Okulski Theatre Upgrades To Digital Film Projection

The Okulski Theatre recently upgraded its projection system by acquiring a state of the art Digital Film Projection System. Mary Beth Hathaway, Manager of the Lavins Activity Center, researched and supervised the purchase and installation of the new system in March, 2012. She states that all movie goers should be able to notice improved brightness and clarity of the picture as well as richness of sound. In addition to vastly improved picture clarity, the change to digital projection was necessary due to an industry wide conversion to digital technology. Sadly, within the next year and a half, the 35 mm film industry is destined to become obsolete.

The entire cost of the Digital Film Projection System, approximately $65,000.00, was underwritten by a donation to the Theatre by the Grosse Pointe Park Foundation. Ms. Hathaway stated “we were so pleased that the Foundation Board of Trustees deemed this a worthy project and thus made it possible to accomplish the upgrade at no cost to the City. Now our residents can continue to enjoy our state of the art theatre just minutes from their doorsteps.”

No-Engine Initiative

May 26th – June 27th
(Celebration Picnic – July 3rd)

When you come to either of our beautiful Parks from May 26th through June 27th by means of a “no engine” mode of transportation, ask for a No-Engine Initiative Raffle Ticket (one per person please). Legibly print your name and phone number on the back of the raffle ticket and drop it in the “No-Engine” container at either of the Parks. We started this initiative last year and gave out over 4,000 raffle tickets and great prizes to 20 lucky residents. The initiative is back by popular demand and, in an attempt to improve on an already good thing, we are hosting a “No-Engine Celebration” on Tuesday, July 3, 2012. The Celebration will be a pot-luck picnic beginning at 5:00 pm with prizes being drawn at 6:00 pm. If you are unable to bring a pot-luck dish come anyway as the Park Café will be offering a No-Engine Celebration special of a hot dog or coneydog, a bag of chips and a bottle of water for just $2.00. All residents can also purchase a soft serve ice cream for just 25 cents for this night only (our thanks to Park Café!).

You need not be present to win a prize, but if you are present and we draw your raffle ticket, you can choose your own prize. So far, prizes include gift certificates from Pointe Hardware, the Sprout House, Fou’d Amore, Flowers by Gabrielle, Park Café, Lunch Box Deli, Bikram Yoga, the Tompkins Center, Blue Pointe Restaurant, Belding Cleaners, Buscemi’s Pizza, the Okulski Theatre, Antonio’s in the Park, Janet’s Lunch, Full Circle, Pointe Pet’s Supply, Park Pharmacy, Park Grill, Detroit Segway LLC, American Cycle & Fitness, Edmund T. Ahee Jewelers, TJ Max Gift Certificate donated by Elaine and Bill Lynch, Breckles Massage and Moosejaw. If you would like to donate a prize, or if you would like more information on this event, contact Jackie at marina@grossepointepark.org.

Registration for Summer Classes
Saturday, June 2

Registration for water activities, tennis lessons, knapsackers and Park Players will be on Saturday, June 2nd from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at Windmill Pointe Park. We will be handing out popsicile sticks at 7:00 a.m. at the outside gatehouse to all residents registering their children for summer activities. Residents must have a valid park pass and be present to enroll their children in these classes. (You may only signup for one swim session on June 2nd) Late registration, or to sign up for additional swim classes in session II and session III, will begin on Saturday, June 30th at the pool.

The Summer swimming and diving sessions will be as follows:
Session I June 18 - June 29 Session II July 9 - July 20 Session III July 30 - August 10

After the initial sign-up date of June 2nd the pool office will accept late registrations the following week for Session I only.
PARK PASS INFORMATION

It is the goal of the City of Grosse Pointe Park to continue to provide to you, the residents, the best possible service and recreational facilities.

We ask that you take a few minutes and read the following rules that we will be enforcing this year. It is extremely important that everyone complies with the rules so that we may all enjoy our parks.

- **Current renter passes are valid until May 15, 2012.**
- **Current homeowner passes are valid until May 1, 2013**

- **Park passes are required for all residents age 10 and older and are non-transferable.**
- **Residents age 17 and under will be allowed 1 guest per visit and residents age 18 and older will be allowed 3 guests per visit.** GUESTS MUST ACCOMPANY YOU WHEN YOU ENTER THE PARKS.

- **Homeowners applying for passes for the first time** must pick up their application for completion at the Public Service Department. Homeowners must have valid proof of residency, i.e. driver’s license, bank statements or bills. New homeowners must also have turned in their Property Transfer Affidavit, Principle Resident Exemption and have a valid Certificate of Occupancy. ALL FAMILY MEMBERS age 18 or older who are not the homeowner MUST show proof of residency. City Ordinance requires NO MORE than two unrelated persons receive passes at any address. CURRENT HOMEOWNER’S PASSES AND THOSE SECURED FOR 2011 WILL BE renewed in 2012.

- Renters must pick up an application to renew passes annually. Passed will be mailed back after the landlord has verified tenancy and the Public Service Department has verified that the Certificate of Occupancy is valid. NO EXCEPTIONS. Lease agreements are not accepted as proof of tenancy.

- At any time, you may be asked for photo I.D. Misuse of your park pass may result in revocation. Revoked passes can be suspended or cancelled for the remainder of the season. In addition, if replacement is necessary, a fee of $20 will be charged. DRIVER LICENSES AND OTHER FORMS OF IDENTIFICATION WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR ENTRANCE TO THE PARKS. Gate guards will only accept valid passes for entrance. REVOKED PASSES WILL BE TURNED OVER TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT, WHICH WILL IN TURN MAKE A DECISION AS TO WHETHER OR NOT THEY MAY BE REINSTATED.

- Lost passes will be replaced ONCE per season by an adult person at a cost of $20.00 at the Public Service Department at City Hall. Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Telephone 313-822-4365. Households that require caregiver passes will be charged $25.00 per household and only 1 such pass will be issued annually.

- Allow 2 weeks for processing of all passes.

**Grosse Pointe Park Communicator**

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Park Residents Convert To Solar/Geothermal Energy

Have you been thinking of “going green”, but just don’t know where to start? Well, Park residents Marcy Chanteaux and William Stine have done the ultimate in “going green”. William is a retired professor of philosophy from Wayne State and Marcy is the Assistant Principal Cellist with the DSO. William has lived in the Park for 35 years and Marcy has lived here for 27. They married in 1986 and plan on being in their current home for many years to come. They had been thinking of ways to go green for years and decided to attend the Home & Garden Show in Auburn Hills last year to see if there would be any information on solar and geothermal energy. To their surprise there was and they proceeded to learn about it from Michigan Energy Services and a company called “Astrum Solar”. Long story short, last August they ended up installing solar panels on their roof and replacing their furnace and air conditioner with geothermal energy!

The conversion to “green” energy was not exactly cheap, but through an incentive program with DTE, William and Marcy were able to save considerably on the project and should recoup the full amount within 6-7 years. In fact, they have already saved on their energy bills this past winter and the summer should get even better. From October through December William and Marcy’s DTE bills were actually credits not bills and in January and February their bills were half of what they were the previous year.

You’re probably wondering how all this works. The success of the solar panels depends on the available roof space for panels, the home’s orientation (roofs facing south, south/west offer the most potential), and whether or not there are trees shading the roof. (See photo to right.) When the sun shines, the electricity travels from the panels through wires which connect to an inverter. The inverter then converts the electricity into your home’s electrical panel. At night, when the panels are not generating electricity, you continue to get electricity from DTE, but during the day the solar panels generally produce more power than you consume, which then flows into the DTE utility grid for the community and, in return, generates a credit for you.

The geothermal technology is a bit more complicated. Six 150 ft. vertical wells were dug in William and Marcy’s front yard where vertical loops were installed. Heat from the earth is absorbed by the loop system and carried into the home where the geothermal furnace compresses it to a higher temperature to warm the home. In the summer, the process is reversed. The warmth of the air in the home is absorbed by the geothermal furnace and deposited into the cooler earth through the loop system. The result is a cool, dehumidified home (and no more noisy air conditioner running in the backyard).

The system was costly and took a month and a half to install, but the advantages are many. It is safe, clean, efficient, reliable and totally “green”. William and Marcy have made a huge contribution to the environment (and their energy bill savings). They are anxious to see just how much they will continue to save each year. For more information on geothermal heating and cooling systems, check out the Michigan Energy Services website.

West Park Farmers Market Opens May 12th

The West Park Farmers Market will be starting its ninth season on May 12, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. Vendors will be setup and ready for another great season the day before Mothers Day. The Farmers Market is a great place to visit with friends, shop for something special for mom, or just listen to music and enjoy one of our specialty cafes. The Market is held every Saturday, May 12th through September 29th, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Each season we have several special events. This year brings with it a “Night Market” on July 21st with over sixty vendors and restaurants offering special food for tasting and purchasing, and unique art and gift items to entice one and all. The band “Purdy Good” will carry us all through the night with good toe tappin’ music. The hours for this event will be from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and will be held in place of the regularly scheduled Market. The other special event for this season will be the ever popular “Fall Festival”. This takes place on September 29th from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The band “Rock Bottom” will keep us rockin’ throughout the day. Additional information on all events can be found on the City’s webpage at www.grossepointepark.org.

The Market offers everything from Michigan grown produce to fresh baked goods, organic teas, olive oils and balsamic vinegars, edible flowers, meats and cheeses. Along with all the wonderful thing to stock your pantry with, we have a variety of “specialty vendors” offering everything from handmade childrens clothing to picture frames, art, bird houses, soaps, lotions and much, much more. So come down and take advantage of all the wonderful fare right in your own backyard! See you at the Market.
Pool News!

General Pool Hours:
The pools and splashpad officially open on Saturday, May 26th. The pools close on Monday, Sept. 5th. Detailed monthly calendars are available at the Lavins Center.

Patterson Park Splash Pad
10:00 a.m. - Dusk

Windmill Pointe Park Olympic Pool
7:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. June 18 - August 10

Children’s Pool and Fountain
10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. June 18 - August 10

Adjusted Pool Hours:
Sat. May 26 - Mon. May 28 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Tues. - Fri. May 29 - June 1 Noon - 8:00 p.m.
Sat. & Sun. June 2 & 3 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Mon. - Fri. June 4 - 8 Noon - 8:00 p.m.
Sat. & Sun. June 9 & 10 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Mon. - Fri. June 11 - 15 Noon - 8:00 p.m.

SAT. JUNE 18 - SUN. AUG. 12 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Mon. - Fri. Aug. 13 - 17 Noon - 8:00 p.m.
Sat. & Sun. Aug. 18 & 19 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Mon. - Fri. Aug. 20 - 24 Noon - 8:00 p.m.
Sat. & Sun. Aug. 25 & 26 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Mon. - Fri. Aug. 27 - Aug. 31 Noon - 8:00 p.m.

Pool Closings Due To Swim Meets:
Wed. June 20, 3:00 p.m. (entire pool)
Sat., June 23, 6:00 p.m. (diving area only)
Tues., July 3, 4:00 p.m. (entire pool)
Wed., July 11, 4:00 p.m. (entire pool)

Special Requirements:
All infants, toddlers and children who are not toilet trained may only use the pool facilities with the necessary protection. Cloth diapers with tightly fitted plastic pants or disposable swimming diapers are required for young swimmers. Regular disposable diapers are not allowed. For your convenience swimming diapers are available at the concession stand.

Lap Swimming:
Early morning lap swim will begin on Tuesday, May 29th from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. and will continue Monday through Friday until August 31st. Enter the pool from the “sidewalk” gate.

Senior Swimmers:
Swim time for seniors! 7:00 - 8:00 a.m. Monday - Friday
• Tues. May 29 - Fri. June 15
• Mon. Aug. 13 - Fri. Aug. 31

Children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by an adult within the pool and pool deck area.

Swimming lessons are taught outdoors in a heated pool. Instruction will take place no matter what the temperature is outside. We will close the pool for lessons if we are under a weather advisory or if lightning has been spotted. Lessons will not be made up. No refunds.

The olympic pool is closed from 10:00 a.m. until noon during swim lessons. The children’s pool and fountain will be closed from 11:00 - 11:30 a.m. for lessons. Nobody is permitted on the olympic pool deck at any time during swim lessons.

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SWIM LESSON DATES:

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WHAT LEVEL SHOULD MY CHILD BE IN?

3-4 YR. OLD PRESCHOOL – $30.00 (maximum 20 children)
For children 3 & 4 yrs. old, who can understand and follow directions. Held in the children's pool and fountain.
Goal is to get children acquainted with the water. Fun, games and water play.
Monday – Friday 11:00 - 11:30 a.m.

LEVEL I– Intro. To Water Skills - $30.00
For children 4 - 6 yrs. old, who will work on water adjustment and introductory swimming skills with the support of the instructors. Child must be a minimum of 36" in height and potty trained.
Monday – Friday 11:30 - Noon.

LEVEL II – Fundamental Aquatic Skills - $60.00
Children should have skills from Level I including bubble blowing, front & back float with support, with or without kicking and alternating arm action.
Monday – Friday 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

LEVEL III – Stroke Development – $60.00
Students should have passed Level II skills which include submerging and retrieving an object, bobbing, flutter kick on front and back, front crawl (5 yds.), back crawl (5 yds.) and treading over.
Monday – Friday 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

LEVEL IV – Stroke Improvement – $60.00
Students should have passed Level III skills including jumping into deep water, pre-dives, front crawl with breathing (15 yds.), back crawl (10 yds.) and treading water.
Monday – Friday 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

LEVEL V – Skill Refinement – $60.00
Students should have passed Level IV, which includes elementary back stroke (15 yds.), front crawl with rotary breathing (25 yds.), back crawl (25 yds.), breaststroke (15 yds.), scissors kick (10 yds.), treading water (1 min.) and compact or stride position front dive.
Monday – Friday 11:00 - Noon.

LEVEL VI (Class 1) Refinement of Swimming Skills –$60.00 (Session III only)
Students will perform common swimming strokes including front crawl, back crawl, sidestroke and breaststroke. Other skill refinement will involve front and back open and flip turns.
Monday – Friday 11:00 - Noon.

LEVEL VI (Class 2) Lifeguard Readiness – $60.00 (Session III only)
Students should display strong common swimming skills prior to enrollment. Students will perform rescue techniques with a tube. Techniques will include treading water, reaching and throwing assist, backboard, retrieve objects from the pool bottom and a variety of emergency help skills.
Monday – Friday 11:00 - Noon.

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- Register your swimmers and sign up to volunteer
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- Tryouts are only for new swimmers and D team members.
- Swimmers wishing to change levels can do so at 5:30 p.m. after tryouts.

Swim team fees are paid with two separate checks made payable to the following:
1 Swimmer: GPP Mutants $50 / Grosse Pointe Park $50
2 Swimmers: GPP Mutants $75 / Grosse Pointe Park $75
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**Grosse Pointe Park “Mutants” Swim Team News**

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**Water Aerobics**

**Instructor - Carrie Moore**

**$80.00 for 16 classes for current Lavins Members**

$112.00 for Non-Members

**Monday and Wednesday Session:** June 18 - August 15
7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.

**Tuesday and Thursday Session:** June 19 - August 16
6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

(No class week of July 2 - July 6)

No swimming skills are required. The classes are open to all ages and are offered during morning and evening hours. Carrie will incorporate aerobicics and water walking routines for full range of motion for all joints. Register on Saturday, June 2nd at Windmill Pointe Park from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., or at the Parks and Recreation Office (10 participant minimum per session to hold class.)

*Each registrant will be given a 16 visit punch card which must be presented at each class. This card will allow the card holder to participate in any Water Aerobic or Deep Water Running class.

**Deep Water Running Class**

**Mon., Wed., Fri. 7:00 - 8:00 a.m. May 30 - June 15**

$40 for current Lavins Members

$56 for Non-Members

All levels are welcome to this class. It will be great fun because there is no impact and the increased resistance of the water lends itself to increased effort and therefore incorporates more muscular work. Participants will need to wear an aqua jogger. For more information please call 822-2812 ext. 200.

**Diving Into Summer**

**Beginning Diving - $50.00**

Monday - Friday 10:00 a.m. - 10:55 a.m.

Students will increase their ability and technique with basic springboard primary dives. Skills include stance, steps, hurdle, front and back dives.

**Intermediate Diving - $50.00**

Monday - Friday 11:00 a.m. - 11:55 a.m.

Students will develop advanced springboard diving skills and techniques.

**Windsurfing Regatta**

The 13th annual Grosse Pointe Park Windsurfing Regatta will be on Sat. June 16th at Patterson Park. Registration is at 9:00 a.m. and skippers meeting at 10:00 a.m. Trophies and raffle prizes presented at 3:00 p.m. Lunch provided for racers.

For more information, contact Frank Murray at (313) 331-2125 or Murwind@comcast.net.
Lavins Activity Center

Want to get into shape or catch a movie? 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 take different classes like Yoga, Cycling and Body Sculpting, are just a few of the activities available. Or 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!

Personal Training

Personal Training Sessions can be purchased at the front desk of the Lavins Center. All trainers are NASM certified.

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Meade Fitness Center

Located on the second floor of the Lavins Activity Center, the Meade Fitness Center is a great place to burn a few calories and have a fantastic view of Lake St. Clair while you’re at it. The Fitness Center offers a variety of weight machines, free weights and cardio equipment. Certified Personal Trainers are available to provide complimentary assessment sessions to new members by appointment. Also, members may purchase Personal Training Sessions with a trainer to obtain an individualized weight training program. Membership to the Meade Fitness Center may be purchased at the front desk of the Lavins Activity Center.

A Fitness Class Membership is also available at the Lavins Activity Center. The Class Membership consists of a variety of exercise classes. Our current classes are Body Sculpting, Interval Training, Indoor Cycling, Kickboxing, Toning With Weights, Pilates, Power Yoga, Yoga and Zumba. All classes are conducted in the gymnasium. Classes are ongoing, but a monthly schedule is always available in the lobby which will show any possible changes.

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Note: We only accept cash or checks - no credit cards.

Gym Rentals

Occasional Half-Court gym rentals of the Golden Family Gymnasium are available. Reservations may be made 72 hours in advance (maximum) for basketball, volleyball, badminton and running games. The fee is $20 per hour for half court. Park passes are required for access to the park and the Lavins Activity Center. Park Passes may be asked for at the reception desk to prove residency. Gym use policy requires one Grosse Pointe Park resident to every NON-resident. Non-residents must arrive WITH residents; otherwise they will be denied entry. Rental for large groups (with more non-residents to residents) is allowed only by pre-registration (25 - 72 hours), pre-payment and provision of a list of attendees 24 hours before the rental. The maximum number of people allowed in the gym is limited to 25 persons per side.

Proper tennis or gym shoes are required and shirts must be worn. If you are under the age of 18 you will need your parent/guardian to be in attendance while you play.

Water bottles are permitted in the gym, but no other food or drinks are allowed. Basketball and volleyballs are available at the reception desk. A complete list of gymnasium rules is posted at the front desk.

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 current movie title, show times and dates. Tickets are available for advance purchase on the same day. You can’t beat the convenience of popcorn and a movie so close to home! Teens are advised to have their park pass available for PG-13 rated movies.

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NOTE: THE MOVIE STARTS ON TIME!

So get here early to get your snacks and your seats!

Summer Show Time Schedule

The “7 Days A Week” movie schedule starts Monday, June 18th. Tuesday and Thursday matinees will start June 19th. The 7-Day schedule will run through Sunday, September 2nd.
Summer Karate Camps

Instructor: Lisa Santi

Registration day is Saturday, June 4 from 9:00 a.m. to Noon in the Lavins Activity Center. Payment is due at signup and is non-refundable. (Registration before this date is not allowed.)

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| Week II - Advanced Camp | July 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 | $110.00 |
| Monday - Thursday | 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. | |
| Friday | 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. | |

| Week III - Guys Camp | July 23, 24, 25, 26, 27 | $110.00 |
| Monday - Thursday | 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. | |
| Friday | 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. | |

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Roselyn Rhodes
Watercolor Camp
Patterson Park Monday-Friday
June 25-29 & August 6-10 - 10:00 - 11:30 am
$85.00 Plus Supplies

This class is for ages 6-13 years of age. Come enjoy a unique opportunity to learn watercolor painting outside at beautiful Patterson Park. You’ll learn to control the “wet and dry” of your paper, color mixing, layering and other texturing techniques. Drawing and Composition will be incorporated along with mixed media and collage. Please join us and become inspired by this relaxing and beautiful setting.

Register Saturday, June 2. Class size is limited to 15 total students.
E-mail Rose at: rose@artwithrose.com
Website for class information and supply list: www.artwithrose.com
Phone Number: (313)-882-6449

Paws In The Park!
Saturday, June 9th
10:00 am – 2:00 pm

This will be our 4th annual dog friendly event benefiting the Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society. This year we are even more excited about the event because we are moving it to Patterson Park. The dogs will walk the park perimeter and along the boardwalk. There will be markers and water bowls along the route. Walkers who attain sponsors for their walk and collect $100.00 will receive a “Paws In The Park” T-shirt. As always, we will have vendor tables from a variety of local businesses along with hot dogs and refreshments. There will also be a GPAAS adoption event in the Lindell Lodge during the walk.

For more information regarding the adoption and this event you may contact the event chair, Regan Stolarski, at rkstolarski@sbcglobal.net or call (586) 630-6819.

Check Out The Exciting Sport Of Ultimate Disc!

The Professional Ultimate Disc Team of Detroit invites you to be a part of the sensation that is sweeping the nation. Learn how to handle the disc, understand the sport and even watch a game right in your own back yard. Thanks to Domzalski Ciamitaro Insurance, Advanced Training Techniques and the Detroit Mechanix, this event is FREE for everyone to attend! Join us behind the Tompkins Center at Windmill Pointe Park on May 27th, June 16th and July 7th at 1:00 pm for demonstrations, clinics and exhibition games. Meet the pro athletes, have some fun and enter to win tickets and merchandise!
Knapsacker & Park Player
Camp Sessions

June 25 – June 29       July 30 – August 3
No Sessions July 2 – July 6       August 6 – August 10
July 9 – July 13       August 13 – August 17
July 16 – July 20       August 20 – August 24
July 23 – July 27

Each camp session is Monday through Friday and the cost per session is $100 which includes a shirt and session photo. Space is limited to 24 children. Feel free to sign up for as many sessions as you like. All sessions will be taught by four enthusiastic and certified elementary teachers.

Knapsackers: This is a fun, active outdoor camp for kids 3-6 years of age. From 8:30 am until noon your children will play and socialize with neighborhood kids. The Knapsackers will swim, play, do arts and crafts and participate in structured activities.

Park Players: We’re calling all kids 7-10 years of age to come to Windmill Pointe Park for summertime fun! This coed camp will be held from 1:00 pm – 4:30 pm each day and will encourage kids to enjoy the outdoors with fun activities and make new friends. They will participate in daily swimming, tennis and karate lessons, cool crafts and team sports.

59th Annual Fishing Rodeo
Windmill Pointe Park
Saturday, June 9    9:00 - 11:30 a.m.
$5.00 per child

This fun event is for all young anglers 15 yrs. and under. Applications are available at Windmill Pointe and Patterson Park starting Monday, May 7 and must be submitted by Monday, June 4. Great prizes and the thrill of landing “the big one” make this a fisherman’s delight! A hot dog & chips lunch will follow this event.

Adult Co-Ed Volleyball League
$50.00 per team

Experience outdoor fun by playing on one of our outdoor sand volleyball teams at Windmill Pointe Park. The smell of barbecue in the air and the view of the freighters passing by, both contribute to the fun and add to the overall game experience.

Team applications will be available at the inside gatehouse at Windmill Pointe Park on May 7. Play begins on June 19 and continues on Tuesdays - Thursdays from 6:30-8:30 p.m. All applications are to be turned in by Tuesday, June 7. Play begins on June 19 and continues on Tuesdays - Thursdays from 6:30-8:30 p.m. All applications are to be turned in by Tuesday, June 7. The $50 team fee must be included with all applications. The team captains must be Park residents and play.

On The Courts

The Parks and Recreation Department offers tennis lessons to children age 5 and older at Windmill Pointe Park. You may sign up for as many weeks as you want on Saturday, June 2. All players must bring a can of tennis balls on the first day of class.

Class Descriptions

All players will learn tennis rules and etiquette to use on the courts. Skills will be taught by incorporating games into lesson plans, making it an overall fun experience while learning this great sport. We have mini-nets, inflatable targets, dots and slow bounce balls to further enhance this instructional program.

BEGINNERS: For the student that has little or no concept of the game or stroke, although student must be strong enough to hold a racquet. Students will be taught the stance, forehand and backhand strokes, serves and rules of the game.

ADVANCED: The student is expected to know the game and have playing experience. More time is spent with strategy and perfection of the game.

CHILDRENS’ CLASSES: $45.00 for 5 classes Mon - Fri

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Week I June 18 - June 22   Week IV July 16 - July 20
Week II June 25 - June 29  Week V July 23 - July 27
OFF July 2 - July 6       Week VI July 30 - Aug 3
Week III July 9 - July 13

RAIN POLICY
Tennis lessons are taught outside. If it happens to be raining at lesson time, lessons will be cancelled. Tennis cannot be taught when courts are slippery. There will be no make up lessons.

Windmill Pointe Park
Tennis Tournament
August 9, 10, 11, 12
$25.00 for adults (up to 2 entries)

Open to all Grosse Pointe tennis players of all abilities. Registration forms will be at Windmill and Patterson Park gatehouses starting June 11. The entry deadline is Sunday, August 5. Picnic and awards to follow the finals on Sunday, August 12th.

Event dates: Thursday, Aug. 9 through Sunday, August 12.
Events: Parent/Child, Women’s open, Men’s open, Women’s doubles, Men’s doubles and Mixed doubles. Players must commit to play Thursday - Sunday.

Our tournament is run by our tennis instructors. It is a fun, friendly and competitive event for all levels of players.

Any rain delays or postponements will be re-scheduled as soon as weather permits.
Grosse Pointe Stand Up Paddle Boarding

The GPSUP Club is composed of paddlers 18 years of age and older who gather every Monday at Patterson Park from 6:00 p.m. until the Park closes at dusk. The Park is open to all non-residents and residents of Grosse Pointe for that evening to paddle board. All club members must fill out an Acknowledgement, Authorization, and Assumption of Risk form available from Jean Alter Johnson, the designated Grosse Pointe Park representative for the Club, or the Parks and Recreation Office.

The Stand Up Paddle Board season will coincide with the Kayak/Windsurf season, which is April 15th – November 1st, during Park hours. Jean can be reached for board lessons and rentals for those who have an interest in the sport at gpsup@live.com. Mark your calenders for Saturday, June 16th for the Windsurfer/Paddle Board Regatta held at Patterson Park.

Park-It!
Thursday, August 9th at Patterson Park
Food and Entertainment - 5:30 p.m.
Free Outdoor Movie - 7:00 p.m.

Join us for an outdoor family night under the stars with food, Kona ice cream and snow cones, entertainment and an outdoor movie that will be determined at a later date. Blue Pointe Restaurant will be preparing barbequed food for you to purchase. Just bring your lawn chairs and blankets to lounge on and enjoy the evening!

All Pointe’s Family Outdoor Movie!!!
Saturday, August 11th 9:00 p.m. (dusk)
(Rain Date - August 18th)

This joint Family Outdoor Movie event will be held at Grosse Pointe South’s Football field. Movie night is open to residents of ALL five Grosse Pointe Communities. Park passes are required and will be checked at the entrance on Fisher Road. “Dr. Seuss’ The Lorax” will be the featured film.

Calendar Highlights!
A reminder of pertinent dates & events coming up in our City. Please note the dates that may be of interest to you and your family.

May 11  Merry Music Maker
Lavins Activity Center Gym  7:00 p.m.

May 12  West Park Farmer's Market Opens
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Lakepointe and Kercheval

May 19  Spring Perennial Plant Exchange
Tompkins Community Center
9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

May 19  Shredding Service
Windmill Pointe Park  9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

May 26  No Engine Initiative begins
Patterson Park and Windmill Pointe Park

May 26  Olympic pool, Children's Pool & Fountain and splashpad open for the season.

May 28  Memorial Day
City Offices Closed

May 28  Grosse Pointe Sail Club
Pancake Breakfast & Marina Meeting
Tompkins Community Center  9:00 - 10:30 a.m.
Fleet Blessing - Main Pier  Noon

June 2  Summer Registration
Windmill Pointe Park  9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

June 9  59th Annual Fishing Rodeo
Windmill Pointe Park  9:00 - 11:30 a.m.

June 9  Paws in the Park
Patterson Park 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

June 16  Chipping & Putting Competition
Patterson Park  10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

July 4  Independence Day
City Offices Closed
**Lindell Lodge and Patio Summer Rentals**

The Lindell Lodge and patio can be rented for parties with 25 guests or less from April 15 to November 15 by Grosse Pointe Park residents. The Lodge is in a beautiful, secluded setting by the reflective pond and fountain. Rental fees are $75 Monday - Friday and $125 Saturday & Sunday. For more information and available dates, call 822-2812 ext. 200.

**1st Annual Chipping and Putting Competition**

*Saturday, June 16 at Patterson Park (Raindate is Saturday, June 23rd)*

Calling all golf enthusiasts who feel up to a chipping and putting challenge! $5 per entry. Minimum of 5 participants and maximum of 15 participants per age group. (Equipment needed: chipping wedge, putter, 6 golf balls).

- 60+ years: 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
- 19-59 years: 10:30 a.m. - Noon
- 18 and under: Noon - 1:30 p.m.

**Challenge:** 1 chip per station, select 3 best balls to putt. Lowest score per age group wins 18 holes of golf with cart at Rackham Golf Course. If there is a tie, there will be a chip off. **Register at Recreation Office by Wednesday, June 13th.** For questions, please call 822-2812 ext. 200.

**Patterson Putting Green and Bocce Ball**

The Putting Green Practice Facility at Patterson Park awaits you! The gate attendant will post a sign indicating whether the greens are open or you can call the attendant at 822-1681. We ask that all participants enter and exit greens on the brick pavers and observe the facility rule sign.

The Bocce Ball Court is located behind the picnic shelter, parallel to the boardwalk. Bocce balls are available at the gatehouse. Picnic with friends, play a game of Bocce Ball and enjoy the breathtaking view of the lake!

**Picnic Permits**

Picnic Permits are issued at the Parks and Recreation Office.

Call 822-2812 ext. 201

- Permits are available for Windmill Pointe and Patterson Park.
- You may apply for a permit Monday-Friday from 8-4 p.m.
- A maximum of 25 guests are allowed on a permit.
- Charge for permits is $10 Mon. - Fri. and $20 Sat. and Sun.
- Permits will not be issued Memorial Day, 4th of July or Labor Day.
- There are permit limits per day, so make your reservation early.

**Scuba Diving Class - $235.00**

Scuba diving instruction will be offered to participants 10 years and older. This course is a PADI certified SCUBA diving lesson. The cost covers instruction, pool training and SCUBA equipment.

Sign up at registration on Sat. June 2 from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. For your convenience, the instructor, Joe Kulka, will contact you individually to work out dates and times of instruction.

**Horseshoes or Croquet Anyone?**

Residents interested in pitching horseshoes or learning how to play croquet are welcome to come and join fellow Park residents every Friday, June 1st - August 31st, from 6:00-8:00 pm. Staff will be on hand to oversee. For questions, please call (313) 822-2812, ext. 200.

**Shredding Service**

*Saturday, May 19th 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.*

“General Shredding Service” will bring a truck to Windmill Pointe Park that will receive all your “boxed” personal papers such as bills, tax returns, etc. that you wish to have shredded. Staples and paperclips DO NOT have to be removed and the only items that will not be accepted are hazardous waste, newspapers, x-rays and computer discs. Remember, paper only. So start cleaning out your filing cabinets! **Shredding is good for security, the economy and the environment!**

**Note: There will be a $2.00 fee per box.**
**For Your Information**

**Budget**
Mayor Heenan and members of City Council project no increase in property taxes for the upcoming fiscal year’s 2012-2013 budget.

**Federal Emergency Management Agency**
FEMA updates floodplain maps which reflect confirmation of the 1998 revisions allowing flood insurance to be provided on an optional basis.

**University Student Housing Grants**
Seventy plus university students and over thirty five landlords awarded housing grants through the private non-profit Grosse Pointe Housing Foundation.

**Parks and Recreation**
Due to high demand Parks and Recreation will be adding additional spinning bikes as well as additional kayak racks to reduce waiting lists.

**Electrical Service/Street Lights**
DTE begins installation of new lighting circuits. Will replace approximately one third of City Street lights. Expected completion early summer. DTE also begins improvements to primary service lines servicing south of Jefferson to assist in curtailing power outages for the area.

**Household Hazardous Waste Day**
May 19, 2012 - 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
At Grosse Pointe Farms Pier Park (Moross and Lakeshore)
For more information, call (313) 885-6600

**Rubbish Reminder**
All yard waste must be in decomposable brown paper bags or in 32 gallon containers (no lids) with handles, that have a yard waste sticker on them. If you choose to use containers, you may pick up stickers for them at the Public Service Department. Containers can be no larger than 32 gallons. Toters are not acceptable yard waste containers.
Do not place sticks, brush or weeds on top of your trash container. Improperly contained yard waste will be left at the curb. Use non-toxic products for your garden and lawn whenever possible. Use pesticides sparingly.

**Public Service Reminder**
Now that warmer weather is here, its time to take a good look at the outside of your home and property, to make sure it is in good condition. Preservation of your home and yard is essential to maintain the quality of our neighborhoods.
The Public Service Department will be performing general field inspections of Grosse Pointe Park properties. This is to ensure that the exterior of homes and properties are maintained in good condition. If there are exterior defects such as peeling paint, hanging gutters, garbage, etc. the city will inform you by mail. Please take time to see if your home needs attention.

**Election Reminder**
The Primary Election is August 7, 2012 and the last day to register for this election is Monday, July 9, 2012.
Precinct 1 & 2
Trombly Elementary School
820 Beaconsfield
Precinct 3
Municipal Building
15115 E. Jefferson Ave.
Precinct 4 & 7
Pierce Middle School
15430 Kercheval
Precinct 5 & 6
Defer Elementary School
15425 Kercheval

Note: We are always in need of volunteers to help with elections. All volunteers are paid for their time. If you are interested, please contact Donna Costa at (313) 822-4380.

**Fire Hydrant Testing Schedule**
In conjunction with the Water Department, the Public Safety Department will be flushing all city fire hydrants as part of our yearly maintenance program.
On Monday and Tuesday June 4 & 5, 2012, we will be flushing water from the hydrants SOUTH of Jefferson. On June 11 & 12, 2012 we will be flushing hydrants NORTH of Jefferson. Please make a note of these dates.
During this operation some sediment in the water main may become dislodged and the water may appear rust colored. If this occurs, run the water until the water runs clear again. We suggest that you not do laundry on these days to prevent possible discoloration of clothing.

**Holiday Trash & Recycling Schedule**
**MEMORIAL DAY**
**MONDAY, MAY 28**
**INDEPENDENCE DAY**
**WEDNESDAY, JULY 4**
**NO TRASH OR RECYCLING.**
**ALL PICK-UPS DELAYED BY ONE DAY.**
Arbor Week: A Celebration of Trees
By Pat Deck

Once again 4th grade students in Grosse Pointe Park area schools got their creative juices flowing as they designed Arbor Week posters that illustrate the value and benefits of trees. Arbor Week was celebrated April 22-28th. This is the 29th year the contest. Of the 166 entries, the Grosse Pointe Park Beautification Commission judged three to be outstanding. The winner was Luc Walz of Maire School whose poster used the slogan “Trees are Breathtaking” while featuring a colorful tissue paper collage of a variety of leaf shapes. Two runners up were also from Maire School. Delaney Jackson outlined a stylized tree in bold black with two titles in green. On the crown of the tree she wrote ‘Arbor Day’ and reaching from the roots to the tree trunk she wrote ‘Let me Grow’. Joey Burgoyne titled his poster: “Thank a tree by planting a tree!” In 3-D he featured a balled tree ready to plant with leaves that identified the many benefits of trees. Congratulations to these three students and to their teachers: Mrs. Dana Moir, Mrs. Christina Pearson and Mr. Neal Gross. Thanks to everyone who participated.

The winning posters were recognized by the Grosse Pointe Park City Council at their April 23rd meeting. First place received a $75 Savings Bond and a tree may be planted in their honor at the school. Runners up received certificates of recognition and a gift from the City.

Poison Ivy, Poison Oak & Clint Eastwood
By Brian Colter

A couple of summers ago Clint Eastwood’s movie “Grand Torino” was filmed in SE Detroit, bordering Grosse Pointe Park. Unfortunately, this area of Detroit has seen better days and now vacant lots far out number houses. It used to be a thriving, clean, vibrant neighborhood, but now some blocks don’t even have a single home on them. The crew set up on one of these vacant lots to film a scene, just blocks away from where my office is. The location director approached me because he was concerned about poison ivy being present. Being from California, he wasn’t sure what it looked like. He saw “three leaved” plants and was leery of the old adage, “leaves of three let it be”.

Poison Ivy (Toxicodendron radicans) is a three leaved woody vine which is noxious to humans. It occurs in all states except Alaska, Hawaii and California. Western Poison Oak (Toxicodendron diversilobum) is also a three leaved plant which is noxious to humans. It is found only on the Pacific Coast of the United States and Canada. Wild strawberry (Fragaria virginiana) is plentiful in Michigan and looks very similar to poison ivy and poison oak but is not harmful. I knew I wouldn’t find any poison oak and I didn’t see any poison ivy, although I walked the lot and diligently checked it out anyways. The lot was overgrown with weeds, but it wasn’t the noxious plants I was worried about. All kinds of trash littered the place. Vagrants use these lots to store their life possessions. Grocery store carts were scattered throughout and loaded with trash. There was paper, broken glass, an occasional ripped up sleeping bag, etc. It was sad. Needless to say, I was careful where I stepped.

“How? Natural Pest Management! Use natural methods and native beneficial predators to manage unwanted pests at your home. Attract insects such as ladybugs and lacewings by planting beautiful native plants that attract them and allow them to survive. For more information visit the Beautification Commission webpage at: http://grossepointepark.org/index.php/commissionscommittees/beautification-commission

Natural Pest Management
By Lisa Kyle

Each year in the U.S. 90% of homeowners use over 70 million pounds of pesticides to control unwanted pests in their lawns and gardens. These pesticides frequently find their way into streams and waterways at concentrations that may affect aquatic life and fish-eating wildlife. As a community residing on the St. Clair Watershed we, as residents, should endeavor to beautify our landscapes while supporting the health of our watershed.

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Spring Perennial Plant Exchange
Sponsored by The Grosse Pointe Park Beautification Commission

Saturday, May 19, 2012 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Tompkins Community Center
Composting demonstrations. Master gardeners available to answer questions. Exchange planting ideas with fellow gardeners. No plants for exchanging! Gardeners happily share their extras.
Free Mulch courtesy of the City of Grosse Pointe Park will be at Windmill Pointe Park.

For more info visit www.grossepointepark.org or select “current information” at www.bcssem.org