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2016 YEAR IN REVIEW

Big-time reserves in the Shores

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

GROSSE SHORES — It was a very we've ever done that good year.

Although the same Kedzierski. applies to Grosse Pointe Farms and City, the Shores gets first nod ago. because of how far it came to get here.

position we've been in a Robert Gesell said. "We long time," Councilman Bruce Bisballe, chairman of the will bring all good news Shores finance commit- again," said Rhonda tee during the recent Ricketts, finance direcaudit presentation in tor, in December. December.

\$1.3 million reserves, month reports were pubrepresenting 25.2 percent of the annual gen-

By Brad Lindberg

part time in the Park.

contract is \$47,000 given

vacation time," said Peter

Staff Writer

City.

City, Park share

DPW manager

The agreement retains fore, retiring Park DPW

expertise in the Park while head Pat Thomas begins

generating income for the his new job with the City of

"The maximum annual up to half his time where

contracting him to work Dec. 19.

revenue generated by the he came from.

eral operating fund.

"Exceeding 25 percent of general fund expendi-POINTE tures — I don't think before," said Mayor Ted

Reserves are 10 times greater than five years

"When we started, it was a whole different "We're in the strongest story," Councilman

said had nothing—\$100,000." Bruce "Hopefully, next year

Highlights of the year Auditors tallied nearly 2016 are listed in the

of Grosse Pointe.

Effective Jan. 1, there-

Grosse Pointe by spending

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Above, Cecelia Brown has a spot of tea while waiting to see Santa at the playhouse. Right, Claire Wengel holds a nutcracker while Camilla O'Reilly pretends to feed it a Santa cookie.

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through a peppermint straw.

The Edsel and Eleanor Ford House in Grosse Pointe Shores hosted its annual Nutcracker Tea, including appetizers, hot chocolate and peppermint tea. After snacking, families boarded a shuttle to the playhouse to see Santa Claus.

2016 YEAR IN REVIEW

Reflecting on 2016 in the Park

By Kathy Ryan Staff Writer

Dame, manager of the City could be measured in biblical proportions, with fire **AND PARK** — The City is signed the deal Nov. 28. A in February.

January

◆ The city council Balduck Park area. votes to pursue the development of a dog park on city-owned property at

area. In September 2015, Heenan's 32 years of ded- Mayor Robert Denner dents left the meeting.

GROSSE POINTE CITY Manager Dale Krajniak the news. It also was a December assault of a endure for decades." year marked by the loss woman on Cadieux near

February

◆ Palmer Heenan, who Department

Commission voted to Pointe Park had a pro- hold indefinitely,' GROSSE POINTE PARK place the park at found impact on this - Some might say the Patterson Park, only to community," said Park had a year that reverse its vote after resi- Gregory Theokas, who replaced Heenan as ◆ Charges are expected mayor when he retired in Grosse Pointe Park and floods dominating to be filed in the 2015. "His legacy will

hiring the Park's public united City of Grosse of longtime Mayor Charlevoix. Darian Lee water system, separate investigation by the FBI, works supervisor and is Pointe sealed it Monday, Palmer Heenan who died Winfield, 18, is arrested from the Great Lakes including raids on a in Detroit on charges Water Authority, is again warehouse in Detroit related to a series of sex- the topic of discussion at where Arthur Rathburn ual assaults in the the city council meeting, stored body parts and Krajniak works with the Pointe Park. state of Michigan and Mack and Wayburn as served the city he loved Environmental Quality part of a broader devel- three decades, dies Feb. on applications for the See DPW, page 5A opment project for the 29. He was 94. "Mayor \$15 million project,

the city's Recreation icated service to Grosse says the project is "on

◆ Park couple Arthur and Elizabeth Rathburn are indicted on several charges in U.S. District Court involving the illegal sale of human body parts. The indictment fol-◆ An independent lows several years of While City Manager Dale their house in Grosse

March

Mayor Robert

See PARK, page 3A

Live-saving officers on the shift of Grosse **Pointe Farms** Lt. Holly Krizmanich. left, are, from left, Geoff McQueen, Roger Wierszewski standing and Keith Colombo.



Another day, another save By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

Public safety officers are around two-for-two this year rescu-

ing people from Lake St. Clair.

Investigators learned the

wanted by no one but the lows crusted with ice the

He entered the lake near 8:30Wednesday, Dec. 21.

kill himself," said Detective First a motorist in August, Lt. Richard Rosati. "He has now a pedestrian this week a trial pending in Georgia because officers went in the confirmed, and was diswater and pulled them out. tressed."

It took three officers to ing. latest victim, a 24-year-old haul his limp, more than man from Warren, felt 200-pound body out of shal-

first morning of winter.

"I've not experienced GROSSE POINTE FARMS St. Paul Catholic Church cold like that before," said a.m. Officer Geoff McQueen, first on scene, drenched "He said he was going to and thankful for a hot shower. "It felt like I was burning; a stinging feeling."

Medics took the man to two men are alive for fraud, which has been St. John Hospital & Medical Center. Detectives interviewed him later that morn-

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BUSINESS

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lished.

January

◆ In what becomes a recurring theme this year, installation of new ily." traffic lights at the intersection of Lakeshore and Vernier lags behind schedule.

"The project was support pe that can't be beat. posed to be done by Thanksgiving (of 2015)," expected."

project is paid by a grant Doug Kucyk. from the county and department.

Wide Open West cable city-issued park passes. service yields a response.

Midwest VP," said Shores dents from overrunning Manager Wollenweber. "He has its swimming pools, picauthority to approve con- nic pavilion and parking struction in Grosse lot. Pointe Shores.'

February

have little more than a O'Brien — saving the life verbal overture from a of a fleeing 18-year-old developer to transform male motorcyclist from an 8-acre estate at 55 South Deeplands into 30

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townhouses in 18 build-

ings

"First, it has to go to the planning commission," said Mayor Ted Kedzierski. "They have jurisdiction over initial plans. Our concept of that zone is single fam-

March

◆ Winners of the chili challenge cook up a reci-

Winners Tara and John Ebersole sway judges said Brett Smith, Grosse with a white chicken Pointe Shores public chili that "was very tasteworks director. "It has ful" and had "lots of not gone the way we ingredients," said event organizer Grosse Pointe Most of the \$600,000 Shores Councilman

• Residents entering state transportation Osius Park are asked to give park rangers slack ◆ Years of courting for suddenly enforcing By Brad Lindberg

Rules are stiffened this "I got a call from the year to prevent non-resi-Mark the residents-only park,

◆ No good deed goes unpunished for two paramedics — Officers Jason ◆ Municipal officials Rengert and Michael

See SHORES, page 7A



New location

Vera's Daughter Home, which recently moved to 16849 Kercheval in the Village, offers all the basics for kitchens and more. The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce recently hosted a ribbon-cutting event at the new location. Pictured from left are chamber Director of Membership Roseann Horne, Vera's Daughter owners Beckie Kassner and MaryAnn Ceravolo Wilson, City of Grosse Pointe Mayor Dale Scrace and chamber Executive Director Jennifer Boettcher.

COURTESY PHOTO

New spree of B&Es hits Pointes

Staff Writer

THE GROSSE POINTES Residents generally open their homes to visibut two unknown men trespassing last week in two backyards in the low-suspect's car not be responsible. er 200 block of Fisher belabored the issue.

They were seen fleeing the yards three minutes before noon Thursday, Dec. 22, the same general time someone broke into a house directly behind them in the 200 block of McKinley.

Hill business district and across Ridge Road from Richard Elementary School.

A witness described the suspects as two thin The Shores, too." black males in their 20s wearing dark, puffy gray and black clothing.

"One, possibly both, dows or doors. were wearing gold earrings," reported Grosse

Keith Colombo, accord- and 1:30 p.m. Thursday, ing to a witness. "One of Dec. 22, in the lower 200 the suspects ran and entered a (car) which Farms, and fled northbound on (Fisher) sidewalk."

Police requested the described and risk interfering with surveillance.

The break-in was the second of three reported this month in a blitz of the five sister suburbs.

"We're getting home vious B&E." The neighborhood is invasion after home invaone block north of the sion all around here," said Farms Detective Lt. Richard Rosati. "They seem to have the same over the Grosse Pointes.

> The shared mode of operation is breaking or prying open rear win-

Such was the case:

Allard, Farms, (reported reported in the Dec. 15 Grosse Pointe News) while two Friday, Dec. 9;

house in the 300 block of Tuesday, Dec. 20,

away between 8:30 a.m. dow."

block of

• overnight Thursday, Fisher. The other ran Dec. 22 to 23, at an occutors during the holidays, northbound on the pied house in the 200 from a first-floor den. block of Lincoln, City.

"The other crew appears to be a white male and female," Rosati said. "She was seen at and City of Grosse Pointe Shores stopped someand at least the fourth body that had a car similar to one a security camera showed on a pre-

Moran

new resident.

Stolen items range MO. They're hitting all from a bottle of chamand four steak knives.

"The house did not from the garage. have much more in it • in the 400 block of purchasing the house," ◆ at an unoccupied The living room alarm door." sensor was ripped off Moran, Farms, between the wall. A partial foot- detective dusted the Saturday, Dec. 17, and print was visible on the doorknob for fingerwood floor just inside prints. while residents were the (rear kitchen) win-

McKinley

On McKinley, behind McKinley, the trespassers' location on Fisher, burglars stole a Samsung, 86-inch flatscreen smart television

Upstairs, they rifled Two groups may be bedrooms and took an undetermined amount of jewelry.

An officer noted footprints in snow leading to and from a broken rear last week in the Farms the Allard one. The window and doorwell. Footprints also led to and from the backyards on Fisher.

Lincoln

On Lincoln between Jefferson and Maumee, The Moran victim is a a female resident awoke at 8 a.m. Friday, Dec. 23, to discover someone broke through a rear pagne in the refrigerator kitchen window and to tools, pots and pans, a took \$100 from her purse pizza maker, bath towels on a countertop and a white Piaggio Moped

"(She) said she sleeps due to the owner just upstairs and did not hear anything during the Officer night," reported City Kristofer Desmadryl. Officer Kenneth Ayers. "I "The alarm keypad was took several pictures of residents were likely up-ripped off the wall near footprints leading from stairs sleeping overnight the door on the south- the front gate to the west side of the house. backyard and the back

A Grosse Pointe Park

Neighbors saw nothing suspicious nor anyone entering or exiting the victim's home that







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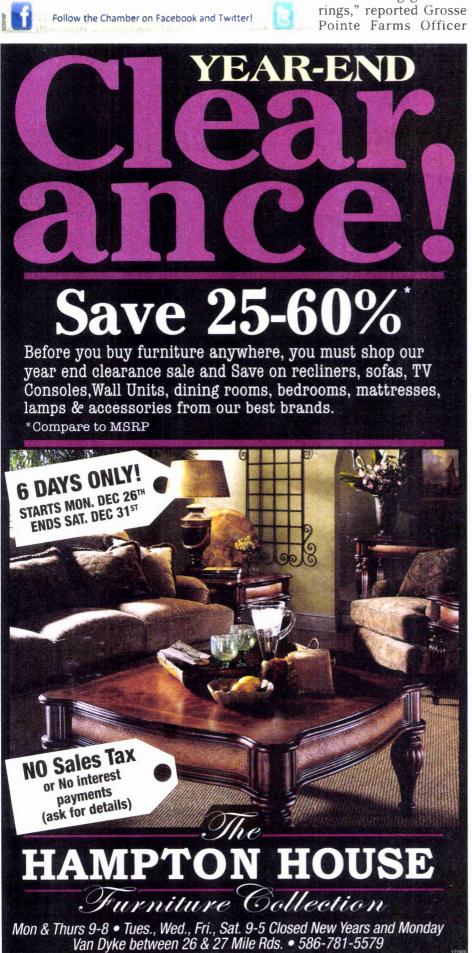
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"He seemed like he stuff." was truly hurting,' Rosati said.

he'd been in the water,' McQueen said. "He was scious."

"We found his mothhesitant."

"She's wanted for embezzlement in Troy," Rosati said. "The license auto insurance. I told Pointe Park. her, 'Look, I'm going to give you a pass. It's around that breakwall that. He was going

Christmas and your son every day, year-round, under." just went into the lake. all the time," said Chief Come pick up your car Dan Jensen. and take care of this

the man slipping while Colombo said. "I don't know how long jogging atop the breakwall.

about to be uncon-radio run of a motorist town. who observed somebody er's car in the parking near the edge," said Grosse Pointe South especially if eager — in down onto some rebar, had to do and saved a lot of St. Paul," Rosati Officer Keith Colombo. High School, Colombo the area, freezing tem- which gave him better life today," she said. said. "His mother wanted "As that motorist passed, from Mack Avenue and peratures and height of leverage. We worked as the car back, but seemed he or she looked in the Officer He thinks he knows didn't see the person writing an unrelated ini- crete breakwall make police. That's how we headquarters on Kerby. were notified."

plate comes back bad motorist is a 30-year-old "He did not talk to me decades-old breakwall the Detroit police dive because of fraudulent woman from Grosse one bit. I tried to get him crumbling with age and team assisted lugging

"There's

False rumors described looking at the water,"

The first three officers on scene converged "I heard the initial from separate parts of the water," he said.

"I saw a person in the people hand. He wasn't doing provided handholds.

McQueen jumped in without stopping to "For the most part, it's remove his jacket, bulutility belt outfitted with about 20 pounds of gear, weapons and a radio.

"I had to get him out of

McQueen diverted only about 4 1/2-feet rearview mirror and Wierszewski put aside smooth, reinforced concult.

Yet, here was one of Officers learned the water," McQueen said. many sections of to come and give me his wear. Exposed rebar the man to shore.

"I had him in one hand Sundee Harland arrived website.

and Wierszewski helped him out and then helped grabbed him and I McQueen said. pushed."

hard," "It was Wierszewski said. "He Holly Krizmanich. Although depths are was very heavy. I stood pull him up."

"We don't know who McQueen said. anymore and called tial incident report at climbing to shore diffi- he is," Colombo said at an I.D. or wallet."

An off-duty member of Colombo.

and a piece of rebar in and threw a blanket to the other while Colombo me to cover the subject,' Wierszewski reported.

"Without the help of people jogging or just let-resistant vest and me out," McQueen said. other officers, I wouldn't "Roger and Keith have been able to do it,"

> All are on the shift of recently promoted Lt.

"They were quickly on on one level. Officer the spot and went into walking on Lakeshore from patrolling near sufficient to drown, Colombo took a step action, did what they

"That's what we're Roger the sheer, normally a team, all three of us, to sworn to do: protect our city and citizens,"

"Anybody we work the time. "He didn't have with would have done the same thing," added

An earlier version of the story appeared on (Farms) Firefighter the Grosse Pointe News

PARK:

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Denner says plans for the to the nearly decade-long two stages. study the Park conducted on the feasibility of separating from the Detroit now the Great Lakes Water Authority.

t h e Tompkins remodeling the kitchen, areas.

vote, 1,120 votes to those divides. She is in serving two sentences of

comes in fourth with 192. that resulted. "Uncommitted" took 40.

Voter turnout is heavy, with 46 percent of regis-

April

procedures," Poloni says. \$15,000. Index crimes — the most severe crimes, including trator Susan Thomas is homicide, rape, robbery, named the 2016 Court biggest decline in index Association. crimes is in car thefts, with a drop from 45 in 2014 to 22 in 2015.

eighth year and showing asks voters to approve a

Swimming Association swim team finals in July. indefinitely." The remark that needs to be ready by is a follow-up to a state- Memorial Day weekend, ment Denner posted on city officials decide to do the Park's website related the resurfacing project in

◆ In the March pri- produces an Emmy afforded privileges that taking 53 percent of the citizens on both sides of the bench." Bashara is Hillary Clinton's 993 the Park to produce a life in prison without votes, or 47 percent. special on the border parole. "Uncommitted" took 18 with Detroit. "It's not like Donald Trump nearly 2 explaining she read officials voted to locate a improving

June

tered voters going to the approves ballot language its own. polls. Of the 4,469 ballots for the November eleccast, 53 percent are cast tion for four proposed for the Republican ballot changes to the city charand 47 percent Democrat. ter. Proposal one would vice committee recom- after they sustained sew-• Director Stephen sonnel; proposal two owners in the 1100 block record rainfall Sept. 29, Poloni, who took over as would change the num- of Bedford to allow them when the city was forced chief five months ago, ber of required monthly to install backflow pre- to turn off pumps. presents his depart- city council meetings venters to alleviate ment's official 2015 from two to one; proreport, which shows a 12 posal three would remove percent overall decline in references to the appointcrime from 2014. ment of supervisors to "Department members the now-defunct County continue to display dedi- Board of Supervisors; cation and commitment and proposal four would to the city and its resi- amend the city charter to dents in tracking and adjust the salary range deterring criminals and for the municipal court promoting the safety of judge from \$6,000 to the county through \$30,000. Current charter aggressive law enforce- language sets the range, ment and fire prevention with a salary cap of

 Park court adminisfelonious assault and Administrator of the Year others — are down 10 by the Michigan Court percent from 2014. The Administrators

July

◆ The city council will ◆ It's time to face a go to voters in November major project at Windmill to request a 2.75 millage Pointe Park - replacing to help offset the rising the marcite on the bot- costs of pensions for pubtom of the Olympic-size lic safety employees. The pool. Normally done proposed Headlee overevery seven years, the ride, unanimously current bottom is in its approved by council,

vear.

◆ Judge Vonda Evans several basements. issues a scathing denial to Bob Bashara's request for a new trial in the mur-Amsterdam, Holland, investigators. You were transformers.

attempted to sell the parcel through a local real-◆ The city council tor, then marketed it on

August

its age. Adding to the 15-year levy set at 1.50 flooded basements after only at the Oct. 24 city unit registrations. increasing to 2.75 mils in brought before council 2019. If approved, it on three occasions folwater plant are "on hold and an Olympic-size pool in added revenue the first the area, which caused backups of sewage in

September

der of his wife, blasting Thursday, Sept. 29, drop Bashara's contention he more than 5 inches of ◆ The city council received ineffective water in less than 12 water system, which is passes the 2016-17 bud-counsel as the reason the hours, causing the city to get and while it holds the guilty verdict should be turn off pumps which, in line on spending, it does overturned. Evans counturn, cause sewage to ◆ The Grosse Pointe not allow for an increase ters that argument in no backup into approxi-Foundation in the city's fund balance uncertain terms. "You mately 250 basements in announces renovations for the first time in three were, provided with a houses between Jefferson will begin in October on years. While there won't dream team of attorneys, and the lake. City offibe an increase in the fund two outstanding attor- cials say the decision to five ballot questions, Denner reappoints Community Center. The balance, there won't be a neys with 50 years of shut off the pumps was foundation will fund large draw down either. experience between made to protect the trans-◆ Jacqueline Maris, a them," Evans said. "You formers used to run the millage increase to pro- of Review while making as well as upgrades to the producer with Varatz were also given a jury pumps, as the water had vide for public safety, a two new appointments to bathrooms and other Public Television in consultant and private risen to the base of the

♦ Terry Solomon mary election, Bernie Award-winning series for no other defendant has retires after 25 years of two to one per month Quarles. Sanders earns a resound- Dutch television on the been provided in Wayne service as the director of ing victory in the Park, impact borders have on County in my 19 years on Parks and Recreation. She is replaced by Chad

> begin this month on dec-◆ The publicly-owned orative updates along

October

♦ Around 200 residents meet at Trombly to hear a presentation by liability attorney Philip ◆ The city's public ser- Bazzo on their options remove references to a mends the city council age backups in their merit system for city per- approve grants to home- basements following a

♦ It's standing room

urgency, the Park will mils for the first two major rainstorms. At council meeting, as more regarding the flooding.

the building.

November

◆ Residents approve proposal to change the the requirement for city and a proposal to set the amendments.

occupancy and rental sive speeding.

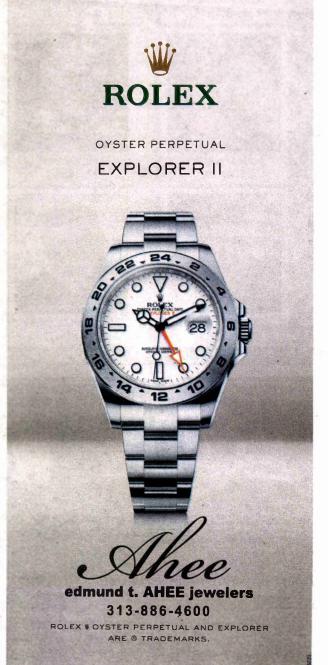
◆ Testing is being conhost the Lakefront years of the term and issue is a problem than 200 residents jam ducted on the sanitary into the Okulski Theatre sewer lines in the area to hear what city officials affected by sewage back-Park to build its own Faced with a \$70,000 bid would generate \$855,000 lowing torrential rains in have to officially say ups following torrential rains in late September. ◆ On Sunday, Oct. 30, According to City a four-alarm fire destroys Manager Dale Krajniak, a multi-use building at workers from Stantec, Mack and Nottingham, the Park's engineering • Torrential rains causing several tenants consulting firm, and city to flee from second-story employees are testing apartments. There are no the lines using a noninjuries, but questions toxic smoke blown into are raised as to whether the lines while workers the city had conducted check for smoke in proper inspections on yards, homes and manholes.

December

♦ Mayor Robert including a Headlee Margot Parker to a threeoverride in support of a year term on the Board Recreation Commission, Matthew council meetings from LaBeau and Jonathan City officials

salary for the municipal announce they will meet court judge. The other with officials from the two revise out-of-date Detroit Deparment of ◆ Work is scheduled to language in two charter Transportation to discuss alternative routes ◆ An investigation for Detroit buses using there is a wall of miles land at Mack and Mack between Maryland reveals city officials had Hampton for a turn-On the Republican and miles, but there is a Wayburn, where six and Lakepointe. The not enforced several around route, Director of side, John Kasich beats division," Maris said, months ago Park city work is the first phase in ordinances relating to Public Safety Stephen the rental units in a building Poloni is charged with to 1, getting 1,100 votes about the closing of dog park, is for sale. streetscape along the destroyed by fire in monitoring traffic flow to Trump's 638. Ted Cruz Kercheval by the Park Asking price: \$485,000. business district on October. Among the on Barrington after a resis a distant third with 296 and both the backlash According to City Mack, with at least three required documents that ident complained of nonvotes and Marco Rubio and positive dialogues Administrator Dale other phases planned as are missing are landlord compliance with posted Krajniak, the city funds become available. licenses, certificates of traffic signs and exces-





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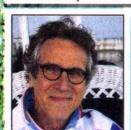
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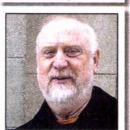
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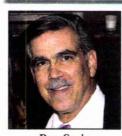
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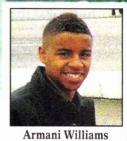
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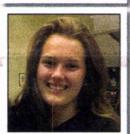
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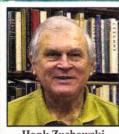
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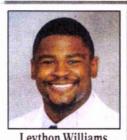
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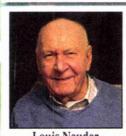
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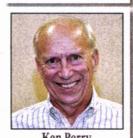
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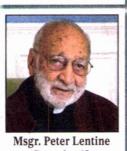
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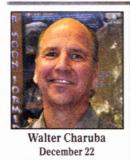
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December 8



December 15





PUBLIC SAFETY

Grosse Pointe Farms

Grinch

Sunday, Dec. 25, a woman parked her white 2007 Buick Lucerne near the lobby entrance to the BP service station at Mack and Moross.

She entered the station leaving the vehicle's driver-side window down and her purse behind.

Someone stole the purse before she knew it.

The woman, of Grosse Pointe Farms, told police her burgundy purse contained a burgundy wallet, \$50 cash, two ATM cards. two credit cards and her driver's license.

Two in one

During a traffic stop on eastbound Mack near Roland at 3:52 p.m.

Public Safety Reports

Tuesday, Dec. 20, police Around 10:15 a.m. arrested a 23-year-old about these and other female motorist and her crimes to Grosse Pointe than .17 qualifies as 19-year-old male passen- Farms Public Safety, ger, both of Eastpointe.

The officer stopped her for operating a tan 2004 Pontiac Grand Prix with Grosse Pointe Shores a defective taillight.

suspended," said the offi-

police learned. She's also enhanced penalties if rants in Eastpointe, 2004 Chevrolet K15 on Warren and Center Line.

avoid being taken into custody on an unspecified traffic charge in Eastpointe, according to police, adding a charge of obstructing justice.

-Brad Lindberg ting a curb.

Report information reported. (313) 885-2100.

"(She) admitted she is **Drunken driver**

Yes, she is, 21 times, Pointe Park man faces Shores Public Safety, wanted on traffic war- convicted of driving a southbound Lakeshore The passenger gave a with a blood alcohol level fake name, probably to more than twice the state City at peace legal maximum to operate a motor vehicle.

The man slurred, had the week before. bloodshot eyes and registered a .18 percent blood alcohol level, the officer

A percentage greater "super drunk" and carries twice the penalties of a regular drunken driving conviction.

- Brad Lindberg Report information about this and other A 22-year-old Grosse crimes to Grosse Pointe (313) 881-5500.

City of Grosse Pointe

Other than a home A patrolman pulled invasion last week on him over at 11:28 p.m. Lincoln, reported else-Tuesday, Dec. 20, near where in the Grosse the foot of Provencal for Pointe News this week, weaving the car and hit- the City of Grosse Pointe has been peaceful since

Report information Safety, (313) 886-3200.

about crime to City of -Brad Lindberg Grosse Pointe Public

DPW:

Continued from page 1A

"To help the Park with the transition from losing a highly skilled and valued long-term supervisor, the City agreed to share its new employee's services with the Park," Dame said.

"He's been with us over 30 years and does a great job," Krajniak said.

The Park can use Thomas up to 20 hours per week the first year of the agreement.

"It brings a lot of expertise to the table," said City

back is probably a compliment to him."

"During the transition period, (his) supervisory duties will be limited solely to water and sewer functions to ensure a manageable workload," Dame said.

The arrangement lets the Park retain a valued employee at around onethird the cost while grooming new supervisors.

'This gives our employees an opportunity for a learning curve while Pat transitions," Krajniak said.

The City and Park also agreed this month to share Mayor Dale Scrace. Park City Forester Brian "Krajniak and (Park Colter. They already share Mayor Robert) Denner Public Safety Director reaching out to reel him Stephen Poloni.



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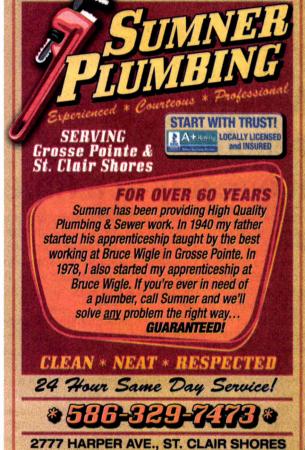
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I SAY By Mary Anne Brush

My new year's resolution: Take it one day at a time

My father used to tell an apocryphal story about a farmer legendary in his county for his superhuman strength. According to the tale, he could lift a cow. How was this feat possible? Each day he would go out to the barn to pick up a calf, beginning when it was a day old. By the time the calf was full grown, he was holding a cow.

The moral of this story is no accomplishment happens overnight. This reminder struck me as particularly appropriate this time of year as many of us decide on our new year's resolutions. Ringing in the new year is meant to be a time of joy, celebration and anticipation. Events outside our control may make us apprehensive about what lies ahead, however, or regretful about events of the past year. Maybe things did not transpire as we had hoped or dreamed. New year's resolutions offer us a clean slate.

The problem, however, is follow-through. I am so guilty of this, my resolution last year was to not make any resolutions. So for 2017, I offer this reminder.

Marathons are run in steps, not miles. Books are written page by page; music is composed note by note. If you are looking to lose weight, recognize you didn't gain those pounds in a day. If you have a daunting task ahead of you - a major project due at work, an exam to pass, a long-term home improvement undertaking — remember to break it down into bite-sized, manageable pieces. Baby steps get you as far, with time, as giant leaps. As my daughter's college soccer coach told her when she was overwhelmed by a grueling workout schedule stretched out over months, take it one day at a time.

I think the reason most resolutions for the year are abandoned by February is because people are too ambitious. Maybe this year I will commit to 12 things I hope to have done by the end of the year. Or I will pick one small daily task that, in 365 days, accumulates to an achieved milestone. A small, attainable goal leads to a sense of accomplishment; lofty, less achievable goals often result in failure.

So I may not publish that novel this year or go on that trip to Iceland or join a gym. But I may write in a daily journal, set aside money each month for a dream vacation or put a daily workout app on my phone. I may, as my friend Suzy suggests in her "Just One Thing" calendar — check it out on happygo luckygirl.me — focus on one thing each day to "nudge (me) toward greater health, happiness and well-being.

After all, Rome wasn't built in a day. So if your goal is to pick up that proverbial cow, start with a day-old calf and one day — maybe even by next year — you may surprise yourself.

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PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT you a serene and peace-filled new year.



Pure Grosse Pointe

These photos were taken at dusk along the 200 block of Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Farms Sunday, Dec. 18. We wish

OUR VIEW

So long, 2016

What a year.

The Grosse Pointes saw many changes in 2016, as well as celebrations and accolades.

The Family Center celebrated its 15th anniversary and the Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society celebrated 20 years of service to the community. edmund t. AHEE jewelers hit the 70-year mark and patrons to the Edsel and Eleanor Ford House celebrated the 100th wedding anniversary of its namesake couple.

The Grosse Pointe Public Library's Central branch got an extensive overhaul and welcomed a new executive director after the retirement of longtime director Vickey Bloom.

The community wrapped its arms around GP, a trainee with Guardian Angels Medical Service Dogs to the many changes of 2017.

sponsored largely by the Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors, with donations from The War Memorial and individual donors.

Speaking of The War Memorial, recently it announced its intention to revamp its theater into The Patriot Cinema, inviting the community to enjoy blockbusters, film festivals and other curated movies to the big screen. The historic building also opened its doors to the Grosse Pointe Artists Association, welcoming the organization with exhibition and instruction space.

The Grosse Pointe Historical Society purchased a new building and plans to renovate before moving its collections and administrative offices across the street.

The Ford House also has renovation plans in store, as it recently announced its intentions to rebuild its visitor center and construct an administration building on the historic property.

Yes, a lot has happened in 2016 and we look forward

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A great experience

As a supporter of the Services for Older Citizens organization, it recently dawned on me that I was a member of these older citizens. With opportunity to make an very quickly. appointment with the a great experience to have an extremely knowledgeable staff member show me an alternate Medigap plan that will reduce my 2017

amount. Best wishes to all of the staff members

> MICHAEL DISSER Grosse Pointe Farms

GP update

(Here are) recent phothat in mind, I took the tos of GP. He has grown

GP is 8 months old. He Medicare loves nothing more than Counseling Team. What attention. He will be forever once he is paired. As you can see from his photos, he doesn't mind doing his "down stay" in tight situations and he costs by a significant loves riding in the golf

ready to love someone cart. We use the golf cart while wearing his leash, to desensitize the dogs to motion, noise and vibrations. GP is ready to do

> what is asked of him. He is still working on all of his basic skills

collar and vest.

MARY JO BRANDT Guardian Angels Medical Service Dogs Inc., Director of Donor Relations

GUEST OPINION By Barbara Weltman

10 things to do by Dec. 31 to cut your 2016 tax bill

The holiday season is in full swing and you're probably in a If you itemize, you can deduct party-planning frenzy right now. amounts charged this year or The last thing on your mind? Taxes. For most people, sparing a thought for the upcoming tax season is the ultimate "bah humbug." But this mindset could cost you big when April 15 rolls around.

There are some simple steps you of the year, that can make a big dent in your tax burden. It's crazy people miss so many opportunities to save money just because they're disorganized or have procrastination issues.

2017" is written to help the average taxpayer successfully navigate new deductions and credits — it provides clear, plain-English explanations that help readers what taxpayers owe.

So start checking off this end-ofthe-year tax-relief list:

1. Make charitable contributions if you're an itemizer. Charging gifts by credit card or mailing a check before the end of the year tion deduction for 2016.

checks mailed before the end of older, 2016 is the last year for a 7.5 percent adjusted gross income threshold. It's set to go to 10 percent of AGI next year.

3. Take your required minimum IRAs and qualified retirement plans but fail to do so face a 50 percent penalty. Those 70 1/2 and older can transfer from an IRA up J.K. Lasser's "Your Income Tax charity; it satisfies the RMD and is future can mean big savings. tax-free.

the filing process. With full cover- a medical FSA or dependent care period or any carryover.

5. Check eligibility for making a decipher the tax code and reduce contribution to a health savings account. As long as you're covered by a high-deductible health plan for all of December and continue took the initiative. in such plan, you can make a full for 2016; no itemizing is required.

Losses can offset gains and then man.com.

2. Pay outstanding medical bills. up to \$3,000 of ordinary income; excess losses can be carried over. Watch the wash sale rule.

7. Maximize your retirement the year. For those age 65 and savings. Check with your employer about contributing to your company plan. The maximum 401(k) contribution is \$18,000, or \$24,000 if age 50 or older.

8. Prepay college tuition for a can take right now, before the end distribution. Those who are semester starting in the first three required to take distributions from months of 2017. This will allow you to claim an education credit on your 2016 return.

9. Discuss deferred compensation arrangements for year-end to \$100,000 directly to a public bonuses. Lower tax rates in the

10. Increase tax payments to 4. Use up your FSAs. If you have cover anticipated taxes. This can be done by asking an employer to age of all changes and adjust- FSA at work, use up your 2016 take a lump sum from the final ments to the tax laws — including contributions. For a medical FSA, paycheck or make/increase the check whether you have a grace final estimated tax payment in January.

Do as many of these steps as you can right now. When April 15 rolls around — and it will be here before you know it — you'll be glad you

Weltman, J.K. Lasser's spokesyear tax-deductible contribution person, hosts the radio show "Business Leader Radio" on ws 6. Take losses on securities. The radio.com. Barbara may be nails down a charitable contribu- stock market is open Dec. 30. reached at barbara@barbarawelt-

NEWS

SHORES: Continued from page 2A

Dearborn who wrecked and nearly bled to death last summer Lakeshore.

"(The cyclist's) family retained an attorney claiming our officers 'ran him off the road,' a claim clearly unfounded based on scout car video," said ments to the Osius Park John Schulte, Shores main entrance and tennis expect it will cost slightly extend the enforcement public safety director. (The cyclist) was found guilty (of reckless driving) and we have not heard back from the law firm."

April

◆ Gas service is maintained while DTE Energy contractors continue replacing underground iron distribution pipes mission while Claudia Lakeshore sewer. with plastic ones, except Haouilou has a tale to for the short time required to make the final connection per house.

in some Grosse Pointe derby at Osius Park. public school taps and drinking fountains doesn't imply similar problems with the municipal water system, according to Shores officials.

Years of drawing water at eight residential locations throughout the city consistently turn up samples within thresholds dated by the Michigan deemed safe by the Department Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.

"We've been well below limits every year," said DPW Director Smith.

May

◆ Most residents responding to a citizen satisfaction survey want municipal officials to produce a monthly email newsletter.

◆ An extra \$262,000 for park improvements comes from a 1-mil property tax increase scheduled to expire in one year.

Members of the city council approve the increase while passing the budget for fiscal year 2016-17, starting July 1.

◆ A 6 percent water rate increase announced this month becomes effective in summer.

June

◆ Next fiscal year's general fund budget totals approximately \$6.2 million.

The rainy day fund totals about \$1.3 million and exceeds the 20 percent threshold of the general fund recommended by auditors.

♦ This is the 14th consecutive year the Shores wins a Tree City USA award, confirmation of tree stewardship from the Arbor Foundation.

◆ Councilman Bisballe has a burr under his saddle about the slow pace of federal contractors installing new traffic signals at the intersection of Lakeshore and Vernier.

He called it a "government boondoggle" and compared crews doing the work to bureaucratic snafus causing long lines at airport security coun-

July

♦ While boaters on Lake St. Clair navigate the highest water levels in two decades, municipal officials enjoy a marina filled nearly to the brim.

Only six of 133 wells at Osius Park are empty, according to Councilman Robert Barrette, chairman of the parks and harbor committee.

• Representatives of the Shores and Grosse

buy a \$43,000 weed- attorney. scooping watercraft to clear their facilities of de- car show is at Osius Park. bris.

\$12,000, according to to either rebuild four de-Wollenweber.

August

◆ Proposed improve-\$262,000 baseline budget generated by a one-year, 1-mil tax levy.

Expansion of the swimming pool is deemed than half that amount. financially out of reach.

◆ Nolan Allaer gets out of the gate early in this Shores fishing derby.

most and biggest fish, ups. ◆ Lead contamination respectively, during the

September

must fund a \$20,000 engineering study of its drinkcontaminated with lead.

"That's being man-

◆ An inaugural classic

 Engineering specifi-The Shores's share is cations are being drafted north of Vernier say their Manager crepit tennis courts at ed by pleasure boaters anthem and construct new ones at a different location in the park.

build new courts at a new location plus raze the existing ones. Rebuilding existing courts costs less

October

◆ A \$180,000 low-bid Ryker Mazey is on a to survey and clean the road improvement plan.

by sediment and debris,

◆ Two large American elm trees on Lakeshore between Vernier and the entrance to Osius Park ◆ Grosse Pointe Shores are dying of Dutch elm disease.

 Advocates of governing water system re- ment-run healthcare quired by state officials won't help their cause by with reputations scuttled crediting the Lakeshoreby Flint's water becoming Vernier traffic signal project as an example of government efficiency.

> "We want them to of explain why it takes a

Councilman Bisballe.

November

◆ Lakeside residents peace and quiet are invad-Osius Park or demolish chored offshore blasting music and making noise far into the night.

Consulting engineers lack of authority to ation centers on their opposition. courts are limited by a more than \$300,000 to of noise and nuisance ordinances onto Lake St. Clair.

> "That's a navigable said. "Therefore, jurisdic-their plans go well city." tion of it falls under the federal government."

◆ Members of the fiyear's Grosse Pointe contract, including engi- nance committee begin neering costs, is approved mapping a three-year

 Installation crews for Portions are restricted Wide Open West are wiring the city for cable TV, They catch the first, raising potential for back- Internet and phone ser-

December

Municipal auditors

Pointe Yacht Club, which Environmental Quality," year for someone to put a tally the city's highest enough to start conserves of the decade.

> gest position we've been cades. in a long time," said Councilman Bisballe.

tle sea of municipal regu- gle-family houses. lation to proceed with construction of separate grounds at the foot of National Register of Historic Places in 2015.

◆ A group of homebody of water," Kedzierski town developers hope the best interests of the

share marinas, jointly said Brian Renaud, city traffic signal up," said level of financial re- struction next year of the Grosse Pointes' first "We're in the stron- new subdivision in de-

They propose replacing a vacant, 8-acre ◆ Grosse Pointe Yacht estate at 55 South Club officials part a gen- Deeplands with 19 sin-

Some neighboring residents form a limited Municipal officials cite sailing and family recre- liability company in

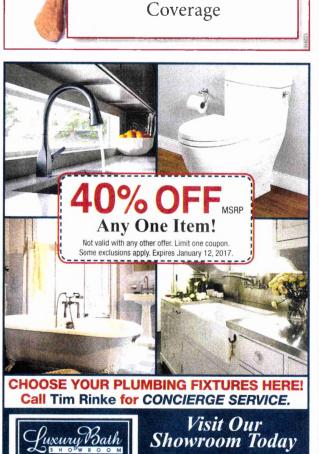
> "The city's concerned Vernier, added to the about density so it fits in with the neighborhood," said Mayor Kedzierski. "The decision will be in











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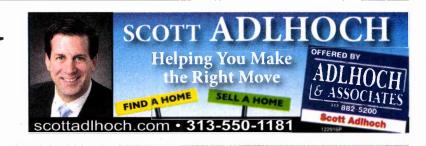


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Vanessa Johnson

To answer questions more thoughtfully and to find a place to volunteer.





Axel Cooper To work hard and earn enough money to buy a Gibson Les Paul guitar.



What's your new year's resolution?

Answers from Ferry Elementary School, Grosse Pointe South High School and Grosse Pointe Academy students.

Elliott Gunnell

To be more open minded, be spontaneous, tell better stories and listen to what people have to say.



Maddie Pflaum

To be more organized and be a leader for younger kids.



To try to stop being so short tempered and to remember to be more grateful.



Neil Murphy

To make my bed every morning and do my homework right after school.



Angel Jones

To do more community service and teach people to be kinder to animals.





Elizabeth Kendrick To do my best and not do things halfway.

Photos by Renee Landuyt

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- Wednesday, Jan. 4, Grosse Pointe Memorial Grosse Pointe Farms.

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GPAA

a.m. Friday, Dec. 30, at a drawing and painting Christ the King Lutheran studio with Edward Duff Tuesdays, Jan. 3 to 31.

The GPAA's exhibit, "Joy and Wonder," is Thursday, Dec. 29, Pointe Jan. 6, at the Grosse Fitness, 19556 Harper, Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe ◆ 1:30 to 7:30 p.m. Farms. It features 55 pieces from 26 artists.

exhibition is planned Feb. 6 to March 3. Call (313) 881-3454 or visit grosse pointeartcenter.org.

Ecumenical Breakfast

Shores. Cost is \$49 and Men's Ecumenical Clair Shores. Ninetyincludes yoga, meditation Breakfast meets 7:45 a.m. minute classes range and answers to questions. Friday, Jan. 6, at Grosse from Absolute Beginner Fronczak is visiting from Pointe Memorial Church, to Advanced. The semes-16 Lakeshore, Grosse ter is 10 weeks and tuition itates a retreat center. Pointe Farms. John Prost is \$115. Visit afgrosse Call Marla Ruhana at of WMTV speaks. pointe.org. Reservations are not

required; all are welcome. Breakfast is \$7. Call (313) 882-5330.

Alliance Française

The Alliance Française The Grosse Pointe de Grosse Pointe hosts International meets 7 Artists Association offers the Galette des Rois at 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 7, at the Grosse Pointe Public Church, 20338 Mack, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Library Ewald branch, 15175 E. Jefferson. Duff assists students on Grosse Pointe Park. This current drawings and family-oriented event celpaintings. Register at ebrates Epiphany, the day grossepointeartcenter. when the three kings visited the baby Jesus. It includes a viewing of a family-friendly film in ♦ 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. shown through Friday, French with English subtitles and sharing French members, \$12 for nonmembers, and reservations are accepted The GPAA is accepting through Jan. 2. Checks, Church, 16 Lakeshore, works for its "Domestic payable to "Alliance Interiors" exhibit through Française de Grosse Wednesday, Jan. 18. The Pointe," may be sent to Christiane Stein, 23009 Maxine, St. Clair Shores, MI 48080. Visit afgrosse pointe.org.

> The winter semester of French classes begins Pensacola, Fla. Jan. 9, at Assumption The Grosse Pointe Cultural Center in St.

DSO

The Detroit Symphony Orchestra presents the music of Beethoven and Schubert, featuring conand violinist Benjamin Beilman, 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 8, at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church, 467 Fairford, Grosse Pointe Woods. Tickets are \$25. Visit dso.org or call (313) 576-5111.



cake. Tickets are \$10 for From left, Dena Testa, Louise Wright, Robin Linzell, Linda Turek and Chuck Wright pose with their mother, Jan Wright.

Happy 100th!

Jan Wright, nee Janice Mae Horne, She eventually returned to her birthturned 100 years old Dec. 21. Three days prior, she celebrated her milestone birthday with family and friends 10 grandchildren and 13 great-grandat the Homestead Restaurant in children. She attributes her longevity

most of her adult life in Grosse Pointe effort," and at the same time, she mainwith her husband, Charles Wright III. tains her wonderful sense of humor.

place after Charlie passed away.

Wright has four daughters, one son, to following the rule of everything in Born in Pensacola, Wright spent moderation. Her mantra is, "Life is an

Pointer awarded for outstandingvolunteerism

Grosse Pointe recently Heather Higginbottom tional volunteer service received the U.S. highlighted the winners' to their communities, ductor Daniel Blendulf | Secretary of State Award service and presented mission or host country, Volunteerism Abroad at mony. the Department of State.

SOSA awards recog-She was among seven nize U.S. government winners who received employees, family memthe award at a ceremony bers and other house-Department of State. embassies and consul-

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Miriam Engstrom of Deputy Secretary ates who perform excep-Outstanding the awards at the cere- or render outstanding assistance in emergen-

Engstrom, SOSA winner for the Bureau of European and Eurasian 10, at the hold members at Affairs, runs a theater program and a weekly counseling session for refugee women and recently established a free tutoring program. Her weekly counseling and stress-relief group for Iraqi, Afghan and Iranian refugee women has helped some of those women overcome clinical depression, seek adequate medical care for their children, get access to Turkish lessons and much more.

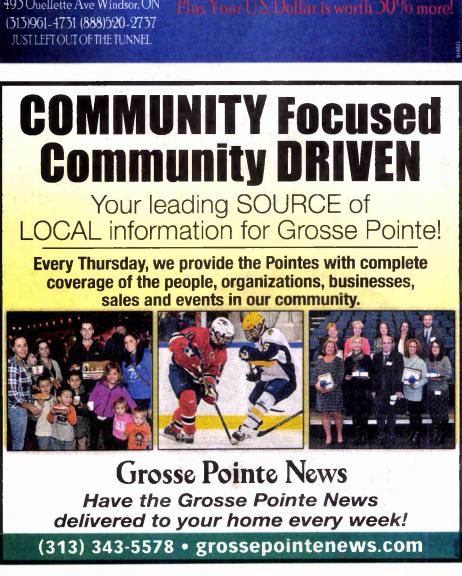
Engstrom also helps refugees build sustainable home-based businesses using their knitting skills and other artistic abilities. Through book donations, she established a book-lending library for refugees in their neigh-

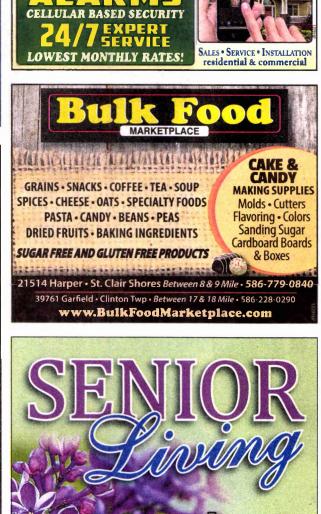
borhood. In addition to her counseling group, every year for the past three years, Engstrom has organized and staged the performance of multiple theatrical events, all of which are performed by volunteers, the majority of whom are family members of the embassy. All the performances are themed around women, their rights and roles in society. During her three years in Turkey, Engstrom has planned more than 10 performances, each to hundreds of guests, and raised thousands of dollars for local women's charities.

She also established the group Refugees Learning Online English. ROLE is an English tutorial program for refugees who want to practice their English via SKYPE with native English-speaking volunteers.

For additional information on the accomplishments of recent recipients, visit aafsw. org/awards-scholar ships/sosa/.







January 5

Grosse Pointe News

COMMUNITY

Pointe Fitness hosted a Dance and **Donate** event, raising more than \$600 for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

COURTESY

Fundraiser benefits St. Jude

Pointe Fitness hosted a Dance and helping others, so this is the perfect Donate event last month that raised \$610 for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

For a \$5 donation, members and nonmembers danced in a one-hour Zumba class led by Pointe Fitness instructors Jenna Simon and Eddie Elliott.

"I've been with the gym since it opened," said Wilhemina Giblin, adding having the fundraiser during her regular Saturday morning Zumba class was an extra benefit.

Other participants were non-members, visiting Pointe Fitness just to participate in Dance and Donate.

"I found out about it on Facebook." said Audrey Roberts, a physician at St. John Hospital & Medical Center in Detroit. "I love to stay active and I love afford care and treatment."

event.'

More than \$450 was raised the day of the event with additional funds being donated throughout the week after the

"St. Jude Children's Hospital is the organization that I personally donate to every year around Christmas," Simon said. "I have done this ever since I was a kid and I plan on continuing. The inspiration to donate there comes from my mom. No one should have to deal with cancer, let alone children. The children of St. Jude are so brave and they, along with their families, deserve all the support they can get. The donations are a huge help for families that are uninsured or otherwise cannot

End-of-year donations help Hospice patients, families

Michigan Foundation care and hospice and palliative care for the uninas well as grief support services for children and

Hospice of Michigan will benefit patients and families that reside within the donor's community area, unless otherwise noted. Supporters may choose which location around the state they would like to designate their contribution.

Every donation to the Hospice of Michigan Foundation makes an impact to patients and families served by the nonprofit organization. For example, a contribution of \$50 helps provide oxygen and medical equipment to a hospice patient for 10 days or five days worth of medication. A donation of \$100 helps provide medication for 10 days or a home care visit from a hospice aide, social worker, spiritual care advisor or a reg-

"Hospice of Michigan with their loved ones." accepts end-of-year relies on community supdonations to benefit port in order to provide deduction, donations Hospice of Michigan exceptional care and must be postmarked or patients and their fami-unique services to our received lies. A tax-deductible patients and their fami- Saturday, Dec. 31. To contribution allows the lies," said Marcie Hilary, make a tax-deductible organization to continue vice president, chief donation, visit hom.org, to offer services that development officer for call (800) 669-9335 or include pediatric hospice Hospice of Michigan. "A mail a check, payable to gift during this giving The Hospice of Michigan season will allow patients Foundation, to 989 sured and underinsured, and their families the Spaulding SE, Ada, MI will keep your child opportunity to make the 49301.

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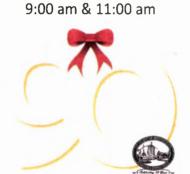
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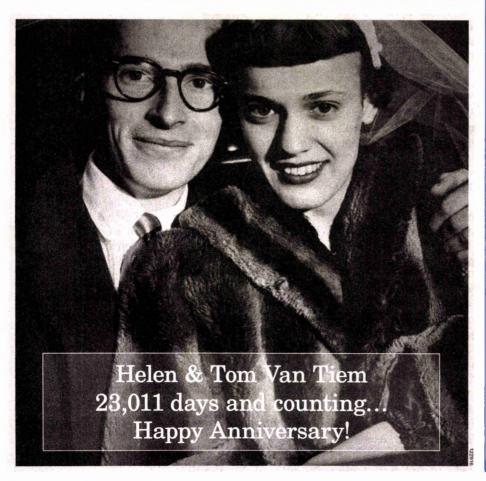
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Saturday, December 31, 2016 4:00 pm

NEW YEAR'S DAY

Sunday, January 1, 2017





Avoiding cold-weather injury

Q: What can I do to protect my child from cold-weather risks or [a] injury?

A: Parents need to understand the ways in which the body loses heat and limit the amount of time a child is out in the cold, wet or windy weather, especially as children may not be aware of cold temperatures. Hypothermia, dehydration, eye injuries and frostbite all are potential risks for children in the cold. Exposure in certain areas of the body and too much time outside in the cold and wind can result in hypothermia; dehydration can occur when breathing dry, cold air for prolonged periods; eyes can be injured by excessive cold, wind and bright, snowy environments; frostbite is especially worrisome for areas that become wet due to perspiration or wet clothing. Children often continue to play even when their clothing is frozen and stiff. Doing so puts the tips of their nose, ears, fingers and toes especially at risk.

Dress children appropriately for the weather conditions by remembering the acronym, COLD:

- ◆ Cover your child's head, neck and face as much as possible since a lot of heat loss can occur in these areas. Apply lip protection.
- ◆ Overexertion can cause your child to sweat and chill more quickly. Sweating causes clothing to become damp and increases heat loss.
- ◆ Layers of clothing

warm and protect your kets. Seek medical care. child best against wind and cold conditions.

Keeping your child dry with waterproof clothing reduces heat loss.

clothing feels wet. Make sure they know that tingling, burning or numb feelings of any body part is bad and they must come inside to warm up. Teach children to avoid touching cold metal. Cold is transmitted more easincreases the risk of cold injury, like frostbite.

If you think your child might have frostbite (signs are intense color changes of exposed skin, very red, blue, yellow or very pale; doughy thick feeling to the affected area; itching/burning sensations; decreased massage, shake or apply 48236.

pressure to the area as that may damage tissue further. Place the affected area next to warm body heat or wrap in blan-

Jeanne Lewandowski ◆ Dry is key in pre- M.D., is the chief of pediventing cold injury. atrics at Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe. She may be reached at (313)473-1000. Always insist they Beaumont Hospital, come inside when their Grosse Pointe is a member of The Family Center's Association Professionals.

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Jean L. **Squiers**

20, 2016.

Born Dec. 18, 1917, in 0070. Detroit, Jean was the beloved wife of the late martinson.info. Charles; loving mother of Ken Squiers (Susan) and Christine Gillies (Russell Lubliner); dear grandmother of Marc Squiers (Chizuki), Lindsay and Asher.

held.

For information, con-Funeral Home at (847) 381-3411.

davenportfamily.com.

James Wilson Robinson Jr.

James Wilson Robinson Jr. "Robbie", 96, of Suttons Hall, an early settler of Bay, formerly of Grosse Grosse Pointe, and A. Friday, Nov. 18, 2016, at ancestors had settled in society.org. home surrounded by his Canada and in the Detroit loving family.

30, 1920, in Mt. Pleasant, Road in Grosse Pointe Pa., to James Robinson Sr. Farms still bears the fam-Grace McFadden) Robinson. On at St. Paul on the Lake April 27, 1946, in Catholic Church was Hopedale, Mass., he mar- given by Mr. Lewis' ried Marjorie F. "Midge" maternal great-grand-Eckles, who predeceased mother (T.P.'s wife), him Feb. 15, 2012.

Detroit area where he child. founded his manufacturment to Suttons Bay.

was lifelong and passed ors. on to his family. He was a Georgian Bay.

at the Otsego Ski Club Lewis' graduation and and he enjoyed a good commissioning, the Army round of golf. He loved deferred his active duty year-round grilling, a cold for an additional aca-Stroh's and watching the demic degree. Detroit Red Wings and

children;

son, James W. "Jay"

ter, Gwen Irene Wood. Private family services then immigration law.

were held.

Donations may be made missed. to Suttons Bay/Bingham Jean L. Squiers (nee Twp. Fire & Rescue, P.O. Bennett), 99, of Lake Box 280, Suttons Bay, MI than 46 years, Gretchen Barrington, passed away 49682 or PT Boats, Inc., Lewis; daughters, peacefully Tuesday, Dec. P.O. Box 38070, Jennifer Lewis-David Germantown, TN 38183-

Alexander Ingersoll Lewis III

Pearson (Lindell) and Farms resident Alexander Lisa Gillies and great- Ingersoll Lewis III, 70, grandmother of Mari, died Sunday, Dec. 18, Risa, Jaxon, Jett, Parker 2016, from lung disease at his sister, Barbara Lewis the Greater Baltimore Fowler. Private services will be Medical Center in Towson, Md.

tact Davenport Family Sandy, as he was known, grew up in Grosse Pointe Farms, though he settled Share a memory at in the Baltimore suburb of Towson after marrying Saturday, Jan. 7, 2017. Gretchen Lundgren Aug. 8, 1970.

of Marie Tennant Fuger com. Lewis, granddaughter of Theodore Parsons "T.P." area prior to the French Robbie was born Oct. and Indian War. Lewiston (nee ily's name. The main altar Alexandrine Godfroy As a young man, Robbie Hall; the stained glass served his nation during windows behind the main her life in the Grosse settled in the greater Lewis' father lived as a her and her family

which he earned a juris Robbie's love of sailing doctor degree with hon-

Bayview Yacht Club and degree in history and sailed numerous Port international relations, he Huron to Mackinac Island was commissioned a 2nd races — earning the hon-lieutenant in the U.S. Grosse Pointe via the great-grandfather's (Lt. North Channel and Col. W. Frederick Fuger)

school, Mr. Lewis interned Robbie is survived by at Venable, Baetjer & his children, Carol Howard in Baltimore. Robinson, Caryn Leighton Upon completion of his nephews, cousins and (Gary) and Constance Army active duty obliga-Rapp (Jeff); seven grand- tion in the Adjutant ceased by her parents, children; 10 great-grand- General Branch at Fort Alan and Mary Devine, two Benjamin Harrison, Ind., and brother, Alan Devine great-great-grandchil- he began his law career III. dren; sister, Carolyn as an associate at Venable. Wentworth (Russell) and Apart from a two-year held Dec. 27 at St. Detroit Institute of Arts thanks Vitas Innovative 12, 2017, at Grosse Pointe many nieces and neph- leave of absence to serve Malachy Catholic Church for over 50 years, making Hospice Care of Florida, as an assistant attorney In addition to his wife, general of Maryland, Mr. Private interment will volunteer to date. Kay's Yvonne Watson for their Pointe Farms. he was predeceased by his Lewis' entire legal career daughter, Cheryl; son-in- was with Venable. He Chapel Cemetery, Trov. law, Michael Springstead; began in litigation, then changed to estates and to the Heartland Hospice Mexico, Great Britain, by those who knew her. Robinson III; grandson, trusts, with a focus on Memorial Fund at heart- Europe, the Middle East, Erich Springstead and sis- state and federal death landhospicefund.org. tax ramifications, and

He will be profoundly

Mr. Lewis is survived by his loving wife of more (Rajesh David), Katherine Lewis and Elisabeth Share a memory at Glynn (James); son, Alexander I. Lewis IV (Tara) and adoring grandchildren, James Glynn Jr., Marissa Glynn, Alexander I. Lewis V and Lillian Lewis. He also is survived Former Grosse Pointe by his sister, Elizabeth Lewis Crowell and eight nephews and nieces.

He was predeceased by

A devout man, Sandy for 50 years was a parish-Born April 10, 1946, ioner of the Church of the Sonja Maria Scott Immaculate Conception, 200 Ware Ave., Towson, Md., where a memorial Mass will be held at noon For more information on Mr. Lewis was the son visit ruckfuneralhomes.

Donations may be made to Catholic Relief Services at crs.org or the Humane Society of the Pointe, passed away Ingersoll Lewis Jr., whose United States at humane

Diane **Devine**

Diane Devine, 56, loving, gentle, smart and compassionate mom, sis-Wednesday, Dec. 21, 2016. Diane spent much of throughout life. Blessed Mr. Lewis attended with enormous gumption, ing rep company, The Portsmouth Priory in she was fearless, strong-Robbie Robinson Co. Portsmouth, R.I., the willed and an extremely They later moved to Johns Hopkins University intelligent woman. raised their five children University of Pennsyl- ing, her love of playful pranks continually kept

her friends in high spirits. at her son's home in their mom, but also their Diane was a social While at Johns Hopkins worker, serving the charter member of the pursuing a bachelor's Harper Woods District to friends, was born July mother or chaperone and was shipped to the Schools at Tyrone and 21, 1925, in Detroit, the school trips. She happily South Pacific, where he Beacon Elementary schools for many years. She also spent several Atkinson. She graduated Scout meetings, horse- two and a half years. ored "Old Goat" status. Army, having completed years at the Northeast from Grosse Pointe High back riding lessons, After the races, he enjoyed ROTC. The Lewis family Guidance Center and the School in 1942 and the camping trips and just with Marion Mannino: cruising with his wife and tradition of serving in the Judson Center. She University of Michigan in about anywhere they Sue, Jan, Patti (deceased), children back home to military began with his earned her undergraduate degree from Arizona State University and her mas-Army service during the ter's degree in social work heart, John MacKay; they them to museums, the and has been a loving Robbie also loved to ski Civil War. Following Mr. from Wayne State were married more than theater and concerts, and stepfather to her children, University.

She will be missed

dearly. During summers in law ters, Denise Ward-Rayl library science and began Mackinac Island, Belle Hoard (David) and Sandy Watson and many nieces. friends. She was prede-

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James W. Robinson Jr.



Sonja Maria Scott

the service and visitation, away Tuesday, Dec. 13, 2016.

service will be 11 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 29, at St. Joseph Oratory, 1828 Jay Street, Detroit. The family out the United States to at his home. hour is at 10 a.m. and visit an outstanding pri-Michael Stein will offici- member and officer of the

Michael Ellison. In lieu of flowers, dona- monthly newsletter. tions may be made to The Μ. Sonja Scholarship Fund, P.O. ter, cousin and friend, Box 44212, Detroit, MI died peacefully at Arden 48244-0212. The Sonja M. to The Miami Project to collecting antiques and World War II in the U.S. altar were given by Mr. Pointe and Harper Woods scholarship appropria- ily cottage on Lake coach. Navy as a chief quarter- Lewis' great-grandfa- communities, graduating tions to inner city youth at Arrowhead in northern master. He saw action in ther's family. St. Paul's in 1978 from Our Lady Grosse Pointe Academy, Michigan. She was a Vallecorsa, Italy, a small the Pacific Theater, sur- present parish hall was Star of the Sea in Grosse Cranbrook Kingswood friend to all animals, espe- village near Rome. He viving on the famed PT part of the original Pointe Woods. Her and New Metro National cially dogs. Boats. After his service, Alexander Lewis Grosse Catholic education and Association of Business

Evabelle Kathryn MacKay

Evabelle Kathryn fully Friday, Dec. 23, 2016,

Coconut Creek, Fla. only child of Wilbur and Theo (nee Shuman) 57 years when John made passed away in 2004. In Christmas and other holison, Adam Devine; sis- with a master's degree in frequent trips to BobLo, dren. books at Gale Research in Detroit Zoo. Detroit.

visited almost every U.S. assistance. Donations may be made state and traveled to Share a memory at many times. An avid book Michigan Humane



Alexander I. Lewis III



Evabelle Kathryn MacKay Paris DiSanto

Hatter Books in 1980 and mane.org or the Detroit while amassing an Sonja M. Scott passed impressive book collection of her own. She was an active member of the A Celebration of Life Fellowship of American Bibliophilic Societies and enjoyed traveling with them every year through-

> Scott bridge club, entertaining friends and family, spend-

Midge and Robbie first Pointe home where Mr. faith were important to and Professional Women. self-published a book 6 to join his father, detailing the 19th and Vincenzo, who was direc-20th century used book tor of roads and railways. trade in Detroit, which is He learned English regarded by Michigan quickly with the help of bibliophiles.

Lachlan; she was not only guard.

Kay was a member of daughter, Susan (Zoran owner before retiring. He the Grand Marais chapter Pazameta; the late Peter was active in Rotary, St. of the Questers more than Field); son, Lachlan (Troy Joan of Arc Catholic 50 years and a lifetime Blevins), many cousins Church and Grosse Pointe member of the AAUW. and friends, the Bowman She volunteered for the family, and her beloved A funeral Mass was Founders' Society at the dog, Lucy. Kay's family in Sterling Heights. her their longest-serving team 156, and caregiver, 240 Chalfonte, Grosse take place at White passion was traveling; she kind and compassionate

Far East and Australia in Kay's memory to the Road, Holly. collector, Kay started Mad Society at michiganhu



Diane Devine



participated in book fairs Public Library at throughout the Midwest dplfriendsfoundation.org.

Paris DiSanto

Paris DiSanto, 96, passed away peacefully Saturday, Dec. 10, 2016,

Paris had many titles: Delta Sigma Theta at vate book collection or father of seven, stepfather 10:30 a.m. The Rev. Canon library. As a longtime of three, beloved husband of Carol LaChiusa, naval ate, along with Mr. Book Club of Detroit, she officer, realtor of the year, took pride in editing their co-founder of Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors, Kay also enjoyed her president of Johnstone & Johnstone Realty, Michigan gold medal ing time at the Detroit gymnast and star basket-Boat Club, gardening, the ball player at Wayne State Courts of Livonia Scott Scholarship Fund theater, sailing on Lake University, where he annually provides support St. Clair, reading, writing, received a master's degree, became athletic Cure Paralysis, as well as spending time at the fam-director and assistant

Paris was born in traveled to Detroit with In 2010 she wrote and his mother, Cesira, at age mentors at the YMCA Above all, Kay's great- where he became an all Grosse Pointe, where they in Baltimore and the Always smiling and danc- MacKay, an 80-year resi- est joy was spending time around athlete — gymdent of Grosse Pointe with her children, daugh- nast, baseball pitcher, and lived until his retire- vania Law School, from mischief and friendly Park, passed away peace- ter, Susan and son, swimmer and basketball

Following the bombing best friend. She was first of Pearl Harbor, he Kay, as she was known to volunteer as room enlisted in the U.S. Navy transported carloads of commanded airfields in kids to Boy Scout and Girl the Admiralty Islands for

He had seven children 1946 with a journalism needed to go. She trav- Dody, Jim, Anne and degree. In 1948 Kay mar- eled the world with her Christine. In 1992, Paris ried her college sweet- son and daughter, took married Carol LaChiusa birthdays, Cyd (deceased), Dean and Dane. Paris is sur-1974, Kay graduated from days special and festive vived by 10 grandchildren Diane is survived by her Wayne State University occasions. There were and six great-grandchil-

Johnstone & Johnstone (Frank Rayl), Donna working on reference Isle, Cedar Point and The was his home as a Realtor for 53 years where he Kay is survived by her became president and Congregational Church.

A memorial service will be noon Thursday, Jan. Congregational Church,

A military naval honors internment will be at 1 Kay will be sadly missed p.m. Friday, Jan. 13, 2017, at Great Lakes National Donations may be made Cemetery, 4200 Belford

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OBITUARIES:

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Mary L. **Shammas**

Mary L. Shammas, 80, died peacefully at home Tuesday, Dec. 20, 2016.

She was born Jan. 17, 1936, in Detroit, to Saleem and Evelyn Mahfood. She grew up in Jamaica, but returned to Detroit and graduated from Marygrove College in 1954 with a bachelor's degree in business administration.

In 1957, Mary Mahfood Mary L. Shammas George married Shammas at Holy Cross Center. Catholic Church in Detroit where George raised, Mary assisted her Grosse Pointe.

gourmet cook devoted to bers of a loving family. her family and friends. She was active in the by her parents; brother, community and served in Saleem and sister, Pam. many volunteer capacities. She was a member of the Fontbonne Lady Star of the Sea Auxiliary at St. John Catholic Church, Grosse Hospital & Medical Pointe Woods. Center in Detroit and was a former president made to Food for the and chairman of its Poor, 6401 Lyons Road, White Christmas Ball. Coconut Creek, FL She was also a former 33073. president of the Northeast Guidance appeters.com.



Mary is survived by Kingston, Jamaica. The her husband of 59 years, young couple settled in George; their sons, Gary Shammas (Mary) and was an active member of Roger Shammas (Kim) his family's business. and grandchildren, After her family was Brittany, Madelayne and Nikkolas. She also is surhusband with his food vived by her brothers, brokerage business and Ferdinand Mahfood worked briefly in retail at (Patricia), Joseph the Jacobson's store in Mahfood (Laurie) and Robin Mahfood (Gail) Mary was known as a and many other mem-

She was predeceased

A memorial Mass was celebrated Dec. 27 at Our

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Share a memory at

The Lakeshore Optimist Club of Grosse Pointe celebrates season of giving

The Lakeshore Optimist Club presented a check for \$1,500 from the club and its members to support the Goodfellows "No Child Without a Christmas" program. Each year representatives from Goodfellows provide guest speakers at the Optimist meeting to provide an overview of the program.

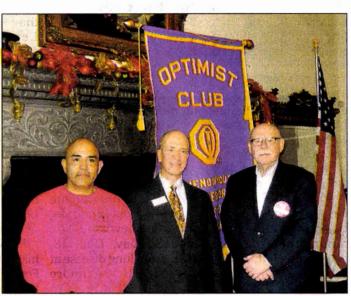
The club also collected gently used coats and clothing, which were donated to the Children's Center in Detroit and Full Circle.

The Lakeshore Optimist Club meets 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. All are welcome to attend for fellowship, guest speakers and to learn about the club's contributions to the community. For more information, visit facbook.com/lake shoreoptimists or LakeshoreOptimist.com.

COURTESY PHOTOS

Top right, from left, Emmett Iglesias, warehouse manager with Goodfellows; David Franks, president of the **Lakeshore Optimist** Club, and Conrad Koski, purchasing and distribution manager with Goodfellows. Right, Optimist Club members gather cloth-

ing for delivery to the Children's Center of **Detroit and Full Circle's** Upscale Resale shop.





PASTOR'S CORNER By the Rev. Jim Rizer

Back in the box?

Now that we have dec- Christmas away? orated the house, sung the carols, gathered with family with a firm tradifamily, worshipped and tion of when to take an answer to when we tion. God drew near in opened the presents, we down the tree and pack put Christmas away, at a Jesus to be Immanuel, you pack it all up, the Living Hope Evangelical are left with the up the nativity set. You deeper level there is God with us. The carols good news of the first Church, Grosse Pointe

You may be part of a has boxed it all up.

joy" back in a box? Even world," "peace on earth," if we could, would we "God and sinner recon-

Although we all have wonder of the incarna- of the savior.

God's love for us in the want to put away the gift Christ the Lord.

Regardless of when

put "good news of great in Jesus: "joy to the world changed forever with the birth of Jesus.

I have a friend that ciled," "light and life to keeps one nativity set out The true meaning of all He brings." While we all year as a reminder Christmas is not merely ar may need to pack up our that the good news of seasonal reality, but the decorations at some great joy continues, for page quickly and already incredible revealing of point, we clearly don't unto you is born a savior,

Rizer is the pastor at



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Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Michael Philpot

Philpot-Liggett

Victoria Liggett were married Saturday, Sept. bouquet while at the 17, 2016, at Grosse Pointe church alter. United Methodist her family are members.

The bride is the daughter of Victoria and Robert G. Liggett Jr. of Grosse and Olivia Kobayashi of Pointe Shores. The groom Mason, a friend of the is the son of Lisa and bride. Donald Philpot of Georgetown, Mass.

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the Liggett's home on lege friends of the groom. Lakeshore Road, under an air-conditioned tent.

an overlay of handmade was ring bearer. lace. Her veil was shoulture of white roses.

Marjorie and Roberta groom.

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honor. They each carried a bouquet of blue hydrangeas. The bride's bouquet Nicholas Michael was designed to split in Philpot and Emily half so each of her sisters received one half of the

Bridesmaids were Church, Grosse Pointe Ashley Philpot of Farms, where Emily and Georgetown, Mass., and Sarah Senning of Kennebunkport, Maine, both sisters of the groom;

The best man was Andy Gunkler of New The Rev. David T. Hampshire, friend of the Drake from The Church groom. Groomsmen were of the Resurrection, Benjamin Senning of Baltimore, Md., the cou- Kennebunkport, brotherple's pastor, officiated the in-law of the groom; ceremony along with the Drew Martin and John Rev. Ray McGee of the Hayward, both of Baltimore and William The reception was at Barrett of Boston, all col-

The bride's second cousin, Cadence Husted, The bride wore a strap- was flower girl and Henry less trumpet dress, with Kline, friend of the bride,

Ushers were Mitchell der length and she car- Fettes of Williamston, ried a bouquet of blue nephew of the bride, and hydrangeas with a mix- Andrew Michalson of Baltimore, friend of the Cameron Liggett, twin sisters of the Ferguson of Grosse bride, served as maids of Pointe Farms, friend of

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Dykstra from the church, Baltimore. played the organ and piano.

The bride attended the Grosse Pointe Academy from kindergarten through eighth grade and She graduated in 2012 Leelanau. from Bucknell University Administration degree in of Okemos. 2016 from the University of Maryland, Baltimore. Adam Kinnear of Arlington, Va., assistant project manager ceremony at Aurora ers. for Whiting Turner Cellars Vineyard and Construction Co. in Winery, followed by a d'oeuvres were enjoyed Baltimore.

The groom graduated property. in 2012 from Grove City Pa., where he majored in he graduated from Officer wild flowers. Candidate School for the has qualified him to study CACI in Baltimore.

the bride, played the bag- mooned in Northern Connahan of pipes, and Douglas Michigan and reside in New York City

Peyser-**Taylor**

Mark Henry Peyser brother, high school at The and Jarvie Anne Taylor Matthew Lawrenceville School in were married Saturday, Peyser of Ft. New Jersey, class of 2008. June 18, 2016, in Lake Lauderdale,

The groom is the son of best man. in Lewisburg, Pa., with a Kadra and Mark Peyser Friends of the degree in civil engineer- of Grosse Pointe Woods. groom, Steve ing. She later earned a The bride is the daughter Cornillie of Master of Business of Janet and Tom Taylor Grosse Pointe

> Friend of the groom, Cornillie of reception on the winery

with a chapel-length veil History and National and carried a bouquet of formed. Security. In October 2016, pink peonies and local

The couple honey- of the bride, Maura account director at

and Kelsey McGowan of Chicago, performed readings.

The groom's Fla., served as and Brian

Cocktails and hors Yahoo. Sun Messengers, per-

The bride, a 2007 grad-Penelope Filyo of High School, earned a Morgan. U.S. National Guard. This Southgate and college Bachelor of Arts degree friend of the bride, served in communications and mooned in Croatia and military intelligence. The as maid of honor. She political science from the reside in Chicago. groom is employed at wore a chiffon gown in University of Michigan. blush by J. Crew. Friends She is currently an



She is employed as an Chicago, officiated the served as ush- Mr. and Mrs. Mark Henry Peyser

The groom, a 2006 on the vineyard grounds, graduate of Grosse followed by a tented eve- Pointe North High The bride wore a Sarah ning reception. Local School, earned a College in Grove City, Seven-designed gown Detroit-area band, The Bachelor of Arts degree in economics from the University of Michigan and is currently an interuate of Escanaba Senior nal client advisor at JP

The couple honey-

See WEDDINGS, page 7B

Hughes-Morawski

Susan and Todd Hughes of Morawski, son of Alexis and Pointe Farms.

Miss Hughes earned a degree in special education from Michigan State University. She is a teacher of students with autism in the Grosse Pointe Public School System.

Mr. Morawski earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in biochemistry from Albion College and a Master of Science degree in biomedical engineering University of Wisconsin from Wayne State University. safety systems.

A June 2017 wedding is planned.

West-Schneiter

Patricia and Martin West of Grosse Pointe announce the Grosse Pointe Farms announce engagement of their daughter, the engagement of their daugh-Kelly Hughes, to Benjamin ter, Julie West, to Branden Schneiter, son of Joanne Lawrence Morawski of Grosse Witkowski and Norm Schneiter of Plymouth, Wis.

Bachelor of Arts degree in ele- of Grosse Pointe South High mentary and special education, School and 2009 graduate of as well as a Master of Arts Loyola University Chicago and earned a Master of Education degree from Marquette University. She is the coordinator of leadership programming and student involvement at

Marquette University. Mr. Schneiter is a 2005 graduate of Plymouth High School and 2009 graduate of the Milwaukee. He is an accoun-He is an engineer of vehicle tant at Ohio Kilts LLC in Milwaukee.

> An August 2017 wedding is planned.

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WEDDINGS:

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Smolenski-Rettmann

Saturday, July 16, 2016, ciated.

The bride is the daughter of Kenneth and Susan Rettmann of Novi. The wore a floor-length gown Downing College of the groom is the son of of navy lace adorned at University of Cambridge, Donald and Paula the waist with navy bead- officiated the ceremony intellectual property law Wharton School at the Johns Smolenski of the City of ing. She wore a wrist corin the college chapel. Grosse Pointe.

The reception was held

gown made of crystal roses. lace, featuring a strapless bouquet soft peach.

Serving as matrons of Diponio of Royal Oak.

The attendants wore bride's.

girl.

The groom's brother, Grosse Pointe. Timothy Smolenski of The couple honey- lowed by a dinner for the bride's brothers, Ryan Park.

Rettmann of Birmingham Stefan Mark Smolenski groom's friends, Jim married Aug. 20, 2016. and Erin Elizabeth Cotzias of Grosse Pointe Rettmann were married Park, Sid Kachole of ter of Joan and Douglas Greenville, S.C., Thomas Carter of London, at St. Paul on the Lake Card of Grosse Pointe England. The groom is Pointe Farms. The Rev. of Grosse Pointe Park Kevin P.A. Broderick of Joseph Kirkconnell offi- and the groom's cousin, Grosse Pointe Farms. Michael D'Hondt of Madison, Wis.

sage of pink roses.

at the Belle Isle Casino. groom wore a long dress the college's Sunken the School of Foreign International Studies at where the couple reside. The bride wore a of silver gray lace and a Garden with a dinner in romantic floor-length wrist corsage of pink its Great Hall.

illusion neckline with included music provided Victoria Carter Mulvoy. an elegant cathedral ing was from Song of friends Erin Choa, mantilla custom-made Songs and read by Mark Kristina Clark and Laura veil that cascaded over Smolenski, uncle of the Cullinane. her gown. The bride car- groom. The New ried a free-form hand- Testament reading was groom's brother, Andrew of from Hebrews and read O'Neill Broderick. hydrangeas, ranunculas, by Mark Birney, uncle of Groomsmen were J. peonies and roses in the bride. The prayers of Christopher Bonner, the shades of white, pink and the faithful were offered groom's brother-in-law, by the groom's mother.

honor were the bride's Bachelor of Science Carter, sisters-in-law, Melissa degree from the Fairbank, Rupert Gerard, Rettman of Birmingham University of Michigan Robert Harper, John and Ashley Rettman of and Master of Science McLaughlin, Jonathan New Hudson. Brides- degree from Boston Meachin, Robert Nolan maids were the groom's College. She earned a III, Matthew Posner and sister, Laurie Smolenski medical doctor degree John Pyne Jr. of Brisbane, Australia, from Wayne State and the bride's friends, University. She is an ceding the wedding, Althea Kazakos of emergency room physi- guests were hosted for Northville, Melissa Gillen cian at Henry Ford cocktails of Ferndale and Catherine Hospital in West Serpentine Pavilion and Bloomfield.

floor-length chiffon Bachelor of Science Gallery, both in Hyde gowns, each in a differ- Registered Nursing Park, London. On Friday, ent shade of pink, peach degree from Wayne State the groom's older sister and coral. They carried University and is pursu- and her husband, bouquets similar to the ing a doctorate in nurs- Elizabeth and J. ing practice at Wayne Christopher Bonner, The bride's niece, Isla State University. He is an hosted cocktails on the Rettman, was the flower- intensive care nurse at Backs at the Cloisters at Beaumont Hospital, St. John's College in

Kalamazoo, served as mooned on the Islands of families of the bride and best man. Groomsmen Northern Michigan and groom in the William and ushers were the reside in Grosse Pointe Wordsworth Room at St.

Broderick-Carter

McPharlin Longyear and Scott Rettmann of Broderick and Elizabeth Hew Hudson; the Josephine Carter were

The bride is the daugh-

Eyeons, the Church of The bride's mother England Chaplain of Following the ceremony,

The matron of honor The wedding Mass was the bride's sister, scallop detailing and a by organist Lawrence The bridesmaids were sculpted bodice with a Przybysz and violinst the sisters of the groom, drop waist that flowed Hektor Qyteti. Halina Elizabeth Broderick into a full skirt with an Olzark was the vocalist. Bonner and Rebecca extended train. She wore The Old Testament read- Gray Broderick, and

> The best man was the and friends Omer Birgen, The bride earned a Raoul Carlos, Edward

> On the Thursday preat dinner at the Magazine The groom earned a Restaurant at the Sackler Cambridge. This was fol-John's College.



Catholic Church, Grosse Park and Russell Koppin the son of Catharine and Mr. and Mrs. Stefan Mark Smolenski

The bride is a graduate Service at The Rev. Dr. Keith of the University of Georgetown Cambridge and com- University pleted graduate studies with masat the University of ter's degrees Oxford. She practiced from with a firm in London.

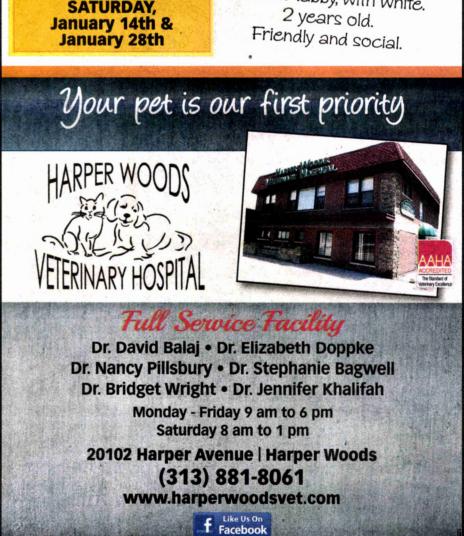
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Mrs. McPharlin Longyear Broderick

of University. He is a vice The groom is a gradu- Pennsylvania and the president with Tellurian The mother of the a reception was held in ate of Groton School and School for Advanced Investments in Houston,





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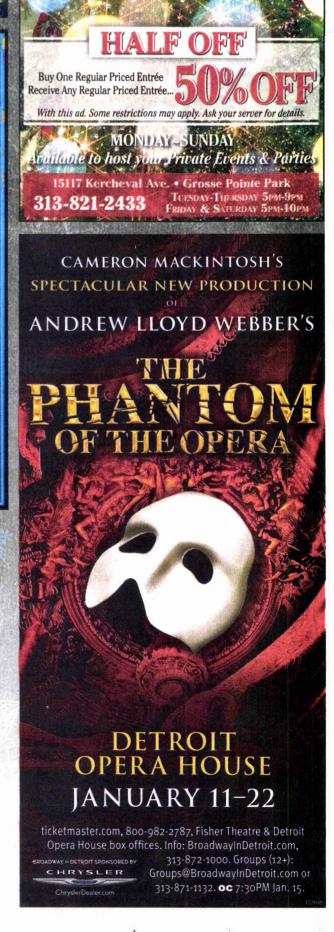
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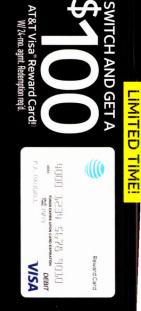
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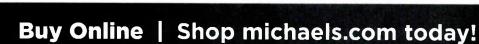
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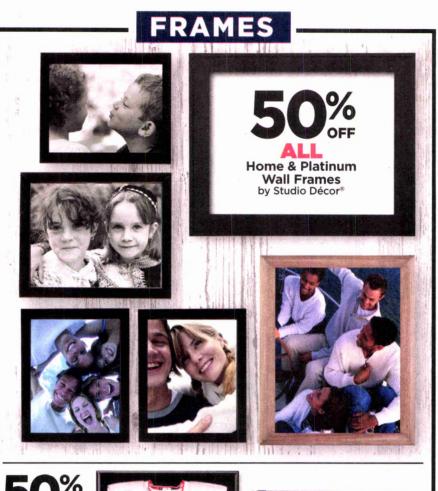
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BOYS HOCKEY

South beats No. 1 Brother Rice

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South boys' hockey team earned a win last week, which could be a shot heard around the state.

The Blue Devils, behind head coach Bobby McKillop, traveled to Oak Park Ice Arena to battle the No. 1 ranked team in the state. Birmingham Brother

The Warriors, fresh off a 7-1 pasting of Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood, were off to an 8-1 start and playing solid hockey.

However, on this date South played its best game of the season and beat Brother Rice 2-1.

us," McKillop said. "It's couldn't beat themselves with this score." with mistakes and keep



South junior Garrett Bollenbacher, left, battles Brother Rice senior Alex This is a huge win for DeLuca for the puck in front of South senior goaltender Devin Naidow.

With the win, South the puck on the boards. should move up in the early in the first period to the assists.

championship game.

impressive to come into Other than a couple of Division 2 rankings and grab a 1-0 lead, but the this building and beat a pucks passed in the mid-these teams could meet Blue Devils countered very good Brother Rice dle of our zone, the boys again Saturday, March 4, when senior Jack Flynn inches and in a span of 10 Gabriel Richard 1-0 after team. I told the boys stuck to our game plan. at Oak Park Ice Arena in tallied with only 1:17 left before the game they People will take notice a Division 2 regional in the stanza. Junior Garrett Bollenbacher and The Warriors scored senior Adam Pitters had

PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

Senior Adam Cervone taking a 3-1 lead. would score the gameperiod.

assist as Cervone's slap shot from the point beat Ryan Hoffman.

the third period and it over. was South senior goalie Devin Naidow who stood attack.

would come out and take it to us in the third period," McKillop said. we pulled out a tough 2-1 at the end of the season."

2-2 or the Blue Devils and 7-1-1 overall.

With the extra attacker winning goal on the in the final minute, the power play at the 11:27 Warriors had a shot mark of the second which hit the post and the Blue Devils' shot Pitters had the lone down the ice headed for an empty net hit the post.

An inch or two either Warriors senior goalie way and the game is either tied or it's a two-Neither team scored in goal difference and game

Solidifying the Blue Devils' defensive effort tall in net, stopping the were seniors Jack Liagre, Warriors' relentless Michael French, Jacob Brauer, Patrick Bourke, 'We knew Brother Rice Drew Maccagnone and Cervone, as well as

Bollenbacher. "Our work is just begin-"We were ready for that ning," McKillop said. and our boys played a "We have to keep moving solid defensive third forward because we still period. Devin came up need to get better if we with some key saves and want to be in this position

Two nights later, South Sports is a game of fell behind Riverview seconds, a couple of the first period before inches were the differ- winning 7-1, improving ence between the to 4-0 in the Michigan Warriors tying the game Metro Hockey League

BASKETBALL

Mixed results

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

The University Liggett girls' basketball team lost first five games of the its third straight game season, the youthful Blue last week, falling at home Devils are 2-5 as head

For head coach Omar has preached patience. Ahart, the Knights took a make a comeback in the undefeated Romeo. fourth quarter.

Against Clemens, the Knights built a 13-8 first quarter North girls' basketball lead, were outscored 18-6 team heads into the holiin the second quarter and day break with a two-14-9 in the third quarter game winning streak to trail 40-28.

senior Nia Ahart, junior Regina. Delaney Bandos and points in the final quarter and cut the deficit to

was over after that.

On a bright note, the the opening quarter. Knights finished with a more Madeleine Wujek half. had seven.

poured in 37 points, fol-the deficit to 34-26, omore Ava Stander had lowed by Bandos with thanks to a slew of turn- four. eight, Pas with four and overs. For the game, the Haggerty with three.

overall.

South results

Stevenson 31-27.

The host Blue Devils important to get a win Conference Red Division Division and 2-3 overall. | high schools,

were paced by senior Sayanna Roy, who scored 12 points.

After dropping their 58-52 to Mount Clemens. coach Kevin Richards

The Blue Devils can similar path in its game use the next couple of against Warren Lincoln. weeks of practice to pre-They play a solid first pare for a Macomb Area quarter, struggle in the Conference Red Division middle two quarters and game Tuesday, Jan. 3, at

Mount North results

The Grosse Pointe after last week's 51-33 Behind the scoring of victory over host Warren

Legendary head the Knights scored 24 North and Diane Laffey for Regina have been involved in some classic 50-46 with a little less basketball games during your mouth for the couthan three minutes left to their long tenures on the ple of weeks we don't The Bathers were able game wasn't close as the to get this win." to score three consecu- Norsemen held the upper

A 15-4 second quarter season-high 47 rebounds, helped the Norsemen led by Ahart's 13 and build a 24-11 halftime sophomore Siobhan lead and the advantage combined for 80 percent Haggerty's 11. Pas had hit 16 points, 34-18, after of the scoring, tallying 18 10 boards and sopho- a 10-0 to start the second and 23 points, respec-

Offensively, Ahart run of their own to cut with six points and soph-Liggett dropped to 1-3 season-high 27 turn- rebounds and Snow also

"We weren't able to lecting 10 rebounds. practice at North the past The Grosse Pointe few days and I could tell improved to 5-1 overall win is a win and it was Macomb

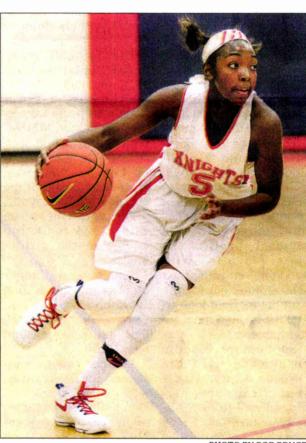


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sophomore Maria Pas, coaches Gary Bennett for Liggett's Nia Ahart is on a double-double tear.

heading into the break. A tilt. loss leaves a bad taste in

The Norsemen used a tive baskets to stretch the hand for a majority of the 7-0 run to re-establish lead to 10 points and it 32 minutes, including control as they led 41-27 cruised to the 18-point road victory.

> Senior Katie Snow and sophomore Julia Ayrault tively. The Saddlelites used a Maddie Mills chipped in Ayrault with eight points.

> > Ayrault had a doublehad a double-double, col-

Grosse Pointe North line.

Boys results

Grosse Pointe North bench. However, this play, so it was important boys' basketball team also posted a road win, beating Utica 69-60 behind senior Dillon Webb's 17 points, five grabbing a 9-7 lead after after three quarters and rebounds and five assists.

Senior Steve Levick also had a hot hand, scoring 15 points, while grabbing six rebounds and dishing off four assists. Sophomore Ryan Webb had 10 points, followed Sophomore by sophomore Joey

Junior Phil Ross had seven points and senior Sam Cross added six points as the Norsemen Norsemen committed a double with her 14 shot a season-high 63 perecent (26-of-41) from the field and 76 percent (13-of-17) from the foul

Head coach Ron South girls' basketball things might not be as and hosts defending Kochan watched his playteam made it two wins in smooth as they should Class A state champ ers record an assist on 22 a row, beating visiting have been," Bennett said. Warren Cousino at 7 p.m. baskets as North is 1-0 in Sterling Heights "It wasn't pretty, but a Friday, Jan. 6, in a the Macomb Area Area Conference White

GYMNASTICS

United team finishes 1-1

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe visiting 1roy 121.115 98.625.

Many of the girls earned regional qualifying scores and the highlight of the win was a 9.5 earned from senior Isabelle Nguyen on the

Later in the week, the girls lost by the closest of margins, falling 135.425-135 to visiting Tecumseh. This was a non-league meet.

"Many gymnasts improved their scores significantly from our first two contests," head coach Kristin Remillet said. "We've been working hard to clean up routines and increase our difficulty within our routines to improve our scores."

Despite losing, it was a season high point total for Grosse Pointe United and it was in front of 2-1 overall.

dozens of alumni who returned to cheer on the girls.

Highlights included United gymnastics team Emma Burney, Maggie improved to 2-0 in its Bowers and Nguyen on league last week, beating the floor exercise and beam with scores of 8.68, 8.50 and 9.50, respectively.

The trio also had a season-high in their allaround scores, tallying 33.575, 31.1 and 37.75.

Joining the team was Bella Cameron, who competed on the balance beam and Claire Yee qualified for the regional with her score of 7.85 on the floor exercise.

"Despite our narrow loss, the team has a lot of potential and it shows with the improvements we have already made so far this season," Remillet said. "We have a lot of room for growth, especially once we get our two injured gymnasts, Amanda Nguyen and Emma Andreoli, back into our lineup."

Grosse Pointe United is 2-0 in the league and

YEAR IN REVIEW

Map of reviews

The University Liggett 2016 year in review is previewed this week on the following page.

Next week the Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South year in reviews are previewed.

I took a look back through the highs and lows of high school sports for the three local

Each school had a ton of highlights and Liggett was fortunate to win not just one, but three state championships.

North and South had its share of division and district champions, plus championship game losses.

Happy New Year.

– Bob St. John Sports Editor

Liggett Year in Review

Three title drive

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

bang.



The boys' tennis team captured a Division 4 state title this fall, giving Liggett

regional championship

Seniors Emily Kanakry,

Stapleton, Molly Murphy,

Kayla Strong and Sam

Allen helped the Knights

Majewski,

game.

Anna

Cimini and his baseball team won a Division 3 state championship, blowing out New Lothrop were poised and ready to offense led by junior

finish 26-8. Boys' lacrosse head coach Mike Costanzo, in his first season at the helm, led the Knights to a 9-5 mark and a spot in the second round of the Division 2 state playoffs. After beating Temperance Bedford 16-5, the Knights lost 21-4 to eventual state champ Grand Rapids Forest Central.

The season was a success for 2016 graduates Bobby Root, Nick Gawel, Jeffrey Lieder, Alex Minanov, Jeff Smith, Harrison Wujek, Jonathan Pensler, Trevor Jones, Jonathan Elmer, William Gersch and Robert Whitaker.

The girls' lacrosse team, under head coach Jenn Calver, struggled to a below .500 season. However, fielding a team of inexperienced underclassmen made it a tough season for the Knights.

Head coach Dan Sullivan and his allunderclassmen boys' everyone returning next The Knights also season, look out for the Knights as they look to make it back to the state tournament.

Sophomore Maddie Division 4 girls' tennis state finals and performed well to earn All-State honors. Her teammates weren't as fortunate, finishing third in the regional tourna-

The boys' and girls' track and field team had a degree of success. a shootout over Montrose finals as head coach Lindsey Bachman continues to build the program into a consistent winner.

Liggett's 2016 ended with a bang as the boys' tennis team won its first state championship in more than a decade. It was also the 35th overall state crown for the

Head coach Mark Sobieralski and assistant coach Chuck Wright knew they had a talented group of tennis players when tryouts began in August.

The coaching duo breathed teamwork and confidence into each and every player on the varsity squad and at the end of the season, they had won a state championship.

No. 2 doubles of Davey Sekhon and Alec Azar, and No. 3 doubles of Spencer Warezak and

Craig Buhler.

What made the title possible is each of the eight flights made the semifinals. Other singles players were T.J. Dulac, Christian Ilitch and Casey Scoggin. The other three doubles teams consisted of No. 1 flight, Maddie Fozo and Thomas Van Pelt, and No. 4 flight, Matt Lesha and Victor Logan.

First-year head coach Derek Arena led the girls' volleyball team to a MIAC division title and district crown before falling to host Madison Heights Bishop Foley in a Class C regional semifinal.

Rebecca Lohman, Sophia Kopicki and Jenna Battani were the lone seniors on the squad, which finished 25-7-3.

The football team. under Cimini, finished 10-1 and had only the third undefeated regular season in program history. They won a MIAC regular season and postseason title before beating Lutheran Northwest in the first round of the Division 7 state playoffs.

They ended the season finals.

Seniors were Connor McCarron, Tre Caine, Jackson Walkowiak, Darren Huang, Richard Pelt, Teddy Wujek and Sam Durno.

Another team, boys' soccer under Dwaihy, won a MIAC championship and enjoyed a fantastic regular season. They lost to Royal Oak Shrine in the first round of the playoffs, but finished with a solid 13-3 mark. Seniors were Devon LaMagno, Christian deRuiter. The Knights won 1-0 in Several made the state Henry Wujek, Macklin Carron, Spero Kefalonitis, Amani Tolin, Daniel Katz, Gerald Jerry, Sam Brusilow, Brandon Johnston and George Thanasis.

The girls' and boys' cross-country teams both ran in the state finals. The girls finished in the top 20 with a team loaded with talented underclassmen.

The senior leaders in the program were Maddie Wu for the girls and Nick Brusilow for the boys under head coach Lindsey Bachman.

Last, but not least, the girls' field hockey team, under head coach Jayant Trewn, had another successful campaign. They finished 9-6-2 and lost to Farmington in the state quarterfinals. Seniors were Kara Francis, Lucy Alpert, Ivy Meraw, Emily Shell, Katie Fruehauf and Haley Malewicz.

Hockey

RIVALS

Blue Devils overwhelm Norsemen

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

a week, the Grosse Pointe South girls' hockey team cruised to an eight-goal win over city rival Grosse Pointe North.

In the semifinals of the University Liggett Holiday Tournament Dec. 15, South beat North 8-0, and last week the final was 11-3.

It was a non-league

South trailed 1-0 as North's Bella Welke scored 50 seconds into the first period.

Devils dominated after that as Lauren Kramer, Carson Dennis, Alyssa improved to 7-1-0-1 over-Czech and Madison all and Grosse Pointe Ryszewski tallied to North dipped to 2-9.

make it a 4-1 game after the first 15 minutes.

In the second period, For the second time in the Blue Devils had goals from Dennis, Emily Van Der Hoeven, Skye Keith and Kramer as the home team built an 8-1 lead.

> Welke scored two more goals in the third period to record the hat trick, which was Norsemen's lone bright spot.

For the Blue Devils, Ryszewski scored to make it a 9-3 game and the Blue Devils were able to end the game via the mercy rule when Shannon McKenna and Solana Bryson tallied at However, the Blue the 4:22 and 4:02 marks of the final period.

Grosse Pointe South

LIGGETT

The magic score is 4-2

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

boys' hockey team evened its league and overall record last week after knocking off host Riverview Gabriel Richard 4-2 at Yack Arena.

Each team scored a overall. first period goal, but it was a inree-goai second period which put the Knights ahead to stay.

Pangborn each had a goal and assist to lead the offense.

Senior Kester Stefani scored the other goals, while juniors Ferg Roby, Spencer Warezak and more Luke Zinn had collecting two assists.

Head coach Mike Hamilton gave junior The University Liggett Nathan Alcantara the nod in net and he responded with a 24-save performance to earn his first win of the season.

Liggett improved to 4-4 in the Michigan Metro Hockey League and 5-5

Girls results

As for the University Liggett girls' hockey Junior Spencer Stefani team, it lost 4-2 to and senior Jaron Plymouth-Canton-Salem last week to drop to 2-7-1 at the halfway mark of the season.

The host Knights and junior Alex Johnson couldn't get their offense going, scoring only two goals. Seniors Kara Francis and Emma Shell Sean Detloff, freshman scored the goals, with Tristan Reilly and sopho-senior Emma St. John

Swimming

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Blue Devils fall to DLS

week, 110-76.

meet of the season for the Blue Devils. DLS is ranked No. 4 in D2.

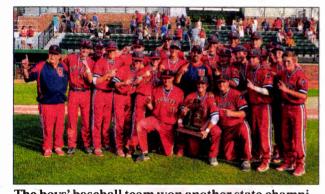
First-place finishes were turned in by Grady Eger in diving, Thomas Jogan in the 100-yard freestyle and Jogan, Nick Vallan, Matthew Koueiter and Cam Francis in the 200-yard freestyle relay.

Season-best times were notched by Matthew Melican, Ethan

The Grosse Pointe Briggs, Michael Currier, South boys' swimming Cam Sanders, Khalib and diving team lost a Rahmaan, Jack Burgoye, home dual meet to P.K. Nugent, Peter Warren DeLaSalle last Costello, Noah Segletes, Jared Pearson, David It was the first dual Swegles, C.J. Carion, Tom Wilkinson, Nick Chown, Daniel Kuhnlein, Anthony Swanson, Charlie Cieleska, Jeffrey Krotche, A.J. Rizer, Ethan Rothenbuhler, Zack Grieser, Ethan Kincade, Daniel Klepp, Zeke Maes, Jim Burton (diving), Nicholas Rabaut (diving), Max Finazzo, Dan Van Hove and Joshua Dixon.

— Todd Briggs





The boys' baseball team won another state championship in June, making it three in four years.



The University Liggett girls' soccer team was No. 1 after winning a Division 4 state championship in

make it back-to-back Connor McCarron. golf team, had a great state titles. However, city Senior Sean Fannon also season. They won a rival Grosse Pointe played a vital role and majority of their matches North spoiled those other seniors who have and moved to the with a loss to Detroit beating the Knights in overtime in the first round.

Head coach Cassie Jaeckle stepped down and the program will move forward with a new leader at the helm.

The girls' basketball team, under head coach Omar Ahart, won a share of a seventh straight Michigan Independent Athletic Conference title and went on to earn a district crown.

Their season ended with a regional loss to Ypsilanti Arbor Prep. Kendall McConico, a 2016 graduate, moved on to play college basketball at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland. Nia Ahart will be back and looks to earn another All-State honor to her resume in 2017.

The boys' hockey team, under head coach Mike Hamilton, played well and had a solid regular season. They beat Grosse Pointe North in the playoffs before falling to Warren DeLaSalle.

The only winter team to finish below the .500 mark was the boys' basketball squad. Head coach Sidney Johnson and his troops played hard and were in every game, but they just couldn't finish in the fourth quarter of several close defeats.

Moving to the spring, Liggett enjoyed the most success of all three high schools.

Head

now won multiple titles included Joey Cipriano state playoffs. With and Grant Mercer.

foe, Mason County Central, 9-0 and edged Napoleon 4-1 in the Knights finished 32-4 finishing 8-0 in the

champion came from the the tutelage of head coach David Dwaihy and assistant coach Andy

Lansing Christian and Montrose.

Madison Jerome, Ellie Withers and Kira Borum, all 2016 graduates.

The girls' softball team, playing in Ted Alpert's final season as head coach, won a MIAC title with a perfect 10-0 mark and shutout all 10

They won a district Emma St. John throwing

blanked their semifinal quarterfinals. The Fozo made it to the overall, which included

The second state girls' soccer team, under

to claim the Division 4 state crown. In the semifinals, the Knights upset No. 1 ranked Lansing Christian 1-0. In their seven state playoff games, the Knights outscored their opponents 19-2 while beating Roeper, Bishop Foley, Shrine, Harbor Beach, Everest Collegiate,

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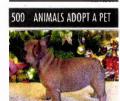
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Pets say 'cheese'

Trombly students hold holiday pet photo shoot fundraiser PAGE 3

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Year in review: A look back at 2016

By Mary Anne Brush Staff Writer

Highlights of the past year in the Grosse Pointe educational arena include nationally recognized schools, awardwinning teachers and students, new administrators, a range of community service projects, a school board election and more.

January

◆ Trombly Elementary School is one of a few Michigan schools selected to test a new Google product called Google Expeditions. Students in grades 2 through 5 take virtual field trips, immersing themselves in experiworld beyond the class-

Herrold receives the along with quotes from Michigan Earth Science his "I Have a Dream" Teachers Association's speech. STAND is an highest honor — the Art acronym for Students award named for a long- Students have opportutime MESTA board mem- nities to participate in teacher at North.



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

regatta cardboard boat

Grosse Pointe

Students and staff at Mason Elementary School celebrate being named a National Blue Ribbon School for 2016.

 Members of STAND. ences that bring a deeper Brownell Middle

ber and former earth service projects in the Grosse Pointe schools Maria Fields wins the science and geology community throughout are recognized in the WXYZ-Scripps Spelling the year.

Socktober, Kerby's annual drive to collect new socks for the homeless, was one of many community service projects undertaken by students in the district throughout the school year. Pictured are kindergarteners William Lynn and Eva Ball.

February

 University Liggett race. Students form understanding of the School's community ser- School hosts the only teams to make boats out vice club, create banners eastside screening of the of cardboard and duct for Martin Luther King documentary, "Most tape and paddle the boat ◆ Grosse Pointe North Jr. Day using pictures of Likely to Succeed," a crit- two lengths of the pool. High School's Ardis the civil rights leader ically acclaimed film The boat with the fastest charting the history of time wins the heat. Boats the American education are designed in a range system and examining of styles, from rowboat one school's unique and kayak-type boats to a Weinle Heart of MESTA Taking A New Direction. approach to changing the pontoon boat. educational paradigm.

> Students from Academy eighth-grader 2016 Scholastic Art & Bee, advancing to the Writing Awards, with five 89th annual Scripps seniors receiving top National Spelling Bee in honors. Grosse Pointe May. Fields completes its best year ever, with 76 ingly difficult words. The in March. individual pieces gaining acceptance into the show.

♦ SERVE, Grosse Pointe North and South high schools' community service organization, hosts its annual Spirit of Giving event, bringing together more than 80 nonprofit organizations to share their missions and volunteer opportuni-

March

◆ Grosse Pointe North High School holds its sixth annual physics round is "endotracheal."

Theodor Seuss Geisel, better known as Dr. Seuss. Principal Geoffrey Fisher among us." As for conreads a Dr. Seuss book on frontation, he tells stu-Read Across America Day, named by presidential proclamation.

April

the five C's of success character, competence,

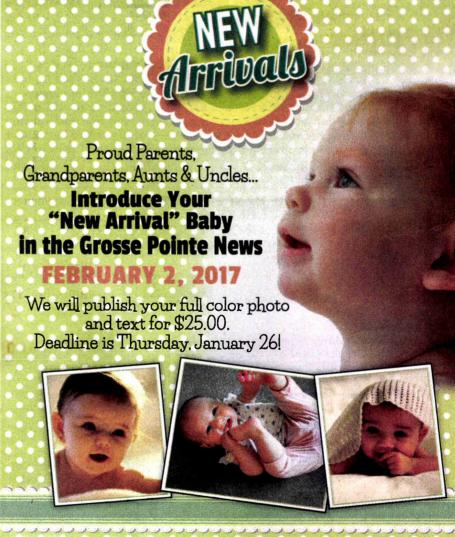
winning word is "stratoc- commitment, compasracy" and the word pro- sion and confrontation. pelling her into the final He defines character as "what you do when St. Clare of nobody else is looking." Montefalco Catholic He also gives examples School kicks off National of competence and com-Reading Month by cele- mitment and says the brating the birthday of most successful people have compassion and "think about the least dents, "You have to be willing to confront things that are not right."

♦ The Grosse Pointe Academy announces ♦ Wayne County new head of school Sheriff Benny Napoleon Thomas "Tommy" talks to Parcells Middle Adams will be taking the School students about helm July 1. In addition

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South High School has eight rounds of increas- Richard students celebrate National Reading Month



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math Nominated by: Julie Aemisegger, principal

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Subjects: Religion and

"Mrs. Henrichs teachers seventh-grade accelerated pre-algebra, ated algebra. She is also the webmaster for our school website. Mrs. Henrichs also organizes a special middle school

service project during moments of pride in my the month of December. Almost every morning before school, Mrs. Henrichs hosts special practice sessions for her confirmation each extra algebra practice. progress my students

What do you enjoy most about teaching? school freshmen, having

of the Week."

I think God makes teachers for specific age groups, and I was definitely made to teach middle schoolers. It is a joy to watch them grow, the jump in maturity from when they enter in sixth-grade to when they leave us in eighth-grade is remarkable. The stueighth-grade algebra dents at Star are very and 8th grade acceler- special and it is a true pleasure to teach them. **Describe a teaching** accomplishment or

"teachable moment."

There are so many professional life. Certainly, top on the list me greatly, encouraging is watching my students lifelong learning. receive the Holy Spirit in students who desire the spring. Additionally, the went back to college to We are delighted to make in math is a source in education. Charity is a nominate Mrs. Roberta of great accomplishment. continual example of a Henrichs as our Teacher Many of my students are powerhouse educator placed into sophomore level math classes as high Favorite quote:



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demonstrated mastery of algebra to their high schools. Name a person that

influenced you. My family influenced Especially my sister, Dr. Charity Dorgan, who pursue multiple degrees and inspires me greatly.

Carpe diem.

SCHOOLS

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to being an asset to GPA, Adams "brings a wealth of experience and talent in independent-school administration ... and infectious enthusiasm to our campus that will be critically important as we are setting rather ambitious goals for the Academy," says John Murphy, president of the board of trustees.

◆ Fourth-graders in the Grosse Pointe Public School System underhaving a disability during a series of workshops held at Defer, Ferry, Kerby, Maire, Monteith, Richard and Trombly elementary schools. Writing on Braille typewriters, walking with canes and walkers, riding in wheelchairs and adding ready to delve into creand subtracting numbers ative and inquisitive les- for Public Education, Mike Dib retires and that appear backward are sons centered upon receiving the 2016 award hands the reins to assis- morning and a perforamong the hands-on STEM learning, said activities illustrating obstacles a person with disabilities faces every day.

May

 Mason Elementary Bishop as its new principal effective July 1. running a business. The for the homeless. Bishop replaces longtime class opens its doors to principal Middlekauff, who retires nity members, including after 19 years of service city mayors, GPPSS to the Mason community. administrators and

the Grosse Pointe Public more than 200 restau-School System Board of rant patrons.



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

stand the challenges of Grosse Pointe South Principal Moussa Hamka and his daughters greet onlookers at the homecoming parade.

Education, with \$65,000 June

raised to date. More than

Trombly PTO president.

Michele

200 donors contributed Susan Howey's class at paperless classroom. to the project, slated to Trombly Elementary School are "caught in the begin over the summer. act of giving back" by the "Students and staff are Lindsey, social studies unit on October to collect socks strong interpersonal skills.

house leaders and ing campers projects.

High School teacher dle and high school. Nicholas Provenzano Washington, D.C. He also GPPSS Board

July

◆ Longtime Brownell Grosse Pointe Foundation Middle School Principal long event includes district and 13 years as a of the same name. The tant principal Rodger mance in the afternoon Middle School particiaward was founded by Hunwick. Distinguishing in which students dem- pate in an all-school GPFPE in 2016 to recog- Hunwick as a candidate Fourth- and fifth- nize student volunteer was a strong background graders in James projects within the dis- as a highly successful Fisher's magnet class at trict. Howey's students teacher at the middle Ferry Elementary School are recognized for school level, his perforcreate an American "Socktober," a challenge mance as assistant princi-School appoints Roy Coney Island as part of a they undertook in pal at Brownell and his

Camp Invention, ◆ Poupard Elementary held at Brownell Middle Elaine family, staff and commu-School, celebrating the School for the first time, conclusion of its first offers students an epic year as a Leader in Me summer experience. school, hosts its first Young scientists, inven-◆ The greenhouse res- members of the Board of leadership conference, tors, engineers and toration project at Education. Students ful- Leaders in education designers have the free-Trombly Elementary fill more than 40 carry- from around the district dom to tinker, explore, School is approved by out orders and serve attend to learn about the investigate, discover and seven habits highlighted even make slime. in the program, talk with According to camp direcstudent and parent light- tor Molly Collins, countrepresented every ◆ Grosse Pointe South GPPSS elementary, mid-

> Kathleen Abke attends the National emerges from a pool of National Maker Faire in for a vacancy on the

August

♦ Kids on the Go, a on the Go's major fund- principal. raiser, in November.

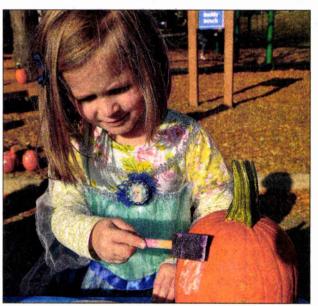
workshops in the student.

September

• Geoffrey Fisher, pediatric nonprofit pro- principal at St. Clare of viding special needs chil- Montefalco School, dren with therapy during braves a dunk tank to summer break, offers a reward students for readclass for students with ing 123,845 pages collecspecial needs led by pro-tively over the summer. ducer and filmmaker Jay Students who tripled Reid. The goal of the five- their reading goal get to week class is to create a color their hair orange. movie about superheroes Students who read 200 to be shown at the pages or more get to try Superhero Soiree, Kids their aim at dousing their

◆ The GPPSS Board of ◆ Cirque Amongus Education approves the visits Camp O'Fun at re-dedication of the Ferry Elementary Performing Arts Center, School, giving campers located at Grosse Pointe the opportunity to per- North High School, as form under the big top. the Christian A. Fenton Cirque Amongus offers Performing Arts Center his 54,000 followers on education enrichment in honor of Christian • Fourth-graders in Twitter and a mostly through circus arts Fenton, retiring deputy designed to bring self- superintendent for busiesteem, develop motor ness and operations, in skills and promote recognition of his 37 teamwork. The day- years of service to the

◆ Students at Parcells



and Seasonal festivities abounded throughout the disobserve student-directed counselors, the camp trict. Pictured at Richard's annual pumpkin fest is Elizabeth Ritchie.

Week of Making and 21 candidates competing hooping, cycling and First

stilt-walking skills. According to the article, whose term was slated to services for the district. thank-you notes. Provenzano made a name end Dec. 31, 2016. Abke Abbey replaces 37-year for himself in the ed-tech is sworn in July 11. A veteran Christian Fenton, community through his long-term replacement who announced his results of the Nov. 8 elec- begins her new post in September.

onstrate their mastery assembly to honor the on the tight wire and 15th anniversary of 9/11 jumping rope, hula and celebrate National Responders Appreciation Day with ◆ The GPPSS Board of local responders from is featured on the cover Education and is unani- Education approves the Grosse Pointe Woods and and in the cover story in mously appointed by the appointment of Lisa Harper Woods. As part of the June 9 issue of board. The vacant spot Abbey as deputy superin- the presentation, stu-Education Week on tech- was created by the resig- tendent of business oper- dents create American nology in the classroom. nation of Lois Valente, ations and support flag banners made from

◆ More than 100 comblog, The Nerdy Teacher, will be determined by the retirement in July. Abbey munity leaders gather at Trombly Elementary School for an annual community luncheon hosted by the GPPSS and Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe. Each year the luncheon is held at a different elementary school so administrators and staff may showcase their building, programs and students. Included among the guests are Nena Dahling and Mary Roby, lifelong friends and members of Trombly's first kinder-

garten class in 1937. Kerby and Monteith elementary schools pilot a Mindful Schools program through the Michigan Collaborative for Mindfulness in Education. Mindfulness training facilitator Kristin Ervin visits classrooms to teach students and train teachers to make mindfulness a daily practice to help students manage stress and anxiety, improve listening skills and increase focus, atten-

tion and awareness. Mason Elementary School is among 329 schools named a National Blue Ribbon School for 2016. The program honors public and private elementary, middle and high schools where students achieve high learning standards or are making notable improvements in closing the

CITY OF HARPER WOODS WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING **DECEMBER 5, 2016**

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

ROLL CALL: All Councilpersons were present.

nine candidates vying for four seats.

From left, Kathy Abke and Judy Gafa campaign for

the school board during the annual North vs. South

varsity football tailgate. Abke and Gafa are among

1) To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held November 21, 2016 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Planning Commission meeting held November 16, 2016, the Board of Zoning Appeals meeting held November 17, 2016 and the Library Board meeting held October 20, 2016.

2) To approve the changes to the City Council meeting dates as listed for 2017: January 2, to January 4, 2017 for the New Year holiday; January 16 to January 18, 2017 for Martin Luther King Day; February 20 to February 22, 2017 for Presidents Day and September 4 to September 6, 2017 for Labor Day and further that the City Council will meet on the second Monday of July and August, 2017

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

RESOLUTION PASSED

1) To approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: (1) Approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 109737 through 109822 in the amount of \$374,398.59 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing. (2) Approve payment to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$5,618.50 for weed maintenance at several locations on Harper and cleanup of Kelly Road islands and also for lawn cuttings at various residential homes

(3) Approve payment to BBEK Construction LLC in the amount of \$19,063.00 for the renovations and repair work at 18564 Kenosha and 18557 Washtenaw as part of the

To approve payments to the Michigan Department of Transportation in the amount of \$9,357.39 for work performed in conjunction with the 8 Mile from Beaconsfield to Harper project and also for work on Beaconsfield from Vernier to 8 Mile

3) To adopt the Performance and Indemnification Resolution authorizing the City to make necessary repairs to county roads and sidewalks, and further to adopt the Performance and Indemnification Resolution authorizing the City to take any necessary restorative corrections to county roads and sidewalks, and further to adopt the Performance and Indemnification Resolution authorizing the City to temporarily close county roads and/or place temporary banners within the right-of-way.

4) To adopt the Performance and Indemnification Resolution related to the City's Annual Permit to Work on State Highways.

To introduce and place for first reading an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to Amend Article 1, Section 12-12 of the Code of Ordinances - Violation of Article as a Civil Infraction," and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter Requirements.

Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor

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Trombly fourth-graders and their teacher, Susan Howey, present a check and donated supplies to Carin



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Jones, event coordinator for Michigan Animal Rescue League.

photos are for the dogs Trombly students raise money for animals

By Mary Anne Brush Staff Writer

Eastman, "Go Dog Go." Dogs decked out in fesbenefit the Michigan photos. Animal Rescue League.

children's book by P.D. teers helped select appro-

priate pet attire. tive outfits and hats not restricted to dogs. like a dog party, but was received both printed

Students created post-For their December ers, wrote morning event coordinator, joined community service proj- announcements, filmed Howey and her class for ect, fourth-grade teacher commercials for the the presentation of the Susan Howey and her school's TV station and check and supplies students organized a fun- created paper ornaments draiser called Dogcember. with MARL-approved They enlisted family wish lists for a giving donation from an ele-

It might have been a nity for pets and their nal goal of \$500 before The photo shoot was increased it to \$1,276 shelter." along with "tons of pet paraded the halls of Several cats and even a supplies," according to Trombly Elementary guinea pig mugged for Howey, including cat and School in what looked the camera. Participants dog food, toys, beds and treats. "We've officially actually a photo shoot to and digital copies of their doubled what we hoped to collect," she said.

Carin Jones, MARL Monday, Dec. 19.

"This is the largest

members and friends to tree. Donations of cash mentary school we have sign up for a holiday-themed photo opportu-nity for pets and their nal goal of \$500 before "Thank you so much scene out of the popular owners. Student volun- the shoot took place from all the animals in Wednesday, Dec. 14, and need. This is very helpby the end of the week, ful to us as a rescue

Taking advantage of a pet photo op are, clockwise from top left, Anna Bouton, her daughter, Betsy, and their dog, Ozzie; Lilly Irby with her cat, Stella; and Gabe Lutheran with his dad and dog.



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achievement gap. The award affirms the hard work of students, educators, families and communities in creating safe and welcoming schools where students master challenging content.

November

 Voters elect incumbents Judy Gafa and Cindy Pangborn, appointee Kathy Abke and new-Profeta to the GPPSS Board of Education. Also on the ballot is a Wayne enhancement made pos- speaker presentations, County Educational Michigan. Enhancement Millage proposal for 2 mils to be levied for six years begin-

21st century pilot classcomplete with the latest adviser Elizabeth Wang. technology. The idea grew outcomes for 21st century learning and teaching.

◆ Students at Pierce Middle School help make a wish come true for an 8-year-old who dreamed of performing in a Broadway production. Talandus Vickers, who has Sickle Cell SS, performed as a zebra opening night of Pierce's production of "The Lion King Jr." as part of a wish

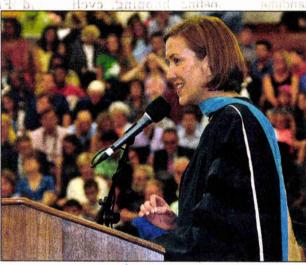


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comer Christopher Grosse Pointe North Principal Kate Murray speaks to the Class of 2016 about finding one's true north.

December

ning this year. The pro- resentatives at Monteith engagement component posal passes, generating Elementary School visit of the class is coordiabout \$387 annually per Gleaners Community nated by Alicia Carlisle. student in Wayne County. Food Bank, packing bags director of SERVE, ◆ GPPPS showcases for children who rely on North and South's ser-Gleaners donations for vice organization. rooms at a district open food over the weekends. house. Classrooms at Visiting the food bank Defer Elementary School Kerby, Maire and Mason after the Thanksgiving receive writing awards at elementary schools were holiday made the experi- the University of Michiganselected to pilot an opti- ence more meaningful, Dearborn Mardigian mal learning environment said student council Library's fourth annual

out of the strategic plan- Pointe North and South ner Jet Miller. According ning process last year in high schools connect to 4/5 magnet teacher Kari response to questions global lessons to local Mannino, this is the fourth about what technology, issues as part of the year her students have tools and classroom exploring global issues participated, winning designs best support the pilot class. In addition to awards each year. Miller

Regional sible by Make-A-Wish students commit 25 hours outside of school to service experiences with local nonprofit ◆ Student council repagencies. The civic

> Five students from Young Authors' Festival, Students at Grosse including grand prize win-



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

ROLL CALL: All Councilpersons were present.

MOTIONS PASSED

- To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held October 17, 2016 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Library Board meeting held September 15, 2016 and the Election Commission meeting held on October 18, 2016.
- To open the public hearing on the 2017 Budget.
- To close the public hearing on the 2017 Budget.
- 4) That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

RESOLUTION PASSED

- 1) To approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: (1) Approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 109471 through 109577 in the amount of \$377,086.60 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing. (2) Approve payment in the amount of \$5,000.00 to Guardian Sewers for their assistance with a fire hydrant repair, a watermain break and for the repair of a storm line. (3) Approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$17,056.76 for professional services during the month of September 2016 for the following projects: SRF Open Cut Repairs, #180-119; 2016 User Charge, #180-175; 2016 Beaconsfield Reconstruction, #180-174; 2016 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-176 and the 8 Mile Traffic Signal Upgrade, #180-179. (4) Approve payment to Schrader Tire and Oil in the amount of \$7,667.36 for the necessary tire replacements and brake and exhaust repairs to the Fire Department's
- To adopt the Tax Levy Resolution set forth on page 1 of the budget document hereby establishing the following tax rate for 2017: General, 20.000; Refuse, 2.5517; Library, 1.9168; Debt, 1.3750; 25.8435.
- To approve the Budget Adoption and Appropriation Resolution found on Page 2 of the budget document, thereby adopting the 2017 Budget as presented.
- That in accordance with Chapter 27, Article V, Sections 27-120 and 27-15 of the Code of Ordinances, a rate of \$210.00 per residential equivalent unit is hereby established for the storm water utility charge to be billed December 1, 2016.
- To accept the payment from Ms. Brannon, in the amount of \$3,680.01 for the purchase of parcel number 42-010-06-0041-000, commonly known as 19671 Fleetwood, and further to authorize the Mayor to sign all necessary documentation at closing

Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor

Leslie M. Frank, City Clerk

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Kerby kindness elves warm hearts

By Mary Anne Brush Staff Writer

Elves are known to be elusive and have magical powers. Fourth-graders at Kerby Elementary School discovered their own magical powers through a kindness challenge in December. This was how they became known as the Kerby Kindness Elves.

According to fourthgrade teachers Kristin Remillet and Jenna Valgoi, it started with a morning meeting. The students decided they wanted to do an act of kindness every day that month.

"We started with a list of people we could spread holiday cheer with," Valgoi said. "Some of them were litlunch table."

involved, like making the blankets. fleece blankets for chil-Parents donated fleece hospital, police officers, little or it can be big."



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

tle ones, like sit with Kerby fourth-graders, a.k.a. the Kerby Kindness Elves, made 20 blankets for St. John Hospital & Medical someone new at the Center's pediatric unit as part of their December kindness challenge.

Other ideas were more and helped with making firefighters, teachers and

In brainstorming a list

their parents.

"From there we braindren at St. John Hospital of people, students came stormed on things we could & Medical Center. up with children at the do," Valgoi said. "It can be

Some were things the children could do at to reach out to staff and home, like calling a rela-teachers at Kerby, writing tive they hadn't talked to notes of appreciation. in a while or doing a They also wrote letters like our big reveal," she

The first challenge was for their neighborhood said.

letter carriers and made placemats decorated with Christmas art for senior citizens at a residents' home.

The final challenge Thursday, Dec. 22, was to deliver cinnamon rolls and Danishes along with handmade notes to officers at the Grosse Pointe Farms public safety office. They also sang carols outside.

Whatever the act of kindness, big or little, the students were intent on keeping their identities secret, remaining as elusive as elves and signing everything with their trademark "Kerby Kindness Elves."

"They were really big on not letting anybody know who they were," Valgoi said. "They didn't want to do it for recognition."

In fact, secrecy was so important to them, they were reluctant to be featured in the Grosse Pointe News.

"We told them this was

Eighth-grade parents: Liggett names commons Mark your calendars

Parents of current eighth-graders planning to attend Grosse Pointe South High School as freshmen fall 2017 are invited to a special information night 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 11. Parents of eighth-graders currently enrolled in public, parochial or private schools are encouraged to attend. Administrators and counselors will highlight South's curriculum with a video, followed by a short presentation emphasizing ninth-grade schedule procedures, class selections and graduation requirements for the class of 2021.

The auditorium is located in the main building, 11 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms. Parking is available in the lots on the boulevard and Fisher Road. The program will conclude at 7:30 p.m. Contact the Counseling Center at (313) 432-3519 with questions.

CITY OF HARPER WOODS WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING **NOVEMBER 21, 2016**

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

ROLL CALL: All Councilpersons were present except Councilperson Hugh R. Marshall.

MOTIONS PASSED

- 1) To excuse Councilperson Marshall from tonight's meeting because of a prior
- To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held November 7, 2016 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Construction Board of Appeals meetings held October 17, 2016 and November 14, 2016.
- To adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing a Collective Bargaining
- To add to the agenda the approval of the collective bargaining agreement between the City of Harper Woods and the Harper Woods Fire Fighter's Association, Local 1188.
- That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

RESOLUTION PASSED

- 1) To approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: (1) Approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 109578 through 109736 in the amount of \$197,867.64 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing. (2) Approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$16,579.78 for professional services during the month of October 2016 for the following projects: SRF Open Cut Repairs, #180-119; SRF SCIPP, #180-118; 2016 TIP - Beaconsfield Reconstruction, #180-174; 2016 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-176; Housing Rehab Project, #180-178; Suburban Wholesale CSO Share, #180-181 and 2016 Emergency Sanitary Sewer CCTV, #180-180. (3) Approve payment to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$13,833.50 for contractual lawn cutting and weed maintenance in various areas of the City, including City Hall, the annexes, Library, Kelly Road islands and the Parks. (4) Approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$39,716.92 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of September 2016. (5) Approve payment to Michigan Department of Environmental Quality in the amount of \$5,594.20 for the 2017 annual water supply fee. (6) Approve payment to Suburban Library Cooperative in the amount of \$5,764.00 for the automated system services, scanner and printers, ancestry database and the copyright compliance license.
- To approve payment to L. Anthony Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$7,842.87 for Progress Payment No. 2 on the 2016 Concrete Pavement Repair Program, #180-176.
- To accept the lowest responsible bid submitted by We Preserve Michigan LLC for rehab work to be provided on the homes listed as part of the CDBG Rehabilitation Program: 19668 Washtenaw \$10,124.00, 19645 Washtenaw \$710.00 for a total of \$10,834.00.
- 4) To accept the lowest responsible bid submitted by Annointed Construction LLC for rehab work to be provided on the homes listed as part of the CDBG Rehabilitation Program: 19130 Kenosha \$7,335.00, 18905 Washtenaw \$9,529.00, 19372 Washtenaw \$17,110.00, 19429 Kingsville \$20,870.00, 18785 Washtenaw \$16,682.00, for a total of \$71,526.00.
- Approve the year end budget adjustments to the 2016 Budget as attached submitted by
- the Finance Director/Treasurer. To approve the transfer of \$217,284.35 for delinquent Water and Sewer bills, \$61,323.92 for Miscellaneous City Services, \$7,983.48 for Special Pickups and \$7,190.00 for Meter Replacements (total of \$293,781.75) to the 2016 Winter Tax Roll as proposed and submitted by the Finance Director/Treasurer.
- To approve payment to National Industrial Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$24,227.50 for the cleaning and televising of various segments of sanitary sewer lines on Fleetwood, Woodland, Beaufait, Woodcrest and Prestwick.
- To approve the collective bargaining agreement between the City of Harper Woods and the Harper Woods Fire Fighter's Association, Local 1188 and further to authorize the Mayor and City Manager to sign the agreement.

Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor

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Leslie M. Frank, City Clerk

in honor of alumnus

Drs. Fikry and Mona Ibrahim, the parents of Tarik Ibrahim M.S., M.D., a 1999 Liggett alumnus, made a philanthropic contribution to the school's Sure Foundations fundraising campaign by naming the Upper School commons after him. This gift honors the Ibrahims' son by commemorating him and keeping his legacy

Known by patients and colleagues alike as "Dr. Love" for his warm smile affectionate demeanor, Ibrahim, an Tarik Ibrahim accomplished neurosurgery with world- eral. renowned neurosurgeon published author, pub- Michigan



Ibrahim attended accomplishments." Dr. Juha Hernesiemi in Liggett from fourth grade Helsinki, Finland. One of through his senior year campaign, contact Kelley his most impressive suc- and completed his under- Hamilton at khamilton@ cesses was being a highly graduate degree at uls.org or (313) 884-4444,

University in 2003, his master's degree at Wayne State University in 2006 and his medical school degree from Penn State University in 2010.

"Tarik left an indelible impression on his family, his classmates and others who had an opportunity to know him," said Kelley Hamilton, associate head of school for advancement. "Through this fundraising campaign, driven by his classmates and family, he will be remembered each day by COURTESY PHOTO the Upper School students and faculty who use the Upper School geon, was formerly chief lishing 16 journal articles commons area. We neurosurgery resident at and four book chapters believe that naming the Loyola Medical Center in in the United States, as commons in his honor Chicago. Additionally, he well as nine additional will inspire current stucompleted a six-month publications for interna- dents and generations of training in cerebrovascu- tional readership, with future students who will lar and microneurosur- first authorship on sev- see his name and be reminded of his many

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