**2010 Chilly-Fest**
**Saturday, February 6, Noon to 4:00 p.m.**
**Patterson Park & Windmill Pointe Park**

This year’s Chilly-Fest will be on Saturday, February 6, 2010 from Noon – 4:00 p.m. The fun wintry activities will be at both Patterson Park and Windmill Pointe Park. We will have a horse drawn trolley at each park so residents can experience a ride around the streets of Grosse Pointe Park. To enjoy the activities at both parks, however, you will have to provide your own transportation.

**At Patterson Park** there will be skating to music provided by “Circuits of Sound”; a snowman building station with carrots, charcoal and twigs to liven up your snowman; ice sculpture demonstrations; a snowball target throw; a putt-putt golf game. Also, Bikes, Blades and Boards will thrill us all with a snowboard demonstration and slope tips, so bring your own equipment to try out something new.

**At Windmill Pointe Park,** in the Tompkins Center, there will be face painting and an opportunity to make a pine cone bird feeder to hang on a tree branch at home.

For a fee, we also will be serving a luncheon menu of chili with all the fixings, chili dogs, chips and drinks. If you happen to walk to the park with your dog for this event, feel free to leave your dog with a dog sitter while you enjoy your dining experience. You will also have an opportunity to ice fish on Pier 1 or enjoy a stroll around the park in a pair of snowshoes.

At each Park gatehouse we will be passing out coupons. Most attractions will have a station where you can put your name and phone number on the coupons to win a special prize. We will draw for each station’s prize and contact the winners on the following Monday. So be sure to visit all of the activities!

Mark your calendars to come to the parks and play! Volunteers are always welcome and are needed to pull off this big City event. Anyone interested may contact Terry Solomon at 822-2812 ext. 200

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**Grosse Pointe Park Foundation Unveils Plans For New Gatehouse at Patterson Park**

The Grosse Pointe Park Foundation has proposed to the City Council the construction of a new 225 square foot traditional style gatehouse for Patterson Park. It will replace the present wood guardhouse.

The proposed design includes a covered porch at the drive up area, a single person restroom, and ample counter space for security equipment. Two bay windows will provide good visual monitoring of entering and exiting vehicles and visitors. The exterior design of brick with stone color accents will complement the design of the nearby Lindell Lodge. A simulated slate roof with a four gable configuration and operable windows with muntin bar dividers are also included in the attractive design.

A strong fundraising response is needed and anticipated. Construction is planned to start this coming Spring. Your financial contribution to the Park Foundation and this project are important. Please consider making a contribution to the Park Foundation and becoming a member.

For more information and to obtain a membership application, call Kathy at the City office, 313-822-4379.

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**Shirley Kennedy Honored**

Shirley Kennedy was honored this past December for her many years of service on the Grosse Pointe Park City Council. Her involvement with the City of Grosse Pointe Park began in 1979 when she was asked to be part of the City’s Planning Commission. The following year she helped start the Grosse Pointe Park Foundation, which is dedicated to fundraising for the City. At the time, one of her proudest achievements was her role in beautifying the City’s border with Detroit. In 1993 she was elected to the City Council. One of her most important achievements as a Council member was leading the effort to change the City’s floodplain designation.

Shirley still remains deeply dedicated to the City and will continue to be very involved with the Foundation. She has always had the City’s best interests at heart and we thank her for all that she has done and continues to do.
CITY PHONE NUMBERS

MUNICIPAL OFFICES- AUTOMATED TELEPHONE SYSTEM:

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Patterson Park Gatehouse822-1681

Hutton Ice Rink Information

The Hutton Ice Rink and Lindell Lodge will be open for ice skating until Sunday, February 28th. You can call Patterson Park at 822-1681 to get rink updates. Skating hours are from 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Skaters are asked to stay to one side of the rink while skating classes are being conducted. All skaters are welcome in the Lodge, but must have SKATE GUARDS on their blades. Skate guards can be purchased at the Lodge. To keep the rink in tip top shape we have just a few rules. No hockey or rough play and no food or beverages allowed on the rink. We also ask that everyone on the ice surface wear skates.

NOW is the time to host an Event at the Tompkins Center!
Reserve a date during the months of
February, March and April
And receive a $100 discount on ALL DAY rentals!

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*Parties that have already reserved a date in February, March or April, will receive a price adjustment.

Please be advised: The Michigan Senate approved the smoking ban. As of May 1st 2010 there will be “No Smoking” inside the Tompkins Community Center.

GROUSE POINTE PARK COMMUNICATOR

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The leaves are gone, temperatures are dropping, snow is on the ground and the days are shorter. With that comes changes in our schedules and the way we live. I would like to give you a few reminders that hopefully will be of benefit to both you and the officers who work for you.

With the shorter daylight hours it becomes harder to see people either walking or jogging. We recommend that those who will be out in the darker hours wear some type of reflective garment. Also, please do not jog or walk in the roadway. There is law prohibiting that and we would hope that everyone would comply. It is dangerous at any time, but even more so with limited light. Drivers should also take notice of this and use extra caution when driving, especially on side streets and near schools.

Speaking of pedestrians, roadways and sidewalks brings up another point. I was asked recently if the miniature motorized cars and/or motorcycles may be driven on the street. The basic answer is no. Any vehicle driven on the street must be licensed and have proper equipment. Obviously, that is not the case with the vast majority of these vehicles. Likewise, they can’t be used on sidewalks. Our best advice is to save your money. We also have been reminding young people to take the skateboards out of the street. While not totally illegal, it can certainly be dangerous with traffic. We have recently been in touch with the local schools to discuss the possibility of building some type of area on the playgrounds that would provide a venue for the use of skateboards.

I would also like to remind everyone that solicitation in the Park is regulated. We do not allow people to go door-to-door soliciting for work. The law does not apply to children. The reason I bring this to your attention is that, with the snow, I would discourage you from hiring people who go door-to-door unless they are someone you know.

Lastly, a reminder on vehicles parked on the street. It is illegal to leave a vehicle parked on the street for more than 48 hours without being moved. Officers will tag the vehicles and they will be issued a ticket and towed if found to be in violation. These vehicles become very apparent when we have snow removal in the winter. Please move your cars on a regular basis. If for some reason the vehicle is disabled and can’t be moved for a few days give the Department a call and let us know.

Please be safe and if ever you need our assistance please do not hesitate to call.

Our Municipal Court
by Judge Carl F. Jarboe

The Grosse Pointe Park Municipal Court is always available when needed, 24 hours each day, seven days each week. But why would the judge of a ʺpart timeʺ court need to be available on weekends and late nights? The primary reason is drunk drivers.

Under Michigan’s drunk-driving laws, a person is guilty of a misdemeanor if the person operates a motor vehicle while intoxicated. Although this may mean having an alcohol content of 0.08 grams or more per 210 liters of breath, the definition also includes simply being “under the influence” of alcohol. If the driver is under 21 years of age, the standard is lowered to 0.02 grams or “any presence of alcohol” other than alcohol consumed as part of a religious service.

If you are stopped for suspected drunk driving, a police officer may routinely request that you take a preliminary chemical breath analysis at the scene of the stop. Although you may refuse this request, the refusal is a civil infraction subject to a fine. A refusal also will not stop the officer’s investigation.

If you are then arrested for suspected drunk driving, you will be taken to the police station and asked to submit to a chemical test of your breath, urine, or blood. Generally speaking, your best decision on a first offense is to agree to submit to the test. If you refuse such a test, then your driver’s license will be suspended for one year by the Secretary of State, six points will be added to your driving record, and the police department will nevertheless seek a search warrant from the court to draw blood from you for analysis of your blood-alcohol level. It is this step that requires the court to be available and to meet with police officers at any time of day or night. The officer meets with the judge, is put under oath, and the warrant request is analyzed by the judge to determine whether issuance of the warrant is appropriate.

A first offense for driving while intoxicated carries serious consequences. The Secretary of State will suspend your license, you face up to 93 days in jail, and you could be placed on reporting probation for up to two years. Fines, costs, reimbursement of governmental expenses, and probation oversight fees may well exceed $1,000. Six points will be added to your driver’s record. The State of Michigan will impose a driver’s responsibility fee of $1,000 each year for two years. Your driver’s insurance rates will increase. You may be ordered to take classes, perform community service, and abstain from alcohol use.

Fortunately for all of us, the incidents of drunk driving are decreasing. In 2009 Grosse Pointe Park experienced one-half of the incidents which occurred just two years earlier. If you are out for drinks, please consider using a designated driver.
Tiny Tots is a developmentally based gross motor class designed for children 18-36 months old. Along with their parents, the children learn how to move in fun and challenging ways while dancing to music and playing games with new friends.

### SESSION III
- **6 weeks**
- **$48.00**
- Tuesdays 10:30-11:15 a.m.
  - Feb. 23  March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

### SESSION IV
- **6 weeks**
- **$48.00**
- Tuesdays 10:30-11:15 a.m.
  - April 6, 20, 27  May 4, 11, 18

Payment at “sign up” required for all classes

Pipsqueaks is a class for children 3-6 years old who are ready to move, dance and play independently from their parents. This is a great class designed to get their bodies moving in a fun and energetic way while learning new developmental skills. Enrollment is limited to 12 children per class. There must be at least 6 children enrolled to run a class.

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Merry Music Maker’s Pajama Party!

Ages 2-8 years - $12 per Family
7:00 - 8:00 pm
Friday, February 12  Friday, April 9
Friday, March 12  Friday, May 14

Come join us for an evening of fun with Ms. Paula. Bring a blanket to sit on and wear your pajamas and a smiling face. We’ll have music, stories and lots of silly fun.

Bedtime will never be the same!

Note: Prepayment is not necessary. Simply pay at the door.

**New Valentine’s Day Event!**

“Daddy/Daughter Date Night”
Monday, February 15th at 6:30 pm
$12.00 ($6.00 for each additional child)

This is a night just for Dads and their daughters. Come have your very own night at the movies together. Package includes complimentary small popcorn and beverages. We will also take a special Daddy/Daughter photo of the two of you and frame it so that you can take it home and always remember your special night together!

“Mother/Son Date Night”
Wednesday, February 17th at 6:30 pm
$12.00 ($6.00 for each additional child)

This is a night just for Moms and their sons. Come have your very own night at the movies together. Package includes complimentary small popcorn and beverages. We will also take a special Mother/Son photo of the two of you and frame it so that you can take it home and always remember your special night together!

Please call 822-2812, ext. 201 to register before February 8th.
**Karate for Kids**

**Instructor: Lisa Santi**

This popular martial arts program continues another season of learning, skill development and advancement. The “Turn of the Tide”, Martial Arts program works to teach students to gain confidence in themselves and their abilities. These classes are ongoing and new students are always welcome. Classes are held in the gymnasium in the Lavins Activity Center. Class sizes are limited.

**Beginners classes** are for students ages 5 years to 8 years old that are new to Karate or have attained a Junior Ranking from Junior Yellow Belt to Junior Red Belt.

**Advanced classes** are for students 9 years old an up that are new to Karate or students that have attained the rank of 8th Gup Purple Belt and up.

**Sparring class** is for all students regardless of age or rank. Sparring class should be taken in conjunction with a Beginner or Advanced Karate class.

**Black/Red Belt Class** will focus on advanced level skills to prepare Red Belts for Black Belts and to give current Black Belts a chance to work very advanced skills on a regular basis.

**Teen class** is for all students born on or before 1996 regardless of rank.

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**Registration**

Registration for Session IV Karate will be Saturday, March 27 from 9:00 a.m. to Noon at the Lavins Center.

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**Session III**

Mondays - 4:15 p.m. Beginners Class - 2/1, 2/8, 2/22, 3/1, 3/8, 3/15, 3/22, 3/29
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Tuesdays - 4:30 p.m. Advanced Class - Same dates as above.

Wednesdays - 4:30 p.m. Padded Sword Class (Ages 9 & up) - Same dates as above.
Wednesday - 5:30 p.m. Teen Class - Same Dates as above.

Thursdays - 4:15 p.m. Beginners Class - 2/4, 2/11, 2/25, 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 4/1
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**Please Note:**

Each 8 week session is $50.00 per student.

**Parent/Child Class Pricing**

- Adult - $50.00
- Child - Already in another class - Free
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**Karate Demo Night**

Karate Demo Night will be Friday, March 26th from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Turn of the Tide Martial Arts will also be celebrating their 20th anniversary. All past students and families are welcome to come and share their memories.

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**Gymnastics Class**

**Instructor: Barb Thomson**

**A class for Boys & Girls**

Tumbling skills including rolls, cartwheels, handstands, headstands, etc. will be taught according to the skill level of the class. Emphasis will be on coordination, strength and flexibility. With positive reinforcement the students will gain the confidence to learn new skills.

**Boys apparel:** Shorts and T-shirt

**Girls apparel:** Bike unitards preferably

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Lavins Activity Center

Want to get into shape, visit with friends, or just looking for a place to relax? The Lavins’ Activity Center offers many recreational options for residents to take part in year round. Memberships to the Meade Fitness Center for a weight and/or cardio workout or a Class Membership to participate in many different classes like Yoga, Body Sculpting and Cycling, just to name a few. Or if you’re just looking for a place to relax, the McKeever Lounge may be the place for you to sit back and enjoy overlooking the park and the waterfront. Maybe you’re looking for a “night out at the movies”. The Okulski Family Theatre offers movies on the big screen! All this is just minutes from your doorstep!

Lavins’ Activity Center

DOLORES & PAUL LAVINS’ ACTIVITY CENTER

Lavins Activity Center

Lavin’s Center Severe Weather Policy

The Lavins Center is open 7 days a week. However, if we are experiencing severe weather you may want to call us at (313) 822-2812 ext. 300 to confirm that the building is open. There is always a chance that severe weather could cause a power outage and, in that case, we would not be open.

Meade Fitness Center

Located on the second floor of the Lavins’ Activity Center is the Meade Fitness Center. Membership in the Fitness Center (workout room) can be purchased at the front desk in the Lavins Center. The Fitness Center offers a variety of weight machines, free weights and cardio equipment. It’s a great place to burn a few calories and have a fantastic view of Lake St. Clair while you’re at it. Certified Personal Trainers are also available to give you a complimentary assessment and orientation. You may also make an appointment for a Personal Training Session to obtain a weight training program designed specifically for you.

The classes that make up the Fitness Class Membership are varied. They run the spectrum from Cycling to Zumba. If it’s your first time attending a class we strongly suggest that you arrive 10 minutes earlier than class is scheduled to sign up, meet the instructor and find out the class routine. Fitness class memberships can be purchased at the front desk of the Lavins Center and classes are conducted in the gym. A monthly calendar/schedule is available in the lobby for class days and times. Classes are ongoing unless otherwise noted.

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| One Month Trial | $40.00 |
| Single Day Pass | $10.00 |

Note: Cash or checks only (no credit cards).

Lavins Activity Center Rentals

The Lavins Activity Center can be rented for various functions when it is not scheduled for parks and recreation activities, classes or events. Reservations are requested to be made at least 1 month in advance. For complete details please stop in at the reception desk in the Stevens Atrium.

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*Checks/payments must be in the Park resident’s name and they must be in attendance at the event. For more information please call 822-2812, ext. 300.

The Okulski Family Theatre

The Okulski Theatre offers a variety of movies on the BIG SCREEN. Call 822-2812 and press Ext. 1 to hear the latest upcoming movie titles, times and dates.

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Tickets are available for advance purchase on the same day.

The guest policy is one non-resident guest to each attending resident and guests must arrive with the resident to gain access to the park. Teens are advised to have their park pass available for PG-13 rated movies.
**Fitness Classes**

**At The Lavins Center**

Come give the classes at the Lavins Activity Center a try! As you can see from the photos, there’s more to our classes than just exercise. It’s a great way to make new friends and have some fun! The Indoor Cycling class really got into the holiday spirit this year!

Simply purchase a “Class Membership” or come try a class on a “Day Pass”. Classes are ongoing, unless otherwise noted, and a monthly schedule is always available at the front desk. Park passes must be presented and swiped at the front desk at sign in.

**Current classes are as follows:**

- Body Sculpting
- Toning With Weights
- Body Excellence
- Power Yoga
- Indoor Cycling
- Yoga
- Mobile Body
- Zumba

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"Weight Watchers" is Coming!

Starting in February, Weight Watchers will be offering a 20 Week Program for $189.00 right here at the Lavins Activity Center! For more information, call 822-2812, ext. 300.

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**Afternoon Out**

Come join us for a FREE movie, coffee and cookies twice a month on Wednesdays at 1:30 p.m. It’s just a nice way to spend the afternoon.

The movie schedule will be as follows:

- **February 10**  
  "Roman Holiday"  
  (starring Gregory Peck and Audrey Hepburn)

- **February 24**  
  "An American in Paris"  
  (starring Gene Kelly and Leslie Caron)

- **March 10**  
  "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid"  
  (starring Paul Newman and Robert Redford)

- **March 24**  
  "Cabaret"  
  (starring Liza Minnelli and Joel Grey)

- **April 14**  
  "Chariots of Fire"  
  (starring Ben Cross and John Gielgud)

For more information, call the Lavins Center at (313) 822-2812, ext. 300.

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**Third Annual “Keep Your Resolution Challenge”**

Once again we’re having our Resolution Challenge to help you reach and maintain your fitness goals for 2010. The Challenge runs from February 15th through May 17th. The fee is $10.00 per participant, which will later be part of the First Place Winner’s Prize! Throughout the Challenge we will be offering lectures on various health related topics performed by local healthcare specialists, and many other special classes and events. (Lectures and events are open to non-participants as well.)

**Plus!** We will also be offering Bioelectrical Body Composition Testing. We now have on site a Bioelectrical Impedance Analyzer which tests body composition through a small electrical current passed through adhesive electrodes. The test is very simple and takes only 5 minutes! The best part is that the results are extremely accurate!

For more information on the Challenge, please call (313) 822-2812, ext. 300 or stop by the front desk at Lavins Center.
Adult Golf Instruction

This class is designed for beginners and for those of you who need to brush up on your skills. You will need to bring 4 clubs to the first class. A wood, 7 iron, pitching wedge and a putter. Practical hands-on instruction and video taping of each golfer will take place during each session. Golf lessons will be taught in the Golden Family Gymnasium accommodating up to 15 participants. Sign up early with your friends to reserve your spot!

Tuesdays, 5 classes 7:30 – 8:30 p.m. $65.00

Session II  February 16, 23, March 2, 9, 16
Session III  March 23, 30 April 6, 13, 20

“TAPAS and SALSA” Single Introductory Session

Thursday, February 11th 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Cost $45

Your Culinary Coach, Susan Guleserian and dance instructor Taitiana Glaze have teamed up to offer you this fun, healthy way of eating and exercising. Experience the flavors of Spain, as you learn about and sample several TAPAS (appetizer) using ingredients found in the “Mediterranean Diet”. This class also includes a FUN, 45 minute introductory SALSA lesson.

“TAPAS and SALSA” Six Week Session

Tuesdays, February 16 - March 23rd 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Cost $180

Culinary Coach, Susan Guleserian and dance instructor Taitiana Glaze team up again to offer you 6 sessions of this fun, healthy way of eating and exercising. Each week you will learn how to prepare a different TAPAS (appetizer) using ingredients found in the “Mediterranean Diet”. You will also receive a SALSA dance lesson each week that will teach you the basics and get you dancing before you know it. Our last class will be a TAPAS and SALSA celebration that you will be able to duplicate with your friends and family!

Grosse Pointe Park
“Mutants” Swim Team News

The summer swim team, the Grosse Pointe Park Mutants, is open to all residents 17 and under. Competitive meets are held with the neighboring Grosse Pointes and St. Clair Shores.

For 2010 registration forms and information, please go to the mutant webpage at www.gppmutants.org and go to registration and parent volunteers.

On Wednesday, May 19 at 7 p.m. in the Okulski Theatre we will have our parents meeting where you can meet the coaches, learn about the swim team, and pick up registration forms.

On Wednesday, May 26, in the olympic pool, we will have tryouts by ages:

- Age 13 and up  4:00 - 4:30 p.m.
- 11 - 12 year olds  4:30 - 5:00 p.m.
- 9 - 10 year olds  5:00 - 5:30 p.m.
- 8 years and under  5:30 - 6:00 p.m.

If your child remains in last year’s swim team group (ex: already on A team) a tryout is not necessary. Also on May 26, mutant suits and mutant wear will be available for purchase.

Swim Team Fees are:
1 swimmer: GPP Mutants $40 Grosse Pointe Park $40
2 swimmers: GPP Mutants $56 Grosse Pointe Park $66
3 swimmers: GPP Mutants $72 Grosse Pointe Park $80

REGISTRATION FOR CLASSES AND EVENTS
Please do not use for Karate

Name: ______________________________
Age: ________

Name: ______________________________
Age: ________

Address: ____________________________
Phone: _____________________________

Class/Activity: _______________________

Amount: $___________

Please make check payable to and mail to:
City of Grosse Pointe Park
15115 E. Jefferson Ave.
Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230
Attn: Parks & Recreation
Camp Wind-Y-Mill
Saturday, May 15, 2010
Windmill Pointe Park

Try your camping skills out on the picnic grounds at Windmill Pointe Park for our overnighter on Saturday, May 15 at 2:00 p.m. Find your site, set up your tent and let the kids fish, play in the park and enjoy a camping experience just minutes from home. Later in the evening we will have organized games and our popular campfire with all the fixings for smores. Bring your singing voices too for the music that will be provided at the campfire!

Rise with the sun and with an appetite on Sunday and join us in the Tompkins Community Center for a wonderful breakfast. Check out time is 2:00 p.m. on Sunday.

Sites are limited, so be sure to come to the Parks and Recreation office during office hours (Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.) to select your campsite, pick up your paperwork and pay the $30 campsite fee.

This is a wonderful family event for those of you who enjoy being outdoors.

Windmill Pointe Park
Egg Scramble

Wednesday, March 31, 4:30 p.m.

Tickets available Monday, March 1

All children 8 years of age and under are invited to our outdoor egg scramble on Wednesday, March 31 at Windmill Pointe Park. The scramble will begin promptly at 4:30 pm rain or shine with a Bunny Concert before each hunt with the Merry Music Maker! Plastic bunny eggs will cover the grounds waiting to be found and turned in for candy, cookies and surprises. Egg collection bags will be provided as the children arrive.

**BRING YOUR CAMERA!** Mr. Bunny will be available to take pictures with your child against an Easter back drop. Also, farm animals for petting and feeding will be visiting the park that day.

Tickets are $5.00 per child and will be available starting March 1 at the outside gatehouse at Windmill Pointe Park. You may also purchase tickets by mailing your check with the registration form in this issue.

Visit the city web site at: www.grossepointepark.org for Tompkins Center and Lavins Center rental information and for movie listings and showtimes.
Landlords Take Notice:

Renting of property requires a Certificate of Occupancy permit and all landlords must, for the safety of the renters, acquire a C of O inspection. As in most industries, laws and regulations change periodically and for the safety of your renters retrofits and repairs must be made.

Inspections and dates for inspections must be made in a timely fashion. All inspections will be AM or PM. No exact times will be given as our inspector has many inspections and times vary greatly. No extensions will be granted. Be sure to schedule your inspection giving yourself time to complete your repairs and allow access for the inspection. A reinspection because of no access or incomplete repairs will cause a $50.00 reinspection fee to be charged to the landlord.

Snow Removal:

As a courtesy to homeowners, snow and ice is cleared from sidewalks. In the event that the city is not able to do so, the occupant and/or owner of every lot adjoining any street shall clear all ice and snow within (12) hours after it ceases to fall.

Grosse Pointe Park Code
Sec. 21-52. Sidewalks to be Cleared
The occupant of every lot or premises adjoining any street, or the owner of such lot or premises, if the same are not occupied, shall clear all ice and snow from sidewalks adjoining such lot or premises within the time herein required. After any snow or ice shall cease to fall, such snow or ice shall be cleared from the sidewalks within twelve (12) hours of such cessation. (code 1957).

Sec. 21-53. Failure to Clear
If any occupant or owner shall neglect or fail to clear ice or snow from the sidewalk adjoining his premises within the time limit, or shall otherwise permit ice or snow to accumulate on such sidewalk, he shall be guilty of a violation of this article and in addition, the Director of Public Service may cause the same to be cleared and the expense of removal shall become a debt to the city from the occupant or owner of such premises, and shall be collected as any other debt to the city. (code 1957).

Please remove vehicles from street during snow storms.

Animal Control Committee Recommendations:

On Tuesday, December 2, 2009, the Animal Control Committee met for the purpose of reviewing the policy relative to rodent control and the use of Contac Blocks. In attendance were council members Jim Robson, Laurie Arora, Public Safety Director David Hiller, City Manager Dale Krajniak, and residents Andrea Solac and Kathy Ruhl. The Committee determined that the current process of handling rodent complaints be continued. This shall include a survey and mandate corrective action for individuals to eliminate places of possible harborage of rodents. The Committee indicated that when a complaint arises, the property in question will be inspected and a referral to a private firm to address the problem will be given. A listing of such firms will be made available.

2010 Board of Review:

The 2010 Board of Review will meet on Tuesday 3/16/10 and Thursday 3/18/10. Assessment notices will be mailed approximately 10 days prior to the first of hearings. Hearings are by appointment only. No appointments will be made after 3/15/10. Written appeals will be accepted postmarked no later than 3/20/10. The sales period for 2010 values is 10/1/08 through 9/30/09.

There is no requirement for what must be submitted for a local appeal. Each case is heard and judged on a case-by-case basis. Hearings are scheduled at 10 minute intervals. Information provided should be concise. Comparables should not differ from the subject in size, age, location or sales period. Foreclosures, sheriff’s sales and bank sales are not good comparables as many of them may have been excluded from sales studies. A picture of the property being appealed is helpful.

The Board’s decision will be mailed approximately 30 days after close of the last Board of Review date. If a petitioner wishes to appeal to the Michigan Tax Tribunal, they must do so no later that July 31st. Only appeals reviewed by the local board can be taken to the tribunal.

IMPORTANT NOTE:
Mcl2111.30C requires that when the March Board of Review or the Michigan Tax Tribunal reduces assessed value or taxable value of a property, the reduced amount be used as the basis for the assessment in the immediate succeeding year. HOWEVER, this only applies to changes when the MTT hearing is held in the same calendar year as the year of the assessment being appealed. Therefore, if a MTT hearing for a 2009 assessment appeal is not held until 2010, the resulting assessment does not have to be the basis for the 2010 assessment. It does, however, become the basis for the 2011 assessment.

SUMMARY OF PROPERTY VALUES

There are three different values:

STATE EQUALIZED VALUE
(S.E.V.) 50% of “usual” market value

CAPPED VALUE
(C.V.) previous year’s taxable value increased by the amount of the Consumer Price Index (max of 5%) plus construction changes. C.P.I. for 2010 is -0.30%

TAXABLE VALUE
(T.V.) the lesser of the state equalized value and capped value

Structural items not previously assessed (for example, new construction) are added to both the S.E.V. and T.V. The capping process continues until ownership is transferred. When this occurs, both the S.E.V. and T.V. are the same figure and should represent 50% of USUAL MARKET VALUE. LEGISLATION STATES THAT THE SALES PRICE MUST NOT BE USED AS THE SOLE BASIS FOR THE NEW S.E.V.
Power Outages
What You Need To Know

DTE would like residents to be aware that they should always report power outages as soon as possible and not rely on their neighbors to report the outage for them. DTE determines repairs by the number of calls received. In other words, the more calls they receive from a particular area, the higher priority it will be given.

Next time you experience a power outage in your area, call DTE at 1-800-477-4747.

Community Gardens Seminar

Wednesday, March 10, 7:30 p.m., the Grosse Pointe Park Beautification Commission along with the Wayne County Master Gardeners and the Beautification Council of Southeastern Michigan will host a seminar on community gardens at the Tompkins Center. Recently, the Beautification Commission recognized the residents of the 1400 block of Grayton for their splendid community garden with a community service award. A vacant lot at the foot of the block was adopted by the residents for a shared garden experience. In addition to the food benefit, a strong sense of community commitment was fostered.

Since the garden was such a huge success, many other Park residents have voiced an interest in starting their own community gardens. The Commission, therefore, has agreed to help facilitate a seminar. City Forrester, Brian Colter, will have information on available lots as well as city rules for such gardens. The Grayton garden crew will be on hand to field questions and discuss their project and a representative from the Eastpointe Beautification Commission will have information on rain barrels. Also, the Master Gardeners will have information about soil testing and composting as well as valuable information about seeds and plants. Hopefully, other community gardeners will be available that night to discuss their individual gardens as well. This informal information session should be both fun and useful. Refreshments will be served and hand-outs distributed. There will be no fee for the seminar and you need not be a Park resident to attend. Please call Bob or Jan Ramsey at 313-885-4784 for further information.

West Park Farmer’s Market

The West Park Farmer’s Market is gearing up for another exciting season. The seventh year of the Market will open on May 15th and run through the end of October. The market season will once again be full of many exciting activities and events. Market hours will be from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. every Saturday, with extended hours for special events. Dates and times for all special events will be posted on our web page (www.grossepointepark.org) and further information regarding the Market will be posted in the summer communicator.

2009 Christmas Awards

Thank-you to those Grosse Pointe Park residents who added to the festivity of the holiday season by decorating the outside of their homes. The Beautification Commission recognizes the following homeowners with certificates for their outstanding Christmas displays.

| Audubon     | 1395 | 1353 | 1257 | 1142 | 1055 |
| Balfour     | 1378 | 1013 | 1004 | 917  | 911  |
| Barrington  | 902  | 850  | 824  |
| Beaconsfield| 755  | 753  | 726  | 610  | 513  |
| Bedford     | 945  | 877  | 385  | 803  | 765  |
| Berkshire   | 1113 | 1075 | 1019 |
| Bishop      | 1382 | 1033 | 1011 | 1008 | 1001 |
| Bishop Lane | 893  |
| Bishop Road | 825  | 819  | 818  |
| Buckingham  | 1357 | 1343 | 1015 | 1004 | 1001 |
| Cadieux     | 1033 | 1/2  |
| Devonshire  | 1338 | 1060 | 1056 | 1052 | 1020 |
| Edgemont Park| 1420 | 1408 | 1211 | 1226 | 1039 |
| Edgemont Park| 1025 |
| Elair Place | 875  | 869  |
| Hampton     | 842  | 840  |
| Harvard     | 1420 | 1408 | 1211 | 1226 | 1039 |
| Lakeview Court| 16460| 16109|
| Mack        | 15300| 15402|
| Maryond     | 1468 | 1071 | 1065 | 1051 | 1017 |
| Maumee      | 16621|
| Middlesex   | 706  | 625  | 652  |
| Nottingham  | 1398 | 1378 | 1306 | 1303 |
| Pemberton   | 859  | 636  | 521  | 513  |
| Somerset    | 1007 |
| Three Mile Drive| 1336 | 1311 | 1305 | 1244 | 1149 |
| Tromley     | 924  | 845  | 813  | 711  |
| Waybun      | 1438 | 1306 | 1115 | 1107 |
| Westchester | 904  | 894  | 874  | 823  |
| Whittier    | 1185 | 1121 | 1036 | 1015 | 1001 |
| Windmill Pointe Drive| 15420| 15230| 15220| 15210| 15800|
| Yorkshire   | 1037 | 1012 | 1006 |
ANNOUNCING GROSSE POINTE PARK
BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION’S
2010 TREE SALE

Sale for Park residents only. Supplies are limited and orders will be filled on the basis of date and time received at the Park Municipal Building.

Snowdrift Crabapple (Malus ‘Snowdrift’) Profuse pink buds become white flowers in Spring, then glossy green foliage turning yellow in fall. Ornamental 3/8” yellow fruit persists into Winter and is attractive to birds. Grows to 20’ H x 20’ W. Containerized 6’ - 7’ tall.

Robinson Crabapple (Malus ‘Robinson’) Crimson buds open to deep pink flowers, bronze/green foliage. Upright spreading, rounded shape to 25’ H. 3/8” red fruit. Containerized 7’ - 8’ tall.

Weeping Cherry (Prunus) Attractive flowers. Weeping branching structure. Beautiful small ornamental. Containerized approx. 5’ tall.

Princeton American Elm (Ulmus americana) Highly resistant to Dutch elm disease. Grows very fast. Large growing tree with majestic vase-like crown at maturity. A breakthrough in the long fought battle to restore American elms to the USA. Containerized approx. 3’ tall.

ORDERS MUST BE IN BY ARBOR DAY, FRIDAY, APRIL 23

Return to Brian Colter, City Forester, 15115 East Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230, together with your check and a SELF-ADDRESSED, STAMPED ENVELOPE so you may be advised of tree pick-up dates. Don’t forget to include your phone number!

Make check payable to the City of Grosse Pointe Park in the full amount.

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Pick up Saturday, May 15 from 10:00 am to Noon at The West Park Farmers Market. (Located on Kercheval)

Name ___________________________________ Phone # ____________________ Total amount enclosed $_________

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