5-1 win over host Grosse Ile.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils unbeaten in Metro

Senior Cam Gibson put Grosse Pointe South's boys' hockey team on his back last week, scoring twice to lead it to a 3-1 win over division foe Allen Park.

In the opening period, Gibson, who switched jerseys to his familiar No. 23, neutralized Allen Park's forwards, plus lit the lamp to give the visitors a 1-0 lead.

Linemate Max Corden assisted on Gibson's goal and defenseman Brad Kohut delivered a perfect pass to Gibson, who beat Allen Park's goalie for the Blue Devils' second goal.

Goalie C.J. Schebil stopped 21-of-22 shots as defensemen Blake Reece, Ryley Maher, Jake Corden and Kohut played well in front of their netminder.

Wes Cimmarrusti made sure Allen Park wouldn't tie the game, making a poke check near center ice and pushed the puck to Gibson, who scored an empty net to complete his passed to Geoffrey



PHOTO BY PAUL KANIA

South's Andrew Addy had a nice week for the Blue Devils, which won both division games.

hat trick.

Last weekend, South hosted Brownstown Woodhaven for sole possession of first place in the Michigan Metro Hockey League.

South won the highscoring game, beating Woodhaven 7-4, improving to 9-0 in the Michigan Metro Hockey League

and 10-4 overall. Gibson opened the scoring with a laser shot that found the back of the net and it was 2-0 early in the second period when Cimmarrusti slid a pass to insurance goal into an Nolan Monforton, who

Welsher, who slammed the puck home.

Woodhaven scored the next two to tie the game, but it was all Blue Devils after that.

Bigham scored off an assist from Welsher and Cimmarrusti scored a minute later with Andrew Hyde and Monforton assisting.

In the final period, Gibson assisted Shane Sparkman for the fifth goal and soon after Cimmarrusti tallied off a Welsher assist.

Max Corden also scored off an assist from Thomas Marantette.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen sweep DeLaSalle

By A.J. Hakim Staff Writer

Senior goalie Chip. Wujek made 30 saves and Grosse Pointe North's boy's hockey team won its third consecutive game, a 5-0 victory against Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League opponent Warren DeLaSalle.

It's Wujek's second shutout on the season; the first a 1-0 result Dec. 14, also against the Pilots.

"He played really, really thought he was the difference in the game," North coach Scott Lock said. "Lately, actually all year, he's only had probably one, knock on wood, one bad outing that he probably wants back. Other than that he's been seeing the puck really, really well all season, been in great

Warren DeLaSalle in MIHL action.

on several occasions, most notably during a 5on-3 midway through the second period. Wujek held stiff while challenging a flurry of rebounds and scoring chances. Something Lock said he's excelled at all season, but only recently has reaped reward.

"I consider him one of the best goalies in the state, and lately he's getting the results," Lock said. "Maybe in the beginning of the season he wasn't getting the results, but still was playing really, really solid, and now he's getting rewarded for it; he's getting the 'Ws."

Complementing Wujek well in both games, and I is an offense that produced 13 goals in its three-game winning streak. It scored 19 goals in its nine previous games combined.

"We weren't playing bad at the beginning of the season," Lock said. "We just weren't getting over the hump. Maybe a goal here or there we probably could've won

The Pilots threatened games, but we couldn't get over the nump. But now we're getting breaks, we're scoring goals, obviously, which is helping us out right now."

Much of North's success against DeLaSalle was in attacking the soft areas of the defense. crashing the net and playing the puck off rebounds. Freshman Ryan Babcock scored first at 3:54 into the first period off a rebound from Robert Nelson's shot.

Senior Joe Giordano put North ahead 2-0 with a backhanded wrist shot at 10:21 in the first, junior Brad Werenski added two goals in the second period, and J.P. Lucchese tallied the final goal at 15:26 in the third period.

Chris Kusch, Anthony Saleh, Jeff Herron, David Chavis, Lucchese, Joe Aluia and Werenski each had an assist.

North is 6-7 overall and 4-6 in the MIHL after losing 5-3 to U-D Jesuit. Werenski, Aluia and Babcock scored for the Norsemen.



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE North's Brad Werenski celebrates after scoring a goal to help the Norsemen beat



Words of Wellness

One of the most common forms of exercise is resistance training and if you're a workout rookie just beginning a regimen, it's important to know two things: The lingo and your goals.

Two fundamental terms to know are "repetitions" and "sets.'

Repetitions, or reps, are what weight trainers call each individual movement of an exercise. For instance, every time you bend your knee for a lunging exercise is considered one repetition.

A set explains how repetitions are organized. As an example, one set of 10 repetitions on a bench press means you'd lift the bar 10 separate times.

Once you get those two terms you can construct, and describe, a weight lifting routine. So the question becomes, are you training to build muscle mass (you know, to bulk up), tone the body you have, or lose weight? All three will be a balance between reps, sets and weight.

Most sets should last somewhere between the 6 and 15 rep-range, depending on your weight training goals. If building muscle mass and power is your reason for weight lifting, you will want to stay in the 6-10 rep range (lifting heavier weight); if maintaining general strength is your target, aim for 8-12 reps per set (with a weight you can lift at the higher rep count).

If weight-loss or toning is your goal, look to perform 10-15 reps per set with significantly lighter weight, reaching fatigue by the end of the last three reps of the last set.

You'll notice the overlap between each goal and their rep range...and this is where my tip comes in!

Many people starting out with weight training are given the above guidance and they hold their workouts strictly to them. This could possibly limit your potential... or worse yet, put you at risk of injury.

Too often gym-goers, new and experienced, focus on the number of repetitions rather than on the quality and the efficiency of them. To do this confines people to perform 10 repetitions, when they could push to 12; it taunts others to struggle through 10 reps when they should stop at eight.

In other words, if you don't feel fatigue when you achieve your desired rep, don't stop... you're stronger than you thought! Feel the burn, and once you do, you'll lock in on the correct weight load and rep

Likewise, if you feel such fatigue before your desired final rep, be careful. Fighting the weights to eke out more reps because you have a number in your head that you must attain will put your body in danger, and thus negate the reason for weight lifting in the first place.

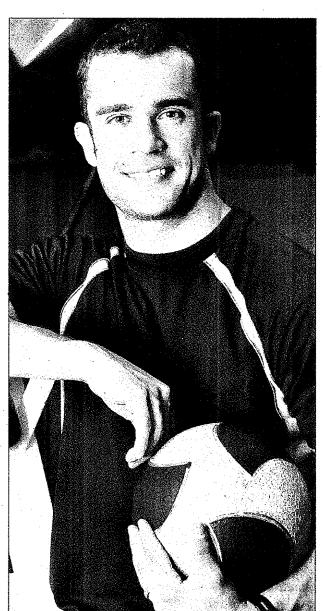
With these words of caution in mind, let me introduce what I call the art of weight training based on feel. This strategy — performing repetitions and sets based on your perception of fatigue — is one I practice often with clients. It is also a practice you won't find many other trainers using. As yoga draws attention to your breathing, weight training based on feel focuses your attention to its effect on your body.

The most difficult task of my personal training job is to gauge how difficult an exercise is for a client, so why not give that power to the one doing the exer-

Each individual handles their exercises differently, and to assume each person should fit into a rigid and defined set, confines and constricts their workout. Concentrating more on the numbers of each repetition may cause you to overlook just how effective, or ineffective, an exercise is for you.

With a little practice and professional guidance to perfect this workout-by-feel tactic, you can optimize your training. Listen to what your body is telling you and weight training will be safe, effective and time efficient. Live well.

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Mike Hackett

Gymnastics

GROSSE POINTE UNITED

Ladies off to start

The Grosse Pointe United gymnastics team improved to 4-0 to start the season before dropping its first meet last weekend to Farmington

United. In addition, Grosse Pointe took first place for the third year in a row at the Fraser Invitational on Saturday, Jan. 7, winning each event.

Madi Kaiser won the beam and vault, while Emma Abessinio won the bars and floor, and also was the meet's all-around champion.

Other placements included: vault: Fran Kay (fifth), Sarah Fentin Abessinio (third), (eighth); bars: Fentin (sixth), Kaiser (10th); beam: Abessinio (third), Fentin (fifth), Ashley Krynski (ninth); and floor: Kaiser (third); Aubryn Samaroo (fifth), Fentin (eighth) and Kay (ninth).

Grosse Pointe followed up the win with a victory league Dearborn last week, prevailing 137.25-119.2.

Abessinio and Kaiser took first and second on the vault with personal best scores of 9.0 and 8.95, respectively, while Samaroo and Kay scored

Abessinio (9.1) and Kaiser (8.85) also led the bars event, while Fentin came in third with her

Fentin also was tops on beam with an 8.9 for her best routine of the year, and Samaroo also had a earned regional qualifypersonal best score of ing scores on the event. 8.75 on the event.

the meet on floor, led by to Farmington United, Abessinio's 9.35, Ashley traditionally one of the Krynski's 8.9, and Fentin's 8.75. Caitlin 141.35-138.8. Gaitley also scored a perevent, while Megan events

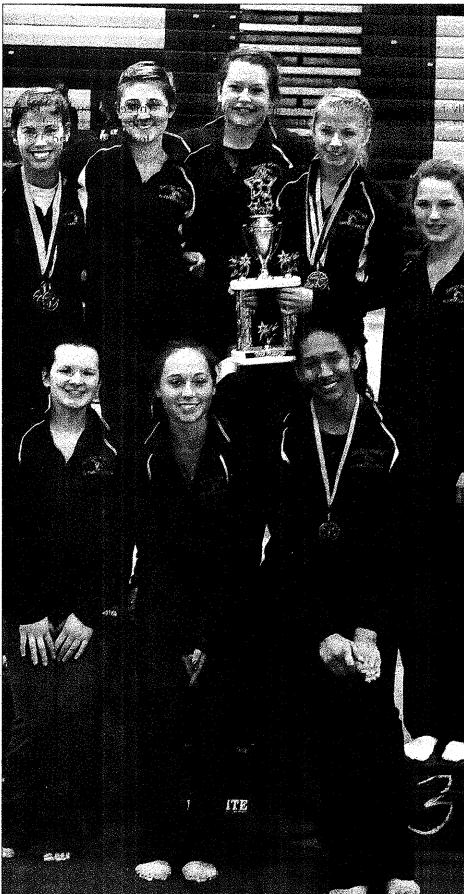


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Grosse Pointe gymnasts, top row from left, Madi Kaiser, Sarah Fentin, Fran Kay, Emma Abessinio and Caitlin Gaitley; and bottom row from left, Emily Griffith, Ashley Krynski and Aubryn Samaroo, are all smiles after winning the Fraser Invitational.

Despite a season high Grosse Pointe finished score, Grosse Pointe fell top teams in the state,

Kaiser led the team in sonal best of 8.6 on the the vault (8.95) and beam (9.3),while

(9.0) and floor (9.5).

Other meet highlights included season high scores on vault by Samaroo (8.45), Fentin (9.35) and Kay (8.8) on floor, and Gaitley (8.05) and Anna Brucker (8.0) on beam.

Also on beam, Kelsey

Curran and Madi Bush Abessinio was tops for Newaled off with a stuck Grosse Pointe on bars routine in her first meet of the season.

Other Grosse Pointe gymnasts to earn regional qualifying scores included Bush (vault, floor), Curran (floor) and Emily Griffith (floor,

beam). Grosse Pointe United is 4-1 overall.

Wrestling

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Julien happy with grapplers

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's week.

"We had more of a fun week with lighter practices and the guys really responded with a great couple of days of wrestling," head coach Eric Julien said.

In Macomb Area Conference Division action, the Norsemen tied Utica Eisenhower and lost to Sterling Heights Stevenson.

In the tie, the Norsemen were led by senior Patrick Salazar, junior Paul Menth, sophomore Andrew Lock, freshman Mike Bowden, junior Damon Barbee and sophomore Adam Roach.

Last weekend, the Park and a team of allstars from several tiebreaker Birmingham Groves.

'We had a chance to wrestle some matches and our kids responded very well," wrestling team enjoyed Julien said. "I can see the its most successful peri- confidence rise with our od of the season last guys and now it's time to push them harder to prepare for the team and individual districts and league meets."

> Going 5-0 in the tournament were Salazar, Menth, Lock Bowden. Those who were 4-1 were sopho-White more Ja'Ron Nelson, junior Michael Bennett and Barbee.

North's wrestling team improved to 0-5-1 in the MAC White Division and 2-6-1 overall.

Coming up for the Norsemen is Team Goodrich Tournament Saturday, Jan. 28, and an away dual meet the following week against Julien's former team, Fraser.

"I told the guys this is a Norsemen won 2-of-3 big match and to beat meets, beating Highland Fraser and my dad (Fraser's coach) would be awesome," Julien squads, plus lost a said. "I know our guys will be ready to wrestle. It will be a special night."

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils take baby steps

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's wrestling team dropped its division matches last week, losing to St. Clair Shores Lakeview and Clawson.

Against Lakeview, senior Jeshua Yglesias and sophomore Manchester won by pin, while senior Josh

Alexander won by void. In the Clawson match, sophomore Hunter Benz, Alexander and freshman Antoine Herrell pinned

their foes.

Yglesias won a major decision, 11-1.

Last weekend, head coach Greg Snider and his Blue Devils competed at Macomb Dakota.

Alexander won his first match by technical fall over Fraser's Justin Jacob and Yglesias battled an injury, but still fin-Alex ished 3-1 on the day.

Grosse Pointe South is

0-6 in the Macomb Area Conference Gold Division and 0-10 overall. Coming up for the Blue Devils is a tournament Saturday, Jan. 28, at St. Clair Shores Lake Shore.

Boys basketball

RIVALS

North edges South in MAC White

By A.J. Hakim Staff Writer

The Grosse Pointe North boys' basketball team extended its winning streak to five last week following a 43-39 victory against crosstown rival Grosse Pointe South in the teams Macomb Area Conference White division contest.

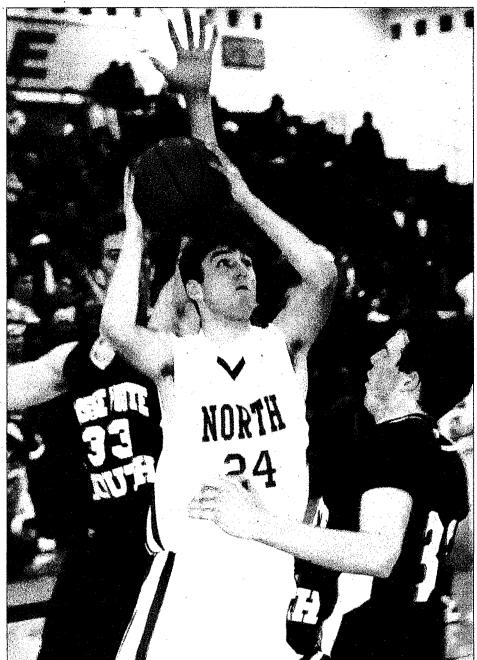
Similar to the majority of North's recent wins, the game wasn't without down-to-the-wire drama. And like the majority, it was senior guard Jamal Williams' performance in the clutch and control of the offense that kept North afloat, as it again let slip a late lead and allowed South within a point in the final minute.

We do love to keep it close." North coach Matt Lockhart said. "Every game, literally ... We've had leads and don't finish, we don't extend when we need to extend. We'll make a bad play or two, but give credit to the other teams. They don't stop playing.

"[North] made free throws when they needed to. And Jamal played real well in the second half. A bunch of guys played well."

Williams led North with nine points, all in the secrebounds and two blocks. Early foul trouble limited his role in the first half, but in the second half Williams slashed and scored and passed and more than made up for his limited action.

(seven points, all in the we missed some shots we second half), Adam Andrzejczak (six) and Lockhart said. "That's minutes remaining, be-Derrick Morris (five), part of the game, I guess, fore cutting the deficit to lievable." along with junior Taiwan but in the second half we one in the final minute — Wiggins (two critical free made a couple shots, its ongoing free throw South scrapped its way to said, "We need that kind to Warren Cousino



ond half. He also had two North's Adam Andrzejczak, center, attempts a shot with South's Kevin Reck, left, and Joe Becker, right, defending.

game that, until the final quarter, was an offensive struggle.

Seniors Will Ritchie basket a lot, and I thought these two." should've made,"

throws) also contributed Jamal attacked the basket problems proved costly in the fourth quarter of a well, some kids played well defensively.

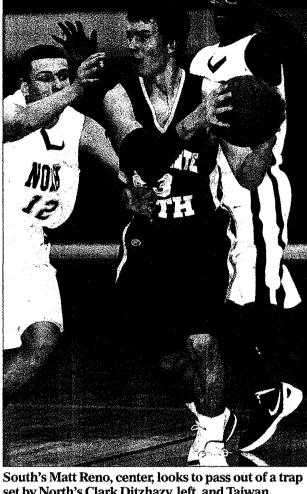
"Both teams played really hard. It's always go-"We were around the ing to be a battle with different result, maybe,"

> For South - who trailed by eight with three

once again. The team was 10-of-20 from the line.

"You shoot 75 percent, even 60 percent, and it's a South coach Dave Grauzer said. "We're really shooting bad from the free-throw line. It's unbe-

Despite its problems,



set by North's Clark Ditzhazy, left, and Taiwan Wiggins, right.

senior captains Tim Kramer and Kevin Reck, seven and five points, respectively in the fourth quarter. But a critical turnover with 20 seconds left was its final downfall.

Kramer finished with 16 points and six rebounds, while Reck contributed nine points, seven rebounds and two blocks. Joe Srebernak had seven points and three rebounds, Jabari Burton three points, and Josh Davey and Darius Harris each contributed two points.

within a point, in part, to of intensity in our practices and we'll become a better team. The big thing now is, the record is 3-6, we're 1-3 in the league ... We just got to keep coming to play every game, play with that attitude, walk off the floor at the end of the game exhausted, you know you gave it your best shot, and good things hopefully will happen for us down the road."

In other action last week, North improved to 7-3 overall with a 41-38 win over Eisenhower, and South "They battled, and I got dropped to 3-7 overall to get everybody on the and 1-4 in the MAC White same team," Grauzer Division with a 49-45 loss

LIGGETT

Knights capture two division victories

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

For a third straight game, head coach Sidney Johnson had to wait out several anxious moments down the stretch of a tight basketball game.

His University Liggett boys' hoops squad was tied at 46 with Allen Park Inter-City Baptist before until the Knights got one KeVaughn junior Jackson picked up a loose ball under the basket and laid it in for the winning points in a 48-46

victory. handle these tough situations and thankfully laying directly under we're coming out on top of these close games,' Johnson said. "We have some younger, inexperienced guys running the offense and they're going through some growing pains.

"These tough games will make them, and us as a team, better in the latter parts of the sea-

Jackson was in the points. right place at the right time as his layup was the only two points he scored in the win.

It looked like the Knights would lose in team and they play hard, front of the home fans. They trailed 44-39 with three minutes left in the game.

Juniors Andrew Zinkel, four points, and turned into a 57-44 win. Connor Fannon, a team-

Stephen all. Junior

Benard's reverse layup gave the Knights a 45-44 lead with 2:05 left. His basket capped a 6-0 run.

Inter-City Baptist scored two points with 1:25 left and Fannon hit 1-of-2 free throws with 1:08 to tie the game at 46.

Each team turned the ball over and failed to convert on its possession last chance to win it, taking possession of the ball with 20 seconds left.

They inbounded the ball and junior Eric Ewing's shot missed. "We're learning how to Nobody could grab the rebound, leaving the ball Inter-City's basket. Jackson was Johnny on the spot, grabbing the ball and making the shot.

Inter-City Baptist's last-second shot attempt was wide right and the Knights won the game.

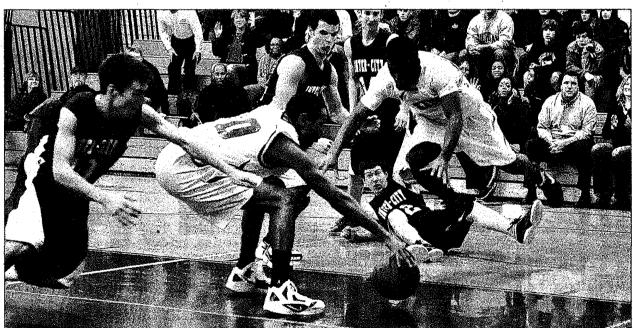
Ewing finished with nine points and Benard had eight. Senior Eddie Thomas and junior Drew Jerome each had five

Last weekend, Liggett played a road game against Bloomfield Hills Roeper.

"They're a scrappy so we have to match their intensity," Johnson said. "It will be a tough road game."

Liggett's road trip

The team improved to high 15 points, each 4-1 in the Michigan made two free throws to Independent Athletic cut the deficit to 44-43. Conference and 5-3 over-



Liggett junior KeVaughn Jackson grabs a loose ball and eventually scored the winning basket in the Knights' 48-46 win over Allen Park Inter-City Baptist.

YOUTH BASKETBALL

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and seventh and eighth graders from 7 to 8 p.m.

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For more information, contact Stephen Benard at (313) 580-0351 or steve@michiganhoopers.com.

Girls basketball

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Atop White

By John McTaggart Special Writer

It's very clear, on the heels of a 74-51 thumping of Warren Cousino last Thursday night, the Grosse Pointe South girls' basketball team is the class of the Macomb Area Conference White.

The Blue Devils' dismantling of a very good Patriots squad was evidence of just how superior the squad is than the rest of the division. The Patriots were 3-0 in the White and 8-2 overall entering the contest.

"We've got some really good athletes," South coach head Richards said. "We don't making a lot of plays for have a lot of size, but us too. We've really got we're long, and that combination can be a problem for teams to matchup against us."

excellent attributes to bring to the floor each night, but combine those two elements with some of the other tools at the Blue Devils disposal, such as talent, basketball IQ, and shooting ability, and you have the makings of a very special team.

team that we've had," Richards said. "And we've got some very special guards on the team this lot of very good teamyear too. (Cierra) Rice mates who really know and (Aliezza) Brown have how to play the game," stepped in and done a Moore said. "I don't feel



PHOTO BY JOHN MCTAGGART

South's Caitlin Moore, left, and Claire DeBoer battle for a rebound in the Blue Devils' win over Cousino.

some great guards on the team to go along with what we have already."

The emergence of Athletic and long are freshmen Brown, Rice and senior Engel has done several things for the squad this season, and all were evident against Cousino.

Most importantly, it's allowed senior Caitlin Moore the freedom to play all over the floor, spot-up for three-point "This is the deepest shots, and not have to bring the ball up on every possession.

"I'm surrounded by a fantastic job and Carmen like I have to do every-

Kevin Engel has really been thing all the time. It's allowed me to do more and, I think, be a better player for the team."

> It has freed up Moore, who scored a game high 22 points against the Pats, to score more on the perimeter and add yet another facet to South's offensive attack. The team combined for nine three against Cousino.

> "It's really only the second time we've really shot the ball well," Richards said. "We made eight threes against Ike and that was the first time this season we made more than four in a game."

> The three-point shot helped the Blue Devils

36-24, and the lead grew in the third quarter and beyond, with South scoring not only from the perimeter, but also from a fast break that was in sync against the rival Patriots.

"I thought we played really well tonight as a team," Moore said. "Our effort was there for 32 pointers in the win minutes and everyone was a part of that."

> Moore led the way with 22 points, followed by Rice with 17, junior Claire DeBoer with 10 and Brown with nine.

Earlier in the week, South blitzed Utica Eisenhower, 63-32, as Moore poured in 27 points and Rice had 14.

South improved to 5-0 open up a 12-point lead at in the MAC White the half against Cousino, Division and 10-2 overall.

Swimming

LIGGETT

Knights keep on winning

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

University Liggett's coed swimming and diving team continues to win meets.

Greenhills/Willow Run 55-39 and Clawson 55-36, then defeated St. Clair Shores Lakeview 60-41 and Eastpointe East Detroit 68-29.

In the first meet, the 200-yard medley relay team of Kara Zmyslowski, Chris Cornell, Connor Borrego and Mallory Jamett won with a time of 2:13.00.

In the opening 50-yard backstroke, Zmyslowski posted a time of 32.03.

200-vard the freestyle, Jamett won with a time of 2:09.97 and Kacie Wuthrich was sixth at 2:33.29, and in the 200yard individual medley, Cornell and Borrego took times of 2:14.97 and 2:16.50.

Billy Marx and Zmyslowski placed second and fourth in the 50yard freestyle with times of 27.32 and 28.35, before Cornell and Julia Grimm took a first and fifth in the 100-yard butterfly with times of 1:07.65 and 1.31.53.

Head coach Ryan Gunderson watched Borrrego and Marx place first and third in the 100-1:05.02

Jamett helped the freestyle. Knights earn another first place, winning the 500yard freestyle with a time Monahan, Grimm and of 5:48.44 and Caleb Jamett took second with Ninivaggi was sixth at a time of 2:01.01, and the 1:36.12.

the 200-yard freestyle re-Szymanski, Monahan and Zmyslowski had a time of 1:55.17. Marx had a time of 28.35 in the first 50-

yards of the race. backstroke, times of 1:18.29 and 1:24.55, and Szymanski and Monahan finished

third and sixth with times of 1:29.37 and 1:53.06 in the 100-yard breaststroke.

Helping put the meet in the win column was the 400-yard freestyle relay In recent action, the squad of Marx, Jamett, Knights beat Ann Arbor Borrego and Cornell, which posted a time of 4:10.17 to win the event.

Against Lakeview and East Detroit, the Knights were able to win nine of the 12 events, including the 200-yard medley relay as Zmyslowski, Cornell, Borrego and Brian Gutermuth had a time of 1:57.13.

The foursome of Wuthrich, Szymanski, Grimm and Monahan placed fourth with a time of 2:18.46 to earn what turned out to be big points to beat Lakeview.

Borrego and Jamett placed first and second in the 200-yard freestyle with times of 2:05.37 and 2:07.44, and Cornell was first and second with first in the 200-yard IM with a time of 2:14.73.

the 50-yard In freestyle, Gutermuth and Monahan took first and third with times of 24.53 and 28.07, while Steven Kneiser won the diving competition with 105.75 points.

Grimm Zmyslowski took first and fifth in the 100-yard butterfly, posting times of 1:28.37 and 3:20.53, and the duo of Borrego and Jamett earned points by yard freestyle, turning in taking first and second times of 57.13 and with times of 5:28.06 and 5:41.23 in the 500-yard

The 200-yard freestyle relay team of Ninivaggi; 400-yard freestyle relay The Knights also won squad of Borrego, Jamett, Zymslowski and Cornell lay as Marx, Renata also placed second with a Patrick time of 3:52.47.

In the final individual event. Zmyslowski and Wuthrich took third and fourth in the 100-yard backstroke with times of Wuthrich and Paul 1:07.69 and 1:15.57, and Sidhu took second and in the 100-yard breastfourth in the 100-yard stroke, Cornell won with posting a time of 1:09.21 and Szymanski was fifth at 1:27.68.

Liggett is 5-1 overall.

LIGGETT

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

A 22-0 first-quarter run propelled University Liggett girls' basketball team to an easy 72-20 win over Allen Park Inter-City Baptist last week.

"We were in slow motion for the first couple of minutes and it seems like it takes our engine a little time to get going," head coach Joe LaMagno said. "Once the girls got into a groove, they never looked

back." The host Knights never trailed, but it was tied 2-2 and 4-4 three minutes into the first quarter before the 22-0 run.

It was 42-6 at the half as the Knights forced several straight turnovers they turned into transition layups.

The second half was played with mostly a running clock as eight players scored and everyone the Knights with 15 points with four.



Liggett juniors Arianna Castillo, No. 4, and Haleigh Ristovski, No. 2, play tight defense, helping the home team build a 28-6 second-quarter lead.

saw significant minutes. Senior Madison Ristovski played her first ly. game in a week after suffering a sprained ankle Friday, Jan. 6. She scored

several assists. Sophomore Andrews and junior Haleigh Ristovski paced

bounds and dished off for

apiece and had six and five rebounds, respective-

Freshman Jessica Rotzoll had seven points, followed by freshman 14 points, grabbed five re- Lola Ristovski with six, sophomore Lia Evangelista with six, Bre freshman Neuenfeldt with five and Independent Athletic junior Arianna Castillo Conference and 7-2 over-

Last weekend, Liggett traveled to Bloomfield

Hills Roeper. "The girls really want to win this game," LaMagno

Liggett's focus was 110 percent as it crushed Roeper, 68-27, improving Haley to 4-0 in the Michigan

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen crush Big Reds

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's girls' basketball team played its best game of the season last week, beating Chippewa Valley 51-36.

team game of the year," head coach Gary Bennett said. "Everyone con-

tributed." Junior Taryn Kiah had a three steals.

solid game, netting 20 points, four rebounds and three steals, while sophomore Jayla Hubbard had 12 points, four rebounds 52. and two steals in her best

output of the season. Sophomore Maria "It was our best overall Liddane chipped in with eight points, three steals and nine assists, and junior Stavroula Varlamos had seven points and

Later in the week, North built a 37-18 halftime lead against Utica Eisenhower, but lost 56-

"Things were reversed in the second half as Eisenhower played with more urgency and energy," Bennett said. "Ike was exceptional from the freethrow line. They shot 30of-35 for the night, while we were 6-of-10.

"Losing after having a big halftime lead is tough, but our kids are resilient and will use this game to learn, grow and improve."

Kiah had 24 points, six rebounds and two steals, while Liddane added 14 points, three assists and two steals.

Grosse Pointe North is 2-2 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division and 3-7 overall.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen split

The Grosse Pointe North boys' swimming and diving team beat Dearborn 101-83 last week.

Christian Mellos, Justin Rakowicz and Matthew Leone each won multiple events for the Norsemen.

Mellos won the 200yard individual medley and 100-yard breaststroke with state-qualifying times and Rakowicz. took first in the 200- and 500-yard freestyles with the latter making the Division 2 state cut.

Leone won the 50-yard freestyle and 100-yard backstroke, too.

were James ners McNelis in diving.

Head coach Mike O'Connor said seasonbest times were posted in the 50-yard freestyle by Matthew Toenjes; 100yard freestyle by Graham Eger; 200-yard freestyle by Jacob 500-yard Flowers; 100-yard backstroke by Leone; and 100-yard

North finished the week with a 110-76 loss to Utica Ford, dropping to 3-3 overall.

Mellos continued his success, winning the 200-yard IM and 100yard breaststroke with state-qualifying times, while Rakowicz also qualified for the state finals with his first-place finish in the 200-yard freestyle and secondplace finish in the 500yard freestyle.

Leone won the 100yard backstroke and McNelis won the diving competition to help the Norsemen.

Season-best perfor-Other individual win- mances were turned in by Mellos in the 50-yard freestyle; A.J. Owens, Eger, Robert McGovern and Dan Santalucia in the 100-yard freestyle; Rakowicz and Flowers in the 200-yard freestyle; Rakowicz, Peter Shea and Danny MacAskill in the 500-yard freestyle; Anthony Cafagna in the freestyle by Rakowicz; 100-yard backstroke; and Mellos, Michael Rieth and Rhys Williams breaststroke by Flowers. in the 200-yard IM.

Girls hockey

RIVALS

North too much for host Liggett

By John McTaggart Special Writer

natural hat trick in the lifted us into making the third period from game as close as it was in University Haleigh Bolton wasn't lot of work to do. We've enough for the Knights to got a young team and you overcome city rival Grosse Pointe North last Norsemen held on to a 6-4 victory.

coach Four goals, including a leadership and clearly she Liggett's the end. But, we've got a can tell that out there."

North took advantage Thursday in front of a ro- of an inexperienced bust home crowd. The Knights' defense from the drop of the puck, keeping "It was a very frustrat- zone through much of the at the 3:19 mark of the ing game for us," Liggett first two periods. The first

Cassie Norsemen (Bolton) gives us great freshman Jenna Pleva, with shots from nearly every angle on the ice.

2-0 lead in the opening period, followed by a 4-1 lead heading into the closing 15 minutes of the contest.

North's Katelyn Bowles got the scoring going for the Norsemen, slipping a the play in the Liggett backhand shot past Pleva period. Julia

PHOTO BY RENATO JAMET'I

peppered Henderson tacked on an-Jaeckle said. "No. 4 Knights standout goalie, other goal less than two minutes later for North before Bolton found the back of the net for the The result was a quick Knights, pushing the score to 2-1 at the end of the first period.

Jennifer Cusmano added a pair of goals in the second period, helping the Norsemen to a three-goal lead after two periods of play, 4-1, before Bolton tallied a natural hat trick in the closing period.

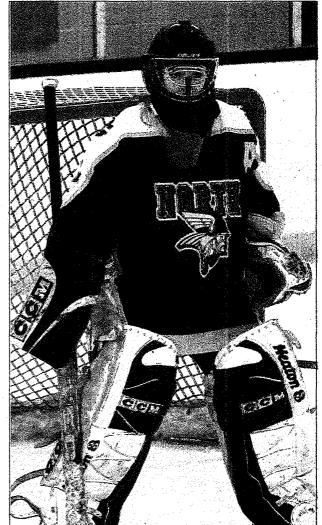
Third period goals from North's Madeline Vyletel (4:02) and Sara Villani (8:29) proved to be the deciding scores in the vic-

"We had a really good start, and we took a few too many penalties," North assistant coach Scott Dockett said. "But we did not have a good third period at all. We're happy we scored six goals on a goalie that is really good, but overall we had two pretty good periods and one poor period. But, we'll take the win.'

weekend, North beat Farmington Hills Mercy behind McCarthy's two goals and three assists and Henderson's two goals

Bowles and Natalie three assists. Skorupski each had a

and two assists.



North senior goalie Emma Huellmantel made some In other action last key saves to keep the Norsemen on top of the league standings.

goal and an assist, while North to 10-2 and atop Villani had two goals and the Michigan Metro Girls one assist in the victory. Hockey League standings Cusmano also had a and 11-3 overall, while mutli-point game, netting Liggett drops to 4-5-1 in

The victories move overall.

the division and 4-7-1

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Pointe North's Jacci Sherry defending.

Split leaves team in third

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

girls' hockey team split its league games last week, losing 3-2 to Plymouth-Canton-Salem and beating Warren Regina 8-0.

"We were getting shots on net against PCS, but its goaltender played well," coach Joe Provenzano said. "We had 15 shots in the first period and only one goal to show for it."

Senior Marissa Monforton scored the first period goal for the visiting Blue Devils and senior Claire Boyle tallied in the second stanza to make it a 2-0 game.

It was all PCS in the period. Penguins scored two power-play goals among its three to pull out the vic-

"We outshot them 36-19, but didn't get any traffic in front of their goalie Grosse Pointe South's and didn't cycle the puck as much as we need to," Provenzano said.

Liggett's Haley Smith, left, tries to skate through the neutral zone with Grosse

The following night, South hosted a depleted Warren Regina team, winning 8-0 in two periods.

"We rolled three solid lines and Regina barely had two lines, so it was definitely our advantage," Provenzano said.

Boyle scored a hat trick, while junior Lindsey Makos and sophomore Tenley Shield had two goals apiece.

Junior Darian Dempsey also scored and sophomore Anne Crowley had a team-leading three assists.

Grosse Pointe South dropped to 9-3-1 in the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League.



PHOTO BY PAUL KANIA

South junior Samantha Taylor clears the puck out of the Blue Devils' zone in the home team's 8-0 win over Warren Regina.

YOUTH SOCCER



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The Grosse Pointe Soccer Association's Salvo '03 team, coached by Rob LaForest, won the recent Total Soccer Christmas 3v3 Tournament in the U9 division. The Salvo team was made up of a combination of Green (A team), White (B team) and Gold (C team) players. Taking on the flavor of the holiday, the team was nicknamed Team Blitzen. Following a tournament-opening loss to FC Nova, 6-5, the boys won their next two games to qualify for the championship game. In the title game, the team beat FC Nova, 7-2. Pictured above from left are, Michael Zontini, Ethan Lord, Marco Perettie, Adam Jaraki and John Latiff. Rob LaForest is not pictured.

Boys hockey

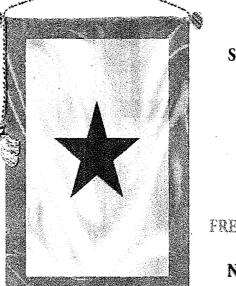
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Goal! University Liggett junior

Manny Counsman, left, has scored two goals in several games this season. He is one of the Knights' talented forwards and one of the top forwards in Division 3. Counsman and his teammates travel north this weekend to play two game sin the Sault Ste. Marie Tournament.

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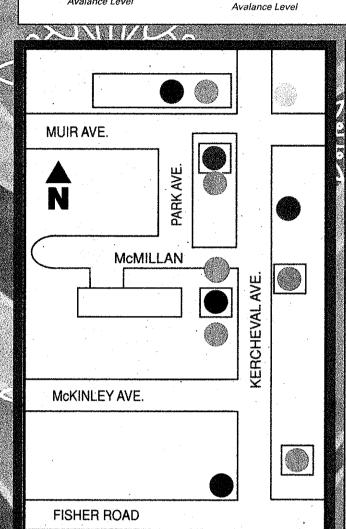


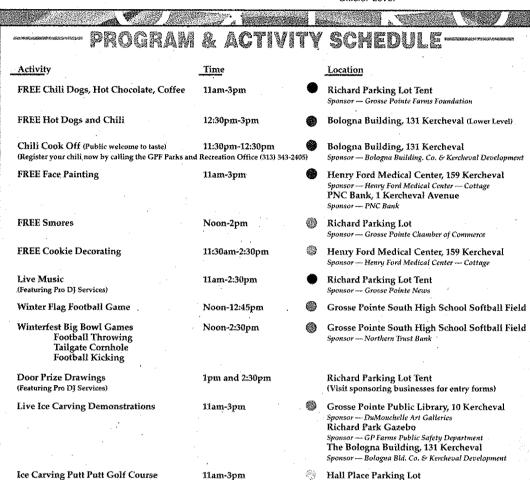


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