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◆ All Pointes' Daddy/Daughter dance is from 7 to 9 p.m. in Grosse Pointe South High School's main gym. The cost is \$8 and open to fathers and their daughters who are younger than 13 years old.

### SUNDAY, MARCH 11

Daylight Savings Time. Set clock one hour ahead.  
◆ The Grosse Pointe News-sponsored wedding and party planning show is from noon to 4 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Tickets are available at the door.  
◆ The Detroit Symphony Orchestra performs at 3 p.m. in Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Tickets cost \$25. For more information, call (313) 576-5111.

### MONDAY, MARCH 12

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

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## Handyman faces murder charges

By Kathy Ryan  
Staff Writer



Gentz

**GROSSE POINTE PARK** — Joseph Gentz has been charged with first-degree murder and conspiracy to commit murder in the death of Grosse Pointe Park resident Jane Bashara.

Gentz, of Grosse Pointe Park, is being held without bond following his arraignment Monday, March 5, in Detroit's 36th District Court. He was arrested Friday, March 2, as he appeared for a child custody hearing in Macomb County. A preliminary exam on the murder charges has been set for March 16. However, Gentz's court appointed attorney, Susan Reed, requested a competency hearing for Gentz, which could delay the preliminary ex-

am for up to six weeks.

Both charges carry sentences of life in prison without parole.

The conspiracy to commit murder charge indicates that prosecutors believe Gentz did not act alone, which was confirmed in an official statement from Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy.

"We have issued these charges today on Mr. Gentz, but the investigation continues," Worthy said. "This case is neither cold nor closed. At the appropriate time further information will be released."

Gentz, 48, has been a prominent figure in the investigation ever since he turned himself in to Park police in early February, allegedly admitting a role in the death of Jane Bashara. He was held by Park police for three days

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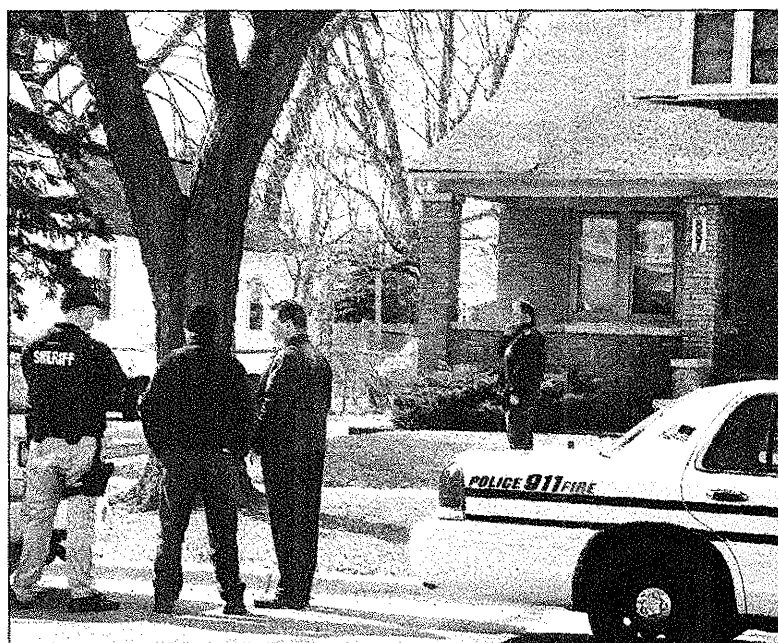


PHOTO BY KATHY RYAN

A search warrant was executed on Tuesday, March 5, at the rented City of Grosse Pointe house of a woman linked to Bob Bashara as part of the continuing investigation into the murder of Jane Bashara. Law enforcement officers from several agencies, including Grosse Pointe Park police, City of Grosse Pointe police, the Wayne County Sheriff's Department and Michigan State Police conducted the search, which lasted about three hours. Several boxes were removed from the house, but police would not comment on why the search was conducted or what was removed. The woman has been described as just a friend by Bob Bashara, denying reports of a long-time romantic affair between the two.

## Interim manager in place

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE SHORES** — Veteran suburban administrator Mark Wollenweber accepted the job this week of interim city manager.

In the celebratory tradition, he said, "I leave in two days for Disney World."

He returns from the pre-arranged trip to start work in Grosse Pointe Shores Tuesday, March 20.

The date coincides with the next regularly scheduled city council meeting.

High on his to-do list is next fiscal year's municipal budget. A projected \$500,000 gap is due to a 12 percent drop in property values.

"We're just starting the budget process," said Mayor Ted Kedzierski. "Our goal is a three-year budget. It's important to have someone in place fairly soon."

"Budget is a priority," Wollenweber said. "Every city these days faces challenges with budgets."

He was interim manager last year of Ferndale. He administered Grosse Pointe Woods for five years prior. Before that, he managed St. Clair Shores for about 15 years.

"I don't see a downside to having a veteran in place," Kedzierski said.

Wollenweber replaces Brian Vick, who left employment March 3 after 3 1/2 years.

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### Republican

	City	Farms	Park Shores	Woods	Total
Michele Bachmann	1	2	1	0	5
Herman Cain	1	2	4	0	0
Newt Gingrich	58	109	107	38	183
Jon Huntsman	5	4	10	2	12
Gary Johnson	0	0	5	1	1
Fred Karger	1	3	4	0	6
Ron Paul	103	225	269	39	367
Rick Perry	2	4	4	1	1
Buddy Roemer	0	5	4	4	4
Mitt Romney	809	1,837	1,383	641	2,276
Rick Santorum	272	510	537	127	886
Uncommitted	19	92	32	8	100
Write-in	4	0	2	0	4

### Democrat

	City	Farms	Park Shores	Woods	Total
Barack Obama	195	262	433	42	493
Uncommitted	8	21	28	1	41
Write-in	0	0	1	0	4

## Why, I do declare

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**THE GROSSE POINTE** — Some Grosse Pointers in last week's election discarded their votes on non-existent write-in candidates.

"We get 'Mickey Mouse' and stupid stuff like that," said Jane Blahut, Park city clerk.

Cracking wise at the polls is old hat.

"There's always a comic out there," said Matthew Tepper, Farms clerk.

There were 15 write-in votes in the Feb. 28 presidential primary. Ten were cast on the Republican side. Among Democrats, where the only candidate was President Barack Obama, five voters free-

lanced their choices.

In addition, 300 voters — 201 Republican and 99 Democrat — went on record as uncommitted.

Write-ins had no impact.

In order for write-in votes to count, the candidate selected must have declared a candidacy.

Because there were no write-in candidates registered for last week's primary, write-in votes didn't matter.

"The board is not required to document marks for a write-in candidate who has not declared to be a write-in candidate," Julie Arthurs, clerk in the City of Grosse Pointe.

"Someone has to declare to be a write-in candidate for us to even look at it," Blahut said.

"I can just tell you the number

of write-in votes," Arthurs, said. "I would not be able to tell you who they were for."

The ballots were sealed.

"We would only know who was marked if there were a recount," Arthurs said.

Other votes not counting were for candidates no longer in the race.

Despite withdrawing from contention up to 12 weeks earlier, Michele Bachmann, Herman Cain, Jon Huntsman and Rick Perry received 61 votes combined.

"People are always given the opportunity to write in whomever they chose," said Arthurs. "It's up to them to determine if it's a

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PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

City of Grosse Pointe

Runs light

A man being investigated for running a red light from Cadieux to east-bound East Jefferson was arrested shortly before 3 p.m. Sunday, March 4, for drunken driving.

"While talking with the driver, I detected a strong odor of intoxicating liquor coming from (his) facial area," said the officer.

The suspect, a 24-year-old Southfield resident, had a .15 percent blood al-

VIN scratched off

A 21-year-old Detroit woman was arrested at 1:52 a.m. Saturday, March 3, for driving drunk.

She was caught at Rivard and Jefferson operating a purple 2005 Dodge Magnum.

The car had a tampered vehicle identification number, according to police.

"The VIN was covered up, obstructing view, and the door VIN had been

scratched off," said the arresting officer.

The woman had a .19 percent blood alcohol level, police said.

A 24-year-old male passenger from Detroit was arrested on a Wayne County felony weapons charge, police added.

Uncooperative

A man with 16 driver's license suspensions is accused of buzzing public safety officers conducting a traffic stop at 2:25 a.m. Sunday, March 3, on East Jefferson near Stratton Place.

"Officers estimated the vehicle to be traveling in excess of 55 mph next to an active traffic stop with officers on the roadway," said a patrolman.

Officers pulled over the man, operating a white 1998 GMC Safari, on Lakeshore near Newberry in the Farms.

"He was very aggressive and uncooperative, ultimately telling officers to take him to jail," said an officer.

Police wrestled the man

to the ground. They also found an open bottle of vodka in his vehicle and took him to a hospital for blood to be drawn and tested for alcohol content.

The man's record includes a prior arrest for drunken driving, police said.

Man up

A 24-year-old Farms man was arrested early Friday, March 2, for drunken driving, according to police.

A few minutes before 3 a.m., an officer reported the man driving a gray 2004 GMC Yukon erratically.

The driver reportedly turned from eastbound Jefferson to northbound Lakeland at a high speed, squealing the Yukon's tires.

Police stopped him at Maumee and Rivard.

Asked why he was driving erratically, the man reportedly said, "A girl made me mad."

"(I) could smell the odor of alcoholic beverages coming from the interior compartment of the vehicle, as well as from the driver's facial area as he spoke," said the officer.

The man had a .202 percent blood alcohol level, police said.

Washed up

A "delusional," 33-year-old male patient at Beaumont Hospital Grosse Pointe reportedly disrupted a third-floor ward for more than a half-hour until restrained at 1:41 a.m. Friday, March 2,

by public safety officers.

The Detroit man allegedly beat on other patients' doors with a wall-mounted fire extinguisher.

He also used the extinguisher to smash a 6-by-8-foot, double-pane tinted window, threatened to jump out and threatened to kill staff with glass shards, police said.

He was talked out of it during a 15-minute standoff with police, according to officers.

"(The) subject is an alcoholic and was admitted for detox," said an officer.

— Brad Lindberg

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

Grosse Pointe Farms

Marijuana

A few minutes before 2 a.m. Friday, March 2, a patrolman conducting a traffic stop confiscated 8.3 grams of marijuana and rolling papers from a 21-year-old City man.

Police were investigating the man for speeding a black 2010 Toyota station wagon on northbound Moross near Earl Court, according to reports.

"Upon approach, (I) observed what appeared to be remnants of suspected marijuana ash on (the man's) jacket and pants," said the officer.

The man was charged with possession of marijuana and narcotics para-

phernalia.

— 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

Loaded pistol

A 22-year-old man from Farmington failed to display a concealed pistol permit for a loaded .40-caliber Smith & Wesson handgun police found in his vehicle during a traffic stop at 1:33 p.m. Friday, March 2, on Roslyn.

— Brad Lindberg

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

Grosse Pointe Woods

UDAA

A 2000 Dodge Caravan was stolen sometime during the day of Sunday, March 4, from the parking lot near St. John Hospital and Medical Center.

Online diss

A 17-year-old Woods resident called police at 12:45 a.m. Sunday, March 4, to report her former boyfriend was posting derogatory comments about her on his Facebook page.

Party's over

Following a call at midnight Saturday, March 3, from a West Kings Court resident reporting someone running through her backyard, police responded and broke up a party where minors were drinking. One 17-year-old was taken into custody after police found several items of jewelry in his possession.

— Kathy Ryan

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

Grosse Pointe Park

Power outages

Park police were kept busy over the weekend responding to several reports of downed power lines and power outages caused by high winds. All power was restored by Monday morning. Only one incident was reported. A lawn mower and snow blower were stolen from a garage on Devonshire because the homeowner was unable to close the garage door due to the power outage.

— Kathy Ryan

If you have information on these or any other crimes, call Park public safety at (313) 822-7400.

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◆ Grosse Pointe Farms city council meets at 7 p.m. in council chambers, 90 Kerby.

◆ Grosse Pointe Park city council meets at 7 p.m. in council chambers, 15115 E. Jefferson.

◆ The Northeastern Toastmasters meet at 7 p.m. in the Brownell Middle School cafeteria, 260 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms. For more information call Wendy Bradley at (313) 884-1184.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14

◆ The Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods hosts Beaumont Hospital Grosse Pointe executive chef Daniel Kellogg, who discusses "Healthy Lunches: Eat This Not That" at 6:30 p.m. in the hospital's Connelly auditorium, 468 Cadieux, City of Grosse Pointe. Admission is free.

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# Manager resigns, gets payout

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE SHORES** — Brian Vick's professional epitaph in Grosse Pointe Shores includes a promise by his former employers not to badmouth why they paid him to leave.

"The city's elected officials agree not to make defamatory remarks" about Vick, according to terms of Vick's departure.

Vick is bound by the same restriction.

Mayor Ted Kedzierski wouldn't say if Vick was fired.

"I don't know if I can answer that," Kedzierski said. "There's a clause that neither party would say anything derogatory about each other."

Vick officially resigned voluntarily, yet received a severance as though "terminated for any reason other than conviction of a felony or the violation of his official duties," according to his contract.

Vick also was allowed to waive a 60-day notice of resignation and leave within two weeks of proposing on Feb. 21 to quit.

Likewise, the city didn't need to follow through with a 30-day advance notice of termination, as spelled out in Vick's origi-

nal employment agreement, negotiated in October 2008.

His last official day at work was Saturday, March 3.

Late afternoon Friday, March 2, Vick left his second-floor corner office at Shores city hall, said goodbye to three staff members and exited the back door of city hall, according to numerous municipal employees.

In the main lobby near the front entrance, a bulletin board contained a newly posted, highlighted notice of a special city council meeting Monday, March 5, to discuss hiring an interim replacement.

Kedzierski reported meeting two Saturdays ago with candidate Mark Wollenweber.

"It went very well," Kedzierski said. "He'd called me before to indicate he was interested."

Wollenweber was hired as interim manager at the special council meeting. His term is four months.

He is retired from managing St. Clair Shores.

As a retiree, Wollenweber was administrator for Grosse Pointe Woods for about five years and last year was interim manager of Ferndale.

Kedzierski worked with Vick almost three years,

the first two during Kedzierski's term as a councilman.

"We wish Brian well," said Kedzierski.

Vick's severance package includes most benefits contained in his original, at-will employment contract:

- ◆ a lump sum payment equal to six months aggregate salary (his base salary in 2008 was \$98,000),

- ◆ six months continued health, dental, life and disability insurance coverage,

- ◆ pay for accrued vacation, sick and personal time,

- ◆ at least six years of public officials' liability insurance coverage against claims arising from his services as manager and

- ◆ the city won't contest his claim for unemployment benefits.

Vick and Kedzierski signed the addendum Feb. 21.

"Vick agrees that he would not otherwise be entitled to the consideration set forth in this addendum but for his agreement to the release and discharge of claims also set forth in this addendum," according to the document.

Vick released the city from any claims against it, including damages to his

personal reputation, according to the agreement.

He also agreed to assist the city regarding legal matters, "particularly regarding any litigation currently pending or arising later that involves issues arising during Vick's employment with the city," according to the agreement.

Vick will be paid for his time, except if subpoenaed to testify in a deposition, trial or other legal proceeding.

The addendum states, "Vick proposes, and upon acceptance of this proposal, agrees to voluntarily resign, effective March 3."

Kedzierski said he's inclined to replace Vick with a retired manager who wouldn't seek Shores benefits and pension.

Terms would be similar to those contracted for new public safety director John Schulte.

Schulte retired two years ago as assistant public safety director in Grosse Pointe Park.

"I'm concerned about our legacy costs," Kedzierski said. "I've been on this issue for some time."

"Legacy costs are pension costs for the defined benefit plan and post-retirement healthcare costs, which also are defined benefit costs."

# Resolution on homestretch

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

It's four down and one to go for Pointes-wide support of a grant to offset costs of building a central public safety dispatch center and lock-up.

The Shores council this week approved a resolution accepting the \$300,000 state matching grant if all five Pointes agree to build a central facility.

Resolutions from each community must be submitted to the state by March 20 to qualify.

"If we don't approve it, none of the Grosse Pointes will be granted it," said Shores Mayor Ted Kedzierski.

Shores officials are leery of further yielding control of in-house dispatch to a single, large consolidation.

"It's important at the outset to indicate our concerns about service levels," said Shores Councilwoman Kay Felt.

Joint dispatch operations with the Farms, enacted last year to reduce the payroll and save operating costs, is having teething problems.

"The big concern in the community is whether our service level has dropped," Kedzierski said.

"Candidly, in an operational way, our services have already dropped slightly because of the awkwardness of transferring calls," said John Schulte, Shores public safety director.

The audio level of non-emergency calls to the Shores fades when transferred to dispatchers clustered at Farms headquarters.

Farms dispatchers report asking transferred callers to hang up and call the Farms station directly.

"Residents are informing me daily there are issues with the phone," Schulte said.

The 911 system and officer response times aren't affected, he added. Residents also report having a hard time contacting Schulte by phone, he said.

Mark Wollenweber, hired this week as interim city manager, said he'll try tapping his contacts at AT&T to expedite telephone repairs.

"I'm looking forward to working with Mark Wollenweber to move through some of these issues," Schulte said.

## All for one

The Farms council is the only Pointe yet to support a grant resolution. The matter is on its March 12 agenda.

"There's not a lot to lose by agreeing to accept the grant in the event we pursue one central dispatch station and lockup," said Shane Reeside, Farms city manager.

The resolution has "no strings attached," Stephen Poloni, City of Grosse Pointe public safety director, told the Shores council.

"In no way does it commit you to spend any money at all at any time," he lobbied Shores officials at a special meeting Monday, March 5. "All it does is allow you to accept the grant from the state, in case you ever decide to do that."

Schulte said a central dispatch and lockup make operational sense.

"It would be an excellent idea to be under one roof," he said. "It would make us part of a cohesive group for dispatch and lockup."

Poloni disputed statements Kedzierski attributed to former city manager Brian Vick that a central facility would cost \$1.2 million and be located at Mack and Moross in the Farms.

"(The) location hasn't been determined," said Poloni, who retired as Shores chief before being contracted in the City. "And, there are no dollar amounts at this time attached to it."

"I'd not heard the discussion about location," Reeside said. "The (cost) number seems high. That could be a deterrent in realizing costs savings, if you're putting that much into capital costs."

The initial study of a public safety ad hoc committee, comprised of representatives from all the Pointes, proposed a three-city call center and jail facilities in Grosse Pointe Park, according to Poloni.

"Now, they're talking five-city," he said.

"It's up in the air for discussion."

# Group gears up for summer triathlon

By Debra Pascoe  
Staff Writer

With city approval granted, organizers of the second annual Shores-Pointes Adventure Triathlon have their paddles in the water.

Online registration is now open for the 2.1 mile kayak, 11.1 mile bike and 5K run and other events set for July 21. The fundraiser benefits the athletic departments at South Lake, Lakeview, Lake Shore and Grosse Pointe North and South high schools.

Funds raised help cover sports participation fees for students unable to come up with the money and to purchase sports equipment, according to event director Lynda Charow, of St. Clair Shores.

Last year's proceeds yielded about \$1,300 for each of the five high schools, she said, adding this year's event is co-sponsored by the Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe.

Charow, along with Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe Treasurer Paul Rentenbach, received permission from the St. Clair Shores City Council last week to hold the race and alter the run and bike route, addressing safety concerns posed by public safety officials.

Charow said last year 191 people participated in



PHOTO BY MARK LANGLOIS

Kayakers in last year's event paddle through the course.

the events, which included the triathlon, duathlon — a 5K run, 11.1 mile bike and 5K run — and a 5K fun run/walk. This year, she's expecting two to three times more participants.

Seeing 125 kayakers in the water was the highlight of the event, she said. "It was pretty incredible."

Originally planned as a true triathlon, the swimming portion was eliminated last year due to high e-coli levels in the lake. Erring on the safe side, organizers scrapped that portion, opting for kayaks.

Beginning at Wahby Park in St. Clair Shores, the new duathlon route takes participants down

the Coast Guard access road overlooking the kayak course and keeps runners on the lake side of Jefferson, thus addressing safety concerns and providing runners a wider berth.

"The duathlon participants will be able to see the kayakers when they run their course," Charow said.

Bikers head down Jefferson from Wahby Park through St. Clair Shores, into Grosse Pointe Shores along Lakeshore Drive with a slight detour into the adjacent neighborhood and back to Lakeshore Drive and Jefferson in St. Clair Shores.

Both the Adventure Triathlon and duathlon

can be done individually or as a relay team.

The 5K run/walk, for people of all activity levels, goes through Wahby Park, adjacent side streets and back.

Charow said the triathlon is limited to 300 participants which includes individuals and relay teams. Fees for all events increase as the event date approaches.

Participants registering in advance receive a T-shirt and all participants, including the 5K run/walk, must have a USA Triathlon license which Charow said a single day license can be purchased for \$12.

For more information and price schedule, visit shorespointestri.com.

# Calling cost cutters

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE SHORES** — When a "blue ribbon" panel of citizen volunteers found ways to cut municipal post-retirement health care costs, the prospect of reprising the tactic to achieve broader savings became a topic in the last election for mayor and council.

Now, especially with the new council comprised of three veterans of the blue ribbon panel — Robert Barrette Jr., Bruce Bisballe and Robert Gesell — it unanimously supports the formation of another group

of citizen cost-cutters and efficiency spotters.

"Remember when we had a blue ribbon committee and everybody said they thought it was going to cover more things, but it didn't?" said Councilman Dan Schulte. "Well, this could be that. Not just post retirement pensions and health care. Everything."

Hence, an appeal for nominations to a Municipal Overview Blue Ribbon Committee is due for posting on the municipal website, gpshoresmi.gov.

The committee, working for free, will pursue efficiencies that a forensic audit may have revealed

at a minimum cost that council members pegged at \$20,000.

The first blue ribbon group unanimously recommended savings the former council unanimously accepted.

"We have resources within the community, volunteers who have already shown a willingness to do anything we ask in terms of services," said Bisballe, chairman of the finance committee.

The panel will seek cost savings Schulte suggested finding through a forensic audit.

"We've never really had a good, top-to-bottom review of all our finances and expenditures to see if there's opportunities for savings," he said.

"I do some of that work myself," said Mayor Ted Kedzierski, a CPA and attorney.

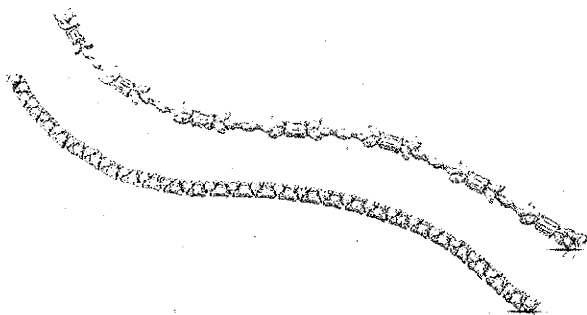
He thinks it would cost "somewhere north" of \$50,000.

"What concerns me is the money to do this," Kedzierski said. "Typically, you have to define the scope of the engagement. It would have to be a multiple-year audit. You have to go back at least three or four years, so you have a baseline."

"You're talking at least \$125,000 for a three-year review," Bisballe said. "It's a lot of money. In my experience, I've never seen a lot of results from one."

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## POINTER OF INTEREST

# Belcrest to embark on Williams

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

After months of debating and deep thinking, University Liggett senior Abby Belcrest chose to attend Williams College in Massachusetts, in the fall.

"I had a chance to visit Williams and it's a beautiful, small school with a nice campus," the 17-year-old Belcrest said.

She plans to play women's ice hockey and field hockey. If everything goes well, she wants to add lacrosse to her agenda.

"I love field hockey and ice hockey, and Williams College will allow me to play both," she said. "I'm excited to start my next journey. It's going to be an exciting time in my life."

Belcrest plays for Little Caesars 19U team and has played for the organization for several years. Her ice hockey skills have improved year-by-year and now she gets to display them at the collegiate level, starting next academic year.

Her head coach will be Meghan Gillis and the Ephs' roster includes players from New Jersey, Massachusetts, New York, Maine, Minnesota, Toronto, Ontario, Hong Kong, Colorado, Quebec, Connecticut and California.

"I am working hard with my Little Caesars team to win a national championship," Belcrest said. "We've been so close the last couple of years and I think it's time we win it all."

She plays defense and has been in this position throughout her ice hockey career. So far this sea-

son, Belcrest has five goals and 14 assists in 48 games.

Her team has to finish first or second in the state finals to advance to the nationals this season.

Belcrest begins her collegiate career on the turf, playing field hockey.

She earned All-State honors during her four years of high school competition at Liggett. She was the team's leading scorer the past couple of seasons and played on several all-star squads that played national caliber competition down south and out east the past few years.

"I enjoy field hockey and I plan to do well at Williams," Belcrest said. "It's a fun sport to play and I will be on a team with very solid players and our games will be a much faster pace than high school."

"I'm ready for the competition."

Her head coach at Williams is Alix Barrale, who led the Ephs to the NCAA tournament in seven of her 11 seasons.

The Ephs excel under Barrale, posting a .640 winning percentage with a 121-68 mark.

Belcrest has a chance to earn prestigious All-American honors in both sports during her four years of eligibility at Williams.

As for academics, Belcrest was Liggett's first merit scholarship recipient. Before entering Liggett, Belcrest thought she might attend Warren Regina or even Pontiac Notre Dame Prep.

"I'm very happy I chose to attend Liggett," she



FILE PHOTO

Liggett senior Abby Belcrest, right, has her eyes set on playing college hockey, as well as field hockey, at Williams College.

said. "It's a family here. I love the teachers and the challenges the curriculum presents. I'm more than ready for college, thanks to attending one of the best schools in the nation."

During her four years at Liggett, Belcrest earned the Williams Book Award, Terrill Newnan Scholar honor, Daniel H. Fletcher Book Award (the highest academic record in sophomore grade), Mount Holyoke Book Award and Betty Ellis Cup honor. She was also in-

ducted into the Cum Laude Society.

Belcrest's parents, Ed and Amy, have always wanted the best for their only child.

Both attended nearly every field hockey, ice hockey and lacrosse game throughout her athletic career and now they get a chance to watch her in college.

"One or both of my parents are always in the stands, cheering me on," Belcrest said. "I can't thank my mom and dad enough for all the support

they give me and I know they will be with me every step of the way at Williams."

"They won't be at all my games, but they will be at as many as they can, which will be nice to once again see them in the stands."


She is not sure what her major will be, but she is thinking about non-profit law, diplomacy or international relations.

"One of my strengths is writing, so I might pursue a career with that in mind or something with argu-

ing because I like winning arguments," Belcrest said. "I have time to make my choice."

During the final couple of months of high school, Belcrest is playing lacrosse at Liggett and finishing her senior project.

"My senior year has been wonderful," she said. "It's been a lot of fun and now high school is coming to an end. I made some fantastic friends and learned a lot at Liggett. These are things I will take with me to college."



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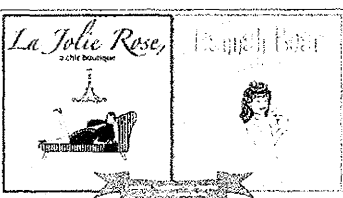
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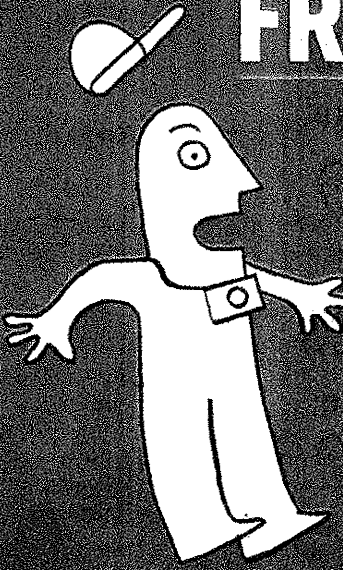
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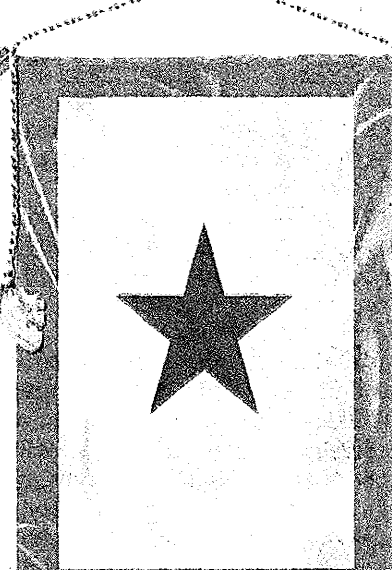


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GUEST OPINION By Jack McHugh

Gas tax hikes on their way?

Michigan could potentially have the nation's highest gas tax if Gov. Rick Snyder's proposal to replace the state motor fuel tax with a higher wholesale tax becomes law.

As of Jan. 1, motorists here pay 57.8 cents per gallon worth of state and federal taxes, according to the American Petroleum Institute. This includes the 6 percent Michigan sales tax imposed on fuel sales, from which not a dime goes to roads, although a small amount subsidizes public transportation.

Michigan is one of eight states that impose sales tax on fuel; the other seven are California, New York, Hawaii, Florida, Georgia, Indiana and Illinois.

The new tax would replace the current Michigan motor fuel tax of 19 cents per gallon with a wholesale tax, initially levied at an effective rate of 28.3 cents per gallon — an immediate 9.3-cent increase at the pump. Assuming no other changes, this would put government's total take per gallon here at 67.1 cents, making Michigan the second highest after New York at 67.4 cents. California and Connecticut would be tied for third place at 67.0 cents.

But because the new levy would be based on a percentage of the wholesale price, any sustained increase in oil prices would gradually translate into additional gas tax hikes. This would be a double whammy for Michigan motorists, because the 6 percent sales tax on gas already has this effect.

For example, if wholesale prices rose by \$1 per gallon and stayed there for several years, Michigan drivers would eventually find themselves paying more than 80 cents per gallon in state and federal taxes — by far the highest in the nation and assuming other states stayed the same.

The governor's proposal is contained in House Bill 5298, sponsored by Rep. Rick Olson, R-Saline, and Senate Bill 918, sponsored by Sen. Roger Kahn, R-Saginaw. Under the bills, the rate of the proposed new tax would be 10.1 percent of the statewide "average wholesale price" over the preceding 12 months.

This rate, however, would be subject to various adjustments. The highest the tax could go would be the equivalent of 40.0 cents per gallon, and following the initial 9.3-cent increase, it could rise or fall by only 1 cent per gallon per year.

To put this in perspective, the current wholesale gasoline rack price in Detroit — the price paid when the gas is loaded into a tanker truck at the terminal — is around \$2.70 per gallon. Retail prices in the region currently average around \$3.30.

Gas tax hikes are only one component of Snyder's transportation infrastructure proposal. House Bill 5300, sponsored by Rep. Jud Gilbert, R-Algonac, and Senate Bill 919, also sponsored by Sen. Kahn, would increase the vehicle registration tax by 67 percent. This annual license plate tax — which has been called a "Birthday Tax" — is levied on the list price of a car when new. As an example, the annual registration tax on a \$20,000 car would go from \$103 to \$172. Other bills in the package would give counties and a proposed Detroit regional transit authority the power to impose even higher registration taxes, subject to a popular vote.

No one disagrees Michigan roads would benefit from an infusion of new resources. The real problem, however, isn't the state doesn't collect enough money, but it doesn't properly prioritize the money it does collect and "skims" too much for other purposes.

In addition to the sales tax component mentioned above — none of which goes for roads — some of the remaining money is diverted to subsidize city buses, and some is wasted by mandating above-market wages on road projects through the state's "prevailing wage" law.

Another seven-eighths of a-cent per-gallon tax originally intended for leaking underground fuel tank cleanups was diverted to other government spending in a 2004 fund raid, and it continues to be used that way.

Instead of reaching deeper into the pockets of motorists, Michigan needs to correct these abuses.

McHugh is senior legislative analyst at the Mackinac Center for Public Policy.

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To the Editor:

The Grosse Pointe Library Millage Committee would like to express our thanks to Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods residents for their commitment to the quality of our neighborhoods, property values and education in voting for the tax increase last Tuesday.

It means the library will be able to continue to provide high-quality service at the current level, while servicing the bond debt for the Woods and Park branches.

Hundreds of volunteers and dozens of community officials and civic organizations got behind the effort to pass the millage because they believe it is important to maintain the high-quality of life here by

the lake shore. The Grosse Pointe News also wrote a strong endorsement.

As voters, you responded resoundingly on Tuesday evening with 75 percent of the votes cast in favor of the tax increase. But we understand if you voted against it. These have been tough times.

As we move forward, if you have constructive suggestions for change in the libraries, attend a board meeting.

The civic-minded men and women of the board meet the fourth Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Ewald branch, 15175 E. Jefferson in the Park. The next meeting is March 26. They welcome the public.

What a special place this community is. And to us, that is what this vote

was all about — keeping the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods special places to live with special people, served by a special library.

BEN BURNS

Chairman  
Grosse Pointe Library  
Millage Committee

Many thanks for library millage

To the Editor:

On behalf of the Grosse Pointe Library Board of Trustees and library staff, we want to thank all of the people who voted for the library millage Feb. 28.

By entrusting the library board with the authority to levy an additional temporary millage, you have made it possible for the library system to maintain its current level of services and programs for the next eight years.

We are especially grateful to the hundreds of citizens who publicly announced their support through yard signs, newspaper advertisements and letters to the editor.

The scores of dedicated, hardworking volunteers who made phone calls, rang doorbells, distributed literature and made presentations de-

serve our particular appreciation and praise.

This cadre of local residents was lead by the Grosse Pointe Library Millage Committee. The committee chair, Ben Burns, and his energetic and devoted committee members, Kim Clepton, Joanne Dennis, Ted Everingham, Emily Franchett, Gina Granger, Vicki Granger, Edward Hill, Bill Hodgman, George McMullen, John Mogk, Sarah Ollison, Mary Beth Smith and Dr. Henry Sprague spent countless hours planning and coordinating a multitude of tasks.

This campaign could not have been successful without their tireless efforts.

We also want to express our appreciation to the Grosse Pointe Library Foundation and Friends of the Grosse Pointe Library for their generous support of the effort.

Thanks to all of you, we can look forward to providing the community with the level of library services it needs and deserves for years to come.

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I SAY By Brad Lindberg

Opportunities can be born



Nothing pleases but rare accidents," says Prince Hal, plotting to exceed expectations with his reformation in Shakespeare's "King Henry IV, Part I."

Accidents can mean opportunities. Opportunity can be born of circumstance, such as with three recent incidents.

These unscheduled happenings let me couple discarded interview notes with photos that otherwise wouldn't have been published.

The result is an illustrated anecdote about hawks. The notes are from an interview with Bill Rapai, president of Grosse Pointe Audubon.

The photos are by freelancer Renee Landuyt.

During an interview last month with Rapai about his recent book, "The Kirtland's Warbler," a bird I've never seen, I asked him about one I

have, the hawk.

Hawks often perch on poles along expressways, eying prey in scrub below.

They have good eyesight, but not the way I thought.

"Hawks see in two different color spectrums: the color spectrum we see plus ultraviolet," Rapai said. "In the ultraviolet spectrum, mouse urine fluoresces. Hawks know when a mouse is nearby because they see the fluoresces of the mouse urine."

Along came Landuyt's photos of a hawk, viz.

I include hawks among "birds of omen," a phrase the English writer, Charlotte Smith (1749 to 1806), applied in a poem about an owl.

Smith is credited as an early Romantic. Her works can be introspective, with strong emotions and an awe of nature.

Sir Walter Scott liked her novels. William Wordsworth acknowledged her influence on poetry. He predicted her legacy: "English verse is under greater obligations that are likely to be either acknowledged or remembered."

Smith didn't appear in the "Oxford Companion

to English Literature" until the fifth edition, published in 1985.

"None of the canonical male Romantic poets who lived long enough to grow old got better," according to the introduction to the first edition of her collected poems, published in Oxford Press, but not until 1993. "Smith, in her 50s and crippled by illness, attained a technical mastery in her final volume that qualifies her to sit among the most select poets of this age."

Smith has an eye for nature.

In a poem with a title so long it leaves little room for verse, "Written September 1791, during a remarkable thunder storm, in which the moon was perfectly clear, while the tempest gathered in various directions near the earth," Smith described storm clouds as, "What awful pageant crowd the evening sky." In "The dictatorial owl,"

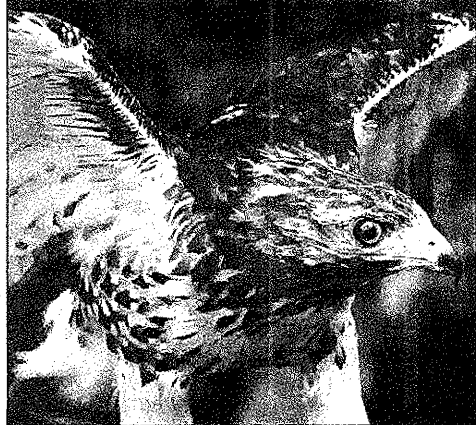


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Smith writes of birds rejecting an overbearing female owl's demand for silence.

"(The owl) declar'd the feather'd folk should be to grave demeanor given quiet."

For, the owl: "Declar'd she was a fowl of wondrous learning;

"And that no head was ever 'twixt two wings  
"So wise as hers."

No way, say the daw, magpie, crow, dove, woodlark, bullfinch, thrush, chaffinch, hedge sparrow and finch. All showed the owl back into her hollow elm.

"How very ill some folks apply their labours.  
"Who think themselves much wiser than their neighbours."

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# Ambassadors boost city's image

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE SHORES** — Municipal boosters are so gung ho to champion the city, they started working before being confirmed Tuesday, Feb. 21.

If the city council hadn't formed the committee this month, "we might still meet, because we're excited about this," said D.J. Boehm, chairwoman of the Grosse Pointe Shores Ambassador Committee.

The volunteer group was proposed by Mayor Ted Kedzierski while still a councilman.

"We have to do something to promote our own city," Kedzierski said. "This group will identify property, primarily Lakeshore properties, and help market them to the local business community; but, also identify homes on each street in Grosse Pointe Shores."

"The Shores is beautiful," Boehm said. "Can you think of a better prod-

uct?"

Boehm answered Kedzierski's general invitation to form the committee.

"He called directly and was passionate about the ambassador committee," she said. "I knew I had to be a part of it."

"Maybe this will end the slide of real estate values and bring them back up," Kedzierski said.

The committee must comply with provisions of the Open Meetings Act regarding advance public

notice of meetings and taking minutes. Meetings will be scheduled in the ground-floor room at city hall that doubles as council chambers and municipal court.

Boehm said her Ph.D. in cellular molecular biology has "absolutely zero relevance to this particular task."

More germane is her 15 years marketing medical devices, plus chairing the marketing committee of the non-profit University Musical Society in Ann

Arbor.

"My husband and I do a lot of our work in Ann Arbor and other communities, but we want to live here because it's so beautiful," Boehm said of the Shores. "When you either walk, run or drive along the lake shore, it feels like a vacation. It's simply beautiful. That's the draw. Other strengths are public safety — superb. Services are wonderful. If you want a really good place to live, this is it."

She said she's fluent in current marketing techniques, including social marketing.

Boehm is mum on campaign strategies until the committee has time to coalesce.

"One idea is from the mayor," she said. "We're doing surveys with residents and non residents and bringing in realtors. We want to be really well informed before we commit."

Committee members include residents:

◆ Gloria Anton.  
"She's enthusiastic and

knows the community backwards and forwards," Boehm said.

◆ Madeleine Phillips. Boehm said Phillips is a longtime Pointe resident who moved to the Shores five years ago.

"So, she has a more recent perspective," Boehm said. "She's a businesswoman, a natural communicator."

◆ Alex Lucido, a longtime realtor.

◆ External consultants are Kay Agney and Beline Obeid. Both are realtors.

"Neither lives in the Shores, but both volunteered to advise the committee," Boehm said. "Their input is going to be critical in helping us form programs and novel ways of reaching customers. They'll inform us of ways they're already reaching customers, so we're not duplicating efforts."

Shores Councilwoman Kay Felt is council liaison to the committee.

"I believe there's one more spot, if someone wants to volunteer," Boehm said.

## MURDER: Gentz faces charges of murder, conspiracy

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before being released. No charges were handed down at that time.

Gentz, a handyman, knew Jane's husband, Bob Bashara, and had done work for him on rental properties Bob Bashara owned.

According to various reports, Gentz told police he was hired by Bob Bashara to kill his wife, and he admitted on the night of Jan. 24 he killed Jane Bashara in the garage of the Bashara family home on Middlesex, placed her body in the backseat of her Mercedes SUV, drove the car and left it in an alley near Seven Mile and Hoover in Detroit. The SUV with Jane Bashara's body inside was found the next morning by a tow

truck operator.

Video surveillance tape from a restaurant near where the SUV was parked shows Gentz in the area at that time.

Bob Bashara has denied any involvement in the murder of his wife. He was identified as a person of interest by police within days of his wife's death, but has not been questioned by police since late January.

At that time it was reported he failed a polygraph test conducted at the Grosse Pointe Park police station by an examiner from the United States Secret Service.

However, according to David Griem, Bob Bashara's attorney, he passed a second polygraph test administered by a private examiner

hired by Griem.

Griem maintains his client had no involvement in the death of his wife, and the family is very relieved Gentz has been arrested.

Griem also noted he does not believe his client would have killed his wife based on the strong and close relationship Griem believes Bob Bashara has with his children.

But when asked if he thought his client could have killed Jane Bashara based on what appeared to be a less-than close relationship with her following allegations of an affair with another Grosse Pointe resident, Griem said he had not spoken with his client about that situation.

Police have conducted two searches of Bashara's

house, the first occurring two days after Jane Bashara's body was found. Following the first search, police left with computers and other small items. The second search was conducted two weeks later by technicians from the Michigan State Police. Police have not released any information on evidence obtained during the searches.

Jane Bashara, the mother of two, worked as a marketing executive while also serving as past president of the Mothers Club of Grosse Pointe South. A scholarship fund has been established at the school in her memory.

Grosse Pointe Park chief of police David Hiller is on vacation this week and could not be reached for comment.

## MANAGER: Familiar face takes interim spot in Shores

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"It's important we have an interim manager, especially, one with his capability," Councilman Robert Gesell said of Wollenweber. "He comes with wonderful credentials and high recommendations."

Wollenweber's four-month contract pays \$6,666 per month. Included is 4 percent deferred into a compensation plan.

"There would be no other benefits," Kedzierski said.

"I retired with medical benefits from St. Clair Shores," Wollenweber said.

Terms with the Shores are comparable to those contracted to the new public safety director, who retired two years ago from the Park.

Wollenweber's monthly pay adds up to \$80,000 annually. The figure is roughly \$20,000 less per year than Vick's salary, even without benefits and a car allowance.

The contract expires

July 20. If a permanent manager is hired before then, he'll step aside.

A divided city council hired Wollenweber during a special meeting Monday, March 5.

Supporters were Kedzierski, Gesell, Councilman Dr. Alexander Ajlouni and Councilwoman Kay Felt. Councilman Bruce Bisballe was excused absent.

Councilmen Dan Schulte and Robert Barrette Jr. voted "no." They criticized the quick and seemingly uncompetitive selection process, not the candidate.

"Everything I found out about Mark seems to be great," Schulte said. "Considering what we just went through with the last administration and how upset people were about an improper vetting process, I think it does a disservice to Mr. Wollenweber to not have other candidates."

"That's why we're here to discuss it," Kedzierski said. "It's an interim appointment, somewhat on

an emergency basis."

"I think we should have done a little more shopping," Barrette said. "I don't like rushing into things, especially in this era, where everything's so important to do it the right way the first time."

"We have a lot to do," added Ajlouni. "Sometimes, you have to act quickly."

"I'm happy to help out any way I can and translate your priorities into action," Wollenweber told the council.

Kedzierski said other pressing matters include:

◆ poor audio volume of non-emergency telephone transfers to the joint Shores-Farms public safety dispatch center;

◆ a \$500,000 to \$1 million Grosse Pointe Yacht Club water billing dispute;

◆ labor arbitration and

◆ the board of review.

"I'm in favor of putting

someone in this position ASAP, and at the same

time, putting a search committee together to go out and find a full-time person to take this position," he said. "I don't think we can afford to leave it vacant."

A united council supported starting the search. A subcommittee may be established as part of the process.

Wollenweber offered to help.

"Having been around so long, I know a lot of managers and assistants in Michigan," he said.

He also said he has a contact in the AT&T government affairs department. The contact may provide an inside track to fixing the telephone problem, he added.

Wollenweber lives in the Port Huron area. He said he'll live at his son's house in Harrison Township while working in the Shores.

"I expect to have fun at work," he said. "The Shores has good people."

## DECLARE: Romney wins big

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valid candidate or not."

Tallies for withdrawn candidates could be from early absentee voters, never-say-die supporters or those who didn't get the word.

"Because their names were on the ballot, there may have been people at the polls who didn't know who they were," Blahut said.

Voter turnout averaged about 40 percent Pointes-wide.

On the Republican side,

Romney came in first with 6,946 votes. Second through fourth were: Santorum, 2,332; Ron Paul, 1,003 and Newt Gingrich, 495.

Obama received 1,425 votes.

Grosse Pointe Woods had the highest per-city total for the top four GOP candidates and Obama.

Second highest totals-per-city for top Republican candidates came in the Farms (Romney, Santorum and Paul) and Park (Santorum).

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PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

The Monteith 75334 second grade Brownies troop sold 206 boxes of girl scout cookies and shipped them overseas to a member's father in Afghanistan.

## Brownies surpass challenge goals

By A.J. Hakim  
Staff Writer

Moments before the Monteith 75334 second grade Brownies troop readied to package the 206 boxes of girl scout cookies collected for a special shipment overseas, they received a surprising phone call.

"He's very proud of you all and hopes you take this experience with you," Beth Drinkwine said, fighting back tears as she repeated aloud her husband's message thanking the troop for

selling and sending the cookies. It was 3 a.m. in Camp Myers at the Kandahar Airfield in Afghanistan; Drinkwine's husband, Preston Hayward, deployed there in October as part of a special task force integrating new technologies to combat improvised explosive devices.

Before his deployment along with 36 others in his unit, Hayward, through e-mail communications with troop co-leaders Karen Westrick and Brenda Ban, chal-

lenged the 29 Brownies to sell and ship 200 boxes of cookies — 100 thin mints and 100 samoas.

Hayward's daughter, Jocelyn, is an active troop member.

"They responded well," Westrick said. "It's been so nice because it kind of brings it closer to home for them ... He helped out at our meetings and other activities, so they know him."

"We met our goal and exceeded it," added Ban. "We have 29 girls who sold their hearts out."

Along the way, as the

project progressed and the girls neared their goal, Westrick and Ban received another surprise. The AmVets Post 57 in Harper Woods offered its facility to package the cookies and fund shipping costs, which estimated between \$250 and \$300, Ban said.

"When I called the AmVets, because I know they send packages, I thought maybe they could give us tips on how to package things and this and that," Westrick said. "They called back and were thrilled and said 'let us' team up with you. Bring them in, we'll show you how to package them and we'll pay for everything."

"Thank goodness for AmVets because I don't know what we would've done without them," Ban said of the additional assistance from Auxiliary president, Yvette Rusak; junior vice president Maureen Jackson; and commander Tom Lueck.

"That was the next hurdle. I'm one that I kind of jump in then I think about it. Preston collected \$150 from his unit to help send the cookies. We didn't accept it."

The cookies were packaged in six UPS-like shipping boxes, along with a letter from the troop and Hershey Kisses. It's the second-year troop's largest community service undertaking.

"It kind of just fell into place," Ban said. "It just kind of all went the right way."

## Education panel headlines meeting

A panel of education advocates joins the Grosse Pointe Partnership for Different Learners at its Thursday, March 15 meeting, to discuss the topic, "Advocacy: How do you know if you need an advocate?"

The meeting is 7 p.m. at the Barnes Early Childhood Center gymnasium, and features a presentation from a panel consisting of local advocates Marcie Lipsitt, Joanne Murphy and Joan Mason.

Lipsitt is a founding member of the Michigan Alliance for Special Education who also serves on the advisory council for pediatric psychopharmacology at the Massachusetts General Hospital and was a past board member of the Child and Adolescent Bipolar Foundation.

A 2002 graduate from the Michigan Partners in Policymaking program, Murphy currently works as a parent representative for Grosse Pointe on the Statewide Autism Resources and Training project and was past president of the PDL. She recently returned from Washington D.C., where she served on a select panel advising United States Secretary of Education, Arne Duncan, on children with special needs.

Involved with the dis-

trict since 1993, Mason has served as president of the Special Education Advisory Committee in Grosse Pointe (currently the PDL) and as a representative to the Wayne County RESA Parent Advisory Committee. She also regularly attends meetings with organizations such as Michigan Alliance for Families, Wayne County RESA and Wrightslaw.

The district's director of student services Deb Jackson also is attending.

"Speaking as a parent (of a child with special needs), you walk in there and you're just totally shellshocked," said Marlene Pierce, an active member of the PDL. "Not only with this meeting, but with this whole group, what we're trying to do is get people better informed, give them resources, network together and try to bring it together so that everybody gets passed the emotional feeling and just kind of works together to do what's best."

Free childcare is provided during the meeting courtesy of the Judson Center, a non-profit human service agency.

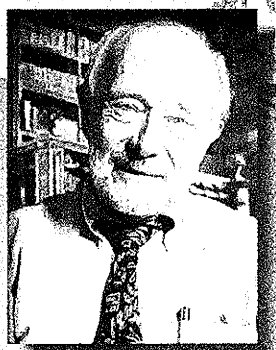
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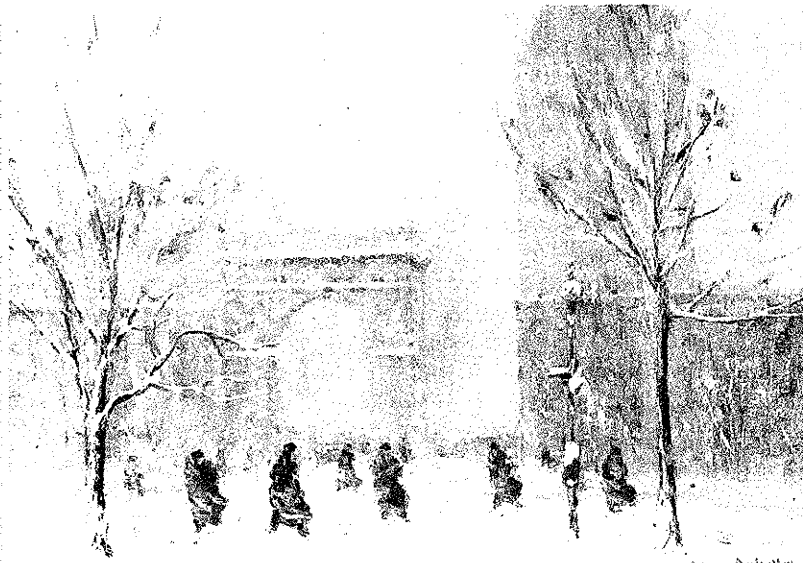
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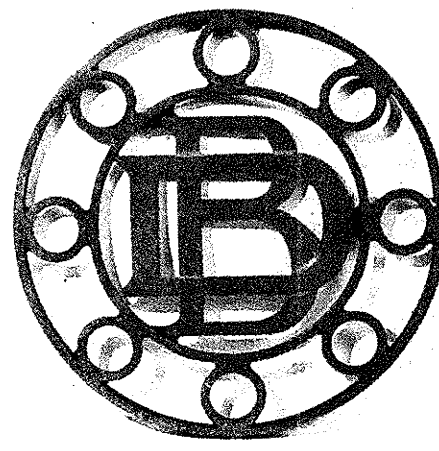
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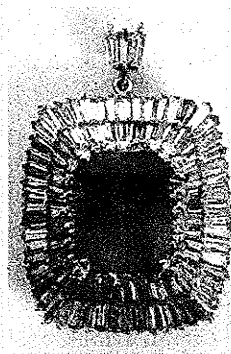
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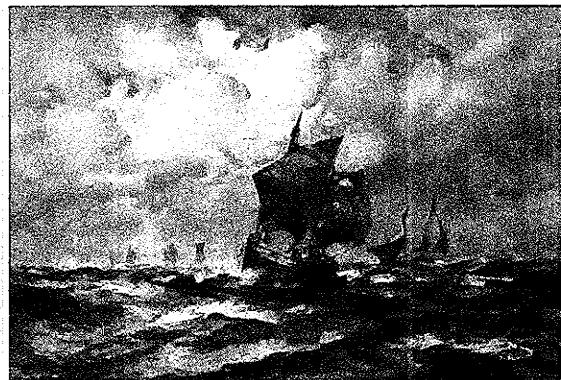
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SCHOOLS

'Souper' supper fundraiser success

By A.J. Hakim  
Staff Writer

Program students, parents and four local restaurants each concocted and donated various soups for the Grosse Pointe Public School System Community Campus' second annual soup supper fundraiser.

The event, held Wednesday, Feb. 15, at the community campus located inside Grace United Church of Christ, benefitted the 18- to 26-year-old students with special needs involved with the program. Money raised aids in funding job experience programs, additions and renovations to the campus and field trips.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Grosse Pointe Public School System Community Campus student Emily Virga, right, serves her mom, Jessica Malfa, soup.

program) community-based, so the idea is to get them out into the community," said Kathy Dykstra,

community campus director. "It's kind of cool — when you raise the money, you don't have to ask

the parents all the time." Andiamo, The Hill, Gringo's and Mediterranean Grill do-

nated, along with the campus' 12 students collectively, and several parents. In all, the groups cooked about nine different soups.

Students also created and raffled off a gift basket — two mugs, two hot chocolate packets, mittens and scarves.

"They're very aware of our program and were willing to help donate soups for the event," said student Laura Casey, in her first year with the program.

"We've been really grateful to the community around us for all their dedication for our program. It's meant a lot to us."

The soup supper is one of several campus

fundraisers. The campus also hosts a salad fundraiser in spring and two rummage sales, one in fall and another in spring, all helping maintain the program.

"What's cool about this is, we didn't ever have anything like this before," Dykstra said.

"So, our kids either stayed in the high school or they would go to Macomb Academy. So, this is cool because it's in our own community and you're not in high school anymore, so you can get out in the community and work."

Added Casey: "I love it here. I've been here since September, and I have enjoyed every minute of it. It's been life changing."

Star student's essay advances

Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic School eighth-grader Lauren Lesha advanced on to the state competition of the 43rd Annual America and Me Essay Contest after finishing first in her school.

This year's topic was "My personal Michigan hero," of whom Lesha chose Motown recording artist and Saginaw native Stevie Wonder.

At the state level, the top 10 finalists selected to receive a certificate, plaque, medallion, \$1,000 and a trip to Lansing. There, finalists meet with state government leaders and are honored at Lumnus Stadium, home to minor league baseball's Lansing Lugnuts. Students also participate in a luncheon cruise aboard the Michigan Princess riverboat.

The contest, sponsored by Farm Bureau

Insurance, ran from September through Nov. 18, 2011.

Since its inception in 1968, the contest has encouraged Michigan private and public school eighth graders to write about their American heroes, those people positively impacting the student's personal life.

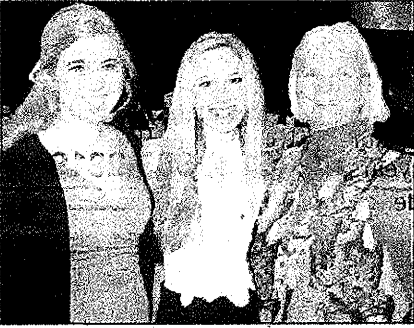
Erin Armbruster and Sydnie Allor placed second and third, respectively, at Star of the Sea.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Trombly Elementary School student council advisor Jane McCaughrin, left, helps president Joelle Reich, middle, and treasurer Nick Chown count the money raised from the school's annual Pennies for Patients fundraiser.

South composers awarded



Grosse Pointe South students Harriet Steinke and Hannah Ayrault, pictured with director Ellen Bowen, were recognized for and performed their original musical compositions Saturday, Jan. 21, at the Michigan Music

Educators Association concert at the Amway Hotel Ballroom in Grand Rapids.

Steinke, a senior, and Ayrault, a sophomore, were two of 17 Michigan students, from kindergarten through high school seniors, selected to perform their work — "Forza Interiore" (Steinke) and "Love is Louder" (Ayrault).

It's the second consecutive year the association honored the students' compositions.

Trombly fundraiser assumes new meaning

Started four years ago, the annual Pennies for Patients fundraiser sponsored by Trombly Elementary School's student council has since assumed new meaning for students.

One of their own, Jack Reeber, a first grader, was diagnosed with leukemia. Now in remission, his struggle personalized the cause and added incentive for students donating to the

Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, a voluntary health agency dedicated to curing leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma and improving the quality of life of patients and families.

"This has made our fundraiser even more important to us," student council advisor Jane McCaughrin said via e-mail.

In preparation, the so-

ciety supplies participating schools with information, parent letters, banners and individual and classroom collection boxes. Trombly's drive ran Monday, Feb. 6, through Tuesday, Feb. 14. During that time, students raised \$950 in pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters.

"Again, I'm amazed at the generosity of our Trombly families," McCaughrin said.

—A.J. Hakim

Students prep for North's second cardboard boat races

Grosse Pointe North High School physics students from Gary Abud's, Don Pata's and Chris Amore's classes are setting sail with their cardboard creations for the second annual Cardboard Boat Race.

The event is 8 a.m.

Wednesday, March 14, at North's natatorium and involves approximately 350 students and more than 50 boats, constructed from cardboard and select adhesive materials used at the seams.

Students, in groups of four to six, worked for a month researching, designing, decorating and constructing their boats, such that the final product withstands the weight of two student rowers racing a full lap.

"(The event is) an opportunity for students to integrate their physics knowledge and design thinking as they apply their learning to an authentic task," Abud said in

a release.

The cardboard regatta is one of several student-design projects throughout the year. To date, students have built marshmallow catapults, cardboard luggage, T-shirt launchers, trebuchets, leaf-blower hovercrafts and mousetrap-powered vehicles. Together, all exemplify the physics department's focus on teaching concepts and principles through project- and problem-based learning.

"It's great when the learning can be memorable like this for the students," Amore said.

For more information, contact Abud at gary.abud@gpschools.org.

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Six South teachers become dancing 'stars'

Six teachers vie for dance floor supremacy at Grosse Pointe South High

School's first Dancing with the Stars fundraiser, presented by the school's four student councils.

The competing teachers include: Meghan Dunham (English and theater), Lisa Kurtz (math), Matt McGuire (physics), Dennis Pascoe (English), Danielle Peck (English) and Tom Schultz (math). Each received dance lessons, courtesy of Arthur Murray Dance Studios, in preparation for the event scheduled for 7 p.m. Friday, March 16, at South's gymnasium.

Proceeds benefit St. John's Van Elslander Cancer Center and South's student government.

An obsession with ABC's reality television show "Dancing with the Stars" spawned the idea for a mock version, initial-

ly with the class of 2014 student council and advisor Carrie Halliburton brainstorming possibilities. But after about a month, with project preparations and details growing substantially and more difficult, the council turned it into a joint effort among all South student councils, as well as the student association.

Aside from the dance competition, the event features opening dancing, paper bag auction, bake sale and canned food drive.

For two canned food items, attendees receive a free auction ticket, up to five tickets.

Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 for students and seating is first come, first serve. For tickets or more information, contact Carrie Halliburton at carrie.halliburton@gp-schools.org.

City of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan  
**BOARD OF REVIEW**  
Meetings for the purpose of reviewing the 2012 Assessment Roll for the City of Grosse Pointe Farms, Wayne County, Michigan, will be held by the Board of Review on:  
TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2012  
From 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
and  
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.  
and  
MONDAY, MARCH 19, 2012  
From 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  
and  
1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
and  
MONDAY, MARCH 26, 2012  
From 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  
and  
1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
at City Hall, 90 Kerby Road, Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan 48236.  
Hearings will be scheduled by appointment. Please contact City of Grosse Pointe Farms at (313) 640-1618. You may also petition the Board in writing through the mail if you cannot make the hearing dates. These letters HAVE TO BE IN THE OFFICE BY THURSDAY, MARCH 15th.  
TIMOTHY E. O'DONNELL  
City Assessor

City of Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan  
**NOTICE OF REVIEW OF THE 2012 ASSESSMENT ROLL**  
The Board of Review of the City of Grosse Pointe Park, Wayne County, Michigan will be in session in the Municipal building, 15115 East Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan on  
Tuesday March 13, 2012 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Thursday March 15, 2012 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.  
Tuesday March 20, 2012 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Thursday March 22, 2012 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.  
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## Blue ribbon-cutting

Towar Productions and "the little Blue Book" moved to new offices at 19803 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods, after nearly 20 years in the Park. "We felt we needed to be more centralized to better serve our clients," said publisher Kim Towar. At the February ribbon cutting, are from left, Ted Williford, information technology manager; Jenny Boettcher, Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce executive director; Gene Tutag, Woods building official; Jeri Unger, vice president of sales; Albert Fincham, Grosse Pointe Woods city administrator; Brandi Towar, president of Towar Productions; Grosse Pointe Woods Mayor Robert Novitke; little Blue Book president Towar; office manager Agnes Maskeny; Sharon McMillan, sales executive; Patti Austin, vice president of finance; Lorelei Hanson, art director; Alicia Elich; Dave Colton; and MaryJo Harris, chamber's director of administration.

# Steps to ease into spring projects

Get a jump start on planning and prepping for spring and summer house and garden projects.

Here are a few simple steps to take to prepare for spring and summer:

- ◆ Sketch out the garden plans and pick the plants that can be purchased or grown from seed. Plans provide background information for a shopping list. Research how early

seedlings should be started, so they'll be ready for transplant.

Create plans for any other projects that need to be accomplished. The depth of those plans depends on how complicated the project is. Have all permits in order, if required. If a contractor is needed, have a formal agreement and timeline in place before the work be-

gins.

- ◆ Check pruning shears for sharp blades. Sharpen or replace the blades if they don't easily cut through a small stem of plant material. Also, check the blades, oil, gasoline and starters on all gardening machinery to ensure they'll run correctly when needed.

- ◆ A review of all tools helps to determine if any

new purchases, or replacements, are needed. Now is the time to purchase missing tools, add new blades to saws or replenish the sandpaper stash.

- ◆ As the project season gets closer, start purchasing the materials needed ahead of time. This helps to spread the cost out, and can give an idea of how much time and effort the

project will take to be completed. Get started now in matching colors and finding accessories.

Be prepared and ready to go for a successful spring and summer project season.

### Pruning workshop

The Pruning by Mil Hurley workshop is 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, March 24, at the Grosse

Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Learn the proper way to prune flowering and shade trees, shrubs, vines and perennials. Dress for the weather and bring a pair of sharpened hand pruners and loppers.

Cost is \$28 per person. For more information or to register, call (313) 881-7511.

# Farms streetlight work continues

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE FARMS** — Here's a case where paybacks are of benefit.

The city expects to get more than \$32,000 back for converting nearly 250 conventional streetlights to lower-energy light emitting diodes.

Rebates cut the city's \$113,026 investment to a net \$80,806, according to Terry Brennan, head of public service.

"Further, since LED lighting has substantially less power consumption than high-pressure sodium, the energy savings would result in a reduction in annual operating costs of \$23,686," Brennan wrote in a proposal.

Operational savings expected to offset purchase of new, cobra-style, LED fixtures in "less than 3 1/2 years," said City Manager Shane Reeside.

Detroit Edison owns and maintains the lighting system. Because traditional white mercury vapor lights are no longer available, the company is generally converting streetlamps to yellow, sodium lighting at no cost to cities.

Farms officials opted for white LEDs.

"The rate requires a portion of the construction cost be paid by the customer," according to Debra Cain, an account executive in the utility's community lighting department.

Streetlight work planned for this spring

continues a DTE Energy test program begun in the Farms during 2008.

"A test circuit was installed along Lakeshore from Harbor Hill to Sunset, and Warner and Newberry," Reeside explained. "It provides good quality, clean light."

Installation this year continues on:

- ◆ Beverly, McKinley, Meadow Lane, Handy Place and Stanton Lane off of Grosse Pointe Boulevard,

- ◆ Fisher between Kercheval and Williams,

- ◆ Moran between the boulevard and Williams,

- ◆ Ridge from Fisher to Merriweather,

- ◆ Merriweather between the boulevard and Ridge,

- ◆ most of lower Charlevoix, Beaupre and

Williams,

- ◆ Lewiston between Ridge and McMillan,

- ◆ Kenwood Court,

- ◆ Chalfonte from Fisher to Moross,

- ◆ Belanger from Beaupre to Chalfonte and

- ◆ Hillcrest north from Piche.

"Weather permitting, DTE has proposed to perform this work beginning early May with completion in six to eight weeks,"

Brennan said.

"Again this year, were advised of DTE's plan to continue with series circuit upgrades to improve power distribution and light quality," Brennan said. "This represents a total of 266 lamp heads."

DTE has spent more than \$1.6 million for service and circuit maintenance in the Farms during the last four years, according to Reeside.

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**DOLLARS AND SENSE** By David Uffington

## Start a community garden

**C**ommunities across the country are setting up spaces for gardens to be used by residents.

Contact local leaders about setting up a garden on public property. First, identify locations by looking for vacant areas without trees that would block the sun — at least six hours of sun per day is needed. And look for a flat location with access to water and parking.

If you provide city officials with a petition with signatures of people who would make use of the garden, so much the better. Enlist the input of your county extension office and master gardeners.

Once you have a suitable location, either community or private property such as private schools, hospitals and churches, decide on the size of each plot. You'll need them to be uniform — provide two sizes — with paths between the plots. Plot sizes of 10-by-16 feet and 8-by-10 feet should be large enough to provide families with quantities of fresh vegetables.

Decide on a fee to charge for rental of the plots, with a portion of it to be given back at the end of the growing season. Fees of \$20 to 30 are

reasonable.

Decide whether you want to provide tools or leave it to individuals to bring their own. Insist the whole garden be organic, with no insecticides or weed killers allowed. Pollutants can drift from one plot to the next.

An area with a fence to keep out wildlife is ideal.

Set aside a large separate area and require all

those who have a plot to spend a certain number of hours working the community section with the vegetables going to food pantries and shelters.

Write to David Uffington in care of King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475, or send e-mail to [columnreply@gmail.com](mailto:columnreply@gmail.com).

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**I can't make my house payments. What are my options?**

There are alternatives to bankruptcy or foreclosure proceedings. One option is called a **short sale**. A short sale in real estate means that upon the sale of the home, the lender agrees to accept less than the current mortgage balance as payment in full. All lenders have different requirements and may demand that the owner/seller submit certain documentation for review before making the decision to accept a short sale transaction.

Not everyone can qualify for a short sale. Generally the homeowner must fall into one or more of the following circumstances:

**Financial Hardship** — an extreme and involuntary change in circumstance which makes you unable to make payments. **Monthly Income Shortfall** — a situation in which your monthly bills exceed your income. And lastly, **Insolvency** refers to a lack of significant liquid assets that would help you to pay down your mortgage.

To begin the short sale process, there are a number of items that the lender may require such as a hardship letter, proof of assets, bank statements, to name only a few items. Your local REALTOR® or attorney can provide the guidance you will need to navigate through what can be a lengthy process.

Submitted by GPRB Member, Attorney Anthony J. Viviani, American Title Agency.

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## NEWS

## OBITUARIES

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

### James E. Ireton

James E. Ireton, 85, died Saturday, March 3, 2012. He was a former teacher and counselor in the Grosse Pointe Public School System.

He was born Feb. 5, 1927, and raised on a farm in Yates City, Ill. At 18, he enlisted in the United States Army Air Forces in 1945 and saw duty in Iwo Jima.

Mr. Ireton earned a bachelor's degree in education from the University of Illinois. He began his teaching career in the Grosse Pointe public schools, where he taught for 36 years. He taught science at Parcels, Brownell and Pierce middle schools, and later became a counselor at Pierce.

He attended numerous sabbaticals centering around natural sciences. He earned master's degrees from Michigan State University and Wayne State University.

During summers, Mr. Ireton was a director at Baycourt Camp and nature leader at Sauk Valley Camp. He loved the outdoors and spent many weekends hunting and fishing with family and friends in both the Upper and Lower peninsulas. He loved to walk the woods of Michigan and especially loved trees.

Mr. Ireton was an active member and usher at St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church in Grosse Pointe Farms. He also was a member of Gideons International.

Mr. Ireton is survived by Donna, his wife of 60 years, and his children, Mark, Marsha, Matthew and Mitchell.

He was predeceased by his son, Martin, in 2007.

A funeral service will be held at noon, Thursday, March 8, at St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, 375 Lathrop, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Donations may be made to the church at the address above or at [stpaulgp.org](http://stpaulgp.org) or to The Gideons International, P.O. Box 140800, Nashville, TN 3714-0800 or at [gideons.org](http://gideons.org).

### Harvey J. Cowan

Harvey J. Cowan, 81, of Harrison Township, died Tuesday, Feb. 28, 2012.

He was born Nov. 3, 1930, in Detroit, and served in the U.S. Marine Corps during the Korean War. He was a retired Detroit police officer with more than 25 years of service.

Mr. Cowan was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Bruce Post No. 1146 and the AMVETS Post in Mount Clemens.

Mr. Cowan was the beloved husband of Susan; dearest father of Dennis (Andrea), Judi (David) Tillema, John (Danielle) and Sharon (Skip) Wagner; loving grandpa of Sara (Nick) Stark, Daniel, Kaitlyn, Stephanie, Kevin and Joseph Cowan, Mallory and Matthew Wagner; proud great-grandfather of Nathan Stark and dear brother of Mary Ann Currie.

Visitation will be held from noon until the time of service at 5 p.m., Saturday, March 10, at Kaul Funeral Home, 28433 Jefferson, St. Clair Shores.

Donations may be made to St. John Hospice, c/o St.

John Health Foundation, P.O. Box 673271, Detroit, MI 48267-3271 or the Michigan Humane Society, 30300 Telegraph Road, Suite 220, Bingham Farms, MI 48025.

### John W. Gleason

John "Jack" W. Gleason, 83, passed away with family by his side Monday, Feb. 27, 2012, after a long battle with Alzheimer's disease.

He was born Nov. 4, 1928, in Folyette, Ontario, Canada, to William and Mary Gleason. He graduated from Queens University in 1952 with an engineering degree and retired from Chrysler Corp. in 1989 after 25 years of service.

He was devoted to his family and church. He was a longtime parish member of St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe Park.

Mr. Gleason is survived by his loving wife, Mary; children, Jane (Tom Persons), Martha Jocis, Nan (Jerry) Lening, Peter (Maureen), Joe and Molly (Jeff) Tompkins; daughter-in-law, Laura; adoring grandchildren, Laura, Erin, Margaret, David John, Clare, Patrick, Madeline, John Paul, Kelly, Emma, Natalie, Anna and Meg and great-grandchild, Angel.

He also is survived by his sisters, Sr. Helen and Mary Maquire and sister-in-law, Penny.

He was predeceased by his son, John; and brothers, Neil and Manuel (the late Delores).

Mr. Gleason will be deeply missed by those who knew him.

A memorial Mass was held March 3 at St. Clare of Montefalco.

Donations may be made to The Alzheimer's Association, 20300 Civic Center Drive, No. 100, Southfield, MI 48076.

### Honorina Roshak

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Honorina Roshak passed away peacefully Monday, Feb. 27, 2012, with her family by her side.

She was born Feb. 14, 1925, in Detroit to John and Irene Persa. She married Arthur Roshak May 1, 1943, in Conway, Ark., while he was in basic training for the U.S. Army. After the war, the couple lived on Detroit's eastside and, since 1964, in the Grosse Pointes. She has been a member of St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church for more than 30 years.

Mrs. Roshak had numerous interests and hobbies. She enjoyed working in and maintaining a garden. She loved to fish. Her love of travel had taken her and her family all over the world. Her greatest love in life was her family.

Mrs. Roshak is survived by her husband of 68 years, Arthur; daughters, Cheryl and Barbara; grandchildren Eli, Page and Ashley and great-grandchildren, Drew, Alexa and Henry.

A funeral Mass was held March 3 at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe Farms. Her remains will be inurned at the St. Paul Columbarium.

Donations may be made to St. John Providence Hospice, c/o St. John Health Foundation, P.O. Box 673271, Detroit, MI 48267-3271.

### Julie Cudlip Whitman

Longtime Grosse Pointe Farms resident Julie Cudlip Whitman, 73, died Thursday, Feb. 23, 2012. She was a former resident of Metamora.

From early childhood, she cherished her summers spent at her cottage in Charlevoix. Her love of family, friends, art and all animals, large and small, were well known. She volunteered in the communities in which she lived and participated in several organizations which benefited from her involvement and leadership.

She will be deeply missed by those who knew and loved her.

Ms. Whitman is survived by her sons, William S. (Jennifer) Whitman and Peter D. Whitman Jr. and many devoted nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were private.

Donations may be made to Tau Beta Association, c/o Mrs. Christopher A. Cornwall, 229 Merriweather Road, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236 or Belvedere Memorial Fund, Box 218, Charlevoix, MI 49720.

### Judy Marie Leonard

Judy Marie Leonard passed away peacefully in her home surrounded by family and closest friends Thursday, March 1, 2012, after an 18-month battle with Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis.

She was born Dec. 14, 1954, in Denver. She grew up in Clarkston and graduated from the University of Michigan. While there, she met and married Dr. Robert J. Leonard. They lived in Chicago, where she received training in orthotics/prosthetics at Northwestern University Rehabilitation Institute. She then worked at University of Michigan Medical Center in Ann Arbor before she and her husband moved to Grosse Pointe in 1989.

Mrs. Leonard suspended her career to raise her two children, Nicholas and Jessica. She involved herself in their many school, sports and musical activities. She especially enjoyed watching her son play baseball and her daughter play soccer and tennis.

Music played a huge part in Mrs. Leonard's life. She enjoyed playing piano and attending concerts of all kinds of music. She was a member of the Detroit Concert Choir, singing in the alto section for more than 20 years. As a member of the DCC, she participated in competitions in Ireland, Italy, Spain and Austria, including winning the Choir of the World award in the Eisteddfod competition in Llangollen, Wales, in 1996.

Mrs. Leonard loved the outdoors, spending many days skiing with family and friends, as well as hiking and exploring many of the national parks. She enjoyed gardening, as well as bird watching and feeding. She loved her pets, and counted her many cats and dogs as dear members of her family.

She loved playing tennis and was a longtime member of Eastside Tennis and Fitness Club and, more recently, Indian Village Tennis Club.

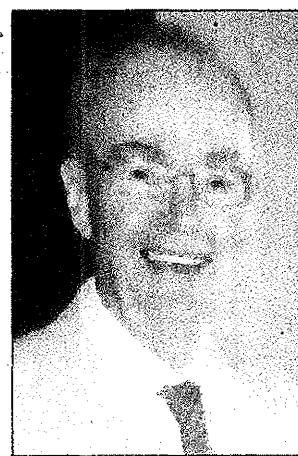
According to her family, Mrs. Leonard hosted



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Julie Cudlip Whitman



Judy Marie Leonard



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Theresa Pfaendtner



Pauline J. Schomig

many celebrations of life in her home with her gourmet cooking, including legendary Christmas Eve parties.

Donations may be made to Detroit Concert Choir, P.O. Box 24558, Detroit, MI 48224-0558 or St. John Hospice, c/o St. John Health Foundation, P.O. Box 673271, Detroit, MI 48267-3271.

### James McKenna M.D.

Grosse Pointe Park resident James McKenna M.D., 75, died Friday, Feb. 24, 2012.

He was born June 22, 1936, in Bay Ridge, Brooklyn, N.Y. to James and Ellen (née McGrath) McKenna and graduated in 1954 from St. Patrick's Preparatory School in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. He earned a bachelor's degree in engineering in 1958 from Seton Hall University and his medical degree from National University of Ireland, Dublin, Ireland, in 1963.

Dr. McKenna's early career included engineering work at Otis Elevator and Westinghouse while he attended Seton Hall. Following graduation, he joined Bell Labs in Murray Hill, N.J.

After graduating from medical school, he completed his internship and general surgery residency at the United Hospitals of Newark-Presbyterian in Newark, N.J., with special training under Dr. E.G. Wever in the physiology lab at Princeton University. He completed his ear, nose & throat surgical residency at Wayne State University, where he later joined as faculty. He served on staff at Harper Hospital, Children's Hospital of Michigan and the Veterans Administration Hospital in Allen Park.

Dr. McKenna was certified by the American Board of Otolaryngology. He was a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons and the American Academy of Facial and Plastic Reconstructive Surgery. He completed a fellowship in facial plastic surgery in California in 1968, then partnered in private practice in Detroit and later in Livonia where he joined the staff of St. Mary Hospital. He retired from medical practice in 2000.

In retirement, Dr. McKenna was a member

of the Senior Men's Club of Grosse Pointe where he enjoyed team bowling. He was a life-long boating enthusiast. Dr. McKenna and his wife, Mary Ann, née McKenna, were married 53 years and resided in the Grosse Pointes for more than 40 years.

In addition to his wife, Dr. McKenna is survived by his four children and their spouses, James

(Suzanne) McKenna of St. Clair Shores, Patrick McKenna of Grosse Pointe Park, Bonnie (Mark Haas M.D.) McKenna of Montclair, N.J., and Audrey (Rob Decker) McKenna of Roseville; his sister, Catherine McCullagh of Kensington, Md.; beloved sister-in-law, Joan McKenna of Little Neck, N.Y.; and five granddaughters, Cailleigh McKenna of Cleveland, Molly McKenna of Minneapolis, Madeleine and Elizabeth McKenna, both of St. Clair Shores, and Sophie Haas of Montclair.

Donations may be made to Saints Peter and Paul Jesuit Warming Center, 438 St. Antoine Street, Detroit, MI 48226.

### Theresa "Terry" Ann Pfaendtner

Longtime City of Grosse Pointe resident Theresa "Terry" Ann Pfaendtner, nee Gardner, 84, died Wednesday, Feb. 22, 2012.

Mrs. Pfaendtner was born April 16, 1927, in Cheboygan, the youngest of 11 children of Louis and Mary (nee O'Brien) Gardner. The family moved to Detroit when she was young and she remained in the Detroit community the rest of her life.

In 1946, she graduated from St. Ambrose High School. She met her beloved husband, Patrick, in 1957 and they were married at St. Ambrose Jan. 4, 1958.

Mrs. Pfaendtner was an active member of the Third Order Fraternity of St. Francis for 62 years. There, she met many of her closest friends and 12 of them formed the Girls Club. Her Girls Club met once a month so that each woman could have the chance to host.

Mrs. Pfaendtner was devoted to her family, friends and church. Her family said those who knew her saw a great

woman, blessed with faith, who had great courage and infinite wisdom. A longtime member of St. Ambrose, she was always willing to help out.

Mrs. Pfaendtner is survived by her children, Mary Lou and Joan (David Jackson) and beloved grandchildren, Maggie, Patrick and Delaney.

She was predeceased by her husband; brothers, Morris, Kyran, Louis and Glen and sisters, Angela, Pauletta, Gwen, Mary Margaret, Gloria and Constance.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Feb. 27 at St. Ambrose.

Donations may be made to the Capuchins, 1750 Mt. Elliott St., Detroit, MI 48207 or to St. Ambrose Catholic Church, 15020 Hampton St., Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230.

### Pauline J. Schomig

Pauline J. Schomig, 90, passed away Saturday, March 3, 2012, after a brief illness.

She was born May 7, 1921, in Wichita Falls, Texas. She grew up in west Texas and Austin, and graduated from the University of Texas Austin in 1942, with a major in journalism.

She met her husband, Lud Schomig, while he was stationed at Goodfellow Field in Texas in 1943. After a whirlwind courtship, they married in 1944, and enjoyed the next 68 years together. They spent the last 50 years living in Grosse Pointe.

Mrs. Schomig enjoyed music, painting, gardening and her springer spaniel dogs. When prompted, she was a great storyteller, particularly about her early years in west Texas and her sometimes eccentric Texas relatives.

Mrs. Schomig is survived by her loving husband, Lud; children, Jon and Kristen Ryckman; daughter-in-law, Christine Schomig; son-in-law, Douglas Ryckman; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

She was predeceased by her son, Dean.

Funeral services were held at Christ the King Lutheran Church with burial at Mt. Olivet Cemetery.



AUTOS By Jenny King

# Camry builds on winning formula



According to Toyota, the mid-size Camry has been the best-selling car in the United States for more than a decade.

In 2011, Camry was No. 1 for the 10th year in a row and 14 of the last 15 years.

The 2012 model bowed late last summer. Its styling is cautious, conservative, middle-of-the-road — but why would designers of the best-selling car in the United States want to gamble at this point in its history?

Our tester was the Barcelona red SE model with V-6 engine. And it was decked out with gorgeous seats featuring perforated, suede-like dove-gray inserts edged in black leather — all part of a \$1,050 leather package. The leather package also offered multi-stage heating for the front seats and the passenger seat was power adjustable.

The 2012 Camry comes in L, LE, SE and LX models. Trim and options choices depend on the model selected.

The base engine is a 2.5-liter four, tweaked up from its predecessor to 178 horsepower. Fuel economy ratings for the four are 25 miles per gallon city and 35 highway.

Toyota says its Acoustic Control Induction System helps optimize torque over a broad engine speed range, so you shouldn't have periods of powerlessness as you move into higher speeds.

The 2.5-liter four is available in all Camry models.

The V-6, available in the SE and XLE, delivers an impressive 268 horsepower, but fuel economy dips significantly to 21 average in the city and 30 on the highway.

As standard, the three gasoline-engine-equipped models have a six-speed automatic transmission with sequential manual shift mode.

Toyota explains the driver of an SE model can also shift manually in "D range," using steering wheel paddle shifters. Also the automatic transmission offers faster shift times in the sport mode.

Toyota's Hybrid Synergy Drive powertrain — gas-electric system — includes a new 2.5-liter four rated 43



Toyota is touting its new Entune option with a plethora of features.

mpg city and 39 highway. Combined horsepower of the gas engine and small high-torque electric motor is 200.

Toyota reports the Camry Hybrid LE city fuel economy and combined city/highway is up more than 30 percent from the previous generation, thanks to the new hybrid powertrain, lighter vehicle weight and improved aerodynamics.

The Camry sedan features a quiet, comfortable interior with generous seating for five. Room for rear-seat passengers is limousine-style. Rear doors are wide-opening; legroom in the back invites those seated there to stretch out. The front has optional heated seats.

The base price of the LE model with V-6 was

\$26,640. Options and destination charges pushed the total to \$30,910.

A \$650 audio-navigation package with Toyota's new Entune includes access to satellite radio, hands-free phoning, advanced voice recognition, text-to-speech and music streaming.

A convenience package, \$895, comprised backup camera; auto-dimming rearview mirror with compass; and anti-theft system with alarm.

The large sunroof added another \$915 to the sticker.

The Camry L starts at \$21,955; LE Hybrid, \$25,900; and XLE Hybrid, \$27,400.

Standard features for the base 2012 Camry L include air conditioning with filter, Bluetooth

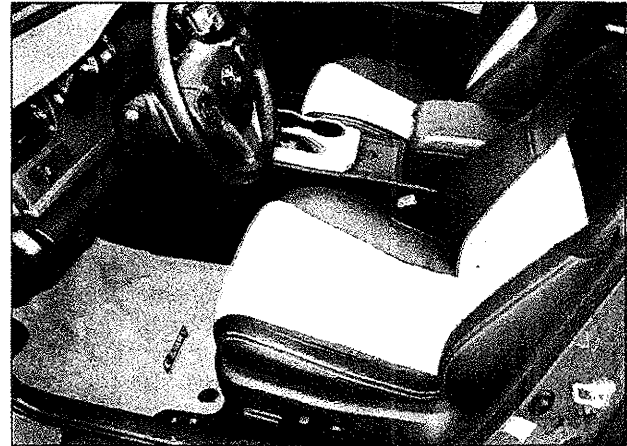
hands-free phone capability, power door locks with anti-lockout feature, power windows, cruise control, 60/40 folding rear seats, fold-down rear center armrest with cupholders and outside temperature gauge.

The Star Safety System in Toyota products includes vehicle stability control, traction control, anti-lock brakes, electronic brake-force distribution, brake assist and smart stop technology.

Ten air bags are standard on all Camry sedans. Front seats feature a whiplash injury-lessening design.

The list of options is extensive; many are related to choice of model. The display audio and Entune are prominent among them. Two touch-screen sizes are available.

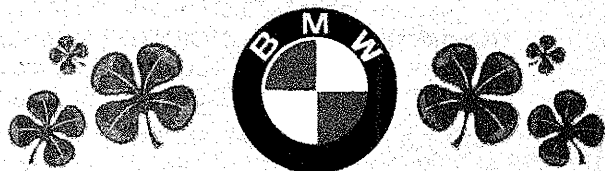
Jenny King is an automotive writer who lives in the City of Grosse Pointe.



PHOTOS BY JENNY KING

Camry's conservative exterior lines for 2012 are enhanced by choices of color. The palette includes Barcelona red and Clearwater blue. The Ultrasuede and leather seats are part of an option package on the 2012 Camry.

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# Clairview sewer relining

# SOC scores grants

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE SHORES** — Sewer reconstruction began last week on Clairview.

The 950-foot of 12-inch sewer is being relined from Ballantyne to Shelden for nearly \$43,000.

Work last week involved cleaning and surveying the sewer pipe, a portion of which collapsed last summer.

About 100 feet of pipe was replaced at the time.

“Hopefully, by the middle of (this) week, they’ll start lining,” said Brett Smith, Shores director of public works.

This week’s lining

process is organized in two steps. Both are expected to be finished by Friday.

Injecting don’t require excavating the whole length of pipe.

Step one starts at Ballantyne and goes halfway down the block. Step two completes the block to Shelden.

Crews from Lanzo Lining, of Roseville, will inject a resin liner into the pipe. The liner coats and seals the inside wall, making the structure as good as new, according to Smith. He expects repairs to last 30 to 50 years.

Clairview residents can use water during construction.

“We will be asking resi-

dents to refrain from using water as much as possible for a 12-hour period on those two days,” Smith said.

Relining may result in a resin odor from drain openings.

“When the sewer truck comes by to clean the sewers, it sucks the traps out,” Smith explained. “The traps are dry. When they line the sewer, households get an odor of resin. After sewers are cleaned, it might be a good idea to put water down floor drains in the basement.”

In other underground news, Smith’s crews are getting a break on broken water mains.

“We usually have 10 to 15 breaks per year,” he

said. “This year, we’re way down.”

A main broke on South Duval. A sewer line broke on Lakeshore Lane near lakeshore. A broken sanitary sewer is creating a sinkhole on Lakeshore near Woodland Shore.

Public works employees barricaded the hole.

“We expect to excavating that (this) week,” Smith said.

Water and sewer pipes usually don’t start snapping until April, when frost exits the ground and heavy rains tax the sewer system, Smith said.

Lastly, Shores officials have received questions about a private contractor excavating the front yard of a house on Lakeshore between Vernier and Fontana.

It’s a swimming pool being demolished.

Services for Older Citizens received the largest share of block grants awarded this year to the City of Grosse Pointe.

Of \$73,000 in federal community development block grants issued to the city for 2012, council members earmarked \$38,000 for SOC.

The organization got \$8,000 for public services, plus \$30,000 for its minor home repair program.

SOC’s share totals 52 percent of funds funneled to the city by federal and county agencies.

The balance of grants, less administration costs, were designated this week for sidewalk improvements.

Some \$30,000 in grant money is being set aside to install sidewalk intersection ramps that comply with the Americans With Disabilities Act.

“It’s the same program

we’ve had the past couple of years,” Dame said.

About half of the city’s sidewalks have been put in compliance, he added.

The City is using \$5,000, or less than 7 percent of total grants, to administer the program.

Block grants totaled about one-third less than last year, Dame said.

“Under federal cutbacks, this program has received less appropriations,” he said.

He plans to combine unused sidewalk funds from last year, when the city rejected all construction bids for the project, with this year’s allocation.

The goal is to achieve greater economies of scale.

Final funding amounts are subject to approval of Wayne County and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

— Brad Lindberg

**CITY OF HARPER WOODS  
WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM  
19617 HARPER AVENUE  
WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

A public hearing is scheduled before the Mayor and City Council on Monday, March 19, 2012 at 7:00p.m. In the City Council chambers off the Municipal Building, 19617 Harper Avenue for the purpose of:

**Receiving comments or suggestions regarding the 2012 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program.  
These suggestions must identify and benefit community development or housing needs of low and moderate residents.**

The City of Harper Woods expects to receive approximately \$97,000.

The primary objectives of the Community Development Program are to assist low to moderate income families, preserve neighborhoods, assist in replacing the urban infrastructure and to assist in meeting special needs of seniors and physically disabled wherever possible.

LOCATION	POTENTIAL PROJECTS ACTIVITIES	AMOUNT
Kelly Road Census tract 5516 Blocks	Streetscape improvements: Concrete, landscape, electrical	\$52,860
City Wide	SOC minor home repairs: Assistance to elderly and handicapped based on income	16,000
City Wide	SOC Chore Program	9,220
City Wide	Pointe Area Assisted Transit: Handicapped transportation based on income	9,220
City Wide	Administration: Program Management	9,700
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>97,000</b>

The City of Harper Woods will apply for housing rehabilitation funds estimating the amount to be \$30,000, which will be administered by Services for Older Citizens.

Please write or call the Office of Community Development, 19617 Harper Avenue, Harper Woods, Michigan 48225 313-343-2518

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CITY OF GROSSE POINTE  
WAYNE COUNTY  
BOARD OF REVIEW**

The CITY OF GROSSE POINTE Board of Review will meet at 17147 Maumee, Grosse Pointe, Michigan on March 6th, 19th and 20th 2012. The Board will organize and review assessments on Tuesday, March 6th. The Board will hear protests from aggrieved property owners by appointment on Monday, March 19th from 9 am to 12 Noon and 2 pm to 9 pm and Tuesday, March 20th from 9 am to 12 Noon and 2pm to 5 pm. Appointments may be made by calling the City offices at 313-885-5800 from 8:30 am to 5 pm. Appeals made by mail must be postmarked by March 20, 2012 and received by March 23, 2012.

The tentative ratios and estimated multipliers necessary to compute individual state equalized values are as follows:

CLASS	RATIO	MULTIPLIER
Commercial	49.94	1.0000
Residential	50.00	1.0000
Personal	50.00	1.0000

**Judith A. Provencher,**  
Assessor  
City of Grosse Pointe

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**CITY OF HARPER WOODS  
WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN  
SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
FEBRUARY 22, 2012**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:30 P.M.

**ROLL CALL:** All Councilpersons were present.

**MOTIONS PASSED**

- 1) To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held January 18, 2012 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Board of Trustee Employees Retirement System meeting held January 30, 2012 and the Board of Trustee Employees Retirement System special meeting held February 6, 2012.
- 2) That the Introduction and First Reading of an Ordinance to Regulate a Pawn Broker Business be Tabled and referred back to the acting City Manager for further information and review.
- 3) To schedule a public hearing for the March 19, 2012 meeting at 7:00 p.m. to hear public comment on the creation of a Special Assessment District and further to schedule a second public hearing on April 2, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing the affect of the Special Assessment on the tax roll.
- 4) That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 9:53 p.m.

**RESOLUTION PASSED**

- 1) To approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: (1) Approve the Accounts Payable listing for Check Numbers 96328 through 96532 in the amount of \$1,003,062.85 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing. (2) Approve payment in the amount of \$13,533.54 to Grosse Pointe Woods for the City’s pro-rata portion of the operating and maintenance of the Torrey Road Pump Station for the period July 2011 through December 2011. (3) Approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$13,117.44 for professional services during the month of October 2011 and December 2011 for the following projects: EB Harper Vernier to 8 Mile, #180-106; EB Harper Manchester to Vernier, #180-109; Traffic Signal Upgrades, #180-124; Handicap Ramp Upgrades, #180-126; 2011 Emergency Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-136; 2011/12 CDBG Ramp Replacement, #180-138; SRF Project Plan Projects, #180-113, 117, 118 and 119. (4) Approve payment in the amount of \$6,900.40 to Suburban Library Cooperative for the purchase of eight (8) computers for the Library public and staff. (5) Approve payment to Oakland County in the amount of \$7,649.75 for fees relative to the CLEMIS computer system utilized by the Police Department for the period October through December 2011. (6) Approve payment to Statewide Security Transport in the amount of \$12,957.11 for prisoner lodging and maintenance, \$6,577.61 for the month of December 2011 and \$6,379.50 for the month of January 2012. (7) Approve payment to the City of Grosse Pointe Farms in the amount of \$11,078.68 for Harper Woods’ proportionate share of the Intermunicipal Radio System for the period July through December 2011.
- 2) To adopt the Performance and Indemnification Resolution related to the City’s Annual Permit for Special Events and Annual Maintenance Permit for Work on County Roads.
- 3) To adopt the Resolution to Designate the acting City Manager as the Street Administrator for the City of Harper Woods.
- 4) To introduce for First Reading and Adoption, Ordinance No. 2012-01 entitled “An Ordinance to Amend the Provisions of the City of Harper Woods Employees Retirement System Title 2, Chapter 8 of the Code of Ordinances Amending Section 2-803 to Prohibit Eligibility to Two Pensions Within the Pension System.” and that said ordinance shall have immediate effect and, further, that the acting City Clerk publish a notice of adoption of this ordinance in accordance with City Charter requirements.

**Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor**  
**Leslie M. Frank, Acting City Clerk**

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**CITY OF HARPER WOODS  
WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN  
SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
JANUARY 18, 2012**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:30 P.M.

**ROLL CALL:** All Councilpersons were present except Councilperson Daniel S. Palmer.

**MOTIONS PASSED**

- 1) To excuse Councilmember Palmer from tonight’s meeting because of a prior commitment.
- 2) To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held January 4, 2012 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Board of Zoning Appeals meeting held January 11, 2012.
- 3) That the Regular City Council meeting scheduled for Monday, February 6, 2012 be cancelled.
- 4) That an Executive Session be added to the Agenda for the purpose of discussing a collective bargaining issue regarding negotiations with the Fire Union.
- 5) That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

**RESOLUTION PASSED**

- 1) To approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: (1) Approve the Accounts Payable listing for Check Numbers 96228 through 96327 in the amount of \$1,124,284.38 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing. (2) Approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$10,138.70 for professional services during the month of December 2011 for the following projects: EB Harper, Manchester to Vernier, #180-109; EB Harper, Vernier to 8 Mile, #180-106; Traffic Signal Upgrade Project, #180-124; 2011 Emergency Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-136; Emergency Sanitary Sewer Inv., #180-140 and the 2013/2014 CMAQ Grant Application, #180-141. (3) Approve the payment to Northern Data Systems in the amount of \$8,672.44 for the annual maintenance for the period January 31, 2012 through January 31, 2013 for the City’s PC server, the billing for our December water invoices and for 2011 W-2 and 1099 forms. (4) Approve the request from the Shamrock Cab Company for taxicab licenses covering the cabs listed on the attached application for 2012. (5) Approve the appointments to the various boards and commissions as listed on the attached memorandum from the acting City Clerk.
- 2) To approve payment to the Michigan Department of Transportation in the amount of \$19,239.65 for the Beaconsfield Traffic Signal Upgrade project.
- 3) To establish a fee of \$130.00 to be paid by business owners/tenants for Cross Control Inspections in the City of Harper Woods.
- 4) To adopt the resolution in opposition to the closing of the Sears Corporate Outlet at Eastland Center and further that a copy of this resolution be sent to Sears Holding Corporation.
- 5) To approve the attached Memorandum of Understanding between the Natural Resources Conservation Service, a Federal Agency of the United States Department of Agriculture and the City of Harper Woods, a municipal corporation for soil resource mapping, and further to authorize the acting City Manager to sign the agreement.
- 6) To authorize the acting City Manager to make necessary staffing reductions to meet the budgetary needs of the community.
- 7) To adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a collective bargaining issue regarding negotiations with the Fire Union.

**Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor**  
**Leslie M. Frank, Acting City Clerk**

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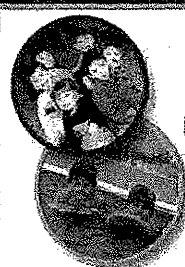
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Colin

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POST CARD

Hey mom & dad,  
My room mate does not take a bath! He smells. Can I give him my soap? Call me!

Billy

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POST CARD

Dear Mom & Dad,  
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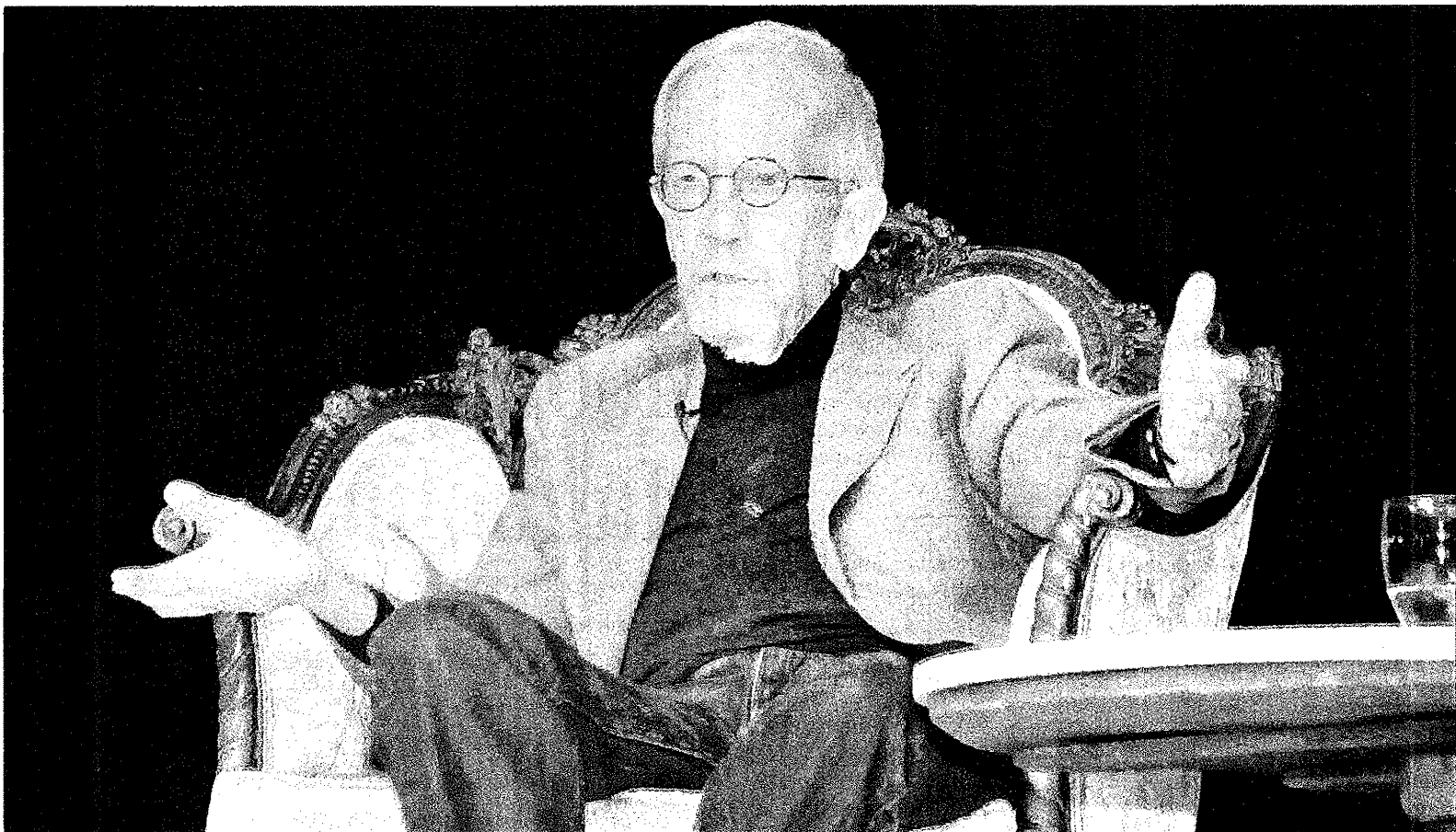
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Elmore Leonard talks about the many blundered Hollywood adaptations of his novels and short stories.

## Getting it write

By A.J. Hakim  
Staff Writer

In Elmore Leonard's mind, it took Hollywood nearly 40 years to finally "get it right."

The Grand Master Edgar (Mystery Writers of America) and F. Scott Fitzgerald Literary (outstanding achievement in American literature) awards-winning author and screenwriter waxed nostalgic Wednesday, Feb. 29.

Leonard spoke during an intimate event at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, courtesy of a joint partnership between the Wayne County Community College District and Grosse Pointe Public Library.

Leonard, alongside his longtime researcher Gregg Sutter, reminisced about the film industry's abundance of blundered adaptations of his novels and short stories.

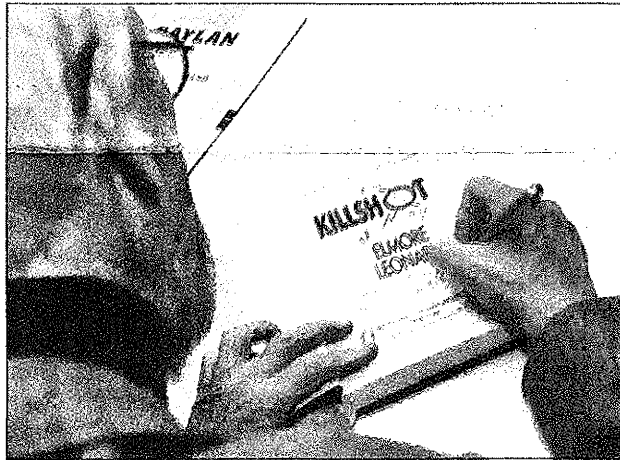
"I got in late into the theater, and about 20 minutes later, a couple sitting right in front of me, the woman turns her head to the man and says, 'this is the worst picture I've ever seen,'" said the 85-year-old Birmingham resident about seeing the 1969 New York premier of "The Big Bounce." He considers it the second worst movie ever made. The first being the film's 2004 remake.

"And the three of us got up and left."

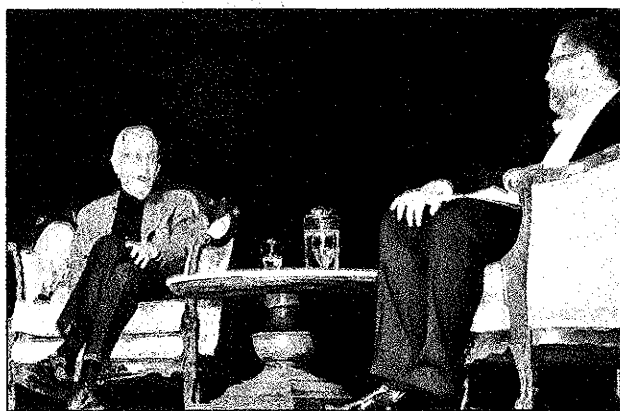
"Then, when 'The Big Bounce' was made again — the original story was set up in the thumb of Michigan (Port Austin) — now they've moved it out to Hawaii, in Oahu. And whenever they can't think of something to show in the picture, you see a big surfing scene. They had a lot of filler."

In all, Hollywood has adapted to film — some twice — 20 novels and short stories, from the first, "The Tall T" in 1957 to "Killshot" in 2008. Two others — "Freaky Deaky" and "Switch" — are currently in post- and pre-production, respectively.

But it wasn't until 1995,



Afterward, Leonard autographed copies of his novels, including, pictured, a first edition of "Killshot."



Grand Master Edgar and F. Scott Fitzgerald Literary awards-winning author Elmore Leonard, left, reminisced with longtime researcher Gregg Sutter during the Wayne County Community College District and Grosse Pointe Public Library-sponsored event at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

Leonard said, with director Barry Sonnenfeld's "Get Shorty," adapted by screenwriter Scott Frank, that Hollywood succeeded.

"The only thing I'm gonna tell you is, when the characters are talking and somebody says something that's funny, you don't cut to the guy laughing or anything like that," Leonard said in advising Sonnenfeld prior to production. "Because everything they're saying, even though it's funny, they're serious. And it's up to the audience. If the audience gets it, fine; if they don't, it didn't work."

The audience got it, because unlike those before it, the film captured Leonard's spirit and mastery of dialogue. It is one of only three films — the 1990s trifecta — to do so. The others — Quentin Tarantino's "Jackie Brown," adapted from "Rum Punch," and

Steven Soderbergh's "Out of Sight."

Throughout the evening, Leonard offered humorous anecdotes about his mishaps or disagreements and countless grudges with casts and crews from each film. He joked of Cedric the Entertainer's failed casting in "Be Cool" (2005), the sequel to "Get Shorty," as well as Sonnenfeld's much-despised and short-lived television adaptation of "Maximum Bob."

"I asked him, what're you gonna call it, 'Hee-Haw: The Movie,'" said Leonard who, in more than 60 years, has written 45 novels, as well as countless other short stories, films, even a few newspaper articles.

At Wednesday's event, Leonard also promoted his most recent novel, "Raylan," his fourth work featuring Raylan Givens, the character who inspired FX's TV series

"Justified."

Givens, Leonard said, is one of his favorite characters — a laid back, Stetson-wearing U.S.

marshal in Harlan County, Ky.

The night ended with Leonard and Sutter fielding questions from the

capacity crowd, followed by a brief autograph session, in which Leonard signed copies of "Raylan" and his other books.

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Herb society

The Thursday, March 8, meeting of the Herb Society of America, Grosse Pointe unit, has been canceled.

Grosse Pointe Questers

Grosse Pointe Questers meet at 9:30 a.m. Friday, March 9, for a program of "show and tell." Rosemary Bay is hostess and co-hostesses are Judy Mathews and Lisa Gandelot.

La Societe des Jardinieres

The La Societe des Jardinieres meets at noon, Thursday, March 8, at Jennifer Neidereost's house.

Rosann Kovalcik of Wild Birds Unlimited, discusses how to attract hummingbirds to the garden.

Co-hostess Mary Lou Smith provides lunch.

Members are asked to pack lunches at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church Wednesday, March 14, for guests who will be at the church for homeless week.

Spirit of Women

"The Gift of You," an educational series for



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Dining out

Salvatore Scallopini in Grosse Pointe Woods donates a portion of its Monday, March 12, lunch and dinner proceeds to The Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods. To serve patrons are, left, executive chef and manager Robert Duncan and co-manager Jason Johnson.

mothers and daughters, is from 3 to 5:30 p.m. Sunday, March 11, in the Connelly Auditorium, Beaumont Hospital Grosse Pointe, 468 Cadieux, City of Grosse Pointe.

The second of three sessions addresses seven effective habits of teens. The cost is \$15 per person. To register, or for more information, visit [beaumont.edu/spirit-of-women](http://beaumont.edu/spirit-of-women), or call 800-633-7377.

The final session March 18 focuses on leadership principles and cultural conceptions of women. Each session is led by women's health nurse

practitioner and designed for girls ages 12 to 15.

Pointes for Peace

Pakistani human rights leader Sameena Nazir speaks at 7 p.m. Sunday, March 11, at the Albanian Islamic Center, 19775 Harper, Harper Woods. She works with rural women and communities for social change, gender equity and minority rights promotion.

The event is free and the public can attend.

For more information, call Carol Bendure at (313) 882-7732 or visit [pointesforpeace@yahoo.com](mailto:pointesforpeace@yahoo.com).

Rotary club

The Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe meets at noon Monday, March 12, at Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Lunch costs \$15 and the public can attend to learn about the club's mission, and current community and international projects.



Moonlight and Magnolias

The Grosse Pointe Theatre's cast of "Moonlight and Magnolias" features, from left, Dennis Martell as movie director Victor Fleming; Kevin Fitzhenry as screenwriter Ben Hecht; Ron Bernas as Hollywood producer David O. Selznick; and Cyndy Nehr as secretary Miss Poppenguhl. They portray the group who worked on a renovated "Gone With the Wind" script in five days in February 1939. The play can be seen at 8 p.m. March 15 to 17 and March 22 to 24 and 2 p.m. Sunday, March 18, in the Fries Auditorium of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. To reserve \$18 tickets, call (313) 881-4004 or visit [gpt.org](http://gpt.org).

Local municipal finance attorney John Axe discusses the state's emergency financial manager law and municipal bankruptcy.

Sunrise Rotary

Sunrise Rotary club meets at 7 a.m. Tuesday, March 13, at The Hill Seafood & Chop House, 123 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. The speaker is Rotarian Penny Oglosby.

Senior Men's Club

The Senior Men's Club of Grosse Pointe lunch is at 11 a.m. Tuesday, March 13, at the Grosse Pointe

War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The cost is \$10. The speaker is Dennis Morrow of Solid Ground, who discusses "A Transitional Homeless Shelter for Families with Children."

Men, retired or more than 55 years of age, from the community can attend. Attendees must wear a sports coat.

For information, call Ken Van Dellen at (313) 821-5706.

Ask the Experts

Beaumont Hospital Grosse Pointe executive chef Dan Kellogg discusses healthy lunches in his presentation "Eat This, Not That" from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 14, in the hospital's auditorium, 468 Cadieux, City of Grosse Pointe. This is part of a the month-long series featuring experts associated with The Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods.

The March 21 presentation is "Bluer Than Blue - Is it the Baby Blues or Something More?" from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at Barnes Early Childhood Center, 20090 Morningside, Grosse Pointe Woods.

The final session in the series is from 6:30 to 8 p.m., Wednesday, March 28, and features Kim Stells who discusses "Couple's Quest for Communication Success."

It will be at Barnes

Early Childhood Center.

Admission is free to any of the presentations.

For reservations, call (313) 432-3832 or visit [familycenterweb.org](http://familycenterweb.org).

Center of Lifelong Learning

Habitat for Humanity fund development and marketing director Tara Franey speaks at 1 p.m. Tuesday, March 13, at Center of Lifelong Learning, St. Peter Parish House, 19851 Anita, Harper Woods.

A freewill donation is accepted.

Alliance Francaise

The Alliance Francaise de Grosse Pointe presents its monthly Ciné-Club at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 14, at the Grosse Pointe Library, Woods branch, 20680 Mack.

The film, "A Loving Father," features real life father and son, Gerard and Guillaume Depardieu. The film is in French with English subtitles.

Balduck Mountain Ramblers

Grosse Pointe's Balduck Mountain Ramblers perform a concert at 8 p.m. Friday, March 16, at the Historic Players Playhouse, 3321 E. Jefferson, Detroit.

Proceeds benefit the Players Endowment fund established to help maintain the 87-year-old playhouse, a state and federal designated historic site.

Tickets cost \$30 and include a light dinner and refreshments.

For reservation information, call (313) 259-3385.

Ford House

The Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, offers a "Making Quilts and Making Art" lecture 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Monday, March 19. Local artist Judi Warren Blaydon explains her inspiration for quilt making and the recurring themes in her creations.

Members pay \$20 and non-members pay \$25.

◆ A staff life behind the scenes tour is from 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Saturday, March 10. The cost is \$15. Reservations are required.

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# Healthy eating, snacking tips



**Q.** I am a fourth-grade teacher and notice at about 10 a.m. my students suddenly appear tired or sluggish. I'm confident they are having breakfast, but are there "energy" foods I could suggest to them and their parents?

**A.** Absolutely! Any breakfast that includes oatmeal, whole wheat cereal or whole wheat bread provides lasting energy, without a lot of calories. Some children may balk at whole wheat products but they do provide the most nutrients. If you use whole wheat bread for French toast and add a little cinnamon to the egg mixture, they won't even

know they're eating whole wheat bread. Another suggestion is adding a child's favorite fruit to whole wheat cereal.

**Q.** One of my biggest "ugh" when school starts is packing lunches my children will eat. What can I pack that is new and different that they will look forward to eating?

**A.** There are several recipes available online for sweet potato chips that are easy to make at home. Depending on your child's taste buds, they can be seasoned with salt, paprika or cayenne pepper or just a little bit of salt.

Another way to make them "fun" is to use a cookie cutter to cut the thin slices in shapes — St. Patrick's Day is just around the corner. Four leaf clovers will make

anyone's "Top of the Day."

**Q.** My teenage son is suddenly becoming a "snacker." I know he is growing, but do you have any tips on healthy snacking?

**A.** Snacking can be one of our biggest downfalls in maintaining a healthy weight. But, healthy snacking can keep a growing teen's energy level high and keep his mind alert. Fruits, vegetables, nuts, seeds, low-fat yogurt and whole grains are the best for snacking, but once in a while we all want the "unhealthy" snacks. Think about preparing small containers of snacks ahead of time so they are readily available and correctly proportioned. If your son starts snacking from the original packaging, he may eat the entire package. And, once a

snack is gone, snack time is over. Eating too much zaps his energy and slows him down.

**Q.** I've tried packing bite-sized vegetables and peeled, easy-to-eat fruit in my daughter's lunch and it usually comes back home. How can I get her to eat them?

**A.** Children emulate their parents. Try having an "appetizer" before dinner that includes raw veggies with dip. Prepare the dip with low-fat yogurt or ranch dressing and place it in the middle of the vegetables, like you would find at a party. You can purchase insulated lunch containers that have a center well for dips with outer wells for fruits and vegetables. Fruit dips made from low-fat yogurt are excellent too!

Kellogg, executive chef, nutritional services,

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Beaumont Hospital Grosse Pointe, attended the Baltimore International College Culinary Arts program in Maryland and has 29 years of food service experience, 27 of which are in food service management. He can be reached at (313) 473-1747 or via e-mail at dkellogg@

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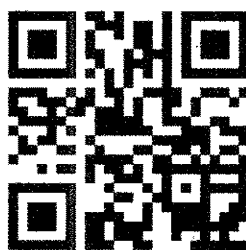
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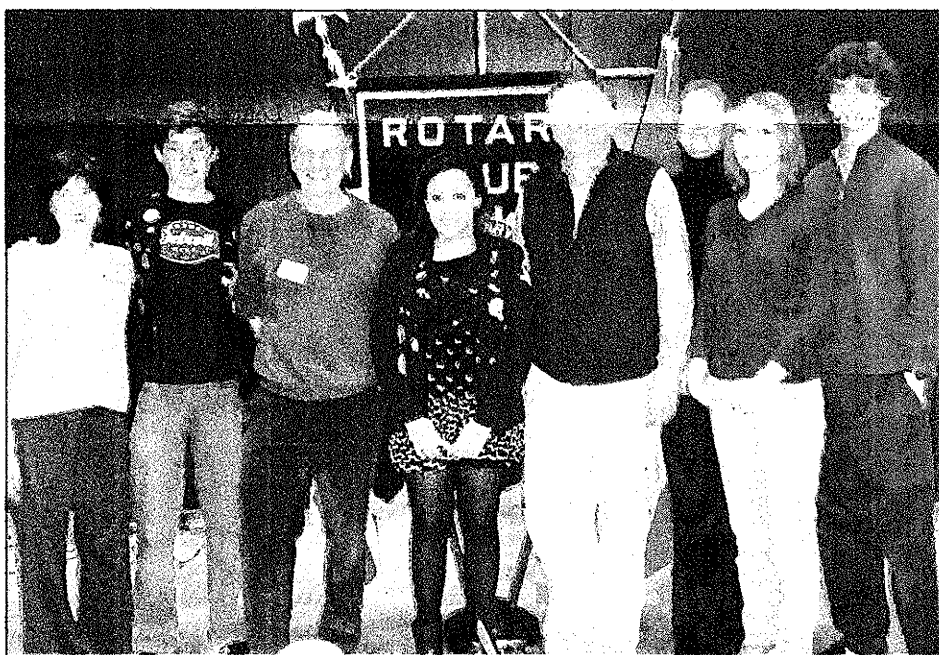
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M.D.; and vascular surgeon Alexander Shepard M.D.

From the City of Grosse Pointe, doctors cited are: dermatologist Henry Lim M.D.; and urologist Hans J. Stricker M.D.

Neurological surgeon Jack Rock M.D., of Grosse Pointe Farms; and plastic surgeon Herman Houin M.D., Grosse Pointe Shores, are also named.



## Exchange students

Two foreign exchange students, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe, attended a celebration of Rotary's foreign exchange program with their host families.

From left, Marsha Goan, Mexican exchange student Daniel Perez, Scott Tilly, Italian exchange student Daiana Contini with her host family, Sergio, Lora, Casey and Jaco Mazza. Goan and Tilly are hosting Perez.

## ACTIVITIES: Tennis, jugglers and fitness

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### War Memorial

Observe St. Patrick's Day with a class highlighting the flavors of the Emerald Isle. Youngsters can get a quick start on tennis. A juggler offers a class for all ages at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. To register for any programs, call (313) 881-7511.

**Taste of the Irish** — 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 14. Chef Pam Gustafson observes St. Patrick's Day creating shepherd's pie, beer-braised brisket with root vegetables, Ballymaloe ice cream and chocolate stout cake for dessert. The cost is \$40.

**Jugglers-to-be** — 5 to 6 p.m., Mondays, March 19 through April 2 or April 30 through May 21.

Young people ages 8-and-up can learn how to juggle three balls in a new program led by Mark Smith. A second session is offered Monday, April 30 through May 21. The fee is \$33 if paid in advance for three classes and a \$5 materials fee.



Registering on the first day of class is \$38.

**Quick start tennis** — 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Tuesdays, March 20 through May 1. For children ages 6-10 learn to play tennis. Chip Fazio is the instructor. Children play on an appropriate sized court with balls that

bounce lower and move through the air more slowly than normal tennis balls. The preregistration cost is \$78. The cost is \$83 on the first day of class.

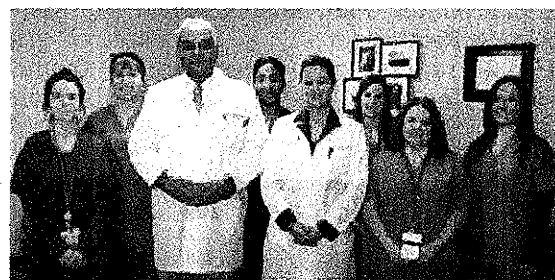
**In the Spirit of Women** — 6 p.m., Wednesday, March 21. The movie "Calendar Girls" is shown following a wine reception. The cost is \$12. Advance registration is required.

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11:00 pm Out of the Ordinary  
11:30 pm Senior Men's Club

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1:00 am Glory  
1:30 am Great Lakes Log  
2:00 am The John Prost Show  
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3:30 am Pointes of Horticulture  
4:00 am The John Prost Show  
4:30 am Great Lakes Log  
5:00 am Out of the Ordinary  
5:30 am Legal Insider  
6:00 am Things to Do at the War Memorial  
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## CHURCHES

## CHURCH EVENTS

## Star of the Sea

Our Lady Star of the Sea hosts "Genesis," a Lenten journey of faith, Thursdays, March 8, 15, 22 and 29 at the church.

The event begins with fellowship at 6 p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m., the video "Catholicism," at 7:30 p.m. and discussion from 8 to 9 p.m.

Free child care is offered.

For more information, e-mail [GenesisofFaith@comcast.net](mailto:GenesisofFaith@comcast.net) or call the parish office at (313) 884-5554.

## Ecumenical breakfast

The Grosse Pointe Men's ecumenical breakfast begins at 6:45 a.m. Friday, March 9, with coffee at the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

A buffet breakfast is served at

7:15 a.m., followed at 7:45 a.m. by the speaker, Rev. Harry Cook, who talks about spirituality. The event ends at 8:15 a.m.

Men of all faiths can attend.

For more information, call Eric Lindquist at (313) 530-8656.

## Christ Church

The Christ Church Spirituality Center presents a one-day Lenten retreat on the spirituality of compassion from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Saturday, March 10.

Karen Montagno, Director of Congregational Resources and Training for the Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts, facilitates the retreat, taking participants through a number of gateways into the heart's capacity for compassion, meditation, reflection, music and visual art.

The public can attend.

The cost is \$45 and includes lunch, or \$40 without lunch. Group rates and scholarship help are available.

The workshop takes place at the church, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms. To register or for more information, visit [christchurchgp.org/spirituality.html](http://christchurchgp.org/spirituality.html) or call the spirituality center office at (313) 885-4841, ext. 113.

◆ The Rev. David Dieter, senior associate rector at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, leads the book study, "Seeing Holy Week with Fresh Insight," from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 23.

The evening begins with an informal service of Holy Eucharist at 5:30 p.m. and a soup supper at 6 p.m.

For more information, visit [christchurchgp.org](http://christchurchgp.org) or call (313) 885-4841.

◆ Biblical scholar, author and theologian Marcus J. Borg lectures March 16 to 18.

His free opening lecture is at 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 16, and the topic is "Two Visions of Christianity Today," seeking points of commonality in American churches' views of the Bible, Christian tradition, life and what it means to be a Christian.

Borg continues his talks at 9 a.m. Saturday, March 17, with "Telling the Story of Jesus Today." The 10:30 a.m. topic explores the historical-metaphysical approach to the study of Jesus.

Borg preaches at 9 and 11:15 a.m. Sunday, March 18, and leads the 10:15 a.m. adult forum

in a discussion of "Salvation: Here and Now? Then and There?"

Copies of Borg's books are available from the church's bookstore beginning at \$9. He will sign copies of his books Friday night and at 8:30 a.m. Saturday.

## St. Clare

St. Clare of Montefalco hosts a Mom2Mom sale from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, March 10, in the church's social hall at the corner of Mack and Whittier, Grosse Pointe Park.

## St. Paul

Captive Free performs for high school youth at St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, 375 Lothrop, Grosse Pointe Farms, from 7 to 10 p.m. Saturday, March 10.

All high school aged youth can attend.

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## First English

The Open Door series at First English Evangelical Lutheran Church hosts "The Miller Family," at 4 p.m. Sunday, March 11.

The family presents instrumental classics and pop songs, including Gabrielli, Purcell, Bach, Bizet, Pinkham and Sibelius.

A reception follows the concert.

Adult tickets cost \$10 and students and seniors pay \$7. Tickets are available at the door.

The church is located at 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods.

For more information, call (313) 884-5040.

## Congregational Church

Sign-up for the fifth annual GPCC Battle of the Bands. The deadline is Monday, March 19. The event is Saturday, March 31, at the Grosse Pointe Congregational Church, 240 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms.

For more information, call Erik Landendorf at (313) 384-3941.

## Mariners' Church

Mariners' Church organist Kevin J. Bylsma performs music by Bach, Widor, Demessieux and Dragt at 12:35 p.m. Thursday, March 15, at the church, 170 Jefferson, Detroit.

## Assumption

Assumption Nursery School and Toddler Center holds "Explore Your World!" June 18 through Aug. 23 at 22150 Marter, St. Clair Shores.

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## NEW ARRIVALS

## George Henry Adams

Kate and Jeff Adams, of Grosse Pointe Farms, are the parents of a son, George Henry Adams, born Oct. 11, 2011.

Marie and Jim West, of Grosse Pointe Farms, are the maternal grandparents.

The paternal grandparents are Martha and John Adams, of Grosse Pointe Farms.

Great-grandparents are Joseph Karle, of St. Clair

Shores; Lauralee Adams, of East Lansing; and Helen Greenhalgh, of Park Forest, Ill.

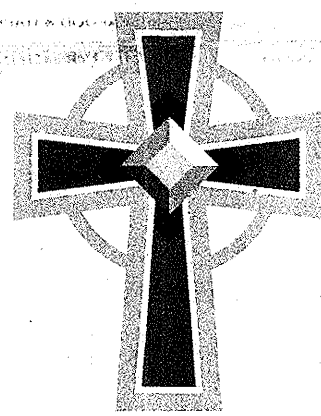
## Bentley Arnold Karcher

Alan and Deborah Karcher of the City of Grosse Pointe are the parents of a son, Bentley Arnold Karcher, born Jan. 13, 2012.

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A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

## Winter blues lost in taste of cookies

Now or not, I've got the winter blues. I had to find something to pick me up, so I turned to one of my favorite cookbooks and plucked a recipe for lemon-raspberry cookies. Light and luscious, these tasty rounds pack in the flavor without the calories (about 60 apiece).

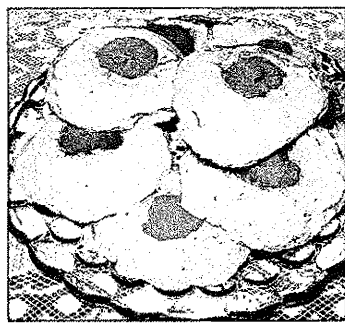


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Sweep away the winter blues with a burst of raspberries and white chocolate.

### Lemon-Raspberry Cookies (adapted from Conscious Cuisine)

3 1/2 cups flour  
2 1/2 teaspoons baking soda  
2/3 cup butter, softened  
1 cup raw cane sugar (turbinado)  
1 large egg plus 3 large egg whites  
1 teaspoon lemon zest  
1/4 cup fresh lemon juice  
1/2 cup white chocolate chips  
50 - 60 fresh firm raspberries  
Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

In a small bowl combine flour and baking soda. Set aside.

In a large bowl beat butter together with sugar, until smooth. Beat in egg and egg whites. Mix in lemon zest and lemon juice. Add flour mixture in small batches, stirring well after each addition. Stir in white chocolate chips.

Drop dough by rounded teaspoons onto two greased baking sheets (30 per sheet). (You can also use parchment paper to line baking sheets.)

Press a raspberry into the center of each cookie. Bake at 350 degrees eight to 11 minutes, until cookies are golden brown on bottom. Transfer to a wire rack for cooling.

These not too sweet cookies get a burst from the raspberries and a surprise in every bite from the white chocolate. This is a perfect choice with afternoon tea or to brighten the day of someone by handing them a couple of these yummy morsels.

The 60 calories is based on a five dozen yield. I made about 50 cookies.

## Yesterday's Headlines

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

### 1962

50 years ago this week

♦ **TWO PARK WORKERS HURT:** Two employees of the Park Water Department were seriously burned in a manhole explosion while reading a water meter at Barrington and Essex. Gas seepage in the tunnel was blamed.

♦ **FIRE ROUTS COUPLE IN FARMS:** A Hillcrest Lane couple were routed from their home by an early morning fire.

The couple were asleep when the husband was awakened at 4:06 a.m. by the odor of smoke. Investigating, he found the living room and basement on fire. He woke up his wife, and both fled from the house. Firemen rescued two French poodles from the burning house, one of which was found under a bed in an upstairs room.

The origin of the fire was still being investigated.

♦ **THIEF STEALS 20 SUITS AT FARMS STORE:** Farms police are looking for a possible suspect who was seen near the Hughes-Hatcher-

Suffrin Clothing Store on Mack, minutes after the store was burglarized.

The burglar alarm of the store went off at 2:15 a.m. Police discovered a large window, measuring 12 by 12 feet, had been smashed.

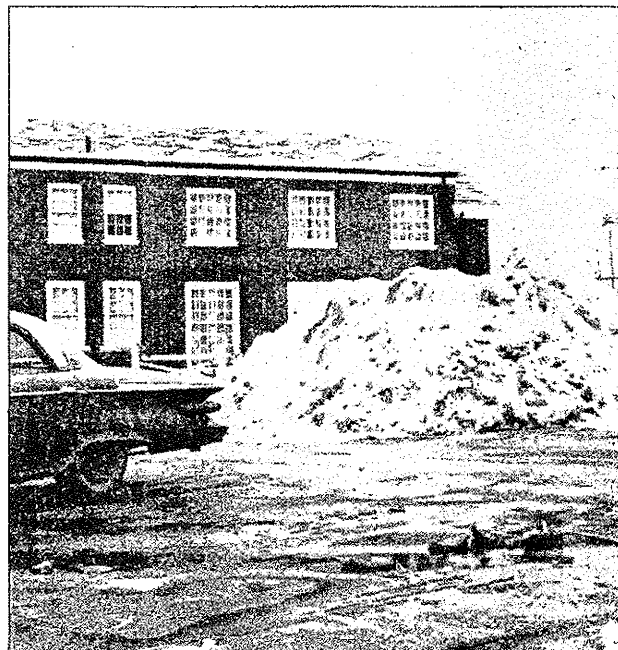
The thief or thieves entered and left the store by the window. The store manager said the thief or thieves took an estimated 20 suits from a rack near the window.

### 1987

25 years ago this week

♦ **FARMS ORDERS LAND-USE STUDY FOR LAKESHORE DEVELOPMENTS:** A 90-day moratorium on issuing lot splits for developments along Lakeshore was initiated in the Farms earlier this month, until a commissioned study of land-use in the area is completed.

The Farms has no current requests for lot splits or new subdivisions in the corridor, which runs from Fisher Road to the Shores village limits along Lakeshore, and from Fisher to Provencal along Grosse Pointe Boulevard. Several city councilmen called for a study of the area, given the interest in residential cluster housing construction along



FROM THE MARCH 8, 1962, ISSUE OF THE GROSSE POINTE NEWS

## 1962: Snow gone

The many snowstorms which have plagued the Pointe this year have given those charged with its removal plenty of practice. This is how they handle the job at the big municipal parking lot in the Kercheval-on-the-Hill district. The plows go to work as soon after a storm as the area is cleared of cars, getting the heavy licks in at night, unless it snows on Sunday. After the accumulation is congealed into big piles like this, the trucks come around, mechanical loaders get into the act and the whole harvest is carted away and dumped in the lake.

Lakeshore.

♦ **FLOOD PLAIN STUDY NEAR COMPLETION:** The Flood Plain Study Committee appointed by Park Mayor Palmer Heenan last October expects to submit a report to the council this

month. Chairman Fred Olds said the means of financing any flood control projects will also be presented to the council for consideration.

—Compiled by Karen Fontanive

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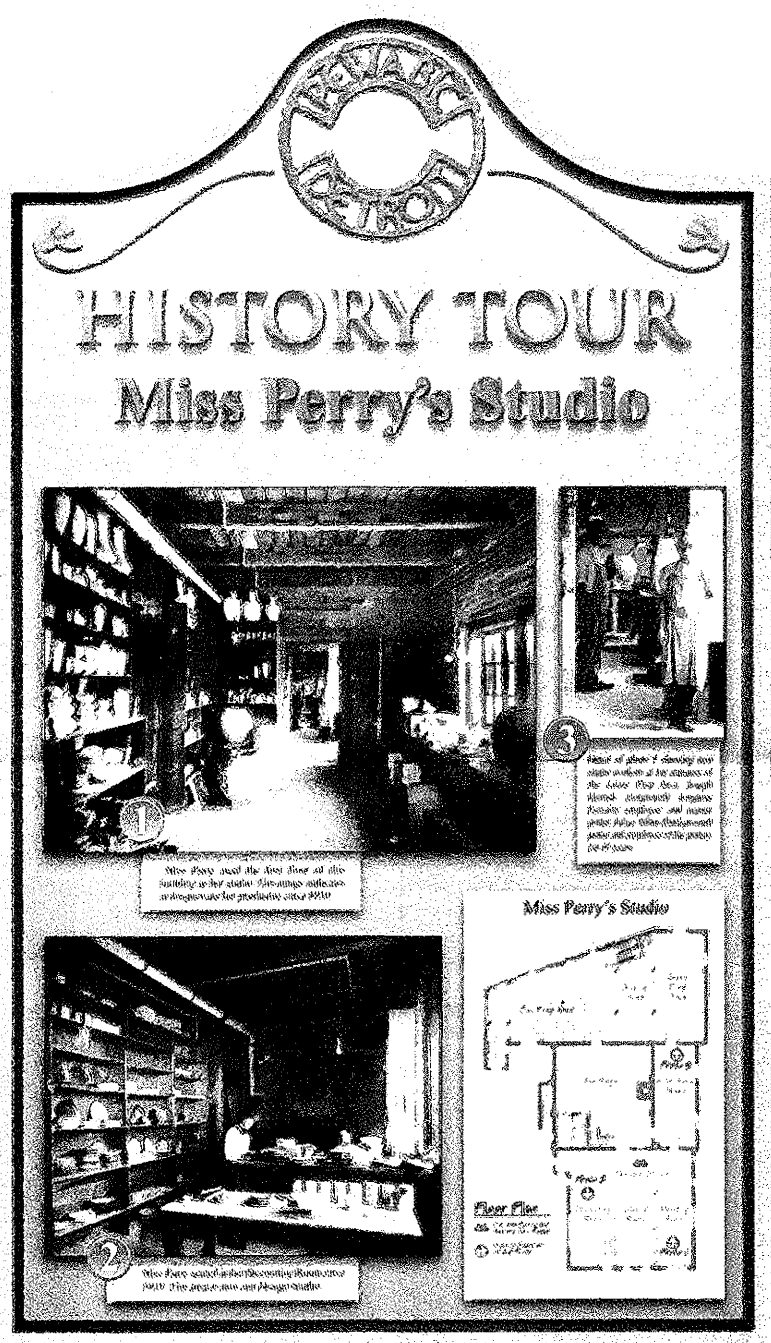


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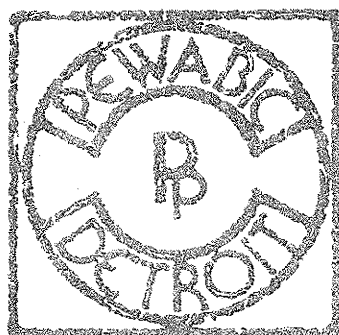
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Liggett and South move on to regional round **PAGE 2C**

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## Regional champions

### Blue Devils upset Trenton

By John McTaggart  
Special Writer

A three-goal offensive explosion in the third period, combined with an outstanding performance from Grosse Pointe South goalie, C.J. Schebil, propelled the Blue Devils to a regional title last Saturday night against Trenton, 3-1, and into the Division 2 state quarterfinals.

"Our boys all year long have been able to score," head coach Jamie Bufalino said. "Our offense has been great. So we knew we had it in us to score some goals in that third period."

South's explosion came on the heels of a somewhat lackluster opening two periods of play offensively against the Trojans, a team which defeated the

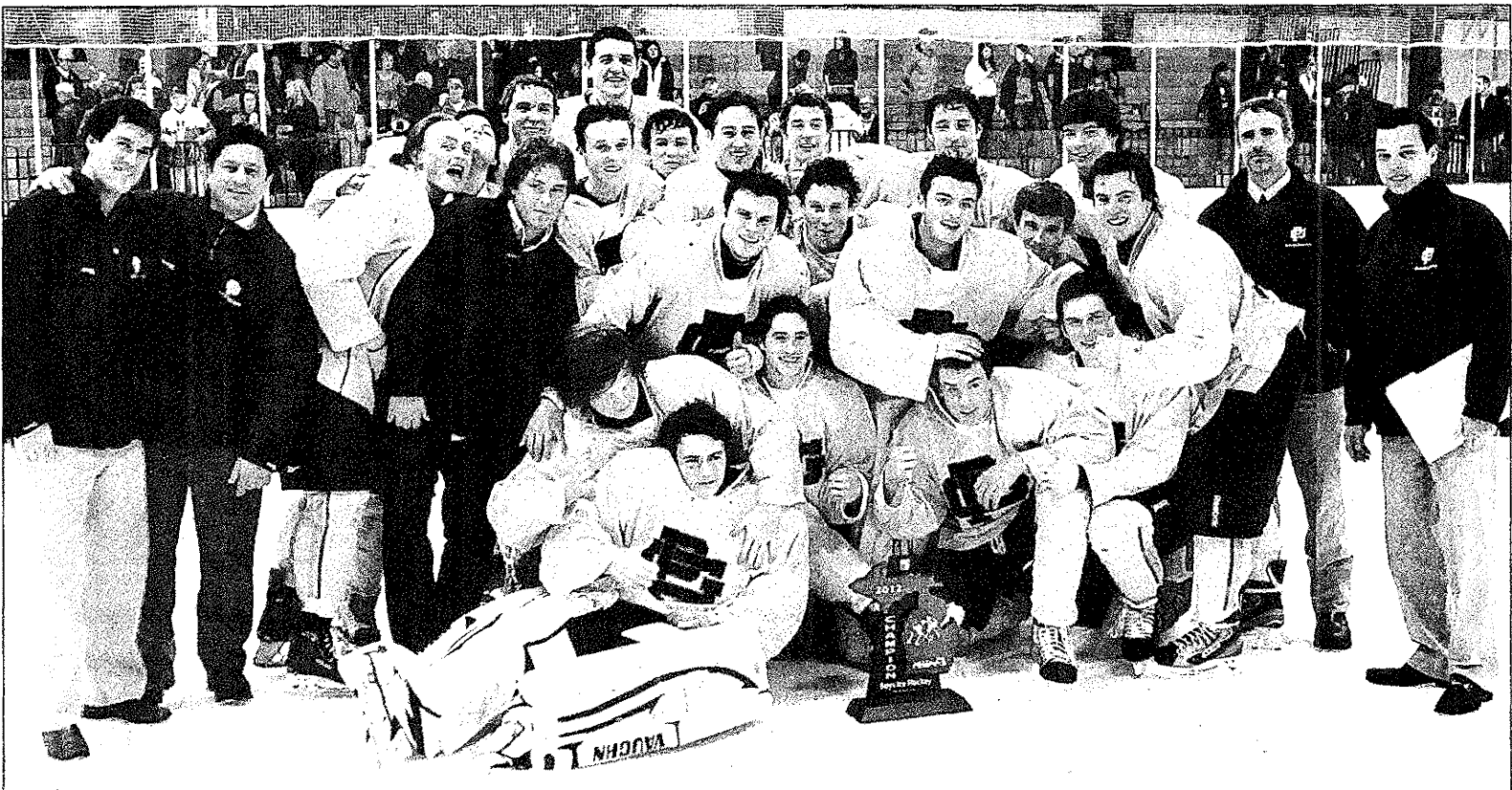


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Grosse Pointe South coaches and players are all smiles after beating Trenton in a Division 2 regional championship game.

Blue Devils earlier in the season, 2-1, in overtime. "We lost two periods tonight and won one. You

really can't expect to win too many games doing that kind of thing at this stage of the season,"

Bufalino said. "But luckily tonight, we got some great goaltending tonight, and when we were down

it was only by one."

South trailed 1-0 heading into the final 15 minutes of play and Schebil

was a big part of that narrow deficit. The Blue

See SOUTH, page 4C

### Knights destroy Falcons

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

For the first time in more than a decade, University Liggett boys' hockey team can call itself regional champions.

The host Knights blasted Dearborn Divine Child 8-1 in last weekend's Division 3 regional title game behind junior Mark Auk's six-point performance.

He scored four goals and had two assists, including a goal in each of the first two periods coming exactly with 1:36 left in each stanza.

"Mark and the rest of the guys played well tonight and throughout the regionals," head coach Robb McIntyre said. "I heard about the upsets before the game and I told



PHOTO BY RENATO JAMETT

It's time to celebrate as University Liggett boys hockey team players and coaches gathered after beating Divine Child in a Division 3 regional title game.

the guys that we're the highest remaining seed, so go out and play our

game because anything could happen." Some of the title con-

tenders, Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood and Calumet, were upset

earlier in the day in their regional title games. Auk scored the Knights'

lone first-period goal and

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### Norsemen edge U-D Jesuit

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's boys' hockey team was the first of the three local high school programs to earn a regional championship.

Head coach Scott Lock and the Norsemen beat U-D Jesuit 3-1 in a Division 1 regional title game at City Arena.

"It was a hard-fought game by both teams with not a lot of offense," Lock said. "We had to claw and scratch to get any offense, but our defense really played well and Chip (Wujek) made some nice saves."

Junior Brad Werenski scored in the first period with juniors Jack Guest and Jack Stander netting assists.

Midway through the second period, senior Anthony Saleh scored



PHOTOS BY BOB BRUCE

Grosse Pointe North coaches and players celebrate after winning a Division 1 regional championship, beating U-D Jesuit 3-1.

with seniors J.P. Lucchese and Joe Aluia assisting, but the Cubs got on the board just 18 seconds later, making it a 2-1 game.

Lucchese scored an in-

surance goal into an empty net with only 27 seconds left in the game.

In a pre-regional final last week at St. Clair Shores Civic Arena,

North blitzed Chippewa Valley 7-1 as Aluia had two goals.

Other goal scorers were senior Julian Quinlan, junior Jeff Herron, sopho-

more Vincent Romanelli and Lucchese.

Drawing assists were junior R.C. Nelson, junior Nick Rahaim, senior John Thibault, senior Doug

Annas, junior David Chavis (four), junior Anthony Allemon (two), Quinlan and Saleh.

Grosse Pointe North improved to 13-14 overall.



Girls basketball

# Duo earn district championships

RIVALS

## Blue Devils beat Norsemen

By John McTaggart  
Special Writer

The state playoffs are about survival.

The girls basketball squad at Grosse Pointe South did just that last week as it cruised through the district round of the tournament with lopsided victories over Grosse Pointe North, 48-25, and Lakeview, 52-17, en route to the district championship.

"They deserved to win," North head coach Gary Bennett said after the district semifinal. "They're a very good team. I thought they played a very good game against us."

South's victory over rival Grosse Pointe North was a definitive one for the Blue Devils. It was a game the Blue Devils led by as many as 25 points and a contest in which it never trailed.

Caitlin Moore poured

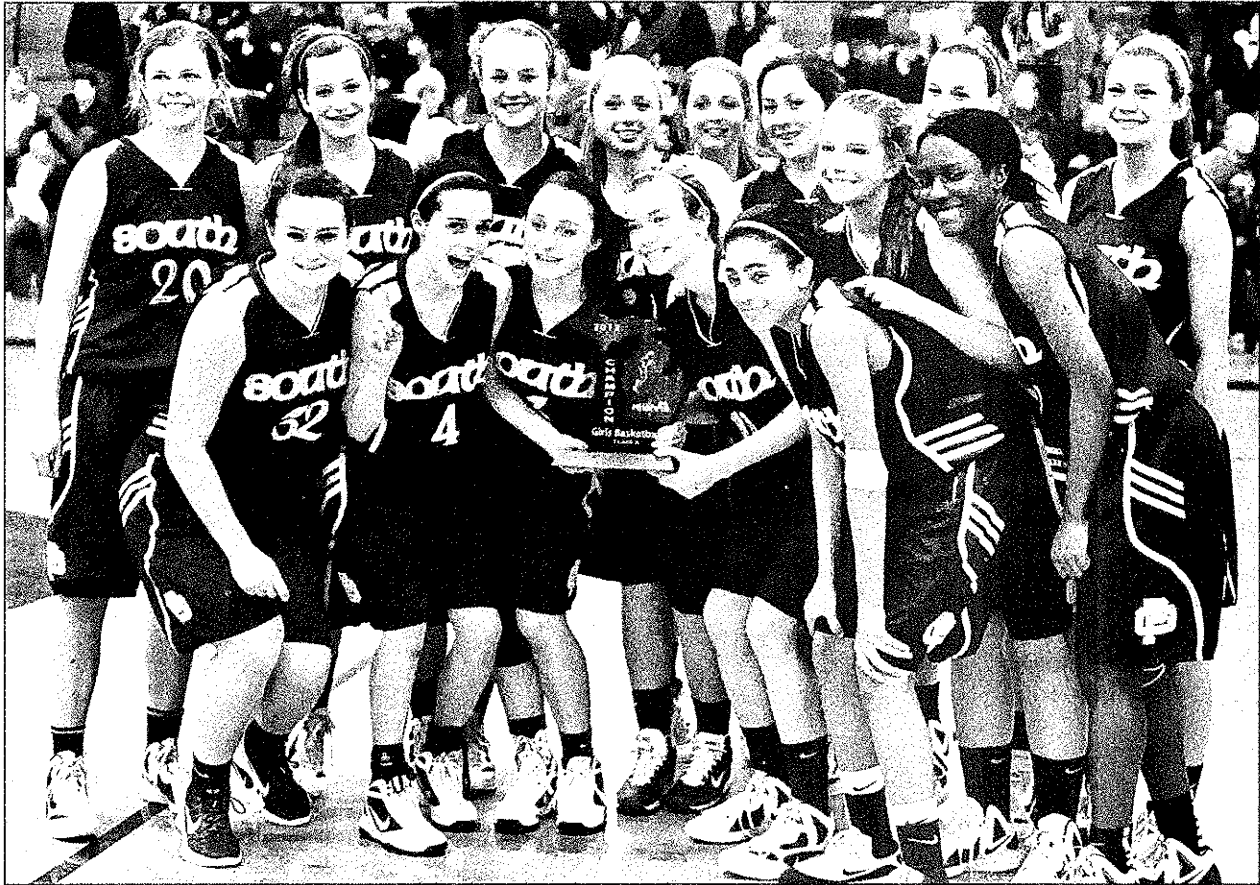


PHOTO BY JOHN MCTAGGART

Grosse Pointe South players celebrate after beating Lakeview in a Class A district championship game.

in 17 points for South against the Norsemen, while Claire DeBoer added 14 points in the victory.

The title game against Lakeview last Friday

night was equally as dominating for South.

However, instead of the dynamic duo of DeBoer and Moore doing most of the damage, freshmen guards Aliezza Brown

and Cierra Rice were virtually unstoppable for the Blue Devils.

The pair not only added 20 points offensively, but they wreaked havoc on Lakeview ball

handlers throughout the game, creating turnovers and making it nearly impossible for the Huskies to run any set offense or get into any flow.

"We've got great

guards," South head coach Kevin Richards said. "We're getting great play from our bench too. We've just got to keep doing what we've been doing."

What South did against both North and Lakeview was impressive, although, Richards admitted the squad looked a little flat coming out of the gate against the Huskies — something he would've expected, however, after such an emotional win over the Norsemen in the semifinal.

"I did think we were a little flat early on," Richards said. "We talked about that at halftime. We talked about buckling down and remembering our defensive principles."

The squad responded with a second-half defensive effort that allowed just four points to the Huskies.

The district crown is something Richards and his players certainly relish, but it's far from the end-all-be-all for the team.

Grosse Pointe South improved to 19-3 overall.

LIGGETT

## Knights pummel opposition

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

University Liggett's girls' basketball team won its third consecutive district championship last weekend, beating host Mount Clemens 68-40 in the Class C tilt.

"We wanted to play our style of basketball and get up and down the court," head coach Joe LaMagna said. "We wanted to force the tempo and rebound. We did it tonight and now we move on in the tournament."

The Bathers hung tough in the opening quarter, down 21-14, but then it was all Knights as they stretched the lead to dou-



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

University Liggett girls' basketball team players and coaches are No.1 in a district tournament for a third straight year.

ble digits at the half, 37-24.

Junior Haleigh Ristovski buried a three-

pointer at the buzzer to provide the 13-point cushion.

Senior Madison

Ristovski's ball-handling ability kept the Bathers' defense on its heels. She was able to get into the

lane and either score or dish off for a basket.

By the end of the third quarter, the Knights led

50-33 and for all intent and purposes, the game was over. The Knights continued to pass the ball, keeping it around the perimeter and breaking down the Bathers' defense for easy buckets.

Madison Ristovski had a double-double, netting 27 points and dishing off for 12 assists. She was the only Knight in double figures.

Haleigh Ristovski had nine points, followed by senior Andriana Evangelista with eight, sophomore Bre Andrews with eight, sophomore Lia Evangelista with six and freshman Lola Ristovski with six.

In the district semifinals, Liggett defeated Warren Michigan Collegiate 73-10 as Andriana Evangelista and junior Ariana Castillo had 10 points apiece.

Liggett is 19-4 overall.

## Girls hockey

NORTH, SOUTH & LIGGETT

# North goes overtime to beat South



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

North junior Natalie Skorupski carries the puck through the defensive zone during the Norsemen's win over South.

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

For the first time in several years, Grosse Pointe North's girls' hockey team swept the regular season series with city rival Grosse Pointe South.

The Norsemen won the first game at Grosse Pointe Community Rink 3-1 and last week beat the Blue Devils 3-2 in overtime at City Arena.

Senior Jennifer Cusmano's power-play goal at the 5:43 mark, assisted by juniors Sara Villani and C.J. McCarthy, was the game-winner.

"We didn't come out and play well in the first period, but after that the girls worked hard and won a big game," North head coach Joe Lucchese said. "This is a great group of girls, but when we hit the ice for practice tomorrow, everyone's record is 0-0."

"It's senior night and it stinks we couldn't pull

out a win for the girls," South head coach Joe Provenzano said.

Senior Marissa Monforton looked to give the Blue Devils the win early in the overtime. Her shot was originally ruled a goal by one referee, but the second overruled the call, waving off the goal because of goalie interference.

Not more than a minute later, Cusmano was the hero.

The host Blue Devils came out like a ball of fire, quickly taking a 2-0 lead not more than five minutes into the opening period.

Senior Claire Boyle scored at the 10:52 mark, assisted by junior Lindsey Makos and sophomore Tenley Shield, and Shield tallied 38 seconds later, assisted by Boyle and senior Melissa Klingner.

The Blue Devils had several opportunities to add to the lead, but when the horn sounded, the

lead remained two goals.

Norsemen senior goalie Emma Huellmantel and her teammates regrouped and at the 11:48 mark of the second period, McCarthy scored with freshman Karina Lucchese drawing the lone assist.

McCarthy scored again at the 5:49 mark, tying it 2-2. Cusmano and Villani assisted.

Neither team scored in the third period, but the Blue Devils had the better opportunities and early in the overtime, Huellmantel came up with four great saves to keep it 2-2.

Grosse Pointe North finished its regular season 18-2 in the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League and 19-3 overall.

South ended 15-4-1 in the league and overall after beating Northville 7-1 earlier in the week.

Junior Darian Dempsey had two goals

and an assist, and Shield added two goals and three assists.

Boyle had one goal and four assists, while sophomore Anne Crowley and freshman Eliza Bourke had one goal apiece.

## Liggett

University Liggett also completed its regular season early last week, beating host Ann Arbor 2-1.

The Knights played three road games in four days, traveling to Port Huron, Livonia and Ann Arbor.

Freshman goalie Jenna Pleva played well and the Knights had a goal from senior Haleigh Bolton and the game-winner from junior Aria Ganz-Waple.

Liggett ended its season Monday night, losing 3-2 to Ladywood in the first round of the state playoffs.

Liggett head coach Cassie Jaekle led her squad to a 9-10-1 league and 10-13-2 overall.



Boys basketball

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

# Norsemen dominate

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's boys' basketball team played its "A" game during Monday night's Class A district first-round game against host St. Clair Shores Lake Shore, winning 57-40.

"The guys played hard tonight and they earned the win," head coach Matt Lockhart said. "They shared the ball and got after Lake Shore. This was a good way to start the tournament."

The Shorians gave the Norsemen everything they could handle in the

opening half. It was tied several times before the Norsemen ran out to a 28-23 lead at the intermission.

Lockhart's squad played a near perfect second half, spreading the scoring around with eight players scoring at least one basket. At one point, six different players scored on six consecutive possessions.

"The guys played unselfish basketball tonight and this is when we're at our best," Lockhart said. "We have to play this way every game to give us a chance to win this district."

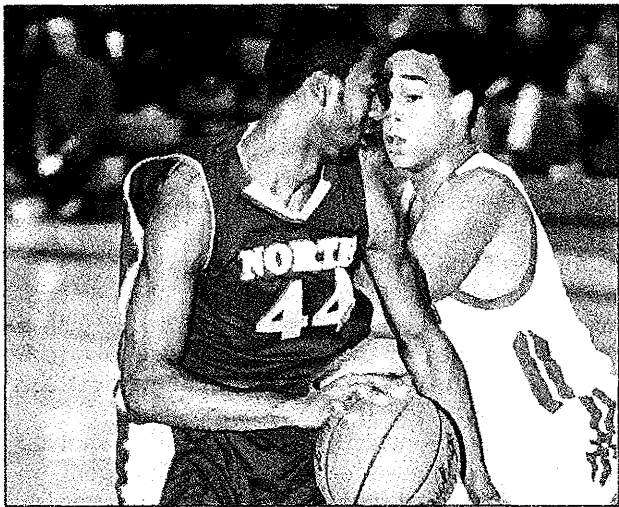


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North senior Dondre Young played very well in the Norsemen's win over Lake Shore, scoring 14 points.

The Norsemen outscored the Shorians 14-9 in the third period to open a double-digit lead and the lead grew to nearly 20 points midway through the fourth quarter.

Seniors Clark Ditzhazy and Dondre Young led the

Norsemen with 14 points apiece, while senior Jamal Williams had eight off the bench.

Seniors Will Ritchie and Adam Andrzejczak had six points, while senior Derrick Morris had five.

Grosse pointe North improved to 11-9 overall.

Wrestling

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

# Salazar earns final medal

Grosse Pointe North senior Patrick Salazar placed seventh in last weekend's Division 1 individual wrestling tournament in the 119-pound division.

Head coach Eric Julien ended his first season at the helm with a smile as Salazar finished his final season 47-9 overall.

Salazar beat West Bloomfield's Ross Bahro 7-5 in the medal-round

match.

In his opening match, he won a 7-2 decision over Caledonia's Spencer Plattner, but lost his second match by pin to Hartland's Austin Eicher.

In the consolation bracket, Salazar beat Sterling Heights Stevenson's Dominic Patrus 6-3 and lost a 5-2 decision to Ypsilanti Lincoln's Jordan Markey.

Swimming

NORTH, SOUTH & LIGGETT

# Finals bound

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

The three local high school swimming and diving teams, Grosse Pointe North, Grosse Pointe South and University Liggett, have individuals competing in this weekend's state championships.

North and South compete in the Division 2 meet at Holland Aquatics and Liggett competes in the Division 3 meet at Oakland University.

South head coach Eric Gunderson has the most competitors in the finals, starting with the 200-yard medley relay team of Patrick Jackson, Luke Hessburg, Devlin Francis and Nicholas Yoo.

In the 200-yard individual medley, Hessburg competes, while Yoo, Francis and John Martin are in the 50-yard freestyle.

The diving regionals are held earlier in the week. For South, Ben Cornillie, Eric Addy and Josh Trempus compete,

and the threesome of Jackson, Yoo and Francis swim the 100-yard butterfly.

In the 200-yard freestyle, the relay squad of Frank Cusumano, C.J. Stafford, Tyler Leggat and Martin are in, while Jackson and Hessburg compete in the 100-yard backstroke and 100-yard breaststroke, respectively.

Rounding out the Blue Devils' finalists are Yoo, Francis, Jackson and Hessburg swimming the 400-yard freestyle relay.

For North and head coach Mike O'Connor, Christian Mellos, Justin Rakowicz, Matthew Leone and Patrick Turnbull made it.

James McNelis and Duncan MacAskill qualified for the diving regional.

For Liggett, under head coach Ryan Gunderson, Connor Borrego and Chris Cornell made the finals. Before the season began, Gunderson said his goal was to get a swimmer to the state finals. He has two.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

# Blue Devils win

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

It wasn't pretty, but Grosse Pointe South's boys' basketball team won its Class A district first-round playoff game Monday night, beating St. Clair Shores Lakeview 56-53.

Head coach Dave Grauzer had to hold his breath until the final horn sounded as the Huskies never gave up.

The Blue Devils had a height advantage and used it to get good looks at the basket. However, the shots didn't fall.

They hit several key baskets from behind the three-point line as senior Tim Kramer had two treys and sophomore Jabari Burton had one.

The Blue Devils led 9-8 after the first quarter and 26-25 at halftime. The key

quarter was the third when Grauzer's squad outscored the Huskies 19-11 to stretch the advantage to nine points, 45-36.

They were able to make it a double-digit lead several times early in the fourth quarter, but the Huskies hit a couple of baskets coming off turnovers to keep it close.

Senior Joe Srebernak and Kramer each scored key baskets in the final quarter to help the Blue Devils prevail and advance to the district semifinals.

Srebernak had a team-high 16 points and Kramer had 15 points with six rebounds. Senior Kevin Reck had nine points, while senior Matt Temrowski had six points and seven rebounds.

Burton finished with six points.

Each team struggled



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

South senior Joe Srebernak, left, played well in the Blue Devils' district win over Lakeview, scoring 16 points.

with turnovers and free-throw shooting. The Huskies had 26 turnovers and made only 10-of-21 at the foul line, while the Blue Devils also had 26 turnovers and made only 14-of-29 free throws.

Grosse Pointe South improved to 7-14 overall.

## Correction

The wrong score was

posted in last week's story. South did not lose to Port Huron Northern, but won the game played last week 67-50.

Kramer had 24 points and eight rebounds, while Srebernak added 11 points and Burton had nine. South officially wrapped up its Macomb Area Conference White Division slate 3-9.

LIGGETT

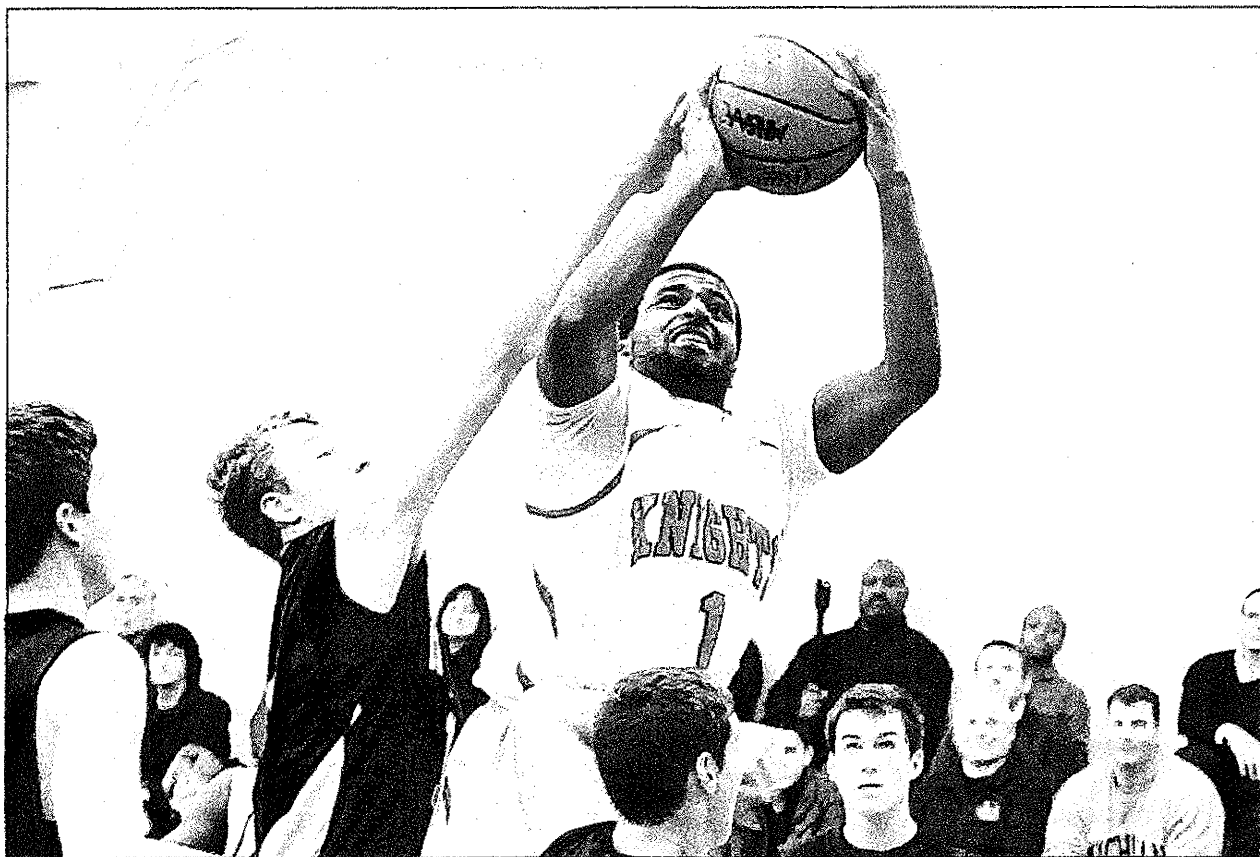


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# District win

Junior Eric Ewing scored 23 points to help University Liggett's boys' basketball team beat Warren Michigan Collegiate 68-46 in Monday night's Class C district opener at Mount Clemens. Head coach Sidney Johnson and his Knights actually trailed 20-19 at the half. However, a halftime chat did the trick as the Knights turned on the jets, scoring 49 second-half points and the defense clamped down to hold Michigan Collegiate to only 16 points. The win gave Liggett a 11-10 overall mark and ended a six-game losing streak. During the streak, the Knights lost by double-digit four times.

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Gymnastics

GROSSE POINTE UNITED

Ladies make finals

By the smallest of margins, Grosse Pointe United's gymnastics team is returning to the state finals this weekend.

Grosse Pointe finished third in regional action by only .05 last weekend at Plymouth High School, taking the last spot in Friday's championship meet at Grand Rapids Kenowa Hills High School.

Grosse Pointe entered the meet with a difficult draw, as the first team up in the meet on the balance beam.

Caitlin Gaitley led off for the team by hitting her routine for a 7.850, then Emily Griffith stuck a routine filled with full difficulty for her best score of the season with a 8.575.

Sarah Fentin equaled that score with another stuck routine, while Ashley Krynski also hit her routine for an 8.375, which counted towards the team total.

Madi Kaiser anchored the rotation with an 8.8, which held up to qualify her for the individual state meet on the event, as well.

"We spent all week preparing to start on the balance beam," head coach Courtney Law said. "It can be a tough place to start in a big meet because you have to control all of your nerves and adrenaline and manage to stay on a four inch wide beam."

"The whole beam line-up really came through with enough steady performances for a great start to the meet."

Also competing for Grosse Pointe were Anna Brucker (6.8), Fran Kay (7.1), Aubryn Samaroo (7.65), and Emma Abessinio (7.9).

Grosse Pointe's second rotation was on its best event, the floor exercise.

Madison Bush and Meagan Curran led off for the team with scores of 8.15 and 8.225 in their first regional meet. Gaitley followed with a 7.975 and Griffith scored an 8.3.

Krynski (8.8) and Kay (8.85) kept the scores building and then Grosse Pointe was able to count all 9s towards the floor total, with Fentin's 9.075, Kaiser's 9.15, Samaroo's 9.2 and Abessinio's 9.3, which also qualified her for the individual finals.

On the vault, a much improved event from last year's regional meet, Bush began the event with an 8.15, Gaitley scored an 8.1, Griffith an 8.3, Samaroo and Krynski had 8.45s.

Also on vault, Fentin scored an 8.55, with Kay's 8.6, Kaiser's 8.75, and Abessinio's 8.85 adding to the team score.

Heading into the final event, Grosse Pointe knew it was in a very tight competition for third place.

"The girls actually got together and rallied each other before bars," Law said. "We knew that every routine would be important and they were determined to give it all they had to end the meet."

After Kay started the event with a 6.95 and Krynski scored a 7.550, Samaroo went all out on her routine to earn extra points by adding a handstand move and earning a score of 8.150.

Fentin followed with an 8.4 for a routine with almost no deductions, then Kaiser contributed one of her best routines of the year for an 8.575.

Abessinio concluded the event with an 8.8, which earned both gymnasts a spot in the individual state finals.

Grosse Pointe tallied a 139.725 for a team regional score record, but didn't know if it would be enough until the results were announced.

Several minutes later, Grosse Pointe was a mere .05 ahead of fourth place Livonia (139.675).

Plymouth Canton, one of the top teams in the state, won the meet with 148.525 points, while Plymouth Salem placed second with 143.425.

Kaiser finished seventh in the balance beam and tied for eighth in the uneven bars, while Abessinio finished sixth on the uneven bars and floor exercise.

"This was the closest finish to a meet that I've ever been a part of," Law said. "We always talk at meets about fighting for every tenth, but had no idea it would literally come down to that kind of margin here."

Twelve teams from across the state will compete in the team finals at 2 p.m. Friday, March 9, while the individual finals are at noon Saturday, March 10, at Grand Rapids Kenowa Hills High School.

SOUTH: Team on a roll

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Devils netminder turned away 47 Trenton shots en route to the regional title.

Schebil's play made South's third-period dramatics possible — dramatics that began with a picturesque goal from Wes Cimmarrusti at the 3:42 mark.

Cimmarrusti followed his game-tying goal up less than two minutes later with what would be the eventual game-winner at the 5:27 mark.

Nolan Monforton sealed the victory for South later in the period with a wrist shot.

South had no trouble disposing of Livonia Franklin in its pre-regional final earlier in the week, winning 8-0.

Cimmarrusti led the way with five points, including a hat trick. In addition, Monforton and Andrew Addy had three goals between them, while Cam Gibson had the playmaker, three assists.

Monforton scored five minutes into the opening period with an assist from Cimmarrusti, who scored the next goal with Monforton and Jake Corden netting assists.

In the second period, Cimmarrusti scored his second goal of the game with Gibson and Max Corden drawing assists, and with only three seconds left in the stanza, Cimmarrusti completed his hat trick, tallying to put the Blue Devils ahead 4-0 heading into the second intermission.

Jake Corden and Andrew Bigham had assists.

Addy opened the third period with a goal, skating between three Franklin players to put in a wrist shot from 12 feet out.

Monforton also scored to make it 6-0 as Geoff Welscher and Cimmarrusti assisted. Max Corden redirected a shot to score a goal with Austin Jones and Gibson assisting.

Bigham brought the game to an end, scoring the eighth goal with Gibson netting another assist.

With the regional wins, South is 20-5-1 overall.

LIGGETT: Another blowout

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he tallied again 1:16 into the second period with sophomores Vincent Scarfone and Lordanthony Grissom netting assists.

Senior Austin Petitpren scored the first of his two goals at the 8:55 mark with freshman Josh Soyka and senior Jake Hodges getting the assists.

Auk completed his hat trick, scoring at the 1:36 mark of the second period with junior Manny Counsman assisting. The Knights took a 4-1 lead into the intermission and out-shot the Falcons 22-8 through 30 minutes of hockey.

The Falcons scored with only 21.7 seconds left in the first period to get the motor running. The Yellowjackets scored first at the 10-minute mark, but Yates tied it two minutes later, scoring a power-play goal. Counsman and Jake Soyka assisted.

It took the Knights only 12 seconds to take the lead as Grissom scored with Hodges and Petitpren assisting.

The Knights tacked on three more goals in the opening period. Auk had two, including a goal when the team was killing a 5-on-3 penalty.

Marchese also scored in the five-goal blitz. Petitpren assisted on each of the three goals with Auk and Gushee also netting assists.

Yates completed his hat trick, scoring the Knights' two second-period goals. Auk, Marchese and Hodges had the assists.

Jake Soyka had two third-period goals with Auk, Counsman and sophomore Jake Jerome netting the assists.

In its pre-regional semifinal, Liggett pounded Royal Oak Shrine 12-1 as Auk had a hat trick. Yates and Counsman also scored two goals apiece in the game ending by mercy after two periods.

With the regional wins, Liggett is 22-3 overall.

COLLEGE NEWS

Grosse Pointers shine in men's lax

Two Grosse Pointe residents made history Feb. 11 in the states first-ever NCAA Division I game between two Michigan teams — the University of Michigan jumped from a club lacrosse program to Division I status this season and University of Detroit Mercy made the move back in 2010.

Michigan lost to Detroit, 13-9, in its inaugural game as a Division I men's lacrosse team. The addition of U-M is the first time a Football Bowl Subdivision school has added the sport since Notre Dame picked it up in 1981.

The game was played in front of a sold-out crowd of 1,800 fans in Pontiac at the Ultimate Soccer Arena.

Both programs had a nice turnout of supporters and the arena had to turn away hundreds of disappointed would be spectators.

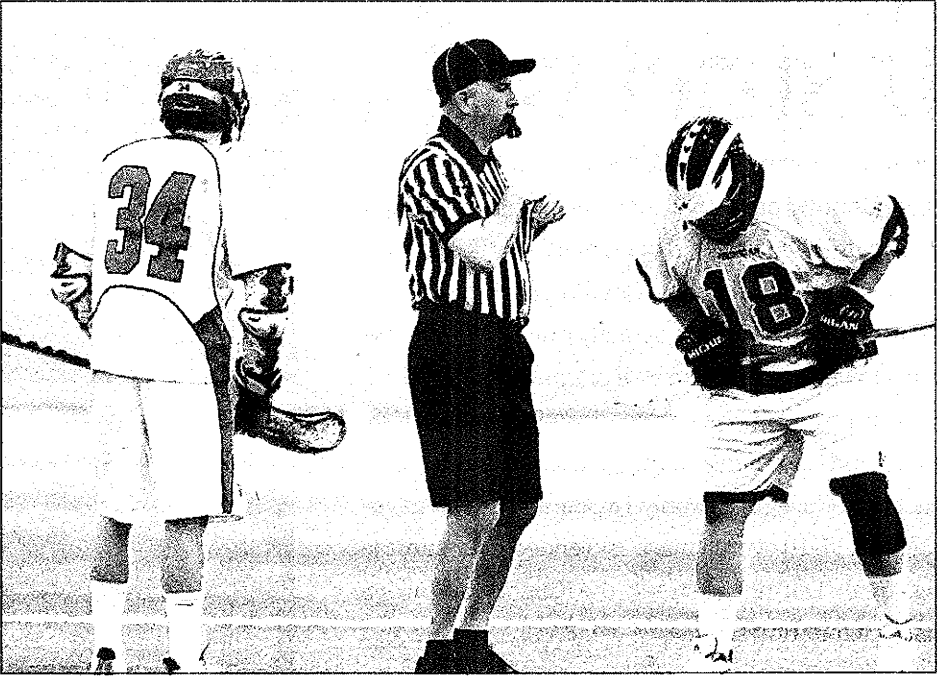
The historical face-off came between two Grosse Pointe players, UDM's Brandon Davenport (Grosse Pointe North '09) and Brian Greiner (Grosse Pointe South '07).

Greiner was a three-year letter winner and All-State First Team at South in 2007. He played for Division III RPI in Troy, N.Y., before transferring to U-M in 2011.

Davenport also received All-State honors three times and won 90 percent of his face offs his senior year at North. He was also the 2009 MVP of GP Select's U19 team.

Michigan begins its home season March 7 at Oosterbaan Field House in Ann Arbor. The Wolverines have five home games with a key matchup against The Ohio State at Michigan Stadium Saturday, April 4.

U-D Mercy's first home game is Saturday, March 24, against division rival Marist at Titan Field in Detroit. UDM follows up with three additional home games.



Grosse Pointe residents, Brandon Davenport of U-D Mercy, left, and Brian Greiner, U-M, right, prepare for the face-off of the inaugural men's lacrosse game between the two colleges.

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