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## Deck Bar eyesore leveled

By John McTaggart  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE PARK** — For years the building that once housed the storied Deck Bar sat vacant on the corner of Alter and E. Jefferson in Detroit.

Now, that structure, which is owned by Grosse Pointe Park, is nothing more than a memory, likely making way for a pocket park.e.

Demolition of the structure

began Tuesday morning, despite several members of the audience at Monday night's Grosse Pointe Park city council meeting voicing their displeasure with the decision.

"We had concluded long ago that the Deck Bar could not be salvaged," Grosse Pointe Park city attorney Dennis Lavasseur told the audience. "The City of Detroit agreed with us. We



PHOTO BY JOHN MCTAGGART

See DECK, page 4A The site of the Deck Bar may become a pocket park.

## Great advice

A Caring for Aging Parents symposium was held at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Saturday, Jan. 24. The event was sponsored by the Law offices of Jeffrey R. Sharp, MJC Professional Tax Service, The Family Center, Services for Older Citizens, Home Care One, ShorePointe Village, Bolton-Johnston's Kevin Brennan, Red Baron Enterprises, Dan H. Tripp, CLU, and Sigma Investment Counselors. At right, Brennan of Bolton-Johnston, speaks with Sally Ploe of San Jose, Calif. and her sister, Susan Buchard of Grosse Pointe Farms. Below, Debbie Liedel, executive director of The Family Center, talks with Sigma Investment Counselors financial planner and panelist Suzanne Antonelli.



Ernie Buechler of the City of Grosse Pointe talks with Adura Calhoun, a volunteer for SOC, about programs and medical equipment lending costs. At left, from left, panelists Brennan, Perry Calisi, Michael Cherghezan, Tripp, Sharp and Antonelli.

PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

## Rising financial future

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**CITY OF GROSSE POINTE** — The latest five-year municipal financial forecast shows revenues matching expenses for the first time since the recession and real estate flop of the prior decade.

In prior City of Grosse Pointe projections, developed annually by city administrators, it was a case of X marking the spot — the spot on a line graph where expenses crossed above revenues, signifying the city's road to deficit.

In the outlook released five years ago, the X marked a \$2 million gap in 2014-15 if countermeasures weren't taken.

Instead, cost-cutting coupled with rising property values and, therefore, property tax revenue, are stabilizing the outlook and boosting expectations.

No X appears on the latest graph. "This is the first year in the seven years that projected expenditures meet projected revenues," said Peter Dame, city manager. "It's a much more pleasant situation than a couple years ago, even last year."

Councilman Chris Walsh compared it to

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## Site changes

The Grosse Pointe News has made improvements to how the digital edition of the paper is viewed at [grossepointenews.com](http://grossepointenews.com).

Subscribers to the digital edition will find the new format easier to access and more user-friendly.

The look, navigation and archive capabilities have been improved.

The new version also automatically adjusts to what the viewer is using: a home computer, laptop, tablet or Smartphone.

To learn more or subscribe to the digital edition, contact circulation manager Bridget Thomas at (313) 343-5578 or [bthomas@grossepointenews.com](mailto:bthomas@grossepointenews.com).

## Winterfest hits the Hill Saturday

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE FARMS** — Most activities at Winterfest on the Hill, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, are of the drop-in and partake variety.

Only one, the chili cook-off, requires planning.

To sign up, visit [grossepointefarms.org](http://grossepointefarms.org), or contact Michele Eickhorst, Grosse Pointe Farms' recreation

coordinator:

◆ (313) 343-2405 or  
◆ [meickhorst@grossepointefarms.org](mailto:meickhorst@grossepointefarms.org).

Judging is 11 a.m. to noon at 131 Kercheval.

Many Winterfest attractions involve hot food and beverages.

"We're having free hot dogs, coney dogs, hot chocolate and coffee," Eickhorst said. "The Chamber of Commerce has s'mores stations."

A petting farm features an alpaca. Eickhorst wouldn't be surprised if animals included a "little cow," but no pig.

"It's too cold for a pig," she said.

Representatives of the Howell Nature Center present live wildlife.

"We don't know what animals they're bringing," Eickhorst said.

Ice carvings are all day.

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**Anne Marie Gattari**

Home: Grosse Pointe Woods  
Family: Husband, Raymond;  
daughters, Catherine and Theresa  
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NEWS

Grosse Pointe Park home prices on the rise

By John McTaggart  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE PARK** — According to a recent report issued by the Michigan Department of Treasury, home values in the Park are on the rise. The report notes a 9.8 percent increase in equalized value, and sees that trend translate into sales prices as well. According to Wayne County, the Park is among the top performers in the county in terms of gains in homes sales value, with an average Park home selling for about \$280,880 in 2014, up from \$216,000 in 2013. The same research states a rise of more than 49 percent since 2009, when sales prices were about \$188,000. “We’re absolutely pleased with this news,” mayor pro-tem Greg Theokas said. “I think it

confirms a lot of programs we’ve had in place for years to stabilize and enhance our home values.” The programs Theokas referred to range from subsidies for rentals to the Park’s consistent approach to removing commercial blight and maintaining the strongest possible commercial districts. Such programs are behind-the-scenes, but there are efforts put forth outwardly that have contributed to the rise in numbers, he said. “We have some natural good bones, if you want to call it that,” Theokas said. “One is that we are on the lake. The other is that we are the closest suburban community to Detroit. So, as Detroit improves, we see some of the benefit from that. Three, we have a very wide diversity of housing. As a

result, we are a more attractive community to young couples. They can buy a starter home and then move up to a larger home within the same city. We’re not a cookie-cutter suburb where everything looks the same. We offer a wide variety, and we’re proud to be a city like that. It’s a much more inviting urban environment.” Theokas said the numbers aren’t surprising. “We’ve made a real effort to be in that category where things are going up,” he said. “So it’s not a surprise at all.” Resident Theresa Constance shares the enthusiasm. “It’s the kind of numbers I like to see,” she said. “A home in a community like this is an investment. “It’s nice to see some appreciation on that for homeowners. Very good news.”



PHOTO PROVIDED BY EASTSIDE REPUBLICAN CLUB

New officers

Elected as 2015 officers of the Eastside Republican Club at the Jan. 20 annual meeting were Grosse Pointe Park residents Ken Chadwell Jr., chairman, Susan Gillooly, vice chairman, Marie Hackleman, secretary, and Michael Vethacke, treasurer. Board members are Kathleen Koppin, City of Grosse Pointe, Annette Feldpausch, Grosse Pointe Woods and Mary Zeock, Grosse Pointe Woods. The ERC meets on the third Tuesday of the month from September through June. Admission is free and the public can attend. Stay up-to-date and “like” the ERC on Facebook. Above, from left, Zeock, Chadwell, Gillooly, Hackleman, Feldpausch and Koppin. Vethacke, inset.

General fund bails out marina shortfalls

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE SHORES** — If a boat represents a hole in the water its owner fills with money, imagine the financial drain of a municipal marina with 133 slips. Some \$100,000 from the Grosse Pointe Shores general fund is being used to bail out the marina fund, which is in deficit. “The marina is non-self supporting,” said Councilman Bruce Bisbal, chairman of the finance committee. The transaction is among 90 fiscal ebbs and flows representing a net \$19,476 adjustment to the annual budget. While adjusting the budget once each year is routine, Grosse Pointe Shores officials make two per annum on advice

of auditors. The first came this month, halfway through the fiscal year begun last summer. “We’ll do another set in June,” said City Manager Mark Wollenweber. This round of adjustments accounted for unplanned income and outlays, including \$15,000 additional revenue from court fines, which Wollenweber said returns that stream “to normal.” A \$5 increase in the cost of life insurance represented the smallest adjustment. Pension savings of \$110,161 is “the good news,” according to Bisbal. “The bad news is, we’re using that money to deal with the marina.” A deficit elimination plan, required by the state, involves waiting nearly 18 months until 30-year bonds, issued in 2007 to pay for a \$3.8 million harbor renovation, can be refinanced at a lower interest rate. “The interest rate will go from 4 percent to 2 percent,” Bisbal said. Savings will total about \$200,000, he added. Shores officials must

delay refinancing until the bond’s no-call feature expires. “We’re frozen for 14 to 16 months on this,” said Mayor Ted Kedzierski. In the meantime, revenue from renting boat wells each summer doesn’t meet the cost of operations and financing. “Our boat revenue is about \$210,000,” Kedzierski said. “Interest alone on the bond the first three years is about \$168,000.” Additional costs include maintenance, insurance and staffing. Bisbal anticipates ending the fiscal year with overall municipal revenues exceeding expenses. “So, we’ll have a positive contribution, as we’ve had for the last three years, to the general fund,” he said. “Every year we’ve had a surplus, we’ve used the majority of it for the healthcare fund, which has been underfunded,” Kedzierski said. “Then, we grow our fund balance to about \$1 million, which is the 20 percent fund balance the ratings agencies want to see in order to consider our (bond) evaluation up.”

Marina rates frozen

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE SHORES** — Water isn’t the only thing frozen this year in the municipal marina. So are rental rates. Rates for Grosse Pointe Shores residents to rent wells at Osius Park this year are unchanged from last year. Yet, when ice in the harbor thaws this spring, so will a surcharge on non-residents tying up at the park. A rate increase to pay

for the \$3.8 million harbor renovation seven years ago isn’t justified given the lack of consumer demand for slips in the rebuilt marina, plus lower prices at competing facilities. “If you can’t raise rates because of what the market says, you can’t raise rates,” said Councilman Bruce Bisbal, chairman of the finance committee. “We can’t be unfair to our residents.” “We have to be competitive,” added Councilman Robert Gessell. As inducement to fill

unused wells, a 25 percent surcharge for non-resident boaters occupying Osius next season is reduced to 20 percent. Freezing rates means the base price for a 25-foot well remains \$896. The largest well rents for \$4,301. A comparative study of area marinas by Frank Tenkel, a member of the Shores harbor committee, found the city uncompetitive. See RATES, page 3A

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# The history of the Shores comes alive

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE SHORES** — One era is linked to another in the city's recently-published picture history.

More than a century ago, Claireview Stock Farm, extended two miles deep along 1,400 feet of property fronting Lake St. Clair.

It consisted of 28 buildings, a blacksmith's shop, 60 horses and a herd of Jersey cows.

"The farm's cow barn was later moved to the nearby Hunt Club, where it stood until destroyed by fire in 2001," wrote Arthur Woodford in "The Village of Grosse Pointe Shores."

Photos of the farm and relocated barn are among nearly 200 black and white images in the 127-page book, published by Arcadia Publishing as a project of the Shores Ambassador Committee. "This was a more difficult project than I first thought, but it was such an interesting project, too," said Woodford, author and editor of about 12 Michigan history books.

His works include the two-volume, "Tonnancour: Life in Grosse Pointe and Along the Shores of Lake St.

Clair."

For the Shores book, he gathered images from longtime locals, historical societies, academic archives and more to record the community's development from farms to upscale suburb.

A source of inside information were descendants of the village's first president, from 1911 to 1928, George Osius, including Ted Osius III, current U.S. ambassador to Vietnam.

"They supplied pictures and information," said Shores Councilwoman Kay Felt, committee liaison.

Felt provided a photo of a French pear tree which George Osius reportedly planted around 1915 in what is now her backyard.

The book is divided into seven chapters, from "The Early Years" to now.

"It takes you back over 100 years," said Mayor Ted Kedzierski, project originator.

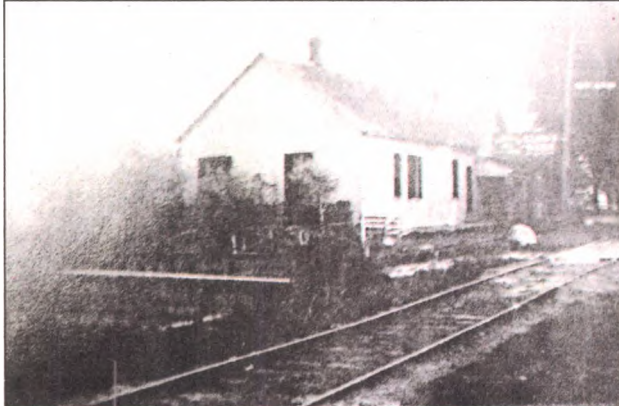
Lakeside mansions and estates, most existing today only in memories and photographs, earned a chapter of their own.

"I was impressed with the houses," Woodford said. "Boy, they were really impressive."

Separate chapters are dedicated to the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club and



Emory L. Ford's house at 485 Lakeshore was demolished in the 1950s, but the stone entrance pillars remain.



The menu at Vernier Roadhouse, on the Lake St. Clair-side of Lakeshore next to the interurban tracks, featured Kling's Beer. "Folks who cling to Kling are the people who know and appreciate the true value of one beer in the world that is guaranteed chill-proof," according to an advertisement for the brewery located off Jefferson near the present Belle Isle Bridge, according to "The Village of Grosse Pointe Shores."

Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, representatives of whom provided photos and information.

A who's who of foundational Shores family names permeate the text, as they do today on road signs: Alger, Webber, Ballantyne, Shelden and Torrey.

D.J. Boehm, chairman of the Ambassador

Committee, read the book five or six times while helping edit it.

"I always knew there were strong leaders in this community, but I didn't realize how many important world leaders had lived in this community," she said. "That was impressive."

Kedzierski recommended publishing the book to promote the city, a mission shared by the committee.

"That was why the Ambassador Committee has been involved with the book from the beginning," Boehm said.

No municipal funds were spent in the process due to private sponsorship from residents Robert and Victoria Liggett and John Armaly. "We're proud of our history," Kedzierski.

"We're proud to capture that history in this book."

The book costs \$20 and is available at city hall.

Two commemorative tiles, each containing an image of city hall and costing \$30, also are for sale.

# Woods rinks open

By John McTaggart  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE WOODS** — "The rinks are now open," Grosse Pointe Woods parks and recreation supervisor Nicole Byron said.

The rinks she is referring to are the four ice skating rinks found at parks throughout the city.

"Mother Nature finally cooperated enough for us to officially open them last week," she said. "We're happy to have them finally open for use because we know they are used and enjoyed."

Ghesquiere, Sweeney, Chene-Trombly and Lake Front Park all play host to an ice rink for skaters within the city limits, Byron said.

"We maintain the rinks for the winter," she said. "So that means we have people go out there and put a fresh coat of water on them to freeze. We make sure they are maintained as long as the weather allows."

The season really is up to the temperature, but as of now, each rink is open for fun, Byron said.

"We really don't have any way of keeping track of how many people actually use the rinks," she said. "But you just have to drive by any one of them on a weekend day, and you can see 20 or so kids skating around at just about anytime."

Byron added a park pass is needed for admittance to use the rink in Lake Front Park.

# Chamber aflutter with new project

It has been 10 years since the frogs hopped into Grosse Pointe, three years since the fish swam to the Pointes and this summer, butterflies will be migrating into the community for the GP

Bench Street Art Project festivities.

Spearheaded by the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce, the GP Bench festivities will pro-

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# The Week Ahead

## THURSDAY, JAN. 29

◆ Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce's annual meeting is from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the Country Club of Detroit.

## FRIDAY, JAN. 30

◆ "Red Door" is the title of the painting to be completed during a step-by-step workshop at 6 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe Public Library, Central branch. No painting experience is necessary. The Artist Lounge provides an instructor. The cost is \$20. To make a reservation, visit gp.lib.mi.us.

◆ Grosse Pointe Theatre presents "Little Women - The Broadway Musical" at 7:30 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. For tickets, visit gpt.org or call (313) 881-4004.

## SATURDAY, JAN 31

◆ Winterfest on the Hill is 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The event includes a chili cook-off, games, cookie decorating, live music and ice carvings.

◆ Grosse Pointe Woods city council meets at 7:30 p.m. in council chambers.

◆ The K-Line trolley runs from noon to 4 p.m. along Kercheval.

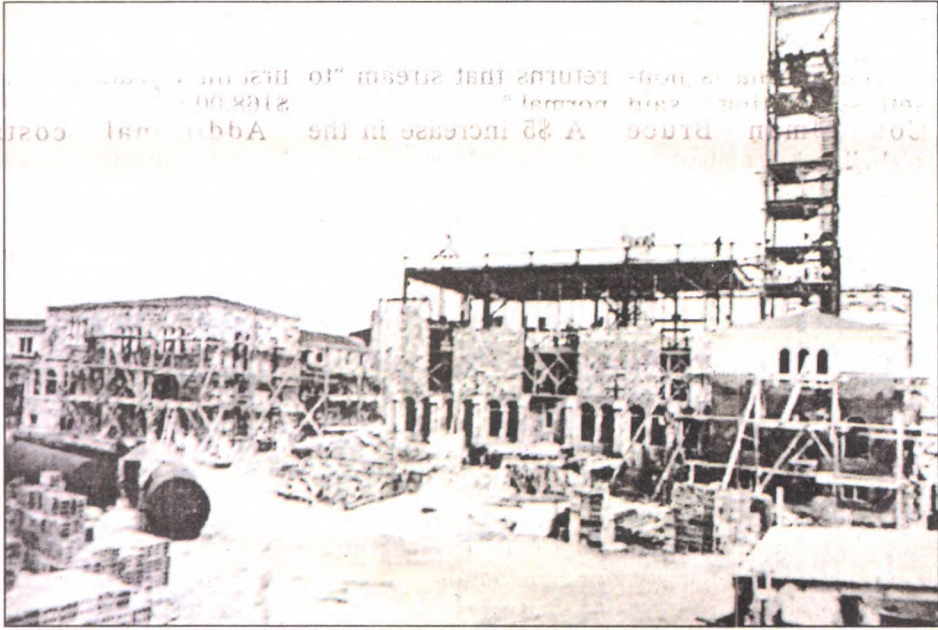
◆ Grosse Pointe Theatre presents "Little Women - The Broadway Musical" at 7:30 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. For tickets costing \$24, call (313) 881-4004 or visit gpt.org.

## MONDAY, FEB. 2

◆ Groundhog Day  
◆ Grosse Pointe Woods city council meets at 7:30 p.m. in council chambers.

## THURSDAY, FEB. 5

◆ Full Circle Foundation's Raise The Roof III begins at 7 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. Adult tickets cost \$25 and children's tickets cost \$5. For more information, call (313) 469-6660 or visit fullcirclefoundation.org. Proceeds benefit special needs programs.



Unlike in 1928, today the completed Grosse Pointe Yacht Club tower stands 187 feet tall.

# After book, mayor wants more

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE SHORES** — While readers thumb through fresh copies of a book about the city's history, the person credited with the idea of publishing it is flipping ahead to chapters unwritten.

Mayor Ted Kedzierski, progenitor of the recently-released, "The Village of Grosse Pointe Shores," is so impressed

with the work he's considering creating a group to preserve records of the city's past.

"Maybe we need a historic commission," Kedzierski said. "I'd like to see if there's resident interest."

He'll follow up at a town hall meeting 10 a.m. to noon, Saturday, Feb. 21, at city hall.

Kedzierski is an accountant, attorney and history buff.

"We have such won-

derful history here," he said.

Members of the Shores Ambassador Committee oversaw publication of the 127-page softcover, written by "Tonnancour" author, Arthur Woodford, and published by Arcadia Publishing.

The committee is chaired by D.J. Boehm and comprised of volunteers.

Councilwoman Kay Felt is the committee's council liaison.

She credited Kedzierski.

"He had the idea for the book," she said. "He presented it to the committee. He made sure we were on track."

Maybe so, but, "Having the idea is just the start of something," Kedzierski said. "If it weren't for the Ambassador Committee, there'd be no book. They were tireless."

Sponsors paid publication costs.

# Fest fun

**CITY OF GROSSE POINTE** — The 11th annual Winter Fest for residents is 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, at Neff Park.

Admissions is free.

Entry to residents-only Neff Park is restricted by city-issued park pass.

Each resident may bring two guests per pass.

"It's a great annual event," said Mayor Dale Scrace. "The park is decked out."

Activities include:

- ◆ a petting zoo,
- ◆ ice carving,
- ◆ ice skating,
- ◆ a hockey shootout,
- ◆ broomball,
- ◆ warming fires,
- ◆ free hot chocolate and s'mores.

A catered pig roast, with food ready about 2 p.m., costs \$5 per person.

"The pig isn't from the petting zoo," laughed Scrace.

— Brad Lindberg

# RATES:

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"We're on the high end of costs," said Councilman Robert Barrette, committee chairman.

Council members on Tuesday, Jan. 20, approved the committee's recommendation to maintain rates on residents and reduce the non-resident surcharge.

The downhold bucks rate increases each of the last three years to pay 30-year bonds issued in 2007 funding harbor renovation.

Payback projections were based on full harbor occupancy and a steady stream of 3 percent, compounded annual rate hikes.

Instead, of 133 wells in the marina ranging from 25 to 60

feet, about 10 wells remain unrented year after year.

Two are unusable.

"You can't get in and out of them," said Mark Wollenweber, city manager.

The city is meeting bond obligations and marina operating costs by dipping into reserves.

There's also a plan to employ at least one of the unnavigable wells.

One of three water agitators being installed this year to reduce weeds in the harbor, one will be at the southeast corner in well No. 123.

Wollenweber called it "the worst of the non-usuable ones."

The harbor opens April 15.

Shores boaters reserving a well must pay the balance of their rental installment by Feb. 15.

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## 4A | POINTER OF INTEREST

# Career change makes a difference

By Joe Warner  
Editor

Communication is a strength. It takes only a minute with Anne Marie Gattari to see she has the gift of gab.

After earning her bachelor's degree in journalism at Michigan State University, her early career was spent at different Metro Detroit newspapers. She also spent 18 months in Florence, Italy, as a freelance journalist and English instructor.

Seeking a challenge, she joined Ford Motor Co. in public affairs in 2000. During her 11 years there, Gattari, of Grosse Pointe Woods, helped market Ford's F-series.

"It was the best job in the auto industry," Gattari said.

Yet, another change was about to come.

"My Dad was 90 and at the end of his life," she said. "I took three weeks off to spend time with him. After he passed, my job just didn't have the same thrill for me."

Experiencing the challenges she faced with her

parents as they became elderly and needed care, led her to look at a way to help families through the process.

She started looking at franchises for home health care companies.

"I looked at 10 or 12," Gattari said.

Her next step was to become owner and president of BrightStar Care Grosse Pointe/Macomb.

BrightStar offers a high standard of home care for area seniors.

Among the reasons Gattari chose BrightStar were the fact it's accredited by the Joint Commission, an auditor of health care standards.

"Michigan doesn't require a license to practice home care," Gattari said. "When interviewing home care agencies, families should ask if they are accredited by the Joint Commission or similar health care auditors."

Her company supports Wayne State University's Institute of Gerontology and Services for Older Citizens of Grosse Pointe.

Gattari and her husband, Raymond, have two daughters, Theresa,



Anne Marie Gattari

a medical school student, and Catherine, a Wayne State student who also helps out at BrightStar.

The Gattaris also enjoy their dog, Charlie.

Gattari is involved with several groups in the community.

She is chairwoman of the Grosse Pointe Woods Senior Citizens' Commission and hosts a cable show at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, titled "Aging Well in America."

"I welcome any input and ideas, topics and questions for the show," Gattari said.

Her company also sponsors an Alzheimer's support group at St. Michael's Episcopal Church the first Wednesday of every month.

"It's a rewarding career, to help seniors and their families," Gattari said.

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mote art, culture and camaraderie in the community and benefit the area by increasing pedestrian and retail traffic in the greater Grosse Pointe areas.

From June to September, flocks of butterflies will swarm into the primary business districts in the Pointes. Each butterfly bench will be sponsored by a business

or resident and creatively designed by a commissioned artist. A kick-off party celebrating the butterfly benches will be in May. A preview party showcasing the flock of decorated benches will be at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House. The butterflies will then migrate to their designated location for the summer months allowing the community to enjoy. Before the cold sets in, the benches will be auctioned off at the September Seat Yourself in Grosse Pointe auction

at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. Proceeds will benefit the Grosse Pointe Chamber Foundation, a 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization.

Presently, GP Bench – Seat Yourself in Grosse Pointe seeks artists to decorate a butterfly bench and sponsors to "net" a butterfly. Sponsor levels range from "The Monarch" at \$5,000 to the "Caterpillar" at \$2,500.

To apply as an artist or to catch a butterfly, call the chamber at (313) 881-4722.

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emerging from "the gates of hell."

Yet, he warned, "Nothing's guaranteed."

### Educated guess

Kimberly Kleinow, finance director, based the overall forecast partially on assumptions.

They include, but are not limited to:

- ◆ a 1.6 percent increase in residential taxable values this year followed by a 1.5 percent rise in each of the next four years,
- ◆ a steady 2 percent increase in state revenue sharing,
- ◆ revenue from licenses and permits increasing 1.5 percent each year and
- ◆ investment income ranging from \$27,330 this fiscal year to \$18,403 in five years.

"Our return on investments isn't wonderful," Kleinow said. "Basically, our only investment income is from the marina fund loan."

### Savings

As for expenses, big saving comes from reduced contributions to the employee pension fund.

"We're estimating we won't have to make a contribution (totaling \$18,940) until 2019-2020," Kleinow said. "Last year, we were almost at \$300,000."

Another savings is the end of bond payments for construction of city hall and council chambers.

"So," Dame said, "starting with the next budget year, we will have lost two major expenditure items."

### Uncertainty

Threatening the out-

look is an old nemesis, the rising and unpredictable cost of legacy health-care.

"We don't really know how much retiree health-care expenses are going to increase, except we know they're going to increase more than inflation," Dame said. "If it weren't for retiree health-care, we'd have a surplus all five years."

"We've estimated retiree healthcare to increase approximately 8.5 percent over the next five years," Kleinow said.

Inflations is another important variable.

"Our revenues are largely restricted to the rate of inflation because property taxes are restricted to the rate of inflation," Dame said. "As long as we keep expenses within the rate of inflation, we're going to be fine."

## DECK:

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applied for a permit to tear it down, and that permit was granted. We are moving promptly with the process of demolishing a structure that posed a hazard to the health, safety and welfare of people from both cities."

The idea of demolishing the structure isn't a new one.

"It has been a project that we've had for

years," mayor pro tem Greg Theokas said. "It is not structurally sound enough to be rebuilt."

Complicating the process somewhat was the fact the Detroit Historical Commission designated the structure, which the Park acquired in 2004 before any such designation existed, as part of a historic district.

"I think the designation basically impeded the inevitable," Theokas said. "And that is the fact that the building is structurally unsound. We have talked to Detroit

for years about the need to reexamine the ability to be rehabilitated. Clearly that is not the case, even their (City of Detroit) building department has concluded that."

The former Deck Bar property is slated to make way for a pocket park, although that concept is still in the works.

"The plan is a park," he said. "It is located in the City of Detroit so that is clearly something we're going to work with them on. But, the plan is to have a park there."

## HILL:

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The schedule is:

- ◆ 11 a.m. to noon: chili cook-off, 131 Kercheval — come be a judge;
- ◆ 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.: Face painting, games and cookie decorating;
- ◆ 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.: petting farm;
- ◆ 1 to 2 p.m.: Howell Nature Center presents wild animals;
- ◆ 2:30 p.m.: Announcement of chili cook-off winners.

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### Avalanche Level

- ◆ Russell Development Company — putt-putt course with nine ice sculptures;
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- ◆ City of Grosse Pointe Farms and
- ◆ Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe — ice carving, live ice carving demonstration, Winterfest games.

### Glacier Level

- ◆ Bologna Building Co. & Kercheval Development Co. — ice carving, chili cook-off and
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Farms Foundation — hot dogs and refreshments.

### Blizzard Level

- ◆ The Hill Association — donation and
- ◆ Roy O'Brien Ford — ice carving, donation.
- ◆ Icicle Level
- ◆ Christian Science Reading Room — door prize drawing sponsor, ice carving;
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce — ice carving, s'mores;
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Farms Public Safety — ice carving, DJ;
- ◆ Henry Ford Medical Center-Cottage — ice carving, cookie decorating, face painting;
- ◆ Johnstone & Johnstone — door prize drawing, ice carving;
- ◆ LaLonde Jewelers — door prize drawing, ice carving;
- ◆ Luxe Bar & Grill — ice carving, door prize drawing;
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- ◆ The League Shop — door prize drawing, ice carving

### Snowflake Level

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- ing;
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- ◆ Capricious, LLC — ice carving;
- ◆ Christian Science Reading Room — ice carving;
- ◆ Connell Building Company — ice carving;
- ◆ Grosse Pointe News — ice carving;
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Sunrise Rotary — ice carving;
- ◆ Higbie Maxon Agney Realtors — ice carving;
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- ◆ Just Breathe of Grosse Pointe — door prize drawing;
- ◆ Morgan Stanley — door prize drawing;
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City of Grosse Pointe  
Car and drugs

Police searching the trunk of a stolen 2013 Toyota Corolla found 63.9 grams of marijuana, possibly packaged for sale, they said.

At 8:12 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 24, an officer noticed the car parked in the emergency lot of Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe.

A check of the license plate listed it stolen three months ago from a rental agency at Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport, said the officer.

A woman, 45, of Detroit, sat behind the wheel. A male passenger was in the backseat.

In the trunk, officers reportedly found an open, purple backpack containing:

- ◆ two plastic sandwich bags containing a combined 45.9 grams of marijuana,
- ◆ eight “dime” bags and seven “nickel” bags, each containing between 1.5 and 1.8 grams of the drug,
- ◆ a small scale and
- ◆ \$30.

The woman had \$138, \$44 of which were \$1 bills, police said.

Officers arrested her for possession of a stolen vehicle, which they impounded for possible forfeiture.

They let the passenger go.

Hidden fire

At least three firefighters investigated reports of smoke at a house in the 500 block of St. Clair shortly after 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 21.

They traced it inside the wall of a second-floor bedroom.

“(The) wall was opened and fire was extinguished with a water extinguisher,” said an officer.

Public Safety Reports

Car B&E

Public Safety Officer Joshua Ina, and his training officer, Joe Adams, responded at 5:53 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 21, to a report of a car broken into while parked in a store lot in the 17400 block of Mack.

The female car owner told officers she entered the store at 5:40 p.m.

Upon returning 10 minutes later, her car’s front window was broken and her briefcase stolen from within.

—Brad Lindberg

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

Grosse Pointe Farms

Tilt, game over

An allegedly drunken Hazel Park woman, 32, is accused of pinballing her way along eastbound Jefferson and Lakeshore shortly after 1:30 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 25.

She ran off the road twice and hit two poles both times, yet drove away until a public safety officer stopped her, according to a witness and the arresting officer.

Her red 2002 Dodge minivan had “heavy front-end damage,” the officer added.

A male motorist from Grosse Pointe Park called police about the woman.

“(He) stated he observed (the) van on eastbound Jefferson go off the road over the curb and hit a light pole approximately five blocks west of Fisher (in the City of Grosse Pointe),” said

the officer.

The woman returned the vehicle to the roadway and resumed eastbound onto Lakeshore in the Farms, the witness reportedly told officers.

“(The witness) stated the vehicle did the same thing and hit another pole on Lakeshore one block east of Fisher,” said the officer.

Police measured the woman’s blood alcohol level at .14 percent.

She’s charged with drunken driving and leaving the scene of a wreck.

No sale

A man high on medical marijuana was arrested last weekend for operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of drugs, according to police.

A patrolman spotted him at 12:15 a.m. Friday, Jan. 23, walking from the front lawn of a house in the 300 block of Kercheval, marked “For sale,” to a car parked on Kercheval, blocking the driveway.

“(He) informed (me) that he was on his way home from getting coffee in St. Clair Shores and stopped to copy down the phone number for the house for sale,” said the officer. “(I) observed his eyes to be bloodshot and glassy.”

Officers searching him and the car, which reportedly smelled of marijuana, found three partially burnt marijuana cigarettes and a package of the drug weighing 3.5 grams combined.

The man had a medical marijuana card and admitted smoking the drug earlier that evening.

In addition to the driving allegation, officers charged him with improper transportation of medical marijuana.

Sleeping at wheel

A 39-year-old Detroit woman, sleeping at the wheel of a 2001 Pontiac Montana parked with its engine off on Kerby near Ridge, was arrested at about 11:45 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 20, for drunken driving.

Her blood alcohol level measured .20 percent, according to police.

“(She) stated she was drinking this day, but would not disclose how much,” said the arresting officer.

Van found

Police went to the 5700 block of Old Town, near the intersection of Cadieux and Chandler Park Drive in Detroit, at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 20, to recover a black 2014 Ford Explorer reported stolen less than two hours earlier in the 300 block of Hillcrest.

A tipster reported the vehicle propped on blocks, wheels gone.

“(The sunroof was smashed in and the gear shift appeared damaged,” said an officer.

Him again

An unhappy reunion between a patrolman and 36-year-old Grosse Pointe Park man occurred on a snowy morning last week.

“(I) have had multiple contacts with (him) for driving offenses,” said the officer.

At 9:06 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 20, the officer was in a marked cruiser at the intersection of Hillcrest and Piche when the Park man, operating a red 2001 Isuzu Rodeo, slid over the curb while turning from eastbound Piche to northbound Hillcrest and hit a fire hydrant, according to police.

“(The) vehicle was traveling too fast for snow-covered roads,” said the officer. “(The) vehicle briefly backed and fled northbound on Hillcrest.”

Upon stopping in the 400 block, the man ran inside a house, emerging a short while later to be arrested.

His driver’s license has been revoked six times, suspended eight times and expired since 2007, according to police.

Officers cited him for driving without due care or caution, failing to stop at the scene of an accident, violating a revoked license, having an improper license plate and lacking auto insurance.

Water department employees declared the hydrant undamaged.

No standing

Shortly before 4:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 19, a patrolman questioned a reluctant 42-year-old Detroit man about parking a turquoise 2004 Chrysler Pacifica in a section of alley between Moross and Kerby marked “No parking or standing.”

“(He) complained that he was being stopped because he was black,” said the officer. “He became very upset and rather vocal. He claimed (I) was a racist.”

The Pacifica’s license plate and tab didn’t match, according to the officer.

Also, the man was wanted on “several warrants” and has a note in his criminal file warning law enforcement personnel to use extra caution around him, the officer added.

The man refused to be fingerprinted at headquarters.

Officers released him to Wayne County authorities on warrants.

—Brad Lindberg

*Report information about these or other crimes to the Grosse Pointe Farms Public Safety Department at (313) 885-2100.*

Grosse Pointe Shores

Thrice the limit

A woman with a .246 percent blood alcohol level — more than three times the state maximum to legally operate a motor vehicle — was arrested at 12:52 a.m. Friday, Jan. 23, for drunken driving on southbound Lakeshore.

A patrolman pulled her over for swerving a white

2005 Buick van with a burned out taillight.

**Bad deal**

Police responded shortly after 6:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 19, to multiple reports of a man driving a white 1993 Cadillac “all over” northbound Lakeshore.

During a roadside investigation near the intersection of Vernier, police noted the 36-year-old Detroit resident had an “empty stare,” slurred speech, unsteady balance and a .22 percent blood alcohol level.

Officers searching his car found:

- ◆ three packages of marijuana weighing a total 1.76 grams,
- ◆ seven packages of cocaine weighing a combined 4.31 grams,
- ◆ \$407 in small bills,
- ◆ an open bottle of Hennessy cognac and
- ◆ a cellular phone.

“Due to the packaging of narcotics, consistent with that used for selling, the denomination of the bills and (his) criminal history, I seized (his) cell phone for possible warrant requests through (the) detective bureau,” reported the arresting officer.

—Brad Lindberg

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

Grosse Pointe Park

A vehicle was broken into Thursday, Jan. 22 in the 15000 block of Mack Avenue, according to a report filed with public safety. The vehicle was parked in a public lot at the time of the incident.

When the car’s owner returned, the passenger-side window was smashed and several items stolen including a blanket, bag and flashlight.

—John McTaggart

*If you have any information on this or another crime, call the Grosse Pointe Park Public Safety Department at (313) 822-4416.*

Priority on home invasions

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE FARMS** — Police have continued to shake the bushes for suspects in last fall’s home invasions (see related story, page 7A).

“Everyone we’ve talked to who knows (the suspect) says he knows we’re after him,” said Lt. Detective Richard Rosati of the Grosse Pointe Farms Public Safety Department.

Most stakeouts over the last few months are on Philip, the same street on Detroit’s east side where a gunman Dec. 22 shot at a car of Pointe and Detroit teens, killing Paige Stalker, 16, of the Farms.

“When I first heard about it, I almost thought it coincided with police being ambushed,” Rosati said. “I thought, maybe they figured it was those cops again.”

Farms officers arrested a Detroit man, 46, last week for obstructing the burglary investigation.

He’s an acquaintance of the main suspect.


“(The acquaintance’s)

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# Park police nab suspect in Farms crimes

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE FARMS** — The man suspected of committing most of last fall's roughly 15 home invasions in the Farms began a 90-day jail sentence last week for breaking into cars in Grosse Pointe Park.

Farms investigators sidelined the suspect, Joseph Edward McMahon, 50, Friday afternoon, Jan. 23, shortly before a prisoner transit service drove him to Clare County to serve time.

Pointe judges often sentence offenders to out-county jails where prisoners are less likely than in Wayne County to win early release due to overcrowding.

McMahon grew up in the Farms.

His latest address is in the 1300 block of Chalmers near Kercheval in Detroit.

The neighborhood — mostly isolated dwellings, vacant lots and charred remains of what

hasn't been hauled away — is four blocks from the Dec. 22 fatal shooting site of Farms teen Paige Stalker, and had been under regular surveillance by Farms officers for months.

"The ever-elusive Joe McMahon is finally captured," said Farms Detective Lt. Richard Rosati.

Park police, answering a citizen's alert of suspicious activity, arrested McMahon Tuesday, Jan. 20.

"Park cops found property on him from a car not far away that had been broken into," Rosati said.

Wednesday, Jan. 21, he was found guilty of three counts of larceny from an auto, a misdemeanor, with fines of \$625 per count and sentences served concurrently, according to court officials.

Two days later, Farms police went to Park headquarters and detained McMahon for questioning.

"We had close to a two-

hour interrogation," Rosati said. "Things he said solidified, in our minds, that he is the guy who hit us in almost all of those home invasions."

McMahon didn't confess directly.

"But, after being told he can fess up now or, when evidence comes back from the crime lab — and it might take a year — everything's going to start over, he said he wanted to talk to a lawyer before coping to all of it," Rosati said.

"Those are the words of a guilty man."

Evidence includes a witness statement by

Willerton Louis Inman, 46, of Detroit.

Farms police questioned Inman Thursday, Jan. 8, after searching for him in the 1300 block of Philip, two blocks from McMahon's residence.

Inman reportedly described being with McMahon last October at a gas station on Jefferson and Conner.

Inman said he paid McMahon \$10 in exchange for using a credit card to fill the tank of his van, according to Rosati.

"That card was from a home invasion on Provencal a few hours

prior to him using it," Rosati said. "That gives us probable cause to try to make a case."

McMahon wouldn't admit stealing the card, nor two fur coats from the same break-in, Rosati said.

"He said, 'You got me for using a financial transaction device,'" Rosati said. "We asked what he did with the two stolen fur coats. He said he thought he saw a guy give one of them to a homeless girl on Marlboro (one block from his address). He had a little smirk on his face. He's 100 percent our

guy."

Rosati wished the interrogation wasn't cut short.

"I could have held him for 48 hours, but I couldn't because he had to go to Clare," Rosati said. "Because there's not a lot of room in Wayne County, we send them up north."

McMahon's criminal history includes burglary, larceny, shoplifting, drug usage and absconding parole, according to Rosati and Michigan Department of Corrections records.

"He served prison time," Rosati said. "He's a life-long criminal."

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vehicle was seen at a gas station (on Detroit's eastside) a half hour after a break-in (in October) on Provencal," Rosati said. "He admitted he gave (the burglary suspect) \$10 to use a credit card stolen on Provencal."

About 4 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 8, Rosati, another detective and Officer Keith Colombo sought the acquaintance at a house in the 1300 block of Philip, three blocks across the Grosse Pointe

Park border.

They recognized his light blue 1997 Ford Expedition parked in front.

A dark blue Buick parked down the block gained relevance later.

"Officers made contact with several subjects at (the house), who were all uncooperative and refused to allow officers inside to search for the suspect, who was at the address," reported Colombo.

Colombo called the man's cell phone number.

"The suspect stated he was on the west side of Detroit on Hull Street

and was not inside (the house on) Philip," Colombo said. "(I) informed (him) he was wanted for questioning in regard to obstructing a police investigation."

Upon impounding the Expedition and leaving the scene, Detective Bryan Ford noticed being followed by people in a Buick.

"This was the same Buick officers observed down the block from where officers were searching for the suspect," Colombo said. "The front seat passenger, who turned out to be the suspect, was attempting to flag (me) down.

(He identified himself) and wanted to speak with detectives."

Police stopped the Buick at 4:39 p.m. on Kercheval near Bedford in the Park and arrested the suspect.

Officers released the driver, a Detroit man.

The burglary suspect is known to law enforcement officers from multiple agencies.

"He has a long record of theft and B&E," Rosati said.

"The Michigan Department of Corrections is looking for him for absconding parole. We're looking for him for home invasions."

# Residents assist officers

By John McTaggart  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE PARK** — Keeping a community safe is a cooperative effort.

Not only do public safety officials and officers need to be on the ball, but so do residents and business owners.

The fruits of this cooperative effort was on display last week.

"Our best crime deterrent continues to be our residents," Grosse Pointe Park director of public safety David Hiller said.

"They know who does and doesn't belong in the neighborhood. We've always encouraged them to contact us when someone is acting in a suspicious manner. This is a classic example of that type of activity."

On Wednesday, Jan. 21, a resident observed someone walking away from her house and was concerned that this person shouldn't have been there," Hiller said.

Next, the resident contacted the public safety

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I SAY BY ANN L. FOUTY

The lights are back on

The light in the miniscule office kitchen is out. The light bulbs are a fluorescent U-shaped. The uncommon shape makes it hard for the office manager to locate.

In the meantime, there is a small desk lamp with a green shade illuminating the counter that is the size of the cutting board.

The point is, every time I walk into the kitchen, I slap my hand on the wall to hit the light switch to shed some light on the electric pot so I can pour hot water into my mug and not all over the counter and down my leg. If my leg was scalded, I would have to report it to my department supervisor. Then he would have to revise the office's perfect record of office-related injuries. I don't think we have an office related injury since an ad rep got locked in the bathroom because the door knob feel off. But that was really not a physical accident, other than many of us doubling over in laughter and banging our heads on desks. Last spring, I turned my ankle in the parking lot. The lot had been swept of jagged cement fragments, except one stone, the result of a hard winter. But my department supervisor didn't count that as an office injury. No sympathy there. And we don't count paper cuts as reportable injuries.

Back to the lack of illumination in the kitchen. Every time my hand automatically hits the switch, I remember, "Oh yeah, there is no light from above."

It's not a big deal, just a minor inconvenience in the day's routine.

With no light bulbs and minimum light reminds me of days parts of the Midwest were without power for two days, some places for more than a week. While it was wonderful not to hear that constant hum of electricity, I was also slapping my hand on the wall every time I went into a room. "Oh, that's right, there is no electricity."

I'm reminded of December 2013 when the snow was falling and ice was accumulating on wires and trees and roof tops resulting in thousands of people living without power and news media reminding us to check on elderly neighbors.

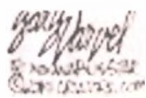
My cousin and her husband were sleeping at a friend's house that dodged the black out grid. She nonetheless spent time in her house where the indoor temperature hovered just below 40 degrees. It was nearly Christmas and grandchildren expected presents. So she made the best of squaring corners of wrapping paper and tying bows while wearing gloves.

We take a lot for granted. With the flip of a switch, the lights come on. A turn of the faucet and clean water rushes out. Punching buttons and a connection to other people is at our fingertips and in our eardrums. A turn of the key and we are on our way to the coffee shop or bar where more spigots are turned on and immediately our wishes fulfilled. A tap of the mouse and information appears before our eyes. The washing machine will always clean the clothes and the refrigerator will always be cold. The microwave heats the food after a few seconds. The vacuum sucks up bits of this and that, along with dog and cat hair.

Whew. Am I spoiled, or what?

Last century soothsayers were predicting a paperless society and hover crafts in every garage. The paperless society is not that far off, but the George Jetson mode of transportation is not here yet. I would take more for granted in the non-paper end if bank accounts weren't hacked into and my identity being stolen; if my credit card information was really secure.

When the ceiling light source once again shines, I'll forget tomorrow it was out. I'm used to shining lights.



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Praise for Grosse Pointe North principal

To the Editor:

I write today as both a parent of future Norsemen and as an employee of Grosse Pointe Schools. We are all aware that over the past few weeks, the Grosse Pointe North community has been thrust into the spotlight due to an unfortunate incident that happened between two students before Christmas. I am incredibly impressed and proud of the way Principal Kate Murray and administration have reached out to the community to provide facts and to assure the parents at North that the incident was dealt with appropriately. This incident was quite frankly not the business of anyone other than the students involved, their families, and the school. The outrage that's been expressed in social media is almost exclusively that of people outside of North.

It's been said that a coach from Grosse Pointe South reached out to parents in the community, to "inform" them of this situation. If this is indeed true, it is unconscionable and inexcusable. As an employee of the district, the coach should be disciplined. Their actions did nothing but paint the very district they are employed by in a negative light, but more importantly, caused the entire Grosse Pointe North community to feel bullied and betrayed. I am horrified as a fellow employee of this person that they might be

allowed to get away with such an awful, divisive act. I would also hope that the substitute teacher in the Fox 2 News piece is disciplined.

Many of us would love to know who contacted Fox 2 News to bring this incident to their attention. I hope that the district uses all resources at its disposal to ensure that it wasn't someone within GP Schools. The story was inflammatory and served no purpose but to shame a particular group of GPPSS students. Being a "Harper Woods student" and a great kid are not mutually-exclusive.

Grosse Pointe North is an amazing school. I have had the opportunity to be in the building during school hours; all of the students I've had the pleasure of talking and interacting with have been nothing but polite, respectful and helpful. The teachers and staff are among the most talented and dynamic people I've ever had the pleasure to work with. One small group of people from outside North has tried to demonize a group of students merely because of their zip code. The Norsemen community has shown them that not only are they wrong, but that they have underestimated the sense of family among the students and parents.

JEN EVANS  
Grosse Pointe Woods

The ugly side of journalism

To the Editor:

I am 200%++ in support of the North High parents and always against irresponsible journalism (especially in

modern times where you have a window of a few seconds to air a news bit, and without any editorial responsibilities). Who ever the news person was, he/she does not have a place in JOURNALISM WORLD. This is a worst or I would say, the best example of ugly side of journalism. And I do not know what type of example this incident is setting for kids who want take up a career in journalism and follow the path of some of the finest journalists (past and present)

With great respect to journalism and the honest journalists  
SRINIVAS SANIKOMMU  
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The past, the present and the future of GPPS

To the Editor:

Past  
In 1964 Grosse Pointe High School was a top 10 high school in the nation. We had the highest SAT scores ever and over 760 seniors in my class. We had recruited top teachers from around the United States. Examples of these teachers were John Mason from Wisconsin and Anne Wallace from Seattle. We had nationally recognized education leaders in the superintendent position. Mr. Brownell was nationally, and, eventually internationally recognized as a top educator. He attracted and recruited the best and brightest in order to become a top 10 school. Our high school principal, Mr. Gerhig, went on to be nationally recognized and become a mentor to other districts. We were able to do all of this because we had parents who cared, researched and demanded the best for us. Our system flourished as the populations of baby boomers and Detroit plateaued. Our home values climbed and Grosse Pointe met the needs of those moving to the Detroit area who then enjoyed the quality of family life, schools and our lake.

Present  
We live in the past and

say how great we are doing. Our high schools are not even in the top 10 of our state. Our scores are embarrassing and foreboding for us who were so proud. Our student population is shrinking as families choose higher performance school communities. Detroit is rebounding. We should be benefitting from our housing stock, proximity to the lake and city center, yet our district is shrinking. Our home values are weak. We are losing high performance principals. We hire leaders who do not meet the lowest qualifications that were established. We have no established goals to be the top school system in Michigan. What are we trying to be?

Future  
We need a goal. Should we try to be the best school system in the state and take actions to achieve it? What would it take to achieve it? We have an abundance of highly educated people who live here and care about our community. Can we agree to search across the country to find the leader we need to attract and put into force the steps necessary for us to be what our history was? Our future can shine or become tarnished depending on what steps we are willing to take. Our citizens' votes on the bond issue tell me that we are awakening to a major problem. Let's do what we have in the past; recognize the deficiencies and make the changes in management to achieve what we deserve for our taxes and our children's future. Palo Alto parents are favoring schools with less technology for their children. They want their kids to be educated. Alan Kay, of Apple Computers, and associated with the invention of the personal computer said, "any problems the schools cannot solve without computers they cannot solve with them."

We should choose our future now and change our school's direction to become the highest achieving school system — No. 1 in our state.

STEVE SMITH  
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I SAY By Joe Warner

Showing their pride, as they should

When a Southfield-based TV station took a swat at Grosse Pointe North High School a couple weeks ago, there was a huge response.

The report, which was investigated by this newspaper, is explained on page 5C.

The result was some angry folks.

The TV story was unkind to North, its students, administrators and

Harper Woods.

The police chief in Harper Woods sent a scathing rebuttal over the city's Nixle system.

Grosse Pointe North students, alums, administrators, teachers and even some of the same from crosstown rival Grosse Pointe South, took to social media.

Everybody, including the school's newspaper, demanded an apology.

The slogan, heard more than ever and witnessed on #norsemenpride is "This is what we do here."

So when backed against a wall, Grosse Pointe North spoke up. And rightfully so.

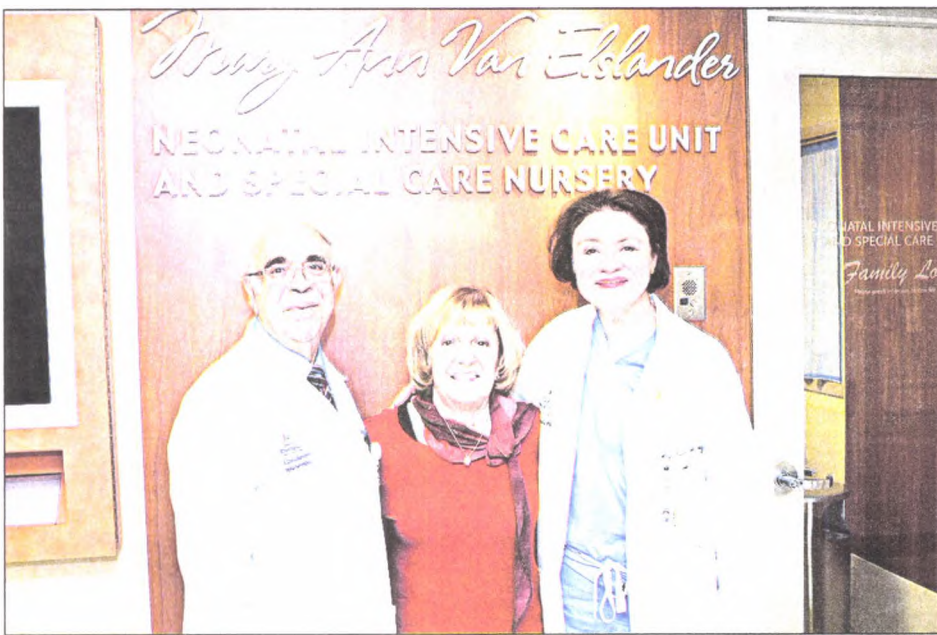
We spoke and listened to some of the people from Grosse Pointe North and the administration. There certainly was another side to the story. Sometimes children act

like it. And if they do something stupid, there's consequences.

Grosse Pointe North is a great school, part of a great district.

The story didn't do justice for the issue. And just as students sometimes make mistakes, we in the media do, too.

Let's address the issues and move forward. As we're learning from some of that Norsemen Pride.



The redesigned NICU is named for the Van Elslander family for their large philanthropic gift and for Mary Ann Van Elslander, center, a long-time volunteer in the NICU. She is joined by Ali Rabbani, MD, retired SJH&MC Pediatrics chief and Maria Duenas, MD, director, Mary Ann Van Elslander Neonatal Intensive Care Unit and Special Care Nursery.

## New NICU opens

St. John Hospital and Medical Center opened the newly renovated and expanded Mary Ann Van Elslander Neonatal Intensive Care Unit and Special Care Nursery last week.

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- \* Overnight accommodations for family members to address parent's convenience and comfort.

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- \* An enhanced environment conducive to

healing, growing and reducing length of stay.

- \* A setting that allows parents to bond with their infants, on their own schedules.

- \* More than double the physical footprint of the previous NICU.

"The newly renovated NICU will improve privacy, patient safety and the patient/family-centered care experience. This modern facility with expanded space and advanced technology will allow us to continue providing the highest quality care to critically ill infants and support families in a more suitable environment," said Maria L. Duenas, director, Mary Ann Van Elslander Neonatal Intensive Care Unit and Special Care Nursery.

While the \$12 million project received a capital investment of \$7 million from St. John Providence, philanthropy played a critical role in the Little Miracles

... Big Dreams NICU campaign, facilitated by St. John Providence Foundations. As such the NICU is named in recognition of the Van Elslander family for their large philanthropic gift. More than 600 associates, physicians, board members and community members supported the project. Special recognition goes out to the following donors who contributed \$100,000 or more:

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- \* Jeff Smith and Lisa Vallee-Smith.



## Crash

A crash at Washington and Mack Avenue Saturday, Jan. 24, closed the eastbound lanes in the City of Grosse Pointe. Above, where the black sedan and white van ended up after the collision. At right, three City of Grosse Pointe public safety officers talk to the driver of the Ford Fusion.



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## ASSIST:

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department.

"Our officers responded right away," Hiller said. "The guy fled from the area, but they were able to track fresh prints in the snow and located him hiding in a shed over in Detroit on Alter Road. It's a good catch, and a good arrest."

The suspect, 50-year old James McMahon, had several items that were stolen from cars, Hiller said.

"We were able to determine that there cars were involved," he said. "So we have three counts of larceny under our city ordi-

nance."

McMahon, a Detroit resident, is also a parole violator, he said.

"He knows he's going back to prison," Hiller said.

Hiller added the importance of resident's cooperation in keeping the city safe.

"We would rather come down and find out nothing happen or that everything is fine," he said. "Then to call us later on and have someone say I wish I would've called you earlier. No one should think twice about contacting us if anything looks suspicious."

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## Taking action

### Dogs, cats benefit from Girl Scouts quest for Bronze Award

By Ann L. Fouty  
Community Editor

Members of Junior Girl Scout Troop #70286 have got the world by the collar — and leash.

The 13-member troop, meeting at Maire Elementary School, has set a goal of collecting 1,000 new and gently used dog and cat collars and leashes by the end of February. The items will be donated to the Warren-based nonprofit, All About Animals Rescue.

The organization's mission is to prevent dog and cat homelessness through spaying and neutering, said Catherine Garrett, the organization's director of development and marketing. Founded in 2005, AAAR has the largest spaying and neutering program in Michigan having done 100,000. AAAR provides proper collars and leashes to those who use other items, such as a rope or choke chain. Purchasing collars and leashes takes money

away from the organization's primary purpose of providing free or low-cost spaying and neutering procedures.

The collection project is the troop's Take Action Campaign and the final step to attaining the Girl Scout Bronze Award, the highest award granted to Junior Girl Scouts.

This Take Action Campaign is designed to help girls courage, confidence and character through journeys and prescribed steps, said co-leader Elizabeth Puleo-Tague.

Community service began early when the troop first organized in 2012; their first partner was Children's Hospital of Michigan.

They have participated in community clean-ups, written letters asking Mayor Dale Scrace to place recycling bins at the City of Grosse Pointe's major cross streets and sold cookies.

The girls donated 20 percent of their cookie sale profits in 2014 to AAAR. To date, the troop



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

**Junior Girl Scout Troop # 70286 clockwise from front, Alexandra Ostrowski, Caroline Parent, Ellie Martin, Zaria Jones and Audrey Smihal.**

has sold enough cookies to donate \$250 to AAAR.

However, the troop wanted to do more than send a check, so they developed the Take Action Campaign that could involve the entire community. The girls chose AAAR because one of the member's mother serves on the organization's board. With a non-profit designated, a script was written.

Junior Girl Scouts approached local businesses. Would the business like to have a box for four weeks in which customers could drop leashes and collars?

More than 30 businesses from Detroit to St. Clair Shores responded in the affirmative.

The next step was to salvage boxes.

Using Girl Scout-green paper girls covered the

boxes and stamped each with dog prints.

Boxes will be in stores during February, which is Spay and Neuter Month.

According to Isabella Vesprini, Ellie Martin and Zaria Jones they are undertaking this project to provide better lives for dogs.

#### Introduction

It was during a summer tour of the 13,000 square foot All About Animals Rescue facility last summer the Junior Girl Scouts learned how some pet owners are putting their dogs on choke chains.

The chains can cause trachea and esophageal damage, asphyxiation, sprained necks and paralysis to various parts of the dog's body.

"I'm helping animals who don't have the things they need to have a healthy life," said Julianna Tague.



**Front to back, Catherine Garrett, All About Animals Rescue Director of Development and Marketing, Lilly Geer, Isabella Vesprini, Isabel Constand and Julianna Tague.**

#### Troop #70286 cookie sale schedule

Lowe's Home Improvement, Harper Woods  
10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 15  
11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday, Feb. 16  
10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, March 14  
Ace Hardware - Village  
10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 21  
Village Market  
4 to 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 27

20 percent of the cookie sales will be donated to All About Animals Rescue in Warren

All About Animals

#### Bronze Award scouts

Isabel Constand  
Lilly Geer  
Elizabeth Kempa  
Grace Lowell  
Ellie Martin  
Audrey Smihal  
Julianna Teague  
Isabella Vesprini

Rescue is teaching the children, protecting the future of these animals, said Catherine Garrett, director of development and marketing for the organization.

"I like helping a lot," Zaria Jones said.

"I'm optimistic for our future," Garrett said.

#### Participating Take Action Campaign businesses

Pet People - Grosse Pointe  
Grosse Pointe Public Library, Central  
Ace Hardware  
Gucci Poochie  
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ParkGrill Mediterranean  
Great Clips, in the Village  
Harper Woods Veterinary Hospital  
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Margaret Rice  
Dirty Dog Cafe



**Jane Ninivaggi, Boris Canzano, Alex Holmes and Matt and Jack Ninivaggi with their Ninihouse Haute Chocolat business.**

#### Haute Chocolat on wheels

University Liggett School graduate Alexander Holmes and four of his friends served up hot chocolate for \$1 a cup on Fisher Road and Grosse Pointe Boulevard last month. Holmes said the entrepreneurial venue began spontaneously last summer when the friends were together.

"We all hang out (at a house) on Beverly," said Holmes, a University of Michigan graduate.

Holmes was talking about his friends Matthew, Jack and Jane Ninivaggi.

They took a former DJ booth and refash-

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AREA ACTIVITIES

BNI

Business Network International meets at 7 a.m. Friday, Jan. 30, at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 20338 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Contact Ryan Marier at (313) 638-7526 for more information about this business-oriented group.

Chamber music

Grosse Pointe Chamber Music holds a 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, concert in the Crystal Ballroom of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. Tickets cost \$14. Those under the age of 18 are admitted free. Season membership costs \$40. Other concerts are

NAMI

The National Alliance on Mentally Ill Eastside meets at 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 2, at Henry Ford Cottage, 159 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. For more information, call Barb at (313) 886-8004.

Friends of Low Vision

The Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology Friends of Vision Low Vision Support Group meets from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Monday, Feb. 2, at 15415 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park. For more information, call Nancy Pilorget at (313) 824 4710, ext. 225.

Herb society

The Grosse Pointe Unit of

the Herb Society of America meets at 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, at Services for Older Citizens, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Dr. Philip Hoehn, a chiropractic doctor, presents information on the chemistry of essential oils between 8 and 9 p.m.

The public can attend. For more information, call Pat at (313) 881-1857 or Sandy at (313) 822-5381.

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WEDDINGS

Mack - Parke

Mariana Margaret Mack of Chicago and Joseph Rouse Parke of Chicago, formerly of Grosse Pointe Farms, were married Sept. 27, 2014.

The bride is the daughter of Erminia and Edward E. Mack III of Glencoe, Ill. The groom is the son of Jennifer and Joseph D. Parke of Grosse Pointe Farms.

The Rev. David J. Wood officiated the ceremony at the Glencoe Union Church. A reception followed at the Chicago Botanic Gardens.

Lara Mack of Chicago served as her sister's maid of honor. Bridesmaids included cousin of the bride, Lindsay Connell of Chicago, sisters of the groom, Alison and Melanie Parke of New York, and friends of the bride, Holly Campbell of Chicago, Sally Campion of San Francisco and Jordan Case of Seattle. The flower girl was the bride's second cousin, Perry Fulton of Aspen, Colo.

Andrew Kross of Chicago, friend of the groom, served as the best man. Groomsmen were Joe Vallee of Birmingham, Andrew Roa and Craig Janutol,

both of Grosse Pointe, Andrew Tignanelli of Troy and Brandon Thompson and Sean Gillen, both of Chicago. The bride's second cousin, Christopher Fulton of Aspen, was the ring bearer.

The bride earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in communications from the University of Michigan and a Master of Integrated Marketing Communications degree from Northwestern University's Medill School of Journalism.

The groom earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in economics from U of M and is to complete a Master of Business Administration degree from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern in June. Following graduation, he is to join Goldman Sachs, Chicago, in investment management.

Otrhalek - DeCraene

Lane Ulbrich Otrhalek of Grosse Pointe Shores and Michael Patrick DeCraene of Harper Woods were married Oct. 4, 2014.

The bride is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. John M. Otrhalek of Grosse



Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rouse Parke

Pointe Shores. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. David DeCraene of Oakland Township.

The Rev. Craig McGlassion performed the ceremony at the Fort Street Presbyterian Church. A reception followed in the Great Hall of the Detroit Institute of Arts.

The bride's strapless, ivory fitted and flared lace gown was embellished with beaded sequins. It featured a sweetheart neckline, low corset laced back and crystal and pearl silk organza belt. For something blue, the bride



Mr. and Mrs. Michael Patrick DeCraene

wore her great-grandmother's antique diamond and sapphire ring.

The white roses, ranunculus, draping seeded eucalyptus and English ivy bouquet was hand tied with a cream satin ribbon. The bride's grandmother's crystal brooch was secured into the bouquet which was completed with silk organza trailing ribbons.

Brit Vandenberghe of Grosse Pointe Woods served as her sister's matron of honor.

Bridesmaids were lifelong friend, Devon Crawford of Grosse Pointe Farms, the bride's sister-in-law, Ashley

DeCraene of Canton and friend, Marisa Jankowski of New York.

Attendants wore one-shoulder taupe floor length satin gowns. Their bouquets followed the European style of the bride's and included white dahlias, white stock and seeded eucalyptus hand tied with cream satin ribbons.

David Latchney of Roseville served as his friend's best man.

Groomsmen were the groom's friends, Joshua Bell of New Orleans and Ian Griffin of St. Clair Shores, and Brian Vandenberghe, the groom's brother-in-law, and the groom's brother, Adam DeCraene of Canton.

For her daughter's wedding, Mrs. Otrhalek chose a short-trained gold metallic taffeta gown with a wrap bodice, empire waistline with peplum, all over rouching, and a matching stole.

The groom's mother, Mrs. DeCraene, selected a champagne chiffon with bead and sequin embellished overlay gown with a keyhole back, cap sleeves and matching stole.

Cellist Irina Tikhonova

and pianist Joanne Clark provided music during the ceremony.

In 2009, the bride earned an Associate in Applied Science degree in emergency medical services: fire fighter/paramedic technology from Oakland Community College and in 2013 a Bachelor of Arts degree in biology from Oakland University. She is an emergency room technician at Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe. She begins a master's physician assistant program at Eastern Michigan University in May.

The groom earned an Associate in Applied Science degree in emergency medical services: fire fighter/paramedic technology in 2011. He is a fire fighter/paramedic for St. Clair Shores and a rescue instructor for Michigan State University, State of Michigan Task Force rescue specialist and an Oakland Community College Fire Academy instructor.

The couple took a wedding trip to Athens, Mykonos and Santorini, Greece.

They reside in Harper Woods.

ENGAGEMENTS

Bay - Stevens

Martin and Susan Bay of Grosse Pointe Woods announce the engagement of their daughter, Sarah Marie Bay, to Christopher Allen Stevens, son of Tony and Marilyn Stevens of Springfield, Ohio. A late October wedding is planned.

Miss Bay is a 2003 Grosse Pointe North High School graduate. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Wittenberg University in Springfield, Ohio.

Miss Bay is finishing a Master of Arts degree from Wright State University and teaches English as a Second Language.

Mr. Stevens earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology.

He earned Master of Science and Ph.D. degrees in aeronautical engineering from the Air Force Institute of Technology. He is a research engineer and college instructor.



Sarah Marie Bay and Christopher Allen Stevens



Bryan MacKenzie and Sarah Berthelsen

Berthelsen - MacKenzie

Robert and Jayne Berthelsen of Milwaukee, Wis., announce the engagement of their daughter, Sarah Berthelsen, to Bryan MacKenzie, son of Ken and Sandy MacKenzie of Grosse Pointe Farms. A fall wedding is planned.

Miss Berthelsen earned a bachelor's degree in art from the University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee and is a product developer with Kohl's at its corporate headquarters.

Mr. MacKenzie earned a bachelor's degree in packaging engineering from Michigan State University and is a senior engineer with Harley-Davidson Motor Company.

Ventimiglia - Green

Paul and Linda Ventimiglia of Grosse Pointe Woods announce the engagement of their daughter, Gina

Gina Ventimiglia and Joseph Green

Ventimiglia, to Joseph Green, son of Dan and Betsy Green of Glen Ellyn, Ill. A July wedding is planned.

Miss Ventimiglia earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in elementary education from Michigan State University and a Master of Arts degree in elementary education. She is a second grade teacher at Mason Elementary School.

Mr. Green earned a Bachelor of Communication degree from MSU's College of Arts and Sciences. He is an operations lead with Accretive Health.

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A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

## Putting super in the soup bowl

I'm putting something super good in my bowl this week. No, not chili. Clam chowder,

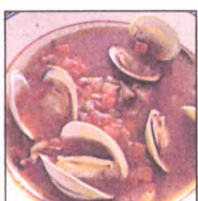


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**Manhattan clam chowder kicks off game day.**

"Manhattan" style. Having spent the month of January on Long Island, N.Y., I thought this was a great way to wrap up soup month — fresh chopped clams paired with little necks pulled straight from the bay. Yummy.

**Manhattan Style Clam Chowder**

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4 pieces bacon  
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OBITUARIES

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Carl Edwin Reichert Jr. M.D.

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Carl E. Reichert Jr. M.D., 83, died peacefully at his home Wednesday, Jan. 21, 2015.

He was born May 23, 1931, in Philadelphia, to Carl Edwin and Elizabeth M. Reichert. He graduated as class president in 1949 from Friends' Central High School, where he lettered in three sports. He took a post-grad year of study at the Peddie Prep School in Highstown, N.J., before attending Princeton University, and graduating in 1954 with a bachelor's degree.

He earned a medical degree from Hahnemann Medical College, then served as a captain in the U.S. Army medical corps at Fort Wayne in Detroit. After two years in the Army, Dr. Reichert completed an orthopedic residency program at Wayne State University. In 1965, he joined an orthopedic practice in Detroit and Grosse Pointe, where he worked until he retired.

A sports enthusiast, Dr. Reichert loved and followed the Detroit Tigers and Lions, but especially enjoyed the exploits of his beloved Philadelphia Phillies. He enjoyed golf and downhill skiing, but his main activity was tennis, which he played as often as possible.

Dr. Reichert's hobbies included woodworking and cabinet making, collecting autographed baseballs, working with stained glass and crafting sand candles and beveled glass clocks. His favorite hobby was building miniature doll houses, which he donated to local charities.

Dr. Reichert was board certified in orthopedic surgery, teaching residents at St. John Hospital and Children's Hospital of Detroit. He was team physician for Grosse Pointe South High School for almost 20 years and an attending physician at Cottage, Bon Secours and St. John hospitals, as well as Children's, Harper and Detroit Receiving hospitals. He and his partner, Dr. G. Richard Jones, pioneered the first successful total hip replacement in Detroit.

Dr. Reichert was a member of the Country Club of Detroit, Senior Men's Club of Grosse Pointe and Grosse Pointe Memorial Church. He was a Tuxis youth advisor at the church and served on the personnel board. He was a member of the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons, the Detroit Academy of Orthopedics, and a lifetime member of the Wayne County Medical Society.

Dr. Reichert is survived by his wife of 58 years, Jeanne Ellen Reichert; daughters, Carla Reichert Snell (John), Lisa Reichert Adams and Paula Reichert Leto (Joseph); grandchildren, Dr. Kristen Adams Chasteen (Jamie), Elizabeth Snell McCleary (Ryan), Andrew Reichert Adams, Matthew Bradley Snell (Alana), Carly Landis Adams, Nicholas Carl Leto and Henry Joseph Leto and great-grandchild, Julia Helen Chasteen.

Dr. Reichert loved spending time with his close and caring family and many friends in Grosse Pointe, Vero Beach, Fla., and Long Beach Island, N.J., where the Reicherts had a summer vacation home.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m.

Saturday, Jan. 31, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to a charity of the donor's choice or Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

Woodruff Boyd Crouse

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Woodruff Boyd Crouse, 89, died Thursday, Jan. 15, 2015, at St. John Hospital and Medical Center in Detroit.

He was born April 22, 1925, in Detroit, to Charles and Ruth Woodruff Crouse and graduated in 1943 from St. George's School in Rhode Island. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

Mr. Crouse spent a career in advertising with Cap Cities Communications and the Oakland Press. For a number of years, he wrote a bridge column under the pen name Woody Boyd. The column ran in the Grosse Pointe News.

He was an avid bridge player and enjoyed fly fishing.

Mr. Crouse is survived by his daughter, Rebecca Castile; sons, Timothy and Peter and grandchildren, Dalton, Kyle, Daeleigh, Elle and Remington.

He was predeceased by his sister, Ann and brother, Charles.

A memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 21, at Mariner's Church, 170 E. Jefferson, Detroit.

Donations may be made to Mariner's Church, 170 E. Jefferson, Detroit, MI 48226 or St. George's School, P.O. Box 1910, Newport, RI 02840.

Loretta Patricia Faubert

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Loretta Patricia Faubert, 80, passed away Saturday, Jan. 24, 2015.

She was born Feb. 20, 1934, in Romeo, to Julian and Mary Dobroch, the youngest of five children.

Mrs. Faubert worked as an X-ray technician at Henry Ford Hospital in the early years. Later she served as a volunteer at Saratoga Hospital. She also was active in the De La Salle Collegiate High School Ladies Auxiliary and Regina High School, where her children attended school.

Mrs. Faubert enjoyed socializing with friends, cooking, reading, sewing and traveling, including family trips around the United States, cruising to Alaska and the Caribbean and trips to Germany, Poland and Italy.

She was a member of St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Mrs. Faubert is survived by her husband of 52 years, Patrick Faubert; children, Kathryn, Jeffrey and Gregory (Susan); grandchildren, Cameron, Sydney and Ryan, Patrick and Parker and Jason (Nereida); great-granddaughters, Abigail and Natalie, and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her sisters, Bernice, Mary, Genevieve and Virginia.

Donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association of Michigan, 25200 Telegraph Road, Southfield, MI 48033.

Keith David Jodway

Former Grosse Pointe resident Keith David Jodway, 45, of Hilton Head Island, S.C., passed away in his sleep Thursday, Jan. 22, 2015. He was a loving son, brother, uncle, nephew, cousin and friend.

Mr. Jodway was born Aug. 7, 1969, to Jay Jodway and Gail Phillips Jodway. He was a world renowned chef who studied in Chambéry, France, and worked for top culinary icons Marcus Samuelsson, Ed Brown and David Burke. He worked at the Sea Grill in Rockefeller Center in New York and participated in the Culinary Olympics. He was a contestant on the Food Network's Chopped Challenge.

Mr. Jodway loved traveling and brought his passion for cooking to restaurants around the world, including San Francisco, New York, Hawaii and extensively in Michigan and Hilton Head. He won several Iron Chef competitions, Taste of the Season, Soup challenges, and other prestigious awards. He possessed a lifelong passion for epicurean cuisine since age 9 and his cooking has touched the lives of so many.

Mr. Jodway is survived by his parents and brothers, Kirk and Jason (Itzel). He was a fun and caring uncle to Jamason, Jenevieve and Juliet, and loving friend to Diana Griffin. He also is survived by many aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews and friends and will be greatly missed.

A memorial service was held Jan. 27 at the Island Funeral Home, Hilton Head Island.

Donations in Mr. Jodway's honor may be made to Cooking with Kids Inc, P.O. Box 6113, Santa Fe, NM 87502 or at old.cookingwithkids.org/product/donation/.

George John Hess

Grosse Pointe Park resident George John Hess, 79, died Sunday, Dec. 21, 2014, at St. John Hospital and Medical Center.

He was born May 27, 1935, in Detroit, to Clara Barbara (nee Laskowski) and Charles William Hess and graduated from Southeastern High School in 1953. He attended Wayne State University and the Savings and Loan Institute.

A past member of the Michigan National Guard in Detroit, Mr. Hess worked at Standard Federal Savings and Loan in Detroit and then General Mortgage Corp. in Pleasant Ridge.

Mr. Hess was a past president of Sacred Heart Rehabilitation Center, a member of the Detroit Yacht Club and a Eucharistic minister at St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church.

Mr. Hess enjoyed traveling, reading and was connoisseur of fine dining. He loved talking to people, especially his neighbors while sitting on his front porch. His family said he was an avid student of life and happily shared his knowledge with those who crossed his path.

Mr. Hess loved holidays and family gatherings and will be remembered for his hearty laugh.

Mr. Hess is survived by his wife, Mary Linda; daughter, Patrice (Teresa); sons, George (Jennifer)



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Woodruff Boyd Crouse



Loretta Patricia Faubert



Keith David Jodway



George John Hess



Patricia A. Bogdziewicz

and William and grandchildren, Alexandra, Kylie, William, Christine, Stephan and Brendan and great-grandchildren, Kirra and Kayde.

In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his seven siblings.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Dec. 27 at St. Clare of Montefalco Church, Grosse Pointe Park.

Donations may be made to St. Clare of Montefalco School, 16231 Charlevoix, Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230 or the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, 1820 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207.

Patricia A. Bogdziewicz

Patricia A. Bogdziewicz, 88, died peacefully Monday, Jan. 19, 2015, at St. John Hospital and Medical Center in Detroit after a long illness.

She was born on Nov. 6, 1926, at Cottage Hospital in Grosse Pointe Farms, to William and Mary Gutenberg. She graduated from Southeastern High School in 1944 and began working at Packard Motor Car Company.

At about the same time, 21-year-old William Bogdziewicz also was working at Packard, but in another building connected by an overpass walkway. They talked on the phone frequently for work, and finally met on that overpass one day during lunch. They married at St. John Berchman Church in Detroit.

Mrs. Bogdziewicz left Packard and became a homemaker and full-time mother. In her spare time, she enjoyed golf, travel, summer vacations at various cottages across the state, tennis, swimming and spending time with her family. She was a loving grandmother who always had time for her grandchildren. She also loved animals and was never without a pet. She volunteered with the Detroit Convention Bureau as a Red Coat.

Mrs. Bogdziewicz is survived by her children, Ronald Bogen, Tom Bogdziewicz (Georgia), Clint Bogen (Joan), William Bogdziewicz Jr. (Kathy), Terrienne Kachmar (Ron) and John Bogdziewicz (Adriana) and grandchildren, Marty (Kathy), Jimmy, Billy, Jeff, Tommy (Nicole), Trish, Natalie and Tori.

She was predeceased by her husband, William, in 2012 after 67 years of marriage.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Jan. 24 at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Donations may be made to Adrian Dominican Sisters, 1257 East Siena Heights Drive; Adrian, MI 49221.



Catherine H. Andary

Catherine Hammond Andary

Catherine "Cathy" Hammond Andary, 79, died peacefully Wednesday, Jan. 21, 2015, at St. John Hospital and Medical Center in Detroit, after a long battle with Alzheimer's disease.

She was born March 11, 1935, raised in Royal Oak and graduated with honors from Shrine of the Little Flower High School in 1953. She earned an associate degree in dental hygiene from the University of Detroit Dental School in 1955. During freshmen year of college, she met Lee Andary, whom she married in 1956.

Mrs. Andary volunteered for multiple organizations including The Fontebonne Auxiliary, Bon Secours Nursing Home and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. She was an active and dedicated member of the Catholic church and lifetime member of the St. Paul Altar Society.

Mrs. Andary exercised regularly and enjoyed tennis, golf (she had a hole-in-one), swimming, skiing, horseback riding and jogging. She also had a penchant for trying numerous crafts including decoupage, sewing, knitting and cooking.

Together, she and her husband traveled the world: from Australia to Scandinavia, St. Petersburg, Russia, to Egypt and Ireland to Lebanon. They enjoyed skiing and golfing in Northern Michigan and spending time on the beaches of Long Boat Key, Fla.

Her family said Mrs. Andary excelled at hosting family events and holidays and was a celebrated shopper, her children and grandchildren being the greatest beneficiaries. Her dedication to family was her defining passion.

Mrs. Andary is survived by her devoted husband, Dr. Lee Andary of Grosse Pointe Farms; children, Michael Thomas Andary M.D. (Ellen), Susan Andary Wells (John), Diane Andary Coon (Brad) and John Leesha Andary M.D. (Kathy); grandchildren, Catherine, Caroline, David, William, Caitlin, James, Johnny,



Victoria Lynn Fisher

Michelle, Robert, Thomas, Steven, Nicholas, Claire and Jack; and siblings, James Hammond (Mary) and Cindy Phillips (Thomas).

She was predeceased by her parents, Harold and Mary Hammond and brother, David Hammond.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Jan. 26 at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, P.O. Box 1000, Dept. 142, Memphis, TN 38148-0142

Victoria Lynn Fisher

Victoria Lynn Fisher, 55, passed away Wednesday, Jan. 21, 2015. She was passionate in both her professional and family life, selflessly giving her time to those who needed her most.

Working for The Pointe After, Ms. Fisher designed logos, embroidered gear and screen printed clothing for local organizations such as Little League and Grosse Pointe schools.

She was an active member of Sigma Gamma for 24 years volunteering in many different positions. She took on the role of chairwoman of the fireworks picnic and a major fundraiser for the Detroit Institute for Children. Her family said she touched the hearts of countless children and families who benefited from her endless hours of work.

In her free time, she loved spending the day on the water sailing or finishing up an intricate mosaic. She will be deeply missed by the people and organizations she impacted.

Ms. Fisher was the cherished daughter of Joan and Leo Koet, who survive her. She also is survived by her children, Curtis William Fisher Jr., Jack Keegin Fisher; sister, Cindy Oakley (Jim), brothers, Bruce Koet, Brian Koet (Marsha), Drew Koet (Mary) and Matthew Koet and many loving nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were private.

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## OBITUARIES:

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**Mary Anne Huminski**

Mary Anne Huminski, nee Muer, passed away Tuesday, Jan. 13, 2015, in Chaska, Minn.

She was born July 21, 1942, to Joseph and Mary Magdalene (nee Beauvais) Muer. She married Michael Joseph Huminski in June 1965; they and their family lived in Detroit, Grosse Pointe Farms and Harbor Springs.

"Mimi" will be remembered as a loving wife, mother and grandmother; a devoted Catholic and outdoor enthusiast.

Mrs. Huminski is survived by her children, James P. Huminski, Anne Marie Fowler (Jeffrey) and Thomas Michael Huminski (Shari); grandchildren, Charlie, Emily and Jack Huminski, Connor, Maggie and Grace Fowler and Will Huminski and brothers, Joseph Muer and Michael Muer.

She was predeceased by her husband and brothers, Charles Muer and Thomas Muer.

A Mass of celebration will be held this summer at Holy Childhood of Jesus Church, 150 West Main St., Harbor Springs.

Donations may be made to Methodist Hospice, Park Nicollet Foundation, 6500 Excelsior Blvd., St. Louis Park, MN 55426 or Holy Childhood of Jesus Church, 150 West Main St., Harbor Springs, MI 49740.

**Robert A. Waters**

Robert A. Waters of St. Clair Shores and formerly the City of Grosse Pointe, passed away Saturday, Jan. 24, 2015, after a brief illness. He was 97.

He was born Sept. 23, 1917, in Indianapolis, to Arthur Marquis Waters and Irene Lewis. The family lived in Butte, Mon., Boise, Idaho, and Salt Lake City, before returning to Indianapolis.

Mr. Waters attended Indiana University, earning a degree in business, then passed the CPA exam. He worked for Arthur Anderson Accounting firm in Chicago.

He married Catherine M. Metzger on Valentine's Day 1942. They were married 71 years.

Mr. Waters was an officer in the U.S. Navy and was sent to the "90 Day Wonder" School for the supply corps. He was stationed in San Diego, Minneapolis and Boston. After the war, he earned a law degree at DePaul University in Chicago. Still working for Arthur Anderson, he was transferred to Seattle. He then joined American Natural Gas Co. in Detroit. He was treasurer of the Michigan-Wisconsin Pipeline Co., then vice president of finance of American Natural Holding Company, retiring in 1982.

Mr. Waters was asked to join the board of trustees of Cottage Hospital and helped negotiate the purchase of Belmont Nursing Home. He was involved with the build-

ing of the Muir Road addition to Cottage Hospital.

Mr. Waters was active in St. Michael's Episcopal Church in Grosse Pointe Woods, where he was on the finance committee and a member of the vestry. Participating in the bowling and golf activities of the Senior Men's Club of Grosse Pointe was his pleasure.

Mr. Waters is survived by his son, Arthur; daughter, Eleanor Garzel and grandchildren, Michael, Dr. Laura and Julia Waters of Seattle.

He also is survived by his sister, Helen Rawls and brother, Lewis Waters.

He was predeceased by his wife, Catherine.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, at St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 20475 Sunningdale Park, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Donations may be made to St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 20475 Sunningdale Park, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236.

**Alice Margaret Nye**

Longtime Grosse Pointe Park resident Alice Margaret Nye, 81, lost her battle with cancer Wednesday, Jan. 21, 2015.

She was born March 30, 1933, in Kanawha, Iowa, to Agnes and James Yeakel, and graduated from Kanawha High School. She met Robert Nye at the University of Iowa and they married Nov. 22, 1951, in Iowa City, Iowa. The couple relocated to Michigan in 1965.

Mrs. Nye enjoyed cooking, decorating, shopping and had a true passion for baking. She was a member of Cornerstone Baptist Church. She also was a member of The Society of the Descendants of the Schwenkfeldian Exiles.

Mrs. Nye was a woman of strong faith. She imparted her faith to her children and grandchildren. Her family said she was a wonderful wife, mother and homemaker who created many special and meaningful memories her family will always treasure. They will remember her most for her profound listening skills, kindness, compassion, optimistic outlook and genuine warmth.

Mrs. Nye is survived by her husband of 63 years, Robert; daughters, Julie King (Terry), Margaret Olson and Jean Ditta; grandchildren, Anna Sanders (James), Elizabeth Cox (Steven), James Robert King (Jennifer), James David King, Kirsten Ditta and Susan Ditta and great-grandchildren, Campbell King, Kaitlin King, Anna Grace King, Sydney Sanders and Blake Cox.

She also is survived by her sister, DeLoris McQuiston.

She was predeceased by her son Robert, and brothers, Dwayne, Wayne and James.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Donations may be made to Cornerstone Baptist Church, 17017 12 Mile Road, Roseville, MI 48066.

**Ann Cavanagh Kellett**

Longtime Grosse Pointe resident, homemaker and teacher, Ann Cavanagh Kellett, 89, passed away Thursday, Jan. 15, 2015.

Born in Detroit, she graduated in 1943 from St. Cecilia High School and attended Marygrove College. She later earned a degree in education from the University of Detroit in 1970.

She was the wife of Charles P. Kellett Jr., who predeceased her.

Mrs. Kellett is survived by her sons, Charles, Philip (Elizabeth), Peter (Laura) and John (Janet); daughters, Mary Cahalan and Katherine Loch (David); grandchildren, Charles, Ann, Maureen, Jane, Timothy and Michael Kellett, John Cahalan, and John, Lucy, Peter and Clare Loch.

She also is survived by her sisters, Eleanor Mack and Joan Murphy, and brother, the Hon. Michael Cavanagh of the Michigan Supreme Court.

In addition to her husband, she was predeceased by her brothers, Paul J. Cavanagh and Hon. Jerome P. Cavanagh, Mayor of Detroit.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Jan. 19, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, with interment in Mt. Elliott Cemetery in Detroit.

Donations may be made to University of Detroit Jesuit High School and Academy, 8400 S. Cambridge, Detroit, MI 48221.

**Thomas G. Peek**

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Thomas G. Peek, 82, died Monday, Jan. 19, 2015, at St. John Hospital and Medical Center in Detroit.

He was born Aug. 2, 1932, in Detroit to Homer and Martha Peek and graduated in 1950 from Southeastern High School. He also attended Wayne State University.

Mr. Peek worked 40 years for General Motors Corp. and EDS, retiring in 1996.

He enjoyed square dancing, the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, gardening, boating, bird watching and spending time with family and friends. He also was involved in various church activities and committees.

Mr. Peek is survived by his wife of 62 years, Anne K. Peek; daughter, Laura Buckingham; sons, Thomas J. Peek and Daniel J. Peek and grandchildren, Adam, Tyler, Jared and Jesse Peek, Brian Peek, Aaron and Neal Buckingham, Patience Anderson, Taylor and Jylon Peek and Weston Peek.

He also is survived by his sister, Kathryn Gifford. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his sister, Joan Wicker.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, at Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church, 19950 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods, with interment in the church's memorial garden.

Donations may be made to Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church, 19950 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236.



Mary Anne Huminski



Robert A. Waters



Alice Margaret Nye



Ann Cavanagh Kellett



Thomas G. Peek



Jacqueline C. Johann

**Jacqueline Collins Johann**

Jacqueline Collins "Jackie" Johann, 71, passed away Wednesday, Jan. 21, 2015, in Grosse Pointe Farms. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and friend.

She was born Oct. 16, 1943, in Montclair, N.J. to Genevieve and Thomas Collins, earned a bachelor's degree from the College of St. Elizabeth and a master's degree in reading from Seton Hall University.

A beloved teacher for more than 30 years, Mrs. Johann followed in a long line of distinguished educators. She and her husband, Dr. Albert F. Johann Jr., raised their family in Ridgewood, N.J. and after he passed, she lived in the Murray Hill section of Manhattan where she enjoyed herself very much. She then moved to Grosse Pointe Farms in 2008 to be near her three daughters.

Her many volunteer efforts included being a docent at the historical Zabriskie house in Wyckoff, N.J., and founding the Friends of the Library in Ridgewood with two friends.

Mrs. Johann spent time at the Grosse Pointe libraries and enjoyed mornings with her grandchildren at the story time program. A lifelong Junior League member, she was a sustaining member of the Junior League of Detroit and quickly became an active member. She recently was welcomed by the Children of Mary at the Grosse Pointe Academy and loved her days of spiritual connection in the Grosse Pointe Academy Chapel.

Her family said Mrs. Johann spent every available moment with her children and grandchildren and was generous with her time and love. She knew what was most important in life and was an inspiration to those who knew her. She will be greatly missed.

Mrs. Johann is survived by her daughters, Jennifer Kendall (Sean), Nancy Cotton (Sean) and Kathryn Johann; grandchildren, Jack and Molly Kendall and Colin and Teddy Cotton; sisters, Ann and Mary, and brother, Edward.



Thomas C. Shumaker



Paula VerLinden Wigton

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Visitation begins at 9:30 a.m. at the church.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Friends of the Grosse Pointe Public Library, 10 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236; Friends of the Ridgewood Library, 125 N. Maple Ave., Ridgewood, NJ 07450 or the Grosse Pointe Academy at gpacademy.org.

**Thomas C. Shumaker**

Grosse Pointe resident Thomas C. Shumaker, 67, died Sunday, Jan. 18, 2015. Until then, he won unprecedented victory after victory over renal cell cancer. Throughout his two-decades long battle, Mr. Shumaker refused to allow illness to define his life. He was a proud alumnus of University of Detroit Jesuit High School, Georgetown University and University of Detroit and New York University law schools.

He was an accomplished sailor, fearless skier and dedicated racquets and tennis player. He also served on the boards of numerous organizations. But, his family said, if you asked him who he was, he would smile and say "I am a man for others." That is how his family and friends will remember him.

Mr. Shumaker is survived by his wife, Sharon; sons, Tom (Maja Fabula) and Nick (Nacole Snoep); brothers, Ed and Peter and granddaughters, Penelope and Evelyn.

A memorial Mass was celebrated Jan. 24 at Saints Peter and Paul Jesuit Church, Detroit.

Donations may be made to Racquet Up Detroit at racquetup.org; University of Detroit Jesuit High School, 8400 S. Cambridge Ave., Detroit, MI 48221; Georgetown University at giving.georgetown.edu; or University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center at mcancer.org.

**Paula VerLinden Walker Wigton**

Paula VerLinden Walker Wigton was born on July 20, 1939, and passed away on Jan. 24, 2015, from cancer. She was predeceased by her father, Otis Upton Walker and mother, Ruth VerLinden Walker. She is survived by her daughter, Dana VerLinden Wigton; son, David Lucas Wigton Jr.; grandson, Jorden Thomas Wigton and sister, Rosemary Touscany.

Ms. Wigton was born in Rochester, N.Y. but resided in the Grosse Pointes most of her life. She graduated from the University of Liggett School and studied French for two years at Kalamazoo College. She enjoyed playing tennis and gardening. Over the years, she enjoyed being a member of the Junior League of Detroit, Grosse Pointe Historical Society and Grosse Pointe Garden Club. She tutored foreign exchange students at Grosse Pointe North High School and served as a deaconess at the Grosse Pointe Congregational Church.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 30, at Chas. Verheyden Funeral Home, 16300 Mack, Grosse Pointe Park. Visitation begins at 10 a.m. at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Cancer Society at cancer.org.

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## 6B | CHURCHES

PASTOR'S CORNER By Rev. Steven J. Kelly

## Sharing the acclamation

The Roman Catholic and many mainline Protestant churches recently commemorated the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, the days between the Feast of the Confession of St. Peter (Jan. 18) and the Conversion of St. Paul (Jan. 25).

The first feast day honors St. Peter's acclamation that Jesus is the Christ, the son of the living God (Matthew 16:16), the second being the story of Saul being converted by God while on his way to persecute the early Christians (Acts 9:1-19).

The two dates honor the two great evangelists,

with Peter being considered the apostle to the Jews and Paul the apostle to the Gentiles (although they shared the Good News freely to both).

They are appropriate patrons for the Ecumenical movement in the church.

Jesus prayed we all be one, as he and the father are one (John 17:21-22). But the reality is the church is deeply divided because of human sin. From the beginning of the church there have been those from within who have sought to change and distort the teaching given to us by Christ through his apostles, and others who have tried to syncretize the truth with surrounding pagan

myths and superstition. These early heretical teachings and groups were corrected or set aside.

But more recent divisions have continued over the interpretation of the authority of the church and her scriptures.

Some of these honest disagreements have been to seek greater holiness, other disagreements are based in a desire for power or to justify sinfulness. Despite Jesus' admonition for unity, there are thousands of denominations in the United States alone, new ones appearing regularly.

Yet, if it is Jesus' prayer that we be one, then it is our bounden duty to

work and pray toward the unity of the church.

This begins with personal conversion and greater holiness, continues with conversation and affirming what we have in common with each other, and finally helping to correct, and be corrected in, the ways that we and the churches have erred.

And although this was only a week to spotlight the need, unity is year-round work to glorify God. Our disunity hinders our ability to share the good news and to live in the fullness that our Lord desires for us.

Rev. Kelly SSC is rector at St. John's Episcopal Church in Detroit.

## CHURCH EVENTS

## Ecumenical breakfast

Grosse Pointe Men's Ecumenical breakfast begins with coffee and a buffet breakfast at 7:50 a.m. Friday, Jan. 30, at the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The 7:45 a.m. speaker is the Rev. Dr. Peter Henry and his topic is the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church. The meeting adjourns at 8:15 a.m.

Men from any faith or community can attend. For more information, contact Eric Lindquist at [grossepointeinterests@comcast.net](mailto:grossepointeinterests@comcast.net) or (313) 530-8656.



Lisa Agazzi



Carol Ambrogio Wood

## Music in the Woods

Mezzo soprano Lisa Agazzi and soprano Carol Ambrogio Wood are the featured soloists at the 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, Music in the Woods at St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 20475 Sunningdale Park, Grosse Pointe Woods.

The public can attend and free will donation is accepted.

Agazzi has two music degrees in vocal performance and has appeared with Indianapolis, New York and San Diego opera companies.

In 2014, Ambrogio Wood recorded sound tracks with colleagues, staff and students of Detroit School of Arts for the "Animated Shakespeare Project." She will perform Feb. 15 at the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church and with the Michigan Opera Theatre Chorus during its spring production of "Faust."

## Christ Church

The Christ Church Choir of Men and Girls with orchestra provides the music at the 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, Feb. 1, Candlemas procession followed by a Solemn Holy Eucharist celebrating the Eve of the Presentation of Jesus Christ in the Temple.

Featured music is Mozart's "Mass in C Major, 'Sparrow,' K. 220."

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

## First English

Faith Circle at First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods, holds its annual Valentine salad luncheon beginning at noon Tuesday, Feb. 10, to which the public can attend.

Donation is \$10 for a variety of salads, desserts, beverages, door and table prizes.

Attendees can bring a deck of cards or a game to play following the lunch.

For reservations, call Chris Judson at (313) 886-4914.

## ACTIVITIES:

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## Preschool

The Grosse Pointe Co-op Preschool holds an open house from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6, at its facility, 211 Moross, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Classes offered for 3-year-old sessions from 9 to 11:15 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays and 4-year-olds can attend from 9 a.m. to noon Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

For more information, call Jen White at (313) 886-2363.

## Windmill Pointe Garden Club

Windmill Pointe Garden Club holds an 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 4, meeting at Sarah Flynn's house.

Mary Northcutt presents a program on tussie-mussies and the language of flowers. It will be a "make and take" presentation.

## Alliance Française

The Alliance Française de Grosse Pointe's Ciné-Club invites

the community to join it for a luncheon à la française and a viewing of the film, "La Delicatessen" (Delicacy) from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

Released in 2011, the story revolves around the struggles Nathalie (Audrey Tautou) faces after her soul mate tragically dies. Working to rekindle her passion for life, she finds love and joy in the most unexpected of places. The film is in French with English subtitles.

A discussion of the film takes place following the viewing.

Admission is \$26 and reservations are accepted until Monday, Feb. 2. For reservations, make a check payable to: Alliance Française de Grosse Pointe and mail to 1390 S. Renaud, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236 or visit [afgrossepointe.org](http://afgrossepointe.org), and purchase a ticket via PayPal.

For more information, send your questions to [pouramal@hotmail.com](mailto:pouramal@hotmail.com).

## Human trafficking

The Outreach Committee of the President's Commission on the Status of Women at Wayne State University address human trafficking from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 10, in the Student

Center Building ballroom, 5221 Gulle Mall, Detroit.

The event, being held in collaboration with the WSU student organization Not for Sale, Soroptimist International Grosse Pointe and Healthy Hope International, is free and open to the public.

Panelists include Michigan Assistant Attorney General Kelly Carter, WSU professor Blanche Cook, Eastern Michigan University professor David Manville and Denna Policicchio from Alternatives for Girls.

For more information, contact Sara Byczek at [aw4681@wayne.edu](mailto:aw4681@wayne.edu) or at (313) 577-8564.

## LocalMotionGreen

LocalMotionGreen at the Ecology Center holds a free workshop, Toxics Hide-N-Seek from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Monday, Feb. 9, at the Jungle Juice Bar, 14929 Charlevoix, Grosse Pointe Park.

During the hour, attendees explore toxic chemicals in the food system and their health effects. Speaker Melissa Cooper Sargent provides recipes and tips on how to reduce exposure.

For a reservation and more information, contact Cooper Sargent at (313) 881-2263 or visit [melissa@ecocenter.org](mailto:melissa@ecocenter.org).

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Sermon: "What is God's Work?"

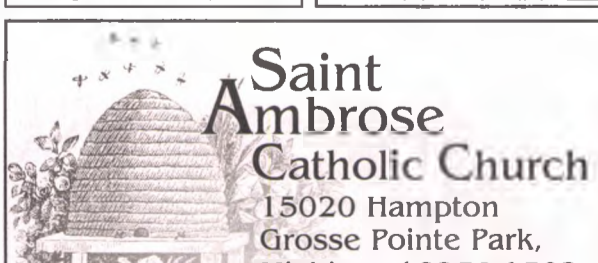
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## CLAMS: Continued from page 3B

1 lb. red skin potatoes, half peeled and cut into bite size pieces  
1 lb. chopped clams  
1/4 cup tomato paste  
salt, pepper (or chicken base) for seasoning  
pinch of cayenne or a dash of hot sauce  
1 cup chopped fresh parsley  
2 dozen little neck clams, scrubbed (optional)

Heat olive oil in a large heavy pot and add bacon. Cook until bacon is just about crisp. Add carrot, onion and celery and cook for 10 minutes or so, over medium heat. Add garlic and oregano and cook for five more minutes.

Add water, wine, clam juice and tomatoes and bring to a boil. Lower to a simmer and add potato. Simmer for another 10 minutes or so then add clams and tomato paste.

Taste and season with salt and pepper (or chicken base). Add cayenne (or hot sauce) and fresh parsley. Simmer for another 20 minutes or so. Drop scrubbed clams into pot and cook until they open. Ladle into bowls and enjoy.

Crusty bread and a fresh garden salad turn this super bowl into a super meal.

Annie holds a Valentine's Kitchen Fun for Parent & Child class from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 14, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. The cost is \$48 for the parent and child pair and \$12 for another participant. The class is geared to children 6 to 10 years old. To sign up visit warmemorial.org.

## ASK THE EXPERT By Sean Hogan-Downey

## Caring for the caregiver

**Q** I feel tapped out being a 24/7 caregiver, but I often refuse help when I most need it. Why do I do that? How can I accept the help I am offered?

**A** Caregiving often brings out the need to stay in control, to "keep all the balls in the air." This is important to self-esteem. Caregivers believe "I am OK if I can do it myself."

Accepting help is mistakenly seen as a sign of failing — of being unable to provide all the needs and requests of those one is caring for. Sometimes caregivers create a martyr role so they may talk of helplessness but be very reluctant to lose any control.

Letting go of the need to be sole caregiver is a start. Many caregivers see nurturing as some kind of one-way transaction and struggle with receiving. Rather than a give and take it means "I owe you."

Part of the process also means recovering from the "nice-nice" complex. Whatever is said or whoever says it, we respond so sweetly it is practically fattening. Being respectfully honest is an important part of avoiding burn-out.

Love and nurturing is not a prize, something we have to win. Learn to ask for help. Learning to ask also means learning to

deal with "no." (If you need some practice asking for help and hearing some form of no, borrow a teenager...)

Often, feeling overwhelmed is a prime indicator of needing to learn to take a "sanity" break. They don't have to be long, but caregivers need to structure them. Take

five minutes. Breathe in and out slowly. Learn to "cruise in neutral."

Being able to become present in the moment — to be aware of breathing, relaxing muscles — is on your way to balancing care giving and self-giving, allowing others to share the journey.

Hogan-Downey is a licensed master social worker and licensed marriage and family therapist.

## ON WHEELS: Continued from page 1B

ioned it into a lemonade stand from which they sold a glass of lemonade for 75 cents. He said they made about \$30 a day and used what little proceeds they made to buy an umbrella and wheels for the cart to take their lemonade to the street. Earnings from hot chocolate sales covered expenses, he said.

"The lemonade paid for the wheels so we could go from the garage to the street," Holmes said.

The five all had summer day jobs and only sold the lemonade in the evenings. It's all about creativity and putting what was learned in business school to the test.

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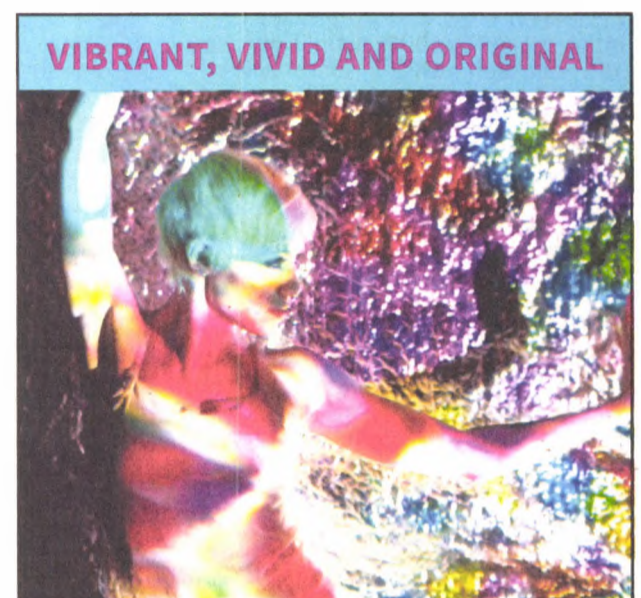
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There is no probate Estate.

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W. Todd Kaufman and

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Notice is further given that the Trust will thereafter be assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it.

Date: January 23, 2015

Trustees: W. Todd Kaufman and James B. Kaufman,

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Attorney: Pamela A. Fons, P36155;

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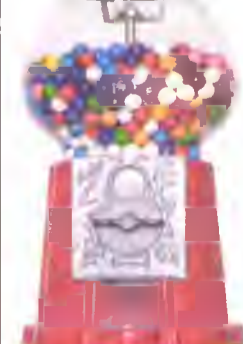
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PUZZLE  
SOLVED

ACROSS

1 Intelligent

6 Haunt

12 Kid's injury

13 Quick look

14 Donkey, often

15 Vacationer's car, possibly

16 Eliot-based musical

17 Haberdasher's rackful

19 "Believer"

20 Pornography

22 Perched

24 Pair with an air

27 Lobs' paths

29 "Galloping dominoes"

32 In people?

35 "Ice Loves"

36 Eat

37 Bribe

38 Yoko of music

40 In the offing

42 Core of a PC

44 Autograph

46 In the thick of

50 Smack, so to speak

52 Basic drive

54 Gave out

55 Up

56 Verse

57 Actress Naomi

DOWN

1 Marsh bird

2 Castle protector

3 Chasm

4 Fish eggs

5 — soul (person with angst)

6 Shrek, e.g.

7 Consecrate

8 — Diego

9 Things

10 Con game

11 Actress Ward

12 Telly option

18 Pruritic

21 Buddy

23 Do sum work?

24 Medico

25 Faraway transport?

26 "Certainly"

28 Marc Mezvinsky, to Bill and Hillary

30 — -Magnon

31 Sixth sense

33 Charged bit

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42 Dale's pal

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**4:00 am** The John Prost Show  
**4:30 am** Great Lakes Log  
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# 85 years of providing water

The Grosse Pointe Farms water filtration plant has been providing high quality water to residents and businesses for 85 years.

"It's right out of Lake St. Clair," said Scott Homminga, water superintendent, of the water delivered to Grosse Pointe Farms and City of Grosse Pointe houses. He manages the day-to-day operations at the filtration plant pumping water 24-hours a day, seven days a week, at a rate of 10 million gallons a day.

"It's not as much as we used to (pump). After the fall out of the economy and from conservation with the low flow toilets and showers and the irrigation systems, water usage is down," he said.

The present water works department was established after the Grosse Pointes attracted summer visitors from Detroit. The initial public service was built to serve Lakeshore homeowners in the late 1800s.

In 1905, the facility provided water to Grosse Pointe Farms and Highland Park, where the first intake pipe was located. Detroit Edison's predecessor, Peninsular Electric Light Company, bought the facility in 1905 providing water to Grosse Pointe Farms and Highland Park. During the 1920s Grosse Pointe population required a larger water system and its own building.

In 1930, the present water treatment plant was constructed in record time. Homminga attributes the construc-



FILE PHOTO

The Grosse Pointe Farms water department's building was built in 1930 to provide water to community growing in population.



FILE PHOTO

The inside of the Grosse Pointe Farms Water Department. Not much has changed on the inside since the building's construction, said Scott Homminga, the water department's superintendent.

tion due to the labor workers and steam shov-

force that was out of els," he said.

Designed by Detroit architect Robert O. Derrick, the Neo

Georgian exterior has not changed much since its construction on the corner of Moross and Lakeshore. The job of

providing clean water hasn't changed over the years, but, the standards have.

Under the strict guidance of Michigan's Safe Drinking Water Act, Homminga and his crew must add chemicals to control contaminates in the water. And over the years, as municipal budgets become tighter, the need for better and less costly chemicals have been sought. Homminga said the department has switched from sodium to sodium hypochlorite. Alum was used to settle particles before changing to filters and polyaluminum chloride.

In addition to providing clean water, the intake pipe must be maintained. The pipe is checked twice a year by a diver going into the 30-inch pipe to check the structure. The diver also looks for zebra mussels, algae and sediment accumulation. Once a large sturgeon was found living in the pipe, Homminga related.

"There's not a lot of problems with zebra mussels partly because they are being controlled," he said.

The pipe is about 1,800 feet south of Pier Park marina and a buoy marks the pipe location.

Water usage is determined by the time of day — more is used in the morning — and the season. Last summer was wet so people didn't water their lawns as much, Homminga said. A dry summer means usage increases.

— By Ann L. Fouty

## I remember when...

I was born on Beaconsfield, near Trombly School in 1932 and have lived in Grosse Pointe my entire life.

One memory that too many Pointers may not remember was our own army bases located on Chalfonte Road during the early 1940s, during World War II. The locale being between Lothrop and Belanger Roads on Chalfonte . . . no churches. Brownell Middle School is on that particular property now. There was fencing all around with barbed wire on top — probably to keep the high school girls out. Chalfonte was their path for any destination in the Farms.

At Thanksgiving and Christmas many families would invite soldiers to our homes as they were too far away from their homes and families for weekend passes. My mother invited two soldiers each of the holidays as my oldest brother was in the service and she wished the same for him if he were stateside.

One Thanksgiving, one of our soldiers brought his guitar and we had a real party with singing and all. He even tried to show my youngest brother and I how to play.

Brownell Junior High School was, until 1958, housed in the east wing of Grosse Pointe High School on Fisher Road. I attended Brownell Junior High School and G.P. High, now South, making my attendance in the same building for six years..

I lived in the city of G.P. and Village of G.P. also.

— JEAN BUHLER  
City of Grosse Pointe



## I Remember When...

As the Grosse Pointe News approaches its 75th anniversary in November 2015, the staff invites you to join us in reminiscing about our community.

Your memories are an integral part of Grosse Pointes' history which connects us all together!

Your story can be about anything. Some ideas to consider are:

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## Grosse Pointe News



## Pointes in history January 26, 1984

◆ Fulfilling his campaign promises, Grosse Pointe Park Mayor Palmer Heenan appointed a citizen committee to study the feasibility of having a public safety department in the Park at the Jan. 23 council meeting

◆ Administrators from both Cottage Hospital and the Farms agree that the only problem currently holding up the construction of the hospitals proposed parking deck is where to concentrate additional traffic caused by the construction of the deck and an accompanying retail/office building fronting Kercheval.

◆ If the current upswing in home sales continues, new houses could be rising as fast as crocuses and tulips when spring thaws Grosse Pointe. Three new subdivisions stand ready to build and add a potential 76 homes to the market.

◆ About 225 people braved the minus 21 degree temperature Saturday to send the Board of Education an even chillier message. The Committee for neighborhood Elementary Schools — Recall started its drive to "obtain a majority on the School Board in June ... (to) put a halt to the closure of Barnes and the sixth grade switch.

◆ Thirty-nine student leaders of North and South High attended a half-day workshop in South's Cleminson Hall to discuss issues, plan activities and create a bond between students at both schools.

◆ Once a year, the best male high school swimmers in Grosse Pointe meet in the North - South swim meet.

◆ Given one word to describe North's varsity basketball team, most people would choose the word "improved."

◆ The Punch and Judy Theater will

present the Michigan premier of "In Our Hands" Wednesday, Feb. 1 through Sunday, Feb. 5.

◆ Connie Hammes, on duty at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, was the Pointer of Interest.

◆ Counting the number of people who didn't participate in the Neighborhood Club activities in 1983 might be easier than totalling up those who did. More than 7,000 people took advantage of the Club's sports and recreation programs last year, despite a trend by Grosse Pointe parents to be a bit more selective in choosing their children's sports activities.

◆ Editorial: Now that the campaign to recall three members of the Grosse Pointe Board of Education is formally underway, the community is guaranteed a continuation of the controversy over the proposed school reorganization plan at least until next June.

◆ Letter to the Editor:

To the Editor:

I am a sophomore attending South High School. I have written and read many stories this school year about computer education.

I am upset that South has not followed state and national recommendations to make a basic semester computer class a requirement for graduation.

MARK FROELICH  
Grosse Pointe Park

◆ Obituaries for Mary M. Dimond, Verna M. Bickel, Tony T. DiLaura, Elda V. Pochert, Frances B. Crnkovich and Sheila Barton ran in the issue.

◆ A second major award of merit was received by last year's Tower staff for overall publication for the 1982-83 school year.

# SPORTS & SCHOOLS

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Ladies play well  
North and Liggett earn solid  
division victories PAGE 2C

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GIRLS HOCKEY

## Norsemen post impressive win

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North girls' hockey team beat Ann Arbor Pioneer for the second time in a week last weekend.

The Norsemen blanked the Pioneer 5-0 in the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League Showcase at Fraser Ice Arena.

"We had a goal to play better this time against Pioneer than a week ago and the girls did it," head coach Joe Lucchese said. "We are getting better with each game and our goal is to keep getting better."

The Norsemen used a four-goal first period, a smothering defense and solid goaltending from junior Amber Giesecking and freshman Erika

Benoit to blast Pioneer. Senior Karina Lucchese got the ball rolling, scoring a goal at the 9:40 mark of the first period. Senior Nicole Haggerty had the assist.

Just 14 seconds later, junior Lindsay Gallagher tallied an unassisted goal and only 1:23 later freshman Kylee Banaszewski scored with Lucchese assisting to quickly make it 3-0.

Gallagher scored again at the 4:28 mark, with freshman Lindsey Ramsdell drawing the lone assist, to round out the first period outburst.

Neither team scored in the second period and 42 seconds into the final frame, Banaszewski scored her second goal of the game, with senior Kelly LaBarge assisting. The win pushed North

above the .500 mark for the first time this season at 7-6-0-1.

"We feel confident in the direction we're heading," Lucchese said. "I can see the confidence building with the girls and they are playing with a better sense of what they need to do to win hockey games."

The Norsemen have a chance to move up in the standings, thanks to their schedule containing games against the teams ahead of them.

Coming up for the Norsemen in the final month are two games with Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood and two with city rival Grosse Pointe South.

"We have big games ahead of us and it's our chance to move up," Lucchese said.



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

North's Karina Lucchese led an impressive defensive charge against Pioneer and scored a goal in the Norsemen's 5-0 win.

## UL posts win

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

The University Liggett girls' hockey team put on an impressive display during its 4-0 shut out victory over Livonia Ladywood in the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League Showcase at Fraser Ice Arena last weekend.

"The girls played very well," head coach Cassie Jaeckle said. "They really wanted it today and they played like it."

The Knights scored single goals in the first and second periods, plus added two more in the third to win and improve to 12-2 overall.

Junior goalie Olivia Portillo was stellar in net, making several difficult saves.

Offensively, sophomore Kara Francis had the hat trick and junior Allison Stapleton scored the final



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

Liggett's Haley Malewicz generated several solid scoring chances in the Knights' win over Livonia Ladywood.

goal to lift the Knights. Francis's third goal came on the power play and Stapleton's was short-handed.

Just 14 hours before playing Ladywood, Liggett traveled to Bloomfield for a division game.

The Knights defeated Bloomfield 7-1, improv-

## South falls to CK

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

In a game between the teams with the best winning percentage in the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League Showcase, Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood blanked Grosse Pointe South 3-0 at Fraser Ice Arena.

"They played better than we did and they made the plays which we didn't," coach Joe Provenzano said. "I want the girls to play their best hockey at the end of the season."

It took the Blue Devils two periods to get the motor running. By that time, it was 2-0 Cranes and they added an empty-net goal in the final seconds to wrap up the victory.

Grosse Pointe South fell to 11-2 overall, but remains in first place in the MMGSHSL at 11-0



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

South's Eliza Bourke takes a slap shot during the Blue Devils' 3-0 loss to Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood.

after edging Walled Lake 3-2 the following afternoon.

Erin Brannagan, Lauren Kramer and Margaret Reilly scored goals.

The game was close as it was tied at 1 after two periods.

The Blue Devils scored twice in the third period to pull out the victory.

Senior Eliza Bourke and sophomore Carson Dennis helped aid the

win by each collecting two assists.

Coming up for the Blue Devils is a home game Saturday, Jan. 31, against Bloomfield, followed by the highly anticipated game Monday, Feb. 2, at University Liggett.

The last time these teams met was in the title game of the Liggett Holiday Tournament.

It was a 3-3 game which the Blue Devils ended up losing in a shootout.

FIGURE SKATING



PHOTO BY LORY LAROSE

## Great results

The Grosse Pointe Unified figure skating team scored well in its second district meet Thursday, Jan. 22. They are now strong contenders to qualify for states. The third and final district meet is Tuesday, Feb. 10, at Dearborn Ice Skating Center. The team has eight skaters from Grosse Pointe North and seven from Grosse Pointe South and coached by Claire LaDue. The team members are, front row from left, Paige Verbrugge of South, Julia Barnes of South, Mary Emerick of North, Tyler Clogg of North, Katie Bryan of South and Alexandra Maiuri of South; and back row from left, Natalie Barstys of North, Mary Panagos of South, Maria LaRose of North, Caitlin Miller of South, Celeste Franke-Joyce of South, Mackenzie Clark of North, Alyssa Dall of North, Lindsey Ramsdell of North, Darcy Graham of North and coach Claire LaDue.

Swimming

COLLEGE NEWS

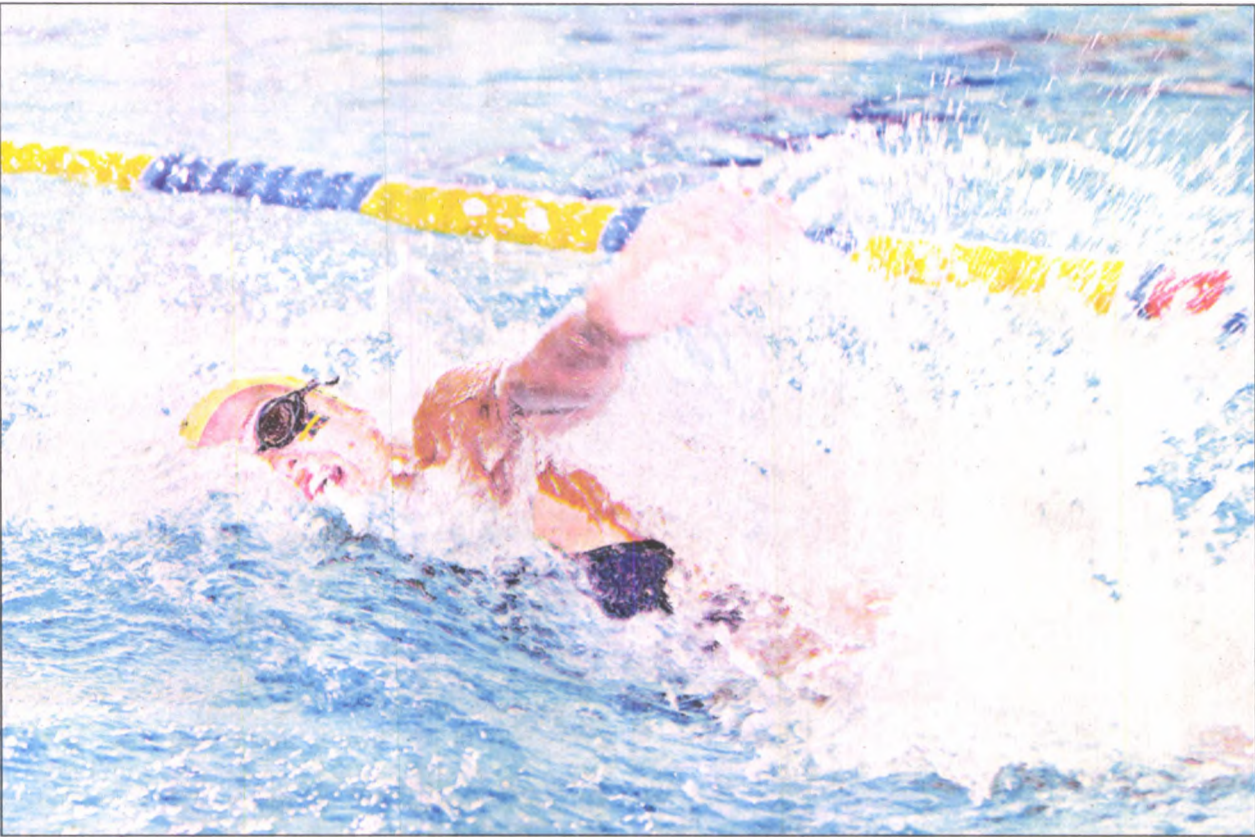


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Swimmer of the Week

Junior Ali DeLoof of the No. 8-ranked University of Michigan women's swimming and diving team was honored as the Big Ten Swimmer of the Week Tuesday, Jan. 13, marking the second consecutive week that she claimed the award. The sprinter from Grosse Pointe South High School won two individual events and assisted on two relays in a tri-meet against Northwestern and Notre Dame Saturday, Jan. 6. The Wolverines improved to 7-2 overall and 5-0 in the Big Ten with the two victories. DeLoof swept the sprint freestyles, claiming the 50-yard freestyle in 22.90. Following a 20-minute break in the meet, she turned right around and outraced the field in the 100-yard freestyle, going 50.33. DeLoof opened the meet with a victory in the 200-yard freestyle relay, swimming the opening leg and helping the team to a 1:42.22 finish. She closed the meet on the opening leg of the 400-yard freestyle relay (3:25.21), another win for the Maize and Blue. The Big Ten has now honored DeLoof in back-to-back weeks. She won the weekly award Jan. 6 for winning two individual events at the Orange Bowl Classic, including a meet record in the 50-meter butterfly (28.02). She has now won six weekly awards from the conference after claiming four during her sophomore campaign (Oct. 1 and Oct. 15, 2013, and Jan. 7 and Feb. 11, 2014). The Wolverines competed in their final home meet of the season against Ohio State on Saturday, Jan. 24, inside Canham Natatorium.

Gymnastics

GROSSE POINTE UNITED

Gymnasts beat Plymouth

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe United gymnastics team earned its highest point total of the season in last week's 142.2-134.95 win over Plymouth. In addition, Maria Nguyen's 9.7 on the floor exercise broke a school record. She missed some time early in the season, nursing an injury, but she is back to full health, which is a huge boost to the squad. Other scorers on the floor exercise were Gyanei Johnson with an

8.850, Michelle Ellis with an 8.700, Chandler McClarty with an 8.200, Jen Gmeiner with an 8.850, Isabelle Nguyen with a 9.400, Rachel Rogers with an 8.600, Brenna Bromwell with an 8.000, Maggie Bowers with an 8.250 and Olyvia Shimko with a 7.400. On vault, Isabelle Nguyen had a 9.550 to lead the team. She was followed by Gmeiner with an 8.700, Ellis with an 8.550 and McClarty with an 8.550. Rogers and Maria Nguyen each scored an 8.400, while Bowers had

a 7.950 and Bromwell had a 7.900. Six gymnasts competed on bars with Isabelle Nguyen leading the way with a 9.650 and Gmeiner scoring a 9.100. Maria Nguyen had an 8.900, while Ellis and Johnson finished with scores of 7.700 and 7.400, respectively. Head coach Courtney Hamidi had all of her gymnasts compete on the balance beam. Maria Nguyen led the team with a 9.050 and the three next highest scorers were Isabelle Nguyen with an 8.750, Ellis with

an 8.550 and Johnson with an 8.350. The rest of the ladies' point totals were McClarty with a 7.800, Gmeiner with a 7.850, Rogers with a 7.600, Bromwell with a 7.000, Bowers with a 7.600, Josie Bennett with a 7.150, Sydney Dugan with a 6.950, Amber Williams with a 7.000 and Shimko with a 7.200. The gymnastics team is 4-0 overall. Coming up for the team are away meets Wednesday, Feb. 4, at Birmingham Groves High School, and Saturday, Feb. 7, at Plymouth High School in the Canton Invitational. The team stays on the road for a third straight meet, Wednesday, Feb. 11, against Dearborn at Stout Middle School. The next home meet is Tuesday, Feb. 17, against Fraser.

Girls basketball

LIGGETT

Knights hang on

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

The University Liggett/Birmingham Roeper game is turning into quite a rivalry. Roeper is the only Michigan Independent Athletic Conference team to beat the Knights during the past five years. Last year the teams split the division games as each game was heated, hard-fought and well played. Last weekend the teams met at Liggett and the home team nearly blew a 17-point lead before holding on to win 45-39. "We played pretty well for the most part, but we didn't do things we needed to in the fourth quarter," head coach Omar Ahart said. "It wasn't pretty, but a win is a win. "It's always a tough game with Roeper and this wasn't any different." The Knights led 9-4 after the first quarter and 22-17 at the half. A big third quarter, 20-8, allowed the home team to build what looked to be a comfortable lead at 42-25.

However, Roeper chipped away and used a 14-0 run to close the gap to 42-39 with two minutes left. Poor shot selection and untimely turnovers allowed Roeper to get right back in the game. The visitors had a chance to cut the lead to one, but missed and the Knights rebounded the ball. Senior Jessica Rotzoll was fouled and made 1-of-2 free throws to make it 43-39 and sophomore Jasmine Dickens hit the clinching basket with several seconds left. Rotzoll finished with a double-double, collecting 10 points and 14 rebounds, while junior Kendall McConico had a team-high 14 points. Senior Lola Ristovski had 12 points, while sophomore Nia Ahart had five and Dickens finished with four. Earlier in the week, Liggett pounded Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest 50-31, improving to 8-3 overall and 6-0 in the MIAC. Ristovski led the way with 12 points, followed by Rotzoll with 11 and McConico with 10.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen play tough

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North girls' basketball team pulled out a 35-32 win over host Romeo early last week, despite trailing with just under two minutes left. The Bulldogs held a 32-26 lead, but senior Megan Lesha hit two free throws to make it 32-28, and junior Erin Armbruster stole the ball and made a layup to cut the deficit to 32-30. Next up was sophomore Katie Snow, who also had a steal and layup to tie it at 32, stunning the home crowd. With a half-minute left, junior Katelyn Carney drilled what turned out to

be the winning three-point basket, giving the Norsemen a 35-32 advantage. Romeo had a chance to cut it to a point after a North foul, but a miss on the front end of a one-and-one was rebounded by visitors. The Norsemen were able to run out the clock and earn a win by scoring the final nine points of the Macomb Area Conference Red Division game. Snow finished with 13 points, four rebounds and four steals, while Armbruster put up 11 points, six rebounds and five steals. Lesha chipped in with four points, four steals, four rebounds and four assists.

Two nights later, North was once again in a tense, tight division contest on its home court. It was 24-14 Utica Ford after the first quarter, but the Norsemen fought back to make a game of it before losing 54-52. The Norsemen grabbed the lead midway through the fourth quarter and after it was a seesaw game. Ford used two North defensive miscues to score easy baskets to score the final four points. For the Norsemen, 1-3 in the MAC Red Division and 4-5 overall, Snow had 18 points, nine rebounds and five steals, and Armbruster posted a double-double, netting 13 points and 10 rebounds. Megan Lesha had eight points, six rebounds and four steals, and junior Lauren Lesha had seven points, four rebounds, three steals and three assists. Carney had six points, six steals and four assists.

**CITY OF HARPER WOODS**  
**WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

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

A public hearing is scheduled before the Mayor and City Council on Monday, February 2, 2015 at 7:00p.m. and on Wednesday, February 18, 2015 at 7:00pm In the City Council chambers of the Municipal Building, 19617 Harper Avenue for the purpose of:

**Receiving comments or suggestions regarding the 2015 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program.**

**These suggestions must identify and benefit community development or housing needs of low and moderate residents.**

The City of Harper Woods expects to receive approximately \$85,500.

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

LOCATION	POTENTIAL PROJECTS ACTIVITIES	AMOUNT
Kelly Road Census tract 5516 Blocks	Street improvements: Crime prevention through environmental design including lighting, traffic diversion and cameras in the Low/Moderate Income area as identified by HUD	\$45,000
City Wide	Housing Rehab: Assistance to elderly and handicapped based on income	19,000
City Wide	Pointe Area Assisted Transit: Senior and handicapped transportation	13,000
City Wide	Administration: Program Management	8,500
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>85,500</b>

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

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**City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan**  
**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT**  
**PUBLIC NOTICE**

A Public Hearing will be held at the Special City Council Meeting on Monday, February 9, 2015 at 7:30 p.m., in the Council Room of the Municipal Building, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan, to hear comments regarding the Program Year 2015 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Proposed Estimated budget. All interested parties are invited to attend. The proposed budget is as follows:

<b>2015 Proposed Estimated CDBG Budget</b>	
1. Services for Older Citizens	\$ 4,823
2. Minor Home Repair/Housing Rehab (Returning to Wayne Co.)	\$ 48,233.72
3. Pointe Area Assisted Transportation Services (PAATS)	\$ 4,823
4. Administration	\$ 6,430
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 64,309.72</b>

**Al Fincham,**  
City Administrator

Boys basketball

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils defeat PH

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe South boys' basketball team rebounded from an ugly loss to beat a good Port Huron 62-39 last week.

"We played a nice game and beat a very athletic Port Huron team," head coach Troy Glasser said. "They didn't shoot very well, but we let them hang around for a while by turning the ball over. Once we held on to the ball and ran our offense, we were fine."

The visiting Big Reds actually led after the first quarter, 11-10.

Then the Blue Devils flexed their muscles and won the second quarter 20-7, third quarter 14-12

and fourth quarter 18-9 to win going away.

Port Huron couldn't get the lead under 10 points in the pivotal third quarter. Every time the Big Reds would make a basket, the Blue Devils answered.

Junior Jack Maher had 14 points to lead the home team, while sophomore Brennan Buszka had 10.

Other leading scorers were senior Dallian Burnett with nine, senior Sam Blanzly with eight and junior Greg Harris with six.

Earlier in the week, South lost 64-62 at Utica. It ran into the perfect storm as the Chieftains hit 11 three-point baskets and finished 11-of-13 from the foul line.



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

South senior Brian Blanzly, No. 2, played well in the Blue Devils' division win over Port Huron.

"We couldn't do anything right, but we still had an eight-point lead with two minutes to go," Glasser said. "We didn't finish as strong as we

should have and it cost us."

Grosse Pointe South is 3-1 in the Macomb Area Conference Blue Division and 8-2 overall.

LIGGETT

Knights post MLAC victories

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

The University Liggett boys' basketball team is right in the thick of things in the race for a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference title.

Last week, the Knights won 54-30 at home against Birmingham Roeper and 59-50 at Auburn Hills Oakland Christian.

"The guys are doing a good job of defending the basketball and playing aggressive at both ends of the court," head coach Sidney Johnson said. "We're not an experienced team, but we're getting there."

The Knights had three players score in double figures against Oakland Christian. Junior Spencer Ewing and sophomore Jordan Petersen each had 15 points, while sophomore Jaren English had 14.

After a tight first quarter against Roeper, the Knights turned up the energy and raced out to a 28-13 halftime lead. It was 38-26 after three

quarters, but a 16-4 fourth quarter put the game away.

"The guys got after them tonight and it was nice not to have a tight finish," Johnson said.

English had 15 points, followed by freshman Anthony George with 13 and Ewing with 12.

Petersen didn't play to rest a sore knee, but he should be back in action soon.

Coming up is the division showdown with leader Southfield Christian Friday, Jan. 30, on the road.

"It's going to be a huge game for our boys and playing on the road in a tough atmosphere will show us a lot about the make-up of our players. "They are a good team and we will play hard."

Southfield Christian is the three-time defending Class D state champion.

In other games, the Knights travel to Allen Park Inter-City Baptist Tuesday, Feb. 3, and to Plymouth Christian Academy Friday, Feb. 6.

The next home game is Tuesday, Feb. 10.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen post victory

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe North boys' basketball team dropped a tough 73-70 road game to Roseville early last week.

The Norsemen led 19-11 after the first quarter, but it was tied at 34 at the half.

The visitors fell behind 52-45 with eight minutes left and made a come back, but just fell shy.

Senior Tim Herd led

the way with 25 points, followed by sophomore Dillon Webb with 18, junior Mitchell Zacharias with 14 and sophomore Steven Levick with eight.

Head coach Ron Kochan's squad lost for the third time in four outings, but played well enough to win.

After a couple of hard days of practice, North hosted Utica Ford in another Macomb Area Conference White Division contest.

North put one in the win column, beating the Falcons 64-62.

The home team outscored its visitors 22-17 in the final quarter to pull out the victory.

Herd and Webb each had 16 points to lead the Norsemen, while Zacharias added 10.

Junior Josh Fischer chipped in with eight points, and several rebounds, followed by senior Darrin Woods and Levick with seven points

apiece.

Grosse Pointe North improved to 2-2 in the MAC White Division and 6-5 overall.

Coming up for the Norsemen are away games against division foes Friday, Jan. 30, against Sterling Heights Stevenson, and Thursday, Feb. 5, at L'Anse Creuse.

They also play on the road Tuesday, Feb. 10, against Eastpointe East Detroit.

Baseball

LAKE SIDE BASEBALL CLUB

Register for tournament

The Lakeside Baseball Club hosts a batting competition Monday, Feb. 16, through Wednesday, Feb. 18, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

It is for players age 9 to 12 and they compete against others their own age. There is a one hour time slot for each age group and the cost is \$50 per player.

Teams of four players compete for the championship of their age group in a round-robin format the first two days of the tournament.

The top two teams in

each division advance to the championship round Feb. 18 and the other squads are placed in the consolation bracket.

Awards are presented to the winning teams.

For more information, contact Dan Griesbaum at dan.griesbaum@gpschools.org or Kevin Nugent at (313) 231-9926.

Checks are made payable to Lakeside Baseball Club and mailed to Lakeside Baseball Club, 440 McKinley, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS – 2015-2016 Road Program AEW PROJECT NUMBER 0160-0370.** Sealed bids will be received by the City at the office of the City Clerk, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan, until 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 10, 2015, at which time and place the proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud. Work consists of approximately 3.8 miles of concrete road reconstruction and asphalt resurfacing to be performed in 2015 and 2016. Plans and Specifications are on file and copies may be secured at no cost via the offices of Anderson, Eckstein and Westrick, Inc. (AEW) by registering as a planholder with AEW over the phone at (586) 726-1234 and obtaining download instructions. The City reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to waive any irregularities in the bidding and to accept any proposals it deems to be in the best interest of the City.

G.P.N.: 1/29/2014

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City of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan

**SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES  
JANUARY 12, 2015**

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance.  
Present on Roll Call: Mayor Farquhar; Councilmembers; Joseph, Theros, Ricci and Waldmeir.  
Absent Were: Councilmembers Wood and West.  
Also Present: Messrs. William Burgess, City Attorney; Shane Reeside, City Manager; Derrick Kozicki, City Clerk; John Lamerato, City Controller/Treasurer; Dan Jensen, Director of Public Safety; John Hutchins, Deputy Director Public Safety.

Mayor Farquhar Presided at the Meeting.

Councilmembers Wood and West were excused from attending the Meeting.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on December 8, 2014, were approved as submitted.

The Council approved the Water Main Replacement Bids for the 2015 Water Main Replacement Program to Murphy Pipeline Contractors, Inc., in the amount of \$2,582,500.00.

The Council approved the following on the Consent Agenda:

- a. Exercising Option to renew audit contract for 2015 and 2016.
- b. Invoices, as submitted.

Upon proper motion made, supported and carried, the Meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2015 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 90 KERBY ROAD, GROSSE POINTE FARMS, MICHIGAN 48236. THE MEETING IS PUBLIC, INTERESTED PROPERTY OWNERS AND RESIDENTS OF THE CITY ARE INVITED TO ATTEND. YOU MAY ALSO VIEW THE AGENDA AND MINUTES ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE: [www.grossepointefarms.org](http://www.grossepointefarms.org)

**James C. Farquhar,** Mayor  
**Derrick Kozicki,** City Clerk

G.P.N.: 01-29-15

Swimming

G.P. NORTH

Beaten

The Grosse Pointe North boys' swimming and diving team lost to Dakota 112-71 early last week.

William McNelis won the 1-meter diving competition, while John Cobau was victorious in the 100-yard butterfly.

Head coach Mike O'Connor said season-best performances were recorded in the 100-yard freestyle by Sean Panilo; 100-yard breaststroke by Colin Gudenau; and 100-yard butterfly by John Leone.

Grosse Pointe North is now 0-2 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division and 3-3 overall.

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Wrestling

GROSSE POINTE NORTH & GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Norsemen, Blue Devils on rise

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe North wrestling team dropped a tough 42-32 match to St. Clair last week. The loss dropped the Norsemen to 2-1 in the Macomb Area Conference Gold Division and 17-5 overall. “Despite the loss, the kids wrestled well,” head coach Eric Julien said.

“We still have a chance to be co-champs if we win our final two division matches. “We also have a shot to match the school records for wins in a season with 21. We are going to go for it, that is for sure.” Leading the way for the Norsemen were Mike Bowden in the 160-pound class and Tony Millican in the 285-pound class.

**South results**

The Grosse Pointe South wrestling team split its Macomb Area Conference Silver Division matches last week. The host Blue Devils started off with a tough 40-36 loss to Sterling Heights. Co-head coaches Tony Cimmarrusti and Patrick Salazar knew going in they had to give away 24 points to voids, leaving their nine wrestlers to

make up the difference. They nearly pulled off the victory as Tyler Thompson, 119-pound division; John Drew, 130 pounds; Joe Kurta, 160 pounds; John Gough, 171 pounds; Matt Ground, 215 pounds; and Luke Davey, 285 pounds; pinned their foes to earn the Blue Devils 36 points. Sterling Heights was able to pull off the win when its grapplers beat Earl Allard, 112 pounds;

John Dotson, 135 pounds; and Truman McKay, 152 pounds. South rebounded to beat a very short-handed Center Line squad, 39-30, in its final division match of the night. Davey, Gough and Thompson once again pinned their foes, with Davey’s six points leading to the victory. Other wins came from Allard, John and Joe Dotson and McKay.

Grosse Pointe South is 4-2 in the MAC Silver Division with one match left against New Haven. In weekend action, in the Byron Covert Classic, South finished seventh among 12 teams. Thompson led the way with a 4-1 record and a runner up finish. Davey, Drew, Allard and Kurta took home bronze medals, while Kurta and McKay placed fourth.

Boys hockey

GROSSE POINTE NORTH, GROSSE POINTE SOUTH & LIGGETT

Boys’ teams playing solid hockey

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe North boys’ hockey team took advantage of a tired St. Clair Shores Unified squad, which played the night before, and used its speed to skate to an easy 9-1 win last week. These teams played some overtime playoff battles several years ago, but the non-league contest last week wasn’t in the same class. The Norsemen scored twice in the first period and added five goals in the second to take command. It was an 8-1 game

before senior Richie Filippelli ripped a shot off the post and past the goaltender to end the game via mercy at the 7:40 mark of the third period. Filippelli scored two goals, as did juniors Stephen Kent and C.J. Ramsdell. It was Filippelli’s first game back since he suffered an injury in December. Scoring one goal apiece were freshman Austin Albrecht, sophomore Joe Lucchese and senior Nick Cusmano. The Norsemen were a perfect 6-for-6 on the power play as the Lakers were whistled for seven

infractions to the Norsemen’s one. There was once when there were coincidental minors called at the end of the second period. Senior Ben Borland started in net and played to the halfway mark of the second period. Sophomore Brian Wenz replaced Borland and didn’t allow a goal and had an assist on Kent’s first goal with 3:02 left in the second period. Grosse Pointe North is 4-11 overall after falling 5-1 to host Orchard Lake St. Mary’s last weekend.

**South results**

The Grosse Pointe

South boys’ hockey team remained in first place in the Michigan Metro Hockey League last week after tying Dearborn Divine Child 1-1 and beating Ann Arbor Pioneer 5-0. Junior Jonathan Theros scored the lone goal, assisted by senior Ian Corbett and junior Mac Cimmarrusti. Senior Andy Jakub stopped 24-of-25 shots to earn the tie in net. Jakub was also in net 24 hours later when the Blue Devils blanked Pioneer. Offensively, junior William Poplawski had a goal and assist and

Theros had two assists to lead the visitors. Other goal scorers were seniors Cameron Mogk, Nikolas Minanov, and Corbett, as well as juniors Griffin Brooks and Poplawski. Senior Will Barrett and Brennan Ifkovits, and sophomore Adam Pitters, had assists. Grosse Pointe South is 8-0-1 in the Michigan Metro Hockey League and 9-3-1 overall.

**Liggett results**

The University Liggett boys’ hockey team played two of the best squads in Ohio last weekend. The host Knights

earned a split, beating Bowling Green High School 5-0 Friday night and losing 5-2 to Toledo St. Francis Saturday afternoon. Both are ranked in the top 10, including St. Francis, which is No. 1. “These games were good for us to play since they prep us for the big Trenton Showcase and the state playoffs coming up,” head coach Mike Hamilton said. “I was told the boys played well.” The head coach missed the weekend series to attend a prior commitment, but his assistants ran the team. Liggett is 13-3 overall.

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## The Week Ahead Schools

Thursday, Jan. 29 – Grosse Pointe South Show Choir competition preview, 7 p.m. Brownell Middle School.

Friday, Jan. 30 – Kerby PTO Dance, “Bring Back Summer,” Kerby gym, 6 to 8 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 5 – “Raise the Roof,” a benefit for the Full Circle Foundation, 7 p.m. Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

# Norsemen pride shows

By Kathy Ryan  
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe North High School students and parents demonstrated their “Norseman Pride” Monday night, when several took to the podium at the board of education meeting to denounce recent media coverage of their school.

At issue was a report on WJBK Fox 2 News about a December incident involving a practice known among students as “dunking.”

A video released over social media of the incident showed a male student approaching a female student standing

at an open locker and in what appears to be a move similar to one practiced on a basketball court, jumps and shoves the female student into her locker.

The parents of the female student described the incident as an assault on their daughter and demanded disciplinary actions be taken against the male student.

In keeping with district regulations, actions taken by administrators is confidential and no information on the incident has been released.

The report on the incident put out by the TV station was deemed inflammatory and inaccurate, interviewing two

unnamed Grosse Pointe Public School System employees, one who described herself as the tennis coach at Grosse Pointe South High School and the other who said she was a substitute teacher at Grosse Pointe North. The district would not confirm the identity of those interviewed.

The woman who claimed to be the South tennis coach said parents are told not to send their children to North, while the substitute teacher said North students were out of control, in part because of the large enrollment of students from

See PRIDE, page 6C

# St. Paul on the Lake auction Saturday



Top, pre-K classes, with a little help from their parents, made and decorated two teepee tents. Peeping out are students Gianna Bufalino and Jack Marsh. Above, some of the classroom art projects on display in the hallway. Pre-k to eighth grade all created an art project.

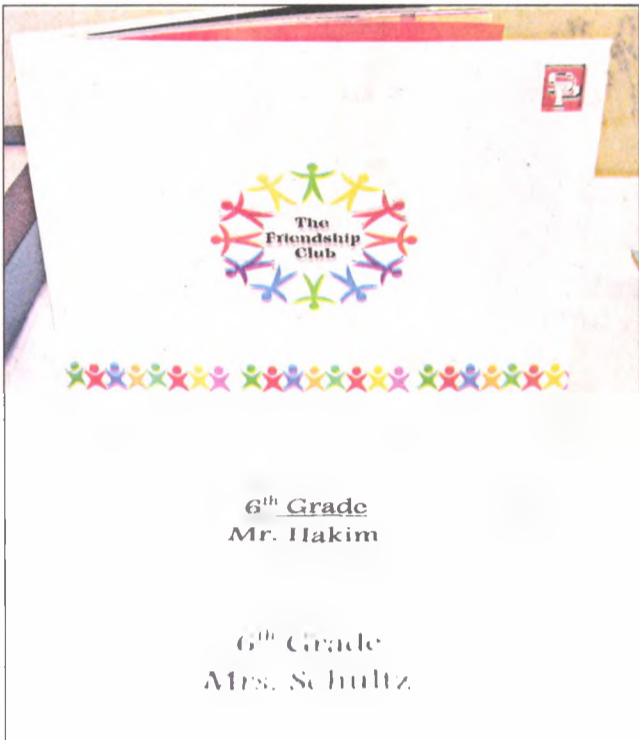
St. Paul Catholic School's 28th annual auction will take place this Saturday, Jan. 31 at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club.

Auction items include a sunset yacht cruise on the Detroit River, a Hilton Head Fourth of July vacation, professional landscape design and installation from Backer Landscaping, Red Wings tickets and original art work from Jane McFeely.

A special item includes a clay shooting trip with Monsignor Halfpenny and a cricket lesson from Father Joseph.

Raffle items include restaurant certificates, a flat screen TV and various theme baskets. Paul W. Smith is master of ceremonies for the evening, and Bob DuMouchelle is the auctioneer.

Proceeds from the event will be used for technology enhancements, supplies, field trips, professional development and special programs. This year's chairman is Kerry Moylan.



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The two 6th grade classes got together and created a book called The Friendship Club. In the book are photos of different students together with their friends and the students each wrote what friendship means to them.

Bob and Peggy Kotz are patron campaign chairpersons. Additional information is available at stpaulonthelake.com.

# NSpire Talks: What's your vision?

By Kathy Ryan  
Staff Writer

With a theme of “Inspiring Students, Inspiring Ideas, Inspiring Others,” the annual Grosse Pointe NSpire Talks will be asking a simple question of this year's participants, “What's your vision for \_\_\_?”

Twenty four students from Grosse Pointe, Farmington, Canton and the Lakeshore schools in St. Clair Shores will take the stage at 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6, at Brownell Middle School, to give short and inspiring talks in front of a live audience on their visions for a better world.

“Our focus is to amplify the ideas and voices of kids,” said Gary Abud, event co-chairman and instructional coach for the Grosse Pointe Public School System. “Kids often have great ideas to share but don't have the

stage to do so. We're giving the kids the mic and letting them inspire others.”

Abud is co-chairing the event with two Grosse Pointe North staff members, English teacher Jonathan Byrne and social studies teacher Andrew Taylor.

According to Abud, some of the topics for this year's talks include one student's vision for a world where everyone can read, while another will focus on solving the problem of homeless pets. Speeches are limited to five minutes or less, and will include slide presentations put together by the students.

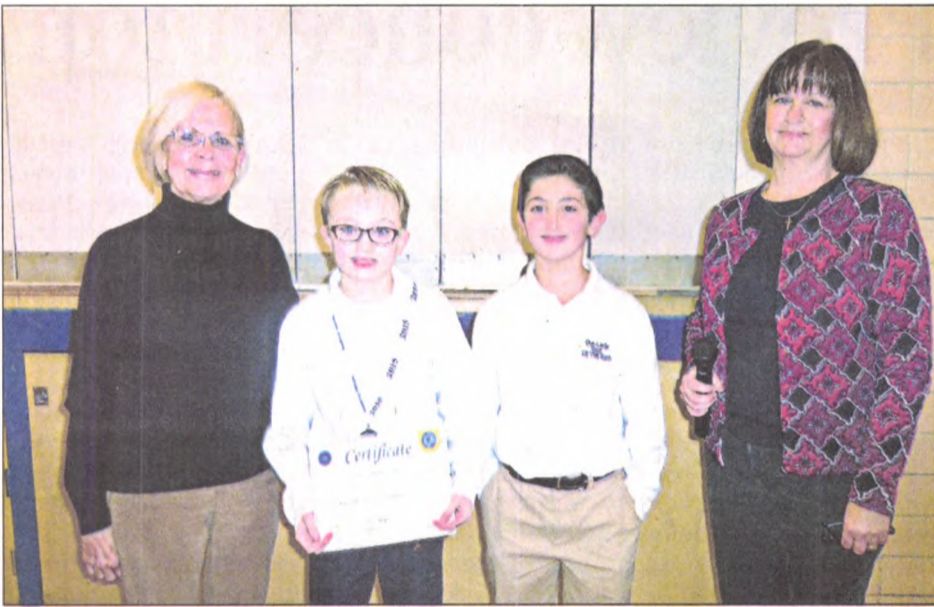
Based on the very adult “TED Talks” messages of “ideas worth spreading,” GP Nspire brings young people, from elementary school through high school, to spread their ideas for a better world. The event itself has a vision, which is to raise

funds for the Michigan Eye Bank and to raise awareness for the Michigan Organ Donor Registry.

Abud is uniquely vested in the vision theme and raising funds for the Michigan Eye Bank, as he has undergone a double cornea transplant after suffering from a degenerative eye disease. The corneas he received were procured through the Michigan Organ Donor Registry.

Sponsors for the program include the Grosse Pointe Public School System, the Galileo Consortium, the Michigan Eye Bank's Millennial council and the University of Michigan Chapter of the Delta Gamma Foundation.

Additional information and tickets, \$12 for adults, \$10 for students and senior citizens, are available online at gpnspire.yapsody.com.



## State finals next

Our Lady Star of the Sea's Geography Bee was held last week for grades 5 through 8. The winner was 5th grader Loudon Fuchs, left, and the runner up was 6th grader Ronnie Latiff. With them are social studies teachers Linda Ascencio, left, and Mary Grzelak. It's similar to a spelling bee, in which students are asked to respond to various questions. Loudon advances to the State Geography Bee March 27, at Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo.

## Giving back

The Grosse Pointe Foundation for Public Education's new initiative, Caught in the Act of Giving Back, will recognize student volunteer activities district-wide at the elementary, middle and high school levels.

Established through the generosity of the Anne R. Hudson Fund for the Grosse Pointe foundation, held at the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan, the initiative will recognize volunteer projects on the basis of leadership, a commitment to volunteerism and giving back and community impact.

Each principal in Grosse Pointes' schools will submit projects for consideration. Winning projects will be announced in April's National Volunteer Week.

# North, South to offer organic chemistry

By Kathy Ryan  
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe's public high schools will join only a handful of other secondary schools in the state to offer an organic chemistry class as an elective starting in September.

Normally a required college course for stu-

dents enrolled in health science and engineering majors, organic chemistry can be one of the toughest classes college students face and is seldom offered at the high school level.

“It's often a college level students have to take twice,” South chemistry teacher Jessica Wieseler told the board

of education at its meeting Monday, Jan. 26. “It's a very difficult class.”

Wieseler and other science teachers have proposed offering organic chemistry as a way to introduce students to the class and give them an advantage when they take the class in college.

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## City of Grosse Pointe, Michigan

### PUBLIC NOTICE ORDINANCE NO. 417

Please take notice that the Grosse Pointe City Council has passed Ordinance No. 417 amending the Building and Building Regulation Ordinances of the City of Grosse Pointe Code. The ordinance amends and updates the following:

Ordinance No. 417 – adopts Michigan Residential Code by reference

The Ordinance will become effective ten days after the publication of this Notice. The complete text of Ordinance No. 417 is available at the City of Grosse Pointe City Offices, 17147 Maumee Avenue, Grosse Pointe, MI, 313-885-5800 during regular business hours Mon.-Fri. 8:30 am – 5 pm.

Julie E. Arthurs,  
City Clerk



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## Fun with art

Parcells art teacher Amber Mades had an idea for a different type of art class for her 7th and 8th graders. They invited two professors from the College for Creative Studies in Detroit to their class to teach stop motion animation. Steve Schock, of Grosse Pointe Woods, a professor at CCS in the product design department, has led design projects with Chrysler, Samsung and Whirlpool, while Joe Stuckey, who is adjunct faculty at CCS and has worked for such companies as BBC, the Cartoon Network and Nickelodeon, came to Parcells and showed the students how to, through an app using iPods and iPhones, turn still photos into a short movie using stop motion animation. Schock said, "learning to use this app was a good way to jump start imagination and to put stories together. It encourages teamwork, it's collaborative creativity showing the students that art can be a job using applied skills." Top, Mackenzie Martin-Turner, Eleanor Martinez and teacher Amber Mades watch as Stuckey shows Julian Martin-Turner how to set up a shot using different poses for each prop. Above, Sam Boggia, Kimberly Familara, Stefana Maros and Parker Moncur laugh when Stuckey and Schock show them their finished movie.

## Preview concert tonight

Before the choirs from Grosse Pointe South head this weekend to the prestigious Findlay Fest music competition, they will present a preview concert for the community at 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29 at in the all-purpose room at Brownell Middle School. Tickets are available at the door. Findlay Fest, held in Findlay, Ohio, is one of the oldest and most highly respected invitational competitions in the Midwest. Two South choirs, the Grosse Pointe Singers and the Tower Belles, are the defending grand champions from last year's competition after sweeping the mixed and women's divisions. Tonight's preview concert will feature the performances the choirs have planned for Findlay. When asked what his hopes are for South Choirs at this year's Findlay Fest, choir director Christopher Pratt said, "My hope is for our groups to walk off the stage knowing they had a strong showing and are excited about their accomplishments on stage. They have developed strong and entertaining shows that exhibit a variety of vocal styles and truly challenge them as performers." Following Findlay Fest, the choirs will head to a second competition in Center Grove, Ohio. Even as choir members focus on competitions, they are beginning to work on South's spring musical, "Mary Poppins." South is one of the first high schools in Michigan to have been granted the rights to perform the award-winning musical.

- Kathy Ryan

## Assumption offers music and movement program

Music and movement, feeling rhythm, learning songs, use of percussion instruments and introduction to piano are part of a music program introduced by professional pianist to Assumption Nursery School preschoolers. Born in Athens, Greece, Manias started playing piano at age three. She graduated from the Athens Conservatory and earned a diploma in performance from the Royal College of Music. Manias earned a master's degree from Royal Scots Academy in Glasgow, Scotland, and was a member of Society of Music Students of Distinction and accompanist for the Scottish Ballet. Her musical philosophy is that through music, children learn to communicate better with other children, improve memorization skills, learn to express feelings and realize their internal rhythm. She and her husband, Father George Manias, the priest of the Annunciation Cathedral in Detroit, have a nine-month-old son, Michael. For more information, call Melissa Sharp, Assumption nursery school director at (586) 772-4477.

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Harper Woods. Their statements, as well as comments from the reporter, were deemed racist by some. The report has since been removed from the Fox 2 website. That did not stop nearly 100 students and parents, many wearing Norsemen Pride T-shirts, from expressing outrage over the report and support for students and staff who addressed the board. "I'm here to dispel

those untrue rumors, not just those on Fox 2, but also those put out by our own community," a North senior told the board. "I'm here to stand up for the place I call home." A recurring message from the dozen or so speakers was the sense of community North instills in students. "It's what we do here," was an ongoing theme, as several stressed the positive and inclusive atmosphere at North, highlighted by staff and student involvement in the award-winning Freshman Assist program and the Link Crew

program. "I expect administrators to stand up and say our community is better than this," one student told the board. "The Fox 2 News story was not at all what North is about." Laura Mikesell, president of the Grosse Pointe Education Association, the group that represents district teachers, drew a loud round of applause when she told the board the employees interviewed should be disciplined. "I'm disgusted by the Fox report," she said. "The GPEA has had no complaints from staff

about concerns over their personal safety." Mikesell demanded the employees in question be banned from future employment with the Grosse Pointe schools. Board members complimented students for speaking out in support for their school. "I'm humbled by you," Margaret Weertz told the students. "You are teaching adults a lesson." Lois Valente agreed. "We need to make sure as a board that our public image is strong," she said. "We are one district and one community."

## Gafa new board president

By Kathy Ryan  
Staff Writer

The board of education put new officers in place at its meeting Monday, Jan. 27.

The Grosse Pointe Public School System board elected Judy Gafa as president, Dan Roeske as vice president, Brian Summerfield as treasurer and newcomer Margaret Weertz as secretary.

Roeske nominated Gafa for the top spot, citing her previous experience in selecting a school superintendent and her dedication to students.

"She has been a fierce advocate for students," Roeske said. "And she has been through a search for a new superintendent. She knows the procedure."

Gafa has served on the board since 2008, and served on the search committee that appointed current school superintendent, Dr. Tom Harwood, who will be leaving the district June 30. She served as secretary of the board in 2014, and has previously served as president.

Gafa's election as president came on a 5-2 vote, with trustees Cindy Pangborn and Ahmed Ismail casting no votes. Prior to the vote, Pangborn urged Gafa to focus on student residency.

"Will you make it a priority to work on residency policies, including tuition?" she asked.

Ismail urged Gafa to

make school board governance education a priority.

Roeske and Summerfield were unanimously elected to continue in the positions they held in 2014, with Roeske praising Summerfield for the work he has done as treasurer.

"You have put in time above and beyond what was expected," Roeske said.

Prior to the vote on Weertz for secretary, Ismail asked several questions regarding the duties of secretary, and following his questions, Weertz was elected on a 7-0 vote.

As is usual practice, once officers are in place, board members are asked where they would like their compensation, \$30 a meeting, to be assigned.

Gafa directed hers be sent to the Family Center, Roeske directed his to the Poupard PTO, Summerfield directed his to the Defer "One Book, One School" initiative, Weertz directed hers to the Grosse Pointe North Boosters club, Valente directed hers to the Grosse Pointe Foundation for Public Education, and Pangborn will retain her compensation.

Trustee Ismail asked that his compensation be used to reimburse the district for the time assistant superintendent for business affairs Chris Fenton spends answering his questions.

## Briefs

The Junior League of Detroit awards 10 scholarships to high school seniors. Each scholarship is valued at \$1,000.

Each recipient must be a graduating senior, a resident of Wayne County or attends a high school in Wayne County.

Additionally, the applicant must demonstrate a commitment to voluntarism and academics as shown by:

- ◆ GPA of 3.25 or better,
- ◆ Extracurricular activities, community service and work experience,
- ◆ Awards and honors and
- ◆ Two recommendations from teachers, coaches or volunteer coordinators.

The scholarship application can be found at [jlde-troit.org](http://jlde-troit.org). Applications are due March 15.

More than 60 Grosse Pointe North High School students performed at the Michigan School Vocal Music Association District Solo & Ensemble Festival at the Jan. 10 contest.

The 38 soloists and five ensembles prepared two pieces for a judge and received a rating based on their performance. Students with a high rating advance to state solo and ensemble.

All five ensembles qualified for state solo and ensemble, along with 32 student soloists. Five students also received superior distinction.

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She said college students often describe organic chemistry in terms of having to learn a foreign language in order to understand the class.

"By offering the class at the high schools, our students can learn the 'foreign language' before they go to college, and when they take the course in college, they will be ready," she said.

Approved as a pilot program, student achievement and enrollment will be evaluated at the end of both the first and second year.

Wieseler said the start up costs for the class will be approximately \$5,100. She said one of the problems facing teachers is the lack of organic chem-

istry textbooks written for high school students, as well as the exorbitant cost of college-level textbooks, so the curriculum will focus on lab work and online resources. Each high school is expected to offer one class in organic chemistry, and if the need is there, a second class will be offered.

Wieseler told the board that counselors at North and South are aware that the class was being proposed for the fall, and have been discussing the option with students who have expressed an interest in pursuing health sciences or engineering in college.

With course selection already underway for the 2015-16 at the high schools, the board voted to immediately approve the class as a way to avoid any scheduling problems for students.

# Test Drive 2015 Infiniti QX70 AWD

By Greg Zyla  
Special Writer

This week, we're behind the wheel of Infiniti's popular 2015 QX70, one of several SUV/Crossover Infinitis that carry the "QX" designation. Infiniti went with this name change in 2014 to allow better understanding for consumers. Thus, "QX" now designates Crossovers and SUVs, while a single "Q" is for Infiniti sedans and coupes.

The QX70 is Infiniti's Franklin, Tenn. built five-passenger midsize Crossover that delivers a combination of luxury and power in a competitive upper grade class of competition.

Target consumers continue to be higher income individuals and families, although when comparing prices against similarly equipped Jeep Grand Cherokee, Dodge Durango or GMC Tahoe,

QX70's entry price becomes very attractive. Additionally, rivals from Lexus, Cadillac, Land Rover, Mercedes-Benz, Porsche, Acura and Lincoln also roam here, yet overall Infiniti and its QX line has done well if not better in a very finicky luxury class.

Offering an uncompromising expression of SUV style and a car-like handling, QX70 is available in either rear or AWD. QX's success is tied more to satisfying the consumer that demands opulence in the final product without going overboard on superficial appearances. With QX70, expect a long list of amenities and a powerful mechanical quotient that will impress the fussy with its build strength and classical appearance. The only real change for QX70 for 2015 is the removal of a V8 engine from the option list, replaced by a power-

ful V6 that delivers better fuel economy.

QX70's independent suspension is built with secure handling in mind and works in tandem with the aforementioned powerful 3.7-liter V6. This engine develops 325-horsepower and 267 lb. ft. of torque in a 24-valve design and mates to a seven-speed automatic with adaptive shift control with manual mode. The result is a "larger" midsize Crossover delivering 16 city and 22 highway MPG. Two years ago, this Infiniti used a CVT that held back its V6 performance potential. With today's seven-speed automatic, all is well. The rear drive, by the way, delivers 17 city and 24 highway and starts at \$45,850.

Our tester came with Infiniti's intelligent fully automatic All-Wheel Drive system with snow mode assuring excellent



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## The 2015 Infiniti QX70

traction when the weather turns bad. Large 4-wheel disc brakes and sturdy stabilizer bars front and rear assist in the handling resulting in little or no lean in the turns. Safety features found on every Infiniti include all the airbags, brake assist, traction control, vehicle dynamics and much more. Your Infiniti dealer will gladly explain.

QX's cabin is very inviting and features lavish leather comforts and high-grade appointments. The cockpit includes high tech intuitive controls and a great 11-speaker Bose audio system with SiriusXM Satellite, Bluetooth and MP3 playback. A rear view safety monitor is standard, as is a large 7-inch display screen. The back seat, however, is a bit cramped, especially for taller passengers.

A premium package adds \$4,300 to the price and features voice recognition, Infiniti hard drive navigation displayed on an inch larger color dis-

play. Included are nav traffic and nav-weather, 360-degree "Around View" monitor with moving object detection and front and rear sonar. Although this Premium Package is expensive, the special back-up collision system that automatically engages the brakes to avoid impact when in reverse is worth it.

Additionally, a \$2,950 technology package is also recommended and adds intelligent cruise control and driver assist features. Included are intelligent brake assist providing forward collision warning and automatic emergency braking if an impact with a vehicle ahead is imminent. You'll also receive "Distance Control Assist," which reduces the burden of driving in heavy traffic by intuitively releasing the throttle and applying brakes to maintain safe distances from the vehicle ahead. Overall, all these Infiniti safety options are worth every

dime.

Our tester's \$3,500 Sport Package featured 21-inch tires on dark alloy wheels, aluminum pedals, dark front grille, stitched interior surfaces, solid magnesium paddle shifters and ventilated/heated front sport seats with power side bolsters and manually adjustable thigh support. If you want a softer ride, opt out of this option.

Important numbers include a wheelbase of 113.6 inches, curb weight of 4,321 pounds, 2,000 lb. tow capacity, 23.8-gallon fuel tank and 24.8 to 62 cubic feet of cargo space with second row seat up or down, respectively.

In summary, Infiniti's SUV Crossovers are a work of beauty and should be on your test drive list if shopping this division.

Likes: Safety features, powerful, technological wonder.

Dislikes: Back seat a bit tight, large A pillar, city MPG.

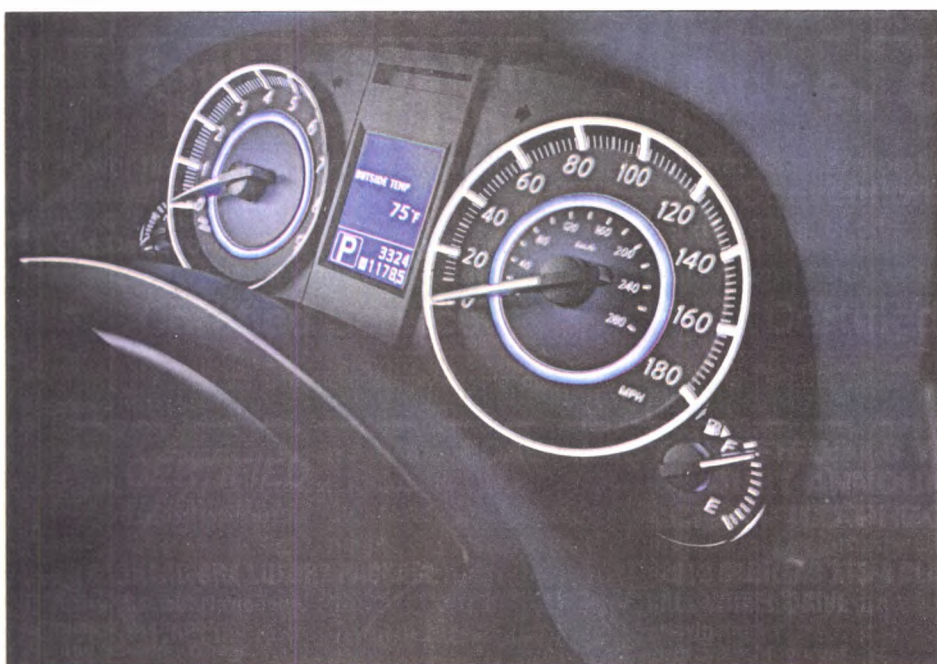


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