



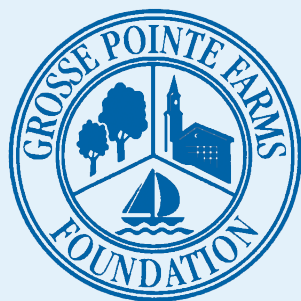
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I N F O R M A T I V E

WINTER 2019

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## Mark Your Calendars for Winterfest!

A tradition in Grosse Pointe Farms, Winterfest returns on Saturday, January 12, 2019 from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Join us to enjoy all the winter activities that Pier Park has to offer.

The event will feature a wide variety of activities that include live ice carvings, marshmallow roasting, food trucks, open skating, and a figure skating show.

The event will also include a heated tent with entertainment, beverages and our chili (soup) challenge cook-off.

If you'd like to participate in the chili (soup) challenge cook-off, please contact us at [parksandrec@grossepointefarms.org](mailto:parksandrec@grossepointefarms.org).

We encourage residents to visit [www.grossepointefarms.org](http://www.grossepointefarms.org) for Winterfest updates and the event schedule when it becomes available.





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## CITY NEWS

### DOG PARK INFORMATION

- Dog Park Passes cost \$20.00 and payment must be received with the Application.
- Dog Park Passes expire on April 30 of each year. Please DO NOT throw away the Pass; as long as it is renewed every year, the same Pass will be used.
- All residents applying for and/or renewing their Dog Park Pass must show proof of their dog(s) having the following: current GPF Dog License and current Rabies, DHPP, Bordetella vaccinations. Without this information, your Dog Park Pass Application cannot be processed.
- In order to renew your Pass for the following year, you must pay \$20.00 and provide proof of shots and a current GPF License before May 1 at the Parks & Recreation Office.
- Please familiarize yourself with the Dog Park Rules.
- All Replacement Dog Park Passes can be applied for at the Parks & Recreation Office for a fee of \$20.00.
- To register or renew for a Dog Park Pass please visit City Hall. The Dog Park Pass application is available online at [grossepointefarms.org](http://grossepointefarms.org).

## Grosse Pointe Farms Foundation Annual Appeal

Dear Neighbor,

With your generous partnership, the Grosse Pointe Farms Foundation has been working to enhance our community for over 35 years.

In 2018, we turned to our residents for their best ideas. We surveyed the community and were delighted to receive over 700 responses.

The overwhelming feedback from the survey is that residents strongly believe the Pier Park should be the Foundation's and the City's top priority going forward. Clearly, residents love the Pier Park and the many recreational opportunities it offers. We also heard feedback suggesting improvements to several areas including the pool, bathhouse, tot lot, playground, kayak storage and other amenities.

Based on these insights, we are planning a series of improvements to Pier Park over the next few years. This tremendous undertaking will be completed in partnership with the Grosse Pointe Farms City Council and additional community input. All projects, whether large or small, will enhance and complement this marvelous asset that we all enjoy.

The first step in this journey is to build a phase one capital base which will support these improvements. There will be multiple phases to this project but we need your help today to get started. Please join with us in this exciting mission to enhance the Pier Park for the benefit of our entire community. Your contribution may be made online at [grossepointefarmsfoundation.org](http://grossepointefarmsfoundation.org) or by submitting a check to the Grosse Pointe Farms Foundation at 90 Kerby Road.

The Grosse Pointe Farms Mayor and City Council, along with our Board of Trustees, greatly appreciate your enthusiastic support of this endeavor.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Huebner  
Chairman

Edward Wujek, II  
Vice-Chair



Donate online at [grossepointefarmsfoundation.org](http://grossepointefarmsfoundation.org) or by sending a check to the Grosse Pointe Farms Foundation at 90 Kerby Road, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.



# Remember Snow Removal Procedures

Winter is here, and that means snow will be falling throughout the City. Residents can help make the streets and sidewalks safer by following a few rules:

- If you hire a contractor for snow removal, please specifically ask them to be courteous to your neighbors. Hired contractors are an effective measure to remove snow from your driveway, but each year, the City receives complaints from adjacent property owners regarding where that snow is placed. Follow up by the City personnel is required for each one of these complaints.
- Many of these complaints and inconveniences of having snow placed in the wrong place could be avoided if the resident simply requests the contractor to be courteous about where the snow is moved to.
- If your contractor moves your snow down your driveway and across the street, please make sure the mound of snow is completely out of the street and not blocking a neighbor's driveway or concealing a fire hydrant.
- Do not plow snow into the street or sidewalk. Snow thrown back into the street for "the traffic to melt" only creates a snow pack that turns into ice, creating a hazardous condition.
- Do not allow children to play on the snow piles near the street. Those larger piles may be fun, but it puts them in extreme danger from passing vehicles.
- When a snow event occurs, please move vehicles out of the street. Snow plows have to maneuver around parked cars and snow gets moved in places that can create additional inconveniences for you and your neighbors.
- On occasion, the City will declare a snow emergency. In the event of a snow emergency, there is no on-street parking. Vehicles on the street during this time may be towed or ticketed. Please remember that these measures are for the safety of all our residents since these efforts ensure emergency access throughout the City.
- Landscapers and snow removal contractors must be permitted to operate in the city.



Sign-up for snow emergency alerts at **Nixle.com**.

## PUBLIC SAFETY TIPS

**Did you know the City offers free mobile alerts and a vacation safety check program to residents?**

**Nixle:** Sign up to receive important mobile text alerts from Grosse Pointe Farms Public Safety Department instantly on your phone. It's quick, easy and secure. Nixle users receive the latest information regarding public safety, snow emergencies and much more. To sign up for alerts, please visit [nixle.com](http://nixle.com).

**Vacation Safety Check Program:** It's important to have a plan to ensure your home's safety when you are gone. To avoid the telltale signs you're not home follow these tips:

- Put a hold on your mail and newspapers.
- Have someone shovel the driveway while you're gone.
- Try automatic timing lights and a radio in different rooms to create the appearance of movement.
- Call for a Vacation Safety Check at (313) 885-2100. Please try to give us at least three days notice.



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## PARKS & RECREATION PROGRAMS

# Parks & Recreation Department Winter 2019 Recreation Information

### Pier Park Information

#### Grosse Pointe Farms Parks and Recreation Department

350 Lakeshore Road  
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236

Office Phone: 313-343-2405  
Fax: 313-343-8689

#### Park Hours

May 1 – October 31  
6:00 a.m. – Midnight

November 1 – April 30  
8:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

#### Parks and Recreation Office Hours

May 1 – October 31  
8:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

November 1 – April 30  
8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

• If there is ice skating, the park will be open until ice skating closes for the night. See ice skating hours on page 5.



### Registration Guidelines

Walk-in and online registrations are the only ways to register. All Recreation Programs require pre-registration. Please register by the date noted in each description. Waiting until the last minute could result in the program being cancelled.

### Refund Policy

- Requests must be made in writing and submitted to the Parks and Recreation Office.
- No refunds will be made after the start date of each Program.
- Programs will not be prorated.
- Full refunds will be made for any Program that is cancelled by the City.

### Park Passes

- Park Pass Applications are available at the City Offices, the Parks and Recreation Office or online.
- Park Passes are issued to all residents 8 years of age and older.
- All Park Passes expire on December 31.
- Current residents, children over 18 living at home, and non-married residents over 18, must show a valid driver's license in person and sign for their Resident Park Pass. Exceptions will be given to husbands and wives picking up each other's and their children's, if under 18.
- All information must be complete in order to have your new Passes processed.
- Tenants of a residential property are eligible to receive a Resident Park Pass. The City will not issue any Resident Park Passes to a tenant absent receipt of a satisfactory "Residence Verification Form" from the property owner. No Resident Park Pass will be issued to a new tenant without the completion of a new Residence Verification Form, an up to date Certificate of Occupancy and the cancellation of the prior tenant's(s') Resident Park Pass(es).
- If you would like to request a Temporary Non-Resident Park Pass, Caregiver Park Pass or Dog Park Pass, please complete an Application two weeks before the Pass is needed.

### Pier Park Harbor

All boat well deposits with mooring agreements were due December 1. The remaining balance is due March 31. If you are interested in receiving those documents by email, please send a request to [meickhorst@grossepointefarms.org](mailto:meickhorst@grossepointefarms.org).

### Pier Park Volunteer Opportunity

The Pier Park offers many family events. These events have grown greatly through the years. To make every event a success, we are looking for volunteers from our community. If you are interested in being added to our list of volunteers, please call 343-2405.



## Ice Rink Rules

*For your safety, please...*

- Skate at your own risk.
- Helmets are **STRONGLY** recommended for all skaters.
- Children 12 and under must be accompanied by a parent/guardian.
- Only wear ice skates on the ice.
- Stay off the ice while the Zamboni is in operation.
- No food or beverages are allowed on the ice.
- Hockey and hockey equipment are prohibited.
- Do not carry anyone on the ice.
- No kicking, chipping or gouging the surface of the ice.
- No playing games such as tag, racing, or chain skating. No throwing snowballs or weaving dangerously through other skaters.
- Please help by depositing all trash in the receptacles provided.
- Please respect the Pier Park Staff as we hope you are as proud of the facility as we are!

## Platform Tennis Courts

- Open Seasonal Play Dates: October 1 – April 30.
- Reservations must be made online by GPF residents, no more than 48 hours in advance, at **[www.parks.grossepointefarms.org](http://www.parks.grossepointefarms.org)**, beginning at 6:00 a.m. If you need assistance, please call the Parks and Recreation Office.
- Up to two non-residents can play as guests (players) of the resident who made the reservation on one court. Park pass punches will be required for additional non-resident guests (players).
- A resident may only reserve a court for 1-1/2 hours at a time. For groups larger than 6, the same resident can reserve the second court for the same time period.
- Courts are available on a first-come, first-served basis if there are no reservations.
- Reservations may be cancelled by the City if persons arrive later than 15 minutes after the reserved time.
- Courts will be locked. Keys will be issued to players when they arrive and the players must leave their Park Pass or Driver's License in exchange for the key.

### Daily Operation Hours

**October**  
6:00 a.m. – Midnight

**November**  
8:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

**December-April**  
8:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Note: Daily operation hours may vary for holidays and due to inclement weather.



## Skating & Fire Pit Hours

The Refrigerated Ice Skating Rink and Fire Pit at Pier Park opens in December.

This rink is for open skating; hockey is prohibited.

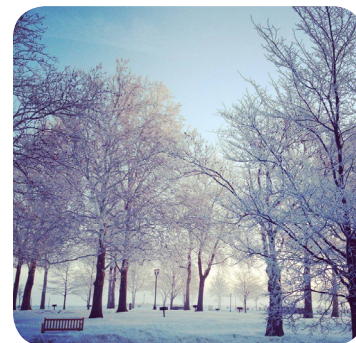
Skating hours are:

**Sunday**  
10:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

**Monday – Thursday**  
4:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

**Friday**  
4:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

**Saturday**  
10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.





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## Special Family Events



*Our K-9 Duke will be onsite doing a demonstration at Winterfest!*



### Winterfest at the Pier Park

Mark your calendars for the Winterfest at the Pier Park! This event will take place on Saturday, January 12, 2019 from 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. In enjoyable fashion, there will be lots of family fun along with food and refreshments. If you are interested in competing in the Soup and Chili Challenge, please contact Michele Eickhorst at [meickhorst@grossepointefarms.org](mailto:meickhorst@grossepointefarms.org). Keep checking the City website and Facebook page for event updates!

*Pier Park*  
*Saturday, January 12*  
*12:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.*  
*Free*

### All Pointes Daddy Daughter Dance

It promises to be an evening they will long remember, as Grosse Pointe girls, age 12 and under, twist and twirl with their best beau – Daddy – at the All-Pointes Daddy-Daughter Dance. It's a semi-formal affair, complete with a flower for each young lady at the end.

Just like a grown-up party, there will be frilly decorations, and lots of yummy appetizers and snacks with the addition of everyone's favorite tunes keeping the party moving on the dance floor. Most importantly, Dads are encouraged to bring their cameras to capture the memories of this magical night.

Reservations for the Daddy-Daughter Dance can be made beginning February 1. If you know of anyone in one of the other Grosse Pointes who would like to attend, please have them contact their local Parks and Recreation Department to register.

**#1101**  
*Saturday, March 30, \$10.00/person*  
*6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.*  
*Grosse Pointe South's Main Gym*  
*Registration Deadline is March 22*

### Easter Egg Hunt

Rain, Shine or Snow, bring your Easter basket or bag to Pier Park and hunt for candy filled eggs. Don't forget your camera for pictures with the Easter Bunny!! This event begins at 10:00 a.m. sharp, so please arrive by 9:45 a.m. Pre-registration is not required for this event.

*Pier Park*  
*Saturday, April 13*  
*10:00 a.m.*  
*Free*

### All Pointes Cornhole Tournament

Limited to six teams per city, you and a friend can join in on the All Pointes Cornhole Tournament! Registration begins March 28 and the registration form can be found at [grossepointefarms.org](http://grossepointefarms.org). Please turn it in to the Grosse Pointe Farms Parks and Recreation Department, along with payment. A small lunch will be provided and the top 3 teams will receive prizes! All participants must be 18 and older.

**#2400**  
*18 years and older*  
*Saturday, May 18, \$25 per team*  
*Sign-in begins at 11:30 a.m.*  
*Tournament begins at Noon*  
*Grosse Pointe Park Windmill Pointe*  
*Register by May 8*





## Youth Recreation Programs

### Jazz with Progressions

Dancers will learn jazz with progression and choreography, with a seasonal themed performance on the last day of class.

#### #1003

*Patrice Iannace*

*5 – 6 year olds*

*Friday, 4:15 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.*

*January 25 – April 5, \$100.00*

*Activities Room, Community Building*

*Register by January 22*

*No class February 22*

*Performance on April 5*

#### #1004

*Patrice Iannace*

*7-8 year olds*

*Friday, 5:00 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.*

*January 25 – April 5, \$100.00*

*Activities Room, Community Building*

*Register by January 22*

*No class February 22*

*Performance on April 5*

### Fundamentals of Ballet & Jazz

Children will learn the fundamentals of ballet and jazz while having fun! They will learn proper stretching techniques, dance steps and creative movement to numerous popular songs. The class will finish with a holiday themed performance, held in the Great Room. The price includes a t-shirt.

#### #1005

*Patrice Iannace*

*2 1/2 – 5 year olds*

*Tuesdays, 12:45 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.*

*January 22 – April 5, \$120.00*

*Activities Room, Community Building*

*Register by January 18*

*No Class February 19*

*Performance on April 5*

### Ice Skating Lessons

Have fun learning the basics of skating or improving current skills. Class time will be split into 20 minutes of instruction and 10 minutes of free time. All classes will be taught by instructors from the St. Clair Shores School of Skating. All participants will be split up into groups based on their abilities. All abilities are welcome!! Helmets are required; gloves and warm clothes suggested.

#### #1000

*Tiny Tots (ages 3 to 6)*

*6 Weeks, January 19 – February 23, \$70.00*

*Saturdays, 9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.*

*Pier Park Ice Rink*

*Register by January 17*

#### #1001

*Youth – Adult (ages 7 – Adult)*

*6 Weeks, January 19 – February 23, \$70.00*

*Saturdays, 9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.*

*Pier Park Ice Rink*

*Register by January 17*

### Sunshine Kids Yoga

Join certified yoga instructor Kelly Loredo for a fun and creative class just for kids! Please bring a yoga mat.

#### #1028

*Ages 3-5*

*Kelly Loredo*

*8 weeks, January 16 – March 13, \$88.00*

*Thursdays, 12:30 p.m.-1:00 p.m.*

*Great Room, Community Building*

*Register by January 9*

*No class February 20*





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## PARKS & RECREATION PROGRAMS

### Adult Recreation Programs

#### HIIT (High Intensity Interval Training)

Join Certified Personal Trainer Hayley Kirby for a high intensity training course! This workout combines short bursts of energy with minimal rest, and is adaptable to all levels of fitness. With a limit of 16 participants, proper form and adjustments are made individually for everyone's fitness level. Since the workouts are quick and intense, it's perfect for a great workout in a short amount of time with a beautiful view!

##### #1006

8 Weeks, January 8 – March 7, \$160.00  
Tuesday/Thursday, 8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.  
Great Room, Community Building  
No class February 19 & 21  
Register by January 2

##### #1007

8 Weeks, January 8 – March 7, \$160.00  
Tuesday/Thursday, 7:00 p.m. – 7:45 p.m.  
Great Room, Community Building  
No class February 19 & 21  
Register by January 2

#### Ice Skating Lessons

Have fun learning the basics of skating or improving current skills. Class time will be split into 20 minutes of instruction and 10 minutes of free time. All classes will be taught by instructors from the St. Clair Shores School of Skating. All participants will be split up into groups based on their abilities. All abilities are welcome!! Helmets are required, gloves and warm clothes suggested.

##### #1001

Youth – Adult (ages 7 – Adult)  
6 Weeks, January 19 – February 23, \$70.00  
Saturdays, 9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.  
Pier Park Ice Rink  
Register by January 17

#### Low Impact Combo

This exercise class incorporates plenty of resistance equipment (body balls and elastics) as well as use of free weights. Plenty of stretching finishes each hour. Please bring a mat and a bottle of water to every class.

##### #1002

Cherylynn Pellegrino  
10 Weeks, February 25 – May 3, \$155.00  
Monday/Wednesday/Friday,  
8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.  
Great Room, Community Building  
Register by February 22

#### Meditation Thursdays:

##### Pause. Restore. Reset

Come join instructor Colleen Yeloushan in a 75-minute guided mindfulness meditation to see you calmly through your week. Come learn and experience some practical and attainable tools to cultivate grounding in your everyday life. No prior experience in meditation is necessary. Please bring a yoga mat.

Drop In or Pre-register  
\$15 per class

Thursdays, January 10 – April 25  
11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.  
Lakeview Room, Community Building  
No Class February 21 & April 4





## Core Strength Vinyasa Yoga

Core Strength Vinyasa Yoga is a newer, more functionally focused yoga that works on building up to poses in a safe and challenging practice. This practice will be a mix of high-energy strength building and restorative.

### #1008

Hayley Kirby

8 weeks, January 9 – March 6, \$96.00

Wednesday, 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Great Room, Community Building

No class February 20

Register by January 2

### #1027

Hayley Kirby

8 weeks, March 13 – May 1, \$96.00

Wednesday, 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Great Room, Community Building

No class April 3

Register by March 6

## Mindful Yoga

Mindful Yoga is a series of intentional yoga poses designed to bring balance to mind, body and spirit. This practice will focus on alignment and breath while deepening and strengthening any yoga practice. All levels of experience is appropriate and welcome!

### #1009

Colleen Yeloushan

8 weeks, January 9 – March 6, \$96.00

Wednesday, 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Great Room, Community Building

No class February 20

Register by January 2

### #1026

Colleen Yeloushan

8 weeks, March 13 – May 1, \$96.00

Wednesday, 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Great Room, Community Building

No class April 3

Register by March 6

## Paddle Tennis Lessons

Grosse Pointe Farms residents can learn how to play this very popular cold weather sport. Participants will become familiar with the equipment and learn the types of grips, court positioning, basic screen play, lobs, drives, and scoring, etc.

### #1010

Paula Cornwall

6 Weeks, January 9 – February 13, \$90.00

Wednesday, 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Platform Tennis Court 1, Pier Park

Registration Deadline is January 7

### #1011

Paula Cornwall

6 Weeks, January 9 – February 13, \$90.00

Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Platform Tennis Court 1, Pier Park

Registration Deadline is January 7





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## City Directory

### City of Grosse Pointe Farms

90 Kerby Road

Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236

web: [grossepointefarms.org](http://grossepointefarms.org)

#### Administration 885-6600

Registrations, City Council meetings, ordinances, taxes and tax rates, assessments, collections and water bills, accounts and finance, recycling and refuse disposal.

#### Public Service 885-4285

Building permits, engineering, inspections, pest control, regulations, sidewalks, streets, tree service, sanitary and storm sewers, and zoning.

#### Elections 640-1605

#### Parks and Recreation 343-2405

Pier Park, Pier Park Gate House, Kerby Field, Marina, class schedules, Community Building rental and picnic and temporary park permits.

#### Municipal Court 885-2104

#### Public Safety (Police & Fire) 885-2100

#### The Helm Life Center 882-9600

#### Ambulance & Emergencies 911

#### Poison Control 745-5711

#### Grosse Pointe War Memorial 881-7511

## Automatic Water Bill Payment

The Grosse Pointe Farms Water Department is now ready to sign up all water customers with ACH debit payment for paying your water bill. This service will allow you to have the City's water department deduct the balance of your water bill from your bank account on the due date. All you need to do is fill out the form below and return it along with a voided check to the Grosse Pointe Farms Water Department. Never pay a later fee, worry about your mailed check arriving or changing your mailing address when you are out of town.

**Pay your  
water bills  
automatically!**

### Customer's Auto Draft Information

Customer Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Service Address: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby agree to allow the City of Grosse Pointe Farms to deduct from my checking account, the balance owed on my water bill on its due date.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Please return with a voided check to:**

Grosse Pointe Farms Water Department, 90 Kerby Road, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236

