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♦ The League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe hosts a town hall meeting at 7 p.m. in the Grosse Pointe Woods council chambers, 20025 Mack Plaza. The topic is Michigan's emergency financial manager law with Wayne State University law professor John Mogk; John Axe discusses the application of the law; and Eva Packard, voters services vice president of the league. Admission is free and all can attend. For more information, call (313) 881-6343.

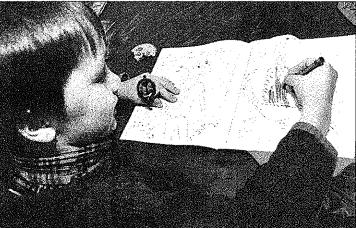
University of Michigan professor Gregg Crane discusses Mark Twain's book, "Puddn'head Wilson" at 7:30 p.m. in the Grosse Pointe South High School library. Admission is \$10. For more information, call (313) 343-2074, ext. 6.

SATURDAY, FEB. 18

Our Lady Star of the Sea parish, 467 Fairford, Grosse Pointe Woods, hosts an Italian dinner at 5 p.m. in the school's gym. Adult tickets are \$15 and children's tickets

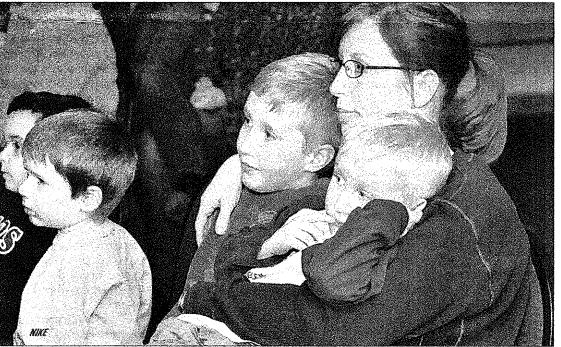
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Moms and sons

Above, Axel Cooper and his mother, Michelle, snuggle during the showing of the movie, "Rio," at Grosse Pointe Woods annual mother-son movie afternoon. Left, as part of the event, boys received a goodie bag filled with items pertaining to the movie, including a coloring book. Corey Anderson colors one of the movie's bird charac-



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYI

Pam Czerkis sits with her son, Scott, on her lap and her arm around her son, Ian, while they watch the movie.

City mad at Farms

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE CITY AND FARMS — Joe Leonard, a councilman in a city embarking on nearly \$4.5 million worth of sewer system improvements, is defending himself against accusations of shortsightedness by a councilman in a city facing a projected \$1 million deficit over the next two years.

"Our trouble is, we have money in the bank," said Leonard, of the Grosse Pointe Farms council. "It's been through good, good management."

He was criticized this week by City of Grosse Pointe Councilman Chris Walsh.

Walsh didn't like reasons Leonard gave earlier this month for the Farms council not helping the City and Grosse Pointe Park fund a feasibility study of merging the three city's public safety departments.

The study, by a consultant, is expected to cost \$50,000 to \$80,000.

Leonard said such efforts already are within the broader scope of an all-Pointe ad hoc committee.

The committee is tasked with proposing Pointe-wide public safety operating cuts. Methods include shared services, minimizing redundancies and pursuing economies of

"They hid behind the ad hoc -I'll take that back," Walsh said at his Monday, Feb. 13, council meeting. "They didn't hide behind the ad hoc. They expressed the ad hoc public safety committee as the reason for saying no to our study."

"If the City wants to merge with the Park, that's their business," Leonard said this week. "I'm not hiding behind the ad hoc commit-

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Library millage vote Feb. 28

By A.J. Hakim Staff Writer

At the behest of the Grosse Pointe Public Library millage committee, formed in response to the library's ongoing financial difficulties, the library board of trustees authored a "short-term" millage proposal for placement on the upcoming Feb. 28 election

The proposal increases the millage rate, currently at 1.5412 mills — down from 1.700, due to the Headlee Amendment. Per committee mum of 0.70 mills in order to recommendation, the agreedupon number — the result of research, five public meetings and focus groups - is a maximum of 0.70 mills per year. we foresee the ability to level

of \$100,000 (\$200,000 market value) pay an additional \$70 maximum per year on their

According to committee chairman and board president Brian Garves, the rate, if approved, levies only the amount required based on the year's projected deficit and is reassessed annually. Millage tax revenue accounts for 90 percent of library fund-

"While we have set a maxiaddress the worst of all worst-case scenarios with property values," Garves said via e-mail, "the reality is that

Meaning, property owners only a portion of the maxiwith a State Equalized Value mum amount — that is, if the millage proposal passes, the library is not going to just automatically levy the full 0.70 mills, but will continue to cut expenses and keep expenses down so as to minimize the amount of money that it needs to raise with this additional millage for the next few years as, hopefully, the economy and property values pick up again."

> The 2008 financial crisis and subsequent drop in local property value accounts for a bulk of the library's recent financial struggles, according to Garves. As do long-term debt obligations stemming

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Services more than checking out books

By Ann L. Fouty

Features Editor

A community without a library system is one that would be labeled as indifferent about education and lacking in foresight, said Ben Burns, Grosse Pointe Library Millage chairman.

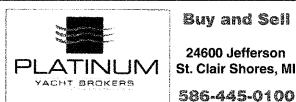
Due to the reduction in property taxes during the past several years, from which the library receives 90 percent of its budget, .7 mills for eight years to replace the budget reductions is requested at the Feb. 28 Presidential Primary Election. Since property values have been dropping, the library's income has been cut, thus the mill-

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Bashara murder investigation quiet, continues

By Kathy Ryan Staff Writer

Behind an official wall of "no comment," Grosse Pointe Park police continue the investigation into the murder of Middlesex resident Jane Bashara.

As the investigation enters its fourth week, Grosse Pointe Park Director of Public Safety David Hiller refuses to comment on the status of the investigation, as does Det. Donald Olson, the lead detective on the case for the Detroit Police Homicide Department. No one has been charged.

Jane Bashara, 56, was reported missing the night of Tuesday, Jan 24, by her husband, Bob Bashara. Her body was found the next morning in the back seat of her Mercedes-Benz SUV in an alley in Detroit. She had been strangled.

Two days later, Hiller identified Bob Bashara as a "person of interest" in the case, and there are unconfirmed reports he failed a polygraph test.

A week after her death, Joe Gentz, a man who did work for Bob Bashara, walked into the Park police station and reportedly

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Investigators from the Michigan State Police crime lab and the Grosse Pointe Park police appeared at Bob Bashara's house for a second search Wednesday, Feb. 8.

the police department for three days, he was eventually released and has not been charged.

Police have searched the Bashara Middlesex resdience on two occasions. Following the first search, police were seen leaving the house with computers. Following the told police he had a part second search, conducted in the murder of Bashara. by evidence technicians

Though he remained at from the Michigan State ing represented by noted turned home from work has been created in her Police crime laboratory, it was reported blood and hair samples were collected and sent out of state for analysis.

Bob Bashara has de-

criminal defense attorney David Griem.

Bashara was last seen leaving a meeting in Detroit's New Center area

that night, but will not comment on where they believe the murder occurred.

Jane Bashara, the where she worked as a mother of two, was a wellnied any involvement in marketing executive. known community volunhis wife's death. He is be- Police believe she re- teer. A scholarship fund

memory at Grosse Pointe South High School where she served as president of the Mother's Club.

Any breaking news on the case will be featured at grossepointenews.com.



House searched a second time

The Greenhouse Salon

Editor's note: This story first appeared on grosse pointenews.com Wednesday, Feb. 8.

By Kathy Ryan

Staff Writer

Michigan State Police executed a second search warrant for the Bashara house on Middlesex in Grosse Pointe Park last week.

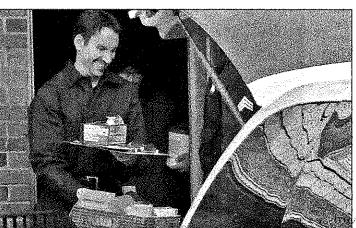
MSP evidence technicians and officers from the Grosse Pointe Park police entered the house at approximately 10:45 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 8, and stayed for several hours.

Bashara, and his mother were in the house at the white van. time, but Bob Bashara left around noon and drove downtown to a meeting with his attorney David Griem. His mother, carrying a grocery bag, left about an hour later. Neither spoke to the me-

However, Bashara's attorney, did speak to the media and said he was outraged by the search.

"They are stomping on Bob Bashara's constitutional rights," he said. "I told Bob to come to my office, that he will be safer here than he would be at his own house."

As police searched the Bashara house and Bob Bashara was meeting with his attorney, Joseph Gentz made a surprise



tigator removes items from Bob Bashara's house after a second search.

A crime lab inves-

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husband the night of

Tuesday, Jan. 24. Her

body was found the next

morning in the back seat

Hiller reaffirmed his be-

lief that this was not a ran-

dom act and said that "at

this point in the investiga-

tion" Bob Bashara re-

had been strangled

visit to Grosse Pointe Park police headquarters. He arrived at the headquarside, stayed a little more the was driven away in

Gentz, who worked as a handyman for Bob Bashara, reportedly has confessed to being involved in the murder Tuesday, Jan. 24, in the garage of the Bashara house. He walked into the Park police station during the early morning hours

of Tuesday, Jan. 31. Gentz remained in police custody for three days before being released. Police refuse to comment on why Gentz was held or why he was released

without charges.

Park police chief David Hiller said that he did not ters about 2 p.m., went in- know why Gentz came to station last of her SUV in an alley on Jane's husband, Bob than five minutes, and Wednesday, calling the Detroit's east side. She

> visit a "surprise.' "It was not scheduled and I have no idea why he was here," Hiller said.

During the search of the Bashara house, three men identified by Hiller as Detroit Police Department investigators entered the house and stayed about 30 minutes.

Hiller confirmed the investigation into Bashara's death remains a joint in-

They left without com-

vestigation with DPD. Jane Bashara was re-

mains a person of interest. On Thursday, Feb. 9, Bob Bashara and his

daughter, Jessica, appeared on ABC's "Good Morning America." At her dad's side,

Jessica Bashara said "absolutely not," when asked if she thought her father had anything to do with ported missing by her the murder.

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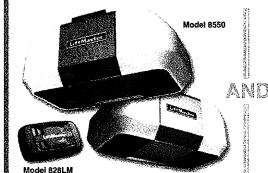
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The grantmeister

By Brad Lindberg

CITY OF GROSSE **POINTE** — Peter Dame, hired as city manager nearly six years ago from a Chicago suburb, has a facility for funding municipal projects with federal, state and county grants.

"We've had a lot of success procuring grants," he said.

This year, Dame anticireconstructing Waterloo from Cadieux to Fisher with 80 percent federal funding and 10 percent county funds.

The city pays the 10 method.

percent balance. "Having feelers out for grants is stretching our limited dollars as much as we can," Dame said.

Recent grants include \$176,000 for a public service department truck. About two-thirds of a

roughly \$1 million Mack Avenue streetscape project scheduled this year is being paid through an enhancement program.

Grants paid for a backup generator in the public safety department, plus televising and cleaning city sewers that hadn't been inspected by such

Grants and a low-interest loan paid one-third the cost of refurbishing the Neff Road sewer pumping station.

"Our streets wouldn't be in nearly as good of condition if it weren't for grants," Dame said.

He said federal and county allocations funded

nearly all resurfacing of: ◆ Kercheval

Fisher to Neff, ◆ Fisher from Jefferson

to St. Paul,

◆ St. Clair from Mack to Waterloo and

Cadieux Kercheval to Jefferson.

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are \$7, and available at the parish office during normal business hours.

MONDAY, FEB. 20

President's Day Grosse Pointe Woods city offices are closed.

 Grosse Pointe Park city offices are closed. City of Grosse Pointe city offices are closed.

Grosse Pointe Farms

city offices are closed.

 Grosse Pointe Shores city offices are closed.

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WEDNESDAY, FEB. 22 Washington's birthday

through Feb. 24.



New wheels

Grace Gentry, above center, of Macomb Township chose Ray Laethem as the car dealer from which she would pick up her 2012 GMC Terrain. Gentry won a threeyear pre-paid lease in a General Motors contest. After presenting her with red roses, Laethem's general manager Jim Castiglione, above left, gave her keys to her new vehicle. With Gentry is her husband, Mike.



Two-year budget in works

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

POINTE — Unlike Uncle Sam, Michigan cities can't write budgets with red

In the City of Grosse Neff Park. Pointe, where a projected \$400,000 deficit in the which the city pays coming fiscal year is forecast to reach \$1 million in the one thereafter, something major's about to Goethe and University

"There is no choice but to look at things that will have real impact on the a traffic study to detercommunity," said Peter Dame, city manager.

Structural changes to city government and reduced frills mark a pending 20 percent cut to the city's \$5 million general fund budget over the next two years.

The effort's being mapped in a two-year budget recommendation.

"The goal will be to show a path for eliminating the possible \$1 million structural deficit over the of people asked for it," next two years," Dame said.

Cuts

City officials are considering eliminating:

◆ The K9 public safety

"That's one of the Village.

biggest savings, more than \$20,000," Dame said. "The K9 gets called out all CITY OF GROSSE times of the day and night. It's all on overtime."

> ◆ Snow removal from private roads.

 Three traffic signals, Wayne County to maintain. They're located at St. Paul and Lakeland, and Charlevoix and Rivard.

"We will be conducting mine if removing them will create a hazard," Dame said.

◆ Another study weighs elimination of a school crossing guard at Notre Dame and Waterloo. The guard costs about \$1,500 per year, according to Dame.

The location doesn't warrant a guard, under state standards, according to Dame.

"It's there because a lot Dame said.

◆ Reimbursements to Little League for playfield improvements.

◆ Co-sponsorship of July 4 fireworks in Grosse Pointe Woods.

◆ Co-sponsorship of summer concerts in the

◆ Parkway tree plant- Pointe public safety deing, plus reducing trimming to once every five

"There will likely be said. more," Dame said.

"Virtually everything on ◆ The fall festival at here is a difficult decision to grapple with," said Mayor Dale Scrace.

"A lot of this stuff has made our community special," added Councilwoman Jean Wiepert.

The police dog, Raleigh, is a German shepherd named in a contest by Maire Elementary stu-

Raleigh's deployments are varied.

The range includes demonstrations at elementary and preschools throughout the Pointes, tracking burglary suspects at night, sniffing for drugs at Grosse Pointe South High School in the Farms and, recently, taking down a purported gunman on the Detroit side of Mack.

"Unless we can obtain contributions proportionate from other governments that use the K9 just as much, or more, than we do, as well as donations, I can't see how we can keep the patrol," Dame said.

Chief Stephen Poloni has discussed the dog with fellow heads of partments.

"We're looking at alternate funding," Poloni

Changes

Other possible changes

safety dispatch services with the other Grosse

creating a joint public safety authority with Grosse Pointe Park,

equalizing the cost of current retirees' healthcare with those of active employees.

switching to curbside

residential refuse pickup, ◆ contracting private vendors or other governments to perform landscaping, grass cutting, commercial refuse collection, building permits and inspections.

Dame will fill his budget outline with specific cost savings as the process develops. The budget is due by the end of May for next fiscal year, starting July 1.

Municipal savings in recent years largely targeted administrative, contracted and supervisory

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No study

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE CITY AND FARMS — Elected representatives of these neighboring cities used the same common interests to propose and reject, respectively, joint funding of a feasibility study into combining public safety departments.

City leaders proposed the idea as an extension of existing teamwork between the two jurisdic-

Farms leaders rejected the idea as already within the mission of the all-Grosse Pointe public safety ad hoc committee.

The committee, with representatives from each community, was established to explore cost savings through increased cooperation among the five public safety departments.

"We are writing to extend an offer to build on these other initiatives," City Mayor Dale Scrace and his council wrote Farms counterparts Jan. 18. "We believe a jointly operated public safety authority has the potential to serve as the most efficient and effective platform to serve our communities' needs."

The City and Park want to explore total consolidation of their police, fire and medical emergency services.

"Before we embark on this study, we wanted to formally invite the Farms to join this study," Scrace, et al, wrote.

An outside consultant is sought to forecast tradeoffs of a joint authority.

Peter Dame, manager of the City, expects the study to cost \$50,000 to \$80,000. Funding by cities involved will be cushioned by a \$20,000 Incentive Program grant Dame obtained.

With the resources of two and potentially three communities harnessed together, we could be much better positioned to address public safety needs now and into the future," City officials proposed.

Farms officials declined last week.

They cited the ad hoc committee, an established, five-Pointe paral-.lel initiative formed

about two years ago to minimize redundant emergency services and outlays on a collective basis.

"Already, the committee has made recommendations for greater efficiencies in dispatch services," Farms Mayor James Farquhar wrote Feb. 6. "Through the committee, cooperative public safety efforts have been expanded into the area of fire service."

Farquhar opposes branching into the type of parallel effort the ad hoc committee charged with reducing.

He wrote, "(The) Farms wishes to continue on the path mutuallyagreed upon by the ad hoc committee, and, at least for the time-being. does not wish to participate in the study proposed by (the) City with Grosse Pointe Park."

City leaders hoped to recruit the Farms within the context of existing joint efforts.

"We already partner with the Farms and Park on many aspects important to our citizens' quality of life," Scrace wrote. "These range from formal municipal arrangements, such as mutual aid for emergencies, to a solid waste authority for refuse disposal."

The cities also are bound together through youth, recreation, educational, church, commercial and senior services, Scrace wrote.

Farquhar built his response on cases of municipal overlap.

"There is a rich history of cooperation among the Pointes in all areas." he wrote. "This is particularly true of public safe-

"Efforts among the Pointes have included mutual aid, a joint radio system, dive team, honor state Economic Vitality guard, SWAT team and fire investigation team."

He doesn't oppose analyzing the costs, savings, consequences and benefits of consolidated public safety.

"If that is the direction to be taken, we feel it should come from the ad hoc committee, and be inclusive of all the Grosse Pointes, including (the) Shores and Woods, which likewise share our borders and mutual interests," Farquhar wrote.

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Central dispatch on deck

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE — Grosse POINTE Pointe's grant-smart city manager came through with up to \$300,000 in state funds to construct a single, combined public safety dispatch center and prisoner lock-up.

The facility would serve all five Grosse Pointes and save operating costs by eliminating redundant infrastructure and person-

each community must tributing sample resolupass resolutions by the end of March accepting the money.

The grant matches half of construction and equipment costs. If costs total **\$6**00,000, the \$300,000 grant is award-

"It's a matching grant for capital costs associated with constructing a large enough space that could handle all five cities' dispatching operations," said Peter Dame, manager of the City of Grosse Pointe.

The City council this unanimously week passed its resolution.

"We're the first," said Mayor Dale Scrace.

Dame applied for the grant. He's facilitating community-wide accep-Municipal officials in tance by writing and distions to the other Pointe councils.

"I made it easy for them to pass it," he said.

According to an initial study last year, separate full Grosse Pointe public safety dispatching depart-

ments cost the communicombined \$1,281,594.

The breakdown was: ◆ City, \$239,060,

◆ Farms, \$328,005, ◆ Park, \$231,854,

♦ Shores \$255,714 ♦ Woods \$226,961.

A central facility could operate for nearly 29 percent less, according to the

"Operationally, having one central dispatch with a central lock-up makes sense," according to the report. "Sharing the capital costs of radio, telephone and reporting systems is extremely beneficial.

Yet, because construction costs were higher than the recession allowed, city leaders pursued city-to-city partnercut costs, contracted dispatching to the Farms. Other Pointes pursued

The Shores, needing to

similar arrangements.

Joint authority

Dame also successfully applied for a separate, \$20,000 grant to help fund a study of potential consolidation of the City and Grosse Pointe Park public safety departments.

Costs of the study are anticipated to range from \$50,000 to \$80,000. Grosse Pointe Farms of-

ficials this month declined to join. 'The City and Park will proceed with the study of

just the two communities," Dame said. Park officials are expected to take up the mat-

POINTER OF INTEREST

Douglas Bulka has six prints on display at the Detroit Institute of Arts. The museum, where he works as a paper care specialist, has owned the prints nearly 30 years. This is the first time they are on display in the museum.

The art on and of display

Karen Fontanive Staff writer

Grosse Pointe Park resident Douglas Bulka is a patient artist.

The Detroit Institute of Arts purchased six of his prints nearly 30 years ago. They are on display for the first time in the museum in the "Once Upon a Time: Prints & Drawings That Tell Stories" in the Schwarz Gallery until May 13.

Bulka's artwork has graced the halls of many museums and galleries. The museum also owns one of Bulka's drawings on canvas. It depicts a major Detroit-area freeway interchange at night. (Bulka has an "interest in doing things at night and the night light quality.") While currently in storage, it has been displayed in the museum on several occasions.

It was Bulka's mother

talent.

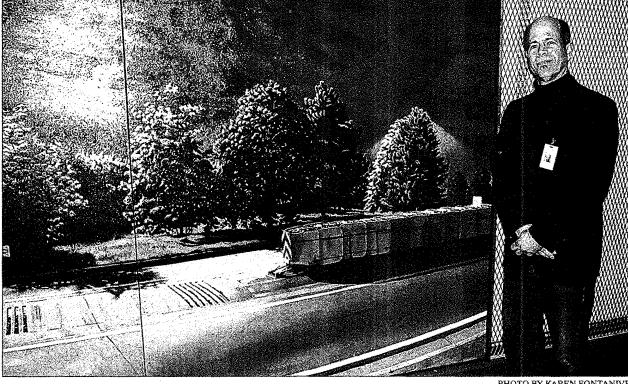
"There wasn't a lot of art in school period back then," Bulka said. "She knew I had an ability and I wasn't getting enough stimuli at school, so she came up with the money on her own for me to have private painting classes."

Even with his focus on art, Bulka wasn't sure art was his career. After high school graduation, he took a year off and traveled.

returned He Michigan with a scholarship to the University of Michigan and started in pre-med.

"I had been doing the art, but I thought I wanted to be a doctor," Bulka said. "I started in pre-med and I couldn't stand it and I applied to the art school and got in, but I was extremely disillusioned with the art school at U-M."

One of his professors at who first saw his artistic U-M used to teach at



In addition to the prints currently on display in the DIA, the museum also owns a drawing on canvas by Bulka. The drawing depicts the island at the interchange of two major Detroit-area freeways at night. "I start with water color washes," Bulka said. "I block it in then build it up with charcoal and pastels."

Wayne State University and was living in the Cass Corridor. He suggested Bulka go to Wayne.

"I checked it out, I came down here. It was the best thing I did," he said. "At the time, the painting department at Wayne was one of the best in the Midwest and the Cass Corridor movement was in its decline terms of how they're then (late '70s), but I still got to experience some of that and the energy and living down here."

While at WSU, he began teaching at Lawrence Tech and working as a paper care specialist at of fine arts degrees at the DIA after 36 years.

As a paper care specialist, Bulka is responsible for storage, exhibition preparation and handling the objects when they are loaned out. Paper objects - prints, photographs, books, wood etchings comprise half of the DIA's collection.

"Paper objects have very unique issues in stored, how they're exhibited, how they're treated," Bulka said. "The museum sent me to study with paper conservators at four different muse-

ums out east." Bulka points out there Prints must be hinged to pending on the paper objects has been really im-

art piece.

Then there's the matter of matting: how a print fits in the mat and in just this week." a frame. Books need to be displayed at a certain angle to be seen, but also to keep the binding from breaking. Also, when a book is on display, its pages need a "text block" to support them so they don't drop away from the

"People often say how leader. long and a big part of it is teaching these objects in an ex- tic acclaim over his 35tremely intimate way or mending tears," Bulka may sound, it's true. WSU while teaching and a mat. A variety of hinge said. "That intimate relaworking. He still works at papers and adhesives, de-tionship with those ob-

ject, are used to hang the portant to me. I've worked on things from as early as the 16th century to some that were made

Besides creating artwork and his responsibilities at the museum, Bulka is married and father to 8-year-old son, Owen. He stays active with his son's Little League team, hockey team and serves as his son's Cub Scout den

could you work there that wal Through all of the because I'm working with gallery exhibits and artisplus year career, Bulka the DIA. He earned both is an art and a science to I'm handling them, I'm admits he's doing his best bachelor's and master's displaying paper objects. taking hinges off of them work now. As cliché as it

"Being Owen's father is the best thing I've ever done," Bulka said.

MICHIGAN CITY - MACOMB COUNTY, MICHIGAN FEBRUARY 28, 2012 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF Grosse Pointe Park, Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Farms, Grosse Pointe Woods and the Village of Grosse Pointe Shores, a Michigan City, Wayne County & Macomb County, Michigan that a Public Accuracy Test will be conducted at your city

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Arrest in Mack B&E

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

GROSSE

POINTE FARMS — A 2-month-old burglary is close to being solved by confession.

glaries in Harper Woods. Farms Detective Bryan Ford, appointed this year, said he noticed similarities between the Dec. 9 break-in of Irish Coffee, 18666 Mack, and those in Harper Woods being in-

teenager being prosecut-

ed for three recent bur-

vestigated by that city's Lt. Ted Stager. Ford interrogated a sus-

An arrest came last pect, Antonio Luvell Scott, 18, the day he was arweek when the Farms' raigned in Harper Woods. newest detective linked "He gave me his confesthe case with a Detroit

> sion that he, with his codefendant, broke into Irish Coffee," Ford said.

The case faced a dead

end until this month. "Harper Woods had three B&Es in their city with the same methods of operation used in our B&E," Ford said.

Scott admitted disabling Irish Coffee's alarm and stealing alcohol from a locked, rear storage shed.

"I drove to the Irish Coffee bar with the intention of breaking into the bar," Scott said in his confession. "I cut the cable and phone wires. I and (an accomplice) pried open the back door the bar and attempted to pry open the front."

Police are seeking the second suspect, a 19-yearold Detroit male.

"They were unsuccessful getting into the main area of the bar, so they went around to the front and tried to pry open the front door," Ford said. "They were unsuccessful because the owner had the door fortified with a 2by-4."

Farms Judge Matthew Rumora arraigned Scott on Friday, Feb. 10, in

Farms municipal court. Charges are:

♦ B&E of the storage shed, a 10-year felony,

◆ attempted B&E of the front door, a 5-year felony,

 malicious destruction of property, a misdemeanor punishable by up to 1 year in jail and fines up to \$2,000, or three times the amount of the damage, whichever is more.

Rumora entered not guilty pleas on Scott's behalf.

Scott said he already has a lawyer, due to the Harper Woods cases, "I think.'

Rumora appointed him one, just in case.

"If you're able to hire one, we'll just cancel this (appointment)," Rumora

said. Rumora set \$50,000 bond, of which Scott must post 10 percent, and scheduled a preliminary hearing on the two felonies for 8 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 23, in the Grosse Pointe Shores division of Farms court.

Scott appeared before Rumora wearing Wayne County Jail pants and pullover. He'd already been confined, unable to post at least 10 percent of \$70,000 bond for the Harper Woods crimes.

Scott doesn't know if can make bail.

"I haven't talked to my parents yet," he told Rumora. "I stay with my mom. I don't know her address. I just moved there. She's on the Southfield service drive."

Scott said he quit school in 11th grade.

"I was supposed to start back on the 8th of February," he said.

City of **Grosse Fointe Farms**, Michigan **SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES FEBRUARY 6, 2012**

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

Absent Were: Councilman Waldmeir.

Also Present: Messrs. Burgess, City Attorney; Cornwall, City Attorney; Reeside, City Manager; Tepper, Assistant City Manager; Lamerato, City Controller/Treasurer; Brennan, Director of Public Service; Jensen, Director Public Safety; Hutchins, Deputy Director of Public Safety; Pamela J. Baker, Exec. Assistant/Deputy City Clerk.

Mayor Farquhar Presided at the Meeting.

Councilman Waldmeir was excused from attending the Meeting.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on January 9, 2012, were approved as The Minutes of the Closed Session held on January 9, 2012, were approved as

submitted. The Council adopted a resolution for Notice of Intent to Issue Bonds for the Kerby

Pump Station Upgrades. The Council approved the Communications Committee Policy.

The Council approved the Street Light Replacement Program for LED Conversion.

The Council approved the following items from the Consent Agenda: Safety Grant for McMillan and Kercheval.

St. Paul Picnic and Grosse Pointe Farms/City Little League Picnic at Pier Park

Statement of Attorney's Fees from the law firm of Dickinson, Wright.

• Emergency Expenditure for Temporary Generator

The Council received the Public Safety Department Report for December 2011 and the Quarterly Financial Report for the 2nd Quarter and ordered them placed on file.

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

Upon proper motion made, supported and carried, the Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m. THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, MARCH 12, 2012 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 90 KERBY ROAD, GROSSE POINTE FARMS, MICHIGAN 48236. THE MEETING IS PUBLIC, INTERESTED PROPERTY OWNERS AND RESIDENTS OF THE CITY ARE INVITED TO ATTEND. YOU MAY ALSO VIEW THE AGENDA AND MINUTES ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE: www.grossepointefarms.org

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PUBLIC SAFETY REPOI

City of Grosse Pointe

Nothing new, according to police.

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

Grosse Pointe Farms

Found fast

A white, 2008 Cadillac Escalade, stolen last week in the Farms, was recovered on Detroit's eastside before its owner knew it was gone.

A Farms patrolman was monitoring a Detroit police radio broadcast at about 5 a.m. Friday, Feb. 10, regarding unknown suspects in a vehicle pushing a white Escalade in the area of East Warren and University. The Escalade was registered to a West Bloomfield Township resident, according to the broadcast.

At about 6:45 a.m., a West Bloomfield Township woman informed Farms police her Escalade was stolen the night before while parked in the 200 block of Fisher.

"(I) advised (her) her vehicle had already been recovered prior to her reporting it stolen," said a Farms officer.

Talks into it

A 19-year-old St. Clair Shores man lied his way out of getting a break during a traffic stop last weekend, according to police.

Instead, officers cited him for possession of narcotics paraphernalia, violating a suspended driver's license and giving false information to police. Detectives are considering a charge of being a minor in possession of alcohol.

A patrolman pulled him over at 1:53 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 11, for speeding and running a red light at East Warren and Mack.

CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY CLERK'S OFFICE **WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

OFFICIAL ELECTION NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Public Accuracy Test for the February 28, 2012 Presidential Primary has been scheduled for Thursday, February 23, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at the Office of the City Clerk at 19617 Harper Ave., Harper Woods, Michigan.

The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to determine that the computer program and the tabulators being used to tabulate the results of the election, counts the votes in the manner prescribed by the law

CITY OF HARPER WOODS

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LESLIE M. FRANK ACTING CITY CLERK

City of Grosse Hointe Moods, Michigan **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PUBLIC NOTICE**

A Public Hearing will be held on Monday, February 27, 2012 at 7:30 p.m., in the Council Room of the Municipal Building, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan, to hear comments regarding the Program Year 2012 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Proposed Estimated budget as

<u> 2012 Proposed Estimated CDBG Budget</u> 1. Services for Older Citizens (SOC) \$ 6,843 a. SOC Minor Home Repair \$51,144 b. Countywide Housing Rehab \$ 26,663 2. Pointe Area Assisted

Transportation Services (PAATS) \$ 6,843 3. Administration \$ 7,204

Total \$ 98,697

G.P.N.: 2/16/2012

Al Fincham City Administrator

NOTICE OF ABSENT VOTER'S BALLOT FOR THE PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY **FOR THE CITIES OF GROSSE POINTE PARK, GROSSE POINTE, GROSSE POINTE FARMS. GROSSE POINTE WOODS. VILLAGE OF GROSSE POINTE SHORES.** <u> A MICHIGAN CITY- WAYNE COUNTY , MICHIGAN, </u> **VILLAGE OF GROSSE POINTE SHORES,** <u> A MICHIGAN CITY - MACOMB COUNTY, MICHIGAN</u>

<u> ON</u> **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2012**

Registered qualified electors in the City of Grosse Pointe Park, Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Farms, Grosse Pointe Woods and Village of Grosse Pointe Shores, a Michigan City, Wayne County & Village of Grosse Pointe Shores, A Michigan City-Macomb County, Michigan who expect to be absent from the city or who are confined to home or hospital by illness or disability or are 60 years of age or more, may now apply for absent voter's ballots. NO SUCH REGULAR APPLICATIONS CAN BE ACCEPTED AFTER 2:00 P.M. ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25. 2012. Applications can be made prior to such time at the Municipal Offices.

The offices of the City Clerks of Grosse Pointe Farms, Grosse Pointe Park, Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Woods and Village of Grosse Pointe Shores, a Michigan City-Wayne County & Macomb County, will be open during normal business hours Monday thru Friday of each week. All offices will be open on Saturday, February 25, 2012 from 8:30 until 2:00 p.m. for absent voter's ballot.

HOWEVER, ANYONE WISHING TO VOTE BY ABSENTEE BALLOT MAY DO SO IN THEIR CITY OFFICES ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2012 UNTIL 4:00 P.M.

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The suspect didn't possess a driver's license or official identification. He registered a .012 percent blood alcohol level, police said.

The officer was willing to overlook both infractions if the driver parked his car and arranged for a ride home.

During a telephone conversation to line up the ride, the suspect identified himself by a different name than given to officers.

Police used the suspect's real name to discover his license was suspended. A pat-down search turned up a marijuana pipe in his pants pocket.

Pack of dogs

A stray German shepherd-rottweiler mix was caught at about 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 9, on the grounds of St. Paul on the Lake Catholic School and church.

The young dog was part of a wild pack officers said they'd been chasing "for most of the day."

"These probably are not lost dogs people are trying to find homes for," said Detective John Walko. "This could be a pack from Detroit."

The shepherd mix became isolated from the fleeing pack.

"It was a puppy, but aggressive," Walko said.

Officers collared it with a noose attached to a stick.

"It was struggling and whining," Walko said. "It looked frightened."

He removed the collar and picked up the dog, restricting its movement. "It immediately started

calming," Walko said. "It was docile once I had it." Reserve officer Ted Roney Jr. helped in the

Drugs at school

roundup.

A 16-vear-old Grosse Pointe Park male was arrested at Grosse Pointe South High School during morning Wednesday, Feb. 8, for possession of 1.7 grams of marijuana and a pipe.

"This was not the first

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Q: Just who is Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae and how do they matter relative to my mortgage?

Fannie and Freddie A: Fannie and rrequie originated as private corporations in 1932. The intent of these groups was to expand homeownership by packaging mortgages as securities and sell to Wall Street investors, thus creating a continual pool of funds to lend.

It is in your best interest to know who owns your mortgage: is it by a Federal Bank, Freddie Mac or Fannie Mae? Well over half of all mortgages in America are owned by one of these agencies. Even though a check is written to Chase, Well Fargo or Fifth Third Banks, more than likely Fannie or Freddie owns the loan.

This is especially important if you are interested in the Federally - backed HARP program stated in last week's article. The program is specifically set up to assist families with Freddie or Fannie mortgages. If so, a nice opportunity to refinance avails itself to you regardless of how far under water you are with your mortgage.

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time (he) had been found with marijuana," said a public safety officer.

Police arrested the youth in the school's administrative offices. Also present were an assistant principal, a social worker and the boy's father.

The father took a tough love stance and requested the arrest. The boy also possessed

an unknown type of pill, police said. "(He) said he received the pill from a friend to

help with headaches," po-

Rear-ender

lice said.

A drunken driver is suspected of giving another motorist a false name in order to avoid the consequences of causing a traffic crash, according to po-

The suspect, a 63-yearold Farms man, registered a .193 percent blood alcohol level when tracked to his house at about 4:45 p.m. Monday, Feb. 6, nearly an hour after the wreck, police said.

"(He) stumbled from the front door to an adjoining room and plopped down onto a couch," said the officer.

The man is accused of rear-ending a Chevrolet Suburban operated by a Park woman in the area of Roland and Mack.

Driver alert

Police notified surrounding agencies last week that a man caught driving drunk may have committed a hit and run traffic wreck.

Officers arresting the man at 11:29 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 5, on Lakeshore near Moross noticed fresh damage to the driver-side fender of his light blue, 2007 Cadillac STS.

from Ypsilanti had a .254 percent blood alcohol level, according to police. The amount is more than three times the state's .08 percent legal limit to operate a motor vehicle.

Indecent

Police were creeped out by a naked, 57-year-old Park man reported at 1:46 a.m. Monday, Feb. 6, masturbating in his car parked in the driveway of a house in the 200 block of Lakeshore.

"(He) could easily BE observed by neighboring houses or pedestrian traffic," said an officer. "Inside the vehicle were several open pornographic magazines on the passenger seat."

The man faces charges of indecent exposure.

"He had mental issues," said an officer. "He got committed."

Snowblower stolen

open garage in the 300 block of Chalfonte.

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

Grosse Pointe Shores

Leads with chin

A man smelling of marijuana was arrested shortly after entering police headquarters last weekend to file an unrelated complaint.

"As (I) spoke with (him), there was a strong odor often associated with burnt marijuana," said an officer. "(He said) there may have been some in his car left over from last night."

The 44-year-old suspect from Huntington Woods allowed officers to search his vehicle.

They found a marijuana pipe and marijuana residue.

Dog attack

A woman trying to protect her dogs from an attacking German shepherd suffered wounds to her hands and arms, she told police.

The incident occurred at about 3:15 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 4.

The woman, 53, of St. Clair Shores, said she was walking two, leashed Burmese mountain dogs in the 1000 block of Lakeshore, near Fair Lake

Lane, according to police. "Suddenly, a large German shepherd came running from (a yard) and started attacking her dogs and her," according to an account by Officer John Jabrael.

The shepherd's owner said he left his dog unattended "for just a few minutes when he heard screams from the victim," The 33-year-old suspect Jabrael reported. "(He) was very apologetic."

> Officers cited him for month. having a vicious dog.

"The victim adamant about putting the animal down because of its aggressive behavior," added Sgt. James Wardowski.

The shepherd's owner provided officers documentation of its rabies vaccinations.

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

GROSSE POINTE WOODS

Drug arrest

881-5500.

Police were called at 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 9, to the Kroger parking lot on Mack on the report of a female slumped over the steering wheel of her car. Responding officers were able to rouse the driver, a City of Grosse Pointe resi-A 24-inch Craftsman dent, but found she had call Grosse Pointe Park snowblower was stolen dilated pupils, slurred police at (313) 822-7400.

between 7 and 10 p.m. speech and was unsteady Thursday, Feb. 2, from an on her feet. Police searched her car and found drug paraphernalia, small quantities of suspected methadone, cocaine and prescription medications. She was arrested and her car impounded.

Phone taken

A parent reported the theft of her daughter's iPhone during a basketball game at Grosse Pointe North High School Tuesday, Feb. 7. The phone was in a gym bag left unattended on the bleachers.

Save the last dance for me

Police and emergency medical personnel were called to Grosse Pointe North High School about 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 12, after a student attending a dance at the school showed symptoms of being "heavily intoxicated." At least five tickets for minors in possession were issued, and the youth officer will follow up with school officials.

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

GROSSE POINTE PARK

UDAA

2002Chrysler Sebring parked Wayburn was stolen Thursday, Feb. 9.

Bikes taken

A homeowner Barrington reported to police on Sunday, Feb. 12, two bikes were missing from a garage. The homeowner could not pinpoint when the bikes were taken, but believes it was some time in the past

Up and away

A package left on a porch on Lakepointe Friday, Feb. 10, by a delivery company was removed from the porch by an unknown person.

He means stop

An officer on routine patrol at 3 p.m. Friday, Feb. 10, observed a 1998 Ford Taurus without a license plate pulling out of a driveway on Maryland. The officer activated emergency lights but the driver refused to stop, following posted speeds and obeyed traffic signals. The vehicle finally stopped at Warren and Chalmers in Detroit and the occupants, two Detroit residents, were taken into custody and charged with

fleeing and eluding. — By Kathy Ryan If you have information on these or any crimes,

Macomb switch revived

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

Facing an uphill move to Macomb County, backers are shifting into a lower gear.

"We can't just fall on our knees because it might be tough," said Grosse Pointe Shores Councilman Dan Schulte.

Members of the newlyelected council resumed this month their predecessors' drive to withdraw from Wayne County and join Macomb County.

The main inducement is Macomb's lower taxes. "This already passed

last August," said Mayor voters in both jurisdic-Ted Kedzierski. "It kind of lost momen-

tum with the election," Schulte said. The council approved

staffing a citizens ad hoc committee to explore steps needed to join Macomb County and the likelihood of the effort being successful.

Although the prior council voted last August to establish the committee, a potential ax fell in October, halting its formation.

The city attorney determined a switch in counties needed support by

tions.

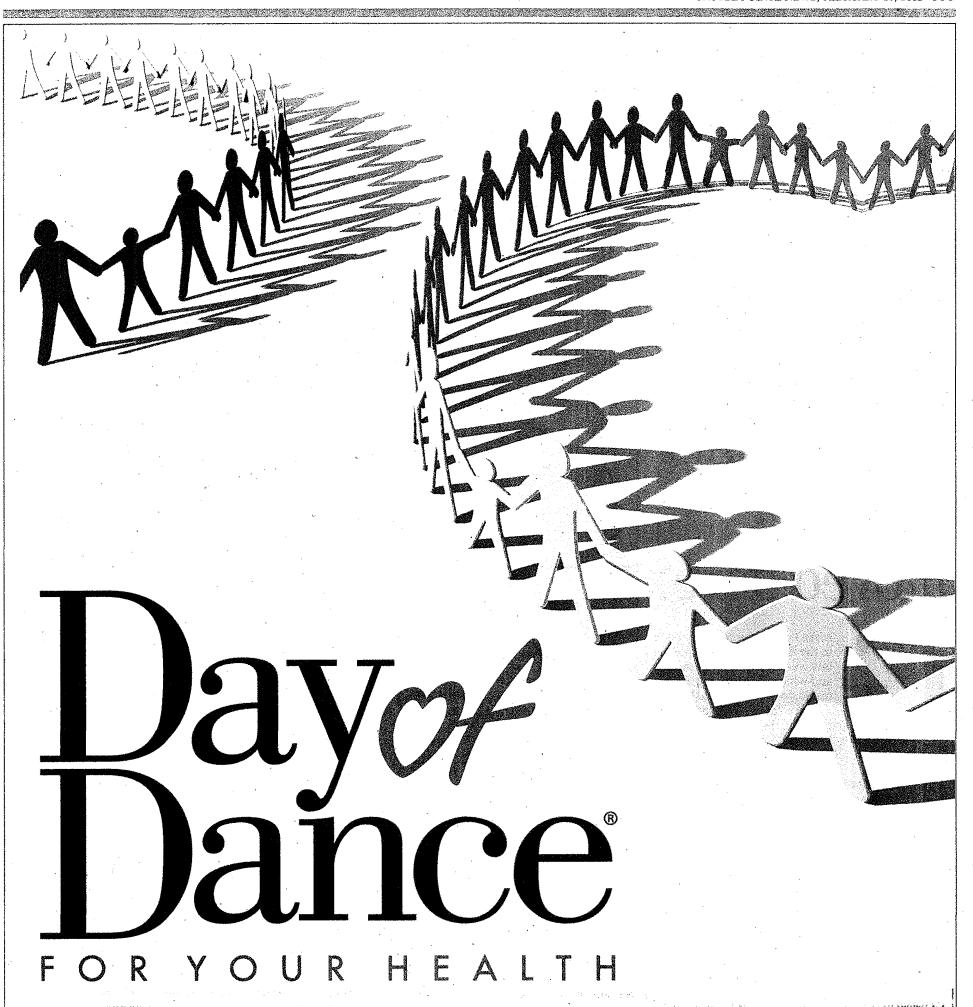
While Macomb County voters are expected to welcome the Shores and its property tax revenue, Wayne County counterparts are likely to oppose the move on the same financial grounds.

"That's not a deal-killer, for sure," Schulte said.

Kedzierski will appoint committee members subject to council approval. "A number of people

said they'd love to do the work," Schulte said. The committee is ex-

pected to have at least six members.



Ee0. 25, 2012

Bring your friends and family to dance, learn simple ways to stay healthy, enjoy music and participate in health screenings.

Date: Saturday, Feb. 25, 2012

Time: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Location: Grosse Pointe War Memorial

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I SAY By Kathy Ryan

Remember why you moved here?

rosse Pointe has certainly been in the national spotlight the past and wide have reported on the

I have spent countless hours covering the story, countless hours with print and television journalists. While our conversations mainly focus on the crime

been times when the talk turns to the community of us on our well-kept homes, our setting along the shores of Lake St. Clair, how they have heard how great our schools are and how Grosse Pointe in general just seems like a nice place to live.

It's too bad some of our own citizens can't be so

While most of us reacted with sadness and horror at the news that a murder had occurred in our hometown and waited for details, some reacted with a

Pointe "has changed" and urged citizens to ban together for the protection of all, suggesting everything from forming neighborhood watches to community classes in self-defense.

knows it's not what it used to be," said one resident.

"Imagine if most Grosse Pointers were known to

point." At what point?

Just this week, I was reading the Grosse Pointe News about a home invasion on Neff where the elderly resident, concerned with noises she heard in the basement, called police and they found a man hiding behind the furnace. Then there were the purse snatchings on Jefferson near the Park city hall, and the theft of chalices from Star of the Sea Church. There was the attempted rape in the Woods and the

reading these stories from copies of the Grosse Pointe News from 1980, some 32 years ago.

Anyone who thinks Grosse Pointe is "not what it used to be," has no idea what Grosse Pointe used to be, nor are they likely to admit it's just about as it always has been, a safe, family-friendly community, where people feel quite safe walking after dark, where children can play freely and, if needed, a police officer is at your door almost before you hang up

Yes, we have crime. But it's no worse now than it

A search of newspapers from the '70s and '80s and 80's revealed stories of drug busts, bikes being stolen, car windows smashed and, yes, even stolen. Houses were being broken into, even churches.

We live in the real world where bad things happen. Thankfully, they don't happen in Grosse Pointe all that often.

Many of the same crimes we're seeing today, as we saw back then, are crimes of opportunity, leaving a wallet on the front seat of an unlocked car, leaving a bike unlocked, a purse in a grocery cart. Are we expected to believe that would change if "Grosse Pointers were known to be armed?"

See I SAY, page 9A

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few weeks, as media from far tragic death of Jane Bashara.

and the investigation unfolding before us, there have Grosse Pointe, and more than one has complimented

kind, not to mention rational.

knee jerk so sharp it would put a Rockette to shame.

Within hours of the news getting out, some residents took to social media sites and lamented Grosse

"Anyone who knows anything about Grosse Pointe Another, a former city council member, urged residents to start carrying guns.

be armed," the post said. "I wonder if we are at that

theft of ski jackets from a store on Kercheval.

Oh, wait, I probably should mention that I was

the phone:

always has been.

Sadly, people were murdered.

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All letters should be typed, double-spaced, signed and limited to 250 words. Longer letters may be edited for length and all letters may be edited for content. We reserve the right to refuse any letter. Include a daytime phone number for verification or questions. The deadline for letters is 3 p.m Monday. Letters to the Editor can be e-mailed to jwarner@grossepointe-

Library staff has cut costs

To the Editor:

news.com.

As a former employee of the Grosse Pointe Public Library, I can attest the staff and administration have gone to extreme lengths to cut costs without cutting services.

Ever since the economy went on the skids, staff who leave have not been replaced. As a result, everyone has been reharder, in some cases, to for less than five minutes. the point of exhaustion. By the time I got out, my Being who they are, they do this selflessly and with smiles on their faces.

I ask each of you to eiyour city hall and ask for obviously their target.

an application — or go to the polls Tuesday, Feb. 28, and vote "yes" for the millage. The staff de-

Grosse Pointe Farms

Parking lot security needed

On the evening of Feb. 6, I stopped at the Walgreens at Mack and Moross. I parked my car car window had been smashed. I don't think anything was stolen. I had a laptop bag with no ther vote absentee - call laptop in it, which was

serves your support.

NANCY SOLAK

\$10/hour to stand guard outside and watch their While these stores are

serve fair warning about DIA. this consistent problem and the stores should respond to the issue if Detroit police are inade-

talked to the security

guard. He informed me

this is a frequent problem in that parking lot. I was

also informed sometimes

teams of people park

their getaway cars in the

I know it isn't wise to

neighboring parking lot.

have a laptop case ex-

posed in my back seat,

but the victim of crime is

not to blame for the

I want to warn other

people this is, according

to security, a consistent

problem. Anyone who

parks in the Walgreens or

putting themselves at

risk. I don't want others

to go through this. I also

think it makes sense for

these stores to get togeth-

er to hire someone for

neighboring lots

crime.

BOB DINDOFFER Grosse Pointe Park

I went inside and Rewarding fiscal incompetence?

To the Editor:

Since when do we reward fiscal incompetence with an almost 50 percent budget increase?

As much as we all love our libraries, and I do too, it is irresponsible to start granting millage increases like this. We can't just tell our bosses to give us a 50 percent raise because the economy has gotten too tough.

We've accepted cuts in much more essential services than this, so please don't start imitating Washington, D.C. by just raising taxes to cover past mistakes.

I can live with no libraries on Tuesdays or whatever other necessary cuts must be made during these hard times to balance their budget. But if we approve this increase, technically in Detroit, we will see millage inthey are a part of our crease votes on everyquired to work much and went into the store community. Folks de- thing from the zoo to the

And, rest assured, if property values do come back they'll still be asking for "just a renewal" in eight years.

DEAN VALENTE Grosse Pointe Park

GUEST OPINION By Jack McHugh

Playing the waiting game

he Fraser Institute of Canada reports the median waittime for a Canadian who needs surgery or other therapies rose to 19.0 weeks in 2011, the longest since the institute first began tracking wait times in 1993.

The wait time for a patient referred by a general practitioner to a specialist rose from a median of 8.9 weeks in 2010 to 9.5 weeks in 2011 — up 156 percent since 1993. Patients can then expect to wait an additional 9.5 weeks before actually re-

ceiving treatment from the ernment specialist, up from 9.3 weeks in 2010 - a 70 percent increase since 1993.

Under the definition of "median wait time" in the Fraser report, half of all patients get treatment sooner than the median, while half must wait even longer.

Canada has a "single payer" health care system, in which nearly all health care services are paid for by the government, and the private practice - and purchase — of medical services is significantly restricted. Under the pending "Obamacare" law in the United States, the gov-

would asmost

medical treatment through individual insurance subsidies, and private medicine

Under the Canadian system, bureaucrats and politicians are responsible for determining the "global" budget of all health care services the government will pay for during any given year. Under Obamacare, the amount of spending is theoretically open-ended, but it's likely future budget deficits will

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pressure policymakers to impose various forms of direct or indirect rationing would not be restricted. to contain costs, as happens in Canada.

Restricting the number of providers - and so imposing longer wait times — is probably the most common form of rationing used by government-run health care systems.

McHugh is editor of MichiganVotes.org for the Mackinac Center for Public Policy.

GUEST OPINION By Russ Harding

Drivers paying more at the pump

rivers are paying more at the pump than they have in any

other January.

While there are several reasons for the high prices, including increasing demand from developing countries and Iranian saber rattling, the federal government is doing its part to keep gasoline prices high by mandating the impossible.

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According to The New York Times, companies that supply motor fuel paid \$6.8 million in fines in 2011 for not using enough cellulosic derived

biofuel in gasoline. The companies will face even steeper fines in 2012 when the congressional mandate to use cellulosic biofuels goes up from 6.6

million gallons to 8.65 million gallons.

Companies could avoid paying the fines except for one thing — cellulosic biofuels only exist in small quantities in laboratories and are not commercially available.

There may be little sympathy for fuel companies from the motoring public,

but the fines levied by the **Environmental Protection** Agency will invariably be passed on to motorists through higher gasoline prices. When federal lawmakers mandate the technically impossible and fine fuel companies for not complying, they are in effect levying a tax on gasoline.

It is not surprising mistrust of the government is

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from the bonds sold to finance construction of the Ewald (formerly at Pierce Middle School) and Woods (Parcells Middle School) branches in 2003 ing 25 full-time and 23 and 2004, a result of both the schools' and libraries' needs for more space. Currently, the library pays about \$1.3 million annually in total principal and interest.

Paying off the bonds was the millage committee's original intent, though the board shifted its focus to maintaining the library's services and operations.

"The one immutable expense is the bond payments — they cannot be changed, reduced, or avoided," Garves said. "So, if the millage proposal does not pass, the bond payments will still need to be paid — it will be the services that will be affected. Therefore, the focus has to be on the services that will be affected, not the bond payments."

ago, the board made several staff cuts and concessions, including a reduction in staffing of seven full-time employees, leavtrained part-time employees staffed; frozen wages for 2011 and 2012, resulting in librarians earning less money now than in 1994; reductions in AV materials, periodical purchases, and software and database items, among other reductions. The board also eliminated ma-Books on the Lake, adult author lecture, health/retirement author lecture, youth author lecture, as well as all technical assis-

tant positions. A failed millage, Garves said, encompasses further short- and long-term impacts. Namely, a fully exhausted "rainy day" fund, and possibly having to close a branch." Long- tough times."

Since the struggles term concessions and heightened four years cuts would impact the library's information technology hub - Internet, ereaders, e-books, audiobooks and proprietary databases.

"Quite frankly, we hate having to seek this additional millage," Garves said. "It is the last thing that anyone wanted and we have worked hard for several years to avoid it. But the fact is, we are at the point that we are eating our own seed corn.

"Look at the mere fact that we have cut the jor programs, including amount spent on books in our collection by 45 percent over the past few years. Why would we, a library, do that if we didn't have to, if it were not absolutely necessary?

"Our library is important to our whole community and it supports our values — for education, information, our neighused for immediate borhoods, our communideficits, by 2014, as well ty, and our property valas "drastic cuts to hours ues. It needs to be maintained, especially in these

BOOKS: Libraries strengthen Pointes

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age request to make up the \$1.1 million shortfall in 2012. Without an approval, the library budget will be supported with the rainy day fund which at the present rate would be depleted in 2014, he

Without voter approval of the millage, library board of trustees would consider closing a branch, reducing the days libraries are open and staff reduction, according to a millage committee hand-

The absence of a public library would negatively affect the Grosse Pointes, Burns pointed out.

"The quality of life in it's a money saver. Grosse Pointe would be severely damaged, the value of the houses would go down," he said. "People don't want to move to a community that doesn't have the resources of a top-rated community. If voted down, (NCB news anchor) Brian Williams is liable to report an upscale subdivision can't afford its library any more."

What else can't the community afford, will be the next question, Burns added.

This is one service catering to all ages.

early education work. It is a huge part of the education process. In the intelligent community, books and library programs are available. It gets them (children) reading," he

On the other end of the age spectrum, the library delivers books to homebound seniors and provides computers and Internet services to those who don't have home computers.

It also has a wide data base from which connections are made beyond Grosse Pointe from across the state to across the na-

For patrons, like Burns,

In the past month, Burns said he has checked out four books, saving him nearly \$100 because he didn't buy the books. But libraries are more than a repository for books. The libraries have meeting rooms for community use, lecturers are brought in, free books are distributed at Halloween; it has books on tape, music and DVDs to be loaned; e-books to be downloaded; newspapers and magazines to be read; both tools and art can be checked out, story times said.

"Libraries do a lot of and book discussions for various age groups.

While researching his book "The Flying Firsts Walter Hinton," he said he used the library's resources, requesting material both locally and from across the nation.

"The librarians are trained professionals. Librarians are professional at accessing information. I wouldn't have accomplished it on my own," he said.

Libraries have realigned themselves to the Internet age by offering a broad data base, yet remain the repository of books addressing any topic a lender might desire. It is a community service that provides a service to all ages and a structure for he said

"The Grosse Pointe Library has a wonderful database. The library has changed over the years and the library has been smart about change, change to incorporate the Internet. They have trained their staff to use tools," he said.

"It's shallow wisdom from people with the attitude everything can be accessed on line and books are unnecessary," Burns

Override request next

By Kathy Ryan

Residents of Grosse Pointe Woods will be asked in November to approve an override of the Headlee Amendment as a way to allow the city to pay for road construction projects and stave off looming budget deficits.

The decision to recommend a vote of the people on a Headlee override amendment was made Monday night by the city council, acting as a committee of the whole. A vote by the full council is expected at its next meeting, Monday, Feb. 27.

If approved by council, residents will be asked to approve an increase in the millage rate the city can charge on property taxes. Currently set at 14.4 mills, the committee of the whole recommended an increase of 3.6 mills, generating about \$2 million in crease to the full 20 mills annual revenue for the city. A major portion of that amount is to be used for road repairs.

The decision to ask for a Headlee override was reached after discussions with the accountants from Plante Moran, who praised the city for its sound fiscal management and its efforts to be proactive in its fiscal decisions.

"You have done a great job and I applaud you," said Carl Johnson, an accountant with Plante Moran. "I also applaud you for being proactive because what is happening with successful communities such as yours is that they are facing destate sources and proper-

asking themselves how to construction and repairs. provide the services residents expect. A Headlee override will allow cities to restore millage rates to what the city charter allows."

The Grosse Pointe Woods city charter allows the city to levy up to 20

The Headlee Amend ment was passed in 1978 by Michigan voters and requires municipalities to reduce millage rates when property tax revenue exceeds the rate of inflation. An override of the Headlee Amendment can be authorized by voters, allowing municipalities to return millage rates to that allowed under a city's charter.

Woods council members agreed an increase of 3.6 mills will be enough to cover road repairs and an expected budget deficit, and will not ask for an inauthorized by the charter.

The council also agreed road repairs will be covered by the tax revenue, rather than funding the work by a bond issue.

"I think a 'pay as you go' approach to road repairs is best," said council member Vicki Granger. "If you look at the rates, \$15 million in bonds would end up costing an extra \$4 million in interest and overhead costs. I don't think it's fair to saddle residents with that kind of debt several years into the future just as it appears that we might be coming out of the downturn in the economy."

Mayor Bob Novitke believes if the Headlee overclining revenues from ride is not approved, there will be no money in the ty values and they are budget for necessary road

"We have made all the cuts we can make," he said. "We aren't exactly in dire straits, but we won't

be doing road construc-

tion without it." Council member Todd McConaghy said the Headlee override will allow the city to maintain

current service levels. "I don't want to paint a dire picture, but our greatest expense is people," he said. "We've cut all we can, and now we'll have to start looking at cutting personnel. We have been able to keep a certain level of service, and if we have to start cutting those services it will change the face of our city. We will lose the character of our city, and I'm not sure that's what any of us

City staffing levels have already been cut from 105 full-time employees to 87.

Plante Moran's Mark Hurst, the Woods' auditor, also reminded the council retiree benefit funds must be fully funded by state mandate.

"You are a well-heeled, well-managed city," he said. "But no matter how much you put aside for the mandated 'post employment benefit obligation' it will probably not be enough. You have to keep an eye on that amount in every annual budget going forward."

By state law, the language of any ballot proposals for a Headlee override must be approved by the state's Attorney General. According to city clerk Lisa Hathaway, the approved wording would have to be in place by Aug. 28 in order to be on the November ballot,

CITY: Councilman says process slow

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Grosse Pointe community Park Mayor Palmer

Heenan said late last year the Park and City should combine governments. Leonard thinks individ-

ual public safety mergers could splinter a unified effort toward greater, overall community cooperation on emergency services.

"I don't want to fragment it," he said.

Walsh said the twovear-old committee, on which he serves and Leonard doesn't, isn't getting things done fast

"You can't just sit by and hope a solution suddenly springs up," Walsh "Maybe (Leonard) not 100 percent contribution from all five process."

hoc committee is not bill—that's fine." moving at a pace that suftee. I'd like to keep the ficiently meets the objectives of a number of these cities are in a position to pursue."

> "Our city manager and mayor have been keeping the council up to date on everything," Leonard said. "(Committee members) adjourned the last

> meeting and did not set a future meeting because they already set a road map of where to go."

> Committee action resulted recently in all five Pointe councils resolving to jointly train officers and purchase standardized public safety equipment.

"I have no problem with hiring an outside consultant to study what would be best for all of the Grosse Pointes' public he's safety," Leonard said. "A

up to speed that the ad Grosse Pointes to foot the

He opposes creation of a joint public safety authority that siphons officers away from the Farms.

"Our guys are topnotch," Leonard said. "They're good leaders with good esprit de corps.'

"The Park has been asking to move forward from the very beginning," Walsh said.

"It's time for us to pursue a parallel objective to get a solution that is workable for this commu-

City Mayor Dale Scrace isn't writing off the ad hoc group.

"It has moved slowly, no question about that," he said. "But, undertaking this study by no means extracts us from that

BUDGET: 85 percent is personnel

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"We've tried to achieve reductions in ways that are least apparent to the delivery of services to residents," Dame said.

Staffing's been cut 12 percent over three years. Remaining employees have pay freezes and reduced benefits.

The public safety department is short one offi-

Dame said he hopes public safety officers will accept cost savings "that command officers agreed to.

He added, "Approximately 85 percent of the city's budget is personnel."

FY 2012-2013

The \$400,000 deficit forecast next fiscal year mainly stems from increased pension contributions, declining property tax revenue and a shortfall in paying for existing retiree's health care, according to Dame.

"While we're lucky only to have a 2.4 percent de- a fiscal surprise this year.

cline in residential assessments, which is not as much as I thought it would be, we are going to be required to contribute \$164,000 to our general pension fund, which is five times higher than we thought it would be," he

FY 2013-2014

The \$1 million deficit forecast for the following fiscal year concerns retiree healthcare.

"This larger deficit is due to tapping out funds set aside for existing retirees' health care," Dame said. "It will be gone, more than likely, by the end of this calender year."

"Big ticket" items are legacy costs and benefits, according to Councilman Andrew Turnbull.

"We need to begin looking at any creative way to bring retiree costs down to the active level costs, but also reduce active level costs," he said.

Slight surplus

Projected deficits follow

"We anticipate a small general fund operating surplus," Dame said.

Public safety, which accounts for 58 percent of the general fund, is within budget.

"On the revenue side, we've had some positive developments," Dame

He cited higher than budgeted:

 building permit revenue, largely due to construction of the new Neighborhood Club,

• state revenue sharing

◆ investment returns. "It seems revenue sharing has stabilized and it won't be cut further," Dame said.

"The governor even proposed a slight increase, which would be the first increase in 10

The governor also proposed increased transportation funding. Dame said it would

have "an extremely positive benefit to the City. A portion of those moneys are funneled back to maintenance of local

PUMP: Costs rise

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running high and polls show Congressional approval is in single digits when the political class abandons common sense and logic and adopts environmental ideology.

No amount of wishful thinking on their part can change the realities of science and economics.

Cellulosic biofuels may someday be able to compete in the marketplace, but it will be due to technical innovation and not unrealistic federal man-

Harding is senior environmental policy analyst at the Mackinac Center for Public Policy and director of the center's Property Rights Network.

I SAY: Good place to live

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Let's be honest. That's about the worst crime we see here. Yes, we have the occasional home invasion, the occasional very serious, very scary assault or worse. I'm sure the victims of those crimes might have a different perspective. What's the old saying, "A

conservative is a liberal who has been mugged."

But we've always had them. Thankfully, they are so rare that we tend to forget when the last one occurred, and when a serious crime does happen, we're enraged and frightened by it.

And that's not all bad. I prefer living in a community where we are horrified by felonious assault or murder because those crimes are not a regular

occurrence.

Imagine living where those events are so routine they barely merit a blip on a newscast or a paragraph in the local paper.

By that same token, the rarity of such an event in our community does not merit mass hysteria or a call for citizens to arm themselves. We all just need to take

a deep breath and remember what brought us to Grosse Pointe in the first place, not what brings all the news crews here now. And remember that we will be here long after those crews move on, still out walking after dark, riding our bikes to the parks and enjoying a pretty safe place to live.







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SCHOOLS

OBITUARIES

REAL ESTATE

Mini economy educates, fosters class community

By A.J. Hakim Staff Writer

Extending the educational experience beyond traditional textbooks, Ferry Elementary School teacher Jim Fisher's fourth- and fifth-grade magnet class developed, simulated its own, student-directed mini economy entitled, Fisher Island.

During the last month, the 24 students — eight fourth graders and 16 fifth graders — established their own community, government, constitution, laws, currency (Fins) and businesses; in all, about 12 ranging from their businesses' input a pet shop, to a gift shop and desk and locker clean-up, to a personalization shop, to restaurants, a movie theater and carnival.

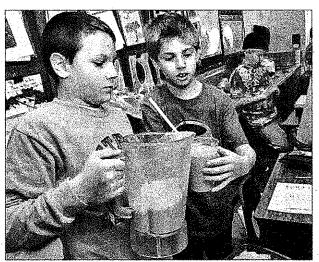
rubric they had to follow as far as setting their business up," Fisher said. "Next week will actually be their big unit assessment. We refer to the book as a resource, but I want to take them outside the book, to create a hands-on experience for them."

As in a real-world scenario, they generated income for their business and paid for rental space feet, a ratio determined

by the classroom's tiled flooring. Those students with minimal income earned through good deeds and tangible practices such as walking quietly in a straight line or turning in homework borrowed in loans from the Fisher Island National evolved and last week Bank and paid them off with interest. Business owners signed and displayed their business licenses, notarized by class president. Charlie Ramsdell, and dealt with scarcity situations, supply and demand and other economic principles associated with running a business. In detailing and output, they also created daily sales and expense logs.

"I really like it because everybody gets to design their own business and "They had a whole run it and learn some things about economy and how to spend money well," said fifth-grader Garrett Schreck, bank owner and manager.

Furthermore, students designed and constructed their businesses, most with refrigerator boxes, some with PCP piping and other materials, as well as their goods and merchandise. The pet shop pets were handcrafted, the smoothies, - a Fin per two square Mexican food and bakery desserts made fresh and



The Macaw's Feather headbands and t-shirts hand cut.

"I just believe in turning it over to the students," Fisher said. "They have guidelines, but they have their own intelligence level they're working at. They have their own

own business.

"What I kind of find is, there's actually teamwork, where they're actually going to each other's businesses. They shop everywhere they go. They kept saying good job. It kind of fosters that little family feel — they're learning style. So they more supportive of each cepts learned throughout were able to create their other versus competithe process.



Left, A Taste of the Tropics smoothie stand owners Wyatt Dennis and Charlie Ramsdell pour a freshly made smoothie for a customer.

Above left, PAW's Carnival, named after its owners Paul Treder and William Hofman.

Above, Vivian Liagre and Alyssa Czech pose inside their business, Vivalysant Bakery.

tive."

The project concluded Tuesday, Feb. 14, with a classroom debriefing exercise and "Mini-Society Test," consisting of fill-inmultiple the-blank, choice and true and false questions regarding specific principles and con-

"My philosophy is good teaching, and there are things you should do for a gifted classroom - differentiated learning, making sure they're all being challenged at their level, providing a multi-level of outlets for them to learn and teach the benchmarks," Fisher said. "It's impressive to see them."

South band and orchestra honored

In the two Michigan (bass); Band Solo and Ensemble saxophone); Festival competitions at Zeng (violin); Annika Andrew Eaton (strings, Rochester High School, Nixon (violin); Mary trio); Caroline Hall, Katie Grosse Pointe South's band and orchestra competed in 73 total events, earning either division one or two-rated medalists in all.

strumentalists achieved Jack McCov (clarinets, "superior" considerations, qualifying them for Katie Robert (clarinets, the MSBOA State Solo & Ensemble Festival.

The following perfor- saxophones, mances received "excellent" ratings: saxophone Harrison (strings, duet) choir (chamber ensem- Grant Lobert and Joe ble); Tristan Russano Kalmar (strings, duet);

Quinn (trumpet); Carter Harrison (violin); Coleman Harrison (cello); James O'Donnell (French horn); Joseph Rabaut (violin); Che Of the events, 50 in- Alce-Jean Charles and duet); Klara Gellci and duet); Holly Brinker and duet); Carter and Coleman

Orchestra Association Shane Jackowski (alto winds, duet); Joey Boyle, Sharon Kyle Matheson and Dalman, Mehreen Jamil and Ellen High (string quartet); and Shelby Howe, Brian Sutherland, Matt Strachan and Chris Biernat, (brass quartet).

South students and performances receiving "superior" ratings include: brass choir (chamber ensemble), clarinet Dalman (violin); Daniel horns); Janey Degnan Shane Jacksowski (alto choir (chamber ensemble), chamber orchestra (chamber ensemble); Andrew Eaton (violin); Mary Stuart (flute); Ellen High (cello); Janey

and Troscinski (clarinet); Samantha Carr (wood- Charles Paul (bass); Nick Morris (French Alexandra Richards, Emily Muhich (flute); Patrick Dietz (violin); Holly Brinker (alto saxophone); Grant Lobert (violin); Klara Gellci (clarinet); Ruoyu Bai, (piano); Samantha Carr (oboe); Joseph Boyle (bass); Kim Barbour (piano); Devon Pratt (clarinet); Sarah Knust (viola); Julia Doherty (marimba); Nick Morris (piano); Joe Kalmar (violin); Katie Nick Morris (French Harris (viola); Claire and Spencer Korejwo Morrison (piano); Spencer Korejwo (viola); Claire Huebner (flute); Hannah Adams (violin); Degnan (cello); Kevin Morrison and Paulina

horn); Elliot Carter (celba); Erika Arora (violin); Owen Pfaff (snare drum); Beth Crader (trombone); Kara Dietz (cello): Lauren Dessinger (flute); Hannah Adams and Alexandra Richards (strings); Daniel Harris and James Wang (violas); James O'Donnell and (strings); Kim Baetz and Annika Nixon (violins); Emily Muhich and Mary Stuart (flutes); and Claire

Grobbel (painting, paint-

ing, drawing); Emily

Hughes (photography);

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Martinez (photography);

Drew Meeker (digital

art); Alexander Mitchell

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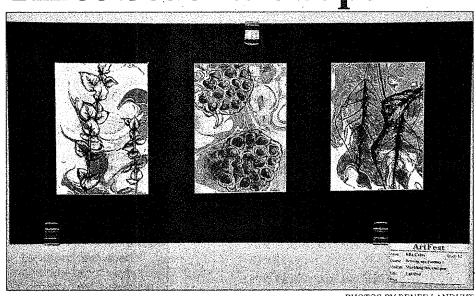
Ramon

(drawing);

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Nathan Katie Robert and Brian Hall (cello); Biglin (alto saxophone); Cywinski (woodwinds); Kara Dietz and Sharon lo); Chad Ososki (tuba); Zeng (strings, trio); Drew Meeker (marim- Lauren Phillips, Maddie Burgoyne, Mannino, and Claire Huebner (flute quartet); Rebecca Sloss, Jamie Verbeke, Charlie Gough, Drew Meeker and Tommy Clark (symphony band percussion quintet); Emily Muhich, Mary Stuart, Jack McCoy, Che Alce-Jean Charles, and Jenna Roby (concert band woodwind quintet); and Brian Hall, Hannah Adams, Erika Arora, Spencer Kurejwo, and Charles Paul (symphony orchestra quintet).

Three South artist portfolios awarded Gold Keys



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

Above, senior Alexandra Pizzimenti's AP studio art 2-D collage hangs at the Caribou Coffee gallery.

Below right, senior Ella Calas' untitled marble and ink pen drawing is one of several South student art pieces at Caribou, on display through Wednesday, Feb. 29.

niors earned Gold Keys eight Scholastic Art and Writing

ners - Emily Cervone, role in their life.

Three Grosse Pointe Kelly Langtón and Jade South High School se- Lun — each submitted photographs for their photography demonstrating originality, portfolios and 47 other in-technical skill and persondividual entries were rec- al vision, along with a 300 ognized at the 2012 to 750-word artist statement explaining their selections, reactions to their Gold Key portfolio win- work and photography's

According to the Scholastic Awards website, a Gold Key is the highest achievement on a regional level, with approximately seven to 10 percent of submissions recognized. With the award, Cervone's, Langton's and Lun's portfolios now are in consider-

recognition.

Several students earned Gold Keys for their individual entries. They in-Courtney Bilderbeck (photography); Zoe Davis (painting, printmaking); Margaux (photography, Forster photography); Abigail (drawing); Kiersten Kern (design, digital art); Kerrigan Pearce (digital art); and Alexandra Pittel (photography, photography).

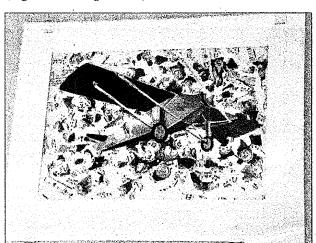
Silver Key winners, approximately 10 to 15 percent of all submissions, include: Neala Berkowski (photography); Alexandra DeLoof (photography); Forster (photography); Nicole Keller (painting); Langton (photography); (photography); Lun Chelsea Merrill (photography); Pittel (photography) and Abigail Sohn (photography).

Certificate award-wininclude: Misha ners (design); Chevalier Maggie Clement (photography); Darian Dempsey

ation for national-level (photography); Madison Andrew Ottaway (jewel-Dettlinger (photography); ry); Meghan Polack (jew-Alijah Dillard (mixed meelry); Lauren Schaller (photography); dia, mixed media, drawing); Forster (photogra-Ellison Zak (photography, photography, photogphy). Alexander raphy); Gosselin (drawing);

Caribou exhibits student art

Art work from select Advanced South Placement students Ella Calas, Chloe Gillespie, Maddie Groezinger and Alexandra Pizzimenti is on display at the Caribou Coffee Gallery, at the Mack Avenue location, now until Wednesday, (digital art, digital art); Feb. 29.



'CARE'ing for the community

By A.J. Hakim Staff Writer

At the heart of CARE of Southeastern Michigan's mission are ideals of community, assessment, referral and education.

work challenges, alcohol we also have an employee or drug abuse, or familial difficulties, the agency, existing since 1977, assists in educating, linking and supporting individuals, families, businesses and communities affected by such issues. It offers assessments, treatments, services and referrals based upon individual or familial needs.

ly childhood education in Once completed and con-Macomb County, from cerns flagged, the official parenting classes to the guides them through a re-Michigan re-entry system ferral system for further

for people who just got reassistance. leased from prison," said Anne Nearhood, community organizer specialist for Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods. "We do education programs from elementary all the way Whether for school or through high school. And assistance program and student-assistance contracts."

With student-assistance contracts, of which the Grosse Pointe Public School System signed into last April, schools or families within the district, if desired, receive a full assessment with a licensed social worker, "We do things from ear- clinician or therapist.

"The good thing with that is, once we refer somebody, we also have case management after that, so we just don't let them dangle out there." Nearhood said. "We're continually following up to see if that therapist is working, what other services that family would need."

In addition, the agency provides a diversion program, in conjunction with local police departments, for first-time offenders, working alongside the individual to prevent repeat incidents.

specific programs, such as life skills education, expanding into kindergarten this year; building blocks for success, four

two-hour sessions in between counties is in which a group of 10-12 students discuss issues pertaining to everyday barriers to success; and Tar Wars, a tobacco-free education program for fourth- and fifth-graders coordinated with their science classes.

"Every school is a little unique," said Nearhood, who contributes monthly to North's and South's parent newsletters, writing articles about current topics in awareness, prevention and treatment. "Some of the programs we're able to offer in It also offers school- Macomb County are different than in Wayne, just due to funding sources and those types of things."

The major difference Nearhood said.

limited early childhood education for Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods, whereas St. Clair Shores and other Macomb-area schools have early childhood programs such as "Paper People." The eight-session program, each lasting 30 minutes, promotes child health and safety.

According Nearhood, each program is well received and students involved oftentimes develop bonds with CARE professionals.

"The best part is, is sometimes when you walk through the high schools, when they come up and give you a hug or they say hi to you, even in a group of their friends."

"Then we know we've truly made a bond. It is Especially awesome. some of them, you would think they would never do it, and it's just like oh my goodness. Because we try to make sure, if we're in a place where one of the students is who has been in one of our classes, we feel they should have their privacy about coming to one of our classes, so we never go to them first.

"When they come to you on their own, we know we've done something good. We've been very well received by the community."

For more information about CARE and its programs, call the main office at (586) 541-2273 or visit careofmacomb.com.

Governor's budget proposal proves misleading



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By A.J. Hakim Staff Writer

Michigan governor Rick Snyder last Thursday recommended designating \$200 million for school districts engaging in best practices and meeting required performance metrics, a \$46 million increase from fiscal year 2012.

The Michigan Department of Education, indicated in Snyder's executive budget proposal, allocates funds for K-12 education based on several factors — \$120 million for districts fulfilling five of six best practices; \$70 million for performance funding focused on student academic growth; and \$10 million in onetime funds for competitive

innovation grants.

The six best practices include: publishing a citizen's dashboard, serving as policy holder for health care benefits, monitoring student growth in each subject at least twice a year, offering dual enrollment, Advanced Placement courses and

other post-secondary learning opportunities, offering online or blended learning and participating in schools of choice.

While Grosse Pointe public schools should have little problem satisfying five of six, school of choice the lone noncompliance, superintendent Tom Harwood said the additional state money is misleading, in that, most districts still face reduc- In each instance, money money coming in."

tions in state funding rev-

"The thing about his proposal is, (Snyder) is proposing that we are somehow getting additional funds to our school district," Harwood said. "There's an economist who reviewed that and demonstrated that's not necessarily true."

Harwood cites a \$198 per pupil reduction (about \$1.6 million) after a lineitem veto of "section 20j" in 2009, along with a \$470 per pupil cut in foundation allowance from the past two years and three perincreases Michigan Public School Employee Retirement System rates for the discrepancy to doors bus

wasn't refunded. And despite a predicted \$100 per pupil for satisfying the five criteria, \$155 per pupil offsetting the MPSERS increase and \$75 per pupil in additional practices, there's still a reduction in revenue.

"So when they say that they're putting money back into education with this proposed budget it is not true," Harwood said. "It's pure rhetoric on the part of legislators to demonstrate that they're continuing to support education and it's not accurate. We are still seeing a reduction in our revenue streams in comparison to our expenditure streams for next year and it's not any new or additional

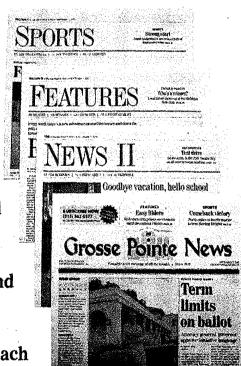
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Catholic schools week





FRANZINGER

Left, St. Paul students "Tebowing" during their spirit day assembly. Right, St. Clare second-graders — Leila Milton, left, and Sophia Dawkins make Valentine's Day cards for St. Anne's Nursing Home residents.

Catholic School scheduled several events honat the Detroit Yacht Club.

Monday, Jan. 30, with a Village People's, "YMspirit day and assembly, CA"; to cheer pyramids; pictured above. Matched to

St. Paul on the Lake alongside their "student homage to the secondbuddies," middle schoolaged students created oring Catholic Schools and performed cheers Week, culminating in the during the assembly. school's annual auction Cheers ranged from "It's fun to go to S-T P-A-U-L," The celebration began danced to the tune of The

"Tebowing,"

year Denver Broncos quarterback, Tim Tebow.

Other events included a performance from DeLaSalle Collegiate High School's band, Thursday, Feb. 2, and an all-school Mass, followed that Friday afternoon with bingo and popcorn.

City of Grosse Hointe Hoods, Michigan

NOTICE OF REVIEW OF THE 2012 ASSESSMENT ROLL: Notice is hereby given the Board of Review of the City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Wayne County, Michigan, will be in session in the Community Center of the Municipal Building, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe. Woods, Michigan, on

> TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 2012 9:00 a.m. - noon; 1 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2012 9:00 a.m. - noon; 1 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.; 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 20, 2012 9:00 a.m. - noon; 1 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.; 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 2012

9:00 a.m. - noon; 1 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

for reviewing the 2012 Assessment Roll. Appointments to appeal to the Board of Review may be made beginning March 1, 2012 by calling the Tax Department at (313) 343-2435. Resident taxpayers must appear in person or send an agent to appeal their assessment.

Tentative State Equalized Factors: Commercial property Industrial property 1.000 Residential property 1.000 Personal property 1.000

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Ginger Soles City Assessor

St. Clare

St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic School students, faculty and staff celebrated Catholic Schools Week, setting time aside for activities and events from Sunday, Jan. 29 to Friday, Feb. 3.

The week included a special day to honor and acknowledge volunteers, alumni, benefactors, students, community, faculty and staff. Highlights from the week consisted of: an open house; Coney Night; school dance and photo booth; an all-school liturgy; "Math Fun Day" for younger students; "Minute to Win It" competition for older students; the University of Detroit Jesuit High School jazz band performed; and all grades completed Christian service projects.

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.

Helen Ruth Fisher

Helen Ruth Fisher, 91. died Thursday, Feb. 9, 2012.

She was the loving wife of Charles E. for 67 years and the dear mother of Joanne Fisher and Deborah (Gary) Culyer.

College, Mrs. Fisher taught kindergarten for several years in St. Clair and Detroit. She was a former member of the board of directors, Metro Detroit Girl Scouts. She was a Sunday school teacher and altar guild member of Bethany Lutheran Church in Detroit and a teacher at First English Evangelical Lutheran Church cooperative pre-school in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Mrs. Fisher was also a life member of Grand Marun and Rose Mualem Marais Questers, Grosse Pointe chapter.

A memorial service will be held at noon Saturday, March 3, at A. H. Peters Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Donations may be Bethany to Lutheran Church, 11475 E. Outer Drive, Detroit, MI 48244.

Wayne Niles Jacobus

Wayne Niles Jacobus M.D., 88, died Monday, Jan. 30, 2012, in Naples, Fla., surrounded by his family.

He was born in Glen Ridge, N.J., to Malcolm B. and Ruth N. Jacobus. He graduated from Johns Hopkins University and served in the U.S. Army classical music, cross- Aug. 25, 1925, in Detroit, Medical Corps from 1946 word puzzles, time at the the first child of John and to 1948 stationed in computer and traveling. Japan.

Dr. Jacobus practiced medicine in Grosse Pointe from 1956 to 1986 and retired to Naples. He was a long-standing member of Grosse Pointe Memorial Church and the Johns Hopkins Alumni Association. He traveled law, Viviane and Joanne; extensively, but most of all 17 nieces and nephews hood dream of becoming

his children and grandchildren.

Dr. Jacobus was prede-Twomey Jacobus. He is Catholic Church survived by his loving family: daughter and sonin-law, Pamela and Richard Oswald, son and daughter-in-law, Peter and Cindy Jacobus and A graduate of Oberlin four beloved grandsons, Joshua, David, Spencer and Alexander.

A memorial service was held in Naples, Florida.

Alice R. Mualem

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Alice R. Mualem, 79, died Tuesday, Feb. 7, 2012, after being diagnosed with pancreatic cancer last August.

She was born Dec. 22, 1932, in Aurora, N.C., to and moved with her family to Grosse Pointe Park in 1959. She graduated from St. Ambrose High School and received her Funeral Home, 20705 Bachelor and Master of David, Arts degrees from the University of Detroit.

> Ms. Mualem taught middle and high school, spending most of her career teaching at East Farms. Detroit High School. She retired in 1993.

Her family said she was a devoted daughter, loving sister and caring aunt. She played an integral role in the lives of her siblings, nieces and nephews and great-nieces and great-nephews. She loved attending athletic events, school concerts and the many other activities in which they were involved.

In her spare time, Ms. Mualem enjoyed reading,

Ms. Mualem was predeceased by her parents and her brothers, Leon (Della). Elias and Marun. She is survived by her sisters, Gloria (Arnold) Sanders, Eleanor (Chuck) O'Connor and Virginia (Alvin) Rader: sisters-in-

great-nephews.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Feb. 13 at Our ceased by his wife, June Lady Star of the Sea in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Donations may be made to The Capuchins, 1750 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207 or St. John Hospice, St. John Health Foundation, P.O. Box 673271, Detroit, MI 48267-3271.

John C. Leonard III

John C. Leonard passed away Saturday, Feb. 11, 2012.

He was predeceased by his loving wife, Joan.

Mr. Leonard is survived by his loving children, Patricia L. (Martin) Cohan, John Charles IV (Michele), Robert W. (Nancy), Michael P. (Allyson) and Denise E. (Michael) Janes and grandchildren, Catie, Elizabeth, John Patrick "J.P.," William, Matthew, Michael and Eileen.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Feb. 15 at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, Grosse Pointe

Donations may be made to Caritas Welcome Center, P.O. Box 43934, Detroit, MI 48243.

Donald J. Putrycus ::

Former Grosse Pointe Farms resident Donald J. Putrycus, 86, died Wednesday, Feb. 8, 2012, at ShorePointe Village in St. Clair Shores.

Mr. Putrycus was born Irene (nee Verdonck). After graduating from St. Bernard Catholic High School, he served his country in the U.S. Navy and was honorably discharged in 1946.

On April 1, 1947, Mr. Putrycus was confirmed a fire fighter for the City of Detroit, fulfilling his boyloved to spend time with and 27 great-nieces and a fireman. Throughout his

career he was cited for outstanding and heroic actions and after nearly 37 years of service, he retired May 11, 1984, with the rank of battalion fire chief.

On July 8, 1950, Mr. Putrycus married fellow St. Bernard's classmate, Vivian M. Warnez. Sharing a love for road trips, they traveled regularly with friends by car throughout the United States, including their favorite destination - The John C. Leonard III Pan American Hotel in 2007, they wintered at their condominium overlooking the Intracoastal in Deerfield Beach, Fla.

His family said Mr. Putrycus was the con- his brother-in-law, Russel summate gentleman, always holding a door, giving up his seat and offering refreshments. He never failed to escort his wife into their car before climbing in himself, even after it was long apparent that it was he who needed helping. A tall, quiet and modest man, Putrycus never touched an alcoholic beverage, always drinking his trademark 7-Up at parties and

family gatherings. He was fond of telling clean "firehouse" jokes, and his trademark "see you later, alligator" will live on with his nieces and nephews. His pingpong skill was legendary at the fire department, but his gentlemanly manner always prevented family members from seeing the true scope of his talent.

Mr. Putrycus was a longtime member of St. Philomena's Catholic Church, the Belgian American Association and the Belgian American Association of Retirees.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Putrycus is survived by his brothers, Arnold (Shirley) and Robert (Ann)mieces Barbara Putrycus, Diane (Kent) Indrecc, Susan Putrycus, Patty (Brian) Onderik,



Miami. From 1989 to and Monique (David) Vasquez and nephews, Tom (Annie) Warnez, Joe Warnez and David Putrycus.

He was predeceased by H. Warnez.

A funeral Mass was cel-

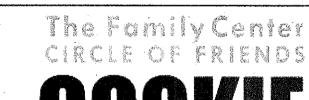


Donald J. Putrycus

ebrated Feb. 13 at St. Lucy Catholic Church in St. Clair Shores.

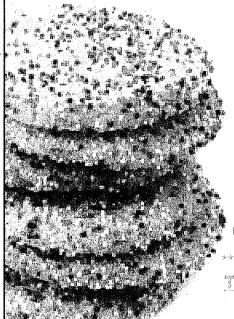
Donations may be made to the Detroit Firemen's Fund, 250 W. Larned, Suite 202, Detroit, MI 48226.





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named to the Dean's List ate of Grosse Pointe 2011 semester at Western for the fall 2011 semester North High School. at the University of Notre Dame. The 2011 graduate of Grosse Pointe South LaHood was named to High School is the son of Dr. James and Jaclyn Fox of Grosse Pointe Farms.

*** The following area students were named to the Dean's List for the fall 2011 semester at Albion College: Ethan Brock, and Lauren McLaughlin, both of the City of Grosse Pointe; Stephen Detwiler LaHood was named to of Grosse Pointe Farms; Anna Bickerstaff and Kimberly Leverenz, both Duke University. The Hanna and of Grosse Pointe Park; Mark Balle of Grosse Shores Pointe and Nathan Masserang, Krysta Schroeder, Victoria Slater, Alexander Tu and Charles Visser, all of Grosse Pointe Woods.

*** Jameka L. Mason graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas. She is the daughter of Jacinta

Stephen Fox was Woods and a 2007 gradu- Dean's List for the fall

Simone Melania the President's List for the Carolina. A 2008 graduate of University Liggett School, she is the daughter of Al LaHood and

City of Grosse Pointe. *** Gregory Anthony the President's List for the fall 2011 semester at graduate 2011 of University Liggett School is the son of Al LaHood and Marquita Bedway of the City of Grosse Pointe.

+++ Mateja Kalajian, a 2011 Alyssa graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School, has been named to the Dean's and Peter Watson, all of List for the fall 2011 se-Air Force Airman mester at the University of Miami in Coral Gables, Fla. She is the daughter of Drema Kalajian of the Grosse Pointe has been City of Grosse Pointe.

The following area stu- at Gettyburg College in Mason of Grosse Pointe dents were named the the Pennsylvania.

Michigan University: Gregory Griffin, Matthew Taflinger and Sarah Watkins, all of the City of Grosse Pointe: fall 2011 semester at Elon Justice Carissimi, Jared University in North Howell, Katelyn Lynch and Joseph Simon, all of Grosse Pointe Farms; James Brophy, Sean Buckley, Jenna Huitsing, Marquita Bedway of the Jamie Judson, Benjamin Maters and Kelsey VanSlembrouck, all of Grosse Pointe Park; Caitlin Falletich, Alexandra Filippelli, Courtney Gula, Zachary Ellen Vigliotti, all of Grosse Pointe Shores and Kelly Casinelli, Nicole Crawford, Lauren Date, Stephanie Jerger, Erika Mammen, Kelly Mason, Scalvini, Christopher Smith, Evan Sunisloe, Charles Trost

> +++ Lauren Giorgio of named to the Dean's List for the fall 2011 semester

Grosse Pointe Woods.

Mediterranean grill

The ribbon cutting for Cleopatra Mediterranean Grill, 19027 Mack, Grosse Pointe Farms, was attended by, from left, Grosse Pointe Farms City Manager Shane Reeside; Mary Jo Harris, of the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce; Grosse Pointe Farms Mayor Jim Farquhar; co-owner Sam Topia; co-owner Farag Wassef; Afaf Ayoub; Fouad Yossef; Andrea Nadeau, Blanca Dillard; and Jennifer Boettcher, Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce executive director. The restaurant serves appetizers, soups, salads, meat pies, seafood and sandwiches and is decorated with Egyptian artifacts.

> **NOTICE OF** PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION To be held TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2012 IN THE CITIES OF

GROSSE POINTE PARK, GROSSE POINTE, GROSSE POINTE FARMS, GROSSE POINTE WOODS, VILLAGE OF GROSSE POINTE SHORES, A MICHIGAN CITY-WAYNE COUNTY, VILLAGE OF GROSSE POINTE SHORES. A MICHIGAN CITY-MACOMB COUNTY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a General Election will be held in the City of Grosse Pointe Park, City of Grosse Pointe, City of Grosse Pointe Farms, City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Village of Grosse Pointe Shores, A Michigan City, Wayne County on Tuesday, February 28, 2012 at 7 o'clock in the forenoon until 8 o'clock in the afternoon, at which time qualified registered voters may vote for the following:

IN ALL CITIES:

DEMOCRATIC PARTY PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (vote for not more than 1)

> BARACK OBAMA UNCOMMITTED /AND/

REPUBLICAN PARTY PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (vote for not more than 1)

> RICK PERRY BUDDY ROEMER MITT ROMNEY RICK SANTORUM MICHELE BACHMAN HERMAN CAIN NEWT GINGRICH JON HUNTSMAN GARY JOHNSON FRED KARGER RON PAUL UNCOMMITTED

AND, IN ALL CITIES:

PROPOSAL SECTION - DISTRICT LIBRARY GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC LIBRARY

LIBRARY MILLAGE PROPOSAL

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be imposed on taxable property in the Grosse Pointe Public Library District, County of Wayne, Michigan, be increased by 0.70 mills (\$0.70 per \$1,000 of taxable value), for a period of eight (8) years, 2012 to 2019, inclusive, to provide funds for library purposes? If approved and levied in its entirety in 2012, the millage would raise an estimated \$1,820,245 for the Grosse Pointe Public Library.

STATEMENT AS REQUIRED BY ACT 278 OF PUBLIC ACTS OF 1964 Amending the Property Tax Limitation Act

TAXING AUTHORITIES EFFECTIVE	DATE OF ELECTION	INCREASES	INCREASE
County of Wayne	November 2, 2010	l mill	2015 2011
Wayne Co. Jail Wayne Co. Parks	August 6, 2002 November 2, 2010	1 mill 0.25 mills	2015
Wayne Co. Comm. College	November 6, 2009	l.25 mills	2020

Grosse Pointe Schools February, 2005

SCHOOL DISTRICTS 18 mills November, 2009

2015 (non-homestead only) 2015 November, 2009 8.0784 mills 2015 (homestead only)

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Polling Locations for said Election are as follows; and that all polling place locations are handicap accessible. To obtain election instructions in an alternative format (audio or Braille) contact your City Clerk's Office prior to Election Day:

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001	Grosse Pointe South High School, 11 Grosse Pointe Boulevard
002	Richard Elementary, 176 McKinley
003	City Hall Fire Station, 90 Kerby Road
004	Kerby School, 285 Kerby Road
005	Brownell Middle School, 260 Chalfonte

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE

PRECINCT Maire School Gymnasium, 740 Cadieux All Precincts

GROSSE POINTE PARK

PRECINCT Trombly School, Beaconsfield & Essex Trombly School, Beaconsfield & Essex 002 Municipal Building, East Jefferson $\begin{array}{c} 003 \\ 004 \end{array}$ Pierce School, Kercheval & Nottingham Defer School, Kercheval & Notttingham 005 006 Defer School, Kercheval & Nottingham 007 Pierce School, Kercheval & Nottingham

GROSSE POINTE WOODS

PRECINCT Ferry School, 748 Roslyn Road 002Mason School, 1640 Vernier Road First Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier Road 003 004 City Hall Community Center, 20025 Mack Plaza Monteith School, 1275 Cook Road 005 Barnes School, 20090 Morningside 006

VILLAGE OF GROSSE POINTE SHORES,

A MICHIGAN CITY PRECINCT Municipal Building, First Floor, Council Chambers, 795 Lake Shore

MATTHEW J. TEPPER City Clerk City of Grosse Pointe Farms 90 Kerby Road 885-6600 JULIE ARTHURS

City Clerk City of Grosse Pointe 17147 Maumee 885-5800

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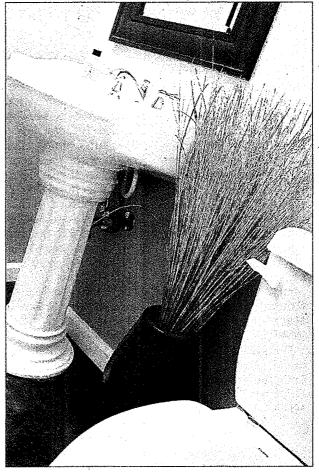
Add a half-bathroom

The addition of a halfbathroom is a popular project among homeowners, and it won't necessarily break the bank.

If converting existing floor space into a halfbathroom, the renovation can cost a few thousand dollars. Before deciding to add a half-bathroom, it helps to consider some of the pros and cons of the project.

Pros

- ◆ Convenience: A halfbathroom is often added on the house's main floor or in the basement or attic. This makes it more convenient for guests to use the restroom during a dinner party or while watching a movie on the home-theater in the basement.
- ◆ Problem-free: Halfbathrooms are smaller without a shower or bathtub. Common bathroom problems such as mold and mildew are not as big a concern.
- ◆ More choices: Because mold and mildew aren't likely to present a problem in a half-bathroom, homeowners have more options when choosing floors and countertops.



The addition of a half-bathroom is a project that often makes practical and financial sense.

- उरक्ता देखा होते. ◆ Space: Smaller than full bathrooms, half-bathrooms tend to feel cramped.
- ◆ Value: Though an inexpensive half-bathroom

addition might recoup its value and then some at resale, the project won't add as much resale value to a house as a full bathroom addition might.

◆ Loss of storage: If storage around the house is sparse, homeowners should consider keeping the area designated for the half-bathroom as a storage closet instead of a bathroom.

Check with your municipality to ensure the codes and requirements won't restrict the project.

Tricking out your tablet

The tablet market is booming.

Lighter than laptops and more powerful than smartphones, tablets are the go-to device for anyone looking to take their music, entertainment and work with them.

Tablet accessories can help take entertainment and content creation to the next level. Here are five ways to trick out your tablet:

◆ Compact and wireless keyboards allow typing on a comfortable surface within a protective case that holds the tablet upright.

◆ A few mouse options are designed for tablets. Look for one that brings laser precision to interacting with the tablet, and Bluetooth wireless pair-

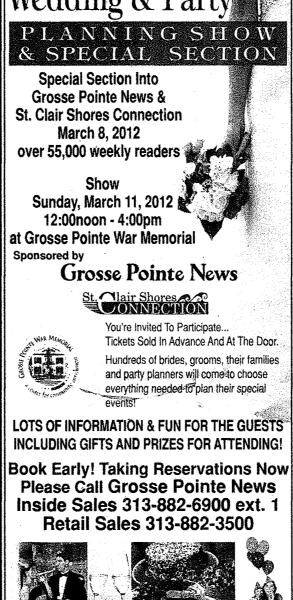
◆ Attach a joystick for iPad or iPad 2 for the familiar feel and responsiveness of a thumb-stickstyle controller.

◆ An adjustable tablet stand offers hands-free support.

♦ Wirelessly stream music to a Bluetooth speaker in full, detailed sound from your home speakers.



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LEGALLY SPEAKING By Matthew R. Rumora

Foreclosure proceedings



consent order between the Department of Treasury's Office of the Controller of the

Currency and numerous mortgage servicers gives individuals the right to demand an independent re-

The review is designed to identify errors, misrepresentations or deficiencies in the foreclosure process and whether any of these caused financial injury. If there is financial injury, an appropriate

remedy is required.

This only applies to borrowers who had foreclosure proceedings brought against them by any of the banks in the consent order between Jan. 1, 2009 and Dec. 31, 2010.

Reviewers look at many specified matters.

One requirement is the bank had properly documented ownership or was otherwise a proper party to institute foreclosure proceedings.

Also, a determination will be made if the foreclosure was in compliance with state and federal law.

The foreclosure sale must not have occurred when a loan modification was under consideration

or when the loan was under a trial or permanent loan modification, or had not been in default long enough to authorize foreclosure.

Other specific things are looked at by the Office of Controller of the Currency to insure the foreclosure proceedings were legal.

Requests for review must be filed by Monday, April 30. Some of the banks subject to the consent order are Bank of America, JP Morgan Chase, Cititbank, Citi Financial, Citi Mortgage, Countrywide, GMAC Mortgage, HSBC, HFC, PNC Mortgage, U.S. Bank, Washington Mutual, and Wells Fargo Bank.

Unattended child

Michigan Legislature passed a law in 2009 that provide criminal penalties to persons who leave a child - under age 6 - unattended in a motor vehicle.

This law was enacted as a result of numerous cases where a child was left in a parked vehicle while the supervising adult went shopping or engaged in other similar activities.

The law states a person who is responsible for the care or welfare of a child shall not leave the child unattended in a vehicle for a period of time that poses an unreasonable risk of harm or injury or under circumstances that pose an unreasonable risk of harm or injury to

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"Unattended" means being left alone or without the supervision of a person 13 years of age or older and who is not legally incapacitated.

A person who violates this law is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a jail term up to 93 days and/or a fine up to \$500.

If the child suffers physical harm — any injury to a child's physical condition — as a result of being left unattended in a vehicle, the violator is guilty of a high court misdemeanor punishable by a jail term up to one year and/or a fine up to \$1,000.

If the child suffers serious physical harm — any physical injury that seriously impairs the child's health or physical well being — as a result of being left unattended in the vehicle, the violator is guilty of a felony and can be imprisoned up to 10 years and/or receive a fine up to \$5,000.

If the violation results in the death of the child, the violator can be sentenced up to 15 years in prison and/or a fine up to \$10,000.

Matthew R. Rumora is the municipal judge for Grosse Pointe Farms and an attorney in private practice. He can be contacted at (586) 779-7767

matthewrumoralaw.com.

PAW'S CORNER By Sam Mazzotta

Be a responsible pet owner

ebruary is Responsible Pet Owners Month — a worthy way to enlighten new pet owners — or those thinking about getting a pet -- on how to care for that pet. If you're considering

- getting a pet: ◆ Study and learn all you can about the pet or
- breed you're interested in. ◆ Consider adopting from a shelter or rescue.
- ♦ If buying from a breeder, research and consider carefully before making a purchase.

If you already have a pet;

- ♦ Spay or neuter your
- ◆ Do more than just provide food, water and shelter: Give your pet lots of love and attention.
- ◆ Teach your children how to properly care for pets and how to play responsibly with them.
- ◆ Provide regular, daily obedience training to your dog.
- ◆ Keep your cat indoors.
- ♦ When taking your dog out for a walk, follow the leash laws and pick up
- ♦ At dog parks, follow the posted rules. Owners who don't follow rules can put the park at risk of being shut down.

There are, of course, many other ways to be a responsible pet owner. But this is a good time to review the way you care for your pets.

When we give my • miniature Dachshund, Peg, a chew treat, she takes it and walks all over the house crying. She will stop and "bury" it in different places, under a blanket or behind things, then

pull it right back out and continue the process again and again for a while before she finally settles down and begins chewing it. Do you know what is causing this behavior?

Curious Doxie Mom Peg's behavior has A. all the earmarks of instinctive behaviors applied to a specific item the chew treat.

Dachshunds are notorious diggers - it's part of what they were originally bred for, as working dogs who would root out vermin such as moles.

It's not too surprising she does this with here chew toys. The crying seems like a way of announcing possession, like "hey, this is mine, I got it, check it out!" rather than distress

If the behavior happens only at treat time and doesn't bother you or harm the furniture, it's up to you whether to let it continue. However, it sounds like Peg needs more stimulation in her

Try playing games where you bury a toy, such as covering it with a pillow, and have her find it. You can build a sandbox out back where she can bury and dig up toys during play times, under your supervision. Don't let her dig in other parts of the yard, though; if she starts that up, distract her and give her something else to do or bring her back to the sandbox to

dig. Q. My 10-year-old son, Randy, wants a dog. He's been very responsible with smaller pets, caring for two goldfish and a small turtle. However, I suffer from asthma and have allergic symptoms

Animal adoption

The Grosse Pointe **Animal Adoption** Society Adoption Day is from noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 18, at Camp Bow Wow Training Center, 23720 Greater Mack, St. Clair Shores.

The society hosts biweekly pet adop-

For more information, visit gpaas.org.

around furry animals such as dogs and cats. I don't know that it's possible to keep a dog. Do you have any advice?

— Dorothy K., via

A. Allergies to pet dander — the fine undercoat most dogs and cats have beneath their fur — can range from annoying to life-threatening, You're right to be concerned about owning a dog.

Study up on different breeds. There are a few that have much less of an undercoat and generate less dander, including many types of terriers and the Irish water

spaniel. See if keeping a dog is possible by borrowing a friend's dog for a few days - whether keeping it at vour house or having your friend bring the dog over for a few hours at a time.

If you decide Randy can have a dog, make some changes around the house to reduce the amount of allergens that collect - dander, dust, pollen, etc. Having smooth wood or tile floors that can be quickly dustmopped daily helps. Choosing leather or vinylupholstered furniture rather than cloth deters

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The case of Klooster v the uncapping of taxable City of Charlevoix, makes the answer to that question a definite maybe"! This case is sure to impact homeowners and how they decide to jointly own and transfer real estate. If there is

a transfer of ownership of the real estate which jointly owned, and if not handled correctly,

it could result in an uncapping of value for property tax purposes. The Klooster court held that the death of a joint tenant is a conveyance; and

furthermore that a deed is not required. Clearly the last thing any

property owner wants is

value of their property. That is why it is so important to secure the proper real estate and estate planning help when deeding property that is jointly owned. Hence, if you are to determine trying whether a pro-

posed joint owner-

ship conveyance

may result in a

transfer of owner-

ship, seek out

legal advice to

"Could joint ownership of real estate result in an uncapping of a property's taxable values?"

help you identify the type of conveyance you propose and most importantly whether that conveyance could uncap taxable value of the real property.

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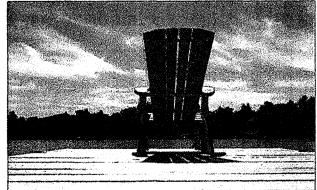
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Chevy Cruze pleases in many ways



he five-passenger 2012 Chevrolet Cruze LTZ features a slow-moving gas gauge, quiet interior, smooth ride, complicated-butcompetent sound system, 10 standard air bags, a big trunk, a compact spare, fog lamps and a stability control system to keep you on course -perfect for a long drive.

The base Cruze LS features a 138 horsepower 1.8-liter four. Standard on LT, LTZ and Eco models is 138 horsepower Ecotec 1.4L with exhaust-driven turbo.

The Ecotec four in our LTZ was matched with a six-speed automatic transmission. A sixspeed manual is available. No wonder the Cruze earned impressive EPA fuel economy numbers of 26 miles per gallon city and 38 or more average mpg in highway driving.

Chevy says the cruising range for the Ecotec four is up to 500-plus miles.

An Eco model of the Cruze boasts 28 city and 42 highway when equipped with six-speed manual transmission. With automatic, the highway number for the Eco dips to 39 mpg.

This model, with lower rolling resistance, has been tweaked to be slightly more aerodynamic than its siblings.

LTZ well-appointed

The LTZ has many welcome creature comforts including additional sound-proofing to keep engine, tire and road noise out. Heated front seats, leather interior appointments, compact spare and wheel and handsome exterior paint and trim, along with cruise control and steering wheel controls, are part of the LTZ package. The standard vehicle price is listed as



Cruze models sold

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one of two efficient four-cylinder en-

gines and a choice

of six-speed manu-

al or automatic

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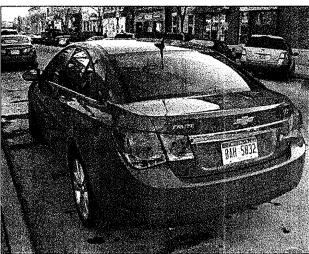
playback package with navigation

system and seven-

screen, left, is avail-

inch color touch

able on a 2012



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\$23,110.

The test Cruze included \$1,765 in options: upgraded entertainment system and nav system with seven-inch touch screen run \$995; the premium sound system was \$445, and the crystal red metallic tintcoat added \$325.

The base model for the 2012 Cruze starts at \$16,720.

No question the Cruze, which replaced the Cobalt as Chevy's compact, has head-turning good looks. Its curb appeal, powertrain and features have made it

Chevrolet's best-selling vehicle worldwide, according to the auto mak-

We can't comment on

Cruze.

the six-speed manual transmission that is standard on the LT or base model. The six-speed automatic was smooth and the turbo boost gentle but effective enough. Antilock brakes, traction control and electronic stability control are stan-

Chevy says the Cruze is the only car in its market segment with 10 standard air bags. These include seat-mounted bags to

dard features.

protect the upper bodies of rear-seat outboard passengers.

A compact spare tire and wheel are standard on all models except Eco with manual transmission and cars built for fleet. The latter get a tire repair/inflation kit in place of a compact spare.

What you do see

The Cruze interior has some issues. It seems odd to pair the LTZ's leather appointments with the hard, molded plastic sur roundings. Rear-seat

legroom is poor, making access difficult as well as comfort for any adult stationed there.

The Cruze trunk is enormous, perhaps some of that storage space could have been used for the rear seat to improve its legroom.

The Connectivity Plus Cruise package with Bluetooth phone connectivity, USB port, steering wheel-mounted audio controls, cruise control, leather-wrapped steering wheel and a leatherwrapped shift knob standard are standard on some models.

Chevy says its RS appearance package is available on LT and LTZ models. It includes unique fascias, rocker moldings, rear spoiler and fog lamps. An upgraded instrument cluster is also part of the package and includes chrome accent rings in place of the standard silver finish.

All Cruze models have standard air conditioning,

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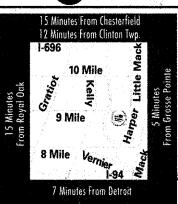




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The Chevrolet Cruze station wagon makes its global premiere at the 82nd International Geneva Motor Show in early March.

CRUZE: The 2012 LTZ

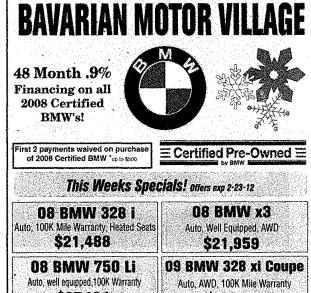
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a vehicle anti-theft system, adjustable steering wheel, stereo system that includes MP3 playback capability with six speakers and auxiliary jack for personal playback devices, power outlet and a trial subscription to SiriusXM Satellite Radio.

A power sunroof is available on the LTZ model. A backup camera does not appear to be an option on any 2012 Cruze.

The 2012 Chevrolet Cruze LTZ is assembled

in Lordstown, Ohio. Jenny King is n automotive writer who lives in the City of Grosse Pointe.



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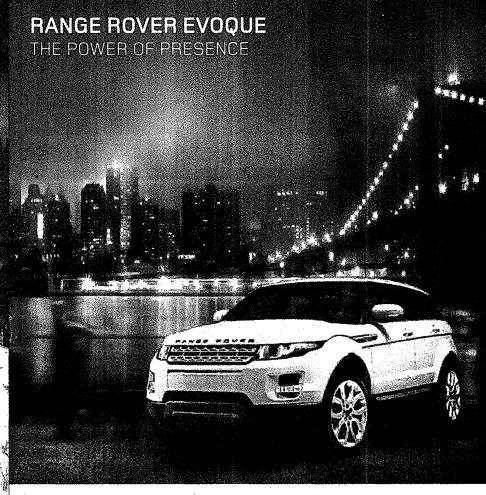
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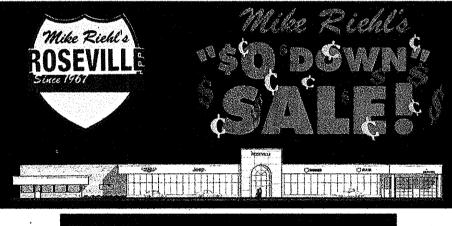
Celebrating Ford Motor Co. Special Vehicle Team's 20th anniversary, Hai Thai Tang, executive director of Global Product Programs, launched the 2013 Shelby GT500 Convertible at the Chicago International Auto show. This latest generation Shelby GT500 generates 650 horsepower and 600 pound-feet of torque. The 2012 Chicago Auto Show runs through Sunday, Feb. 19 at McCormic Place, 2301 S. Lake Shore Drive, Chicago.



2013 GMC Acadia Denali Reveal

The 2013 GMC Acadia Denali on display after its unveiling at the 2012 Chicago Auto Show Feb. 8. The Denali represents 30 percent of Acadia sales. It features a new trim package that includes 20-inch machined wheels, threedimensional polished grille and heated/cooled front seats.

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French government says 'merci beaucoup' to Ralph Hinz for serving as a medic in World War II and has bestowed on him the Chevalier of the Legion of Honor.

Pinned by the French

One of many to be honored

By Ann L. Fouty Features Editor

Before Ralph Hinz landed with the 79th Division and third wave of D-Day's Normandy invasion, he and his fellow World War II U.S. Army medics were handed a string of safety pins.

"The big ones," he

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"It was all gore arms, legs and bellies," he said of what he patched up during his three years in the army. "We got shelled a lot and not the small arms fire."

For his service, Hinz has been awarded the Chevalier of the Legion of Honor by the French government. He received the medal Nov. 12, 2011, the day after Veteran's Day.



ing considered for the medal. "I was pleased and honored. So many other men are buried Presidential over there (Europe) that Citation, to name a few. they deserve it."

"I was surprised to be tle stars, three Purple involved," he said of be- Hearts, three Bronze Stars, a Combat Infantry badge, Combat Medic badge and Unit

Hinz, of Grosse Pointe red-ribboned Shores, joined the U.S. Chevalier joins Hinz col- Army in 1942 at the age lection of four major bat- of 19. He had completed



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Left, a young Ralph Hinz in his U.S. Army uniform. The Chevalier of the Legion of Honor at the bottom left. Above, Ralph Hinz, of Grosse Pointe Shores, honored by the French government for his service to the French during World War II.

a year of premed at University of Detroit. Hinz and men from Michigan, Pennsylvania and New York trained at Fort Riley, Kan., attached to the 79th Division, 315st Infantry. With 124 other medics, they took eight weeks of training in what he termed basic first aid at Camp Phillips, Kan., and shipped to England.

"When our boat was to land on the beach (at Normandy) it hit a sand bar. The water was 5 1/2 feet deep. Fellows jumped over the side. Some drowned from the weight of their gear. I pulled a couple up that couldn't stand," he said.

"We got shelled a lot. It wasn't as bad as Omaha Beach but at the time I didn't know where we were. We were in Normandy. We took Cherboug (France). We by-passed Paris and let the French liberate it. After that we joined

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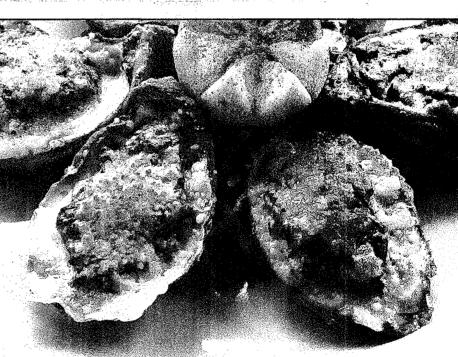
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Bill Vlasic, New York Times Detroit bureau reporter, is the speaker. He is the author of "Once Upon a Car, The Fall and Resurrection of America's Big Three Automakers."

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For more information, call Nancy Pilorget at (313) 824-4710, ext. 225.

Parkinson's support group

The Eastside Parkinson's Support group meets at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 23, at St. Michael's Episcopal 20475 Church, Sunningdale Park, Grosse Pointe Woods.

For more information, call Betty Rusnack at (313) 884-5778 or Jane Farrelly at (313) 886-4356.

Spirit of Women

Beaumont Hospital -Grosse Pointe's Spirit of Women sponsors "Day of Dance" from 11 a.m. to 3 nor Jennifer Jones tells p.m. Saturday, Feb. 25, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Admission is free.

Attendees can learn to line dance, watch local dance troupes perform and a cooking demonstration, get new recipes. learn health information and participate in health screenings.

For more information, visit beaumont.edu/dayof-dance.

Family Center

Cookie recipes are being sought for the third annual Bakers Challenge, 1:30 p.m., Sunday, March 11, at the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club.

Recipes must be original. Deadline submission is Thursday, March 1, and include the entrant's name, address and phone number, as well as the cookie recipe and directions.

The 10 finalists must bring a dozen finished cookies to the Judgment Day Event at the Hunt Club. Cookies must be edible and standard size, no larger than six inches.

Winners will be judged on recipe originality, cookie appearance and taste. The top three are

awarded prizes and must 777-7761 by Thursday, MiLakeHouse.org.

Star of the Sea team "Team Star."

The event is sponsored by The Circle of Friends of The Family Center of Grosse Pointe & Harper Woods, the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club, Village Toy Company and the Grosse Pointe News.

Lake House

The Lake House, 26701 Little Mack, St. Clair Shores, offers a 10-week professional led grief recovery series from 6 to 8 p.m., beginning Tuesday, March 6.

The course is presented Jane Warren Spaulding, a trained facilitator and counselor for oncology support, bereavement, grief and loss.

To register, call (586)

March 1.

The 2011 Relay for Life of Grosse Pointe included student teams, like Our Lady

The Lake House, a gathering place for those touched by cancer, has new member orientation drop-in from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 23, and new member orientation from noon to 1 p.m. Monday, Feb. 27.

is from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 21.

A breast cancer support group is from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 22.

Other offerings include guided meditation from 10 to 1 a.m., gentle yoga 11 a.m. to noon, creative arts from 1 to 2:30 p.m. and yarn winders from 1 to 2:30 p.m. all on Monday, Feb. 20.

Most programs are free. For more information, call (586) 777-7761 or visit

Relay for Life

The 2012 Relay for Life of Grosse Pointe holds a kick-off event at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 27, at the Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center, 20025 A bereavement session Mack Plaza. Teams can register during evening.

The annual 24-hour event is from 10 a.m. Saturday, May 19, to 10 a.m. Sunday, May 20, in Lake Front Park, Grosse Pointe Woods.

To make a reservation, call (248) 663-3441.

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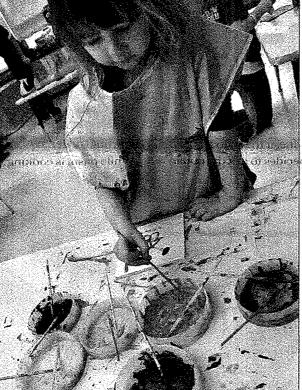
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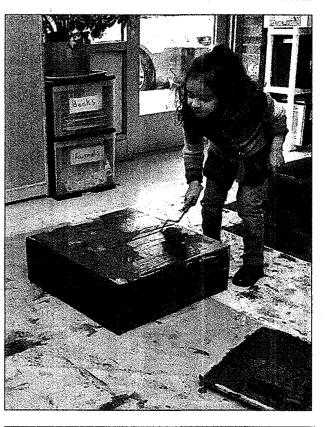
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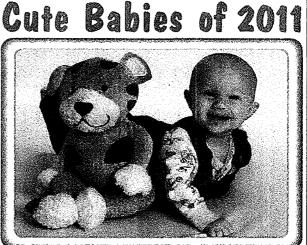
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Assumption Nursery School & Toddler Center hosted a family art day for children to create works of art in various mediums. Left, Madeline Pflaum chose several colors to paint a butterfly on a tile.

Isabella Nihem, right, and Molly Alcott, below, create works of art by painting boxes in purple, blue and green.







Jack Nicholas Rutan July 1, 2011 C. Nicholas and Rachel Rutan Rick and Judy Rutan, Dave and Ellie Dobbins - grandparents

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ENTERTAINMENT

Seven flavors to spice up pasta

A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

Yesterday's Headlines



High winds broke up the ice on Lake St. Clair, causing at least four of the fishing shanties at the foot of Kerby Road to meet their watery fate. The winds, which produced blizzard conditions, registered 50 miles an hour in some areas and disrupted power to numerous homes in the state.

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

50 years ago this week

♦ FIRE WIPES OUT TWO STORES: A fouralarm fire destroyed a health club and sporting goods store, and caused smoke damage to an adjoining drug store in the Mack-Seven Shopping District.

The fire, believed caused by faulty wiring in the health club, was fought for more than two hours by firemen from the Woods, Farms, Park, Shores and Harper Woods.

Destroyed were the Vic Tanney Gym and Health Club and Grosse Pointe Sport Shop. Total damage was estimated at more than \$200,000.

◆ YOUTH SAVES GIRL BEING AT-TACKED BY JACKSON **PAROLEE:** A Jackson parolee was sentenced to 90 days in the Wayne County Jail for assault and battery. The parolee got off a bus at Mack and Somerset with a 20-yearold Park girl, and followed her as she walked home. As the girl walked down Somerset, the assailant grabbed her about the throat and covered her mouth, but not before the girl had a chance to let out a piercing scream.

An 18-year-old Farms man visiting a girlfriend on Somerset heard the girl's scream and ran out of the house and grabbed the girl away from her assailant. He told the assailant to remain where he was "or else."

He took the girl to his friend's house and told his friend to call police then returned to the assailant and, under threat of doing him bodily harm if he did not obey, held the assailant until police arrived and took charge.

25 years ago this week

◆ FARMS COUNCIL

APPROVES PLANS FOR

Unanimous approval was

given for the revamped

Hospital's parking deck

by the Farms city council.

The council had origi-

nally approved a plan for

Cottage officials have re-

worked it, adding more

green space around the

parking spaces and elimi-

nating large aerial walk-

ways between the deck

Muir Road and replacing

♦ LIBRARY ARCHI-

TECT GETS STARTED:

With the selection of an

braries, preliminary de-

March. That timetable would clear the way for a

vote on a bond issue in

June, if the school board

decides to ask the public

Compiled by Karen

Fontanive

that soon.

signs should be ready by

the Grosse Pointe li-

architect for expansion of

them with smaller ones.

and the hospital over

deck, providing more

the structure in August

1984, but since then

site plan for Cottage

COTTAGE HOSPITAL

PARKING DECK:

asta is one of ny favorite meals to prepare on a weekly basis. Finding a new way to bring it to the table still

excites me. As such when I saw this recipe for seven-flavor pasta. Raw ingredients thrown into a food processor then gently heated and tossed with just cooked pasta.

Yummy. And good for you, too.

Seven-Flavor Linguine (adapted from Tastes of Italia)

4 medium tomatoes, chopped

3 hearts of celery stalks, chopped 1 small onion. chopped (about 3/4 cup) 3 garlic cloves,

chopped 1/4 cup chopped fresh basil (more for garnish) 1 to 2 pinches each dried oregano and sugar 1/4 cup extra virgin

olive oil 1 lb. linguine or spaghetti grated Pecorino

al), or Parmesan Place prepared tomatoes, celery, onion, garlic, oregano, sugar and olive oil in a food processor and pulse several times, until everything is finely chopped and well com-

Romano cheese (option-

Meanwhile, bring a large pot of salted water to a boil and cook linguine until al dente.

bined.

While pasta is cooking, heat fresh sauce in medium sauce pan just to a simmer for a few minutes. Drain pasta (reserving a bit of pasta water on the side) and place it in a large bowl. Immediately pour warm sauce over

pasta and toss well. If pasta seems a bit dry,

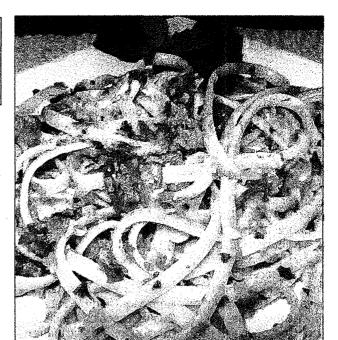


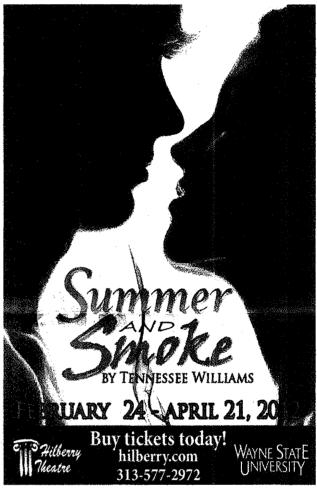
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Seven-flavor linguine can be on the table in 30 min-

add some pasta water. Serve seven-flavor pasta topped with grated cheese and additional basil leaves. The flavors of these fresh ingredients shine through in this tasty pasta that can be on the

table in about 30 minutes.

Really. Annie's note: If raw vegetables are your thing then don't bother heating the pureed sauce at all. Leave the sauce sitting at room temperature for 30 minutes, then toss with just cooked pasta.



Outstanding

Editor's note: The column highlights Grosse Pointe residents who are outstanding in their professions and achieve-Information ments. should be e-mailed to afouty@grossepointenews.com. Pictures can accompany the information and should be in jpg form. The column runs as space permits.

Runner

Anna Schulte, a 2009 graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School, came in first in her age group, female 20 - 24, in the North Central Trail Marathon, in Baltimore County, Md., Saturday, Nov. 26.

The Grosse Pointe Farms' resident time was 03:31:02.

Author

Evonne Stevenson Schott, of Grosse Pointe Woods, wrote "One More Dance," which discusses her husband's brain can-

Michael B. Schott was given a month to live in March 2007 after being diagnosed with glioblastoma. He was treated with a medication not yet approved by the FDA and lived for another year.

A portion of the book's proceeds are donated to the Reach Organization in New York, researching a cure for hydrocephalus, and the Michael B. Schott Foundation at Hermelin Brain Tumor Center at Henry Ford Health System.

Giving

Tom Ogden, of Grosse Pointe Farms, participated in the 2012 Detroit Tigers Winter Caravan

Comerica employees, he 970 pair of mittens.

benefitting Mittens for and co-worker Linda Detroit. On behalf of Forte gave Detroit Tigers

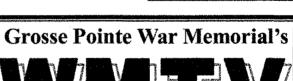
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Parents should help with grieving process



Editor's note: This is the first of a two-part series on handling grief.

I have tried to shield my children from the recent losses in our community, but they have heard a lot about recent deaths as people struggle with losing two community members in a short time. How should I talk with them about this?

It is a parent's nat-A. ural instinct to protect their children from difficult issues, but the fact your children are hearing so much about recent deaths in our community reflects our own reaction to these painful losses. Many young people and adults are experiencing the secondary trauma of a sudden death and a homicide of two well-known, engaged parents who were closely connected with many facets of our day to day lives in our schools, public service organizations, children's activities and social lives.

There are a number of factors that can influence the degree of distress experienced by children who are aware of a trauma in their community:

- ♦ how close the child is to the location of the threatening or frightening event;
 - ♦ how close it is to

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where the child lives; ♦ how long a child's exposure is to the event, including exposure to media coverage;

the degree of preoccupation with the event by adults with whom the child is closest; and

◆ whether the child had a relationship with the deceased or their fam-

Children will experience loss in different ways, especially depending on their age. Children in their early school years are just beginning to understand death is permanent and may need to hear information about what happened over and over again. They are often matter of fact in how they talk about death and have many questions. Often they can't articulate how they feel, but demonstrate it in their behavior and play.

Older children can articulate their feelings better, though they may choose not to. They have a strong sense of right and wrong and may have strong views about what has happened. They often have a greater interest in spiritual questions and have a greater empathy about what others are going through in response to the death.

Teenagers can be greatly affected by grief. They can be become withdrawn or moody and often go to their friends for support more than their family. Teenagers may cover up their sadness

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with angry or acting out behavior, but they still need a great deal of support, as well as a quiet place to deal with their grief.

When talking with your children about a loss due to violence, you may want to emphasize senseless violence is hard for everyone to understand, even adults. Sometimes people do bad things that hurt others because they may be unable to handle their anger, may be suffering from untreated mental illness, or may be under the influence of drugs or alcohol. Reiterate that violence is never a solution to personal problems and there are always viable alternatives.

Next week: Part II-What parents can do to help children process loss

Garvey is a clinical therapist who works with children, adolescents and adults.

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SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

GORDON MICHAELSON

Grosse Pointe Woods Helen, his wife Seven children

13 grandchildren Five great-grandchildren

Volunteers at Beaumont Hospital Grosse Pointe, packs meals for

What is the one item in your life you can't

My wife, Helen, of 45 years.

What kind of book would you write?

U.S. military with a medical focus. I had two years of college before joining the U.S. Army. They needed some one who could type so I did records.

What's the best invention in your lifetime? TV. We had never had it before. At that time, just breaking out of the Depression, it was a good means for entertainment and education that wouldn't have been available to a lot

What would you tell your 21-year-old self?

Avoid alcohol. Because I was an alcoholic after the service. I went to a lecture and I was walking down the hallway. A group of ladies was behind me and one said, "That poor soul will never make it to 45 years." They were talking about me. I quit.

Editor's Note: Grosse Pointe senior citizens are selected at random to be featured in Senior Spotlight. The column runs as space is available. To nominate a senior, call Ann L. Fouty at (313) 343-6298 or e-mail afouty@grossepointe news.com. The nominated person must be willing to talk with a reporter and be photographed.

CAREGIVING By Terri Murphy

Pet therapy promotes healing in elderly



esearch finds pets truly posto heal their Vowners, especially the elderly.

The most serious disease for older people is not cancer or heart disease but loneliness. Most of us don't evaluate our loved ones' needs until we see them struggling with normal everyday activities. We don't look at how

lonely their day is. Daily companionship is just as important as meeting their other daily needs.

Too often, people who

live alone or are suddenly widowed die of broken hearts. Love is the most important medicine and pets are one of nature's best sources of affection. Pets relax and calm. They take the human mind off of loneliness, grief, pain and fear. They cause laughter and offer a sense of security and protection, encourage exercise and broaden the circle of one's acquaintances.

Patients in hospitals and nursing homes who have regular visits from pets --

whether their own or those brought in — are more receptive to medical treatment and nourishment. Animals, especially, small ones, have shown promise for many conditions, both social and physical:

◆ Pets help Alzheimer's patients by bringing them back to the present. Specially trained pups can also alert others an Alz heimer's patient has wandered into harm's way.

 Mentally ill patients, or those with emotional problems, share a common bond when a cat or dog enters the room.

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CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY CLERK'S OFFICE WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN OFFICIAL ELECTION NOTICE

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF HARPER WOODS, COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN. Notice is hereby given that a Presidential Primary will be held in the City of Harper Woods in the County of Wayne, State of Michigan on February 28, 2012 from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. at which time the following offices will be voted upon:

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CITY OF HARPER WOODS LESLIE M. FRANK, ACTING CITY CLERK



PASTOR'S CORNER By Rev. Walter A. Schmidt

Importance of love

or as I remember it growing up, St. Valentine's Day. While I do not want to be overly cynical, certainly the greeting card companies and the candy companies do love Valentine's Day. But in reality, anything that reminds us of the importance of love can't be too bad, can it?

e have just celebrat-

ed Valentine's Day;

However, with the memory, and hopefully a good one, of this week's celebration of Valentine's Day still fresh in our minds; maybe it is good to look beyond the chocolates and flowers and greeting cards to the essence of love.

I say this because I believe we all want more love in our lives, and we all realize love is much more than simply a single day on the calendar; or even a few days if we add Mother's Day, Father's Day and our birthdays.

As a pastor, I believe it is good to remind ourselves love is not a human invention. Love is a gift of God. As scripture reminds us, "We love because God first loved us."

God, who is love, has chosen to share his gift of love with us that we may in turn share that love back to God and to one another. So if we want more love in our lives, and who doesn't, we need to be more open to receive God's love through our worship, prayer, study of scripture, devotion and service.

Plus, if we stop to think about it, love is only good for one thing, and that one thing is to "give it away." Love is not something we can "store up," and that is good, for the more love we give away, the more love we will receive. We humans are like that; we tend to give what we receive, do we not?

In addition, while love certainly does involve our feelings and emotions, and we certainly would be "robotic" without our emotions; love is more — ultimately love is in the doing. Plus, we have all heard, or maybe even said ourselves — "talk

is cheap." And while that certainly can be true, I encourage the couples I marry to not let a day go by without saying to your spouse, "I love you." I have yet to meet a person who has tired of hearing those three words from someone whom they

But as I suggested, true love is in the doing - being there for one another, supporting one another, uplifting one another, bearing one another's burdens; you know what I mean. The best example we have is God's love for us. God does not just say he loves us; God put his love into action. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life." God loves, so God gave and gives. Don't you think God's example of "giving love" is an excellent one for each of us to follow?

Yes, it is good to have a special day which centers on love. But it is even better to experience and share true love each and every day of our

Schmidt is the senior pastor at First English Lutheran Church, Grosse Pointe Woods.

THERAPY: Pets can be the antidote

Continued from page 4B

Instead of reacting negatively to one another, it boosts morale and fosters positive encouragement.

- Pets are an antidote to depression. A visit from a therapy cat or dog breaks the daily routine and creates stimulation.
- ◆ Everyone has the need to touch. Many are uncomfortable hugging or touching strangers, even those close to them. Some people are alone and have no hands to hold. Petting a cat or dog can provide a stimulation that is lacking. The nonverbal connection is invaluable to healing.

◆ Pets are a source of expectation, hope and communication.

According to studies, having a pet has been linked with lower blood pressure, higher socialization, enhanced mood and communication and decreased agitation. Those suffering from Alzheimer's may experience agitation during the evening, called sun downing. Regular interaction with pets helps lessen their feelings of anxiety and provides calmness and comfort, even during sun downing periods.

People think of dogs most of the time when they think about pet therapy, but other animals can be used in pet therapy too, such as cats, rabbits and fish. There are issues to consider by children and adults who plan to have pet therapy.

A pet ideal for therapy should be gentle, calm and have no aggressive tendencies. Also, pet therapy may not be for every senior citizen. There may be elderly people who do not enjoy the presence of animals or may be terrified with large dogs. Pet therapy should take the patient's likes and dislikes into consideration.

Murphy is a certified senior advisor and the owner of Home Helpers, a nonmedical home care business. She lives in Grosse Pointe and can be reached at (313) 881-4600 or via e-mail at tmu rphy572 @comcast.net.

CHURCH EVENTS

Ecumenical breakfast

The Grosse Pointe Men's ecumenical breakfast begins at 6:45 a.m. Friday, Feb. 17, with coffee at the Grosse Pointe (313) 530-8656. Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. A buffet breakfast is served at 7:15 a.m. and the speaker, the Rev. Ellis Smith

from The Call, is at 7:45 a.m. The event ends at 8:15 a.m. Men of all faiths can attend.

For more information. call Eric Lindquist at

St. Michael's

St. Michael's Church quarterly book discussion nations to the Skinner or-

is "If the Church Were gan fund are accepted. Christian," by Philip Gulley, at 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 18, at the church, 20475 Sunningdale Park, Grosse Pointe

For more information, visit stmichaelsgpw.org or call (313) 884-4820.

◆ The Music in the Woods concert series begins with "A Taste of Broadway" at 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 19. Admission is free and do-

Christ church

Christ Church's Schola choir performs at the 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 19, evensong.

First English

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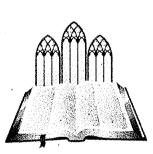
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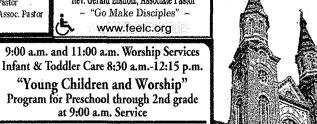
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Ralph Hinz of Grosse Pointe Shores with his Chevalier of the Legion of Honor from the French government and the medals he earned as a U.S. Army medic during World War II.

AWARD: Doctor awarded French medal

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(Gen. George) Patton's big push marching. We went to Belgium, Holland, Germany and Czechoslovakia."

The first command Patton gave the medics was to "get rid of that red cross off the helmet and arm. They (Germans) were using them as aiming sites," Hinz related.

'Gen. Patton asked for volunteers from our unit to go to the Battle of the Bulge. During the Battle of the Bulge we didn't have any winter clothing.

"I was the first medic at Buchenwald (a concentration camp in Germany). That was a sight to behold. It made

you sick." Hinz did get to Paris. In addition to patching up soldiers there, he spent three days in a

hospital. "We were shelled and I ran into a building to I was caught in the backtake care of two men that had been shot. The building collapsed," he said. "My buddies came and got us out."

In the hospital, he recovered from a broken back and having all his teeth knocked loose.

There wasn't time to fully recuperate before he requested being sent back to his old unit because they were a family, he said.

"They were the best friends I had in life and most felt the same way. Everybody was in the same boat. Camaraderie was very intense. If you fell down someone was there to pick you up. We were young and sort of care free. We didn't realize how serious it was until you see someone shot or blown up. Half

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the time we didn't know where we were.

"We were very often just plain scared. Several times we cried like babies but we have to look forward, we can't go back. After a while you get blasé. It's just another job you are doing. The old saying is 'as long as you hear the bullet it wasn't meant for you."

In one particular battle, climbing over hedge rows (dirt piles and thick bushes separating property) to bring back wounded men, he took a breather and his bunk mate took his place.

'medic.'"

In 1944, Hinz and his Moines University. nfantry unit were in

Holland. "Our unit was overrun. ground. I was hid in the basement behind barrels of fruit. I heard the coming Germans through, heard their foot-

steps overhead." The battalion retook the town and he rejoined the outfit. He kept in contact with the family who saved his life and they

visited him when he had a general and obstetrics practice in St. Clair Shores.

After serving three years of retrieving soldiers from the battlefields, being wounded three times (he still carries shrapnel in his leg) and watching his friends being blown apart as his unit crisscrossed Europe, Hinz returned Michigan.

"Of the 125 (in his medic unit), I only have knowledge that five came back," he said.

Hinz earned a bachelor's degree from the "He stepped on a University of Michigan and a master's degree Hinz paused and then from the University of said, "I hated the cry of Detroit. His D.O. degree was earned at Des

"I always wanted

a doctor," he said. Hinz had a general and obstetrics practice in St. Clair Shores for 48 years, delivering 4,404 babies.

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"When World War II came around, it was the only thing that stopped the Depression. I hope that doesn't happen again," he said.

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March 7

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Babies usually start to sleep 8-13 hours a night by the time they are six to eight months old, says Warner and Steggles. "Sleeping through the night" may mean midnight to 5 a.m. or for eight hours or more. There is much variability in sleep patterns in children at this age.

March 14

Healthy Lunches: 'Eat This, Not That' — Dan Kellogg, executive chef, a nutritionist, from Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe leads the session including healthy cooking demonstrations, samples and inspiration on healthier ways to follow a recipe, alternatives and substitutions, the benefits of berries and snacking healthy. A Beaumont nutritionist will answer questions and provide nutritional information and recipes.

Kellogg explains how to pack lunches that are different and healthy meals chil-

The Family Center offers its Ask the dren will eat. He also addresses changing children's eating habits.

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March 21

Bluer than Blue: Is it the Baby Blues or Something More? — Presenters are Pam Dzialak Moffitt, founder of Tree of Hope Postpartum Research and Education Foundation, and Jennifer Buzka McMann, Parenting Program coordinator at Beaumont Hospital, Grosse

As many as two out of 10 women struggle with postpartum adjustment issues in the first year after they give birth. They discuss perinatal mood disorders.

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March 28

Couple's Quest for Communication Success — The presenter, Kim Steggles, program coordinator, Beaumont Parenting Program, explains the art of healthy communication with your partner at Barnes Early Childhood Center.

Steggles, a limited license psychologist, works with first-time parents. She specializes in postpartum depression, anxieties and adjustments with individuals and marital therapy and addresses such spousal relationship questions.

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The best of the best

Grosse Pointe South senior Cam Gibson, left, and junior Carmen Benedetti were named to the prestigious Louisville Sluggers Pre-Season High School All-American Baseball Teams. The players on this list represent not only amazing athletic ability and talent in their respective positions, but also are among the most sought after players by professional and college recruiters. Gibson is an outfielder who made All-State First Team last year, hitting .414 (41-for-99) with 13 doubles, three triples, seven home runs, 40 RBIs and 32 runs scored. Gibson has signed with Michigan State University. Benedetti is a first baseman, outfielder and pitcher who also made All-State First Team, as well as Dream Team. As a sophomore he earned Max Preps All-American First Baseman, ESPN Underclassmen Second Team All-American Infielder and Pre-Season All-American, Collegiate Baseball newspaper. Benedetti verbally committed to the University of Michigan. Last year he hit .557 (54-for-97) with 15 doubles, eight home runs, 49 RBIs, 40 runs scored and had a 17-to-2 walks to strikeouts mark.

BOYS BASKETBALL

3-pomter lifts North over South

By John McTaggart Special Writer

A three-point shot in the corner from Grosse Pointe North's Jamal Williams (10 points) as time expired lifted the Norsemen to a 48-46 victory over rival Grosse Pointe South last weekend and added yet another thrilling chapter to what is easily one of the most intense and storied basketball rivalries in the area.

"We drew that play up during the timeout," North head coach Matt Lockhart said. "Jamal made a good decision by drifting over to the corner and the pass was right there too.'

Williams' buzzer-beater came on the heels of a fourth quarter that saw five lead changes in the last 2 minutes and 30 seconds of the contest.

North entered the fourth quarter up 34-32 on the host school, only to see the Blue Devils, behind strong performances from seniors Matt Temrowski (14 points), Kevin Reck (11 points), Joe Srebernak. Josh Davey and Tim Kramer, fight their way back and grab their first lead of the game, 39-28, with just over 2:30 remaining.

The two squads exchanged baskets on subsequent possessions, then a deep three-pointer from North's Clark Ditzhazy (17 points, including four

key three-pointers in the second half) pushed the Norsemen back into the lead, 43-41, and caused an explosion from the large North contingent in the stands.

South responded and snatched the lead back, 44-43, when Temrowski converted an offensive rebound into a bucket with 28.1 seconds remaining.

A quick South foul put Norsemen senior Derrick Morris on the line.

Calmly, the guard knocked both free throws down, giving North the edge, 45-44, with 26.1

seconds left. Yet another offensive rebound and stick-back, this time from South's Davey with 11 seconds left, propelled the Blue Devils back into the lead, 46-45, and set the stage for the dramatic finish.

"Eleven seconds is a long time in a basketball game," South head coach Dave Grauzer said. "We kept our composure though, and we did a good job stopping the dribble penetration. But, they made a good pass and then made the shot in the end. It's upsetting, because we lost the game, but one thing about these South kids — they're very resilient. They'll be back here tomorrow working hard in practice."

The hard-luck losses have plagued the Blue Devils this season and it's been tough to put a finger on exactly why, but

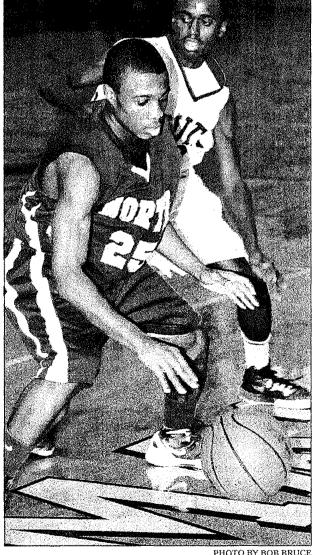


PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

Grosse Pointe North senior guard Derrick Morris dribbles by South's Jabari Burton during the Norsemen's win over the Blue Devils.

in the North defeat was hard and really well," the easy to figure out.

"Our free-throw shooting killed us tonight," the South coach explained. "We only turned the ball over nine times, which is much better than we've been doing, but we just didn't make our free throws.

South shot less than 50 percent from the stripe on the night. The free-throw problems may have been the only thing the Blue Devils didn't do well Friday night, and it's a fact that wasn't lost on Lockhart.

Grauzer says the culprit out and played really 11 and 2-8.

North coach admitted. "We just happened to make the last shot tonight. It could've just as easily gone the other way. It was a really good high school basketball game. We're fortunate to leave here with a win, very fortunate."

In other action last week, North beat Port Huron Northern 53-46 in overtime, improving to 9-Area

7 overall and 6-4 in the Macomb Conference White Division.

South lost 45-44 to "I thought they came Roseville, dropping to 5-

BOYS HOCKEY

l'eams succeed in showcase

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North, Grosse Pointe South and University Liggett competed in last weekend's prestigious Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League Showcase in Trenton.

More than 30 of the state's best teams participated in the three-day event. Dozens of college and junior league scouts were in attendance, measuring the talent of future stars.

Grosse Pointe South and Liggett won both games, while Grosse Pointe North split.

South beat Warren DeLaSalle 3-1 and Traverse City Central 2-1, improving to 15-4 overall.

The Blue Devils trailed the Pilots 1-0, despite dominating the first period. Cam Gibson responded, scoring two goals in the second period. Max Corden and Andrew Hyde assisted on the first and Hyde on the second.

Andrew Addy scored the Blue Devils' final goal in the three-goal second period with Wes Cimmarrusti and Nolan Monforton assisting.

"It was a great game," outh head coach Jamie Bufalino said. "We outplayed them for the most part and played well on both ends of the ice. It was a nice win for us."

C.J. Schebil was once again sharp in goal, earning the win after stopping 33-of-34 shots.

In the win over one of the top-ranked teams in the state, TC Central, Cimmarrusti scored an unassisted goal to give the Blue Devils a 1-0 lead.

Central tied it and neither team scored in the second period.

Midway through the third period, Gibson scored the game-winner, coming shorthanded, as Corden had the lone as-

Andrew Wright was the netminder and stopped 28-of-29 shots to earn the victory.

"Traverse City is a fast, talented team," Bufalino

said. The Blue Devils' defense was solid in each game and now the team brings its winning streak to 11.

Liggett blasted its two foes, beating Livonia Stevenson 6-1 and Grand Rapids Catholic Central

"We played great hockev for five of the six periods," Liggett head coach Robb McIntyre said. "It was nice to play well in front of the scouts. It. helps build a good reputation for our program."

Against Stevenson, Mark Auk and Jake Soyka had two goals apiece with David Gushee and Manny Counsman also lighting the lamp.

Auk's first goal was assisted by Lordanthony Grissom and Soyka, and his second by Jake Hodges.

Soyka's goals were assisted by Hodges and Jake Jerome on the power play and Jerome and ceives 100 tickets.

Josh Soyka on the sec-

In the third period, Jake Soyka and Tony Giorgio assisted on Counsman's goal, while Cameron Marchese and Jeff Mott assisted on Gushee's tally.

The Knights out-shot Stevenson 37-20 as Luke Soyka earned the win, stopping 19-of-20 shots.

The Knights beat the defending Division 3 state champ, GRCC, behind Joe Davenport's shutout. He stopped all 24 shots.

Jake Soyka scored in the opening period with Auk and Grissom assisting. It was on the power play, and the second goal was also with the man advantage and Auk tallied with Jake Soyka and Counsman assisting.

Jake Soyka scored another goal in the second period with Vincent Scarfone and Hodges netting assists.

In the third period, Austin Petitpren scored with Grissom assisting, and Gushee tallied with Mott and Hodges assist-

Liggett improved to 17-2 overail.

Grosse Pointe North won its first game, 6-2, over Stevenson as Joe Aluia had two goals and Brad Werenski had two

Other goal scorers for head coach Scott Lock were J.P. Lucchese. Anthony Saleh, C.J. Kusch and Jack Guest.

Netting assists were Anthony Allemon, David Chavis, Luke Schomer, Saleh, Jack Stander and Nick Rahaim.

Chip Wujek earned the win between the pipes, stopping 34-of-36 shots and he made 24 saves in the Norsemen's 3-2 loss to Livonia Churchill, another top-ranked team.

The Norsemen fell behind 3-0 before battling back to make it an interesting finish. Aluia scored in the second period with Lucchese and Saleh assisting, and Werenski tallied midway through the third period with Wujek assisting.

Earlier in the week, North lost a division game, 4-1, to leading Novi Detroit Catholic Central.

Werenski scored the Norsemen's lone goal.

Grosse Pointe North is 5-10 in the MIHL and 8-12 overall.

Benefit game

Grosse Pointe South and Grosse Pointe North play a cancer benefit game at 6:45 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 18, at Grosse Pointe City Rink.

All proceeds go to the American Cancer Society, Susan G. Komen Cancer Research and SeventyK Foundation.

"This is going to be an emotional night for all us touched by cancer," Bufalino said. "We should have a nice crowd and we're looking forward to playing a good game with Grosse Pointe North and hopefully earn a lot of money for cancer research."

Tickets are \$5 at the door and each school re-

Wrestling

RIVALS

North beats South

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's wrestling team beat Grosse Pointe South 48-6 in its Division I district semifinal last week.

The Norsemen weren't as fortunate in the finals. falling 46-28 to U-D Jesuit.

matches, but overall our voids cost us," North head coach Eric Julien DeLaSalle's said. "I'm proud of our wrestlers. They have come a long way this season."

Leading the way for the Norsemen were senior Patrick Salazar, junior Paul Menth, sophomores Andrew Lock and Roseville's Ja'Ron Nelson and freshman Michael Bowden.

In last weekend's individual district tournament, the Norsemen had Devils, junior Josh He lost to Berkley's three advance to the regionals, while the Blue Devils didn't have one advance, but had four lose in the final round.

Lock won the 145-pound Renaud of Warren Mott. division, edging Warren



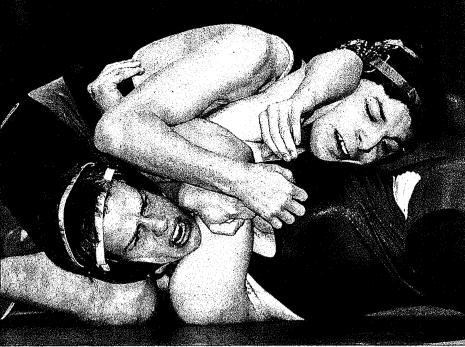


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"We had some nice North's Patrick Salazar gets control of his match against South's Alex

Manchester in a team district semifinal.

the gold medal. medal in the 119-pound division, losing 3-0 to Sterling Heights' Drew Martin and Menth lost a 13-4 major decision to Wawrziak in the 140pound division.

For head coach Greg Snider and the Blue Alexander lost a 2-1 decision to Menth before beating John Yasso, 14-10. In his final match, Alexander lost in double-

Eric pinned by Warren beat U-D's Riley Banson, Hannanberg 5-4 to win Cousino's Adam Cross, 4-0. He lost his final but came back to pin match, 4-0, to Warren Salazar won a silver Eastpointe East Detroit's Mott's Garrett Strube. Edward Laird. His final match was a loss to U-D Paul Jesuit's Vaitkevicius.

Alex Manchester's re-Kirk sults were similar to his tough match-ups ahead teammates. He lost in the of them, but I have confisecond round to Martin before pinning Warren DeLaSalle's Steve Souva. Myles Brown to get eliminated.

The fourth competitor For the Norsemen, overtime to James lost an overtime decision Snider, struggled due to a Antoine Herrell was Burns, but came back to voids.

North's wrestlers advance to a regional tournament Saturday, Feb. 18, at L'Anse Creuse.

"They have some dence they can wrestle well enough to make it to the state finals," Julien said. "They have to win two matches before they lose two to advance."

North finished its seato come close was Jeshua son 5-12-1, while South, Yglesias. The freshman under head coach Greg to Royal Oak's Zeke lineup with too many

Swimming

NORTH, SOUTH & LIGGETT

MISCA success

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Each of the three high school swimming and diving teams, Grosse Pointe North, Grosse Pointe South and University Liggett, had representatives compete in last weekend's annual Michigan Interscholastic Coaches Swimming Association meet at Eastern Michigan University's Michael H. Jones Natatorium.

Here is an event-byevent breakdown of the finishes for the local swimmers.

In the 200-yard freestyle relay, South's foursome of Patrick Jackson, Luke Hessburg, Devlin Francis and Nicholas Yoo finished 11th with a time of 1:40.82 and North's squad of Matthew Leone, Christian Mellos, Justin Rakowicz and Peter Shea took 13th at 1:41.35.

Rakowicz was 11th in the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 1:47.77 and in the 200-individual medley, Mellos was 15th with a time of 2:01.26, while Hessburg was 19th at 2:02.23 and Liggett's Chris Detroit Catholic Central. Cornell was 37th at 2:06.06.

Yoo was 31st in the 50yard freestyle with a time of 22.59, and South's John Martin took 45th at 22.81. Francis and Leone also competed, taking 56th and 65th with times of 22.99 and 23.10:

North's James McNelis continued his spectacular season, finishing fifth with 390.65 points and in the 100-yard butterfly, 43rd with times of 53.96, 55.07 and 56.36, respectively.

Rakowicz was eighth in the 500-yard freestyle with a time of 4:53.92 and South's 200-yard freestyle relay team of Frank Cusumano, C.J. Stafford, Tyler Leggat and Martin finished 32nd with a time of 1:33.79.

Jackson and Leone placed 14th and 42nd in ° the 100-yard backstroke, turning in times of 55.95 and 58.48.

The best trio of finishes came in the 100-yard breaststroke with Mellos, Cornell and Hessburg taking second, third and fifth with times of 59.65, 59.92 and 1:00.00, respectively.

The final event was the 400-yard freestyle relay. South's Francis, Jackson, Hessburg and Yoo took ninth with a time of 3:9.25, and North's Rakowicz, Leone, Shea and Mellos was 23rd with a time of 3:24.51.

In other action, South finished 1-2 in a quad meet Feb. 4, beating U-D Jesuit 104-79 and losing 112-73 to Ann Arbor Skyline and 125-58 to Dexter.

Hessburg won the only event for the Blue Devils, taking the 100-yard breaststroke with a statequalifying time of 1:01.01.

Jackson took second in the 100-yard backstroke with a state-qualifying time of 57.79 and third in the 100-yard butterfly with a state-qualifying time of 55.04.

Ben Cornillie was second in diving with 289.55 points and Hessburg was third in the 200-yard individual medley with a statequalifying time of 2:06.38.

The Blue Devils' other solid finish was a second ing time of 1:44.67. South dropped to 6-3

overall.

North lost 102-84 to Fraser, despite winning eight of the 12 events.

Mellos and Rakowicz led the way. Mellos won the 200-yard individual medley and 100-yard breaststroke with statequalifying times, while Rakowicz also had statequalifying times in his first-place swims in the 200- and 500-yard freestyles.

Leone won the 50-yard freestyle with Shea taking the top spot in the 100yard freestyle.

Season-best times were posted by Graham Eger in the 50-yard freestyle; Shea, Patrick Turnbull, Bernardo Simoes and Chris Ghanem in the 100yard freestyle; Danny MacAskill in the 200-yard freestyle; Rhys Williams in the 100-yard backstroke; Turnbull in the 100-yard breaststroke; Anthony Cafagna in the 100-yard butterfly.

In its final dual meet of the season, North lost 115-71 to the No. 9 ranked team in Division I, Novi

Mellos won the 500yard freestyle and was second in the 100-yard breaststroke with statequalifying times, and McNelis captured the diving competition.

Rakowicz also qualified for the state finals in his events. He won the 200yard freestyle and was second in the 500-yard freestyle.

Head coach Mike O'Connor said season Jackson, Yoo and Francis best times were turned in finished 11th 19th and by Matthew Toenies and Nick Ribco in the 50-yard freestyle; Turnbull, Toenjes and Ghanem in the 100-yard freestyle; Shea in the 200-yard freestyle; Mellos and Shea in the 500-yard freestyle; Eger and John Leone in the 100-yard backstroke; John Hales, Williams and Michael Rieth in the 200yard IM; and Eger in div-

> North finished its season 5-8 overall.

> University Liggett's coed team was busy last week. The Knights lost 80-79

to St. Clair Shores Lakeview and 92-78 to Arbor Ann Greenhills/Willow Run, falling to 9-5 overall.

"Despite the close losses, I have been pleased with the team's overall performance," Liggett head coach Gunderson said.

Against Lakeview, the 200-yard medley relay team of Kara Zmyslowski, Cornell, Connor Borrego and Brian Gutermuth won with a time of 2:04.49, and the 200-yard freestyle relay squad of Billy Marx, Gutermuth, Cornell and Borrego also won with a time of 1:50.82.

Other winners were Gutermuth in the 100yard freestyle and Cornell in the 200-yard IM with times of 1:01.41 and 2:27.52, respectively.

In the Greenhills/Willow Run meet, Mallory Jamett set a pool record with her first-place time of 5:30.61 in the 500-yard freestyle, while Zmyslowski and Borrego set personalbests in the 100-yard backstroke and 200-yard IM with first-place times of 1:06.15 and 2:12.75.

The Knights also had a first-place time of 1:54.67 in the 200-yard medley relay, featuring Borrego, Gutermuth, Zmyslowski and Marx.

Girls basketball

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils crush foes

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Richards told his players they have to take charge during the second half of Macomb Area Conference Division slate.

Richards' Grosse Pointe South girls' basketball team ran roughshod through the division foes in the first half and he knew the six teams would play harder and prepare a little more for the second round.

its second game, but since advantage. Head coach Kevin then the Blue Devils responded to their coach's words and blitzed their

next three foes. Last week, the Blue White Devils dismantled L'Anse Creuse and Utica Eisenhower, winning 55-12 and 71-45.

Against L'Anse Creuse, the visiting Blue Devils jumped out to leads of 9-2 and 25-5 after the first two periods.

The game was essen-

Senior Cathy Palazzolo had her best game of the season, scoring 13 points and grabbing six rebounds, while freshman Aliezza Brown tallied 10

Other leaders in the scoring column were senior Caitlin Moore and junior Claire DeBoer with nine points apiece, and junior Gretchen Shirar with

tially over after a 16-5 Blue Devils once against

Warren Fitzgerald gave third-quarter outburst used a fast-paced game to the Blue Devils a battle in gave the visitors a 41-10 grab a 20-9 lead over the past-paced Eisenhower squad on its home court.

It was 38-21 at the half and 53-33 at the end of three quarters.

Moore and DeBoer led the way this time, scoring 21 points and grabbing eight rebounds, and scoring 17 points with eight rebounds, respectively.

Freshman Cierra Rice also scored in double figures, netting 20 points.

Grosse Pointe South im-Two nights later, the proved to 10-0 in the MAC White and 16-2 overall.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Defense leads to victories

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's girls' basketball team stayed in the hunt for a Macomb Area Conference 11 points, 10 steals and Red Division title last four assists, while Taryn winning both Kiah had eight points. week. games.

The Norsemen beat Fraser 44-28. They led 23-15 at the half and broke open the game by outscoring the Ramblers 13-3 in

the third quarter.

Gary Head coach Bennett had all 10 dress for the game and each player scored. Maria Liddane led the way with

Megan Lesha had six points and four rebounds, but broke her wrist when she was flagrantly fouled in the fourth quarter.

North fought back from

a 10-point fourth-quarter and three rebounds, and Valley 53-45 in overtime.

The Norsemen trailed 5-2 after the opening quarter and 14-13 at the half.

overtime by outscoring Hubbard with six points, the Big Reds 16-6 in the final quarter and won the game by outscoring their opponent 16-8 in over-

time. Kiah had 21 points, three steals, three assists Red and 8-8 overall.

deficit to beat Chippewa Liddane added eight points, five assists, four rebounds and three steals.

Anajai Gutierrez had nine points and eight re-The Norsemen forced bounds, followed by Jayla three rebounds and two steals, and Stavi Varlamos had five points and three rebounds.

> Grosse Pointe North improved to 7-3 in the MAC

LIGGETT

Knights beat Inkster by 14

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Two of the states top teams battled last week when University Liggett, No. 1 in Class C, hosted defending Class Α champ, Inkster.

In front of a packed house, Liggett used a 27-12 second quarter to beat Inkster 77-63.

'This was the most focused I've seen the girls

Joe LaMagno said. "They were ready to play. They were smiling and relaxed in the locker room before the game. I knew they would play well and they did.'

It was 17-16 after the opening quarter, but the Knights used the big second quarter to open a 44-28 halftime advantage.

The Vikings couldn't get close in the second ished with 18 points.

this season," head coach half as the Knights handled the pressure.

It was the Vikings who didn't handle the Knights' pressure as they finished with 22 turnovers. Madison Senior

Ristovski nearly had a triple-double, netting 25 points, 10 assists and eight rebounds. Freshman Lola Ristovski had 20 points and junior Haleigh Ristovski fin-

Last weekend, Liggett won the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference with an easy 68-38 home win over Plymouth Christian Academy. It was 22-13 after one

half. The Knights put their game in cruise control in the second half.

quarter and 44-18 at the

Liggett improved to 9-0 in the MIAC and 13-3 overall.

place in the 200-yard medrelay. Jackson, Hessburg, Francis and Martin had a state-qualify-

Boys basketball

LIGGETT

Knights rally for two victories

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

boys' basketball team Knights, who were led by ended its modest two- junior Connor Fannon week, beating Sterling blocked shots.

Heights Parkway Christian 84-81.

The 84 points were a

Junior Eric Ewing high 27 points and Ewing chipped in with 17 points.

University Liggett's season high for the Liggett overcame a 10point halftime deficit to beat visiting Plymouth game losing streak last with 18 points and eight Christian Academy 71-53. Fannon had a team- 8-5 overall.

finished with 15. Junior Three nights later, Drew Jerome scored 11 points.

> Liggett is 7-3 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference and

YOUTH HOCKEY

Bruins win tourney title

the weekend of Jan. 20.

London, Ontario; Saginaw, Macomb and two Port Huron teams.

entirely of Grosse Pointe ers Chris and Max for the area 11- and 12-year-old boys, were undefeated in their drive to the championship and outscored their opponents 35-5.

this weekend and the results showed that teamwork and hard skating pay-off," said head coach literally knock the boys Kurt Streihke. "I was especially happy to see everyone contributing."

The PVS Chemical Wenz, all 14 of the Bruins Grosse Pointe Bruins won skaters scored a goal or the 2012 North American drew an assist in the five-Cup Pee-Wee Division game tournament. The tournament in Port Huron well-rounded effort included family ties as two The six-team field in- older brothers on the cluded squads from team assisted their younger siblings' goals, with Mario Lorelli and Nick Ruffing getting the The Bruins, comprised puck to their little broth-

In the championship game, the Port Huron All-Star Bull-Dog Team at- out and not lose their fotempted to shake the "The boys played well Bruins off their game with very physical and aggressive play. "It was obvious that their strategy was to off their game plan," said assistant coach David Holme in a post-game in-In addition to outstand- terview. "I was happy to

score.



PHOTO COURTESY OF C.J. RUFFING

The champion Bruins pictured above are, goalie Brian Wenz; kneeling from left, Ted Pinder, Mac Carron, Jack Roma, Alex Strehlke, John Schulte, Jack Glover, Jacob Brauer and Chris Lorelli; and standing from left, Jack Holme, Mario Lorelli, Max Ruffing, Nick Ruffing and Brennon Baudeloque. The coaches are Jacques Baudeloque, Pat Carron, Kurt Strehlke and David

first period of the physical final game in a tie, the Bruins out-paced the Bull-Dogs 6-2 in the second and third periods for the

The Bruins are currently playing in the Michigan ing goaltending by Brian see our players tough it Amateur Hockey

Association District No. 3 Tournament and beat the After completing the St. Clair Shores Penquins 6-2 in the opening game on Feb. 2.

The boys also won the regular season Adray Metro Blue Conference with a 9-1 record and are currently in a round robin play off for the Adray Metro Championship.

YOUTH HOCKEY

Talk said noi Hawks

The Grosse Pointebased '97 Michigan Ice Hawks continued its tournament successes this season by winning 50th Annual International Silver Stick Bantam AA Championship at McMorran Arena in Port Huron Jan. 29.

The Ice Hawks were the only U.S. team to walk away champions in Port Huron when they beat the Gloucester Rangers, 3-1, in the championship game.

The Ice Hawks started the tournament with a 4-0 win over North Toronto, but stumbled in their second game, losing 2-1 to the York Toros.

the Bandits 5-2, earning a place in the quarterfinals.

The draw was difficult for the top-ranked in the scored three straight U.S. The Ice Hawks' first opponent was the Mississauga Terriers, the Hawks was last year's de-No. 1-ranked team in fending champions, the



PHOTO COURTESY OF JOEL C. WESTON OF AVI

The Ice Hawks pictured with the championship banner and trophy are, on the ice from left, Brent Jones, Tyler Parsons and Nick Salliotte; kneeling from left, Alexander Minanov, Alex Potter, Mitchell Vismara, Liam Walker, Jake Smith, Jason Sommerville and Austin Levering; and standing from left, Steven Fredrick, Austin Koleski, Ramone Kammo, Marco DerManulian, William Walker, Bobby Kaiser, Richie Filippelli, Antonio Tijerina, Keenan Sabatini and Kyle Schulz, Coaches are Craig Furstenau and Mike Hamilton, while the head coach is Greg Cheesewright. Not pictured is coach Larry Knapp.

tournament a heavy favorite to win it all with a 39-2-4 record.

The Terriers jumped The Ice Hawks took out to a 1-0 lead early in two periods, but the Ice Hawks came out after the second intermission and goals to win 4-2.

Next up for the Ice

Rangers were not about to relinquish the title easily, but the Ice Hawks prevailed 3-1.

care of business, beating the first and led 2-1 after Ice Hawks against the as the most valuable Gloucester Rangers, a familiar foe which had faced the Ice Hawks in and two other Ice Hawks, Toronto tournaments the forward Austin Levering last few seasons.

Rangers, jumping out to All-Star team.

Ontario, who entered the Oakville Rangers. The an early 2-0 lead, and finally securing the championship with a 3-1 win.

Ice Hawks goalie, Tyler

Parsons, received the Bill The finals matched the Lalley Memorial Award goalie in the championship game. Parsons and defensemen Alex The Ice Hawks made Potter, were named to the quick work of this set of Bantam AA Silver Stick

YOUTH FOOTBALL

Red Barons North takes flight

North Red Barons youth football and cheer prothe 2012 season.

provided a program since 1954 and current North Chuck president VanDoorne introduces the GPNRB that is endorsed by Grosse Pointe North High School program.

proper preparation and and varsity for ages 12 to guidance into the high 14.

The Grosse Pointe school program.

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also deposit is required to reserve a spot and full payment can be made at a later date.

> Practice starts in July and games begin in August. The season ends in November.

The Grosse Pointe North Red Barons football and cheer programs are looking for coaches upcoming for the 2012 season. Interested people can contact VanDoorne at (313) 300-9027 or via e-mail at ited to the first 35 players cvandoorne@fbinsmi.

Girls hockey

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

No. 1 seed within reach

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's Metro Girls High School bid. Hockey League Division 1 regular season title last Lucchese and Regina 3-2.

Saddlelites put up a fight to the finish.

Jennifer Cusmano, one Hockey award, scored the Norsemen improved to 15-2 in the league and 16-3 overall.

C.J. McCarthy had one girls' hockey team assist and Sara Villani inched a step closer to two as the Norsemen esclinching a Michigan caped Regina's upset

Head coach Joe his week, edging Warren Norsemen need to win only two of their final On paper this was a three games to clinch the mismatch, but the host No. 1 seeed in the state playoffs starting Monday, March 5.

Second-place Grosse of the leading candidates Pointe South and thirdto win the 2012 Miss place Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood two goals and Julia can still clinch the No. 1 Henderson also tallied as seed, but they need help.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils picking up momentum

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe South girls' hockey team has a case of deja vu.

coach head Provenzano watched his find its identity during the first half of the season.

The Blue Devils put it all together and played its best hockey in the second half and throughout the state playoffs.

The ride ended with another state championship. Last week, South host-Mercy and cruised to an 8-1 victory.

half of the first period to get the motor running, but once they did, the home team put four goals on the board, taking a 4-0 lead.

scored the first goal with sophomore Tenley Shield and senior Claire Boyle assisting.

Senior Cara Monforton tallied a power-play goal at the 6:09 mark as Shield and freshman Elizabeth Erickson netted assists.

It was 3-0 when Shield

scored an unassisted goal at the 4:01 mark and Erickson tallied a powerplay goal at the 1:03 mark with senior Marissa Monforton and junior Last year, first-year Meghan Polack drawing Joe assists.

The Blue Devils outshot Blue Devils struggle to the Marlins 14-8 and 15-10 in the second period as they put three more goals on the board.

Shield scored again 40 seconds into the second period. Sophomore Anne Crowley and Boyle assisted and junior Lindsey Makos tallied at the 10:53 mark with freshmen Eliza ed Farmington Hills Bourke and Elizabeth Clem netting assists.

It was 7-0 after Boyle It took the Blue Devils scored. Makos and Crowley had the assists and the Blue Devils were one goal from mercying Mercy. However, Mercy. scored to make it a 7-1 Junior Allison Daudlin game entering the third period and Boyle, unassisted, finished the scoring with a tally at the 7:15

mark of the final period. Last weekend, South blitzed host Northville 11-3, improving to 13-3-1 in the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League.

LIGGETT

Bolton's goal lifts Knights

By John McTaggart Special Writer

University Liggett senior Haleigh Bolton carried the puck across the Ann Arbor Pioneer blue line last week and sent a wrist shot high and towards the top corner of the net.

A moment later, Pioneer goalie Paulina Arsenault looked behind her and saw the puck resting in the back of the net.

Bolton's goal, her second of the contest, came in the opening minutes of overtime and propelled the host Knights to a 3-2 win over Ann Arbor Pioneer.

"This was a game Jaeckle said. "They're a overall.

very similar team to what we are in their makeup and experience, and I thought the matchup was pretty solid coming into the game." The Knights had to bat-

tle back just to set up the overtime winner from Bolton, down 2-1 entering the third period.

Bolton's first goal of the game knotted the score at 2-2 and came with less than three minutes remaining in the closing period of play.

A pair of goals in the second period put the Pioneers up, 2-1.

Liggett's Ania Dow opened the scoring in the first period.

Liggett is 5-7-1 in the against a team that I Michigan Metro Girls thought was parallel to Hockey High School us," head coach Cassie Hockey League and 6-9-2

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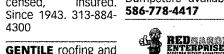
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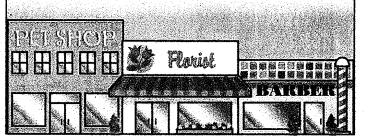
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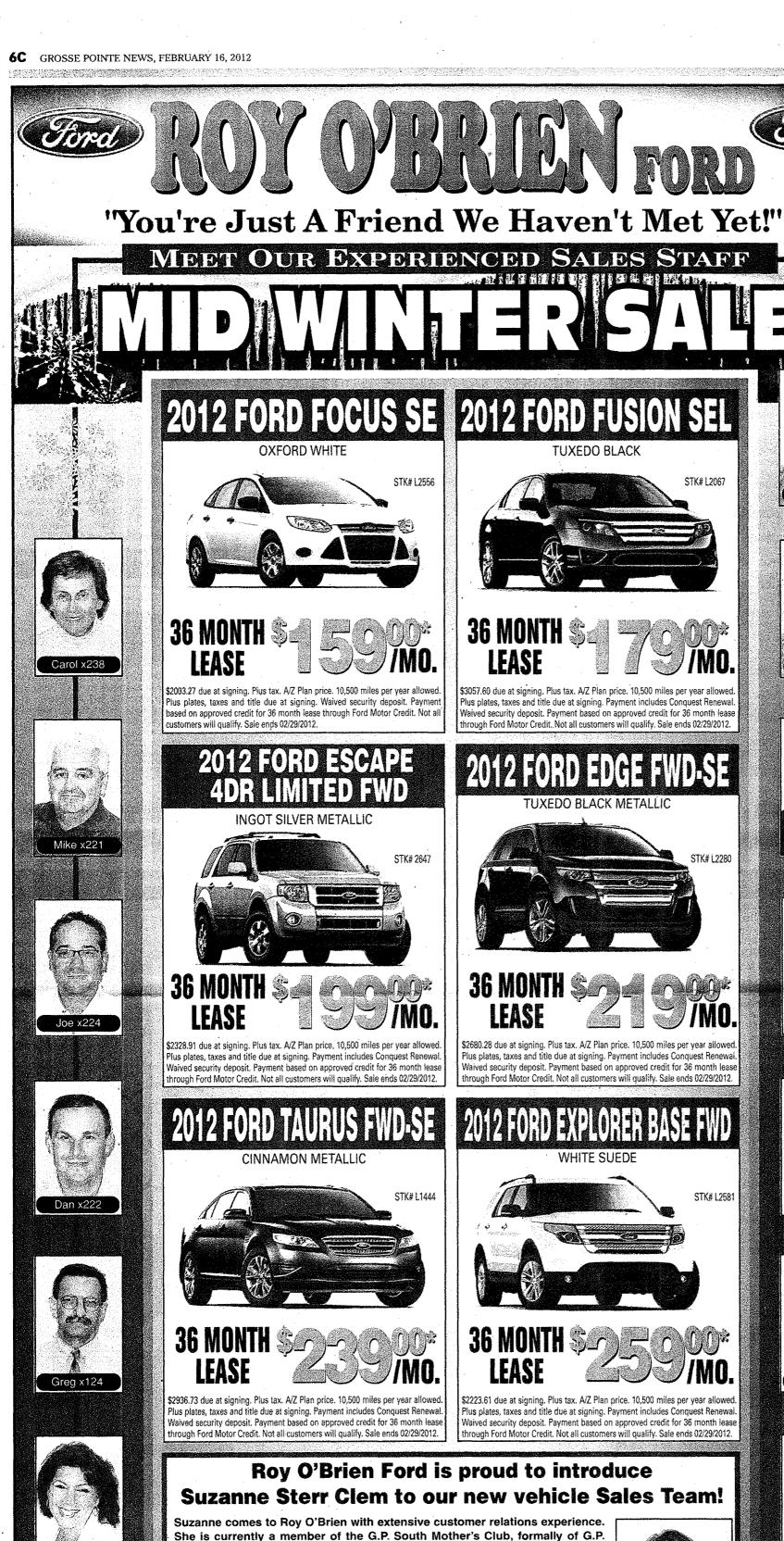
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After graduating from Grosse Pointe North, Suzanne attended and graduated from Michigan State University (Go Sparty!).

Suzanne's parents are Richard and Marianna Sterr, who you may recall, owned and operated Carl Sterr Menswear in Grosse Pointe Farms for over 40 years.

Suzanne enjoys gardening, traveling, cooking and taking her two Labs (Cruiser and Dewey) for longs walks. She is the proud mother of three, David, Elizabeth and Dallas, and has been happily married to John Clem for over 21 years.

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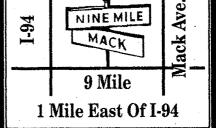
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