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◆ Christ the King Preschool, 20338 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods, hosts its seventh annual spring Mom to Mom sale from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Early bird admission is from 9 to 9:30 a.m. and admission is \$2. After 9:30 a.m., the cost is \$1. Mothers with strollers are admitted after 10 a.m. For more information, call (313) 884-5998, ext. 1.

◆ Anastasia Rizikov is in concert at 7:30 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church. Adult tickets cost \$10 and students pay \$5. Tickets are available at the door.

SUNDAY, MARCH 10

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Walk, Don't Run

Joint venture will take time

By Brad Lindberg
Staff writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK AND CITY — Full-fledged consolidation of the Grosse Pointe Park and City public safety departments depends on one outcome:

"Neither community is going to look at consolidation unless there's as many, if not more, patrolmen on the road in either or both cities," said Dale Krajniak, Grosse Pointe Park city manager.

"Nobody's inclined to cut back any street presence," added Greg Theokas, Park councilman. "If anything, we'd want to increase it."

Merging departments is a difficult undertaking that requires thorough study and consideration, he added.

"You're not going to see public safety consolidation any time soon," Theokas said.

The sine qua non of officers on the beat outweighs cost savings that represen-

tatives of both cities said would result by eliminating redundancies, particularly in middle-level ranks.

"If we can reduce administrative and supervisory costs and increase equipment sharing, we have an opportunity to save a lot of money and put more people on the street," Krajniak said.

"You'd end up eliminating an entire crew over time," Theokas said. "This

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Chief: No hurry

By Kathy Ryan
Staff writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — Grosse Pointe Park's director of Public Safety talks continue between his department and the City of Grosse Pointe, which will allow the Park to take over police dispatch services for the City.

Park chief David Hiller described the talks as being in the "exploration" stage, but confirmed both departments are working toward a consolidation date of September of this year. The consolidation, Hiller said, also includes the housing of prisoners for

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Block art



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

Above, Rapunzel's castle, made by Ivy Miller, took second place in her category, sixth through eighth grade. At right, Veronica Van Rossen created a modern house for her LEGO Challenge entry.



The third annual LEGO Artists Challenge, sponsored by The Family Center, had 60 entries. Above, master of ceremonies Ted Everingham congratulates George Anusbigian, who won second place in the kindergarten to second grade category.



Above, sisters and winners Sofia and Abbey Guevara made a Gangnam style LEGO display for the event held March 2 at Barnes Early Childhood Center.

At left, winners in the kindergarten through second category were Jacob Haack and Stephen Peck, first place; George Anusbigian, second place; and Becca Koch, third place; grades third through fifth, Tristan Guevara, first place; Charlie, Joey and Johnny Klunder, second place; and Veronica Van Rossen, third place; and grades sixth through eighth, Abbey and Sofia Guevara, first place; Ivy Miller, second place; and Abby Hoyt and Josh O'Grady, third place.



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SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 20, 2013

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL: All Councilpersons were present except Charles Flanagan and Vivian M. Sawicki.

MOTIONS PASSED

- 1) To excuse Councilpersons Flanagan and Sawicki from tonight's meeting because of a prior commitment.
- 2) To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held February 4, 2013 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Local Officers Compensation Commission meeting held on February 13, 2013.
- 3) To remove item 2 from the Consent Agenda and modify the total of the Consent Agenda to \$579,610.98.
- 4) To add to the agenda Membership to the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce.
- 5) To adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing a Collective Bargaining matter.
- 6) To add to the agenda the approval of collective bargaining agreements between the city of Harper Woods and the Technical, Professional Office Workers Association of Michigan (TPOAM) Public Works and Clerical Units.
- 7) That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

RESOLUTION PASSED

- 1) To approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: (1) Approve the Accounts Payable listing for Check Numbers 99433 through 99537 in the amount of \$571,095.84 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 Wayne County in the amount of \$8,515.14 for services performed on the tax rolls and corporate tax appeals.
- 2) To join the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce for the fee of \$500.00 and to appoint the Mayor and City Manager as the representatives for the City.
- 3) To approve the collective bargaining agreement between the City of Harper Woods and the Technical, Professional Office Workers Association of Michigan (TPOAM) Clerical bargaining unit covering the period January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2014.
- 4) To approve the collective bargaining agreement between the city of Harper Woods and the Technical, Professional Office Workers Association of Michigan (TPOAM) Public Works bargaining unit covering the period January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2014.

Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor

Leslie M. Frank, City Clerk

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Schoolhouse rocks 90th

Ninety-year-old Charles Cook is surrounded by his family at the Cook Schoolhouse in Grosse Pointe Woods, Sunday, Feb. 17. Cook's grandparents, Louis and Matilda Cook, sold one third of an acre to School District N. 9 for \$160 in order to establish a school. The Cooks had 14 children, and at times as many as six Cook children attended classes in the one-room school house. Charles Cook's father also attended classes in the school house, beginning in 1890. Cook recently donated funds for attic insulation and a concrete walkway at the schoolhouse, which is being restored under the auspices of the Grosse Pointe Historical Commission and can be rented for small parties and community events.

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A sure
sign of spring
in the Woods

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — That annual rite of spring — budget discussions and approvals — are in full swing in Grosse Pointe Woods.

With that in mind, the city is making sure residents are aware meetings of the city's finance committee, where the 2013-2014 budget recommendations will be made, are open to the public.

The finance committee meets at 7:30 p.m. on both Monday, March 11, and Monday, March 18. The committee normally meets in the conference

room off the council chambers, but if a significant number of residents attend, the meeting will be moved to the council chambers.

On Monday, April 13, following the city council meeting, the council will meet as the finance committee at a committee of the whole meeting, where a final review of the budget will be conducted.

A public hearing on the budget will be held 7:30 p.m. Monday, May 20,

during the regularly

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scheduled city council

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Stop hiding your legs.

A mainstay on the main drag through Grosse Pointe Park closed shop. Janet's Lunch is gone, but will a new business will come in after the building has extensive renovations.



PHOTOS BY KATHY RYAN

Janet's out to lunch

Red Crown open for dinner; lunch and brunches next

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — For more than 80 years, it had been the go-to spot for breakfast for Pointers of all walks of life. But as of last week, Janet's Lunch, a fixture on the corner of Kercheval and Maryland for decades, is closed.

A sign in the window says the restaurant is under new management

and is closed for remodeling. A picture of an artist's rendering of a new Janet's is also in the window, but no date for re-opening has been set.

According to Park city administrator Dale Krajniak, the building that housed Janet's has been bought by RPM Management.

In a written statement, RPM's owner Rob Ermani said, "We are going through our build-

ing inspection process at this time and repairs will be extensive as the Park has concerns over the foundation, roof and exterior walls. Therefore, while RPM would like to proceed as soon as practical, we are looking at an extensive re-build."

In the meantime, just down the street from Janet's, the Park's newest restaurant opened this week.

The Red Crown,

located in the historic Standard Oil gas station at Kercheval and Beaconsfield, opened for dinner on Wednesday, March 6. According to owner Mindy Lopus, the restaurant opens for lunch and weekend brunches the week of March 17.

The Red Crown is just one of three new eateries Lopus, owner of the Silver Pig Restaurant group, will open in the Park. She expects to open the Bona Fide Bakery, in the old Muir's Market location, in April. Tallulah's, her new coffee shop, located next door to the Bona Fide, will open later this year.

The Red Crown features American cuisine, including several barbecue-style dishes, dill pickle soup, shrimp 'n grits, and a full complement of wine and spirits.

"We're very excited by all the new businesses coming into this area of the Park," said Krajniak, adding that several new ventures are in the talking stages, and announcements of more new businesses should be coming soon.

Parking deal may come to Village

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — Free, one-hour parking may become a drawing card of Village shopping.

"It's a great way to market our Village," said Peter Dame, City of Grosse Pointe manager.

"It allows people to pull in, run into a store, grab a coffee and go," added Mayor Dale Scrace.

"Those are the little things people remember."

The city council this month authorized Dame up to \$10,000 for a budget consultant to determine if the municipal parking system can support one hour of free parking in off-street, city-owned gated lots.

"The idea has been to examine rates in the Village and, in a gated scenario, determine what kind of rate structure allows for a half-hour or one hour of free parking at the beginning, but still allows us to recover the cost of operating our parking system," Dame said.

Metered and gated parking are double-edged gambles.

Meters let drivers park for free at the risk of receiving more costly parking tickets.

Gated lots eliminate the risk of tickets at the cost of forcing drivers to pay for parking.

"Parking meters have the downside of parking tickets," Dame said. "The gated system allows you to pay for parking without fear of parking tickets."

"Folks are getting tickets because they put

money in the meter for an hour, but went to two or three places, stopped to have lunch and were there for two hours," Scrace said.

Dame thinks the study could be ready for discussion at the 7 p.m. Monday, March 18, council meeting.

"Once they have the information, can they do it on a half-hour basis?" Scrace asked.

"Yes," Dame said.

"Why not expand the study to include the possibility of free parking after 6 p.m.?" asked Councilman John Stempfle.

"You can give as much free parking as you want, but somebody's paying for it," Dame said.

City officials intend to rebuild all Village parking lots, with or without gates, over the next five years.

"One of our goals is to put gated lots in, like we have next to the Neighborhood Club and in the parking structure," Dame said. "Our goal is to do Lot 2 (north of Kercheval between Notre Dame and St. Clair) this upcoming year."

Not all lots, such as Lot 4, next to vacant land off St. Clair south of Kercheval where Sunrise Senior Living withdrew plans to build condominiums, are large enough to justify the investment of a gated system.

The lot has only 53 parking spaces.

"It makes more sense to do Lot 4 whenever the Sunrise property is redeveloped and, hopefully, get a little more property back from the developer to incorporate more public parking," Dame said.

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meeting.

City administrator Skip Fincham said the meetings will include a public comment section during

which residents can give their input on the budget. He also said the notices of the upcoming meetings will be posted on the city's website and e-mail reminders will be sent to residents.

Deep underworld dive sought

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — A block-by-block investigation of underworld activities is so comprehensive it requires major reinforcement from Lansing.

"I hope we don't find any bodies," said Councilman Bruce Bisballe.

That'd be news to wake the dead because the project isn't so sinister.

The Grosse Pointe Shores city council agreed this month to seek state funding for a thorough evaluation of every sanitary sewer in the city.

"We anticipate you're going to have some significant structural defects within your system," Scott Lockwood, of Anderson, Eckstein and Westrick consulting engineers, told the city council Tuesday, Feb. 19.

"Your system is, on average, about 55 or 60 years old. We're going to find areas of pipe that are in very bad condition."

Surveying includes a video evaluation of sanitary sewers.

"There's about 85,000 feet of sewers (in the Shores) varying in size from 54-inch down to 6-inch," Lockwood said.

He's helping the city apply for an S-2 grant from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality to cover 90 percent — \$472,518 — of the \$525,000 total cost.

If grant money is received, the Shores pays the project's \$52,502 balance.

"This grant would allow us to evaluate (sanitary sewers) as a whole, already knowing we have issues in our system that need repair," said Brett Smith, Shores public works director.

Pipes also will be cleaned.

"That's going to improve flow rates," said Bisballe, chairman of the finance committee.

"Hopefully, it will improve retention in the pipes so we don't get excess flow charges from Wayne County."

State officials are expected to rule on the application in July, which lands the project in next fiscal year.

"The grant application is to get us in a position two years from now so we know what we need to do, long term, for sewer repair," Bisballe said. "We'll have a work plan in place."

Repairs may be financed through long-

term borrowing from the state revolving fund or the Shores, whichever is cheaper, Bisballe added.

"This is a major step to preserve the infrastructure and improve it," he said.

Sewers can be repaired four ways, according to Lockwood.

"You can line them, use sectional liners, dig them up and fix them at a certain point or you can pipe burst," he said.

Another type of state grant pays to survey storm sewers.

"There's less red tape involved," said Mark Wollenweber, Shores city manager. "It may to our advantage to apply for funding through that program as well."

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Merger would benefit both communities

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK AND CITY — As one of the Grosse Pointes eyes a new partner in the public safety dispatch consolidation waltz, two other cities are preparing to take the floor.

Grosse Pointe Park Councilman Greg Theokas said assuming

dispatch from the City of Grosse Pointe benefits both communities.

"We'll run dispatch. They'll pay us," Theokas said. "We end up approximately \$90,000 better, and they end up saving whatever they're going to save."

The City of Grosse Pointe would save \$100,000 per year contracting its dispatch oper-

ation to the Park, according to Peter Dame, City manager.

Representatives of the neighboring suburbs are about one month away from revealing terms, according to sources on both sides.

"Currently, they are working out an inter-governmental local agreement," said Stephen Poloni, City public safety

director. "That would be for contracting services with Grosse Pointe Park — not a consolidation, per se."

Details need to be worked out, including cost and savings projections, pros, cons, implementation method and possible interim steps.

"We believe it will go through," said Dale Krajniak, Park manager.

"We want to save money and maintain the level of service," Theokas said. "I think both sides will try to make this succeed."

"Like any change, there's going to be a few speed bumps we get confronted with," said Chris Walsh, City of Grosse Pointe councilman. "I think we'll be able to produce the service level our residents have come to expect."

The Park, with a population of 11,555, according to the 2010 Census, has four dispatchers, according to the public safety department's 2011 annual report, the most recent available.

The City, with a population of 5,421, has five dispatchers.

Not all dispatchers would be retained if services combined.

City officials already negotiated buy-out and pension agreements with their dispatchers should their duties be contracted elsewhere.

Park officials proposed at least two years ago taking over City dispatch.

"It was in the neighborhood of \$90,000 per year," Krajniak said of the Park's offer. "We might have to complement our staff to some degree."

What will these changes mean? We want your opinion

Grosse Pointe Shores isn't happy with its service from Grosse Pointe Farms. They may take their dispatch to Grosse Pointe Woods. Or even explore joining with three Macomb County communities for dispatch. The City of Grosse Pointe may vote to combine its dispatch with Grosse Pointe Park. They're also exploring a total consolidation of the public safety departments between the two communities.

What do you think? Send an e-mail to jwarner@grossepointenews.com or sending a letter to the Grosse Pointe News, 21316 Mack Ave., Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236. Please include your name and a daytime phone number.

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would be done in an attrition or retirement-type fashion. If there's savings at the mid level, I'm certain some officers would be reallocated to the streets."

"If we could reduce overtime and reduce idle time, without having any disruption in service people have come to expect, why wouldn't we consider this?" said City of Grosse Pointe Councilman Chris Walsh. "Why wouldn't taxpayers be excited by the fact we've consider a more efficient model? That's what corporate America has been going through as we're trying to right-size."

Peter Dame, manager of the City, said last week consolidating public safety would save his city \$600,000 per year.

The City has one chief and 23 sworn officers, according to the department's 2012 annual report, released last month.

There's one lieutenant, seven sergeants and five civilian dispatchers.

Administrators comprise 3 percent of the staff, according to the report.

The Park has a chief and 35 sworn officers, according to its 2011 annual report, the most recent available.

The department roster lists one captain, three lieutenants, six sergeants, four dispatchers,

one ordinance officer, an executive secretary and a clerk.

Administrators comprise 7 percent of the staff.

Combined, the two departments are considered top heavy with two chiefs, one captain, four lieutenants and 13 sergeants.

"The lack of economies of scale are much more apparent in a small department," Walsh said. "Public safety is 60 percent of our total expenditures."

In a melded operation, redundant personnel trickles down from the top.

"You wouldn't need two chiefs," Theokas said. "Savings come more from the sergeants and lieutenants, where you'd wind up having one managerial category to cover both cities."

"Share a supervisor," Krajniak said.

Last July, City and Park officials utilized a state grant to pay up to \$20,000 of a roughly \$60,000 feasibility study of combined public safety departments.

The analysis, contracted to the International City/County Management Association, based in Washington, D.C., had a soft deadline at the end of last year.

Officials from both cities reviewed an early draft and sent it back for corrections and clarification, they said.

"We're waiting for a final report of their review and recommendations," said Stephen Poloni, City public safety director.

Municipal representatives are taking a shorter course to contracting the City's public safety dispatch to the Park.

A proposal could be ready for discussion at the City's 7 p.m. Monday March 18, council meeting.

The Park council discussed both mergers last week.

"The merger of city public safety departments is massively more complex than dispatch," Theokas said. "The best way to do it is to start with dispatch and see if it serves as well as everybody hopes. If it is successful, it makes a better foundation to work on other areas, which are not going to be as immediate."

In the Park, full-time, overall staff has been cut from 87 employees 2 1/2 years ago to 70 now, according to Krajniak.

He sees opportunities for more reductions, regardless of consolidation.

"Do we need a full-timer with police, fire and EMT training to drive a fire truck?" Krajniak said. "I'd like have a retired fire fighter for that. All of a sudden, I'd have a guy in the firehouse for \$25,000 instead of a guy making \$80,000."

CHIEF: New systems, training coming

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the City.

"There is a lot of work to be done," Hiller said. "There are permits we need from Lansing, and we have to work with the LEIN (Law Enforcement Information Network) and the CLEMIS (Courts and Law Enforcement Management Information System.) That takes time, we just can't call up those

systems and tell them to switch over."

Hiller said while representatives of both departments are focused on the legal technicalities of such a merger, he said the most important detail both departments are stressing is to make the transition as smooth as possible for residents of both cities.

"We want this to be as seamless as possible," he

said. "When a resident calls for service, we want that call to be handled as efficiently as possible."

With that in mind, Hiller said all staff will receive comprehensive training and a monthly review process will be established to review calls. He also noted that new communication systems will be used, including an automated system which will direct callers to the correct department.

"With an automated system, we won't be tying up a dispatcher with routine calls," he said.

Hiller would not speculate on the consolidation of dispatch and prisoner housing services was the first step toward a complete takeover of the City's public safety services, but did say consolidation is something all cities need to consider under the current economic climate.

"Obviously it will allow some cities to make money while other cities save money," he said, declining to comment on the cost savings to the City or the amount the Park will charge for the service.


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The highly successful fish auction fundraiser by the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce meant a \$30,000 donation check to Services for Older Citizens. The check was presented at the recent annual dinner for the Chamber. From left, Sharon Maier, executive director of SOC, Jenny Boettcher, executive director of the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce, Chamber Director of Administration Mary Jo Harris and Cathy Champion, chairwoman of the Chamber Board of Directors. Not pictured, but receiving recognition at the dinner for her hard work on the project was Pat Milne, special events coordinator at the Chamber.

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City of **Grosse Pointe Woods**, Michigan
PROPOSED BUDGET SCHEDULE
FISCAL YEAR 2013-14

MONDAY DATE	ACTION TO BE TAKEN
03/11/13 @ 7:30 p.m.	Finance Committee - Budget discussion
03/25/13 @ 7:30 p.m.	Finance Committee - Budget discussion
04/08/13 - Following City Council Meeting	Committee-of-the-Whole Sitting as Finance Committee - Review of all Funds
05/06/13 @ 7:30 p.m.	City Council sets the public hearing at the City Council Meeting
05/20/13 @ 7:30 p.m.	City Council holds the public hearing and adopts the budget and millage rate

Check the City's website at www.gpwmi.us for posted agendas
G.P.N.: 3/7/2013

Refinancing bonds could
bring positive financial news

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — A smidgen of tax relief is likely if bond refinancing goes through

this summer as planned. “The net present value of savings to the community is around 9 percent,” said Mark Wollenweber, Grosse Pointe Shores manager. “This means we will be able to lower our millage.”

Projected savings totals \$239,212 over 12 years. The figure equals just under \$20,000 per year.

It’s not a windfall, but everything adds up, according to Shores officials trying to outmaneuver reduced revenue.

“We always said we were going to look for cost savings wherever,” said Mayor Ted Kedzierski.

Outstanding bonds total \$2.4 million and were issued in 2004 with voter backing.

“These bonds were approved by voters for a variety of public improvements,” said Pat McGow, bond counsel from Miller Canfield law firm. “The city levies a special debt millage every year to pay that.”

Savings accrue directly to taxpayers, not the municipal general fund.

“It allows the city to reduce that debt millage,” McGow said. “Savings is passed on directly to the taxpayers because it reduces the amount of money the city needs to levy for the remaining time period on the bonds.”

The bonds are callable in October 2014, but Shores officials want to advance the delivery date to June 1, this year.

“The closer you get to the call date, the better the savings will be, but there’s also a risk of interest rates going up,” McGow told the city council this month.

“The current rate on those bonds is 4.25 percent,” said Mike Gormley, of Hutchins, Shockey, Erley underwriters. “In today’s market, you could rebond for those less than 2 percent.”

The projected 9 percent net savings is exceptional, according to Gormley.

“When we do refinancings for municipalities, the goal is to get close to 3 percent net present value savings of the bonds you’re refunding,” he told the council. “In this case, you’re pretty much three times the industry standard. This deal is definitely in the money.”

Gormley’s firm will sell the bonds.

“If we can do private placement and save costs and maximize savings, we will,” he said. “If we have to go into the open market, this is what is reflective.”

A public offering requires reevaluation of the city’s bond rating.

“The city was downgraded (by Standard & Poors) when it went from a village to a city in 2011, two years ago next month,” Gormley said. “I think the trend has moved back, now that the city’s established itself. I think the city can make a case to try to get that notched back up to AA+; maybe not on this refunding, but on another surveillance after the refunding.”

Councilman Bruce Bisballe, head of the finance committee, intends to save the city another \$10,000 by not retaining a financial advisor.

“The key point is a \$200,000 savings,” he said.



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City of Grosse Pointe

Credit fraud

Another 83-year-old Grosse Pointe woman was surprised to receive a bill for purchases charged to a Walmart credit card she never applied for.

In the second fraud in two weeks targeting a victim of the same gender and age, identity thieves racked up a \$1,054.49 Walmart purchase in someone else's name.

On Friday, March 1, the victim was a City resident.

Two weeks ago, a Farms woman received a \$2,393.87 Walmart bill for fraudulent purchases.

Wrong way

An afternoon of drinking backfired on a man caught shortly before 4 p.m. Friday, Feb. 29, driving while intoxicated, according to police.

A patrolman investigated the man for nearly turning the wrong way onto Fisher, a north-bound one-way street, at Beaupre.

The driver, a 57-year-old Redford Township resident, told police he'd been drinking since noon.

He had a .114 percent blood alcohol level, police said.

—Brad Lindberg
Report information

Public Safety Reports

about these or other crimes to the City of Grosse Pointe Public Safety Department at (313) 886-3200.

Grosse Pointe Farms

Drunken wreck

A 47-year-old Grosse Pointe Farms woman registered a .145 percent blood alcohol level shortly after being involved in a two-car crash at about 8:45 p.m. Saturday, March 2, on Moran near Lakeshore.

"(She) states she was unsure what happened and that she was struck as she was turning around," said an officer at the scene.

Officers arrested her for drunken driving.

There were no injuries, according to police.

Occupants of the second vehicle, whom officers did not name, weren't cited.

Both vehicles needed to be towed from the scene.

Electronics missing

Nearly \$2,000 in computer and personal electronic equipment were

reported stolen during the afternoon of Friday, March 1, from a house in the 200 block of Hillcrest.

A family member returning home from school told police the following items had been taken off a living room table:

- ◆ \$500 black iPad 2 with white case,
- ◆ \$1,200 white MacBook 13-inch computer and
- ◆ \$250 white Beats Audio Solo headphones.

Locker theft

A Shell Oil credit card, reported stolen during the early afternoon of Thursday, Feb. 28, from a locker room in the Grosse Pointe South High School natatorium, was used at 1:14 p.m. that day to make a \$75 purchase at a service station at Mack and Alter in Detroit, according to police.

The victim, an 18-year-old Farms man, said the stolen credit card, Chase debit card, car keys and cash were taken out of his backpack.

—Brad Lindberg
Report information about these or other crimes to the Grosse Pointe Farms Public Safety Department at

(313) 885-2100.

Grosse Pointe Shores

Tools missing

The son of the deceased owner of a vacant house on Willison isn't sure if tools missing last week from the basement were stolen.

Tools consisted of a hammer, pipe wrench, screwdriver, pliers, a Black & Decker sander, grinder, drill bits and die making tools.

There were no signs of forced entry.

The complainant, 61, of Brighton, told police he'll try to determine if other family members took the items.

Pro drinker

When a motorist registers a .24 percent blood alcohol level at mid-morning, odds are there's a history of drinking and driving.

At 10:25 a.m. Saturday, March 2, a 50-year-old St. Clair Shores woman with a blood alcohol level three times the state's legal limit to operate a motor vehicle was arrested near the intersection of Lakeshore and Blairmoor.

It was her third drunken driving arrest, according to police.

A patrolman, alerted to a possible drunken driver, spotted the woman operating a 2006 Ford Taurus erratically.

—Brad Lindberg

Report information about these or other crimes to the Grosse Pointe Shores Public Safety Department at (313) 881-5500.

Grosse Pointe Woods

Suspicious person

A resident of Roslyn called police at 1:45 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 26, to report a suspicious person who appeared to wandering aimlessly up and down the street.

When police arrived, they found the suspect, a 23-year-old Fraser resident in the backyard of a house where no one was home. The suspect told police he thought his aunt lived in the house, but when the homeowner was contacted he denied knowing the suspect. The young man was arrested and charged with vagrancy and giving false information to police.

DWI

A 55-year-old Harper Woods resident was stopped at 2:25 a.m. Sunday, March 3, after a patrol officer noticed her driving erratically on Vernier. Suspecting drinking was involved, the officer conducted a field sobriety test, which she failed. She was arrested and police found an open bottle of vodka in her purse. She was arrested and charged

with driving while intoxicated.

—Kathy Ryan

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

Grosse Pointe Park

Flee and eluding arrest

Park police assisted members of the ACTION Task Force in apprehending a 19-year-old Detroit resident who was being pursued after stealing a car near Jefferson and Marlborough.

Trespass

A resident of Lakepointe called police at 7:45 a.m. Sunday, March 3, to report an unknown male was standing on her driveway looking into her house. When approached, the suspect fled, but was apprehended a short distance away.

Fugitive arrest

At 3 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 26, Park police assisted officers from the Detroit Police Department and the U.S. Marshall Service in the arrest of a 30-year-old male wanted on an aggravated assault warrant. He was found by officers hiding in the attic of a house on Beaconsfield.

—Kathy Ryan

If you have information on these or any other crimes, contact Grosse Pointe Park police, (313) 822-7400.

CDBG amounts announced

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — There's a reminiscent tone to this year's Community Development Block Grant program.

"Allocations are the same as last year," said Peter Dame, City of Grosse Pointe manager.

More than half of the \$73,000 grant — \$38,000 — is directed toward Services for Older Citizens.

Slightly more than 42 percent, \$3,000, is set aside to replace sidewalk curbs with ramps to accommodate the disabled.

The city retains the roughly 7 percent balance, \$5,000, to pay administration costs.

This year's money for sidewalk ramps is combined with last year's grant, which hasn't been spent.

"We've been holding it to pool into a larger project to make engineering

costs more feasible," Dame said.

He wants to jointly bid on curb work with other Grosse Pointes to obtain a quantity discount on construction.

About half of the City's sidewalk curbs have been replaced with ramps, according to Dame.

Block grants are issued annually by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and funneled through Wayne County.

—Brad Lindberg

WEEK AHEAD:

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MONDAY, MARCH 11

◆ Wayne County Commissioner hosts "Chat with Commish Killeen" from 9 to 10 p.m. in the Grosse Pointe Woods Municipal building, 20025 Mack Plaza.
◆ Grosse Pointe Park council meets at 7 p.m. in council chambers, 15115 E. Jefferson.

TUESDAY, MARCH 12


◆ The Grosse Pointe Garden Center presents the annual Sue Abbott lecture beginning with refreshments at 7 p.m. Richard Thomas, of Soulscape, discusses "seasonal planters." Admission is free and reservations can be made by calling (313) 881-7511, ext. 206, or by visiting gp-gardenctr@warmemorial.org.

◆ The movie, "Life of Pi," is shown from 6:45 to 9 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe Public Library, Woods branch. The movie is for adults. A donation of \$3 is suggested.

◆ The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce holds a business after hours meeting from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe News, 21316 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

THURSDAY, MARCH 14


◆ The La Societe des Jardinières meets at noon at the home of Mary Dennehy, who serves lunch. Speaker Bernie Van Antwerp discusses "The Bees of St. Ambrose."



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GUEST OPINION By Michael D. LaFaive

Gas tax and fee discussion

Gov. Rick Snyder has proposed increased spending on Michigan roads, which is surely a discussion worth having. The Mackinac Center has long said the state should place a higher priority on roads and has authored two lengthy studies on the subject, in 1995 and 2007, respectively. But the question of how to go about raising the needed revenue to fund \$1.2 billion in additional road spending needs to be answered.

Last year, Snyder floated the idea of a tax on the wholesale price of gasoline and a major hike — 67 percent increase by one accounting — in auto registration fees. These ideas remain on the table in 2013.

Two points about these proposed tax and fee increases must be stated up front.

First, gas taxes and car registration fees are very close to a true user fee and much better than funding road improvements through, say, a general sales tax hike. A user fee attempts to more closely tie the cost of a government service to those who most enjoy its benefits. Other related options, such as toll roads or some odometer-based user fees, have great merit, but probably not in the short-run. Michigan needs more and better infrastructure investment and making this policy a priority is a sound decision.

Second, a net tax and fee increase simply isn't necessary. It is wise to tie additional road funding to something akin to a true road user fee, but the hikes should be offset with dollar-for-dollar cuts to other financial burdens on taxpayers, such as state personal income taxes. Ideally, the net result of such tax changes will be a cut in the burden, not merely a shift. Snyder has a record of such dramatic tax changes. It does not strain credulity to suggest that he could do so again.

Revenue losses from offsetting a personal income tax cut would require reducing government spending, but as the Center has pointed out time and again, the money is there to be had if only lawmakers are willing to make the cuts happen.

Let us start with one simple idea: Eliminate Michigan's department of corporate welfare and crony capitalism, otherwise known as the Michigan Economic Development Corp.

The state could save a conservative \$118 million by reducing MEDC expenditures and redirecting 21st Century Jobs money and Indian Gaming revenues to personal income tax relief — though this money will run out in 2015. The great irony in this is that investing these savings in state roads and bridges might actually produce a positive return on investment.

This is just one idea and it gets us almost 10 percent of the way to the \$1.2 billion in road repair dollars Snyder is seeking. The fact is, the Mackinac Center has made hundreds of suggestions over the years for saving (and in some cases, generating) billions of dollars in savings.

The Center has authored three formal budget studies, the last of which recommended more than 200 ideas for saving \$2 billion without reducing the School Aid Fund. Since the last was published we have suggested even more ideas, big and small, controversial and not.

Two ideas for saving money listed in our 2007 transportation study include repealing the state prevailing wage law and competitive contracting for road maintenance. Prevailing wage laws artificially raise the cost of government construction projects. One conservative estimate published by the Center in 2007 was that the repeal of this law in 2002 could have saved Michigan taxpayers some \$107 million in public construction costs that are not related to schools. Savings like that are worth chasing.

Michigan's infrastructure system needs repair. We have been saying that in print for almost two decades. Tying the repairs, however, to a net tax increase is unnecessary. The best alternative is to offset hikes a fuel tax with spending and tax cuts elsewhere.

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Prescription needed

To the Editor:
In America, health

care charges have become too high. These extreme, high costs deter people from going to their doctor.

How can these health charges be lowered? By changing one's eating habits.

Just as smoking cigarettes came to be recognized as "May be hazardous to your health," in the same way, eating the typical western diet may come to be known as hazardous to your health.

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As Dr. John McDougall has remarked, "What if your health improved because you changed your diet from burgers

and bacon to barley and beans?"

Again, Dr. McDougall asks, "Could there be something seriously wrong with a world in which half of the population is seriously underfed while the other half overfeeds itself into a state of illness and even death?"

A change to a plant-based diet will result in fewer visits to the doctor, therefore lower costs. And, a healthy diet will lower your food bills.

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GUEST OPINION By Bill Kalmar

Pope has retirement plans



As a Catholic and a former seminarian, I was able to gain access to the Pope's daily planner.

Those of us who are retired or approaching retirement have probably prepared a list of "to do's."

Retirement is a time to enjoy all the activities we have dreamed about, but did not have time to experience. Perhaps it is a personal "bucket list" of things to be accomplished as we move into the twilight years of our life.

Whatever the case, it is a time for new adventures.

Pope Benedict XVI has announced his retirement and has moved to a small residence on the outskirts of the Vatican.

This is the first time in 600 years a Pope has re-

signed. As a result, people are wondering how he will spend his retirement.

As a Catholic and a former seminarian, I was able to gain access to the Pope's daily planner. I want to share with you a few of his plans. From my viewpoint, it looks like a full schedule.

Here is a look at what he has on his agenda:

- ◆ Attend retirement party at local Knights of Columbus Hall.
- ◆ Reminiscent of the first Pope retirement party, held 600 years ago: instead of a gold watch, receive a gold sundial.
- ◆ Audition for lead role in Broadway play "Jesus Christ Superstar."
- ◆ Purchase season

tickets to all St. Louis Cardinals and New Orleans Saints games.

- ◆ Drive the Popemobile in the Woodward Dream Cruise.
- ◆ Sign up for AARP: the Almighty Alliance of Retired Popes
- ◆ Free trips to the healing waters of Lourdes when ill.
- ◆ Throw out the first ball in a Los Angeles Angels baseball game.
- ◆ During Lent, go to the Panera Bread Co. and feed thousands with loaves and fishes.
- ◆ Cheer on any team playing against the New Jersey Devils.
- ◆ Contact National Football League Commissioner Roger Goodell and submit a bid on an upcoming Super Bowl to be held in

the Rome Coliseum.

- ◆ Pay yearly fee to park the Popemobile in "Happy Luigi's Trailer Park."
- ◆ Appear on the Food Network Channel and demonstrate the healthy merits of angel food cake as opposed to devil's food cake.
- ◆ Prepare holy water from unlimited supply of water received from Aquafina.
- ◆ Start a side business by selling name brand products such as Popesi Cola, Popermate pens, Popesident Toothpaste and Popey Chow.
- ◆ Check to see if anyone still remains in Limbo.

Well, there you have it — quite an ambitious schedule. Fortunately he will have a squadron of angels to assist him!

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

GUEST OPINION By Freddy Groves

VA 'Walks the Walk' on mental health

Last April, the head of the Department of Veterans Affairs, Eric Shinseki, announced his intention to beef up the number of mental-health professionals at the VA. Specifically, it would hire 1,600 nurses, psychiatrists, psychologists, marriage counselors, family therapists, addiction therapists and social workers, along with 300 support personnel.

A few months later, President Barack Obama signed an

Executive Order instructing the VA to boost its mental health staff by 1,600, with 300 support personnel, by the end of June 2013.

At this point, the VA is well on its way, with 1,058 providers and 223 support personnel hired. In addition, and per the Executive Order, the VA has increased by 50 percent the call capacity of its crisis line.

One wonders, however, how an Executive Order comes into play here. Historically, these orders have been huge. Some have ordered

wars, integration of the military, desegregation of schools, Japanese-Americans to be forced into camps, or have allowed the National Security Agency to eavesdrop on phone calls without a warrant.

Using an Executive Order to instruct the VA about staffing levels, with specific numbers of personnel to hire, after the VA has already stated its intentions, is a bit curious.

Meanwhile, if you're a mental-health professional and want to work with the VA, visit

vacareers.va.gov and usajobs.gov.

If you're a veteran and need help, call (313) 576-1000 or visit va.gov. If you have a mental health emergency, whether you're a veteran or family/friend of a veteran, call the crisis line at (800) 273-8255. You can do an online chat as well at veteranscrisisline.net or text to 838255.

Most of the people on the other end of the phone at the crisis line are veterans, too.

Groves writes a column for King Features Syndicate.

TEST DRIVE

Cadillac XTS earns high marks

By Greg Zyla

2013 Cadillac XTS AWD Premium

We tested Cadillac's all-new 2013 XTS, a full-size luxury entry from the folks at General Motors who have made Cadillac a respected, world-wide success — base price: \$55,810; price as tested: \$56,730.

This Cadillac shares GM's noted Epsilon II platform space with the Buick LaCrosse and the all-new 2014 Chevy Impala, available this spring. XTS replaces two Cadillacs in the 2013 line-up, namely STS and the DTS. Built Oshawa, Ontario, XTS is available in front-drive and all-wheel drive models with an entry slot at \$44,075.

Of note is XTS's "new"

front wheel drive format, as Cadillac moved away from front drive in the years past. The enhanced high speed handling of a rear drive is noteworthy, as there is none of the dreaded "push" or "torque steer" associated with more powerful front drives.

Noteworthy, however, is front drive's enhanced ability to perform better during snowstorms versus rear drive offerings. Cadillac's XTS, thus, offers the best of both worlds as our tester came with AWD traction in top line Platinum dress.

Under the hood sits Cadillac's 3.6-liter V6 that generates 304 horsepower and 264 pound-feet of torque. The car performs well in acceleration, running from zero

to 60 in 7.1 seconds, while the front drive will hit 60 in about 6.7 seconds. This engine likes a higher RPM to show its go-power, and is somewhat timid until you get it going. Consumers will welcome the 17 city and 26 highway EPA numbers, most impressive for a full-size AWD luxury car.

Outwardly, XTS is a fine example of exemplary engineering that puts cabin roominess and exterior beauty at a premium. XTS's graceful blueprint finds shorter hood and trunk specifics, with generous doses of Cadillac aesthetics. From its impressive front hood and grille to the well-done rear deck pattern, XTS is all-new.

The cabin is perhaps

one of XTS's best efforts to date, as comfort combines nicely with a sporty touch. Specifically, XTS features high grade leathers, wood trim and aluminum touches with spectacular amenities, one of them a 14-speaker Bose Studio Surround stereo system.

XTS also highlights some of Cadillac's impressive technology offerings, such as Cadillac User Experience.

Our XTS came with 19-inch tires on polished aluminum spoke wheels, resulting in a stunning outward presentation. The suspension features Cadillac's Magnetic Ride Control, a first on a full-size luxury sedan. Stopping the XTS comes, thanks to Brembo

brakes, — the brand GM utilizes in its Corvettes and ZL1 Camaros.

Other standard notables are navigation, safety rear camera, short and long range radar systems, collision and cross traffic alerts, 10 air bags, capless fuel tank filler and much more — all of which makes XTS a modern day marvel.

Important numbers include a wheelbase of 111.7 inches, 4,215-pound curb weight, 18 cubic feet of cargo space and a 19-gallon fuel tank.

Cadillac is worthy of high praise with its new XTS, as it replaces two vehicles that were popular with senior citizens more so than young to middle aged successful consumers. XTS bridges that gap, and is sure to be a hit in showrooms coast to coast.

Likes: Cabin, exterior, V6, AWD, roominess, safety.

Dislikes: CUE too complicated to learn in a week, large "B-pillars."

Zyla is a syndicated automotive columnist.



2013 Cadillac XTS. Next week, local Cadillac dealers discuss the new lineup, including the ATS, announced as Car of the Year at Detroit's North American International Auto

Weighing options at St. John

While losing weight may be one of the most common new year's resolutions in 2013, it will also be one of the most abandoned resolutions during the year.

For many people their weight issue is actually the chronic medical condition of obesity. And, while personal resolutions are the first step, people struggling with obesity may benefit from medical care to reduce their health risks and improve their quality of life.

"Obesity is associated with life-threatening conditions that reduce quality of life and lifespan, including diabetes, high blood pressure, heart disease, stroke, arthritis, certain cancers and sleep apnea," said Gary Katz, medical director of the bariatric surgical team at St. John Providence Weight Loss Center. "Research shows 66 percent of all U.S. adults and 18 percent of U.S. children are at risk for these health conditions due to their weight," he said.

"Weight loss surgery has helped millions of people shed excess weight and live healthier lives," Katz said. "It is a common treatment option for people with severe obesity who have

been unsuccessful with other weight loss methods. Weight loss surgery works because it also includes education to transform eating habits to maintain an ideal weight and thus live a healthier life."

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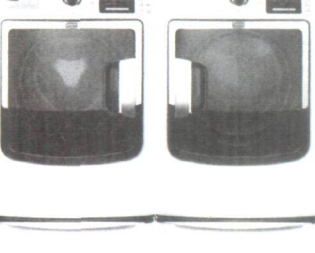
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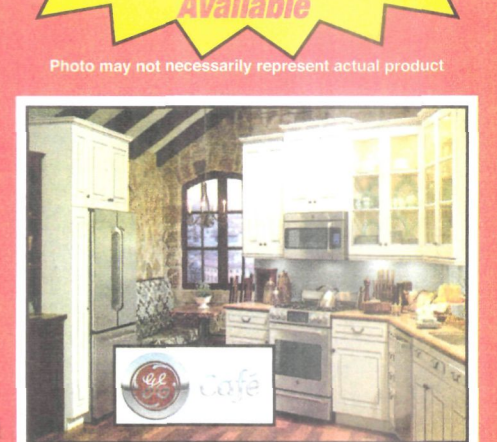
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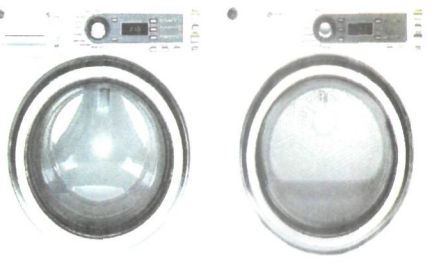
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Eve Feldman, at left, and Colleen Corbet, both of Parcels Middle School, read Dr. Seuss's "Horton Hears a Who" to students in Karen Cole's kindergarten class at Mason Elementary School.

Sharing a love of reading

By A.J. Hakim
 Staff Writer

They were in classrooms upstairs and down, sitting in chairs and kneeling on the ground. No matter where or how, half of Parcels Middle School's National Junior Honors Society students spent an hour last Friday morning at Mason Elementary School reading Dr. Seuss to kindergarten on through to fifth grade.

A similar scene played out in classrooms across the United States that day, March 1, as students of all ages engaged in reading activities to honor the National Education Association's 16th Read Across America day, March 2, the same day as Dr. Seuss's birthday.

"There are activities all across the nation going on (last Friday)," said Deborah Peck, teacher and National Junior Honors Society chair at Parcels. "So, we're kind of all kindred spirits together in our love of reading. There's something going on really at every level throughout the nation."

At Mason, the middle school students paired in twos or threes, each pair visiting a classroom to read and perform an activity related to the respective grade-level curriculum. Kindergartners were read "Horton Hears a Who" and had a race and colored, while first graders read "Bartholomew and the Oobleck" and participated in a weather-themed unit.

"It was really nice," said Alex Dean. "They were cute because they kept, they were wiggling around, but they listened and they loved showing us their drawings and everything like that. It was just really fun to work with them."

In second grade, the Parcels

students read "Green Eggs and Ham" and focused their lesson on rhyming; whereas, in third grade, they read "Hooray for Diffendoofer Day" and created a Venn diagram explaining the similarities and differences between both schools. They also made a classroom quilt of all the different characters in the book.

"The kids were really excited for us," said Lindsey Ramsdell. "It was cool because we got to see what it's like to be like a teacher and stuff and to teach classes."

Fourth graders read "The Lorax" and designed their lesson around marketing strategies and making an advertisement, and fifth graders read "Yertle the Turtle" and conducted a mock trial.

"I can't emphasize enough how much our kids love coming to the elementary school and working with them," Peck said. "I think it's been a good match. I think it's been beneficial on both ends, that they both benefit."

The students' visit acts as a jump off for Mason's March is Reading Month campaign, said reading specialist Anne Marie MacGillis, adding, "We have a whole month of activities planned, and this is always one of the big ways that we start every year, when they come and help us celebrate Dr. Seuss's birthday."

Parcels's other half of NJHS students visited Poupard in the afternoon.



Molly Spence, a kindergartner in Amy Dzapo's class, colors a scene from "Horton Hears a Who."

Cell, WAN bids approved

By A.J. Hakim
 Staff Writer

A pair of technology bids, one for cell phones and another for Wide Area Network services, met majority approval Monday, Feb. 25, at the Regular Meeting of the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education.

In regard to cell phones, the board approved 6-0 a switch to Verizon Wireless for a contract term of three years at an estimated cost of \$46,409.52 per year, the same pricing as the United States General Services Administration and other federal government agencies. Following an e-rate reimbursement of 42 percent, the estimated net annual cost of 24 telephones, unlimited data access for 68 smart phones and eight mobile data connection devices is \$26,917.52.

Compared to Sprint, the district's current service provider, it represents an annual savings of \$6,378.48.

The current contract with Sprint ends June 30. "Verizon will ramp up the service mid June," said Steve Woloszyn, district technology director. "We'll have all the phones received and distributed to staff before the end of June because we do have staff that will be gone in July that we require to have their phones, certain building administrators and such. So, we want to make sure that the new phone is in their hands because when the Sprint contract ends, the old phones will cease to function in July."

WAN approved

Despite concerns from two members, the board agreed 4-2 to a five-year contract renewal with Comcast for its WAN services at an annual cost of \$169,200 (\$98,136 after e-rate reimbursements), an

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PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Second grader Ethan Lederman rates his massage from Dulcine Licavoli a thumbs up.

Open for business

By A.J. Hakim
 Staff Writer

Realizing the high demand of his product, Sean Guibord, of Sean's Spring Training Shop, made the move most other business owners would and raised the prices on his product.

The only difference between him and other business owners, Guibord is a third grader at Mason Elementary School and his product — baseball-themed cookies and a handmade Detroit Tigers banner.

"I made a pretty good profit," Guibord said soon after selling out of both the cookies and the banners.

On Thursday, Feb. 28, Guibord and the rest of Molly Collins's class turned their classroom into a mini market, the culmination of an interactive mini economy unit.

"The kids, we basically came up with our own country. They decided the name of our country — Crispy Cookie City," Collins said.

Students also designed the country's flag and currency and elected civil servants, paymasters, treasurers and entrepreneurs.

"We talked about goods, services, demand — if demand is high, the price goes up. If the demand is low, the price is going to go down," Collins said.

Demand proved high for Guibord and several other businesses, including Dulcine Licavoli's Backs Relaxed massage chair, Luke Olk's Luke's Delicious Brownies and Jason Michalski's Jason's Crazy Crayons, in which he made heart-shaped crayons.

"I have a crayon maker, but if you buy cookie things

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Board selects review panel

By A.J. Hakim
 Staff Writer

Secretary Lois Valente and trustee Judy Gafa, of the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education, were approved along with several others Feb. 25, at the regular meeting of the board, to lead a reinstatement review panel.

Aaron Johnson, director of secondary curriculum, instruction, assessment and technology; Cheri Burley, Grosse Pointe Education Association president; and Kim Clextion, parent, join Gafa and Valente on the panel, which reviews petitions for reinstatement from expelled students.

"There are youngsters, sadly,

that may, in fact, engage in conduct that is a violation of our student code of conduct where there is an expulsion that takes place from our school system," said Tom Harwood, GPPSS superintendent. "The reinstatement panel, if the youngster is permanently expelled from school, he can come to the reinstatement panel to have a due process hearing to review the situation that took place and to be considered for being reinstated back into the school district."

Appointment of the panel satisfies conditions laid out in Board Policy 5611, Due Process Rights. The Parent Teacher Organization Council and GPEA assisted in identifying panel members and their alternates.

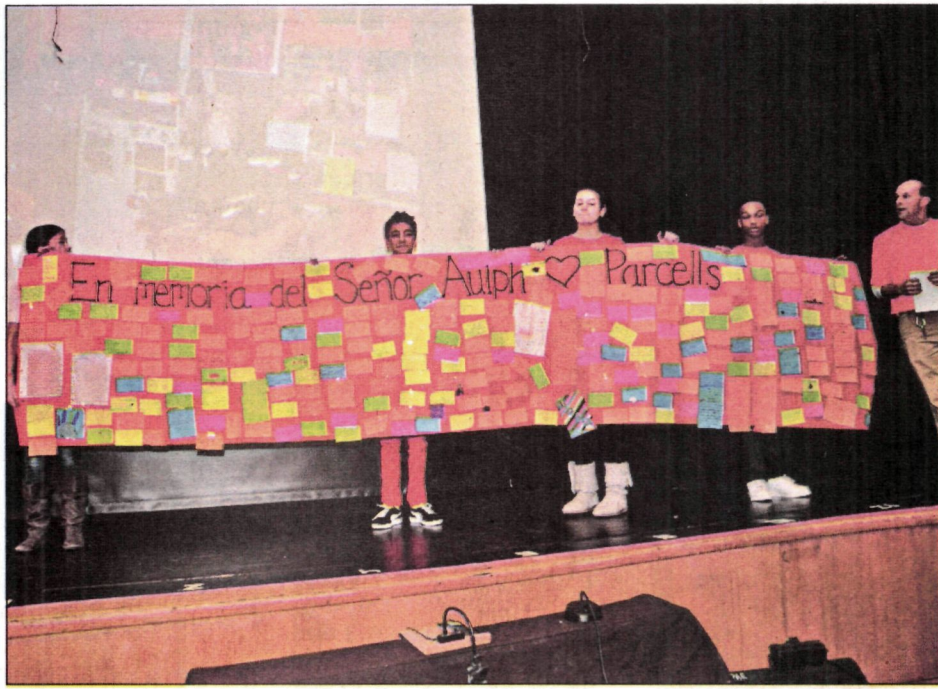
Alternates include: Cindy Pangborn, board trustee; Cathryn Armstrong, Parcels Middle School principal; Suzanne Jabara, teacher; and Connie Leannais, parent.

"I will add that the configuration of this committee is prescribed by law in terms of the composition of the membership of parents, teachers and so forth," said Joan Dindoffer, board president. "And one of the purposes of having this panel appointed, they would be ready to convene should the need arise rather than having to wait for the next board meeting to appoint a panel at that particular time."

The panel serves from March through December 2013.

2A II | SCHOOLS

In a sea of orange, Parcels remembers teacher



Parcels Middle School students present a banner of memories about Brian Aulph.

By A.J. Hakim
Staff Writer

A sea of orange, students and staff in orange shirts and pants, orange wristbands and hats, flooded Parcels Middle School's auditorium Friday, March 1, in an uplifting display of community and support during a time otherwise

mired in sadness.

All were gathered Friday afternoon for a school assembly honoring Brian Aulph, a Spanish teacher who passed away Tuesday, Feb. 19, at the age of 36, after complications from heart surgery.

Orange was Aulph's favorite color.

"Orange is an uplifting

color, it's a celebratory color, it's a party color," said Cathryn Armstrong, Parcels principal. "It's a color that means we're going to have some fun and we're going to be happy and we're going to do some celebrating and be grateful for things that are important to us — who we are, how we operate, and how fortu-

nate we are to have one another."

The message of one Parcels, a community of parents, staff and students together in attitude and effort — something Aulph stressed constantly among the many life lessons he taught daily — resonated as a common theme throughout the 45-plus minute assembly.

Teachers, students and family shared stories about Aulph, his life, his teaching, his love of fishing; they shed tears as well. Students also presented Aulph's wife, brother, sister, parents and in-laws in attendance with an orange banner full of personal anecdotes and stories on sticky notes, as well as money raised from a wristband sale and hat day.

According to Scott Cooper, teacher and assembly co-host, the wristband sale raised about \$2,500 and the hat day \$2,300 for an education fund for his two children.

"Don't let anybody ever tell you that Parcels is

nothing but a great place to be," Cooper said. "This is an awesome school. We are a community, and I've been nothing but proud of the way you've conducted yourselves. It's been a sad week, but this has actually been, for me, an uplifting week and that's because of you guys."

Holly Benzler Aulph, Aulph's wife, shared in Cooper's sentiments of the students as beacons

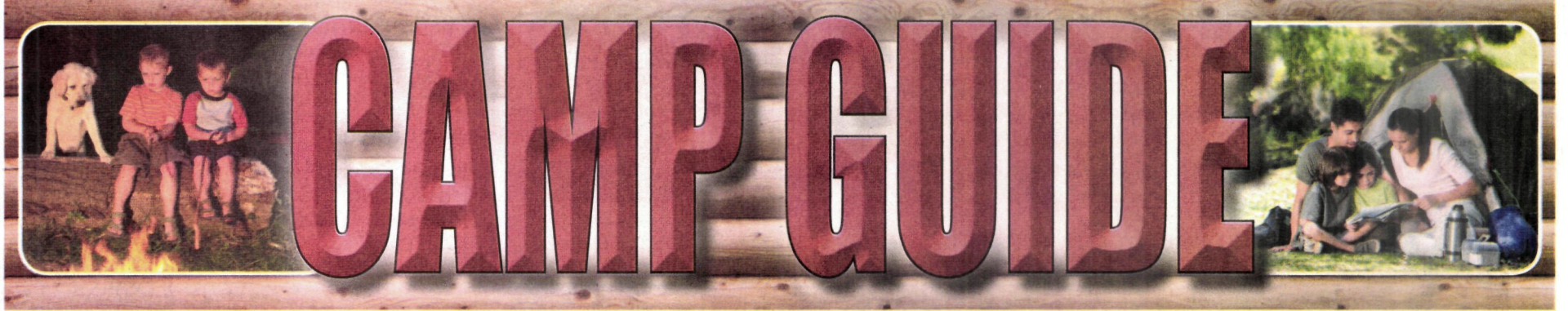
of hope and support.

"This staff and teachers, you've been absolutely amazing," said Benzler Aulph. "You've been so supportive and have served to have great strength for us. Students, I understand why Señor Aulph loved his job."

"Thank you for all the stories, the hugs, the kisses, all the love you have shared with our family. We greatly appreciate it."



The late Brian Aulph's family, including his parents, sister, brother, wife and in-laws, at the assembly.



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It is not easy for parents to make the decision to send their child away into the waiting arms of strangers who promise to take care of them — people who promise to show them the wonders of nature, fun, new skills and friendships.

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Ages 18 & Under

Liggett lecture series continues

University Liggett School's free Celebration of Women lecture series continues Thursday, March 14, with Leslie DeBauche, a professor of film and media studies at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point.

DeBauche is a silent film historian and professor of media studies. In researching the prototypical "American Girl" in films and advertising in

the early 1910s, she found a high school scrapbook from a member of Liggett School's Class of 1917. While her lecture is on women and media in a historical context, she will focus specifically on that Class of 1917.

Prior to the evening lecture, from 7 to 9 p.m., DeBauche will also spend the school day with students.

The lecture is free and open to the community. Registration is required and available for interested parties at liggettdebauchecture.eventbrite.com or by contacting Sarah Gaines at (313) 884-4444, ext. 416.

Liggett's speaker series concludes Thursday, April 18, with Beverly Daniel Tatum, president of Spelman College. Tatum's focus is racial and gender identity in an educational context.

Registration for that event opened on Eventbrite Monday, March 4.

North's Jackson finishes runner-up in competition

Senior Jordan Jackson, Grosse Pointe North High School, finished runner-up in the McDonald's Celebrates Black History Moments on Canvas art competition and received a \$125 bankcard for his entry, a block print "X."

His work is on display at the N'Namdi Center for Contemporary Art in Detroit.

Jackson, an AP Drawing student, was one of 12 finalists from a "pool of semifinalists whose original works capture an event or figure in black history."

He and the 11 others were honored Thursday,

Feb. 28, during a ceremony at the art center.

The competition was



old, who are residents of Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, Lapeer, Livingston, Monroe, Washtenaw or St. Clair counties and are home schooled or attend public, private or charter high schools.

According to Rob Thies, art department chair at North, Jackson's strong portfolio led to his acceptance at several art schools, including the School of Art Institute of Chicago, Kendall School of Art and Design and the College for Creative Studies.

Thies added, "His work will be on display in our art department senior portfolio showcase in a few weeks and, of course, you will be able to see Jordan's work and all of our senior portfolios in the Grosse Pointe North Spring Art Show in conjunction with senior awards night May 20."

TECHNOLOGY: Increased bandwidth beneficial

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increase of \$11,208.

Though, included in the new contract is an upgrade from the current 200-megabyte bandwidth between the high schools and 100-megabyte bandwidth between middle and elementary schools to a one-gigabyte bandwidth to all schools.

"My concern is that we are locking ourselves in before we have the rest of the pieces of a potential technology initiative decided," said Tom Jakubiec, board trustee. "At this point, I think we don't know what we

don't know. I think it's very important we get the building speeds up. I'm personally very comfortable moving forward with the current infrastructure, but I'm not comfortable with a five-year agreement."

The increase in bandwidth better equips the district to handle expanded wireless services in all buildings, more fluid video streaming, and a move to centralized services.

"Economically, our best bet would be to go with a five-year contract to keep our costs down," Woloszyn said.

"As we look at what

we're going to be doing with the future of technology, we're going to need a high-speed backbone to support the expansion of the district wireless and other teaching and learning activities that require technology.

"So, we feel very confident that this is going to meet our needs."

With the existing fiber already in place, all that's required is Comcast convert the current legacy system to a Metro Ethernet service.

"It will be done well before the end of the school year," Woloszyn said.

MARKET: 'They did a great job'

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and you put broken up crayons with no thing, all you do is you put them in the oven, you burn and freeze them and you let them cool off," Michalski said. "You could put all different colors in them."

For about an hour Thursday, students and

teachers around Mason exchanged American dollars for Dough dollars, purchasing anything from brownies, cookies and cupcakes to massages, crayons and handmade bookmarks.

Money raised from the event benefited the Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society.

Students raised \$125.

"The kids decided on that, too," said Collins. "It's very student-driven. The kids decide on almost everything that we're going to do."

Of the end product, Collins added, "Great signage, great price adjustments and inventory, they did a great job."



CAMPS:

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tions that give it character and identity. Even with agency camps such as the YMCA where there is a common mission, every camp is unique in its style, program, games, geography, traditions and experience.

Every staff member, alumni camper, and volunteer has memories associated with their time at their camp — memories that stay with them for their lifetime. Most people remember with fondness the counselors, cabins, camp food, camp outs and special happenings of their time.

Camp is an independent experience that shapes one's character and life — a controlled, safe environment where children and youth are able to make their own decisions about simple things (what activity they want to do, how many s'mores they want to make, or what clothes they are going to wear) and about important things (who they will hang out with ... who will be their friends).

Camp is a place where children interact with people face-to-face and, at the same time, learn about themselves and others around a camp fire, under the stars, or sitting around a dining hall table.

Camp allows the idea of boarding the train to Hogwarts to go from fantasy to reality — children find a world filled with possibilities unavailable to them in everyday life.

Camps give children a chance to practice being the best they can be. They experience a place designed to create happy memories and encourage self expression.

They have the opportunity to climb towers, ride horses, shoot an arrow, and even experience the success of winning the big game! It stays with them forever.

Children will learn from a full range of emotions and human experiences including homesickness, friendship, disagreements, team work, frustrations, jubilant success and more.

As parents, our hopes and jobs are to ready our children to be productive, independent and capable people — to prepare them to thrive without us. It makes me a bit sad every time my son runs off to join his cabin group without even a look back ... and at the same time, I burst with pride watching him growing into a happy, independent, tolerant, open, confident and capable person.

I know that we will have plenty to talk about

when he gets home from camp. I also know he will remember the trust and gift of his time at camp, and it will add to him for the rest of his life.

There is so much competition for our children's time in the summer — sports practices, summer school, well-deserved vacations. But let's not forget the value of a camp experience — camp is a gift we can give our children that they will benefit from and remember forever.

If ever there was a time when the world needed a generation of future leaders who understood the intricacies of living in a community, having tolerance and being open — that time is now.

By Jeff Merhige, executive director of YMCA Camp Kern.

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OBITUARIES

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

Robert G. Borchak M.D.

Robert G. Borchak M.D., 86, passed away Saturday, March 2, 2013. He was the beloved husband of Agnes, who predeceased him and is survived by his loving children, Robert (Diane), Deborah Crick (Daryl), Paul (Patsy), Michael (Michele), Denise Gornick and James; grandchildren, Autumn (Robert), Alyssa (Kenny), Devon, Courtney, Clarissa, Benjamin, Lindsay, Bethany, Natalie, Stephanie, Colin and Kaitlyn and great-grandson, Dalton.

In 2004, Dr. Borchak was made an Honorary Life Member of his alma mater, Wayne State University, for his 50 years of service in the art and science of medicine. He was a past chairman and president of the Wayne County Medical Society and a member of the Michigan State Medical Society. He was affiliated with Holy Cross Hospital and was president of its medical staff from 1986 to 1987 and chief of surgery from 1973 to 1975. He was a member of the American Society of General Surgeons.

Dr. Borchak was a member of the National Rifle Association and the National Republican Party.

A Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 9, at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church, 467 Fairford, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Share a memory at kaul funeralhome.com.

Vito Ciaravino

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Vito W. Ciaravino D.D.S., 80, passed away Sunday, March 3, 2013.

He was born Oct. 6, 1932, in Detroit, to John and Frances (nee Coppola) Ciaravino. A 1950 graduate of De La Salle Collegiate High School, he earned a Bachelor of Science Degree from the University of Detroit in 1954 and his Doctorate of Dental Surgery from U of D Dental School in 1958. Following dental school, he enlisted in the U.S. Air Force as a dentist and served from 1958 through 1960.

Dentistry was Dr. Ciaravino's passion. He loved his profession and dedicated himself to the kind and compassionate care of his patients. His family said he had a way of putting his patients at ease with his good-hearted nature and jovial personality.

When he wasn't busy with his dental career, Dr. Ciaravino could be found on the golf course where he achieved two holes-in-one in his lifetime. He also enjoyed playing cards, but most of all, he was a consummate family man. He adored his family and loved spending time with them.

Dr. Ciaravino was a man of strong faith and a longtime parishioner of St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church. He was also a

longtime member of Lochmoor Golf Club.

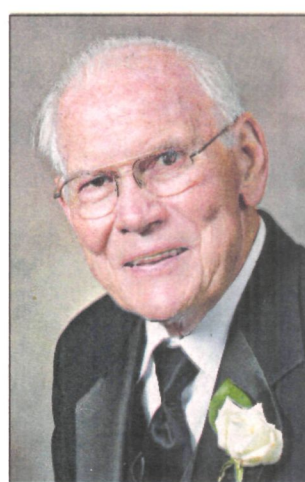
Dr. Ciaravino is survived by his wife, Ann Marie, whom he married May 11, 1963. He also is survived by his children, Steven (Laura), William, Ann (T.J.) Kilroy and Matthew; grandchildren, Steven, Olivia, Janet, Carlo, Sam, Harry and Layne; brother, Salvatore; sister, Mary Partyka and many loving nieces, nephews and cousins.

A funeral Mass was celebrated March 6 at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, St. Clair Shores, with entombment at Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

Rita May Castiglione

Rita May Castiglione, 90, proud U.S. Navy veteran, passed away Tuesday, Feb. 26, 2013.

She was the beloved wife of Carmen, who predeceased her and is survived by her loving children, Stanley Castiglione, Cassandra "Cazzie" Belenky, Francis Castiglione (Sue) and Michele Sweeney (Edward); grandchildren, Jeremy Belenky-Horn (Jennifer), Elizabeth Belenky-Housey (Andrew), Walter Belenky III (Rebecca), Brigitta Mohar, Natalie Henderson (Nathan), Michael Castiglione (Amy) and Edward and Joseph Sweeney and great-grandchildren, Sophie Anne, Claire,



Robert G. Borchak M.D.



Vito Ciaravino



John Geller

Jacob, Kindall, Parker and Conner. She was the dear sister of Eugene LaVoy.

In addition to her husband, Mrs. Castiglione was predeceased by her brothers, Isadore, Llewellyn, Stanley and Fletcher LaVoy, all veterans of the U.S. military.

Donations may be made to Children's Hospital of Michigan, 3901 Beaubien, Detroit, MI 48201.

John Geller

John Geller passed away peacefully of natural causes Monday, Feb. 25, 2013, at St. Martin's of the Pines, Birmingham, Ala. He was 84.

Born June 24, 1928, in Detroit to Norman and Rose (Burns) Geller. He graduated from the University of Notre Dame in 1951 and from the University of Detroit Law School in 1953. He served in the U.S. Army in Japan from 1954 to 1956.

For many years Mr. Geller taught history and English at Austin Catholic Preparatory School in Detroit where he was the head of the social studies department and coach of the golf team. He retired from the legal department of Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan in 1988.

He was a longtime parishioner of St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Mr. Geller is survived by his sister, Mary (Geller)

Donlevy of Birmingham, Ala., as well as several nephews and nieces.

He was predeceased by his parents.

A funeral Mass was celebrated March 3, in Birmingham, Ala.

Interment will be March 8 at St. John the Baptist Cemetery in Hubbardston.

Donations may be made to St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

Madeleine Hurley Scranton

Lifelong City of Grosse Pointe resident Madeleine "Mandy" Hurley Scranton, 87, died peacefully Saturday, March 2, 2013, from complications of a stroke.

She was born Oct. 27, 1925, in Detroit to John Timothy and Helen McGlynn Hurley.

She was a lifetime member of St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, Grosse Pointe Farms, past president of Pregnancy Aid and the St. Paul's Altar Society, and a member of the Dames of Malta.

Her family said Mrs. Scranton was devoted to her husband and children, and above all to her faith. She loved being surrounded by her family and always had a warm and welcoming home. She loved antiques and gardening, and especially appreciated the beauty of nature as evidence of God's hand. She was a strong, intuitive, generous



Madeleine Hurley Scranton

and charismatic woman who will be deeply missed by her family and the many she touched in her community.

Mrs. Scranton is survived by her children, John (Nancy), Mary Scranton (Donald Westrich), Martha Lewis (Jonathon), James, Elizabeth Hunter, Sarah Scranton (Andrew Haigney) and Anne and grandchildren, Matthew, Timothy, Sarah, William, Guy, Adam, Laura, Emma, Christopher and Elizabeth.

She was predeceased by her husband, Everett, and her 10 siblings.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 9, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, Grosse Pointe Farms. Visitation begins at 9:15 a.m. at the church.

Interment will be at Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Detroit.

Donations may be made to Mahr'sa Retreat House, 1390 Quarton Road, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304 or Pregnancy Aid, 17325 Mack, Detroit, MI 48224.

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"Tornado Alley" at MI-Sci

On March 1, the Michigan Science Center began featuring the film "Tornado Alley" on the big screen of its Chrysler IMAX Dome Theatre. In conjunction with the film's opening, Mi-Sci is giving away a field trip opportunity to a class of up to 30 students and three chaperones.

The film follows filmmaker Sean Casey and a team of researchers on a quest to witness the birth of a tornado from its heart. It illustrates a tornado's destructive power and the researchers' journey to penetrate a twister's inner workings and collect comprehensive,

extreme weather data.

"We're excited to offer our Mi-Sci members and visitors the opportunity to watch this high-powered production and hope they will grasp the chance to meet some of our city's service men and women to fully understand what the scene of an emergency, like the impact of a weather catastrophe, looks like," said Todd Slisler, director of visitor experience of the science center.

After watching the film, attendees have a chance to explore the science center's traveling exhibits, including "Bodies Human:

Anatomy in Motion," and "Diabetes: A Deeper Look," along with the Dassault Systemes Planetarium and other interactive displays.

Interested teachers and parents can enter the giveaway through Friday, March 8. To enter, visit the contest page at clickondetroit.com.

One winner will be selected at random Monday, March 11.

"Tornado Alley" is a production of Giant Screen Films and Graphic Films. The National Science Foundation provided major funding, with additional support from the Giant Dome Theater Consortium.

For more information, visit the film's website at tornadoallemovie.com.

ULS Spring raffle

Ticket sales for University Liggett School's 2013 Spring Raffle are underway.

All funds raised through ticket sales directly benefits students and teachers in the classrooms, supporting academic initiatives, technology, building improvements, Liggett's athletics programs and more.

First prize in the raffle is a two-year lease for a 2013 Jeep Wrangler Sport Unlimited four-door courtesy of Ray Laethem Motor Village.

Ippolita Scultura mother-of-pearl and diamond earrings, bracelet

and necklace courtesy of edmund t. AHEE jewelers is second prize. Third prize is \$2,500 cash courtesy of Beline Obeid Realty.

Susie Bowen and Christine Zinn are raffle chairwomen.

Tickets are \$10 and available until Saturday, May 18, the day of the drawing. The drawing is at 7 p.m. in the Manogian Arts Wing at Liggett's Cook Road campus.

To purchase tickets or for more information, contact the school at (313) 884-4444 or visit uls.org/springraffle.

South Choirs compete

Following a seven-year absence, Grosse Pointe South High School's choir ensembles The Pointe Singers and Tower Belles are returning to show choir competition.

Director of choirs, Christopher Pratt, leads the ensembles Friday, March 8, to the Norwell Show Choir Invitational in Indiana and Saturday, March 16, to the Teays Valley Classic in Ohio.

Both ensembles started rehearsing at the beginning of the school year.

In 2007, the last time South participated in a show choir competition, the Tower Belles placed second at the Showstoppers National Show Choir Invitational.

Assisting Pratt with the ensembles are choreographers, Andy Haines and Annette Layman, and accompanist, Richard Wolf.

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City of **Grosse Pointe Farms**, Michigan

BOARD OF REVIEW

Meetings for the purpose of reviewing the 2013 Assessment Roll for the City of Grosse Pointe Farms, Wayne County, Michigan, will be held by the Board of Review on:

TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2013
From 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
and
6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

and

TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 2013
From 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
and
1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

and

TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2013
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 FRIDAY, MARCH 15th.

TIMOTHY E. O'DONNELL,
City Assessor

GPN: 2-28-13; 3-7-13; 3-14-13; 3-21-13

City of **Grosse Pointe Park**, Michigan

BOARD OF REVIEW NOTICE

The City of Grosse Pointe Park Board of Review will meet at 15115 East Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan on March 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th, 2013. The Board will organize and review assessments on Tuesday, March 5th. The Board will hear protests from aggrieved property owners by appointment on the following Tuesdays, March 12th, 19th and 26th.

They will be in session on these dates from: 9 a.m. to 12 noon, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Hearings are by appointment. Call (313) 822-5020, (313) 822-4365, (313) 822-4361 between 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. to schedule.

Written appeals accepted if postmarked no later than March 21, 2013.

Diann H. Lulis
ASSESSOR

GPN: 2/21/13, 2/28/13, 3/7/13

Obituaries: Loved ones remembered

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Helen J. Guercio

Helen J. Guercio, 88, died Sunday, March 3, 2013.

She was the beloved wife of Benedetto and dear sister of George. She also is survived by several nieces and nephews.

A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, March 7, at Assumption Greek Orthodox Church, 21800 Marter Road, St. Clair Shores. Visitation begins at the church at 9:30 a.m.

Entombment will be at Cadillac Memorial Gardens East.

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

Share a memory at ahpeters.com.

James R. Thompson

James R. Thompson, 84, passed away Wednesday, Feb. 13, 2013.

He was born July 31, 1928, in Detroit to Dorothy and A.J. Thompson. After earning his undergraduate and Master of Business Administration degrees from the University of Michigan, he proceeded to law school at Wayne State University. He served in the U.S. Army for two years in the Advocate General's Office in Germany. Upon his return, he earned his Certified Public Accounting certification and was a tax attorney, mostly in private practice.

Mr. Thompson enjoyed a wide range of friendships, which were enlarged by his volunteer work at the Capuchin Kitchen and with Dignity USA where he received a lifetime achievement award.

His family said he was a voracious reader and excellent cook who will be remembered as a generous, kind and intelligent man whose forceful

voice was heard at any display of prejudice or injustice. He was a lifelong member of the ACLU. The strength and grace with which he battled cancer over many years reflected the depth of his deeply cherished Catholic faith.

Mr. Thompson is survived by his sister, Mary Dziuba Eremia; niece, Nancy D. Schuler; nephew, John T. Dziuba M.D., relatives in Canada, including cousin, Ted Boake of British Columbia, and by Michael McCleer.

Mr. Thompson will be remembered at the 6 p.m. Dignity Mass on Sunday, March 17, at the Sacred Heart Chapel at Marygrove College in Detroit, 8425 W. McNichols, Detroit, MI 48221.

A reception for family and friends will follow at the Madame Cadillac Hall, at Marygrove.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, 1820 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207.

Share a memory at cremationmichigan.com.

Ronald Jack Rudolph

Ronald Jack Rudolph, 81, died Wednesday, Feb. 27, 2013.

He was born Dec. 3, 1931, in Detroit, to Wilbert and Hazel Rudolph. He graduated in 1953 from Michigan Tech University. He was a dedicated alumni and acknowledged as a member of the President's Society. He spent his lifetime career with Uniroyal Tires, and his retirement years as an avid bowler and golfer. He was fortunate to continue these activities, as well as traveling with friends and family, right to the end of his 80th year.

Mr. Rudolph was dedicated to his family, which was exemplified by the care he gave his wife, Barbara, who predeceased him. He was loved by his children, Ken Rudolph, Mark Rudolph,

Dale Rudolph (deceased), Judy Gregory and Denise Weston; grandchildren, Zac, Kaleb and Mary; numerous nieces and nephews and his lifelong friend, Carol Shannon and her family.

There will be a private family service.

Donations may be made to the Class of '53 Endowed Scholarship, Michigan Tech Fund, 1400 Townsend Drive, Houghton, MI 49931.

Ruth Ann Shields

Ruth Ann Shields, 101, died Tuesday, Feb. 26, 2013.

She was the loving mother of JoAnne (Johannes) Buiteweg and June Gulich; proud grandmother of 13; great-grandmother of 24 and great-great-grandmother of one. A funeral service was held at the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home in Royal Oak with burial at Acacia Park Cemetery, Beverly Hills.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Share a memory at sulivanfuneraldirectors.com.

Joye Marie Wilber

Lifelong City of Grosse Pointe resident Joye Marie Wilber, 67, passed away Tuesday, Feb. 26, 2013.

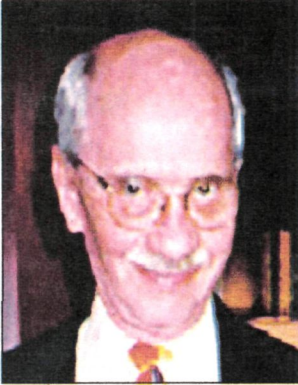
Born Aug. 22, 1945, she was the loving daughter of Harold and Kaye Wilber, who predeceased.

Ms. Wilber was a 1963 graduate of Grosse Pointe High School. After high school she attended Ferris State College in Big Rapids, before completing secretarial school in Detroit. She was employed by the advertising firm of McCann-Erickson for many years.

The loves of her life were her collies, her home and many friends who will dearly miss her.

Ms. Wilber was interred in Burr Oak Cemetery in Athens.

A memorial service will be held at a later date at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church,



James R. Thompson

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Margaret Robinson Wood

Grosse Pointe resident Margaret Robinson Wood, 87, died Wednesday, Feb. 20, 2013.

Born Dec. 28, 1925, in Park Ridge, Ill., she moved as a child to Grosse Pointe, graduated from Grosse Pointe High school and attended the University of Michigan.

Shortly after World War II, she married the love of her life, Donald Chadwick Wood. Their marriage began humbly while Don attended Michigan State College and they lived in married housing with their only mode of transportation — a single speed woman's bicycle.

Upon graduation from Michigan State, the couple moved to Grosse Pointe and raised their family of six children.

Mrs. Wood was an avid artist throughout her life and her homes in Grosse Pointe and Vero Beach, Fla., were filled with her paintings. She also enjoyed sports, including tennis and golf.

Her family said her unconditional love for each of her children was always evident and filled them with confidence. She set a constant example of a positive outlook on every situation. Her family as well as her multitude of friends will miss her dearly.

Mrs. Wood is survived by her children, Virginia Anglin (Terry), Nancy Ambrosino (Drake), Thomas (Desi), Carolyn Wood (Tom Brown), Donald (Denise) and Charles (Sue); 22 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. She also is survived by her sister, Virginia Schaufelberger (Al).

She was predeceased by her husband, Don and her parents, Thomas Lloyd & Margaret White Robinson.

A memorial service will be held at 12:30 p.m. Saturday, May 11, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore Road, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Donations may be made



Ruth Ann Shields



Margaret Robinson Wood

to the American Heart Association at heart.org or Visionary School of Arts at visionaryschoolofarts.org.

Joseph D. Greiner

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Joseph D. Greiner, 81, died Thursday, Feb. 28, 2013.

Born Feb. 3, 1932, to Joseph and Beatrice Greiner, he graduated in 1953 from Massachusetts Institute of Technology with a Bachelor of Science degree in electrical engineering.

He was the retired chief executive officer of Greiner Associates Inc. in Grosse Pointe.

Mr. Greiner belonged to the Senior Men's Club of Grosse Pointe, the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers. He also volunteered at the Detroit Historical Museum, where he worked on the Glancy train exhibit and outfitted a train car with the "choo choo cam" giving a unique perspective to exhibit visitors.

He also enjoyed astronomy and photography.

Mr. Greiner is survived by his wife, Patricia Ann Greiner; daughters, Patrice Greiner Mull and Lori Greiner Borgerding; sons, Joseph Greiner II, Gerard Anthony Greiner, Christopher Mark Greiner and Eric James Greiner and grandchildren, Heidi, Gretchen, Brian, Christine, Amanda, Thomas, Grace Catherine, Tristan, Brigetta, Elizabeth, Neve and Luke.

He also is survived by his brother, Robert Peter Greiner.

He was predeceased by his brother, Claude Anthony Greiner.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at noon Thursday, March 7, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

PRIDE OF THE POINTES

The following area students graduated December 2012 from Western Michigan University:

Christopher Michael Higgins of Grosse Pointe Farms earned a Bachelor of Business Administration Sales and Business Marketing degree; Grosse Pointe Farms resident **Elizabeth Rose Jensen** earned a Bachelor of Science Student Integrated Curriculum degree; Grosse Pointe Park resident **Bryan Parker Melvin IV** earned a Bachelor of Business Administration Marketing degree; **Michael Francis Neveux**, of Grosse Pointe Woods, earned a Bachelor of Business Administration Accounting degree; **Christopher Miller Smith**, of Grosse Pointe Woods, earned a Bachelor of Science Secondary Education in Business: Group Major degree; Grosse Pointe Woods resident **Timothy Andrew Schultes** earned a Bachelor of Science Engineering Management Technology degree.

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The following area students were named to the Dean's List at Northern Michigan University for the fall 2012 semester: **Jacob Hoerler** and **Nicholas Ireland**, both of Grosse Pointe; **Nathan Fuga** and **Gregory Posada**, both of Grosse Pointe Farms; **Brian Auty** of Grosse Pointe Park and **Brendan Franklin** of Grosse Pointe Woods.

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Kathryn Elizabeth Carey has been named to the Dean's List for fall 2012 semester at Maryland Institute College of Art (MICA) in Baltimore, Md.

The 2009 graduate of Mercy High School is the daughter of Mary and Ray Carey of the City of Grosse Pointe.

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Army Pfc. Matthew C. Grant, a 2004 graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School, graduated from basic infantry training at Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga.

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Army Pvt. Jakeia L. Mason graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C. A 2011 graduate of

Grosse Pointe North High School she is the daughter of James and Jameka Mason, of Grosse Pointe Woods.

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David Krueger was named to the Dean's List for the 2012 fall semester at Hillsdale College. The 2009 graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School is the son of Robert and Jeri Krueger of the City of Grosse Pointe.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Assessor will submit the Assessment Roll of the City of Grosse Pointe for the year 2013 to the Board of Review and that the Board of Review of said City will meet in the Conference Room in the Municipal Building, 17417 Maumee, Grosse Pointe, Michigan on March 5, 18 and 19 for the purpose of transacting any and all business pertaining to the duties of said Board of Review.

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Persons deeming themselves aggrieved by the assessment may be heard at the following times:

Monday, March 18, 2013 9:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M.
Tuesday, March 19, 2013 9:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M.

Call City Hall at 313-885-5800 to schedule your appointment.

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CHURCH EVENTS

Memorial church

Ecumenical minister Shuying Shih presents a seminar from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, March 7, at the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church. The public can attend.

Star of the Sea

Our Lady Star of the Sea hosts a Lenten journey, "Genesis of Faith," Thursday, March 7 and 14. The March 7 speaker is Monsignor Gary Smetanka. Bishop Michael Byrnes is the March 14 speaker. The evening begins with fellowship and refreshments from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., followed by the speaker from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. For more information, call the parish office at (313) 884-5554.

◆ Friday fish fries are from 5 to 7 p.m. in the parish center, corner of Morningside and Fairford, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Adult dinners cost \$10 and children's dinners cost \$5. Carry-outs are available.

Ecumenical breakfast

The Grosse Pointe Men's Ecumenical breakfast begins with coffee at 6:45 a.m. Friday, March 8, 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, the Rev. Shuying Shih, the 2013 Ecumenical minister at Grosse

Pointe Memorial Church. The event ends at 8:15 a.m.

Men of all faiths can attend. For more information call Dick Strowger at (313) 881-9806.

St. Ambrose

Lenten buffet dinners are available at the Ark at St. Ambrose Catholic Church, from 5 to 9 p.m. Friday, March 9, 15, 22 and 29.

Adult dinners cost \$15 and children's dinners are available for \$10. For carry-outs, call (313) 822-1594.

Christ Church

Christ Church Grosse Pointe's adult forum topic, from 10:10 to 11 a.m. Sunday, March 10, focuses on Matrix Human Services. A representative from the organization explains how it fights poverty from 26 locations and supportive, educational and provides empowering programs.

◆ The professional core of the church's choir performs at the 4:30 p.m. evensong service, Sunday, March 10. The public can attend.

For more information, call (313) 885-4841.

First English

◆ "Go, Make Disciples" is the topic of the 9:30 and 11 a.m., Sunday, March 10, Lenten ser-

vices at First English Evangelical Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods.

◆ "Baptize and Teach" is the 10:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 13, Lenten services topic. A buffet lunch is served at 11:30 a.m. and Lenten supper is at 6 p.m. The public can attend.

◆ Fitness Firm offers a seven-week class beginning Monday, March 11, at the church.

Classes are held from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Mondays and Wednesdays and 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. The cost is \$73. Any number of classes can be attended for the same price.

Classes include work with free weights, kick boxing, yoga and floor work for toning, firming and relaxation.

For more information or to sign up, call Judy Sheehy at (313) 886-7534 or e-mail her at vitajudy@comcast.net.

◆ The Detroit Lutheran Singers perform a concert at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, March 10, at the church.

Adult tickets cost \$10 and seniors and students pay \$7.

A reception to meet the chorus members follows.

Mariners' Church

Mariners' Church, 170 E. Jefferson, Detroit, offers a concert at 12:35 p.m. Thursday, March 14.

Organist Kenneth J. Sweetman performs chorale variations for the organ by



Chair yoga is offered Wednesday mornings at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms. For more information, call the church office at (313) 885-4841.

Samuel Scheidt, Karl Bohm, Dieterich Buxtehude and Johann Gottfried Walther.

The public can attend. For more information, call (313) 259-2206.

Free parking for the recital is available in the Ford Underground Garage with entrance on the median at Jefferson Avenue and Woodward.

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Addressing teens' health concerns

By Ann L. Fouty
Features Editor

The dozen Grosse Pointe teenage girls lost everything — iPods, iPhones, family, clothes, cars, shiny hair, friends and a sense of humor.

During an exercise illustrating how addiction affects lives, the Teen Advisory Council members saw their most prized possessions slip through their fingers.

The council was set up by the Beaumont Health Coalition to address teens' concerns about health issues affecting their own and their peers' lives. The council of teens meets monthly at Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe.

The topic of drug and alcohol abuse was one of 25 the teens suggested during their first meeting earlier this year. The topics were narrowed to a handful, each to be addressed by a speaker in the next three months. Each speaker is an expert in the topic addressed at the 1 1/2 hour after-school meeting.

February's presenter, Vita Venditti, is the public information specialist for CARE of Southeastern Michigan. She explained the three stages to addiction, February's topic.

The first stage is experimentation — trying drugs or alcohol for fun and games, as a means of escape.

She explained if getting high, drunk or stoned is the solution to avoiding a problem, it is the wrong answer. Once again sober, the problem still exists.

"The skills are never developed to solve problems," she said.

Stage two of addiction is regular use or misuse, she said. An abuser looks forward to using.

The final stage in which everything is lost, is dependency and addiction. This was illustrated in a 10-minute exercise. Venditti asked students to slowly delete effects most precious to them from an earlier compiled list — including personal possessions and physical traits.

"You have nothing left, so never try (drugs or alcohol). If you never try, you never have to worry about losing things. It's sad to lose anything," Venditti said.

The high school girls



PHOTOS BY ANN L. FOUTY

Three members of the Teen Advisory Council, from left, Courtney Rajt, Kelsey Baker and Jane Hess, illustrated how drinking affects the body beginning with the mouth, stomach and circulatory system by passing a tennis ball from one "body part" to another. Other council members represented the brain, kidney, lungs and liver.



Wendy Ishmaku, a Grosse Pointe South High School student, takes her turn at wearing goggles to simulate the impairment of drinking and getting behind the wheel. She tossed a ball at a map that would indicate if she got home safely or was in an accident.

from both North and South agreed. A few admitted to knowing those who attended under-age drinking parties, including the Feb. 9 event in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Some 30 teenagers, ranging in age from 15 years to 18 years, were detained by public safety officers who found 13 had alcohol levels ranging from .005 to .24 percent, according to the Grosse Pointe News public safety reports.

Advisory council mem-

bers noted the legal drinking age is 21. Even though some of the party attendees had blood alcohol results less than the legal limit (.08), they still were in violation of Michigan law because they were underage.

She asked what the consequences might be if one of the attendees had been among those drinking.

Anne Nearhood, the community consultant of CARE and the co-chairwoman of the health coalition, said she was

grounded for three months when her parents found out she attended a party where there was under age drinking.

"There are consequences," Nearhood said.

Not all teens are substance abusers, but those who are the ones who make headlines, Venditti said.

One of the goals of the council is to spotlight the positives teenagers are achieving, rather than teens' negative behavior.

"One of the things we are tackling," she said, "is

Vita Venditti, public information specialist for CARE of Southeast Michigan, discussed alcohol and drug addiction during the February Teen Advisory Council.

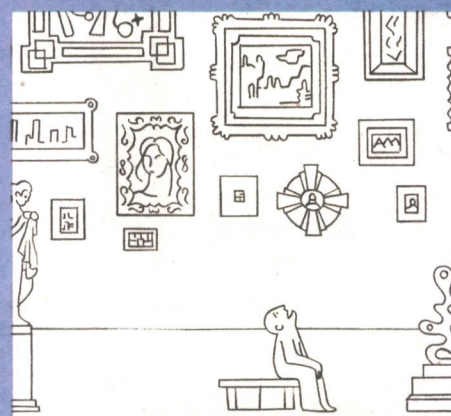
to get society to see these teens are not using. They are interested in a lot of things and topics.

"We want to change the social norm. These teens are making a difference. They are great kids, from freshmen to seniors. They are the influential students."

One component to assist with the image change is PhotoVoice, sponsored by the

Beaumont Community Health Coalition. It gives Grosse Pointe teenagers a chance to illustrate with photos the positive and negative health factors in the community, Venditti said.

Results of these insights will be displayed at PhotoVoice Art Show & Benefit April 8 through 13 at The Great Frame Up, 20655 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.



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Goodwill Industries of Greater Detroit honored Matt and Karen Cullen of Grosse Pointe Woods with the Lifetime Achievement Award for their contributions to revitalize Detroit. Matt Cullen is credited with sparking redevelopment of Detroit's central business district. He is chairman of the Detroit RiverFront Conservancy and a board member of Downtown Detroit Partnership. He has spent 29 years directing global real estate and economic development at GM. Karen Cullen spent more than 20 years as a communications and public relations executive.

2B | FACES & PLACES

AREA ACTIVITIES

Family Center

The Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods offers the first of a four-part series, Mothers & Daughters, building open communication and shared experiences, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 6, at Barnes Center, 20090 Morningside, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Self-defense instructor Ian Kinder conducts a class designed for women.

To register for the free seminar, call (313) 432-3832 or visit familycenterweb.org.

The other sessions are at 6:30 p.m., also at the Barnes Center.

The March 13 topic is "The Gift of You the Leader: A night for mothers and their middle school daughters;" the March 20 topic is "Sugar & Spice: Everything Nice?" and the final topic on March 27 is "Managing and Preventing Diabetes: Tips for Mothers and Daughters."

MOM2MOM

The Kerby MOM2MOM & Beaumont Baby and Family Wellness Fair is from 9 a.m. to noon, Saturday, March 9, at Kerby Elementary School, 285 Kerby, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Admission at 9 a.m. is \$3 and after 10 a.m., the cost is \$1.

Strollers are allowed after 9:30 a.m.

Gently used children's clothing, toys, bicycles and baby furniture will be

sold.

Beaumont Hospital staff offers three breakout sessions. Infant massage techniques are demonstrated in Room 16; safe sleep tips are presented in Room 17; and infant and child CPR is demonstrated in Room 18. Each session is offered in 20- to 30-minute segments at 9:30, 10:30 and 11:30 a.m.

The hospital's head chef, Dan Kellogg, shares healthy cooking tips in the gym during the morning.

To rent a table, e-mail kerbymom2mom@gmail.com or call (313) 418-1061. Tables are rented for \$20 and rack space costs \$10.

Proceeds benefit Kerby PTO.

Toastmasters

The Northeastern Toastmasters meets at 7:30 p.m. Monday, March 11, in the Brownell Middle School cafeteria, 260 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms.

For more information about learning to speak comfortably before an audience, call Wendy Bradley at (313) 884-1184 or Ron or Marcia Pikelek (313) 884-4201.

Senior Men's club

The Senior Men's Club of Grosse Pointe has a luncheon meeting at 11 a.m. Tuesday, March 12, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Economist David Littman is the speaker and his topic is "Avoiding Financial Ambush by Bernanke."

Men at least 55 years of age or retired and living in any community can attend. Jackets should be worn.

For more information, call Eric Lindquist at (313) 469-8288 or e-mail grossepointeinterests@comcast.net.

Garden center

The Grosse Pointe Garden Center presents the annual Sue Abbott Memorial Lecture Tuesday, March 12, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, with presenter Richard Thomas of Soulscape. His topic is seasonal containers.

Refreshments are served at 7 p.m. and the program begins at 7:30 p.m.

Admission is free and reservations can be made by calling (313) 881-7511, ext. 206, or by visiting gpgardenctr@warmemorial.org.

Camera club

The Grosse Pointe Camera Club meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 12, in Room C-11 at Brownell Middle School.

The club is open to those interested in digital photography. For more information, call (313) 822-7080 or visit grossepointecameraclub.org.

Herb society

The Herb Society of America meeting begins at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 13, at the Ewald Library, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

The speaker is Linda Wells, chairwoman for the society's Great Lakes district, who discusses the benefits of belonging



Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe staff offers instruction on infant massage during the Kerby MOM2MOM & Beaumont Baby and Family Wellness Fair from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 9, at Kerby Elementary School.

to the Herb Society of America and its programs.

The public can attend.

Rose society

The Grosse Pointe Rose Society hosts a free lecture at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 13, on "Earth Kind Roses," at the Grosse Pointe Congregational Church, 240 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The society's president, Duane DeDene, is guest speaker.

The lecture is free and the public can attend.

Alliance Française

The Alliance Française de Grosse Pointe's Ciné-Club hosts the showing of the final installment of the film, "The Fanny Trilogy" by Marcel Pagnol at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 13, at the Grosse Pointe Public Library, Woods branch, 20680 Mack.

Admission is free and the public can attend.

ART Center

The Grosse Pointe ART Center hosts the sixth annual student exhibition with the opening reception from 6:30 to 8:30

Lake House

The Lake House, 26701 Little Mack, St. Clair Shores, hosts LocalMotionGreen at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March

The Why Factor

Tutor Doctor of Metro Detroit hosts "The Why Factor" at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, March 23, at the Neighborhood Club Recreation and Wellness Center.

The Why Factor is a non-profit program featuring motivational speaker Shayne Smith, a member of the All-Star Team member of the Junior National Wheelchair Basketball team and the flag bearer for Team Ontario in the 2011 Canada Winter Games opening ceremonies.

The free event is open to all Grosse Pointe parents and students.

The event is in partnership with The Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods and the Grosse Pointe News.

For more information, visit whyfactor.org.

12. The evening's topic is "Garden Green." The speaker provides tips to create a tough turf naturally, how to fertilize and how to battle pests without using synthetics.

To register, call (586) 777-7761.

For more information about LocalMotionGreen, call (313) 881-881-2263 or visit localmotiongreen.com.

◆ Richard Berri M.D. discusses cancer's new weapon from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, March 19. He is a surgical oncologist with St. John Health System.

To register, call the aforementioned phone number.

◆ Ten tips for caregivers is the topic of the 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 20, talk, presented by Comfort Keepers.

To register, call (586) 777-7761.

For more information about The Lake House, a gathering place for those touched by cancer, call the aforementioned telephone number.

War Memorial

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial hosts "Breakfast with the Easter Bunny" at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, March 24. At the family-style event, the Easter Bunny visits each table. A formal photo can be taken with him.

Balloon artist, Da, the Clown, will be present.

Reservations must be purchased in advance. There will be no door sales.

The cost of \$17 per person includes tax and tip. Admission for children less than 1-year-old is complementary. Bring booster seats, if necessary.

Guests should indicate with whom they wish to be seated when purchasing tickets. For reservations, call (313) 881-7511.

Correction

Erin O'Mara was misidentified as Erin Williams in the Feb. 28 issue in the feature "Raising Health Daughters."

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Rotary induction

Synergy HomeCare president and owner Tom Gordon of Grosse Pointe Park was inducted into Rotary of Grosse Pointe Feb. 25. He was sponsored by Ted Everingham. From left, Everingham, Gordon, Rotary president Diane Strickler and executive secretary Mike Carmody.

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ASK THE EXPERTS By Dan Kellogg

Variety makes lunches more edible



Q. Should I continue to follow the food pyramid nutritional guidelines when packing my daughter's lunch for school?

A. No. MyPlate, published by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, has replaced the pyramid. Look for the MyPlate graphic of a fork, plate and glass divided into five food groups. MyPlate is displayed on food packaging and used for nutrition education. MyPlate is divided into four sections of grains, vegetables and fruits and protein. The "glass" repre-

sents dairy, the fifth food group. MyPlate recommends a half-plate serving of fruits and vegetables and a half-plate serving of whole grains and protein.

Q. My kids love sandwiches for their school lunches, but how can I make them nutritious?

A. Sandwiches are a popular choice for a school lunch. Choose whole grain bread, wraps or pitas. If your child resists whole grains, use bread made with some whole grain but still has the flavor and texture of white bread. Sandwiches should have a protein source and healthy toppings. A tuna sandwich wrap with "light" mayonnaise, lettuce and tomatoes or an egg salad sand-

wich on whole grain bread are good choices. Switch up most childrens' favorite peanut butter and jelly sandwich by using cashew or almond butter and a 100 percent fruit spread on whole grain bread. Sliced turkey, lean beef or chicken from the deli with light mayonnaise, mustard and a slice of cheese also makes a good sandwich. Remember the cold packs when sending perishable meats, dairy and eggs.

Q. Besides sandwiches, any other suggestions for providing a nutritious lunch that gets my daughter through her afternoon studies?

A. Don't overlook last night's dinner, leftovers make great lunches. Insulated food jars keep

SAVE THE DATE

Presenters: Dan Kellogg, executive chef, Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe

Shirley Dunlop, diabetes educator, Beaumont, Grosse Pointe

Topic: "Managing and Preventing Diabetes: Tips for mothers and daughters" Time: 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Date: Wednesday, March 27
Location: Barnes Early Childhood Center, 20090 Morningside, Grosse Pointe Woods. Register: (313) 432-3832 or familycenterweb.org.

foods warm to provide a more hearty lunch. Food should be heated to at least 140 degrees before placing them in the insulated jars. Beef stew with a hard roll; chicken noodle soup and whole grain

crackers; spaghetti, salad and a slice of whole grain bread; tuna casserole; or chili with whole grain crackers are all great on a chilly day.

Q. I have a 7 year-old who is a very picky eater. I'm concerned she isn't eating her lunch at school. What can I do to encourage her to eat her lunch?

A. Involve your daughter in creative menu planning for a positive experience with healthy foods. Careful planning ensures that meals are healthy, tasty and appealing. Have some fun by letting your daughter choose a cookie cutter and use it to shape her sandwiches. Be sure to include food you know your daughter likes in a variety of

shapes, colors, textures and flavors.

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X-TRA SPECIAL By Mary Beth Langan and Theodore G. Coutilish

Stranger's blessings a welcomed surprise



We often drive our son, Andrew, 12, to one of his favorite places as a reward for excellent at-

tention to his school work and good behavior at Ferry Elementary School. His outstanding teacher, Kim Moskwa, e-mails us a daily report around 4 p.m. to let us know each day if he's earned his coveted outing of the day.

Andrew always wants to go out in public. His favorite places to visit are Target, Kroger, Sunrise on Vernier, Aldi and

National Coney Island. Sometimes we change it up. One recent evening, we took him to Olga's on Harper in St. Clair Shores. The restaurant has a room off the main dining area. That room is ideal for us. It is often empty. We dine alone and do not worry as much about Andrew being too loud and bothering other patrons.

At Olga's, we were minding our own business, sitting alone in "our" room and enjoying ourselves. We were celebrating a wonderful day. Andrew's daily report had been excellent and we had spent the morning visiting and evaluating four special education classrooms at Brownell and Parcels middle schools, one of which Andrew will be attending the next three years. The classrooms all seem to have caring, passionate teachers, which helped put us at ease about the upcoming major change.

During our Olga's outing, we noticed a family laughing and enjoying themselves just outside "our" room. Near the end of our meal, the father approached us. We did not know what to think. Was he going to solicit us? Did he know one of us? Was Andrew too loud? Were we all too loud? What did he want?

He smiled for a few seconds.

He then told us how

blessed we were. How obvious it was how much we love and care for each other and our son. How blessed we were to have each other. And how blessed our son was to have such caring and loving parents.

Cue the music.

We were stunned. Our hearts melted. What could we say to him, but thank you for taking the time to approach us to share his observations.

This is a first for us. We are hypersensitive about our son's behavior. We do not want him to negatively impact others. We care what people think. We know we live in a fish bowl while we are in public and do not want him to draw even more attention because of poor behavior. While most people do not approach us about Andrew's behavior, we know how to read body language. It's not always positive.

That was until Olga's. This is a lesson learned for all hypersensitive parents of children with special needs.

Maybe we are just too sensitive. Maybe we think too much. Maybe we are overprotective. Maybe we are more embarrassed for us than our children about their behavior. Maybe this one gentleman was speaking to all who deeply love and care for their children with special needs and risk the judgment of others every time we step out into the public eye.

Maybe, just maybe, we inspire some people.

We are all blessed in so many ways.

Grosse Pointe residents Theodore G. Coutilish and Mary Beth Langan created this column to share experiences from their journey as parents of a child with Fragile X syndrome. Send your questions or comments to mblangan@hotmail.com.

SOC spring activities

March and April events at Services for Older Citizens include movies, informative lectures and trips. Lunch is served at 11 a.m. for a donation of \$3. For reservations, call (313) 882-9600.

Two complete bingo games are played at 10 a.m. and noon, unless otherwise noted.

Dying to Know, a pre-planning workshop — 10 a.m., Tuesday, March 19. Steve Rapotec from Mt. Olivet Cemetery. The workshop focuses on things people need to consider when making final arrangements, including options available at the funeral home and cemetery and how state laws may affect those decisions will be discussed. Reservations are required.

"St. Patrick's Day" bingo — Tuesday, March 12. Green prizes will be awarded.

St. Patrick's Day party and birthday celebration — 11 a.m., Wednesday, March 13. Entertainment is provided by the Fraternal Order of the United Irish Singers. The cost is \$5. The party is in the lower level of St. James Lutheran Church, 170 McMillan, Grosse Pointe Farms. Those with March birthdays receive a piece of cake with a candle, a photo and a free lunch. A buffet lunch is served. A raffle will be held and attendees can take home a box lunch. Reservations must be in by Friday, March 8, and can be made by calling (313) 882-9600, ext. 242.

"Spring is in the Air" bingo — Tuesday, March 19.

Online Safety — 11:30 a.m., Wednesday, March 20. Zana Macki offers top online safety topics, basic computer security measures, helpful online resources and online

safety tips.

Life's Short — Eat Dessert First bingo — Tuesday, March 26. Sweet treats are prizes. Savory treats to feed your sweet tooth.

"The Big Miracle" — 11 a.m., Wednesday, March 27. The cost is \$5. The movie's running time is one hour and 47 minutes. A pizza lunch is served. Reservations are required.

"Jet Setting Jewels" bingo — Tuesday, April 2. Jewelry are the prizes.

What's going to last longer, you or your

money? — 11:30 a.m., Wednesday, April 3. The two greatest financial fears of seniors are, dying too soon and living too long. Between a pension, Social Security benefits and the return on investments, how long will cash last? Laura Drolet, an estate planning professional, is the speaker.

A Salute to the '50s — 11:30 a.m., Monday, April 8. The Grosse Pointe Academy Elementary Chorus,

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4B | ENTERTAINMENT

A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

Cake fit for a princess



Every little one wishes for a special birthday cake each year. This year I am baking that cake for my niece Mia who turns 3 years old today! I did not want to over complicate things so I began with a boxed cake mix and embellished it with a ganache filling and homemade butter cream frosting. (I loathe the stuff from a can.) Mini cupcakes top off this cake it for a princess.

Mia's Birthday Cake

1 strawberry cake mix
24 mini cupcake wrappers
1/2 cup heavy cream
3/4 cup chocolate chips for the frosting
1 stick softened butter
3 3/4 cups confectioners sugar
3 tablespoons milk
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 drop red food coloring
colored sugars for decorating

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Prepare cake batter according to package directions. Line a 24 mini cupcake tin with wrappers and fill 2/3 full with batter.

Pour remaining batter into a greased 8-inch round cake pan.

Bake mini cupcakes for 15 to 17 minutes and round cake for 30 minutes or so.

Do the clean knife test. Allow for cake and



PHOTO BY JESSIE ROULEAU

Sam and Mia Rouleau with Mia's birthday cake baked by their aunt, Annie Rouleau-Scheriff.

cupcakes to cool completely.

Prepare ganache by bringing the cream to a simmer over medium heat.

Remove from heat and stir in chocolate chips. Mix until smooth. Set aside to cool for a few minutes.

Dip each cupcake in ganache, place on a tray and refrigerate for 20 minutes or so.

Carefully cut layer cake in half horizontally and set top aside. Place bottom layer on a cake plate (raised if possible).

Spread remaining ganache over bottom cake layer and chill in refrigerator for 20 minutes or so.

Meanwhile prepare icing by beating softened

butter with confectioners sugar, milk and vanilla, until smooth.

Beat in one drop of red food coloring to make the frosting pink.

Smear a dab of frosting over each cupcake (on top of ganache) and sprinkle with different colored sugars (pink, purple and yellow).

Place top layer onto cake and frost cake's top and sides completely.

Smear a dab of frosting on bottom of each cupcake and secure on top of cake.

I made a small circle of cupcakes around the center of the cake and another around the edge of the cake. Carefully add colored sugar around the cake and on top.

This over the top birthday cake cost me about \$6.

Play set in the 1850s

"The Heiress" with a 2 p.m. matinee Sunday, March 10, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The Grosse Pointe Theatre's performances are at 8 p.m. March 14 through 16 and 21 through 23, and 2 p.m., Sunday, March 17. Tickets are \$18. Group rates are available. For tickets and information call (313) 881-4004 or order online at gpt.org (Seat Yourself).

Set in New York City in the 1850s, it is the story of Catherine Sloper, the quiet, socially awkward daughter of a wealthy and prominent physician. Her father, Dr.

Austin Sloper, mourning the loss of his wife, has little affection for his plain and introverted daughter. Catherine must decide if her suitor is an imposter or not.

Rachel Settlege of the City of Grosse Pointe plays Catherine, with Ron Otulakowski of Eastpointe as Dr. Sloper and Ron Bernas of Grosse Pointe Woods as the suitor, Morris Townsend. The cast also includes Grosse Pointe Woods residents Terry Turpin-Amato and Beth Teagan; Hildy Corbett of Ferndale, Elizabeth Perkin-Moen of Harper Woods, Emily Thomson of Garden City, and John

Leo of Grosse Pointe.

St. Clair Shores residents on the show's staff include director Michele Karl, producer Olivia Wickline, technical director Dennis McGiness, set dresser Kathleen Conlon, stage manager Nancy McGiness and sound designer Eric Vreeland. Set designer Alan LaTour and properties chair Dianne Pegg are residents of Grosse Pointe Woods. Ruth Ellen Mayhall of Grosse Pointe Farms is doing costumes. Blair Arden of Macomb township is lighting the show and Jackie Pfaff of Chesterfield is doing makeup.

Yesterday's headlines

1963

50 years ago this week

♦ **BAD DRIVERS TO BE SENT TO SCHOOL:** Municipal judges of the five Grosse Pointe communities and Harper Woods will launch a new County Driver Safety School designed to correct driving habits and attitudes of violators convicted in their courts.

♦ **GUNMAN ROBS MILK DEPOT SECOND TIME:** The Johnson Milk Depot on Mack, was robbed for the second time in just more than two months and by the same gunman, Farms police said.

♦ **THE HOLDUP MAN, ARMED WITH A NICKEL-PLATED REVOLVER, ENTERED THE STORE ABOUT 7:30 p.m.,** flashed the gun at the clerk and demanded the money from the cash register.

♦ **HE TOOK BETWEEN \$30 AND \$35 IN PAPER MONEY AND ALL THE CHANGE.**

Police said the method of operation in the crime was identical to that of last December.

♦ **NAB 9-YEAR-OLDS AS SHOP-LIFTERS:** Two young shoplifters, 9-year-old boys, were released with a

warning after being severely lectured by City Police Chief Andrew C. Teetaert.

A clerk at Village Discount Store observed the boys taking two permanent marking pencils valued at 49 cents each. Brought to the station, the boys were released to their parents.

1988

25 years ago this week

♦ **ABSENTEEISM AT NORTH, SOUTH REDUCED SIGNIFICANTLY:** The number of high school students who miss school or skip classes has been dramatically reduced as the result of an intense two year program designed to combat absenteeism.

The new rules implemented at the two high schools were strict. If a student had one unexcused absence, he would have an after-school detention. A second offense would result in a Saturday detention. A third offense would result in a lower course grade and a conference with school administration officials and parents. A fourth offense in a class could result in an attendance "F," which would mean failing the course.

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under the direction of Roshell Chuhuran, sings songs from the 1950s, as well as a selection of folk melodies.

"Spa" Bingo — Tuesday, April 9.
April Birthday Celebration! — 11 a.m., Wednesday, April 10.

Those with April birthdays receive a piece of cake with a candle, a photo and a free lunch.

Learn and Lunch — 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Thursdays, April 11, 18 and 25. The healthy aging series is based on the book, "The Doctor in the Mirror" by Reed V. Tucker M.D. Registered

nurse Ann Yeamans is the facilitator. Learn how to become "Dr. You" and live a healthier life. Reservations are requested.

"It's So Easy Being Green" bingo — Tuesday, April 16. Celebrate Earth Day early with prizes ecologically sound.

Habitat for Humanity ReStore — 11:30 a.m., Wednesday, April 17. Sandra Cobb, from Habitat for Humanity

ReStore, how to recycle items and in turn help someone in need to affordably gain a house or materials to improve their house.

Celebrate Earth Day — 11:45 a.m., Monday, April 22, 2013. Sarah Neely-Barba's Maire Elementary School's third grade sings for the senior citizens.

"Grosse Pointe" bingo — Tuesday, April 23. Grosse Pointe green and pink items are prizes.

"The Artist" — 11 a.m., Wednesday, April 24. The cost is \$5. A pizza lunch is served with the Academy-Award winning movie. Reservations are required.

April showers bring May flowers bingo — Tuesday, April 30. Win items for the shower and take home flowers.

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BOYS HOCKEY

Regional champions

Liggett takes out Country Day

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Rivals University Liggett and Detroit Country Day reunited last weekend in a Division 3 regional championship game for a second straight season.

The Knights lost the regular season meeting 6-5 in overtime to the Yellowjackets, but in the bigger forum they won 7-4.

"We have to play good hockey to win this regional," head coach Robb McIntyre said the day before his Knights took the ice in their pre-regional home game against Madison Heights Bishop Foley. "We've been skating fast on offense and the defense has played better."

"We're ready to go."

The defending Division 3 state champs came out like gangbusters, taking a 2-0 first-period lead that was extended to 5-0 midway through the second stanza.

Senior Jake Soyka, assisted by senior Manny Counsman and junior Lordanthony Grissom, scored the first goal at 4:37 of the first period.

Junior William Yates scored at the 2:56 mark to make it a 2-0 lead.



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

Liggett junior Vincent Scarfone scored a goal in the Knights' win over Country Day.

Senior Cam Marchese and Grissom had the assists.

The Knights scored three special teams goals in the second period to take what seemed like a commanding 5-0 lead.

Counsman scored short-handed at the 13:39 mark and on the Yellowjackets' same power-play opportunity,

junior Vincent Scarfone scored short-handed.

On the first tally, Grissom and sophomore goalie Luke Soyka assisted, and on the second, freshman Alex Minanov had an assist.

Scarfone scored a power-play goal at the 9:41 mark, with

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South crushes RHSC

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's boys' hockey team won its second straight Division 2 regional championship last weekend, beating Rochester Hills Stoney Creek 5-2.

"Getting off to a big start was huge for us," head coach Bobby McKillop said. "We didn't play our best and we didn't play a crisp hockey game, but we won and moved on."

"We have to play better in this one-and-done state playoff format. But we did enough to win this game."

Even before fans could get comfortable in their seats, the Blue Devils scored twice as juniors Wyatt Flynn and Andrew Bigham tallied.

Stoney Creek got a goal back to trail 2-1, but with a couple of minutes left in the second period, South senior Max Corden scored a short-handed tally to help regain a two-goal advantage.

They put the game away by scoring two power-play goals at the 15:48 and 10:06 mark of the third period. Corden had the first goal and Bigham the second.

Both Corden and



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

South senior Jake Corden skates up ice during the Blue Devils' regional title win over Stoney Creek.

Bigham scored two goals and had two assists for four-point games.

In the pre-regionals, South needed overtime, but prevailed 3-2 over Warren DeLaSalle.

Corden scored six minutes into the extra session as the Blue Devils avoided the upset. The teams met in January with South winning 6-4.

Will Poplawski and senior Ryley Maher also scored for the Blue Devils.

In net, junior Andrew Wright played both games and earned the victories.

"It was a good hockey game," McKillop said.

Grosse Pointe South improved to 15-11-1 overall.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

District champions

South defeats North in final

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's road back to the Breslin Center started with a district showdown against archrival Grosse Pointe North.

In the regular season, the Norsemen led at the half in the first meeting before losing 42-35 and in the second meet at South, it was all Blue Devils in a 54-34 outcome.

The third time wasn't the charm for North as host South moved on with a 55-35 victory.

"We wanted to dictate the tempo," South head coach Kevin Richards said. "They have a phenomenal point guard (Maria Liddane) who can dictate the tempo, but we were able to use our full-court pressure to force them out of their game."

The Blue Devils were aggressive from the opening tip, taking a 9-4 lead that grew to 15-6 after the first quarter.

They continued the onslaught in the second



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

South senior Claire DeBoer goes up for a shot with North junior Jayla Hubbard defending.

quarter, outscoring the Norsemen 16-10 to nearly double them at the half (31-16).

The Norsemen had their chances to keep the game close, but a lack of converting shots in the paint allowed the Blue Devils to grab rebounds and transition up the

floor for easy baskets.

"I thought South played a great game on Friday night," North head coach Gary Bennett said. "They played outstanding defense, shot the ball very well and 'refused to

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Liggett makes it 4 in a row

By Fletcher Sharpe
Special Writer

Riding the momentum wave of its monumental victory over Woodhaven, University Liggett girls' basketball team rolled to another district championship last weekend.

The Knights rolled over Michigan Collegiate in the semifinal, and then Harper Woods in the finals to collect the district championship trophy.

Liggett poured in a season high 77 points as they blew by the Cougars of Michigan Collegiate, 77-28.

Senior Haleigh Ristovski led the way with 12 points, 11 rebounds, four blocks, and three steals, while her sister, sophomore Lola, had 12 points and five assists.

Sophomore Jessica Rotzoll poured in 19 points, and freshman Kendall McConico scored 18 off the bench.

Two days later, the Knights laced up their shoes and squared off against the Pioneers of Harper Woods, and scored off of the tip with



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Liggett senior Haleigh Ristovski poured in 27 points in the Knights' two district tournament victories.

a basket from Rotzoll Miner's desperation three at the buzzer.

"We're a tough team," stated Knights head coach Omar Ahart. "In the past, we might have folded when things like that happened, but now, we can weather the

The teams had to be separated as Lola Ristovski blocked Harper Wood's Micah

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Hockey

NORTH VS. SOUTH GIRLS

South gets past North

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The final game of the regular season was fitting, Grosse Pointe North against archrival Grosse Pointe South.

South needed just a tie to clinch first place in the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League Division 1 standings.

The tie or win would also give the Blue Devils the No. 1 seed in the upcoming state playoffs. However, the host Norsemen came out firing and dominated the first two periods.

Thanks to solid goaltending and two third-period goals, South edged North 3-2 to win a division crown and earn the top seed.

"We wanted to be aggressive," South head coach Joe Provenzano said. "Even though we needed just a tie to win the title, I wanted our girls to play aggressively because when you play for just a tie, you lose focus and are too tentative."

"We couldn't do that

and beat a good team like North."

"I thought we played a good hockey game, but a mistake in our own zone cost us a goal and you can't do that against South," North head coach Joe Lucchese said. "This was a great high school hockey game and it's games like these that really prepare us for the state playoffs."

South senior Darian Dempsey scored just 1:13 into the game off assists from junior Tenley Shield and sophomore Ellie Flom.

North out-shot South 10-4 in the first period and 9-7 in the second to eventually grab a 2-1 lead.

The Norsemen scored two power-play goals. The first came at the 9:17 mark when freshman Elizabeth Gallagher scored, with seniors Julia Henderson and Katie Bowles netting assists.

The go-ahead goal came at the 4:03 mark when Henderson lit the lamp. Senior Sara Villani and sophomore Karina Lucchese had the assists.

The Norsemen had all



PHOTOS BY BOB BRUCE

South junior Tenley Shield played a big part in helping the Blue Devils beat North and earn a division title.

the momentum heading into the final period. They were locked into the No. 3 seed, but a win over their rival would speak volumes heading into the playoffs and knock the Blue Devils to the No. 2 seed.

Flom scored at the 11:41 mark to tie it, with senior Lindsey Makos getting an assist, and Dempsey scored the game-winning goal with only 2:28 left off a pass from Shield.

Unfortunate for North and fortunate for South, but the goal should have never counted.

South fired the puck down the ice after Shield came out of the penalty box.

The Blue Devils were not killing a penalty; so the play should have resulted in an icing call.

The officials never blew the whistle and play resumed.

Five seconds later, Dempsey fired home the winning goal.

The Blue Devils won the third period shot total, 9-7, thanks to playing more focused in the defensive zone and putting more pressure on North senior netminder, Sarah Richardson.

She came up with several big saves, as did South senior goalie Anastasia Diamond.

For the game, Diamond stopped 27-of-29 shots, while Richardson saved 17-of-20.

Earlier in the week, South blanked Northville 4-0 as Makos had two goals, and Dempsey and

Shield (two assists) had one goal apiece.

Grosse Pointe South finished the regular season 17-1-1, while Grosse Pointe North was 13-3-2-1 and 15-3-2-1 overall.

The top four seeds are set with South No. 1, followed by Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood, Grosse Pointe North and Port Huron.

The No. 5 and 6 seeds will be Ann Arbor and University Liggett, while the bottom seeds are Northville and Livonia Ladywood.

In the first round of the state playoffs, South blanked Northville 3-0.

Senior Sam Taylor, Shield and Makos scored, with Taylor, Dempsey and Shield drawing assists, too.

South improved to 18-1-1.

North had a tougher battle with Ann Arbor, but prevailed 7-5.

Both offenses were on fire and both defenses were stone cold.

Despite the lapses, the Norsemen's firepower was too much for the Pioneers.

North improved to 16-3-2-1.

In the league playoff semifinals, Grosse Pointe North battled Cranbrook-Kingswood and South played city rival Liggett.

Those results will appear in the March 14 issue.

The state championship game is set for 6 p.m. Saturday, March 9, at Eddie Edgar Ice Arena in Livonia.

LIGGETT GIRLS

Knights nab No. 5 seed

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The University Liggett girls' hockey team put together a solid run to end the regular season.

Back-to-back 1-1 ties with Grosse Pointe South and Ann Arbor put the Knights in position to gain the No. 5 seed in the upcoming state playoffs.

Liggett had to beat Livonia Ladywood and hope Farmington Hills Mercy defeated Ann Arbor.

The first part worked in the Knights' favor as Mercy crushed Ann Arbor, leaving Liggett one point behind the Pioneers with one game left in the regular season.

Liggett didn't waste the opportunity and beat Ladywood 4-1, moving

into the No. 5 slot to end the regular season 8-8-2-1 in the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League Division 1 standings and 9-9-2-1 overall.

"We have been playing better hockey of late and the girls are gaining confidence as we head into the playoffs," head coach Cassie Jaeckle said.

Junior Danielle Lorant led the Knights with one goal and one assist. Other goal scorers were senior Aria Ganz-Waple, senior Hannah Mason and freshman Allison Stapleton.

Juniors Ania Dow and Hannah Hodges had assists.

Liggett earned 19 points with Ann Arbor dropping to sixth with 18 points.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH BOYS

Norsemen ousted

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

It's tough to beat a team three times in one season.

Just ask Grosse Pointe North's boys' hockey team.

The Norsemen edged U-D Jesuit twice during the regular season, but last week lost 5-2 in a Division 1 pre-regional game at City Ice Arena.

Head coach Scott Lock watched the Norsemen battle to a 1-1 first period tie before the Cubs essentially won the game by scoring three goals in the first two minutes of the second period.

After that, the Norsemen couldn't get any closer and their season ended 16-11 overall.

The Cubs scored first at the 12:38 mark of the opening period, but the Norsemen tied it at the 7:53 mark when senior Patrick Lane scored, with senior Brendan Keelan and sophomore Max Yoshida drawing assists.

The Norsemen lost control of the game in the opening few minutes of

the second period when the Cubs scored at the 16:05, 15:45 and 14:46 mark, stretching the lead to 4-1.

North had chances to get back into the game, having a more than one minute two-man advantage, but Cubs goalie Oscar Mansky came up with a couple of big saves and their defense did the rest, clearing the puck down the ice.

U-D scored at the 13:51 mark of the third period to take a 5-1 lead and Lane ended the scoring with his second tally of the game at the 7:11 mark. Seniors Tyler Capp and Tommy Coon had the assists.

North advanced to the second-round game after blasting Berkley 9-1 earlier in the week.

The Norsemen out-shot their foe 39-12 and had two goals apiece from junior Nick Murray and sophomore Nick Cusmano. Other goal scorers were seniors Nick Rahaim, Jeff Herron, David Chavis and Jack Stander, and opening few minutes of



North senior Sara Villani had an assist on the goal that gave the Norsemen a 2-1 lead.

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lose.”
“Kevin has done a great job with them. They are very talented, very athletic and play well together as a team. They have a very good chance of winning it all.”
The Blue Devils put the game in cruise control after outscoring the Norsemen 17-9 in the third quarter, stretching their lead to 48-25.
The Blue Devils dominated the game in the paint as they out-rebounded the Norsemen

32-14 and senior Claire DeBoer had the same number of boards, 14, as North did as a team.
DeBoer led the Blue Devils with 21 points and the 14 rebounds, while sophomore Cierra Rice added 14 points.
Senior Gretchen Shirar had eight points, followed by sophomore Aliezza Brown with six, junior Bre Andrews with four and sophomore Cydney Webb with two.
For the Norsemen, Liddane and senior Taryn Kiah had 10 points apiece, followed by senior Emily Armbruster with six, senior Stavi Varlamos with three, junior Jayla Hubbard with two, senior Francesca Ciaramitaro with two and sophomore

Megan Lesha with two.
“I thought we had a very good season,” Bennett said. “We won the games we were supposed to win and competed hard in all of the others.”
“I think my kids had a very meaningful and memorable year, where they experienced a wide variety of emotions and learned some valuable lessons.”
In the district semifinals, Grosse Pointe North whipped Eastpointe East Detroit 40-16, while Grosse Pointe South demolished St. Clair Shores Lakeview 69-31.
With the wins, Grosse Pointe South improved to 21-1, and Grosse Pointe North ended its season 10-11.

LIGGETT BOYS

Knights fall to SC

By Fletcher Sharpe
Special Writer

University Liggett boys' basketball team had sealed the deal to win the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference division title twice.
Up 50-47, with 6.9 seconds left, all they had to do was contain.
Southfield Christian's Bakari Evelyn promptly drained a buzzer-beating 25-foot three-pointer to send it into overtime.
Four minutes later, Evelyn cut to the hoop and made a contested layup as time expired to force a second overtime, where the Eagles of Southfield Christian won in a barn burner, 76-70.
All-League guard Eric Ewing did his best to fight for the Knights, pouring in 29 points, eight rebounds, three assists, four steals, and a block, while senior center Connor Fannon (committed to Oakland University for baseball) chipped in with 18 points, seven rebounds and five key blocked shots.
However, they were no

match for SC's Evelyn, who poured in 31, along with five rebounds and four steals.
Liggett head coach Sidney Johnson was prideful of his team's play after the game: “Tonight, you witnessed the basketball talents displayed in our league. It was a hard fought battle between two great teams. Big plays were made.”
“Someone had to win tonight and someone had to lose.”
Johnson also touched on his lead guard's effectiveness all year, “Eric (Ewing) has been terrific for us all year. He is our number one heart and soul, in practice and in the game. He keeps a level head, and is our leader.”
The Knights worked hard to contain Evelyn, limiting him to zero points in the first half, and their plan seemed to work until later in the second half when Fannon picked up some foul trouble, eventually fouling out in the second overtime.
“With Connor in there,

he was able to force Bakari to change his shot,” Johnson stated. “But once Connor fouled out, Bakari was able to drive into the paint and get points.”
With five seconds left at the end of the first overtime, senior Stephen Bernard (eight points, four rebounds, 2-4 from 3) hit 1-of-2 free throws to put the Knights up by two, 61-59, but Evelyn came down and made the game-tying layup to send it into the second overtime.
Freshman Eugene Brown helped close the game out for the Eagles at the free-throw line, as he finished with 12 points and 10 rebounds.
Liggett sophomore Fred Saffold contributed six points and four assists and senior KeVaughn Jackson contributed eight rebounds before fouling out.
Earlier in the week, Liggett blasted Lutheran North 69-45 as Fannon had 25 points and Ewing added 24.
Liggett finished its regular season 14-4 overall and 12-2 in the MIAC.

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Knights beat
Pioneers

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storm. That's what tough teams do.”
Miner made her point as the halftime ended, with a deep three pointer to help trim the lead.
The Knights looked to put this game out of reach, when Rotzoll connected on another three-point shot to push the lead to 19 (46-27), but Harper Woods and Miner would not let this game slip away.
“We knew it would be a 32-minute game,” Ahart said, “This team has a lot of fight. In their

semi-final, Mount Clemens was up seven with about two minutes left, and they came back.”
Miner launched back-to-back three-point attempts from NBA range, netting both en route to 29 points, before fouling out with about a minute left.
“(Miner) can shoot the ball, but we have an equalizer,” Ahart said, with a smile. “We have the best shooter in the league (in Rotzoll).”
Liggett got a big game out of their shooter, as Rotzoll finished with 16 points (on 4-f-8 shooting from deep), and six rebounds.
Haleigh Ristovski added 15 points, nine rebounds, and five assists, while Lola

Ristovski added 13 points and six rebounds.
The Knights also got a surprise offensive contribution from Angelia Evangelista (season high 13 points), who helped seal the game with some late free throws. Castillo, added three points, and four steals, along with some lockdown, pestering defense.
On what they have planned for their next game in Memphis, coach Ahart was blunt, “We have to get back to the drawing board. Work on some different defensive sets and some offensive sets.”
“We also will work on managing the clock better. We'll be ready Tuesday.”
Liggett improved to 17-4 overall.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH BOYS

Shields' 29 points
helps Huskies
oust Norsemen

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's boys' basketball team's state playoff run lasted only one game.
On Monday evening, the Norsemen lost 73-62 to St. Clair Shores Lakeview in the first round of a Class A district tournament at Eastpointe East Detroit High School.
Head coach Matt Lockhart knew his Norsemen had a challenge on their hands. Lakeview entered the game as co-champs of the Macomb Area Conference Silver Division, and 17-3 overall.
The Huskies averaged 60.6 points per game, so the Norsemen had to play some serious defense to win and advance to the district semifinal.

The defense forced 16 turnovers, but was badly out-rebounded, which was the difference in the game.
The Norsemen never had a lead and were tied 6-6 midway through the opening quarter.
They fell behind 15-10 after the first quarter and 28-20 at the half. They gave up last-second baskets in each of the first two quarters.
Both teams picked up the pace in the third quarter as the Norsemen scored 23 points to 22 for the Huskies, 17 of which were scored by senior Robert Shields.
The Norsemen made a fourth quarter comeback as junior Jacob Zacharias and senior Taiwan Wiggins hit three points to bring them within six points on two occasions.
The Huskies won the game at the free-throw line, making a dozen in

the fourth quarter to win and advance.
Junior Ricky Watson and Zacharias scored 17 points apiece to lead the Norsemen, while Wiggins had 11 and junior Justin Kennedy had 10 to go with eight rebounds.
For Lockhart's squad, the loss ended the Norsemen's season 10-10 overall.
In their regular season finales, North lost 77-55 to Macomb Dakota as Kennedy had 16 points, and beat Roseville 51-49 with Watson netting 17 points and Kennedy hitting for 13.
Grosse Pointe North finished 6-6 in the MAC White Division, which was tied for third behind champion Warren Mott.
Lockhart loses only three seniors, so his Norsemen should be in the hunt for a league title next winter.

YOUTH SOCCER



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Division champs

The Grosse Pointe Soccer Association U12 Breakers White team, coached for the first time by Nick Rutan, clinched the league title in the Green Division of the Michigan Youth Soccer League this past outdoor season.
Starting off the season with a mere nine players on the team, Rutan reached out to John Mellon and was able to secure guest players in order to make the season successful. The team finished the season 8-1-1 overall.
The offense was led by Lillian Crachiolo, Sia Nezeritiz and Ally MacLeod, while the defense was led by co-captains Alex Walz and Lauren Fleckenstein, plus Katie Costello and Christina Braker. Midfielders Hadley Gordon, Lily MacKrell and Claire Koeppen all stepped up their games to carry out the torch to the forwards and strikers, and goaltender Lily Carlyle only allowed three goals the entire season. Pictured above are, back row from left, coach Nick Rutan, Lillian Crachiolo, Sia Nezeritiz, Ally MacLeod, Alex Walz, Katie Costello and Hadley Gordan; and front row from left, Claire Koeppen, Lauren Fleckenstein, Lily Carlyle, Christina Braker and Lily MacKrell. Not pictured is manager Anna Fleckenstein.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH BOYS

Blue Devils battle
back, but fall shy

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Outside of one scoring burst, Grosse Pointe South's boys' basketball team was as cold as the snowy conditions outside after losing 48-36 to Roseville last week.
It was the visiting Blue Devils' final regular season game.
Head coach Dave Grauzer and his squad were riding a wave of positive vibes after posting their biggest win of the season the game

before, beating the only unbeaten team in their division, Warren Fitzgerald.
The positive energy quickly faded as the Blue Devils couldn't find a rhythm, scoring just two first-quarter points and eight in the second to fall behind 28-10 at the half.
Senior George Duffield got hot in the third quarter, drilling four three-pointers to bring the Blue Devils back.
They trailed by seven points late in the third quarter and nine midway

through the fourth, but couldn't get a big stop on the defensive end.
Leading to the defeat were two factors, turnovers and free-throw shooting. The Blue Devils had 17 turnovers in the first half and made only 6-of-22 free throws in the game. Duffield led the team with 12 points.
Correction
South beat Warren Fitzgerald 55-51 in double-overtime. It was incorrectly reported in the Feb. 28 issue.

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KNIGHTS: Guys almost blow big lead

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Counsman and Jake Soyka drawing assists. At that point, it looked like a mercy would be in order, but the Yellowjackets battled back to make a game of it. They scored twice in the second period to trim the deficit to 5-2 and it was a 5-3 game when the Yellowjackets tallied with one minute left, making it 5-4. The home crowd was in a frenzy and all of a sudden, the Knights had to sweat out the final minute to capture a second straight regional championship. Have no fear because Grissom (unassisted) scored into an empty net with 42 seconds left and Jake Soyka did the same

(unassisted) with only 10 seconds left to secure the victory. Two nights before beating Country Day, host Liggett blanked Bishop Foley 13-0 in a pre-regional game. Jake Soyka had a big game, netting three goals and three assists, while Scarfone, Yates and Counsman had two goals apiece, plus added a combined two assists. Other goal scorers were junior Jake Jerome, junior Cole Zingas, junior Anthony Giorgio and freshman Brett Abdelnauer. A host of Knights had assists, including Grissom (two), sophomore Stephen Campau (three), Jerome (two), Zingas (two), Counsman (two), Marchese (three), Giorgio (one), Yates (one), freshman Harrison Wujek (one), Minanov (one) and sophomore Mason Demsey (two). Liggett improved to 17-10 overall.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Register for camp

The Grosse Pointe South girls' softball team hosts a clinic from 4 to 7 p.m. Sunday, March 10, at the high school athletic facility. It is for girls in fourth to eighth grade and is \$25 per player. The basic skills clinic includes stations on hitting and bunting, pitching and catching, and defense and baserunning. The instructors are the Grosse Pointe South softball coaching staff, including a pitching coach, as well as Blue Devil softball players. People can pay at the

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Gymnastics GROSSE POINTE UNITED

Five make state finals

Grosse Pointe gymnast Emma Abessinio was crowned the Regional All-Around Gymnastics Champion last weekend after winning regional championships on the uneven bars, balance beam and floor exercise. Four other Grosse Pointe gymnasts also advanced to the individual state championships this Saturday by placing in individual events, including Aubryn Samaroo and Madison Bush on both balance beam and floor exercise, Emily Griffith on balance beam, and Caitlin Gaitley on floor exercise. Grosse Pointe also had a strong showing as a team, just missing out on a trip to the team state finals by placing fifth, while the top four teams in the regional all qualified.

Starting on vault, Grosse Pointe was led by Abessinio's 8.9, followed by an 8.7 from Samaroo, an 8.5 from Gaitley, and an 8.45 from Michelle Ellis. Also competing on the event were Bush (8.3), Griffith (8.1), Gyane' Johnson (7.95), Emily Fleming (7.95) and Simone Bendix (7.9). On the uneven bars, Abessinio won the event with her 8.9, while Samaroo scored 8.125, Ellis 8.075 and Bush 6.9. Johnson also scored a 6.4 and Griffith a 6.5 on the event. Meagan Curran got the team off to a great start on the balance beam, sticking her entire routine as the first gymnast up for a 7.1. She was fol-



PHOTO COURTESY OF COURTNEY HAMIDI Grosse Pointe gymnasts, from left, Aubryn Samaroo, Emily Griffith, Emma Abessinio and Madison Bush each made the state finals. Not pictured is state qualifier Caitlin Gaitley.

lowed by Amy Olson with a 7.45, Gaitley with a 7.25, and Ellis with a 6.9. Griffith then nailed her entire routine without a wobble to score an 8.675, which tied her for eighth place in Division 2. Bush overcame a misstep at the beginning of her routine to stick all the rest of her skills to score an 8.275, which advanced her to the state meet in Division 1. Up next, Samaroo turned in a solid routine to score 8.775, taking seventh place in Division 2 and also advancing to the state finals. Finally, Abessinio anchored the event with a perfect routine and a 9.275, which held up for

first place on the event. Grosse Pointe ended the meet on its strongest event, floor exercise, and came up big on this, as well. Fleming started things off with a 7.7, followed by Brenna Bromwell, who scored an 8.3, for one of her highest scores of the season. Curran then scored an 8.3, while Johnson and Ellis posted 8.65. Olson turned in her best performance of the year on floor to score a personal-best 8.95. Grosse Pointe's last four gymnasts then all scored above a 9 to qualify for the state finals as Gaitley had a 9.075 (T7th place, D1), Bush a 9.1 (6th place, D1), Samaroo 9.225 (6th place, D2) and

Abessinio finished the meet with a 9.55 for another first place. Although Grosse Pointe did not advance to the team finals, the meet was still a success for the team. "The girls were so prepared to compete today, and we came in and basically hit our entire meet and I couldn't ask for anything more," said head coach Courtney Hamidi. "I am so proud of how much everyone improved over the course of the season. This was truly our best meet of the year, and we'll still be working hard all week because we have a great chance for some individual successes at the finals on Saturday."

YOUTH WRESTLING



PHOTO COURTESY OF JAMES MEAD

State champs

On Feb. 24, the Warren Pride wrestling club captured the MYWA 3rd Grade and Under Dual Championship. Two of the wrestlers are residents of Grosse Pointe Woods, Grady Mead (parents Jim and Carrie Mead) and Max Koenigbauer (parents Dr. Jeff and Allison Koenigbauer). High school wrestling teams earned state titles Saturday, Feb. 23, and individual state titles were earned Saturday, March 2. For the youngsters, their state championship came by surprise to many. Warren defeated the following teams: Holt (45-10), Yale (defending champions - 31-21), Lowell (41-15), Detroit Catholic Central - Team Shamrock (46-17), and Yale (finals - 32-12). Grady Mead, 6-years-old, compiled a 31-11 season record, earned pins against Holt and Lowell foes, and posted a 4-1 decision over his Yale opponent in the finals. Early in the competition, Mead lost a match to his Yale foe in sudden death overtime (8-6); however, he rallied to a 4-1 victory in the finals against the same opponent. Max Koenigbauer, 8-years-old, had a 17-11 season record. He received a forfeit from Holt at 52 pounds, earning the team 6 points.

COLLEGE NEWS

Smith earns honor

Jacob "Jake" Smith, and All-Region teams. He finished the 2012 season with 62 solo tackles, 9 sacks, 12 quarterback hurries and 6 tackles for a loss. On Feb. 6, he signed his letter-of-intent to attend The Citadel on a football scholarship in 2013. His grandparents, Tom and Kathie Smith are long-time residents of Grosse Pointe Farms. In the fall, The Citadel plays Charleston Southern, Western Carolina, Old Dominion, Furman, Appalachian State, Georgia Southern, Chattanooga, Elon, VMI and Clemson.

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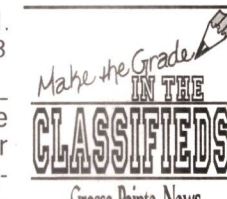
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