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Monday, Feb. 21

Presidents' Day. Municipal and the U.S. Postal Service offices are closed.

Trash pickup will be delayed one day and recycling pickup remains on schedule in the City of Grosse Pointe and Grosse Pointe Shores.

Trash pickup remains on schedule in Grosse Pointe Farms, Grosse Pointe Park and Grosse Pointe Woods.

Grosse Pointe Audubon will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Room of the Children's Home of Detroit.

Barbara Baldinger will present a program on the Panamanian Rain Forest.

The event is free and open to the public. For more information, call (313) 885-6502.

Tuesday, Feb. 22

Millage election for the Grosse Pointe Public School System. Voter where you did in last fall's presidential election. Polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 23

The G.P. Power Squadron offers a BoatSmart class at the Grosse Pointe Woods Lake Front Park boat house for four consecutive Wednesdays beginning at 7 p.m.

This class is ideal for families with children age 12 and older.

The class is free and the book is \$30.

To register or for more information, call the Grosse Pointe Woods Parks and Recreation Office at (313) 343-2470.

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State Rep. Ed Gaffney, R-Grosse Pointe Park, center, invited, Barrett Young of Grosse Pointe Park, at left, and Jennifer Neilson from Grosse Pointe Woods to Gov. Jennifer Granholm's third State of the State address. The speech took place last week in the House chamber.

Pointes' Gaffney asks governor, Where's the beef?

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

With Michigan hemorrhaging jobs and tied for the nation's highest unemployment rate, Gov. Jennifer Granholm last week focused her State of the State address on overcoming "critical economic challenges" weighing down her constituents.

Citing Michigan's loss of 170,000 manufacturing jobs since the new millennium, and within the context of a December unemployment count that put the state on the bottom-rung with Alaska,

Granholm proposed a double-barreled strategy of creating jobs today while laying the foundation for more substantial job growth to follow.

"She always gives a good speech," said Edward Gaffney, R-Grosse Pointe Farms. "But there wasn't much meat. It's hard for me to react to glittering generalities when I don't have specifics."

Granholm said she would spark 36,000 new jobs beginning this spring by shoe-horning into the next three years a decade's worth of highway projects and infrastructure improvements.

"I'm all for creating jobs," Gaffney said, "but the private sector ought to do it instead of the government. It would be more productive."

Continuing her thrust, Granholm said she would make it more affordable for school districts to upgrade their buildings without threat of extra taxes.

She would reclaim brownfields for economic development.

She repeated her plan, announced two weeks ago,

to improve the state business climate by cutting taxes for three out of four companies.

She pledged to introduce a budget reflecting her focus on jobs.

She promised to continue streamlining state government by, among other means, abolishing 70 commissions and boards, plus forcing departments and agencies to share services.

"In the last two years we have eliminated \$3 billion in budget deficits," Granholm said to a joint session of the legislature, their guests, department heads and members of the state Supreme Court. "I have cut more from state spending than any governor before me. I have worked hard to guard your pocketbook as if it were my own."

Looking long term, Granholm proposed maneuvering outside the budget process to foster jobs of the future.

"It begins with an unprecedented investment to create 72,000 new jobs by making our state a world-wide center of research and innovation," she said. "I will ask voters to support the 21st century jobs initiative by amending the state Constitution to allow the state to invest \$2 million in bond money to create jobs without raising taxes."

Money will go to university and other laboratories to research such things as pollution-free fuel cell technology and advancements in biotechnology.

"We'll create new sources of start-up funding to make sure new businesses and entrepreneurs of tomorrow take root in Michigan today," Granholm said.

"You hate to mortgage the future," Gaffney said.

Farms accepts free voting machines from the state

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Voting machines owned by Grosse Pointe Farms are so outdated they couldn't be used in the last presidential election.

City officials ran the polls with borrowed equipment.

Farms voters would face the same problem next time around if two council members had been able to block the city from receiving modern machines at no cost from the state.

However, once dissenting Councilmembers Terry Davis and Joe Leonard understood the consequences of their votes not to accept new voting equipment, they did a U-turn and welcomed the state's offer.

Davis had assumed it was a waste of state money to hand out free voting machines.

"Our machines will not work with the current cards being used in the state," said Matthew Tepper, assistant city manager. The cards Tepper spoke of are akin to computer programming disks.

"Our software wasn't compatible," said Mayor James Farquhar.

"During the last presidential election, our machines had become outdated to the point where the company we bought (them) from about 10 years ago gave us loaner machines," Tepper said.

Tepper said state officials want every community within each county to use the same voting equipment.

"All counties are required to choose a technology and apply it to all communities in that county," Tepper said.

Wayne County officials haven't picked a standard.

"We're going to have to buy new machines eventually, but we don't know which ones because they haven't decided," Tepper said. "It's outside our purview."

Due to what amounts to a state mandate, Tepper said state officials are letting communities apply for a grant to pay for upgraded equipment.

"They're helping communities," Tepper said. "It's regulations the federal and state governments are invoking. There's acknowledgement that we can't afford that change all at once."



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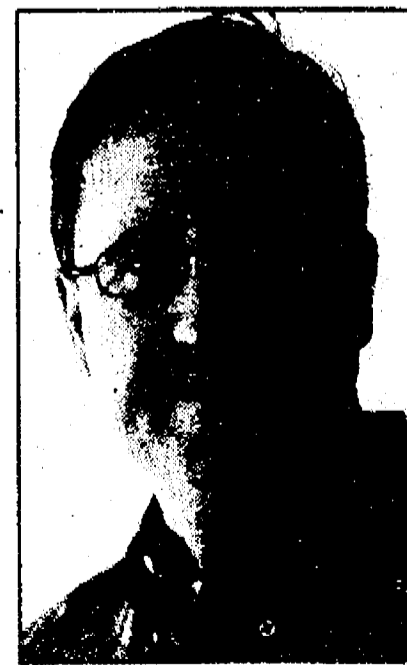
Buckets of fun

Drew Howe was one of the lucky Brownell students who dumped a bucket of green slime on the head of Principal Mike Dib. In the culmination of the tsunami fundraising, selected students were able to dump cold goo over the heads of 15 teachers. For the rest of the story, turn to page 13A.

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Salvatore Giacona

Home: Grosse Pointe Woods
Age: 39
Family: Wife, Sarah, and children Matthew, 9, and Francesca, 6
Claim to fame: Sicilian native plays for the Eastside Football Club in the Michigan United Soccer League, which is for adults over 30 years of age
Quote: "Soccer rules Sicily; so it was only fitting that I began to play it when I was very little."
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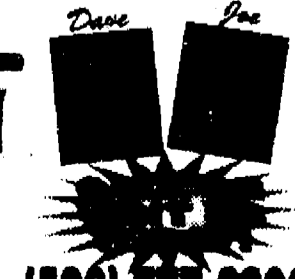
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yesterday's headlines

50 years ago this week

■ A 20-year contract is signed for Grosse Pointe Farms to supply the City with drinking water.

The contract requires the City to purchase at least 40 million cubic feet of water per year, whether that amount is used or not, at a rate of 75.6 cents per 1,000 cubic feet of water.

Grosse Pointe Shores, which receives part of its water supply from the Farms, is not included in the contract.

■ "The Effects of Fluorine in Our Water" will be the subject of discussion at a meeting this month sponsored by Friends of the Grosse Pointe Public Library.

As is the pleasant custom, the Friends' social committee will serve tea after the meeting.

■ Murray Smith, Grosse Pointe Farms municipal engineer, accepts a government job in Saigon, Indochina.

The federal government offered the job to Smith four weeks ago to help develop sanitation projects.

Smith was born in Wu Hu on the Yangtse River in Central China, just 300 miles north of Shanghai, of missionary parents, both British subjects.

25 years ago this week

■ While many homeowners throughout the Grosse Pointes are hiding their silver and installing extra door locks as protection against the current onslaught of burglaries, residents of at

least one neighborhood have a party complete with coffee, cookies and a lesson in crime fighting by public safety officers.

Three-quarters of the people on a block of Rivard in the City of Grosse Pointe, which thieves have hit twice in recent weeks, convene at a neighbor's home to set up a Neighborhood Watch group.

"We're worried about the robberies," says resident Susan Jackson, a retailer and mother of seven who supports a watch group. "I figured it was time we did something to help police and ourselves and see if we can't get these thieves out of our neighborhood."

■ Only 175 of a hoped for 1,000 people march in support of keeping the Pointe Pedlar on Fisher in the City of Grosse Pointe.

The protest is an unusual event in the Pointes, a community not prone to overt demonstrations of discontent.

But these Saturday marchers are serious about protecting the Pedlar and other local merchants — Teezel Co., Weathervane Antiques, Bayne Optical and two physicians offices — from having to relocate to make way for a branch bank.

■ The Grosse Pointe Historical Society moves into new and sunny quarters at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial and is preparing a membership drive.

New Society officers include Mrs. Robert

Hamilton, Mrs. Don Galvin Jr., W. Hawkins Ferry, Mrs. William Ledyard, Eugene Cadieux and Mrs. H. James Gram.

10 years ago this week

■ Several enhancements to Grosse Pointe Woods Lakefront Park continue being studied by members of the city council.

Ideas include a boardwalk, playscape and drawbridge spanning the Milk River.

"We've seen improvements at other parks in the Pointes, and we feel we owe it to our residents to try to make our park as nice as possible," says Woods Mayor Robert Novitke.

■ Grosse Pointe South High School students capture 102 awards, more than any other school in Wayne and Oakland counties, at the annual Southeastern Michigan Regional Scholastic Art Awards competition held at Summit Place Mall in Waterford Township.

Student Benjamin Butler receives this year's Hallmark Nomination. His work is headed to New York for further display and judging.

■ Grosse Pointe South High School hockey goalie Todd Dunlap holds Grosse Pointe North to one score in the Blue Devil's 2-1 victory in a Michigan Metro Hockey League game at St. Clair Shores Civic Arena.

5 years ago this week

■ Randy Faust and Vickie DeCarlo receive standing

50 years ago this week



Before the big freeze hit the sunny south

Here's an antidote for the headache the Florida chamber of commerce has been suffering since winter's chilly blasts sneaked into the Sunshine State. While fishing at Pompano Beach, Mr. and Mrs. George Drysdale of Grosse Pointe Park, center, land 12 kingfish and one calico. Capt. Bob Litchfield of the Broadbill III fishing boat is at right. Mate Montage is at left. (Photo by Bud Texter. From the Feb. 17, 1955, Grosse Pointe News.)

performances as the King and Anna in Grosse Pointe North High School's production of "The King and I."

The well-received production is the last for retiring director and choreographer Gael Barr.

■ Grosse Pointe Shores

voters taking part in next week's primary election will decide the fate of a proposed recreation building at Osius Park.

■ Now that the Y2K scare is over, Grosse Pointe Shores administrators establish the village's first Internet Web page.

The idea for a Web page came from Linda Walton, city clerk, during her 1998 campaign for office.

"I thought it would be a great idea for the Shores," Walton says. "Getting the page up and running was delayed while we upgraded our computers."

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Granholt plans to shift Merit Scholar award

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

In five years, 13-year-old Victoria Kucharski will be old enough to go to college.

She'll be followed in echelon by her four little sisters, ending at present with Grace, 4.

If the girls' father has anything to say about it, and he will, the sisters are going to choose among Michigan colleges and universities.

"Schools are great in Michigan," said their father, Gary Kucharski, a business owner from Grosse Pointe Park. "I wouldn't send my kids out of state to school. I'm already paying for the schools here."

The future Wolverines, Spartans, Broncos, Chippewas and Eagles of the Kucharski family will have more opportunities to pay for college than when their father graduated high school in 1980. At that time, there weren't many jobs to earn money for tuition. The

same with scholarships.

So Gary Kucharski headed south to Dade County, Florida.

"Community college is free in Florida," he said. "All the credits transferred to the University of Miami."

He used the same savvy to evaluate Gov. Jennifer Granholm's idea of replacing the \$2,500 Merit Scholarship for incoming college freshmen with a \$4,000 scholarship paid upon completion of their second academic year.

"Getting \$4,000 after two years of improving yourself makes a lot more sense," Kucharski said. "It's like a rebate."

As a father of five, it means \$20,000.

Granholm proposed the revised Merit Scholarship halfway through last week's State of the State address, which second-term Rep. Edward Gaffney, R-Grosse Pointe Farms, watched from his leather-topped oak desk

on the center aisle of the House floor.

"It seems to make sense," Gaffney said. "A lot of kids given Merit Scholarships for some reason didn't make it through the first two years of college. If you get through the first two years, chances are you'll get through the last two."

Granholm wants the changes beginning with the high school class of 2007, today's sophomores. She would extend payments to students earning associates degrees and technical programs.

"I definitely think that if somebody was going for a degree it would be a better way to get them to stay in school," said Tara Roche, 19, of Grosse Pointe Park, enrolled at Macomb Community College.

"It would be nice getting some of that money in the end," said Michelle Fikany, a Grosse Pointe South High School senior from the Park



Photos by Brad Lindberg
A joint session packs the House of Representative chambers to hear Gov. Jennifer Granholm give her third State of the State address.



Photo by Brad Lindberg
Gov. Jennifer Granholm makes a point last week during her State of the State speech.

who wants to study broadcasting in college.

"Michigan will be the first state in the nation to reward students for completing two years of college, and we'll be the first to make it unmistakably clear — getting a college degree pays off," Granholm said.

She spoke within the overall theme of "jobs today-jobs tomorrow" that included making the state home to a new generation of high-wage industries requiring a highly educated workforce.

"It's a plan that will make sure the people of Michigan have skills they need to take those jobs, build strong families and live great lives here in Michigan," Granholm said.

"Questions need to be

answered before we can determine whether this is the right way or not," said Andrew Richner, Gaffney's predecessor and co-sponsor of original legislation establishing Merit Scholarships for high school seniors who achieved high scores on a qualifying test. "There may be an impact on Pell Grant eligibility."

Federal Pell Grants provide eligible undergraduates \$4,000 per year.

Following three terms in the legislature, Richner won election as regent of the University of Michigan.

"I firmly believe there should be a place for Merit Scholarships," Richner said. "(Granholm's idea) is a variation on that theme. The incentive before was to per-

form well on a test. Now the incentive would be to continue your education for two years. That has merit. It remains to be seen how this will pan out in the long run."

Lauren Radke of Grosse Pointe Woods is closer to making a decision.

Her son, Jamie, is studying business administration on a presidential scholarship at Wayne State University. He uses his Merit Scholarship money to pay for books, which cost about \$600 per semester.

Radke said exchanging \$2,500 now for \$4,000 later sounds good, but added, "I think there would be plenty of people who would not have money (up front) to be able to spend, even if it's not quite as much."

Farms residents must load up on smoke detectors

'We're trying to save lives,' Lou Theros

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

A typical three-bedroom house in Grosse Pointe Farms will need seven smoke detectors to conform with updated standards adopted by the city council.

According to amended ordinances passed this month, a smoke detector is required to be located:

- on the basement level,
- at the bottom and top of each interior stairway,
- in a hall landing or similar area outside sleeping quarters, and
- in each bedroom.

Currently, the average house is required to have four smoke detectors: in the basement, bottom and top of stairs, and bedroom hall landing.

New rules are effective in 90 days, but don't expect city building inspectors to start smoking out violators.

"We're not out there like jack-booted thugs," said Terry Brennan, head of the public service department and building official. "We won't go out and hunt down houses. When a resident prepares to sell his or her home, we will do an inspection and provide a list of corrections, mostly safety related."

Changes come as Farms officials revise old ordinances, some of which haven't been touched since the mid-1970s, to meet high-

er criteria endorsed by the state.

"We're using standards that have been adopted nationally and internationally," said Councilman Louis Theros, chairman of the Farms ordinance committee.

All together, updates fill nearly 12 pages of amendments to the Property Maintenance Code. Rules apply to residential and non-residential properties.

Revisions are wide-ranging and deal with such things as preventing rodent infestation, maintaining driveways and grading lawns so storm water runoff doesn't flood neighboring property.

Other standards apply to keeping porches in sound condition and making sure shutters and other ornamental architectural fea-

tures are in good repair.

In addition to smoke alarms, updates require dwellings to have a carbon monoxide detector, plus a fire extinguisher in or near the kitchen.

Local hardware stores sell smoke detectors for about \$7 each. CO detectors cost about \$5. Fire extinguishers are available for roughly \$15.

Councilman Terry Davis voted against the updates on grounds of overkill.

"Why don't we have our occupants wear safety helmets whenever they climb stairs in case they fall and hit their head?" Davis asked sarcastically.

"There are reasons for this," said Theros seriously. "Fires that start with cigarette smokers in a bedroom will not be picked up by the

fire detector in the hallway until the fire is substantially along the way. We're not trying to regulate people's lives. We're trying to save people's lives. It's important for us to get into the safety business a little."

"Well, all right," Davis said.

"Our No. 1 goal is to protect lives and health," Brennan said. "But the (code) also protects property values by giving us the authority and some additional tools to require some property maintenance."

Davis opposed rules requiring downspouts to be disconnected.

Such rules have been in effect to keep rain water from flooding sanitary sewers during heavy rains, causing overflows of raw sewage into Lake St. Clair.

Farms' sewers south of Ridge were separated about

five years ago. Sewers north of Ridge flow into combined storm drains that flow to a treatment plant in Detroit.

"You're forcing me to discharge all water from my roof into my lawn," Davis said.

He cited cases where a disconnected downspout could direct storm water across sidewalks, which during winter could create a sheet of ice, or onto a neighbor's property, which is prohibited by other standards.

Yet the revised ordinance lists Davis' concerns among six separate conditions which qualify for exemption.

"If the discharge creates a hazardous condition, you can ask for an exemption to keep that downspout connected to the sewer system," Theros said.

Davis opposed mandating compliance in 90 days.

"Requiring all our residents 90-days from now to

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Woods' Giacona excels as husband and father

By Bob St. John
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Salvatore Giacona is still fulfilling his boyhood dream of playing competitive soccer.

The 39-year-old Giacona plays for the Eastside Football Club in the Michigan United Soccer League, which is for adults over 30 years of age.

"I'm having fun playing the sport I have loved since I was a kid," Giacona said. "I don't move with the grace I did in my prime, but I can still get my game going on the field."

Giacona's athletic prowess began as a child, growing up in Palermo, Sicily.

"Soccer rules Sicily; so it was only fitting that I began to play it when I was very little," Giacona said. "It was easy to get a game going because there were so many kids around our neighborhood. I had a lot of fun growing up in Sicily, and a lot of that happiness was spent playing soccer."

His life took a dramatic change when his mother was diagnosed with breast cancer when he was 9-years-old, and her physicians told her the best treatment was in America.

"We had no choice but to pick up our entire family and move to the United States," Giacona said. "It was a difficult time in our lives because my mother's life depended on our getting to the U.S. for proper treatment," Giacona said. "We had family members who lived in the Detroit area; so at least we had somewhere to move and people we knew and trusted. It made a long move bearable."

Several years later, Giacona was a soccer standout on Fraser High School's boys varsity team, and he took his passion for the game to the next level, playing for a semiprofessional team (which was a member

of the Michigan-Ontario Soccer League) during his college days at Wayne State University.

"Soccer is in my blood. It is the game I love to play, even as I'm getting a little less fleet on my feet," Giacona said. "I was a forward in high school and in my 20s, but now I play mid-field; so it's my job to see the entire field, playing a more defensive role and setting up our forwards with good passes."

Soccer teams win and lose games by controlling or not controlling the midfield.

"The midfield is like the line of scrimmage in football," Giacona said. "The team that wins the line of scrimmage or the midfield in soccer usually wins the game."

The competitiveness led to Giacona's involvement in the MUSL, which has 1,500 members, and that number should grow next year when the league is expanding.

"We're going to divide into several age brackets," Giacona said. "This should increase the number of guys playing in the league, and each division will be very competitive with guys in their own age group."

"No offense to some of us who are in our 30s and 40s, but we aren't as talented as the guys in the their late teens, and 20s who are playing in travel leagues or who played in college."

Giacona's professional career mirrors his athletic one.

He was an English major; journalism minor at Wayne State.

"I really wanted to get into print journalism, following in the footsteps of writers such as Mitch Albom and the like," Giacona said.

He took an internship with Channel 7, working in the sports department under Don Shane.

"It was a great time, and I learned a lot from Don,"

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Giacona said. "I worked with every aspect of journalism, which got me going as a producer."

That internship led Giacona to his first job, working with legendary Detroit sports journalist Ray Lane at Channel 50.

He was UPN 50's senior television sports producer from 1994 through 1999, and in 1995 he was the associate television news producer at CNN's (Cable News Network) Detroit bureau.

In 1996, Giacona was WDIV-TV Local 4 (NBC) associate television producer, and from 1999-2001 he was an on-air host, color analyst and sideline reporter for game broadcasts of Ontario Hockey League and Major Indoor Soccer League for Comcast & Fox Sports Net.

Giacona also spent valuable time working with the Detroit Rockers' professional men's soccer team as the special assistant to general manager covering all facets of day-to-day front office operations.

"Working with the

Rockers was a great job," Giacona said. "I was working directly with the sport I love, and not everyone can say that. I did that on a daily basis."

Presently, Giacona is working with Business Television Plus, (GM Global Headquarters) as an interactive distance training and broadcast services provider for General Motors' global corporate television network.

"I feel it is important to be flexible with your professional work choices," Giacona said. "I am just as comfortable working in the news business as I am in the sports world. I can adapt to anything I am called upon to accomplish."

His life has also been fulfilled by his wife of 14 years, Sarah, and children Matthew, 9, and Francesca, 6, who is named after Giacona's late mother.

"My mother was a big part of my life, and I still miss her even though she is no longer with us," Giacona said. "I thought it would be an honor to my mother for



Photo by Robert McKenn

Sal Giacona, standing left, is the perfect husband for wife Sarah, standing right, and the perfect father to his two children, son Matthew, left, and daughter Francesca, right.

Sarah and me to name our first-born daughter Francesca, after my mom."

Giacona is like every other busy dad, juggling his home life, his work schedule, his competitive soccer schedule,

and his schedule of his children.

"Life is very busy, but I wouldn't want it any other way," Giacona said. "I love my wife and kids, my job, and soccer."

Rules set to rent Pier Park building

Liability for damage is the key issue

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

And this from the Department of Redundancy Department:

Grosse Pointe Farms officials will leave no doubt who is responsible for damages caused by people renting facilities at the new community building due to open Memorial Day weekend at Pier Park.

Rules governing who will pay for repairs are already spelled out on both a rental application permit and 18-point rental policy.

But you can't be too careful with a \$2.4 million building that city officials expect will benefit the community for decades. Council members agreed to revise rental documents, expand contract language and be more explicit regarding liability for damage.

Liabilities already appear on rental documents, but Council Member Therese Joseph wanted additional safeguards for a lakeside facility to be used by residents and nonresidents alike.

"Some residents may be concerned that people living out of the Farms don't treat things as well as when it's yours," Joseph said.

"Anybody whose name is on that rental is responsible for that room," said Mayor James Farquhar. "It's already in the rules."

"It's already there," added Councilman Louis Theros, an attorney and head of the

council ordinance committee.

"There's a liability and indemnification provision in the contract," said Councilman Peter Waldmeir Jr., a lawyer. "A resident has to sign it, post a minimum deposit and be responsible or liable for any damages to the property."

The permit application contains 10 lines of small type written in "where-as" fashion detailing rental terms, including who is responsible for what and outlining legal protections for the city.

A separate document spells out rules in simpler terms:

"The sponsoring resident and/or group will be responsible for any and all damages to the property including buildings, equipment and furnishings. Any damages in excess of the deposit amount will be invoiced to the sponsoring resident and/or guest. The sponsoring resident or group leader is responsible for notifying Park staff of any pre-existing damages, etc. prior to their rental period."

"That point could be clarified in the application permit form to cover a direct responsibility for property damage," said William Burgess, city attorney.

The community center will include three rooms for rent. Rooms have capacities of 28, 44 and 143 people. Rooms can be reserved for four-hour minimums costing \$10, \$15 and \$25 per hour for total minimum fees of \$40, \$60 and \$100, respectively.

Rooms must be rented

under sponsorship of a Farms resident who will be allowed to invite guests from outside the community.

"Rental is by approval of the park director and staff," Farquhar said. "That's the way it was before. We felt that's the way it should be now."

Rules

Rules governing room rentals at the Pier Park community building include:

- City-sponsored activities take priority over all rentals.

- Rentals are available to Farms residents Monday through Thursday, except holidays, with no park pass punches required for non-resident guests.

- No rentals on Memorial Day and Labor Day weekends, July 4 and related weekends.

- On Friday through Sunday and holidays except Memorial Day, July 4 and Labor Day:

- 1) Rentals are only available to Farms residents,

- 2) Park pass punches are not required for rentals with more than 50 percent of guests being Farms residents, and

- 3) Rentals with less than 50 percent of guests being Farms residents must use park pass punches for non-resident guests.

- Rooms are available from 8 a.m. to midnight.

- Alcohol may be served but not sold.

Rentals and refunds

- Reservations cannot be made more than six months prior to a scheduled function.

tion.

- Refundable deposits range from \$40 to \$100 depending on room size.

- Rental fees and deposits will be refunded if a written cancellation is submitted to city officials at least two months prior to the scheduled event.

- Only the rental fee will be refunded if cancellation occurs within two months, but more than two weeks, prior to the event.

- No rental fee or deposit will be refunded for any cancellation less than two weeks before the event.

- Rental hours include set-up, take-down and clean-up times, for which the city shall not be responsible.

- Kitchen facilities are available for \$25 per hour to groups using the largest room, capacity 134.

- The screen porch and veranda are not included in room rentals.

Not allowed

- No smoking inside the building, including the screened-in porch, lakeside veranda and second floor viewing deck.

- For-profit activities, political fundraisers, noise considered disruptive to other people in the park.

Farms eases in ban on 32-gal trash bins

Grosse Pointe Farms officials are using a soft hand to enforce a new ban on oversized residential trash containers.

Beginning this year, public works crews don't have to empty bins greater than 32 gallons or weighing more than 50 pounds.

Rather than passing by noncompliant households, city employees are attaching green tags to oversized bins explaining the new policy. Workers are keeping track of noncompliant households to ease-in the new policy over time.

"We'll give a two-week transition period," said Matthew Tepper, assistant city manager. "We thought that was more accommodating than just saying we're not going to pick up your trash."

The ban went into effect due to workers experiencing back strains from lifting the new generation of large, heavy bins.

— Brad Lindberg

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Gaffney chairs health committee

Rep's district includes three hospitals

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Persistence pays off. Rep. Edward Gaffney, R-Grosse Pointe Farms, has achieved his goal of becoming chairman of the Michigan House Health Policy Committee.

The appointment came from Speaker Craig DeRoche, R-West Lake.

"If you don't have health, all the money in the world's not going to help you," Gaffney said. "I want to keep health care affordable while at the same time keep high-quality standards. It's kind of a balancing act."

Gaffney began his second term in January. During his first term he chaired the House Health Policy Subcommittee on Costs.

"My interest in health care began way back in the 1970s when I worked on the Public Health Statute Revision Project," Gaffney said.

He drafted legislation for the Legislative Service Group.

"I became more interested in health care when I became older and had some health challenges," Gaffney said. "Five and 1/2 years ago I was diagnosed with prostate cancer. I experienced first hand the very high level of care in our local hospitals and degree of competency of our local doctors."

Gaffney's district includes three hospitals: Cottage in the Farms, Bon Secours in the City and St. John — the district's largest employer with about 7,000 employees — in Detroit.

"We're blessed to have great health care providers around us," Gaffney said. "That, along with Lake St. Clair and good schools, makes a great community."

The high cost of health

and medical care is a common topic.

"We should have legislation that encourages health savings accounts, like a medical IRA, where the purchaser of health care services has a buy-in," Gaffney said. "Workers between 20 and 40 have an excellent timeframe to accumulate money. Those are usually healthy years. Also people between 40 and 70 should be given incentives to purchase long-term care insurance."

Last term Gaffney introduced legislation to reduce prescription drug errors. He wants to promote the use of less-costly generic drugs.

"We also must be concerned about access to health care, prevention of illness, and the quality of the health care delivery system," he said. "I want to eliminate unnecessary mandates in health care so more money is spent directly on patients rather than administration of health care."

He said the Detroit Medical Center should be kept open for people who lack health insurance.

"Another thing is to

reward people for living healthy lifestyles," Gaffney said. "If you exercise, eat right and aren't obese and don't smoke, maybe insurance companies should recognize that and give you a break."

Gaffney has also been named to committees on insurance, regulatory reform, oversight, elections and ethics.

"I support no-reason absentee voting," he said, referring to issues anticipated in the elections committee.

"As we begin this new legislative session my colleagues and I are anxious to tackle issues such as education, employment, health care, and the environment," Gaffney said.

He began his second term by reintroducing the same bill he used to launch his first legislative effort. The measure doubles fines for water polluters.

"I have even more cosponsors this year," Gaffney said. "Maybe the bill will go somewhere this year."

Cold weather fun

Snowy weather is playing into the hands of recreation organizers in Grosse Pointe Shores.

Sledding has resumed at Vernier Hill from 3 p.m. to dusk Monday through Friday. Weekend hours are 11 a.m. to dusk.

"We've been pretty busy on days we've had snow," said Jim Cooke, director of parks and recreation.

Village ice rinks have been primed by freezing temperatures.

"We're allowing ice fishing in the harbor for residents

only," Cooke said. "We had a problem with people trying to get into the harbor to ice fish. We want to make sure people know ice fishing in the park is for residents only and guests."

An ice-covered harbor also allows park workers easier access to maintain docks.

"Now that we have ice in the harbor we're going to paint the center docks," Cooke said.

The Shores' annual Winterfest is scheduled for Sunday, Feb. 13, from 2 to 4 p.m. A highlight is a chili cook off.

"We're always looking for chefs," Cooke said.

This year's Winterfest offers something different.

"If we have decent weather, we're going to put a short, four-hole (chip and putt) golf course at the park," Cooke said. "All you guys dying to get your golf clubs out, get your pitching wedge and putter ready."

On another matter, Cooke is planning additional field trips organized through the recreation department.

"We've done trips to Stratford, Ontario, and downtown Detroit to plays," he said. "We're looking for suggestions for trips or events we could book through the village for our residents."

— Brad Lindberg

Ask the Learning Advisor

Ideas for raising successful children

Q. Our daughter is still in preschool. She's a very social child and loves to play. I'm wondering, though, about her thinking skills. Is there anything I should be doing at home to prepare her for school? Should I just let her play?

A. Preschoolers are curious and want to know everything. You are your daughter's No. 1 teacher, so as you go about your daily routine, use your activities as occasions for learning. Let her observe and guess at how things work. Let her ask questions. Listen actively and respond to her questions seriously without being judgmental.

Encourage her curiosity by asking your own questions:

- "Why do you think I do it this way?"

- "What do you think is the next step?"

Next time you're in the produce aisle, talk about:

- How foods grow. For example, oranges grow on trees, blueberries grow on bushes and carrots grow underground.

- Colors and shapes. Mention the different col-

ors and shapes you see, such as red apples, yellow grapefruit and round grapes.

Ask her to make predictions — and test them out:

- In the sandbox. What will happen when we add water to the dry sand?

- In the kitchen. What will happen to this egg if we beat it? What will happen to rice or pasta when we cook it?

By all means let her play. Here are ways you can boost your daughter's thinking skills as she plays:

- Create a special place for your daughter to explore. Fill a low cabinet with interesting and safe objects for her to play with.

- Allow your child to make mistakes. Give her plenty of time to figure out how to use a new toy before stepping in to help.

- Let her try new things, such as looking through a magnifying glass or shaking a tambourine.

Read together and ask your daughter to imagine what will happen next in the story. For example, after you read a story such

as "Goldilocks and the Three Bears," you can help develop her thinking skills by asking some basic questions about the story:

- "What was the story about?"

- "Why did the bears leave their home?"

As she gets older, you can encourage a higher level of thinking by asking her to analyze information from the story and to express her opinions. Ask questions such as:

- "How were the bears alike and different?"

- "Which bear is most like your friend Emily?"

- "Like you?"

To succeed in school, children have to know how to think. You can help her develop good thinking skills at home and give her lots of practice.

For more information about helping children learn or to submit your own question to *The Learning Advisor*, visit the Web site advisor.parent-institute.com. All questions will receive a prompt answer by e-mail.

Booster seats promoted for kids

In a collaborative effort designed to appeal directly to young children, AAA and the University of Michigan Program for Injury Research and Education (UMPIRE) have authored a color storybook and a black-and-white coloring book that promote booster seat use among child passengers from 4-8 years of age.

The books — both titled "What's Right For Me?" — feature Sammy the Squirrel, his parents and the Otters who are a family of four with both a child safety seat and a booster seat installed in their vehicle.

Departing from traditional occupant safety literature, the publications focus on the child's point of view regarding comfort, visibility and the excitement of choosing a new booster seat.

"Our hope is that kids will want a booster seat after reading or hearing this story," said Richard J. Miller, manager of Community Safety Services for AAA Michigan.

"The safety community has had limited success reaching parents with its booster seat safety message. This time, we're going to the source."

According to UMPIRE Program Administrator Sandra Wilcock, there is a tendency among parents and other care givers to transition their children from child safety seats directly to an adult safety belt and/or shoulder harness. That means child passengers in the critical age range between 4 and 8 are at higher risk for death or injury in the event of a crash.

"People think that after their child turns 4 he or she doesn't need a car seat anymore," said Wilcock. "Nothing could be further from the truth."

According to Wilcock, a young child wearing only an adult safety belt can suffer serious or fatal injury if the safety belt rides up over his or her stomach or neck.

"A recent government study showed that less than half of parents and care givers were even aware of booster seats," said Wilcock. "Most had no concerns about their child's safety in an adult seat belt."

Placing children in age-appropriate restraint systems reduces serious and fatal injuries by more than half."

To stress the importance of booster seats in reducing injuries and deaths among child passengers, AAA and UMPIRE will donate "What's Right For Me?" storybooks to child care centers and elementary schools throughout AAA's service territory in the Midwest. This color booklet is designed specifically for teacher use with groups of young students, and will include teaching points and tips for parents.

The coloring book version of "What's Right For Me?" can be ordered by teachers and the general public and is available at a local AAA branch office or online at aaa.com.

Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death for children of every age from 2 to 14 years old.

In 2003, 2,136 children died in motor vehicle crashes across the United States.

To help prevent these sobering statistics, AAA and UMPIRE offer the following booster seat tips:

- Belt-positioning booster seats play a critically important role in transitioning children from a child seat (with its own harness) to an adult lap and shoulder belt. A booster seat helps correctly position safety belts so that the lap belt rests on your child's hips below the hipbone, while the shoulder belt crosses the middle of your child's chest and does not cut into his or her neck.

- Booster seats can only be used with a lap and shoulder safety belt combination. They are not designed to work with lap belts alone.

- Children should use booster seats from about age 4 (about 40 pounds) to at least 8 years of age or 4 feet, 9 inches tall. All children, ages 12 and younger, should always ride properly secured in the back seat of a vehicle, unless one is not available.

- A high-back booster seat should be used in vehicles that are not equipped with height adjustable head-rests or high seat backs.

- Never use after-market products such as safety belt adjusters. These products have not been crash-tested and may compromise your child's safety.

- Always read and follow the manufacturer's directions for your child's booster seat as well as the directions provided in your vehicle's owner's manual.

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Artists 'outfit' frogs for summer exhibition

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

Frogs may not be the most attractive animals in the animal kingdom, but they will be the most stylish and arty this summer in the Grosse Pointes.

One hundred drawings from 64 artists were selected as possible "outfits" for fiberglass frogs that will inhabit the Grosse Pointes this summer. Over 200 submissions were collected.

The frogs will be part of a community-wide outdoor art exhibition called Frogs Fur Friends. The exhibition is similar to the cow exhibition in Chicago in 1999 and a dog exhibition in Birmingham

last year.

"We had a call to enter the design contest that ended Feb. 4," said Donna Brian, Frogs Fur Friends coordinator. "We picked the best of the best."

Brian said about 50 percent of the artists selected came from the Grosse Pointe area.

"I was shocked," Brian said. "I was surprised by the number of accomplished artists in this area."

The work of the artists will be placed in a book which will be shown to potential donors. Donors who adopt one of the 50- to 60-pound, 45- to 54-inch-high cast frogs will choose to have theirs decorated in one of the winning designs.

Brian said 20 companies and individuals have already pledged \$2,500 to \$10,000 to adopt a frog, including herself and her husband, Bud. The Brians have picked a "Peaceable Kingdom" painted collage by Charlevoix artist Susan Bolt for their frog.

"We've had 20 people commit before they've even seen the artists' designs," Brian said. "I'm very excited about this."

Brian said she hoped to

obtain sponsors to adopt at least 50 frogs for the exhibition.

Brian said she wants to secure all the sponsors by March so that artists can start work on the frogs. The frogs will be decorated and covered with a protective sealant. They will be placed on display outdoors in retail areas and at key intersections throughout the Grosse Pointes beginning in mid-May through the end of September.

Upon completion of the frogs, they will be judged by a panel of artists. Winning designs will be announced in June. A people's choice contest will take place during the summer.

The people's choice award winner will be announced later in the summer. Winning frogs will be designated with a designation plaque on the base of the sculpture.

The frogs will find their permanent homes at an auction on Oct. 8.

Funds raised through sponsorship and the auction will benefit the Children's Home of Detroit and the Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society.



This drawing by Charlevoix artist Susan Bolt was one of 100 submissions selected as possible designs for the Frogs Fur Friends exhibition to be held in various business districts and intersections throughout the Grosse Pointes this summer. The design can be seen this summer on a frog sponsored by Frogs Fur Friends coordinators Donna and Bud Brian.

SOC talk

Services for Older Citizens will offer a presentation at 11:15 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 23, at the Neighborhood Club.

Linda Caul, a fitness instructor at Bon Secours Cottage Hospitals, Community Health Education Department, will discuss the importance of strength training and balance for seniors. (313) 882-9600.

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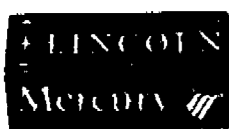
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School millage vote Tuesday

Whatever else you do on Tuesday, Feb. 22, be sure to vote. Three school millages, representing a quarter of the school district's operating revenue, are up for renewal.

According to new election laws in effect, school votes are now being handled by the municipal city clerks. That means you vote in all elections at the same precinct. So wherever you voted in last fall's presidential election, that's where you vote on Tuesday.

There are three proposals on Tuesday's ballot.

Proposal 1 seeks a renewal of the school district's homestead, or "gap," millage of 8.0784 mills. Under the school funding laws passed 10 years ago as part of the Proposal A tax shift, the Grosse Pointe and other school districts in areas with high property values are allowed to levy a tax equivalent to \$1,893 per student.

This tax is in addition to the 6-mill, statewide school tax levy. The per-student "gap" millage is limited to \$1,893 per student and is adjusted accordingly based on enrollment. The per student amount cannot be increased.

Proposals 2 and 3 have to do with the non-homestead tax levied on commercial and residential properties that are not principal residences.

Proposal 2 asks for renewal of the 16.7875 mills levied on non-homestead properties. Five years ago, voters approved 18 non-homestead mills. That amount has been reduced over the year to prevent taxes collected from outpacing inflation due to rising property values.

Renewal of the 16.7875 non-homestead mills would not be a tax increase.

Proposal 3, however, asks voters to increase the non-homestead tax rate

to 19 mills. Approval of Proposal 3 would allow the school district to levy the maximum 18 mills allowable by law. The school district is asking for 19 mills, rather than 18, so that the actual levy will not drop due to the Headlee Amendment below 18 mills for a few years.

As we wrote last week, we do not favor the non-homestead restoration Proposal 3. We view it as a tax increase to business owners, landlords and owners of second homes.

We failed to point out in last week's editorial that even if all three millage requests are approved by voters, the school district is still looking at a \$3 million to \$5 million shortfall in the coming school year. The deficit is due to projected rising costs — health care, wages and energy, to name a few — while state funding remains level.

There has been some talk of raising

the state's per pupil allowance, but that cannot be counted on until the money is in the school district's checking account.

The State of Michigan, as is its school districts, has a budget crisis of its own. Last Tuesday, Gov. Jennifer Granholm announced she will save the state \$250,000 by taking coffee away from inmates.

While we applaud the governor for her attempts to cut costs, this elimination of coffee for prisoners may backfire, if not lead to riots.

The governor's office said cutting out coffee was a way for the state to eliminate a little bit of an expected \$375 million shortfall without endangering public safety.

Oh, yeah? We would hate to be prison guards come March 1.

Besides, coffee has no nutritional value, the governor's office said.

Granted, criminals are criminals and are not deserving of our sympathy, but we wonder about the guards. Are they going to be allowed coffee breaks at taxpayer expense?

Eliminating anyone's morning cup of coffee seems inhumane. In lieu of free coffee, prisoners will be able to purchase instant coffee. Talk about cruel and unusual punishment.

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Letters

3 millages needed

To the Editor:

I want to thank the Grosse Pointe News for its coverage of the upcoming election, which included the printing of an absent voter ballot application form in the Jan. 13 issue. I also want to thank you for the endorsement of the renewal of the hold harmless homestead millage and the non-homestead renewal of 16.7875 mills ("Two of three school millages deserve 'yes,'" Feb. 10 Grosse Pointe News).

It is my hope that the voters will approve the important third proposal, non-homestead millage restoration, that would allow the district to levy the full 18 mills allowed by law. While relatively small (\$440,000) in comparison to the other two proposals, this portion of the non-homestead millage is an important piece of the financial puzzle. If all three proposals pass (and we hope they do), the district is still faced with a budget shortfall.

This is due to limited or no state aid increases, significant increases in mandated state retirement, no per-pupil increase in the hold harmless (gap) millage since 1995 and the reduction of the non-homestead millage over the past five years due to the Headlee Amendment. To eliminate the shortfall, the district will continue to reduce expenses and look for other revenue resources.

To put things into perspective, the third proposal will only cover one-half of the mandated state retirement increase recently proposed by Gov. Granholm. This represents less than one-half percent of the total district budget. This amount is the equivalent of more than seven teacher positions.

We do understand that this third proposal is a tax increase to commercial property owners and taxpayers who own a second home and we understand the seriousness of the request. We are not seeking this proposal because we are anti-business. Nothing could be further from the truth.

In addition to paying taxes, we are so grateful to the great many businesses that support the schools in a variety of ways. The donations by local businesses to schools, PTOs and booster groups are vitally important

to a variety of school programs and events. In truth, we cannot do what we do without them. What we are trying to do with all three proposals is maximize our revenue options given continued state limitations.

With sincere gratitude for all the taxpayers have done for our outstanding public school system, we look forward to yes vote victories on all three important proposals on Feb. 22.

Christian A. Fenton
Assistant
Superintendent
for Business
And Support Services

Millage vote

To the Editor:

On behalf of the Grosse Pointe Board of Education, I want to thank the Grosse Pointe News for its broad-based coverage of the upcoming Feb. 22 millage vote.

The articles by your reporters have been thorough and accurate in their discussion of the whys and wherefores of the upcoming election. School finance is not easy to understand. You have played a vital role in helping the voting public understand what is being asked of them.

The school board and the district administration made a commitment to do the best job that could be done to fully inform the public. Numerous meetings with school and non-school related groups have been held.

Millage information has been provided in various mailings to all the households. Data is also included on the district Web site. The board and the administration have been responsive to the calls and e-mails requesting further specific information.

We are hopeful that the community will have the information it needs to support all three ballot requests.

We appreciate the Grosse Pointe News editorial support of two of the three millage proposals ("Two of three school millages deserve 'Yes,'" Feb. 10). However, the third request — "Restore" — is likewise very important to the schools, and we encourage a "Yes" vote.

Jeff Broderick
Vice President
Grosse Pointe
School Board

Schools

To the Editor:

A small nonteaching bureaucracy is needed — not taxes.

Most high schools have one assistant principal. Each one of our high schools has three, and each assistant principal has a secretary.

If we eliminate two assistant principals in each high school, we will save more than one-half of a million dollars each year. That's a start.

But first, seniors age 75 and older must be liberated from school taxes. No civilized group of people on the face of this Earth lay the problems of youth on the backs of old people.

Shame. Shame on us.
Widows and Wives of WWII Vets
Dorothy A. Sicklesteel
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Proposed plan

To the Editor:

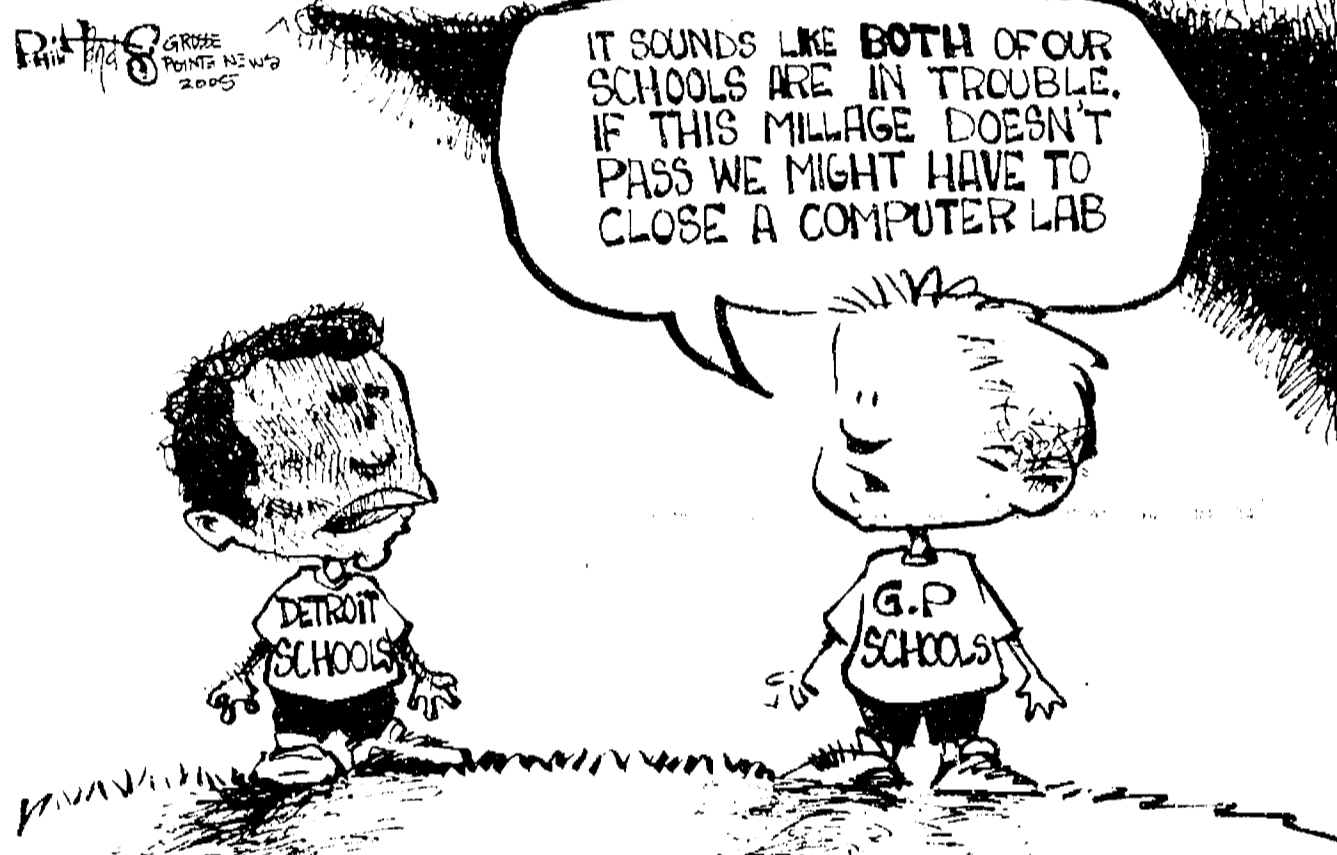
The following letter was sent to the mayor of the City of Grosse Pointe:

To Mayor Dale Scrace:

Regarding the recent Grosse Pointe News article "City's Stevens' plan for Jake's," Feb. 3, someone has finally got it right. It is very refreshing to see that John Stevens has produced an attractive and responsible design for this most important city project.

I, for one, am excited at the prospect of replacing the tired-looking Kercheval side of the Jacobson building with something more open and inviting. Though I have only seen photographs in the newspaper, John Stevens' model appears to do just that.

Some thoughts:
• Failures are common in attempts to convert noteworthy buildings to "malls" in other cities in Michigan and around the country. Often, I believe these failures can be attributed to interior design deficiencies — ceilings too low, aisle ways too narrow, poor lighting, drab colors, etc.
• The current Notre Dame facade is attractive, the canopy provides nice protec-



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tion from the elements, and it complements the shoe store building across the street.

• The current St. Clair facade should be altered to provide for a better backdrop to the mall area there.
• For heaven's sake, take care when selecting art work or fountains for the Kercheval courtyard area.

I must say, I like the idea of hotel and condominium space in the Village and I have no qualms with a taller building. But, I expect that those ideas were not fiscally reasonable. What John Stevens has proposed seems near-perfect.

Noel Fisher
City of Grosse Pointe

Misspell

To the Editor:

Mr. Wengel's logo designs are very nice, but he should fire his proofreader.

How is it possible that they could misspell "Kercheval" on their new Hill Association sign, and no one would catch it? Yikes!
Mike Trudel
Grosse Pointe Park

School ranking

To the Editor:

In a letter, "Educational challenges" (Jan. 13 Grosse Pointe News), the letter writer voices concern regarding Julie Artis' claim that "When we moved to Grosse Pointe 16 years ago, Grosse Pointe South was ranked in the top 20 schools in the country. In a recent Newsweek article, it was ranked 272" ("Grass roots group seeks fair funding for schools" (January 6, Grosse Pointe News)).
I, too, am concerned about

this remark, but for reasons vastly different from those cited by the letter writer.

The Newsweek article ranked schools across the nation based exclusively on the number of Advanced Placement and/or International Baccalaureate courses offered. While the article included some anecdotal narratives based on school visits by Newsweek reporters, the rankings were based only on the ratio of AP classes to students.

Newsweek did not investigate any other factors such as student performance on the standardized AP test that qualifies students for college credit in a given AP course, on the quality of instruction, or on college matriculation rates. To confuse matters even more, some of the schools included in the rankings are magnet schools which offer only the International Baccalaureate curriculum and hence do not serve the broader student population.

For the supposed precipitous drop in rankings which Ms. Artis cites (from 20 to 272) to make sense, we would have to know something about the criteria used in the earlier ranking Ms. Artis is referring to. She seems to be comparing apples to oranges. The letter writer of "Educational challenges" points out that North ranked 10 points lower than South in the Newsweek rankings, and refers to the North ranking as "an astounding statistic."

However, that ranking reflects only the fact that in the Grosse Pointe school system a shifting number of AP classes is offered at each high school depending on enrollments and personnel,

but all AP courses are available to all high school students enrolled in either school. This is a practical way for the school system to offer an optimal number of AP courses to all high school students without duplication and has the added benefit of saving money for the district without affecting course selections for students.

At the end of her letter the writer proposes an "evaluation of advanced placement classes" without realizing that the Newsweek rankings were not based on the quality of the courses offered, nor on their effectiveness.

The index prepared by Newsweek considered only the number of courses offered in relation to the number of students enrolled in a given school.

The letter writer, who represents a group called "Grosse Pointers 4 Excellence in Education," ought to check facts before making pronouncements, if she wants her organization to be taken seriously.

Tija Spitsberg
Grosse Pointe Park

Letters welcome

The Grosse Pointe News welcomes your Letters to the Editor. All letters should be typed, double-spaced, signed and limited to 250 words. Longer letters will be edited for length and all letters are subject to editing for content. Include a daytime phone number for verification or questions.

The deadline for letters is 3 p.m. Monday.

Whose side are you on?

Monday, Feb. 21, is observed as Presidents' Day. These presidents, whom furniture stores honor with a sale, we learned formed our government and economic system, protected religious freedoms and encouraged enterprising spirits. They thought, after sacrificing home and finances, to introduce a brave new country into the world. The ideas they and those with similar ideas were setting up a country where the way of life favors the common man and home rule. For long months and years there were fighting and bloodshed; there were malcontents and rabble rousers; there were uncer-

tainty and second guessing. Yet, there remained a rock hard commitment to forming a new country where every man would have an equal say. As the men gathered around the fireplace with a pint, and the women talked while spinning and knitting, would they have thought themselves brave and visualized how their ancestors would be thanking them? Or would they have been loyal to King and Country wondering why anyone would want to change an established way of life? Which side would you have argued? Would you argue for a fledging country with no clean-cut laws and course of future? Or would you have stayed true to the Union Jack? "Of course, I'd be a rebel," you say today to the printed-on, non-taxed paper, drinking a cup of non-taxed tea, purchased with money



printed in America in a house you chose. But would you? It's not as cut and dried as one would expect. With an ancestry of English or Irish, Welsh or Maltese would you have considered becoming a traitor? Let's look at Americans here. General Manager John Minnis, of Irish descent, said he would have had to have fought for King and Country based on the fact that his family first settled in Canada -- a Whig. Sports reporter Robert St. John is of Maltese and

Rumanian descent (the people of Malta were a mixture of Italians and Spanish.) Malta at the time was ruled by a multi-national force; hence I'll put him on the American side. His ancestors would have been opposed to the dominance by England. The Italians didn't much care, and the Spanish would have sided with the Americans. Copy editor, Gil Gray firmly stated he would be leaving home and hearth to accompany George Washington. "I would fight for America. The main reason for getting

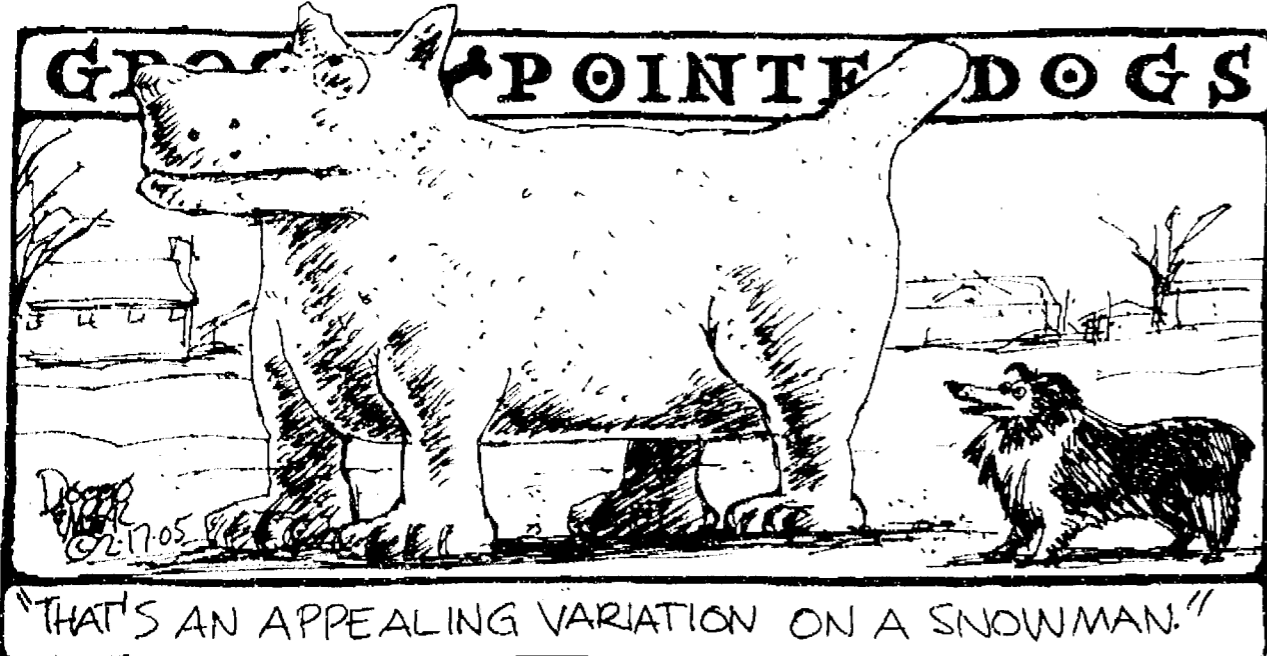
involved in the movement was taxation without representation, and I would feel more allegiance to the rest of the Colonial people than to the King of England. I would have felt more allegiance to my fellow Americans," he said. Gray, of Welsh descent should have remained loyal to King and Crown. But he pointed out when taxation became an issue, "People tend to ally themselves with friends. Most common people believed in America and the idea of revolting against the authority of King and Crown to impose taxes on us. People higher up in the government, those who had wealth, sided with the king, but not all." Photographer Robert McKean is a no-brainer. Since his ancestor, Thomas McKean of Delaware, has his signature affixed to the Declaration of Independence, McKean would have been on the

front lines at Valley Forge or the oarsman taking Washington across the Delaware. (A camera would have been tucked in his breeches to capture Washington stepping off the boat. A pre-Kodak moment.) I'm of German descent; hence my father, brother, husband, cousin, or uncle would have been what Thomas Paine termed "Sunshine Soldiers and Winter Patriots," i.e. siding with the neighbors and fighting when convenient. Knowing that I'm descended from a long line of farmers and shrewd financiers, the men would have sold their crops to the army with the most money and after harvest fought for their adopted country, the soon-to-be United States of America. Generally most Germans were used to tyranny which fell from popularity in the

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The Op-Ed Page



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Streetwise

Question of the Week:

How did you celebrate Valentine's Day?



"I went to the show, Hitch."
Loraine Muccioli
Grosse Pointe City



"I worked all day and most of the evening."
Dennis Andrus
Grosse Pointe Woods



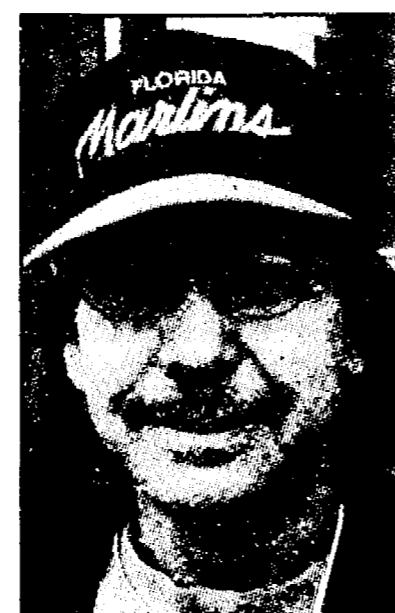
"My husband and I went out shopping and then had dinner at Arby's."
Wendy Steadman
Grosse Pointe Park



"I brought my girlfriend breakfast in bed, then later that night we went to a movie and out to eat. I bought her flowers, too."
David Klein
Grosse Pointe Woods



"I worked and then went over to my boyfriend's house and watched a movie."
Tara Roche
Grosse Pointe Park



"I spent it with my mom. We ate dinner; I made her a Valentine, and we ate some of those little Hershey kisses."
Jeff Pierson
Detroit

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by Ben Burns

G.P. Iditarod?

If you have been driving down Jefferson through Grosse Pointe Park of a morning and noted a couple of dogs harnessed to a tall man striding along the sidewalk, rest easy; he is not training for an Alaskan endurance sled race, and he is not being dragged.

The fellow is Sunrise Rotary Club member **Chris Flynn** demonstrating his invention, the Tug-No-More harness. The dogs are **Pluto and Kipper**.

Flynn and his wife, **Kathy**, came up with the idea several years ago, and he is relying on word of mouth advertising, personal contacts and the Internet to sell the item for \$49.95. The harness has drawn the attention of the "Ruth to the Rescue" local TV segment, various runners' magazines and newspapers.

The low budget campaign must be working to some extent. If you plug Tug-No-More leash into a Google computer search, you will get more than 32,000 hits for the item.

Hannah update

When **Hannah Kraus** won her first Michigan equestrian championship, she was a Pierce eighth-grader who stood 4 feet 10 inches tall and weighed 75

pounds.

Today she is a sophomore at South and continues to make her mark on the world of horses, according to her proud aunt, **Linda Procida**, of the Park.

Hannah is the 2004 High Point Junior Hunter Champion and champion in the 12-14 Equitation awarded by the Hunter Jumper Association of Michigan and the Michigan Horse Show Association.

She is also the 2004 champion for small Junior Hunters for Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, Illinois and Kentucky and is ranked 7th in the nation.

She received first place at the East Coast Junior Hunter finals, third place at the Pennsylvania National Horse Show and first place at the National Horse Show in New York on her 8-year-old Hanoverian hunter, **World Star**.

She placed sixth of 31 adult and junior riders at Horseshows by the Bay in Traverse City aboard her jumper/equitation horse, **Providence**.

She trains four days a week with Grand Prix rider and trainer **Polly Howard** at Fox Meadow Farms in Temperance.

In her spare time, she continues to get honor roll grades at Grosse Pointe South High School and play

violin in the South Orchestra, reports Procida.

Sweet tooth

As part of its "Behind the Scenes" programs, the Detroit Historical Society will take folks on a tour of Morley Candy Makers in Clinton Township on Thursday, Feb. 24. Tickets are \$20 for the 90-minute tour that begins at 1:30 p.m. for members and \$25 for non-members. Ticket price includes samples and a special gift basket for tour-goers.

Morley has been making chocolate candy since 1919 and is the largest producer of chocolates and confections in Michigan. Morley produces more than a million pounds of milk and dark chocolates a year. Call (313) 833-4727 in advance for reservations.

Epilogue

If you viewed the final round of "Teen Jeopardy!" last Friday, you heard cheering in the background for the final three contestants. Some of those cheers came from **Ruvani Fonseka**, a Grosse Pointe North High School junior, who lost in the semi-final round.

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Points about the Pointes

The February 22nd vote is here... what kind of school system do you want on February 23rd?

On February 22nd, we will vote on the renewal of a portion of our school taxes that represent 23% of our school system's \$100 million operating budget. For an owner of a \$300,000 home, voting "no" will save about a \$1,000 per year in school taxes. Is the savings worth voting "no"? My Math says NO WAY! Sure, we can run our school system more efficiently, but not 23% more efficiently. Even if we put Chris Fenton, Suzanne Klein and a secre-

tary on steroids and laid off every one else at the Board Office and don't spend a dime on after school activities, 200+ teachers will still have to go. This translates into 40+ kids per class. Ask your friendly real estate agent what this will do to our property values. From a return on investment standpoint, the most conservative investor will tell you there is only one way to vote on the 22nd and that's YES!

...Ahmed Ismail (ahmed.ismail@comcast.net)

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If you have a question you would like asked, drop us a note at 96 Kercheval on The Hill in Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236 or email to editor@grossepointenews.com

Future Einsteins: There are more than bagels at stake

It is too late to enter this year, but not too late to see what the budding Einsteins and Bill Gates' future work will look like. The 48th annual Science and Engineering Fair of Metro Detroit will convene at Cobo Hall March 8-12.

More than 2,000 students from Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties are expected to participate, presenting their science and engineering projects. Last year, 1,718 projects were entered representing 126 schools and 285 teachers.

Judging is by a blue-ribbon panel of science and engineering leaders, including more than 100 from Ford Motor Co. alone. More than \$100,000 in professional and corporate awards will be offered this year to participating students. Eight Senior Division Grand Award winners will receive an all-expense-paid trip to the International Science Fair in Phoenix. Don't worry: It's a dry heat.

Students who chose to submit their entry via the Fair Web site met something new. The Web site has a new "artificial intelligence" feature that quickly analyzes submissions to determine whether they are likely to be accepted. If you want to get a head start for next year, visit www.sefmd.org.

To compute or not to compute, that is the question. Many parents are wary when it comes to letting their children jump on the computer at an early age. Violent, murder-and-maim games and Internet sexual predators top the list.

Remember what I have often said: Keep the computer in a main traffic area, not in any child's bedroom. Be mean! It's your job!

Having said that as a disclaimer, here are the results of a recent study concerning young ones computing.

Children who begin

Pointers on Technology

By Mike Maurer



using computers earlier are better prepared to meet the challenges of an information technology society and the demands of college, according to the results of a study by three Central Michigan University researchers.

Nancy Csapo and Monica Holmes, faculty members in CMU's business information systems department, and Holt Wilson, a marketing faculty member, have surveyed incoming freshmen over the past three years to compare their computer skills and background from year to year.

In the first year of the study, the largest percentage of students reported beginning to use computers at age 10. During the second year, students reported starting between ages 8 and 10, and in the third year, the largest percentage of students reported beginning to use computers between ages 1 and 4.

The study, which was published in *Issues in Information Systems*, Vol. V, No. 1, 2004, also helps educators understand the potential for differences in computer skills between students from year to year and identify trends and patterns.

Although the CMU study indicated that students are taking more computer classes in high school, there were differences based on the type of school attended. Students who graduated from larger schools rated their computer skills higher overall.

Students who have taken more computer classes are significantly more skilled at using the Internet; word processing, spreadsheet and presentation programs, and the operat-

ing system.

Here is a skill that your children will hate you for forcing on them now but love you for it later — keyboarding. Until computers are 100 percent voice recognition systems as in "Star Trek," we are all stuck with QWERTY. (Look at your keyboard.)

Let me make an offer you can't refuse.

Marlon Brando is dead; trust me. However, his voice will live on, as Electronic Arts Inc. (EA) said it plans a video game version of the classic film, "The Godfather," using the brooding actor's voice and likeness.

EA said on Wednesday that Brando did a recording session with game developers before he died last year, which the company will use for his character, Don Vito Corleone. (Where is that music coming from?)

Actor James Caan, who played Brando's son and heir apparent, Sonny Corleone, is on board. Also involved is Robert Duvall, who played Brando's adopted son and consigliere, Tom Hagen. They are not just lending their voices, but also their likenesses to the game. The game, scheduled for release this fall on most major platforms, puts the player in the role of an aspiring mobster who seeks to rise to the head of a crime family in late 1940s and early 1950s New York. Do mobsters aspire? Or only expire?

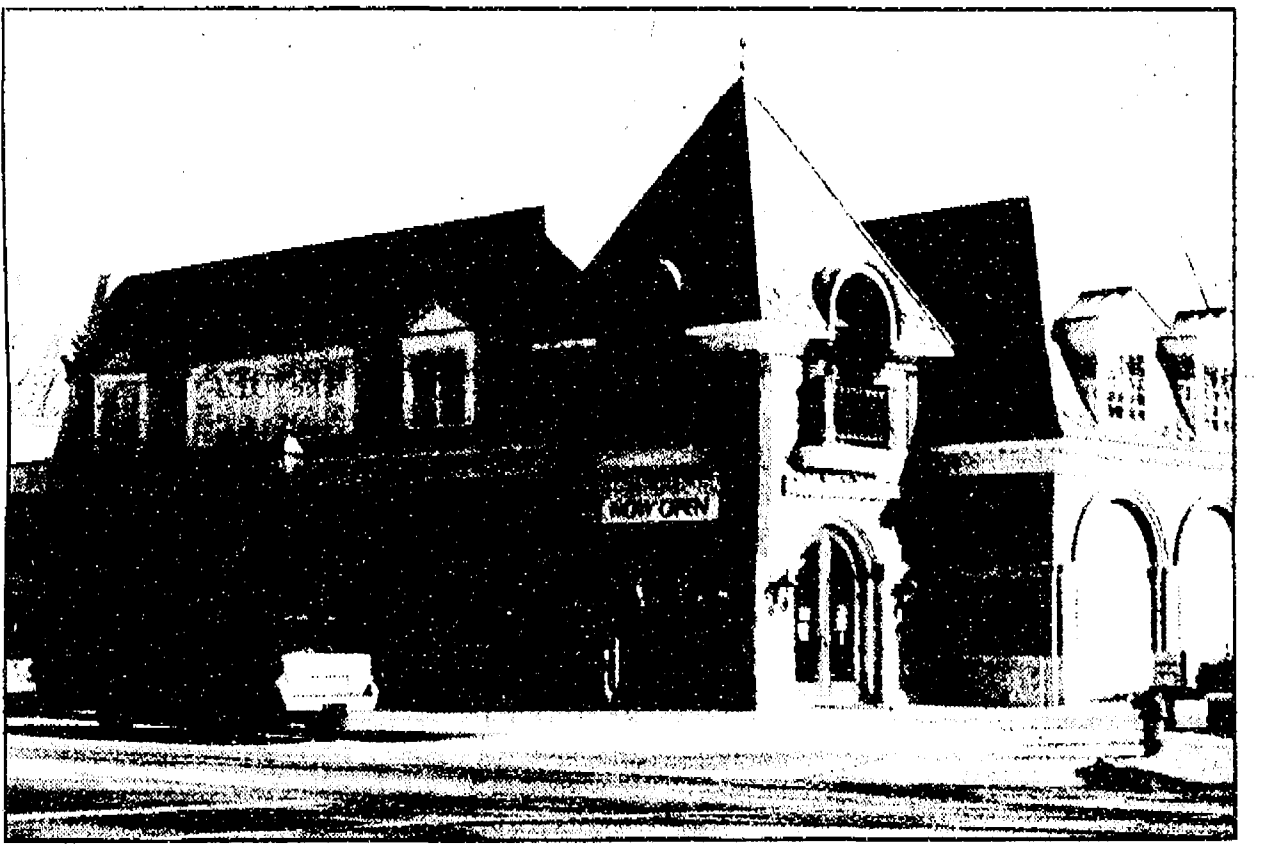
Have a tech question or subject you would like addressed in this column? Want to comment or add your two cents worth? My e-mail address is mmaurer@comcast.net.



Photos by Robert McKeon

Past & present unite

Barton Malow Design/Construction Services recently completed its latest project, which was the building of Fifth Third Bank on Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Farms. Five decades ago, the same company built the League Shop, located next door. "It's pretty neat that this company was involved in two projects that are next door and 50 years apart," said Bruce Babiarz of Barton Malow. Babiarz, Andrew Rener, and Mark Schofield met with the League Shop owner Pat Brinker before the project began to reassure her that his construction team would pay special attention to her concerns, which centered around the possibility of construction vibrations literally knocking fragile crystal items off the wall or shelving. They were also concerned because their entrance door was literally a foot away from the active construction site. Brinker had high praise for the communication and care that was taken on the bank project. Nothing was broken in her shop, and no customers complained. Brinker paid Barton Malow one of the highest compliments regarding a construction project. "You know, we miss them," Brinker said. "It may sound strange, but in some ways we wish the construction was still going on. It was kind of nice having coffee with the guys in the morning — they stopped in to check on us regularly and were just great neighbors. Barton Malow did a great job, and I know everyone in the community is very proud of this new building."



Women's Economic Club hosts Ford

Named "2004 Newsmaker of the Year" by Crain's Detroit Business for spearheading the creation of Detroit's new town square, Edsel B. Ford II will be honored at a noon luncheon to be presented Feb. 26 by the Women's Economic Club and the Detroit Economic Club.

The chair of the Detroit 300 Conservancy Board, who was instrumental in the development of the acclaimed Campus Martius project, will tell members and guests at the event about "Detroit: My Hometown."

Tickets for the luncheon,

to be held at Cobo Conference Center, are \$35 for members of the WEC and the DEC and \$45 for guests.

For more information or reservations, call (313) 578-3230 or visit the WEC Web site at www.womeneconomicclub.org.

Van Lith resigns post with Bon Secours

Bon Secours Health System, Inc. and the Bon Secours Cottage Health Services Board of Trustees announced Jan. 27 that Richard Van Lith, chief executive officer of its Grosse Pointe health system, announced his intention to resign from his post in mid-February.

Van Lith, who has led the local health system for more than six years, has decided to step down and will evaluate other opportunities both internal and external to Bon Secours Healthy System.

A selection committee that includes members of the Bon Secours Cottage Health Services Joint Venture Committee, physicians, and Bon Secours Health System senior management will immediately begin a national search for a successor chief executive.

During his tenure, Van Lith successfully led the creation of Bon Secours Cottage Health Services, a joint venture between Bon Secours and Henry Ford health systems.

Under Van Lith's leadership, Bon Secours Cottage was unified under a single governing body, medical staff and management team. Service and facility improvements resulted in the creation of radiation oncology and women's diagnostic services and the expansion of ambulatory surgery at Cottage Hospital.

At Bon Secours Hospital, the emergency center under-

went an extensive expansion and renovation.

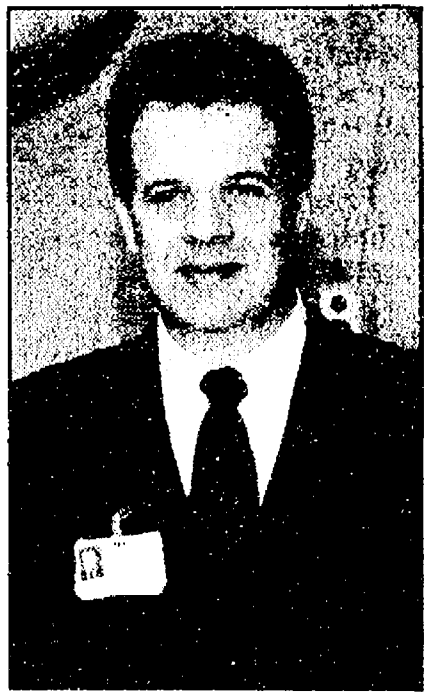
In addition, under Van Lith's leadership the assisted living facility, Bon Secours Place, and a senior day care program, Charlotte's Place, opened their doors to serve the needs of the older adult population in our community.

The strategic direction and momentum of the organization will continue through his leadership change.

Van Lith said that after a 17-year career in health care management, he believes it is the right time to make a change.

"As I reflected on completing the past six years in this position, I felt that the time was right for me and my family," Van Lith said. "I'm proud of what we've accomplished at Bon Secours Cottage and believe there is a strong leadership team in place to guide the system in its next phase of growth and service to the community."

"Rick has made many important contributions that have enhanced health care services for our community," said Hadley Mack French, chairperson of the Bon Secours Cottage Health Services board of trustees. "He has expanded the reach of our mission to so many in need and has done a wonderful job in a very challenging health care climate. We are deeply grateful for his dedication and compassionate leadership over the



Richard Van Lith

years." "Bon Secours fully supports the mission and people of Bon Secours Cottage Health System, and we thank Rick for his leadership, dedication, and many accomplishments," said Sister Anne Lutz, senior vice president of sponsorship for the Bon Secours Health System. "We have many strengths to build upon, and we will reach out to area physicians, our employees, and the community to continue to enhance the care we provide and meet the growing health care needs here. We're committed to supporting Bon Secours Cottage Health System during this leadership change."

Jeff Collins, chief operating officer of Bon Secours Cottage Health System, will serve as interim CEO and provide day-to-day operations and strategic oversight support to the hospital's senior management team to ensure the smooth transition of leadership responsibilities.

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Banks' architecture sparks area

By Bob St. John
Staff Writer

Several new banks have brought a rich architectural flavor to the Grosse Pointes during the past year.

Flagstar Bank recently held its grand opening for its Mack and Allard branch, and it plans to construct a second new branch in the Village.

"Flagstar has expanded into a dozen new communities during the past calendar year," said Alessandro DiNello, executive vice president of Flagstar Bank. "Grosse Pointe is a great location for Flagstar Bank because we offer a lot of services that suit the needs of the people of the Grosse Pointes, and the building looks great on the Mack and Allard location."

Flagstar Bank has also constructed new branch offices in Brighton, Dearborn, Farmington, and Brownstown during the last six months of 2004, and this year it plans to open branches in Eastpointe, Independence Township, and Monroe.

Republic Bank opened a branch on Mack Avenue, and its newest look is the same as Flagstar, aesthetically pleasing.

"It's a great market, and we're a service-oriented bank," said Brian Black, president of retail banks of Republic Bank. "The build-



Flagstar Bank's Grosse Pointe Woods branch is an example of the exceptional level of architecture banks are putting into new branches being built in the Grosse Pointes.

ings have to look good because the community around our new bank is composed of architecturally beautiful buildings."

Fifth Third Bank also opened a new branch in the Hill on Kercheval.

"We have expansion opportunity, and Grosse Pointe had a lot to offer us," said Jack Riley, vice president of marketing. "The favorable demographics for the business in Grosse

Pointe filled a void in our distribution area, and we felt it was necessary to construct a building that fit-in with the other businesses on that block."

Residents of the Grosse Pointes have to take heart as each building has a uniqueness that helps each location stand tall throughout the business communities of southeastern Michigan. "We're here for the cus-

tomers, and we feel it is important to give each one good service and a good looking building," Riley said. "The building's architecture says a lot about us as a bank, and it tells the community that we're here for you."

The banks are bringing new jobs and money back into the economy, and they are enticing to the eye, enhancing each community in which they reside.

Schweitzer departs with J. W. Thompson

Peter Schweitzer, chairman and 30-year veteran of J. Walter Thompson, announced that he left the company effective Jan. 1, 2005.

Schweitzer, a Grosse Pointe Farms resident, began his career at JWT in 1975 in its New York office as Management Supervisor of Warner Lambert.

In 1976, he led the team that won the Burger King business and was named the account's Management Director.

In 1979, Schweitzer joined Burger King as Executive Vice President and Director of Marketing and Strategic Corporate Planning in Miami.

In 1986, he moved to the Detroit office to take on global responsibility for JWT's largest client, Ford Motor Co., as Executive Vice President and Management Director — a position he held for more than 18 years.

Prior to becoming Chairman of the company in January, 2004, Schweitzer spent three years as President and Chief Executive Officer. He also held the positions of Vice-Chairman of Agency Operations Worldwide,

Chief Operating Officer, and General Manager of JWT Detroit and JWT North America.

During his tenure at JWT, a time when the entire communications industry changed, Schweitzer played a major role in the transformation of JWT into a creative-driven, total-communications partnership with its clients.

Schweitzer led the movement to embrace these dramatic changes, including the utilization of new media, the exploration of new venues, and the deployment of the right people, at the right time, to the right places.

Under his leadership, both JWT North American and the global company posted record new business gains.

Today, JWT, the world's fourth largest advertising agency network and the largest U.S. agency, employs more than 8,500 people in 150 cities and 86 countries, and it ranks among the top 10 agencies in 70 of the world's largest markets.

Schweitzer has also increased the company's participation in the many charitable causes, and he has built and extensive and

varied network with his personal support of numerous civic and philanthropic causes.

He is a board member of CATCH, a children's charitable organization; a corporate board member of The DEA (Drug Enforcement Administration) Survivors Benefit Fund; and he serves on the DEA Museum Board of Trustees.

Schweitzer has also served as president of the Multiple Sclerosis International Federation.

He serves as a member of the University of Michigan LS&A (College of Literature, Science and the Arts) Dean's Advisory Council and the

LS&A Honors Program Committee.

Schweitzer and his wife, Elaine, have recently made a significant commitment to establish the first Collegiate Scholarship Fund in the LS&A Honors Program.

He also serves on the Dean's Advisory Council at Wayne State University Business School.

Schweitzer was born in Chicago, raised in Battle Creek, Michigan, and graduated from the University of Michigan. He earned an MBA from Western Michigan University and is also a recent recipient of WMU's Distinguished Alumnus Award.

Hynds gets promotion

Lin n Hynds, a senior partner and past chairman of the labor and employment department of Detroit-based Honigman Miller Schwartz and Cohn LLP, has been named in the 11th



Hynds

edition of The Best Lawyers in American 2005-2006.

Hynds, a 1974 magna cum laude graduate of the University of Michigan Law School, resides with his family in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Woods' Republic Bank is No. 1 business

Republic Bancorp Inc., with a branch in Grosse Pointe Woods, was recently named the No. 1 small business in Michigan and No. 3 in the nation, according to Fortune magazine.

Employees' surveys played a big part in helping Republic Bancorp earn this accolade. Republic Bancorp's ranking is among small companies with 1,000 to 2,500 employees.

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Brian Black, Republic's president of retail banking, is in his seventh year with the company.

"I was very attracted to the culture and growth of the company," Black said. "Republic values its employees and then goes out and demonstrates it."

Republic Bancorp, Inc. is the third largest bank holding company headquartered in Michigan and the 79th largest bank holding company in the country.

Its subsidiary, Republic Bank, serves customers in Michigan, Ohio and Indiana with 95 retail, commercial and mortgage banking offices and 90 ATMs.

It has claimed the No. 1 Small Business Administration (SBA) bank lender based in Michigan for a decade, and Republic was named No. 3

in best companies to work for nationwide. It also was named to Working Mother magazine's list of "100 Best Companies for Working Mothers" for the fourth year in a row.

"I left a good job for this growing company," Black said. "I felt comfortable coming to work for Republic, and I'm as happy as I have ever been."

Republic's claim to fame is based on its employees'

ability to do the following:

- negotiate company discounts on day care
- on-site services such as family room for emergency child care, dry cleaning pickup and delivery
- Employee Assistance Program
- paid time off to care for ill family members
- resource and referral programs for dependents and parents
- doctor appointments
- generous maternity, paternity and adoption leave
- flexible work schedules such as flex time and peak time
- RBI Sons and Daughters Scholarship Program
- Career Pathing and Educational Assistance
- Adoption assistance
- average 50 hours of training per employee per year.

"We talk a lot about the culture of our company and how that fits into a potential employee's interest in attaining a job with our company," Black said. "We want to help our employees stay happy within the workplace."

Black, 50 of his associates and their significant others are heading to Mexico for a week vacation entirely paid for by Republic Bancorp.

"Republic Bancorp is showing us that it appreciates the work we do by sending the 102 of us to Mexico," Black said. "My wife and I can't wait to go. That makes it very attractive to work hard each and every day."

Republic Bancorp recently celebrated its 20th anniversary and has been named to the Fortune magazine list five times. It has 1,300 employees of whom 76 percent are female.

I Say

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very late 1700s. A quarter of the Germans were supporters of the cause; a quarter were loyal to the crown maybe because King George III was a third generation German. His grandfather, George II, was the last Hanover born in Hanover, Germany. And the other 50 percent pretty much didn't care.

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Brownell takes a STAND for tsunami victims

By Ann L. Fouty
Staff Writer

Brownell Middle School students could hardly contain themselves on Friday, Feb. 11. They yelled. They clapped their hands. They hooted while watching 15 of their teachers have green slime dumped over their heads, down their necks and splashed on their faces by 30 of their fellow classmates.

A chance to slime their teachers was just one of the fundraisers, organized by STAND (Students Taking a New Direction) to assist the victims of the Southeast Asian tsunamis through the Red Cross.

Handing a \$3,500 check to Red Cross Community Liaison April Rice was a prelude to the slimy event on stage.

Dressed in faded jeans, yellow slickers and ripped tee shirts, teachers and the



A little bit of slime went a long way as eighth-grader Riley Edwards dumped his bucket on teachers Katy Gill, Bill Taylor and Caroline Scott.

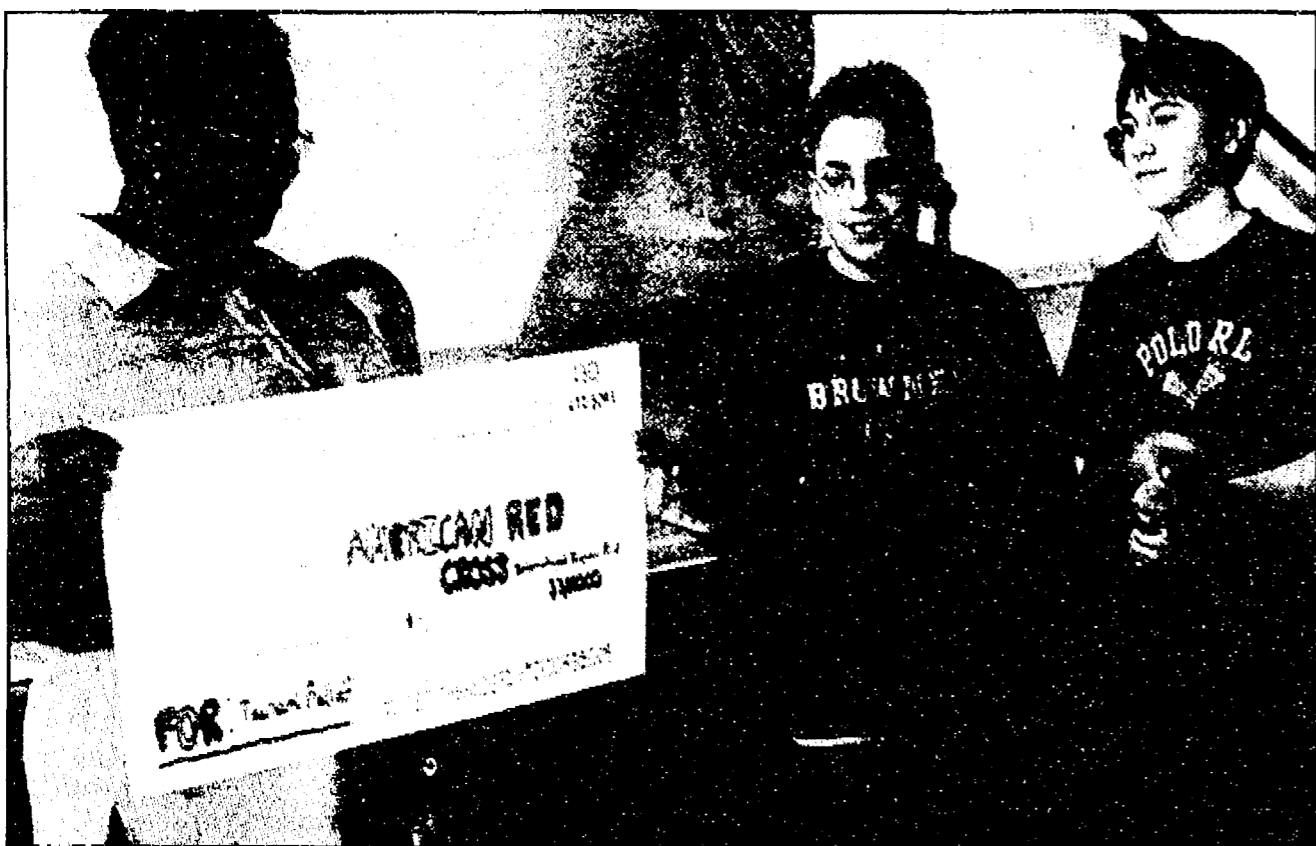


Assistant Principal John Shafer before his beard was shaved.



Assistant Principal John Shafer after his beard was shaved. He said he would remove his beard if students raised \$2,000. They went well beyond the goal set by Shafer.

Photos by Robert McKean



Red Cross Community Liaison April Rice accepted a \$3,500 check from Brownell students Patrick Wagner and Greg Papas. The school's check will help the victims of the December 2004 tsunami in Southeast Asia.

principal Mike Dib allowed chosen students to dump nearly a gallon of green goo over their heads.

Students also saw for the first time, as did the faculty, what assistant principal John Shafer looks like without a beard.

Shafer challenged the students if they would raise \$2,000 he would shave off his beard of 28 years. Students exceeded his challenge by \$1,500. He brought in a red can of shaving cream before the sliming. His clean shaven face was the last thing they saw before winter break.

"It feels funny," he said, as students gathered around him voicing such comments as "he looks good." "Life will never be the same." "It's not you."

Shafer added that his face

sans the white beard felt "airy. I feel naked without it." But, he noted, he was happy to shave off the beard because the students stepped up to help those in need. "It's such a trivial thing," he said of shaving his beard. "It was motivation (for the students). I was happy to do it."

He reassured the small gathering that he would regrow his facial hair.

Donations to see Shafer shave his beard and the sliming came from several sources.

The Brownell Drama Club donated \$100 from proceeds of its latest performance of "Fiddler on the Roof," and the sixth-grade Herd team added another \$1,400.

The money was raised from its mini-society class project. Students formed a society and made their own money and businesses.

However, the chance for "get even" with a teacher with a bucket of slime raised \$2,000.

"It's pay back," said sixth-grader Taylor Moody. A member of STAND, she joined the club because it sounded like fun by helping other people.

Students spent \$1 per ticket with the hopes their name would be drawn so they could run onto the stage, grab a purple bucket and dump the concoction on top of some teacher's head.

"It felt like walking through a mud patch," said Pete Dettlinger, one of the teachers who was slimed.

Susan M. Fell, the student assistance specialist, told the students they made a difference because they decided to take a stand.

Vice President of STAND Katie Aguilera said she enjoyed being part of a group which helps the community by example.

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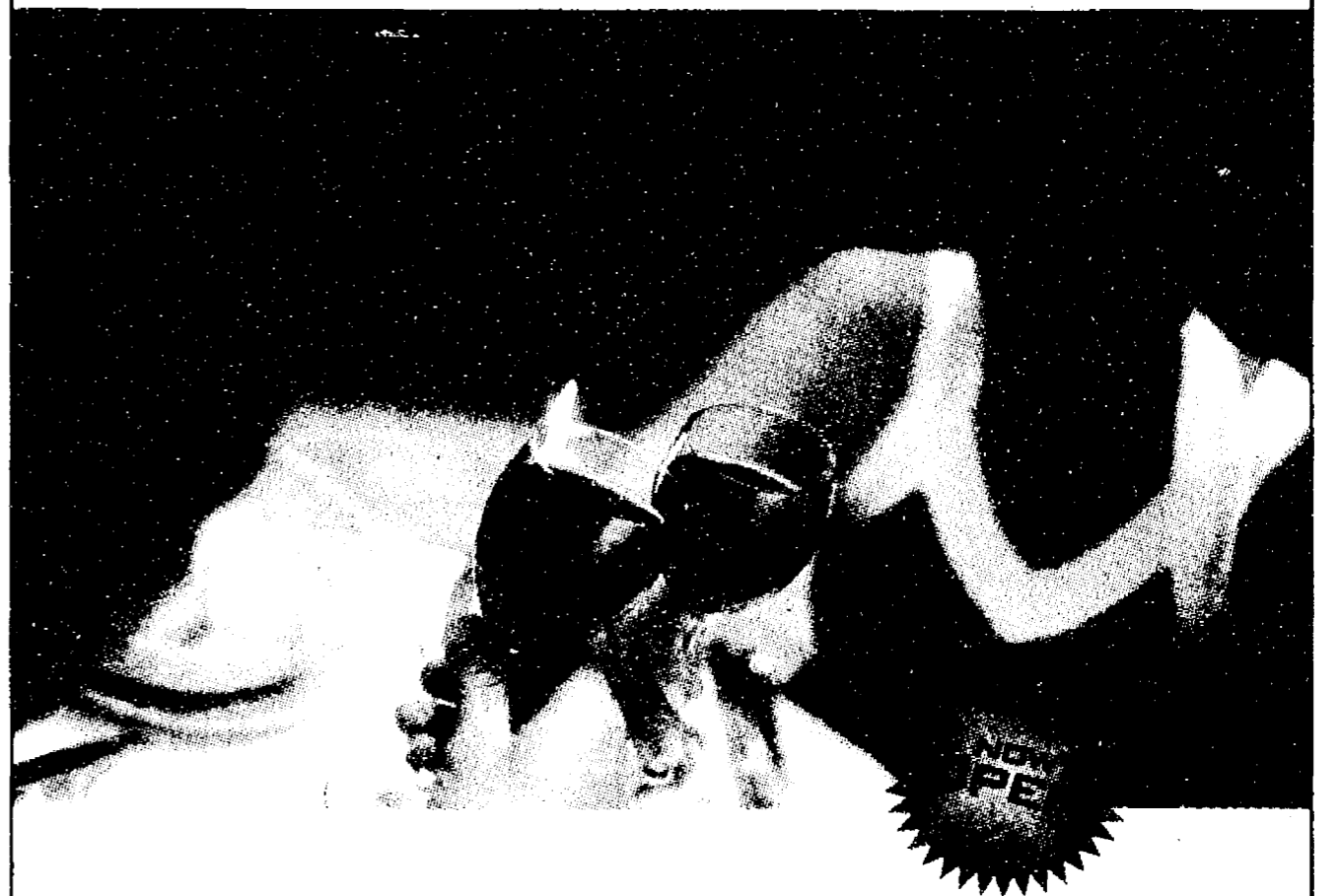
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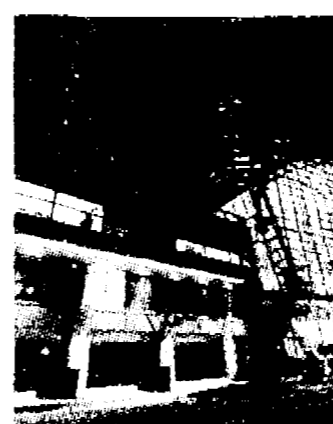
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Voters to polls on Tuesday for millage decision

By Ann L. Fouty
Staff Writer

On Tuesday, Feb. 22, Grosse Pointe voters will decide on three millage issues which represent nearly one-quarter of the school district's budget. Voters will cast votes on whether to renew two millage levies and restore another.

Proposal 1 is to renew the combined homestead "gap" and technology millage of 8.0784 mills. The second and third proposals are to renew and restore non-homestead millage. All three will expire on June 30, and renewal is for five years. For homeowners, taxes would not increase unless there is an increase of 50 or more students.

Board member Ahmed Ismail sees the non-home-

stead millage as a way to keep property values stable.

The schools are the heart of the community, said board member Lisa Vreede, along with the parks and the city services.

The Grosse Pointe Public School system is known for its programs, she continued. "We're known for an excellent school system. It's what draws people to the Grosse Pointes. We can't allow the school system quality to degrade. All three ballot questions are critical," Vreede said.

Even with the approval of all three, the school district will have to continue to look for ways to improve efficiency and increase revenues through foundation support, private donations and alumni support, Vreede said.

Absentee ballot applications can still be applied for and picked up at local city and village clerk offices. Offices will be open 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 19, but will not be open on Monday, Feb. 21, which is Presidents' Day.

Polls will be open between 7 a.m. and 8 p.m. on election day.

Results of the millage will be posted on the school's Website at www.gpschools.org and will be carried on cable channels 12 and 22.

Precincts are located as follows:

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Village Office
795 Lakeshore Road

City of Grosse Pointe
Maire Elementary School
740 Cadieux

Grosse Pointe Park
Precincts 1 and 2
Trombly Elementary
820 Beaconsfield

Precinct 3
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Elementary
15425 Kercheval

Precincts 4 and 7
Pierce Middle School
15430 Kercheval

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Precinct 1

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Precinct 2
Mason Elementary
1640 Vernier

Precinct 3
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800 Vernier

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20025 Mack Plaza

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Precinct 6
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20090 Morningside

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Precinct 1
Grosse Pointe South High
11 Grosse Pointe Blvd.

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176 McKinley

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90 Kerby Road

Precinct 4
Kerby Elementary
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Precinct 5
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260 Chalfonte

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20655 Lennon

When should school begin?

In February, the Grosse Pointe School District is providing an opportunity for parents who have children in the public school system to express their preference about the opening of school in 2005-06 and beyond.

While there are many factors involved in the development of a school calendar including collective bargaining requirements with teachers, it is useful to know how the school community stands, as a whole, on this important issue.

Does a before-Labor Day school opening best meet your family's needs, or does your family have no prefer-

ence?

With that information district administrators can work to best align the calendar to meet the needs of the entire school community.

Express your opinion by following these directions:

- Go to www.gpschools.org/ during the month of February.

- Click on "School calendar Survey."

- Complete the question on the survey.

- Complete only one survey per family with children in the public schools.

Results will be shared at an upcoming board of education meeting.



Photos by Audra McKean
Kindergartner Isabelle Nguyen wore an old, handmade, authentic Chinese children's ceremonial hat with her pink kimono. She and others dressed in kimonos and children's headpieces to head the parade throughout Poupard. The entire school was celebrating Chinese New Year which was Tuesday, Feb. 8. The school's celebration was on Monday, Feb. 7. Children showed off their artistic handiwork in the form of lanterns, paper kimonos, scrolls and carp, which symbolizes good luck.

Teachers also praised the event as a way to introduce another culture to their classes.

Poupard welcomes the new year

By Ann L. Fouty
Staff Writer

Poupard Elementary School students welcomed in the new year — not 2005 but the Chinese new year. The Year of the Rooster was embraced with a parade led by a colorful, six-legged lion.

The new year's celebration began in art class as children created scroll paintings, paper kimonos and waved carp on a string (carp are good luck to the Chinese) and Chinese lanterns.

Introducing the students to another culture was one



the cabbage — a reward for his heroism.

"We have a diverse group here," said first-grade teacher Carol Fraser before the parade. "This is an additional way to celebrate and learn about other cultures."

For her first-graders, learning to eat with chopsticks was one of the culture differences the children experienced.

"I don't know how to use them," said Steven Stone of his first attempt at using chopsticks. He solved his problem by putting one in each hand to scoop up the rice.

Nadia Goolsby said her mother showed her how to use chopsticks and wasn't having any problems. Likewise, Javontae Hall was at ease with chopsticks.

"It's not hard to use," he said.

However, Allison Conely said she'd rather eat her rice with a fork.

From rice to lions and parades, the Poupard Elementary students enhanced their understanding of another culture and enjoyed Chinese food.

Beth Russell and Allison Conley learned how to use chopsticks to eat rice as part of celebrating the Chinese new year on Monday, Feb. 7.

of the goals for art teacher Vicki Masotti, who provided costumes and taught children Chinese sayings and told them a story of what the lion meant to villagers.

Residents of small villages were tired of being attacked by marauders riding in on elephants. Villagers made a fierce lion mask and hid in the tall grass.

When the thieves, riding

their mighty elephants came, the "lion" jumped out, scared the elephants which turned tail and ran.

Now was the time to honor the brave lion. He was put at the head of the parade which wound through the halls of Poupard gathering up all the classrooms to join in a special ceremony in the gym.

There, the lion gobbled up



A red lion stalked through the halls of Poupard with Alphonse Agraviador in the lead. He is followed by Tyrus Collins-Nelson and Simon Limbach. Children followed the lion to the gym where the lion feasted on cabbage as its reward for chasing away elephant-riding thieves from a village.



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The Assistance League to the Northeast Guidance Center invites you to come celebrate our third annual Girls Just Want To Have Fun! Night on Friday, March 4th from 6-10 P.M. at the Assumption Cultural Center in St. Clair Shores. The event benefits mental health and community programs on Detroit's eastside. Girls Just Want To Have Fun! Night is designed to be a memorable experience and will feature live entertainment, delicious food, and dozens of unique shopping opportunities. Event tickets are \$25 in advance and \$30 at the door. Tickets may be purchased at Assumption Cultural Center in St. Clair Shores or The League Shop in Grosse Pointe Farms or by calling Lynne Maxwell at 313-822-1127. For corporate sponsorship opportunities call Mary Ann Bauman at 313-585-6371 or visit www.alnec.org.

Fundraiser heats up Defer

By Ann L. Fouty
Staff Writer

The recent fundraiser at Defer Elementary School was one spicy and sweet affair.

From the spaghetti dinner served to 350 people by a Warren catering company to the homemade desserts, \$4,200 was raised during the evening for the school's heating, cooling and ventilation

system.

When funds were being raised for the computer lab several years ago, Robert Palmer said, he recognized the potential of a dessert auction, something that would be fun and unique. It didn't have to be an expensive evening, yet it turned out to be a successful fundraising event.

The school's PTO has

pledge \$80,000 to the project, and \$60,000 is yet to be raised, said fourth-grade teacher Robert Palmer.

The dessert offerings ranged from plates of homemade cookies to homemade cheesecake, pies and cakes, he said. There were even baskets loaded with goodies. He said he was surprised at how generous shoppers were during the evening.

Defer is the oldest building in the Grosse Pointe School District, having been built in 1924.

Another fundraiser, for "adults only" is being planned for March at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. Palmer noted that a vacation at a cottage or condo is being donated, as well as a tour through Elmwood Cemetery.

Unlike the tour that his fourth-graders take, prior to the tour, adults will be greeted by PTO members with wine and hors d'oeuvres. Following the tour and low down on those buried in Elmwood, the eight-member party will dine at Roma Cafe.

In the first year of the fundraising, Palmer said it was hoped the money could be raised in one year and work begun and completed during the summer of 2005.



Photo courtesy Defer School

Mary Casinelli, a classroom assistant at Defer, presented the desserts for the sale to raise money to upgrade the school's heating, cooling and ventilation system. The dessert auction followed the Jan. 28 dinner during which more than 350 were served during the spaghetti dinner at Defer Elementary School.

Current event is up close and personal at Maire

By Ann L. Fouty
Staff Writer

Current events in the Maire second-grade classroom of Ann-Marie Smihal took on a personal touch.

Alexis Mellos brought a photographer/author to school as her Jan. 27 current event. Sean Crane shared his book, "American Hydrant," with the students. He traveled throughout the United States taking pictures of fire hydrants.

"Sean Crane used the fire hydrant and its surroundings to capture the essence of the city," Smihal explained. "In Detroit, the Motor City, a fire hydrant is reflected in a hub cap. In Missouri, the backdrop to the hydrant is the St. Louis Arch."

Crane took a year off work to travel the 50 states and



Photos courtesy Maire School

Author/photographer Sean Crane autographs his book "American Hydrant" for the second-graders in Ann-Marie Smihal's class.

take photos. During his journeys, he noted how brightly painted the fire hydrants had become and how they were different in the various parts of the country.

"He thought it was a good way to document America," Smihal said.

Crane, 40, grew up with Mellos' mother in Cheshire, Conn., and moved to the area two years ago.

According to Mellos, Crane enjoys spending time with her two daughters, Alexis and Anna. Going to the classroom to talk about his coffee-table style book was an extension of his fond-

ness for the family.

This was the first time a live current event has come into the classroom which takes time each day to report on a newspaper or magazine article which has been read.

Alexis said she felt happy about bringing Crane to class. "I thought it was a good idea (of her mother's). It was fun," she said.

He left an autographed book with the class, and it is now the favorite book to read during silent reading time, Smihal said. "I have to make a waiting list," she said.



Sean Crane, a local author and photographer, was Alexis Mellos' current event.

South art students' works outstanding

Grosse Pointe South students made another strong showing at the 2005 Southeastern Michigan Regional Scholastic Art Awards. From 10,000 submitted art works, 500 pieces were selected for awards. This year, South students received 34 awards in the following categories: drawing, mixed media, photography, jewelry design, product

design, painting, computer art and sculpture.

The Gold Key Art portfolio winners are Ana De Roo and Natalie Fedirko. Their portfolios will be sent to New York City to be judged for national awards and scholarship competition.

Gold Key winners for individual pieces are Alex McMillan with two, and Courtney Graham and Jaako Kuivamaaki. Their art pieces will be sent to New York for judging in the National Student Art Show.

Silver Key winners are Paul Simon, Margaret Brady, Candice Ackerman (3), Claire Fecher, Fedirko (3), Mackenzie Whims, Paul Thomas, James Manganello, Lia Simcina, Gracie Turin, Sarah Battles and Kate Muelle (2).

Certificate of Merit winners are Sarah Domin (2), Lindsey Ross, Mallory Brown, De Roo, Fecher, Julie Victor, Ackerman (2), Tom Burns, Steve Davis and Thomas.

The students' work may be viewed at the Southeastern Michigan Scholastic Art Awards exhib-

it at the Ford Gallery on the campus of the College of Creative Studies through Feb. 23.

The exhibit is free and the public is welcome.

Three to run for board seats

Three women will be seeking two four-year seats to become members of the Grosse Pointe Board of Education.

President Joan Dindoffer has filed for the Tuesday, May 3, election. She is seeking a third term.

Running for a seat vacated by Joseph Brennan will be Margaret Beck and Alice Kosinski.

Brennan has served two terms and is presently the board secretary. He has been vice president and treasurer.

The vote will be handled by the municipalities because of the consolidation state election law. Local and intermediate school districts will now be handled through the local municipality.



Photo courtesy Trombly School

Parent participation

Trombly physical education teacher Bruce Pelto invited parents to bring gym shoes and an adventurous attitude to class during the week of Feb. 7. Parents had the opportunity to participate in a class of physical education with their child. "I wanted parents to experience what their children do each day in class," Pelto said. "I know that the programs we provide for children today are very different from what parents experienced as students, and I wanted to show how we help develop each student's physical, emotional and social skills. I think the week was a huge success. The students enjoyed having their parents as their partners during many of the activities. I know many parents are looking forward to the next invitation." One statement Pelto stresses during each class is that each participant should attempt to achieve his or her personal best.

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Kerby students change one life, a smile at a time

By Ann L. Fouty
Staff Writer

Kerby School students and staff will be changing one smile at a time as they join together to raise funds for Operation Smile.

With 15 chapters in the United States, Operation Smile sends teams of medical volunteers to 22 countries, including the United



States, to repair a child's facial deformity, chiefly cleft palates and cleft lips. A cleft palate is a hole in the roof of the mouth preventing the child from speaking properly and eating normally. Parents ride camels with



Photo by Ann L. Fouty

Megan Gormley, a fifth-grader at Kerby, will be helping a child smile just as she and Terri A. Klimek do through donations to Operation Smile.

their child; parents and children walk for miles; parents with a child who has been ridiculed take two day bus trips to reach one of the many clinics in South America, the Philippines or Africa to be have their child's cleft palate or cleft lip repaired in 45 minutes, related Terri A. Klimek, a nurse/anesthesiologist at the University of Michigan Hospital. An Operation Smile volunteer, Klimek told the Kerby students that helping these children for the past six years has been "priceless."

Megan Gormley, a fifth-grader was touched by Klimek's presentation of a video and commentary saying the sight of children unable to smile was sad. She plans to be part of the solution by participating in the two fundraisers: a read-a-thon in March and a presidential coin war. (Students will be voting for their favorite president by dropping money into a container with presidents' pictures on

them.) One of the organizers Betsy Schulte said the goal is to help one child with a donation of \$250.

"The need is so overwhelming. If we can help one child it will be worth it," Schulte said.

Some 23 years ago William Magee, a plastic surgeon and his wife, Kathy, an R.N., were invited to go to the Philippines with a team of volunteer doctors and nurses. Once there they discovered hundreds of children with facial deformities whom they helped, but they also turned away many more. Since then, the non-profit Operation Smile teams have helped 80,000 children break out in grins, speak properly and eat with ease.

In addition to serving uninsured families, teams host lectures and seminars to train local medical professionals in handling these cases which occur in one out of 800 children.

According to Klimek, an

advance team goes in a week before the medical team arrives to interview those who qualify. Two- and 3-year-olds are selected over adolescents because the younger patients' mouths have not fully developed.

At the end of the week, the teams set up operating rooms and give lectures to the local medical personnel. Sunday is a day of rest because Monday through Friday an average of 150 patients per site are seen. Both Kenya and the Philippines have three sites each. A post-op team stays in the country for follow-up care.

Seeing the questioning looks on Kerby students, Klimek explained that the countries Operation Smile teams visit don't have the medical expertise to care for these children, and that's why it is so important for Kerby students to get involved.

"Kerby is important," Klimek said. "You are helping boys and girls all over the world."

Getting involved is nothing new to Kerby students. Five years ago the Reaching Out Program, under which Operation Smile falls, was introduced enabling children to give back to the community.

"We started getting them involved in the community. It has taken off. The teachers support it," Schulte said. In the past, Kerby students have donated to tsunami victims, have bought a water buffalo for an underdeveloped community and helped victims of 9/11.

A penny in Lincoln's container could be the one that makes a child break out in a first-ever grin, thanks to the Kerby students.

NOTICE OF SCHOOL MILLAGE ELECTION IN THE GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2005

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a School Millage Election in the Grosse Pointe Public School System will be held in the City of Grosse Pointe Park, City of Grosse Pointe, City of Grosse Pointe Farms, City of Grosse Pointe Woods, City of Harper Woods and Township of Grosse Pointe-Wayne County on Tuesday, February 22, 2005 at 7 o'clock in the forenoon until 8 o'clock in the afternoon, at which time qualified registered voters may vote for the following:

HOLD HARMLESS MILLAGE PROPOSAL

This proposal would authorize The Grosse Pointe Public School System to levy mills on homestead properties (principal residences) for general operating purposes. This authorization would replace two separate authorizations for mills previously levied by the School District which expired with the School District's 2004 tax levy and restore the authority to the level authorized in 2000. Under existing law the School District would levy only the portion necessary to allow the School District to receive the full revenue per pupil foundation allowance permitted by the law.

"Shall the limitation on the tax upon taxable homestead and qualified agricultural property in The Grosse Pointe Public School System, County of Wayne, Michigan be increased by 8.0784 mills (\$8.0784 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for five (5) years, the years 2005 to 2009, inclusive, to provide funds for operating expenses of The Grosse Pointe Public School System? If approved, this millage would raise an estimated \$16,450,000 for the District in 2005."

Yes
No

Non-Homestead Millage Renewal

This proposal would renew the existing authorization as reduced by the application of the Headlee Amendment and would allow The Grosse Pointe Public School System to continue to levy mills previously levied for general operating purposes on non-homestead property (business, commercial, rental and seasonal homes) which expired with the 2004 tax levy.

"As a renewal of authorization which expired with the 2004 levy, shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be imposed on taxable non-homestead property in The Grosse Pointe Public School System, County of Wayne, Michigan be increased by 16.7875 mills (\$16.7875 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for five (5) years, the years 2005 to 2009, inclusive, to provide funds for operating expenses of The Grosse Pointe Public School System? If approved, this millage would raise an estimated \$6,094,000 for the District in 2005."

Yes
No

Non-Homestead Millage Restoration

This authorization will (i) restore the authority of The Grosse Pointe Public School System to levy mills previously authorized and levied for general operating purposes on non-homestead property (business, commercial, rental and seasonal homes) which have been reduced by application of the Headlee Amendment and (ii) increase the prior authority by one (1) mill. If the Non-Homestead Millage Renewal Proposal is also approved by the electors, this authority would allow the School District to continue to levy the statutory rate of 18 mills against non-homestead property required for the School District to receive revenues at the full foundation allowance permitted by the State in the event of future Headlee Rollbacks of up to one (1) mill.

"Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be imposed on taxable non-homestead property in The Grosse Pointe Public School System, County of Wayne, Michigan, be increased by 2.2125 mills (\$2.2125 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for five (5) years, the years 2005 to 2009, inclusive, to provide funds for operating expenses? This millage would raise an estimated \$440,000 for the School District in the first year that it is levied."

Yes
No

Each person voting in the Election must be:

- A citizen of the United States of America over eighteen (18) years of age;
- A registered elector of the city or township in which he or she resides.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Polling Locations for said Election are as follows:

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE FARMS

PRECINCT 001 Grosse Pointe South High School, 11 Grosse Pointe Boulevard
002 Richard Elementary, 176 McKinley
003 City Hall Fire Station, 90 Kerby Road
004 Kerby School, 285 Kerby Road
005 Brownell Middle School, 260 Chalfonte

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE

PRECINCT All Precincts Maire School Gymnasium, 740 Cadieux

GROSSE POINTE PARK

PRECINCT 001 Trombly School, Beaconsfield & Essex
002 Trombly School, Beaconsfield & Essex
003 Municipal Building, East Jefferson
004 Pierce School, Kercheval & Nottingham
005 Defer School, Kercheval & Nottingham
006 Pierce School, Kercheval & Nottingham
007 Pierce School, Kercheval & Nottingham

GROSSE POINTE WOODS

PRECINCT 001 Ferry School, 748 Roslyn Road
002 Mason School, 1640 Vernier Road
003 First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier Road
004 City Hall Community Center, 20025 Mack Plaza
005 Monteith School, 1275 Cook Road
006 Barnes School, 20090 Morningside

TOWNSHIP OF GROSSE POINTE

PRECINCT All Municipal Building, First Floor, Council Chambers, 795 Lake Shore

CITY OF HARPER WOODS

PRECINCT ALL (5 & 6) Poupard Elementary School, 20655 Lennon

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NOTICE OF ABSENT VOTER'S BALLOT FOR THE SCHOOL MILLAGE ELECTION IN THE GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2005

Registered qualified electors in the City of Grosse Pointe Park, Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Farms, Grosse Pointe Woods, Township of Grosse Pointe-Wayne County and City of Harper Woods, who expect to be absent from the city or township or who are confined to home or hospital by illness or disability or are 60 years of age or more, may now apply for absent voter's ballots. NO SUCH REGULAR APPLICATIONS CAN BE ACCEPTED AFTER 2:00 P.M. ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2005. Applications can be made prior to such time at the Municipal Offices.

The offices of the City Clerks of Grosse Pointe Farms, Grosse Pointe Park, Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Woods, Township of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods will be open during normal business hours Monday thru Friday of each week. All offices will be open on Saturday, February 19, 2005 from 9:00 until 2:00 p.m. for absent voter's ballot.

HOWEVER, ANYONE WISHING TO VOTE BY ABSENTEE BALLOT MAY DO SO IN THEIR CITY/TOWNSHIP OFFICES ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2005 DURING THE HOURS LISTED, AS FOLLOWS:

- CITY OF GROSSE POINTE PARK OPEN FROM 9 A.M. UNTIL NOON
- CITY OF GROSSE POINTE OPEN FROM 9 A.M. UNTIL NOON
- CITY OF GROSSE POINTE FARMS OPEN FROM 9 A.M. UNTIL NOON
- GROSSE POINTE TOWNSHIP OPEN FROM 9 A.M. UNTIL NOON
- CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED. HOWEVER, THE BASEMENT ABSENT VOTER OFFICE WILL BE OPEN FROM 9:00 A.M. UNTIL NOON.
- CITY OF HARPER WOODS WILL BE CLOSED FOR THE HOLIDAY

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Marie E. Bird

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Grosse Pointe Farms resident Marie E. Bird, 95, mother of Gloria Buzzelli Gibson and aunt of June MacKeil and Ruth Thomas, died on Friday, Feb. 11, 2005, at St. John Macomb Hospital after a lengthy illness.

She cultivated her talent for decades as the owner and operator of the Marie Bird Beauty Salon on the Hill in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Her adventuresome and embracing interest in other cultures led her to worldly travel during her marriage and after the death of her husband, Eric, in 1977.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 18, at Chas. Verheyden Inc., 16300 Mack Ave., Grosse Pointe Park. Visitation will be on Wednesday, Feb. 16, and Thursday, Feb. 17, from 2 to 8 p.m.



Daniel Lee Johnson

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Former Grosse Pointe Farms resident Daniel Lee Johnson, 82, died on Saturday, Feb. 12, 2005, at Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak.

Mr. Johnson was born in Detroit on Oct. 27, 1922, to Sarah Caulkins Johnson and Charles Bissell Johnson. A Grosse Pointe resident for 75 years, he attended Richard Elementary School, Grosse Pointe High School and Duke University.

During World War II, he was an ensign in the U.S. Navy, serving as a supply officer aboard a LST in the Pacific.

Mr. Johnson's working life centered on the automobile industry. For many years, he was self-employed as a manufacturer's representative for automotive suppliers. He later became the owner and president of Industrial Machine Products, Inc., an automotive manufacturing concern in Oxford.

Mr. Johnson was known for his warmth, easy-going manner and kindness. In recent years, he tutored elementary school students in Pontiac.

An avid golfer, tennis player and skier, he particularly enjoyed northern Michigan. Together with his brother, Charles B. Johnson Jr. and several Grosse Pointe friends, he converted a one-room schoolhouse near Gaylord into a family ski lodge. Later, he built a vacation home in Leland.

Mr. Johnson was a member of the Country Club of Detroit, the Yondotega Club, the Bloomfield Hills Country Club, the Leland Country Club, the Leland Yacht Club, the Leelanau

Conservancy, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, and the Friends of the Grosse Pointe Library.

He is survived by his wife, Elise Smith Johnson; his children, Daniel Lee Johnson Jr., Christine Johnson Zoufal, Julie Johnson Doonan; his stepchildren, Susan Smith, David P. Smith Jr., Peter W. Smith and R. Perry Smith; his grandchildren, Natalie C. Zoufal, Laura P. Zoufal, Nina P. Doonan, and Isabel A. Doonan; his brothers, Stephen O. Johnson and Horace James Johnson; seven step-grandchildren; and his nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his first wife, Sally Weckler Johnson, to whom he was married for 50 years; and by his brother, Charles B. Johnson Jr.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, Feb. 19, at 11 a.m. at the Kirk-in-the-Hills Presbyterian Church, 1340 W. Long Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills.

Memorial contributions may be made to The Leelanau Conservancy, P.O. Box 1007, Leland, MI 49654.

Ruth Switzer Moran

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Ruth Switzer Moran, 86, died on Friday, Feb. 4, 2005, of pneumonia at Bon Secours Hospital in Grosse Pointe.

Mrs. Moran, a former Grosse Pointe public school teacher and longtime Farms resident, was devoted to her church, community and large extended family.

A one-time deacon and a member of Grosse Pointe Memorial Church when she died, Mrs. Moran was also an active volunteer at Cottage Hospital in the Farms.

She grew up in Petoskey and earned her bachelor's degree in education in 1940 from Olivet College. She then taught fourth grade in Boyne City, Traverse City, Petoskey and Grosse Pointe, at Mason and Parcels Elementary Schools.

She left teaching in 1951 to become a homemaker and mother.

"Our mother was a dedicated wife, mother, grandmother, sister and friend," commented her children, Sarah Moran Martin of Philadelphia, Pa., and Jeffrey Schmidt Moran of Denver, Colo. "She touched the lives of all she knew."

Mrs. Moran was a member of the Grosse Pointe Historical Society, Detroit Institute of Arts, Detroit Public Television, Nomads, Colony Club and the Walloon Lake Association, where she and her family have a second home.

He returned to Detroit, gained U.S. citizenship and



Ruth Switzer Moran

Her husband of 54 years, Alfred Butterfield Moran II, is a descendant of the prominent French Moran family, for whom Moran Road in the Farms is named. His ancestors were among Detroit's and Grosse Pointe's original settlers.

She is survived by her husband, her two children, six grandchildren, two sisters and two brothers.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, March 19, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, with a reception to follow in the church's Fellowship Hall.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Ruth S. Moran Fund for Macular Degeneration, Attn: Deniz Conger, Visual Rehabilitation & Research Center, Henry Ford Health System Office of Philanthropy, 1 Ford Place, Suite 5A, Detroit, MI 48202-9941.

Roland W. Mueller

Roland Mueller, 74, of Grosse Pointe Woods, died on Wednesday, Feb. 9, 2005, after suffering a fatal heart attack while vacationing in Stewart, Fla.

"He played golf on Monday, tennis on Tuesday and he died on Wednesday," said his son Mark Mueller of Grosse Pointe Woods. "He was happy, I'm sure."

Mr. Mueller was born on March 30, 1930, in Graupen, Czechoslovakia, to German parents who were living there at the time. He grew up in Austria, however, and was pressed into service during World War II in the German army as a youth, where he was used as a messenger, and later as a map-maker.

Following the war, Mr. Mueller immigrated to the United States and saw service in the U.S. Army in Korea, being honorably discharged.

He returned to Detroit, gained U.S. citizenship and

attended Wayne State University, studying engineering at night and working days at various jobs. He later worked for the Chrysler Corp. for more than three decades and retired as director of advanced manufacturing and engineering.

Mr. Mueller's engineering career was capped when he spent four years in Graz, Austria, overseeing the construction of the DaimlerChrysler minivan production plant.

"Roland was always a fun person to be with," said Jim Clancy, of Grosse Pointe Shores. "We started at Chrysler together and worked together for many years. Roland always left everybody laughing."

An avid athlete, Mr.

Mark (Nancy) Mueller of Grosse Pointe Woods, and John (Nicole) Mueller of St. Clair Shores; two grandchildren, Michael and Christopher; and a sister, Irmgard Schmid, of Linz, Austria.

A funeral Mass was celebrated on Feb. 15, at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church.

Interment is in Resurrection Cemetery, Clinton Township.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Capuchin Monastery, 1820 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207 or the Catholic Kolping Society, 24409 Jefferson, St. Clair Shores, MI 48080.

William Freeborn Watson

Former City of Grosse Pointe resident William Freeborn Watson, 90, died Monday, Feb. 14, 2005, at his home in Haslett.

He was born on March 5, 1914, in Cheyenne, Wyo. In 1936, he graduated from the University of Michigan. He was a resident of Grosse Pointe for 50 years.

While serving in the U.S. Army, he ascended to the rank of colonel. Mr. Watson was employed as a professional engineer for the Ford Motor Co.

See, OBITUARIES, page 18A

City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council will be considering the following proposed ordinance for a second reading at its meeting scheduled for Monday, February 28, 2005, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Room of the Municipal Building. The proposed ordinance is available for public inspection at the Municipal Building, 20025 Mack Plaza, between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The above Council meeting is open to the public. All interested persons are invited to attend.

An Ordinance To Amend Chapter 62, Signs

Louise S. Warnke
City Clerk

G.P.N.: 02/17/2005

City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PUBLIC NOTICE

A Public Hearing will be held on Monday, February 28, 2005, at 7:30 p.m., in the Council Room of the Municipal Building, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan, to hear comments regarding the 2005/06 Program Year Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Proposed Estimated budget as shown below:

2005/06 Proposed Estimated CDBG Budget

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| 1. Senior Services: | |
| a. Services for Older Citizens (SOC) | \$ 32,000 |
| b. Senior Citizens Coordinators | 28,000 |
| 2. Pointe Area Assisted Transportation Services (PAATS) | 12,000 |
| 3. Improved City Hall Handicapped Accessibility | 4,000 |
| 4. Planning | 5,000 |
| 5. Administration | 9,000 |
| Total | \$90,000 |

Mark Wollenweber
City Administrator

G.P.N.: 02/17/2005

City of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan

SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES FEBRUARY 7, 2005

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m., beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present on Roll Call: Mayor James C. Farquhar, Jr., Councilmembers Douglas F. Roby, Jr., Peter W. Waldmeir, Therese M. Joseph, Joseph T. Leonard, Charles S. Terry Davis III Louis Theros.

Those Absent Were: None.

Also Present: Messrs. Burgess, City Attorney; Reeside, City Manager; Tepper, Assistant City Manager; Modzinski, City Controller; Brennan, Director of Public Service; Ferber, Director of Public Safety; Jensen, Deputy Director of Public Safety.

Mayor Farquhar Presided at the Meeting.

On behalf of the City, the Mayor, City Manager, Municipal Judge and Director of Public Service presented Merit Awards to the Public Safety Department.

The Council approved the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, which was held January 10, 2005, as submitted.

The Council approved the Site Plan Review for the Grosse Pointe Academy.

Following a Public Hearing, the Council adopted the Proposed Amendments to the Property Maintenance Code.

The Council approved from the Consent Agenda the following:

- The re-appointment of Mr. Greg Nelson, 35 Kerby Court, to the City's Board of Review, to serve a three year term.
- The request to use Pier Park for the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life.
- The increase of pay rate for Chair/Co-Chairpersons and Elections Inspectors.

The Council approved payment of a Statement of Attorney's fees from the law firm of Dickinson, Wright.

The Council approved the Pier Park Community Building Application/Permit and Picnic Permit, as amended.

The Council accepted the Six-Month Financial Report and ordered it placed on file.

The Council adopted a Proof of Authority Resolution regarding application for grant to purchase equipment to comply with the Help America Vote Act (HAVA).

The Council adopted a resolution that immediately following adjournment of the Regular Meeting, a Closed Session shall be held for the purpose of discussing certain litigation.

Upon proper motion made, supported and carried, the Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL WILL BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 90 KERBY ROAD, GROSSE POINTE FARMS, MICHIGAN 48236, ON MONDAY, MARCH 7, 2005 AT 7:00 P.M. THE MEETING IS PUBLIC. INTERESTED PROPERTY-OWNERS AND RESIDENTS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND. RESIDENTS MAY ALSO VIEW THE AGENDA AND MINUTES ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE: WWW.CI.GROSSE-POINTE-FARMS.MI.US/

James C. Farquhar
Mayor

Shane L. Reeside
City Clerk

G.P.N.:02/17/05

City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan

NOTICE TO LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICANTS:

The "Application Package" must be received by the City at the office of the City Clerk, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan, by 5:00 p.m., Friday, April 1, 2005:

- Required Documents for Corporation/Limited Liability Company:
Request for Application - Michigan Liquor Control Commission;
- Required Documents for Individual or Partnership:
Request for Application - Michigan Liquor Control Commission.

Copies of the above-mentioned Application Package may be obtained from the City Clerk's office, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods, during regular office hours (8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.) and are available for any interested applicant. The completed Application Package must be accompanied by a non-refundable check in the amount of \$2,500 for new or transfer application. The deadline date of April 1, 2005 will be strictly observed. The City reserves the right to reject any Application Package, to waive any irregularities or to accept any Application Package it deems to be in the best interest of the City.

It is the intent of the City to conduct a review in a timely fashion following the submittal of a complete Application Package. An administrative investigation and review will be performed and results will be forwarded to the City Council. The City Council will review the entire Application Package and base any decision upon the factors outlined in Section 50-8(4)(a)-(x) of the Grosse Pointe Woods Liquor License Ordinance.

Applicants are advised to review the Grosse Pointe Woods Liquor Control Ordinance, the LCC Rules and Regulations, and applicable state law. City employees are prohibited from providing legal advice to applicants or their agents. Although four new licenses are available for distribution, the City Council has sole discretion to determine the number of new licenses distributed, if any.

Louise S. Warnke,
City Clerk

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He was a member of the Trigon Fraternity and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

He is survived by his wife, Ellen Merrill Hewitt Watson; his daughter, Merrill Watson (Richard) Evans; and his sisters-in-law, Mrs. Herbert W. Hewitt Jr., Mrs. Robert Hartopee, and Mrs. Henry G. Watson Jr. He was predeceased by his brother, Henry G. Watson Jr.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, Feb. 19, at 1:30 p.m. at Chas. Verheyden Funeral Home, 16300 Mack Ave., Grosse Pointe Park.

Interment will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of one's choice.

Report shows crime down in G.P. Park

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe Park continues to be a safer place to live and work according to the statistics of its 2004 public safety annual report.

According to the report, released on Monday, Feb. 14, the number of major fell from 414 in 2003 to 346 in 2004, a 16 percent decrease.

Public safety chief David Hiller credited much of the drop in numbers to a 62 percent decrease in the number of auto thefts. The department responded to 77 reports of stolen vehicles in 2004 compared to 127 in 2003.

Hiller credited much of

the reduction in auto thefts to the Park's participation in a joint task force (Joint Operation Investigation Task Force or JOIE), comprised of nine other law enforcement agencies, which targeted car thieves on the east side. In two separate operations last year, the task force recovered 96 stolen vehicles and made 100 arrests.

However, Hiller also stated: "Larcenies continue to be our No. 1 problem. That number (250) is pretty consistent with earlier years."

Overall, Hiller said the number of incidents of serious crimes remains low. Other reports of serious crimes included:

- 25 incidents of forced entry burglaries, down two from 2003;
- eight incidents of armed robbery, consistent with the numbers reported in 2003, 2002 and 2001;
- six incidents of aggravated felonious assaults; down one from 2003;
- three incidents of retail fraud (theft), which remained unchanged from 2003;
- and one incident of criminal sexual conduct, the first incident reported in the past four years.

"Our numbers are still pretty low," Hiller said.

In addition to the low and reduced numbers of serious crimes in the Park in 2004, Hiller bragged of the 61 percent clearance rate of crimes in the Park.

"That number is almost double of the state average

of 32 percent," Hiller said.

Councilman Sam Nouhan, a corporate counsel for Wayne County, said he has heard many compliments from attorneys in the county's prosecutor's office, who have said the work of the department's detectives is "far and above" the state average.

Other highlights of the report include an increase in the number of arrests, 662 in 2004 compared to 634 in 2003. Of those arrests, 72 of them were made for drunken driving offenses, 14 percent increase over the year before.

There was a decrease in juvenile detainments, 85 in 2004 compared to 105 in 2003.

The traffic enforcement unit made a marked increase in hazardous driving stops, up 3,702 in 2004 compared to 2,814 in 2003; made 1,678 non-hazardous stops in 2004 compared to 1,749 in 2003; and attended to 1,138 parking violations in 2004 compared to 1,488 in 2003.

Overall, the department responded to 9,207 police calls in 2004 compared to 10,142 in 2003.

In addition, the depart-

ment made 94 fire runs in 2004 compared to 117 in 2003, and made 509 ambulance runs which attended to 513 patients in 2004.

Hiller said what contributed to the long-term decreasing or stabilized number of crimes since the late 1980s was a result of the Park having switched to a public safety form of law enforcement, the use of highly-visible white scout cars and one-man patrols.

"What you see from the '90s is because of the change in the way we do business," Hiller said.



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The ARK is located at the intersection of Wayburn and Hampton next to St. Ambrose Church in Grosse Pointe Park.



Drawing by Jerry Rochon

A new warming hut will be built near the ice skating rink at Grosse Pointe Park's Patterson Park. Construction of the building will begin this spring.

Park gets warming hut for ice rink

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

Starting next winter, residents in Grosse Pointe Park will be sipping, "Oh, the weather outside is frightful, but the fire is so delightful..."

Work will begin this spring on a warming hut at the ice rink at Patterson Park.

The 20-foot-by-20-foot building will give skaters a warm place to lace up and parents a comfortable and sheltered area from which they can supervise their kids.

The building will feature a restroom, which can be used by tennis players during the summer, comfortable furniture and a fireplace.

The all-brick exterior

building is designed to fit in with the other buildings in the park system.

The cost of the construction of the building, estimated at \$80,000 to \$90,000, will be fully funded by the Grosse Pointe Park Foundation.

In recent years, the foundation has contributed to the construction of a splash pad at Patterson Park and the Lavins Activity Center at Windmill Pointe Park.

"I'm always amazed by the unending generosity of the members of the foundation and the residents of Grosse Pointe Park," Mayor Palmer Heenan said.

"Everything they come up with makes our city much more family-friendly."

Local groups can check-out Ewald meeting room

By Beth Quinn
Staff Writer

Are you a member of a Grosse Pointe community group that is looking for a place to meet?

Well, look no further than the Carolyn and Ted Ewald Memorial Branch Library in Grosse Pointe Park.

Local not-for-profit and non-commercial groups of which least 75% of its members are Grosse Pointe residents can reserve the Ewald meeting room.

"I think once people see the room, they'll realize what a great space it is," said Betty Kellogg, Grosse Pointe Library operations manager.

Qualifying groups can apply for permit from Kellogg at the Grosse Pointe Central Library.

Once issued a permit, they can reserve the room once-a-month, free-of-charge. Reservations must be made at least one week before the date of the meeting, and no more than one year in advance.

The meeting capacity is 30 people for a daytime meeting and 75 for an evening meeting. Seating and table arrangements can be reconfigured to accommodate a meeting's size and agenda.

"We discovered at the first Library Board meeting held there in January that the acoustics are great," Kellogg said.

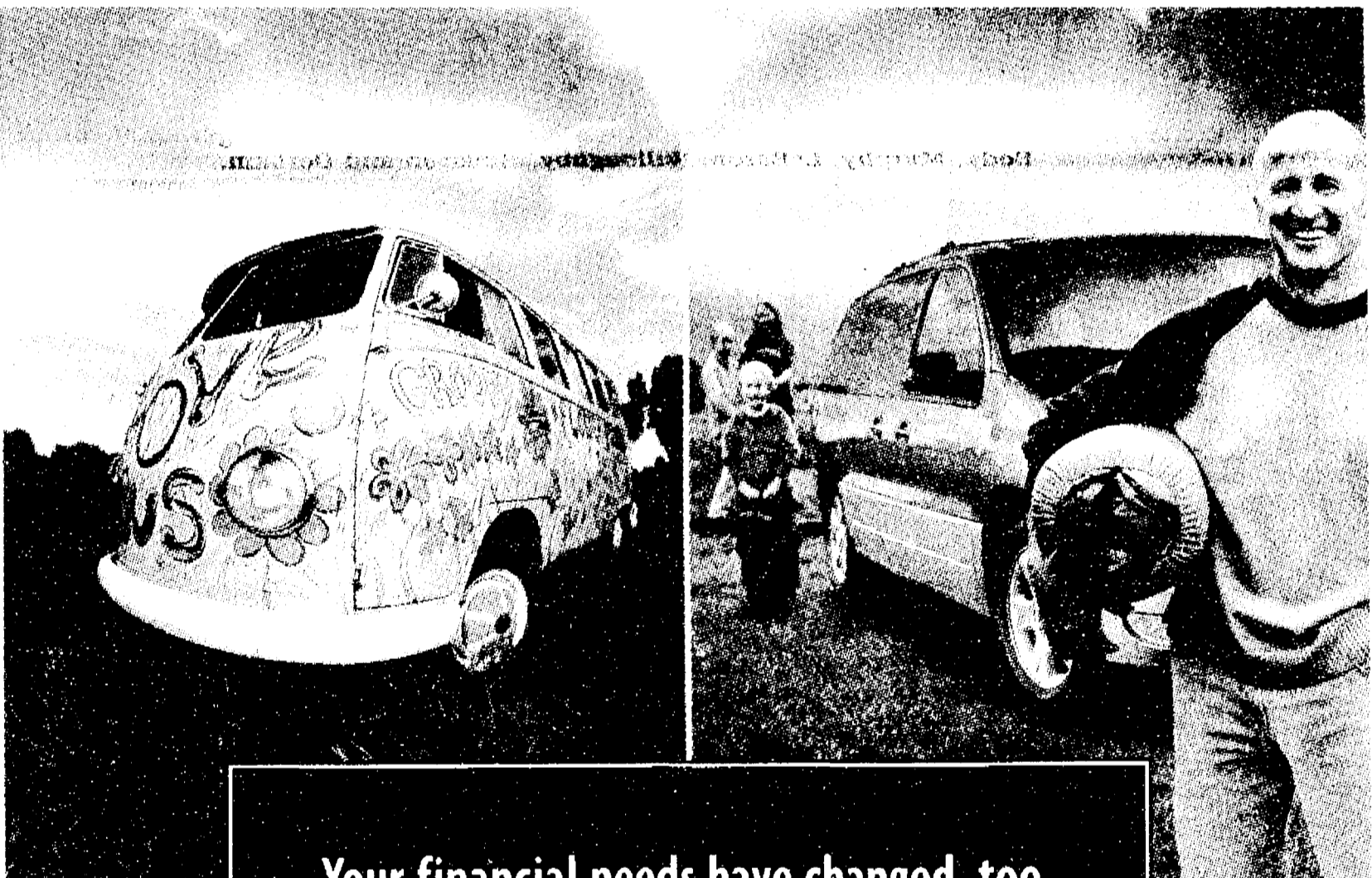
In the future, the room will have audio/visual equipment including a pull down viewing screen, and a podium with a built-in microphone.

Users of the program room may bring light refreshment such as non-alcoholic beverages, sandwiches and desserts. The group is responsible for also bringing its own supplies, such as coffee machines and paper goods, and for cleaning up afterwards.

Smaller groups, about seven people in size, can meet in the smaller study room at the Ewald Library. It is available on a first-come basis.

The program room is available Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. During the school year, the room is available on Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. It is not available on Sundays.

Requests and inquiries for room reservations can be made by calling the library administration at (313) 343-2325.



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Car auction held record-breaking sales

In the dead of winter, the auto world heads for the Southwest, specifically Phoenix and Scottsdale, Ariz.

The Barrett-Jackson Classic Car Auction is a tradition in Scottsdale in January, staging its 34th annual event this year. And an upstart rival, RM Auctions Inc., headquartered in Blenheim, Ont., staged its sixth annual auction at the Arizona Biltmore in Phoenix.

Both auctions set records. Four cars were sold for million-dollar-plus bids.

The weather was cool for the Valley of the Sun. There was standing water — mud puddles! — on the grounds at West World, where the five-day Barrett-Jackson auction was held.

But the biggest surprises



were the prices being bid. Almost all the cars being offered were being sold, and the prices were very strong prices.

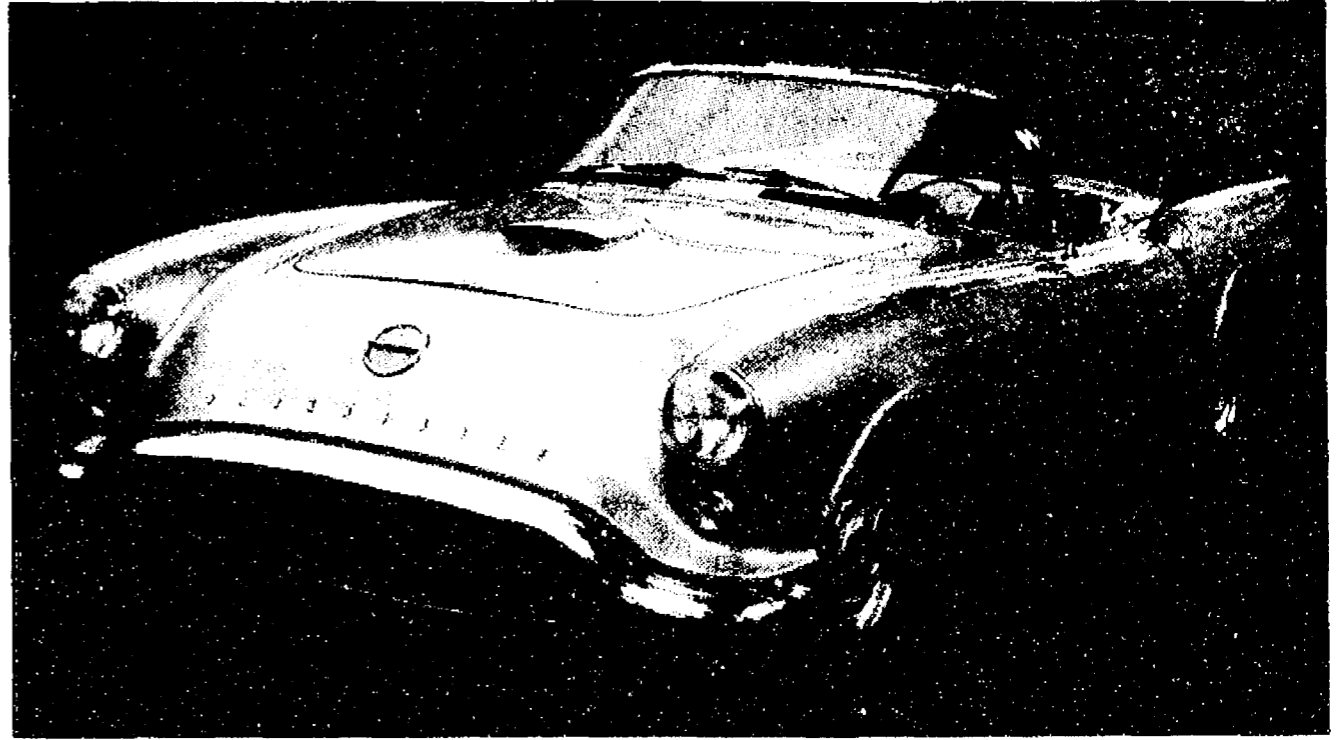
A 50-year-old experimental Oldsmobile, the 1954 Oldsmobile F-88, was sold for a record bid of \$3,240,000 at the Barrett-Jackson auction.

The biggest sale of the RM event was a 1934

Duesenberg Model J Convertible Coupe which was sold for \$2.75 million. This Duesenberg was one of the most expensive and luxurious American cars ever built featuring La Grande coachwork by A.H. Walker Co. of Indiana.

The Duesenberg was fol-

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In the early '50s, Harley Earl, Bill Mitchell, Ken Pickering and Zora Duntov at General Motors were creating a roadster for Oldsmobile. They began the project by designing several show cars which were breathtaking and daring. Due to the poor sales of the Corvette, the car which inspired these GM Concepts, the F-88 project was canceled. This 1954 Oldsmobile F-88 is the only survivor. It was sold at the Barrett-Jackson auction for a record \$3,240,000.



One of only four Ruxton roadsters in existence, this 1929 Ruxton Model C roadster was sold at the RM sale for \$181,500. Most of the 500 Ruxtons built came from the Moon factory in St. Louis, although a few were built at the Kissel factory in Hartford, Wis.



The biggest sale of the RM auction at the Arizona Biltmore was this 1934 Duesenberg with La Grande convertible coupe coachwork by A.H. Walker Co. This one of three Walker La Grande convertible coupes changed hands for \$2,750,000. La Grande was a proprietary design created by Auburn-Cord-DeuSenberg and built by several coachbuilders, including Walker, Union City Body, Murphy, LeBaron, Willoughby, Rollston and Derham.

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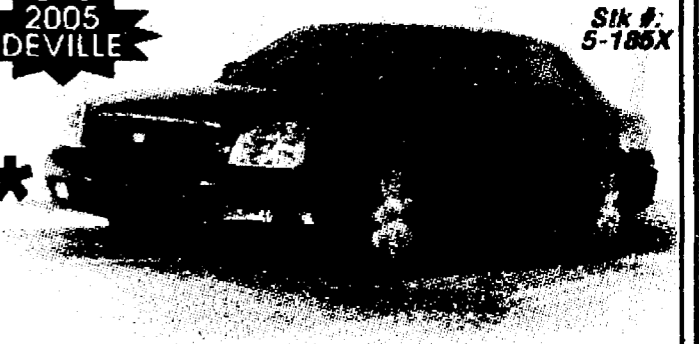


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lowed closely at RM by a 1962 Aston Martin DB4 GT Zagato Coupe, which brought close to \$2.7 million, and a 1953 Ferrari 250 Mille Miglia Competition Berlinetta which sold for \$1.4 million.

In addition to three sales of over a million dollars, two cars broke records in their categories. The 1962 Presidential "Bubbletop" Lincoln Continental primarily used by First Lady, Mrs. Jacqueline Kennedy and later used by President John F. Kennedy to transport visiting world leaders and dignitaries, recorded the highest price for a Lincoln at public auction,

with a final selling price of \$682,500.

And a 1933 Stutz DV-32 Convertible Coupe broke the record for a public sale of a Stutz at \$781,000.

At Barrett-Jackson, a 1936 Chrysler Airflow coupe was sold for \$550,800, and the world-class one-off street rod by Boyd Coddington, named the "Whatthehay," built on a French 1936 Delahaye, was sold for \$540,000. A half-million-dollar French hot rod. That's weird,

Barrett-Jackson Auction Company said this five-day Scottsdale sale was its most successful car auction to date with record-breaking sales in numerous categories, which logged an estimated \$61,687,526 in sales compared with the \$38,520,722 record set at

the 2004 auction.

A huge selection of Hemi-powered automobiles, street rods, muscle cars, classic and pedigree European sports cars were sold, and a total of 878 cars crossed the auction block during the five-day event. All were sold with no reserve.

(A reserve is a floor below which the owner will not let the car be sold. Bidders like no-reserve sales, because it adds to the excitement — everything will be sold. Interestingly, auctions have found the prices are about the same, if anything, higher with no reserve.)

RM also reported its biggest sale yet in Phoenix, with total sales of \$18.7 million and a sales rate of 95 percent. During the one-day sale, 111 cars were sold out of a total of 117 offered.

The driving need for electric vehicles known as environmentally-friendly

(NAPSI) — It is expected that in the near future environmentally friendly electric vehicles will become as mainstream as the microwave oven because of their enormous potential to help our environment as well as reduce our dependence upon gasoline.

In fact, electric vehicles are more common today than most people realize. For example, the global leader in electric lift trucks sold its first electric model in the United States in 1975, and today 60 percent of lift trucks sold in the United States are electric. "This is a reverse of 20 years ago when the split was 60 percent gas and 40 percent electric," said Brett Wood, national product development, strategic planning and marketing services manager for Toyota Material Handling, U.S.A. Inc. Ninety-nine percent of its lift trucks sold in the United States are assembled in North America.

The Environmental Protection Agency says half the nation lives where air quality is designated "unhealthy" at some time in the year. Fortunately, electric vehicles can contribute to a cleaner environment. Electric lift trucks offer an advantage to businesses whose products are sensitive to heat or emissions, such as those in the food industry.

Electric lift trucks are almost as fast as internal combustion models but are more economical over the long run due to reduced maintenance requirements and longer lifespans. Because these trucks contain fewer movable parts, maintenance costs and related downtime are reduced significantly.

According to a prominent global marketing information company, hybrid automobile sales will exceed \$500,000 in the next five to 10 years. Why? Perhaps because electric-drive

hybrids can do more with less. They provide everything today's conventional vehicles do but with much more mileage and much less pollution.

Electric-drive hybrids boost the motor's output by 50 percent and add more torque to the wheels. So the hybrid goes from zero-to-60 mph in 10.1 seconds.

A new Environmental Assistance network has been launched to provide Toyota Industrial Equipment's lift truck dealers with environmental management information. The training materials, referrals and toll-free hotline are similar to the program set up for automotive dealers.

What's more, the company's entire range of these electric powered products offers unparalleled productivity, maximum battery life, programmability and a long service life.



This 1993 Chevrolet New York City taxicab used in shooting the Seinfeld television series was sold by Barrett-Jackson without reserve for \$15,120.

Ford has long lineup of new products, concepts and hybrid vehicles

Ford Motor Co. launched a barrage of concept vehicles, upcoming production vehicles and hybrid products at the 2005 North American International Auto Show to demonstrate the company's success at its turnaround plan.

"Two years ago, I stood here and outlined our plans to return our business to stability," said Ford Chairman Bill Ford. "The first phase is over, and it was very successful. We have turned a sea of red ink into the black ink of profitability."

The company, whose new mantra is "more new products, faster," showed the upcoming 2005 Ford Mustang convertible, on sale this spring; the black and chrome limited-edition 2006 Harley-Davidson F-150, which will go on sale this fall; and the 2006 Ford Fusion midsize sedan, the first vehicle from Ford's new CD3 architecture, which will also go on sale in the fall of 2005.

The Fusion will be powered by either a 160-horsepower, 2.3-liter Duratec four-cylinder engine or a 210-horsepower Duratec V6. The styling shows the "new face of Ford," according to Phil Martens, group vice president, product creation, in incorporating elements of the Ford 427 concept car, particularly the three-bar grille, multi-element headlamps and dramatic interior. The Fusion architecture will provide the basis for 10

Ford, Mercury and Lincoln products.

Ford also announced the company's hybrid plans. "My great-grandfather's idea was to provide affordable transportation," he said. "I want to expand that vision in the 21st century to provide transportation that is affordable in every sense of the word, socially and environmentally, as well as economically."

The Ford Escape Hybrid has proven a sales success and was named North American Truck of the Year. Ford announced that four more hybrid models will debut in the next three years: a Mercury Mariner will be available later this year; a Mazda Tribute within two years and a Fusion within three years. Plans for a hybrid Mercury Milan will be announced next month.

J Mays, Ford's group vice president for design and chief creative director, also introduced three concept vehicles. The Ford Fairlane is an "upscale, upright people mover," according to Mays, with a "clean, bright exterior and a passenger compartment entirely wrapped in glass so the passengers can drink in the world around them." The three-zone interior offers stainless-steel utilitarianism behind a luxury front-seat area trimmed in leather, oak and maple.

The Ford SYNus is "an all-new concept to shake up the small-car market," said Mays. The SYN stands for

the synthesis between the tough, industrial exterior and the warm, fluid interior. The "us" denotes an "urban sanctuary," best characterized by the way the front seats can fully reverse to allow the occupants to stretch out and watch DVDs on the 42-inch LCD screen embedded in the rear door.

The Ford Shelby GR-1 concept, with its molten aluminum exterior, hints at Ford's performance future. The concept is fully drivable and can reach triple-digit speeds; it is fitted with a 605-horsepower, 6.4-liter V-10 engine with a theoretical top speed in excess of 200 mph. The rear-mounted six-speed transaxle is identical to the Ford GT's, and its rear placement better distributes weight and increases the footwell space.

Ford Division President Steve Lyons introduced the Ford Sport Trac concept. It shows a sport-utility truck that is nearly five inches longer, two inches wider and two inches lower than the production Sport Trac. The bulging wheel arches and hood and side scoops reinforce the "street rod" look that is complemented by a performance-tuned 4.6-liter Triton V8 and an independent rear suspension, which will also appear on the next-generation production Sport Trac. The concept features an all-new interior for the five-inch-longer cab and a larger-volume pickup bed.

Source: NAIAS

Most women not confident car buyers

(NAPSI) — A national survey of automotive buying habits drives home some surprising points about women. It shows most women feel disadvantaged in the car-buying process. The study finds that 75 percent of women plan to bring a man along for their next vehicle purchase, mostly to feel that they're getting a fair deal.

"This survey shows today's women still do not feel as empowered as they should in the car-buying process," said Diana Don Colby, director of financial education at Capital One,

which commissioned the study.

The survey shows 74 percent of women feel the most difficult parts of buying a car are the financial aspects, such as pricing, financing and understanding associated fees and costs.

Kelley Blue Book and Capital One have compiled a set of tips to help empower women with the knowledge and confidence they need to successfully manage the car-purchase process:

- Learn about vehicle pricing. Use the Internet to research new and used car prices, including dealer

invoice pricing, transaction pricing and how much you can expect to get on your trade-in. Know what you can afford and use those target numbers as a reference point for your pricing negotiations.

- Research different financing options. A range of auto financing options is available, including dealer financing, banks, credit unions and online lenders.

- Researching your options and finding the lowest rate you qualify for before purchasing can help save a substantial amount of money.

- Treat the car-buying process as three separate negotiations. Determining the: vehicle price, trade-in value, and financing are three separate transactions, and you should negotiate each separately. This strategy will simplify your deal.

- Read your contract carefully. Don't sign until you're sure everything is correct and the terms are stated in writing as they were explained to you.

- Stay in control of the process — it's OK to walk away. If it's not the price or deal you want, be ready to walk away. Remember, there are many dealers out there who are eager for your business.

Potholes, icy roads do damage

(ARA) — Any pothole, curb or other road hazard can take a nasty toll on a vehicle's steering and suspension system. One impact can jar the vehicle out of alignment and potentially damage safety-critical chassis parts.

Signs that your vehicle's steering and suspension needs to be realigned, and could require replacement of one or more steering and suspension parts, include:

- steering wheel off-center
- loose steering
- steering wander (difficulty holding the vehicle on a consistent path)
- a pull to either side

- chassis vibration at certain speeds

- increased road-induced noise, vibration or harshness
- uneven tire wear

"A proper alignment requires replacement of any worn or damaged components within the steering and suspension system," says Kristen Phipps, brand manager for Moog Chassis Parts.

Ask your local service provider if it's time to realign your vehicle. If he or she recommends replacement of any steering and suspension part, don't hesitate to have the repair completed.

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Pointers weigh in on minimum wage

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Beth Battjes makes minimum wage at Rite Aid. She wants a raise.

"I have bills to pay," said the 24-year-old clerk.

Ellen Durand owns the Village Toy Company. She ties pay hikes to job performance.

"The point is, are you getting better productivity for the money?" she said.

Battjes works on Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Farms. Durand works less than a mile away on Kercheval in the City of Grosse Pointe.

They've never met each other. But their opposing views are a common topic in the state capital.

Lansing lawmakers are battling back and forth the idea of raising Michigan's minimum wage.

Gov. Jennifer Granholm called for increasing the state's minimum wage \$2 above the federal rate of \$5.15 per-hour as part of her "jobs today, jobs tomorrow" theme in last week's State of the State address.

"It has not been adjusted for eight years — back to a time when gas seemed expensive at \$1.22 a gallon," Granholm said.

Democrats want to boost the minimum rate to \$7.15 by 2007, a 38 percent change.

"Democrats understand that Michigan's workers are what makes this state great, and we hope Republicans agree," said Mark Brewer, executive director of the Michigan Democratic Party.

"I applaud legislators championing this increase," Granholm said in her speech. "They speak not only for Michigan workers but for the great majority of us who believe in the justice and decency of increasing the minimum wage."

"I'm sympathetic to the idea, but the problem is that for every 10 percent increase of the minimum wage, employment among those people affected goes down by 5 percent," said Edward Gaffney, R-Grosse Pointe Farms, citing figures from the Michigan Chamber of Commerce.

Help or hurt?

Durand, in her second term as head of the Village Merchants Association, said the proposed \$2 per hour raise is "ridiculous."

She said, "I can understand little increases, but that's a huge jump. You're going to cut jobs for young people. As a small-business person, we're up in taxes and health care. Who's giving us a break? The state's not."

"It would mean a lot more money," Battjes said.

She works full time. Monthly expenses include rent to her father, car insurance and repayment of student loans that helped her complete a television broad-



Photos by Brad Lindberg

Gov. Jennifer Granholm used a portion of her State of the State speech to propose a \$2 increase to the minimum wage, currently at \$5.15 per hour.

casting program at Specs Howard School of Broadcast Arts.

"It would be nice to have enough money left over to get a place of my own," Battjes said.

She's one of at least 464,000 Michigan workers Brewer said would benefit directly by increasing the current minimum wage. Adjusted for inflation, the minimum wage has lost 24 percent buying power since 1979, according to the AFL-CIO, backers of the push.

Brewer has been needling state GOP leaders by asking them to choose between supporting the wage increase or an opinion by former state Republican Party Chair Betsy DeVos.

DeVos said, "Many, if not most, of the economic problems in Michigan are a result of high wages. We can improve the Michigan economy by making the state a low-wage right-to-work state."

When Republicans ignored Brewer, he said, "With their silence on these questions, Republicans are telling Michigan's workers that issues vital to their families are unimportant. (Republicans) can refuse to answer to us, but they will have to answer to the people of Michigan eventually."

"We already have the second highest unemployment in the nation," Gaffney said. "If you increase the minimum wage to \$7.15 per hour, we'd be the highest unemployment in the nation."

Expense or investment?

Michael Whitty, a professor of management and labor relations at University of Detroit Mercy school of business (and former Pointe resident), said increasing the minimum wage would be a helpful economy policy decision.

"It assists in providing

the mostly needy in the state the ability to pay today's prices," Whitty said. "In addition, it helps the economy, which is definitely in need of a boost. Do we want to have Michigan become a de-industrialized state with fewer good-paying jobs and a shrunken economy? I don't think so."

He cited the long-term benefits of Henry Ford's decision in 1914 to pay his auto workers \$5 for eight hours work. The industry rate was \$2 for 10 hours. Ford's extra wages rippled through the economy and helped Michigan prosper.

"On balance, if you look at the macroeconomic sustainability of Michigan, our leadership all want to maintain the standard of living," Whitty said. "That has to mean purchasing power. That profits the business sector ultimately as well. We're seeing Michigan being placed at risk long term — not just Detroit, but the

whole state — by the spread of poverty and the spread of low-wage working poor. You have a job, but after all the deductions, you can barely pay your rent."

Marketplace decisions

"We are opposed to a government-mandated wage in general," said Ann Parker, chief operating officer of the Small Business Association of Michigan. "Let the market decide. If you check local businesses in your area, who's paying \$5.15 per hour right now? If that's all they're paying, they're probably having a hard time attracting and retaining employees."

Durand's experience sides with Parker's observations.

"We pay more than minimum wage, even to our high school girls," Durand said. "We demand more than just standing around and ringing up prices. We train them to be salespeople. I wish I could pay everybody \$20 per

hour, but it's not going to happen."

The AFL-CIO Web site describes how increasing the minimum wage in Oregon helped motivate welfare recipients to join the work force.

Minimum pay in Oregon rose from \$4.75 to \$6.50 per hour between 1996 and 1999.

During each of those years, according to the Oregon Center for Public Policy, increasing numbers of people receiving Adult and Family Services bailed out for jobs. In 1996, 6.5 percent of welfare recipients obtained jobs. The number increased to 10.6 percent in 1999.

Parker said Oregon's experience might not translate to Michigan.

"We're unique in Michigan with our niche of the auto industry, a strong labor community and lots of tourism," she said. "To compare what happened in Oregon when

they raised their wage is an apple and an orange to me. We can't necessarily draw a correlation to here in Michigan."

In a 1988 policy analysis by the Cato Institute titled "The Minimum Wage: Washington's Perennial Myth," numerous government and university studies and forecasts were cited that showed how increasing the minimum wage costs thousands of jobs, mainly among teenagers and the working poor trying to get a toehold on the economy.

Working hard or hardly working

In December, Michigan's unemployment rate measured 7.3 percent, tying the state with Alaska for the worst in the nation.

Political wrangling that could result in higher business costs comes during an iffy time for Michigan's small business community.

The Small Business Association's latest quarterly barometer of 200 small business owners showed a reduced rate of hiring from summer to fall of 2004.

Hiring during fall increased 7 percent compared to 11 percent during summer. The survey, released last month and sponsored with support of the Center for Urban Studies of Wayne State University, was conducted by Public Policy Associates of Lansing.

"This continued sluggish job growth is a worrisome trend," said Michael Rogers, SBA vice president of communications. "Historically, almost all net new job growth has been generated by small employers. When small business hiring is less than robust, you have to ask: where is job growth in Michigan going to come from?"

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Chris Reimel,
Director of Community Development

20 Farms officers honored for service in 2004

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Twenty Grosse Pointe Farms public safety officers received a combined 23 awards for exceptional service during 2004.

"You guys are top-notch,"

said Mayor James Farquhar to officers assembled for an awards ceremony last week at city hall.

"They do a great job every year," said Robert Ferber, director of public safety. "They make the community

a lot more comfortable place to live."

Farquhar praised officers for helping make the Farms a safe place to live and work. "Having a safe community is one of the reasons people like to live here," Farquhar

said.

"We do a good job, especially for a community that borders a major metropolitan city that has crime problems," said Dan Jensen, deputy director. "We're bound to get spill-over. We do an outstanding job of handling the spill."

Awards are recommended by the director, fellow officers, residents and other citizens.

"Awards are issued to officers who perform in an exemplary manner for an assigned task, or to those officers who took on responsibilities in assisting the department in meeting its objectives and goals," Ferber said.

Officers were recognized for individual performance and, in many cases, working as a team.

"Officers working together as a group or a cohesive unit is an important element in successful policing, and is an indispensable element in the fire service," Ferber said.

Awards were given in the form of a department citation, citation, director's unit award, director's merit award and unit award.

Christopher Killop and Bradley Bottles earned a Department Citation in the category of armed robbery-auto theft.

Trupiano pursued the speeding Probe into Detroit before breaking off the dangerous chase per department policy.

Johnson found the stolen vehicle abandoned and spotted the suspect running away.

Killop and Bottles teamed up in a lengthy foot chase through yards and over fences, with Trupiano still in the mix to find the carjacker hiding in bushes.

Antonio Trupiano earned a second department citation for catching another armed car thief about an hour before sunset on June 29.

Trupiano spotted the criminal driving a stolen pickup truck, owned by a Farms resident, on Moross near Mack in Detroit. Trupiano pursued the vehicle. Upon arrival of backup, he stopped and arrested the driver.

"A habitual felon was arrested and property of a Farms resident returned without loss," Ferber said.

On a May evening when Sgt. George Loosvelt was patrolling Mack, he noticed a bicycle lying at the side of a gasoline station. The station had been burgled numerous times.

Loosvelt got out of his patrol car and started looking around.

He saw a window pane had been removed, looked inside and discovered a thief forcing open the cash register.

"As the result of Sgt. Loosvelt's observations, attention to detail and professional actions, a business burglary suspect was apprehended in the act, and five additional prior burglaries at (the) station were cleared," said Ferber, giving Loosvelt a Department Citation.

Officer Frank Zielinski earned a Department Citation for arresting an armed robber on Nov. 11, shortly after 8 a.m.

While on patrol, a resident flagged down Zielinski and said an elderly Grosse Pointe Woods woman's purse had just been stolen by an armed man riding a bicycle.

Zielinski arrested the man

in the Woods following a lengthy foot chase.

"Additionally, he recovered the victim's purse and recovered the handgun discarded by the suspect during the chase," Ferber said. "As the result of officer Zielinski's initiative and perseverance, a felon was arrested, and the proceeds of his crime were returned to the rightful owner."

Citation

• PSO Michael Scott earned a Citation for arresting a man wanted for a number of indecent exposures.

On June 21, Scott observed the man in a car matching witness descriptions.

Ferber praised Scott's attention to duty.

"Similar incidents in Grosse Pointe Farms and Shores were cleared by (this) arrest," Ferber said.

Three weeks work paid off when PSOs Christopher Fontaine and Geoffrey McQueen proved that a couple of Waverunners at Pier Park had been stolen.

The watercraft had been altered in appearance and their boat identification numbers hidden.

The investigation resulted in the recovery of the Waverunners and a trailer stolen from Detroit, plus the arrest of those responsible, including a Farms man.

"The perpetrators were convicted in Circuit Court," Ferber said, awarding Fontaine and McQueen a Citation.

Director's unit award

Seven officers working together on the evening of Oct. 27 caught two men who snatched the purse of a woman moments after she parked her car at a lot on Chalfonte.

For their actions, the following officers received a Director's Unit Award: PSOs John Walko, Christopher Fontaine, Bryan Ford and Keith Colombo; Detective Lt. Mark Brecht, Lt. Richard Rosati and communications officer Donald Dewey.

Ferber praised the officers for the arrest, which required a quick response and required a coordinated search of numerous yards and hiding places.

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Photo by Brad Lindberg

Ready, camera, action

It will take Dave Cavanaugh, a jib specialist with Weird Cam of Ypsilanti, more than an hour to assemble a 15-foot camera boom prior to filming a television commercial at Charter One Bank in the Village.

Watching Cavanaugh are, from left, branch manager Angela Todd, assistant manager Nikki Browden (lower center) and sales representatives Anthony D'Angelo and Kathleen Timmins.

Producers are using real employees of the branch in the City of Grosse Pointe for the advertisement, timed in conjunction with Charter One's merger with the Royal Bank of Scotland.

"We are now the fifth largest bank in the world," Browden said.

Todd said the Village branch was selected for the appeal of its architecture and community setting.

"It's exciting and an honor to think our little bank in Grosse Pointe was chosen," Todd said.



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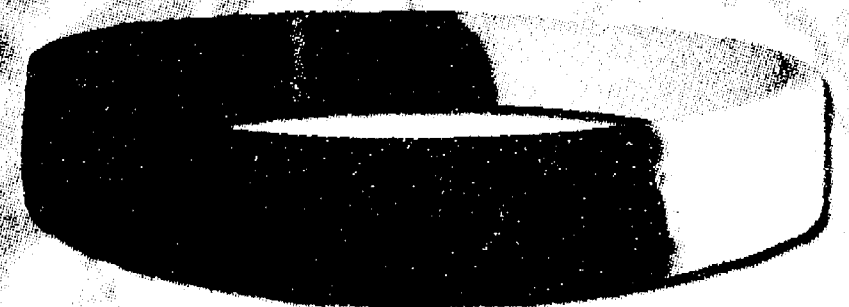
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Toro taken

A Toro snow blower was stolen during the night of Saturday, Feb. 12, from a garage in the 700 block of Rivard in the City of Grosse Pointe.

"The overhead door was closed but not locked," said police. "No other items were taken."

No parking

On Thursday, Feb. 10, at 9:20 a.m., City of Grosse Pointe police towed a white 2003 Jeep Liberty from a leased parking spot in the 300 block of Fisher across from Grosse Pointe South High School.

Police said the spot is marked with a sign: "Vehicles will be ticketed and towed at owner's expense."

Steals movies

On Tuesday, Feb. 8, at 5:45 p.m., a City of Grosse Pointe patrolman found a DVD and six DVD wrappers discarded in the unused municipal parking garage behind the vacant former Jacobson's building in the Village.

The officer traced the wrappers to a store in the 17100 block of Kercheval. A manager confirmed the items had been stolen.

Titles consisted of "The Eagle has Landed," "Moonstruck," "Young Guns 2," "The Scout," "Distinguished Gentlemen" and "Mickey Blue Eyes."

Finds ring

A woman from Grosse Pointe Park on Monday, Jan. 31, found a wedding ring in a sidewalk crack outside a pharmacy in the 16900 block of Kercheval in the City of Grosse Pointe.

Last week the woman's husband turned in the ring to City police.

Police catch fleeing man

On Saturday, Feb. 12, at 12:51 a.m., Grosse Pointe Farms police helped Grosse Pointe Woods officers catch a suspected car thief who was fleeing on foot in the area of Mack near Moross.

The Farms officer saw the man in a "dead run" crossing Mack being pursued on foot by a Woods officer.

Officers caught, subdued, cuffed and searched the suspect before taking him to Woods jail.

Tools taken

Some \$1,600 worth of power tools were stolen from a vehicle parked the night of Friday, Feb. 11, in the 400 block of Labelle in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Honor among drug users

On Friday, Feb. 11, at 3:32 a.m., a 22-year-old Port Huron woman was stopped by Grosse Pointe Farms police for disobeying a "right only" sign on southbound Mack at East Warren.

A search of the vehicle turned up marijuana residue in the passenger compartment and a box of pills in the trunk.

"(She) explained she may be pregnant and did not believe she could handle going to jail," police said.

\$30K in arrears

A 42-year-old Detroit man who owes \$30,462 in child support was arrested Saturday, Feb. 12, at 12:02 p.m., on outstanding warrants in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Farms officers detained the man at headquarters for pickup by County authorities on a \$7,615 warrant.

A patrolman said the man's 1989 Oldsmobile 98, parked behind stores on Mack near Moross, was outfitted with a license plate traced to a 1994 Plymouth.

Pistol found

A 69-year-old Eastpointe man who works as a security guard in Grosse Pointe

Farms couldn't prove ownership of a Browning 9 mm semi-automatic Hi Power pistol discovered in his car during a traffic stop for speeding.

On Friday, Feb. 11, at 4 a.m., police investigated the man for driving his 1998 Ford F-150 pickup 15 mph over the 30 mph limit on northbound Moross north of Mack.

Officers confiscated the weapon but gave it back on Sunday, Feb. 13, when the man returned to headquarters with proof of ownership and registration.

All wanted

Four Detroit residents with criminal records gave Grosse Pointe Farms officers fake names upon being investigated for drugs on Thursday, Feb. 10, at 1:55 a.m.

The suspects were in a blue 2005 Chrysler Pacifica driven by a 24-year-old woman with seven driving suspensions. She'd been pulled over for swerving her vehicle on westbound Mack near Moross.

The vehicle smelled of marijuana. Officers found a white powdery substance in the driver's purse.

A 23-year-old female passenger gave police a false name that officers traced to someone wanted on multiple warrants. When the woman gave her real name, officers learned she was wanted on a single \$625 warrant in Harper Woods for driving without a license.

A 24-year-old male passenger possessed two small bags containing a combined 2.8 grams of marijuana. He was wanted on an unspecified \$1,681 warrant in Third Circuit Court.

A 25-year-old Detroit man was wanted in Roseville on an unspecified \$1,000 warrant.

Drugged man walking

On Sunday, Feb. 6, at 11:48 p.m., Grosse Pointe Farms police arrested a 19-year-old Harper Woods man found walking in the middle of eastbound Moran near Grosse Pointe Boulevard.

The man had glassy eyes and smelled of marijuana.

"He (said) he was out for a walk after a Super Bowl party," police said. "(He) admitted smoking marijuana."

The man had a pipe in a pocket.

"The bowl was packed with unburnt marijuana," police said. "He admitted saving that for later."

Checks stolen

A man from Grosse Pointe Farms told police last week that six stolen checks totaling \$8,000 have been cashed without his authorization, resulting in an overdrawn account.

All checks ranging from \$400 to \$1,900 were made out to a man and company the victim contracted for house painting.

Further investigation revealed nine more checks missing from the man's checkbook.

Doesn't get it

A newlywed who can't separate drinking from driving

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faces a nearly \$1,000 payout to retrieve the tan 1994 Pontiac four-door he was driving when arrested last weekend in Grosse Pointe Shores.

On Sunday, Feb. 13, at 1:43 a.m., officers pulled over the man for speeding and weaving along southbound Lakeshore near South Deepplands.

"When exiting the vehicle the driver stumbled from the car," police said.

Police said the man admitted drinking "a lot," but refused to take a Breathalyzer test to indicate his blood alcohol level.

Instead, officers awoke Municipal Judge Lynne Pierce for a search warrant to have the man's blood drawn and tested at a local hospital.

"While at (the hospital),

(the man) became uncooperative and had to be restrained during blood draw and exam," police said.

Police said the man's record contains one drunken driving conviction.

Blood drawn

A 31-year-old Detroit man refused to take a Breathalyzer test on Saturday, Feb. 12, at 4:11 a.m., when investigated for drunken driving in Grosse Pointe Shores.

An officer saw the man drive his silver 2003 Jeep Liberty through a red light from eastbound Vernier to northbound Lakeshore. He reportedly admitted running the light and drinking "a couple beers."

"(His) speech was slurred," police said. Municipal Judge Lynne

Church treasurer free on \$5K bond

Arraignment Feb. 23, in Third Circuit Court

By Bonnie Caprara Staff Writer

A Grosse Pointe Woods woman accused of embezzling more than \$700,000 from a Woods church remains free on a \$5,000 personal bond.

Janis Ferworn, 45, was arraigned in the Grosse Pointe Woods Municipal Court on Wednesday, Feb. 9, on one charge of embezzlement over \$20,000. She entered a plea of innocent and waived her right to a preliminary examination in the municipal court. She is bound over for an arraignment in the Third Circuit Court on Wednesday, Feb. 23.

Ferworn, a 23-year member of Christ the King Church had been the treasurer of the church since 1997.

Public Safety Director Michael Makowski, said he and his department became aware of the theft two weeks ago.

"On Feb. 3, our department was contacted by the pastor who said they were the victim of embezzlement by the treasurer," Makowski said. "The pastor stated he received a phone call by her attorney, who said she had been taking money since 1997. The pastor went to the trustees of the church, who said it had to proceed with criminal charges."

The next day, the department obtained a search warrant for Ferworn's house, in which they recovered checks, ledgers and computer hardware.

Additional warrants were obtained to seize three of her personal bank accounts on Monday, Feb. 7.

"We have not recovered a large amount of money," Makowski said.

The Wayne County Prosecutor's Office issued an arrest warrant for Ferworn on Tuesday, Feb. 8.

Ferworn's attorney, Gary Wilson, requested the bond amount on behalf of his client.

"Mrs. Ferworn is a lifelong resident," Wilson said. "She has received counseling for what she has done; her assets have been held, and she has five children."

Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor Robert Donaldson, who was delayed by last Wednesday's snow storm, was not at the arraignment. He later told the Grosse Pointe News: "I'm sure the (Municipal) Judge (Lynne Pierce) used her discretion and factored in the (Ferworn's) cooperation and the fact she has five kids."

Donaldson called the case "one of the most substantial embezzlement cases I've seen in the 20 years I've been at the prosecutor's office."

In the meantime, Associate Pastor Timothy Holzerland said the church is conducting a fact finding mission, and that church leaders expect to report to the congregation by the end of the month.

"We're still serving the community," Holzerland said.

But through the church's difficult times, Holzerland said some good news has come of it.

"People have been very supportive," Holzerland said. "We've received a lot of phone calls from other churches in the area. They say they've been saying prayers for us on Sundays. People feel sad about this and are looking for ways to help."

The church is the midst of a building expansion project.

Makowski said, "There are some indicators some checks to the contractors may have bounced."

Kim Danowski, a project engineer with Frank Rewold and Co., the general contractor of the building expansion, said she was not familiar with the payment schedule, but said, "As far as I know, we're continuing with our work."

Pierce signed a search warrant for the man's blood to be tested for alcohol content at a local hospital.

Police released the man from jail at 2:20 p.m. on \$100 bond.

Tipsy tester

A 45-year-old Madison Heights woman fumbled her way through a series of failed field sobriety tests while being investigated Saturday, Feb. 12, at 2:27 a.m., for drunken driving in Grosse Pointe Shores.

"(She told me) she had drunk three gin and Squirts," police said. "(Her) eyes were bloodshot and her speech was slurred."

Officers caught the woman speeding a red 1993 Mitsubishi two-door 13 mph over the limit on southbound Lakeshore past Vernier to South Deepplands.

Her blood alcohol level measured .110 percent.

Wobbly walker

A drunken 27-year-old Shelby Township man failed field sobriety tests that Grosse Pointe Shores police conducted on Wednesday, Feb. 9, at 11:26 p.m.

"(When) he was told to walk toe-to-toe 10 paces, he swayed and wobbled," police said.

Officers measured his blood alcohol level at .138 percent.

A patrolman had stopped the man for speeding a white 1990 Pontiac Sunbird 49 mph on southbound Lakeshore near Hampton.

Because the man has a record of drunken driving, he will have to pay nearly \$1,000 to get his car out of impound or forfeit the vehicle to county authorities.

Helps woman

A Grosse Pointe Shores sergeant helped a Grosse Pointe Woods woman who had fallen in her driveway in the 1300 block of Brys during a rainstorm shortly before 3 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 7.

The officer helped the woman to her feet and inside her house.

Gasoline leak

Grosse Pointe Shores public safety officers used absorbent pillows to soak up gasoline following a minor traffic crash on Monday, Feb. 7, at 11:15 a.m., at Lakeshore and Crestwood.

There were no injuries in the wreck between a 75-year-old St. Clair Shores man in a 1998 Chrysler Cavalier and a 45-year-old Clinton Township woman in a 1997 Plymouth Breeze.

Gasoline was leaking toward a storm water sewer drain leading to Lake St. Clair.

— Brad Lindberg

Ashes to ashes

Firefighters in Grosse

Pointe Park responded to a call of smoke in a kitchen in the 1000 block of Berkshire at 9:53 a.m. on Monday, Feb. 7.

The cause of the smoke was believed to have come from a cigarette ash that fell in a drawer.

Jeep stolen

A 1996 Jeep Cherokee parked in the street in the 700 block of Barrington was stolen sometime during the night of Wednesday, Feb. 9.

Broken window

Two snowballs were thrown through a window of a house in the 2000 block of Vernier in Grosse Pointe Woods sometime between 5:45 and 6:15 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 11.

Underage party

Grosse Pointe Woods public safety officers were called to a complaint of an underage drinking party in the 1800 block of Hawthorne at 1:38 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 12.

Officers found several beer bottles from which several of the partygoers admitted to drinking from.

Preliminary breath tests were conducted on the 12 guests; 10 of them were cited for being minors in possession of alcohol and were released to their parents, one had consumed no alcohol, and the remaining individual was of legal drinking age.

Wiped out

Four cases of windshield wiper fluid were taken from an outside display in front of a gas station in the 20700 block of Mack in Grosse

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Awards

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Actions "led to the conviction of two adult felons who preyed upon an 85-year-old victim," Ferber said.

Director's merit award

• More than 50 people who drank and drove last year in Grosse Pointe Farms have reason to wish PSO Edward Roger Wierszewski had taken more time off.

"Wierszewski led the department in 2004 with 54 arrests for drinking and driving, the highest total ever achieved by a Farms officer," Ferber said.

As a result of his initiative, Wierszewski received a Director's Merit Award.

• Lt. Jack Patterson, a shift commander and commander of the fire division, earned a Director's Merit Award.

Patterson is the department's lead instructor in firearms as well as how to

use less than deadly force. He trains officers in first aid, CPR and defibrillators. Patterson is the department confined space trainer, leader of the special response team and coordinator of all police and fire training.

"In his spare time he pursues grants," Ferber said.

During 2004, Patterson received more than \$79,000 in grants for fire equipment, fire training, police equipment and homeland security.

Unit award

• There were nine burglaries in the Farms during 2004.

Detectives cleared, meaning solved, all of nine. Detectives also solved two out of the three robberies and 80 percent of car thefts.

"The detective bureau experienced its highest clearance rate memory," Ferber said, presenting the bureau's three members a Unit Award.

The unit is commanded by

Detective Lt. Mark Brecht and includes Rick Good and Mike McCarthy.

Arrests last year included a man responsible for more than 50 home invasions in three Southeast Michigan communities.

Detectives also caught a career criminal who committed at least eight burglaries in the Pointes.

Ferber praised the detectives for their "hard work, diligence, ingenuity, competency and persistence."

FYI

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"That was us making all that noise," she said. "I was cheering for the boy who beat me so I could say I was beaten by the winner, but he lost. When it gets down to the end, everyone knows most of the answers. It is just who is quickest on the buzzer."

"Those kids were so smart, but I have a confession. The final 'Jeopardy!' question, 'Who would succeed to the presidency after the vice president and the speaker of the house?' I would have missed it."

"The answer was president pro tempore of the Senate."

I assured Ruvani that she shouldn't think any less of her intellect for that. I know a Wayne State journalism professor — me — who would have missed it by saying "Senate majority leader."

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Code

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be compliant with a law to install (fire extinguishers) is going too far," Davis said.

"(We're) not doing that," said Mayor James Farquhar. "It's only when they sell their house."

For all practical purposes, the new rules won't be enforced until a property changes hands, undergoes such extensive renovation that a permit is needed, receives an addition or when a new structure is built.

Insurance representatives said losses would generally be covered if a property owner had the correct number of smoke detectors at the time of obtaining insurance.

"For any property where a certificate of occupancy has not been issued, it won't be issued until (the property) complies with the building code," said William Burgess, city attorney.

"The intent is to update codes to the current requirement," said Joe Leonard, councilman. "When you go to sell your house, you have to bring it into compliance."

Wage

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On the other hand, 29 percent of small business owners said they anticipate hiring more workers and anticipate better sales during 2005.

Although Durand links wages to performance, Whitty said the two don't necessarily mesh.

"Productivity improvements are a matter of good management and good leadership," Whitty said. "Studies have proven time and again that unit labor cost is not what makes or breaks Michigan's competitiveness. Unit labor costs are not what puts some mom and pop shops out of business."

He said, "What puts people out of business are their entrepreneurial skills, management know-how, positioning, timing and variables that would typically be called business strategy. Not that they pay \$7 or \$10 per hour."

Safety

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Pointe Woods at 3:15 a.m. on Sunday, Feb. 13.

A witness reported two men placed the cases and took off in a green 2001 Ford four-door car.

One of the suspects left behind a black and red fleece cap, which Woods investigators kept as evidence.

— Bonnie Caprara

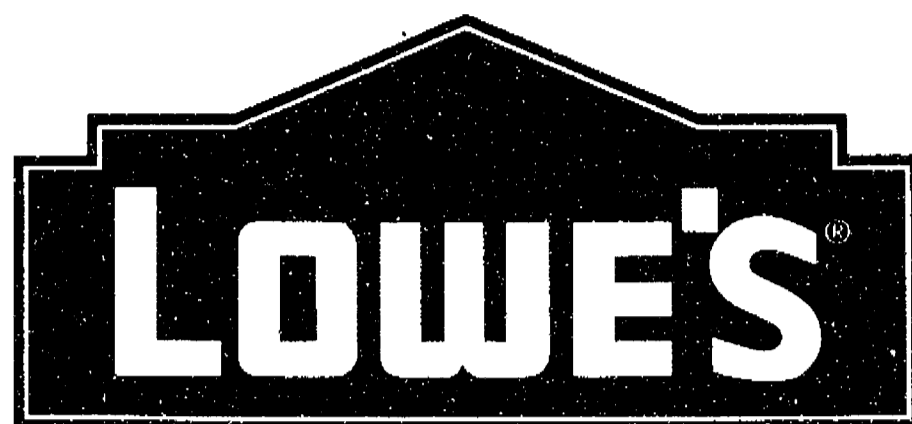


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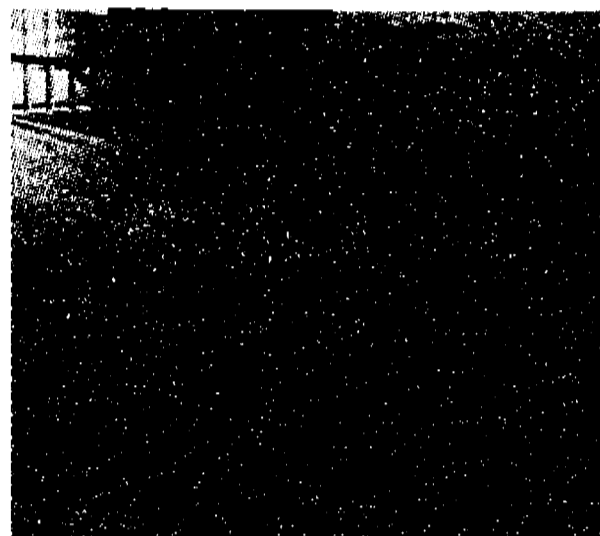
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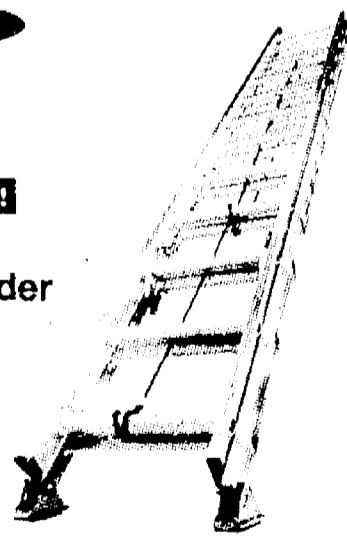
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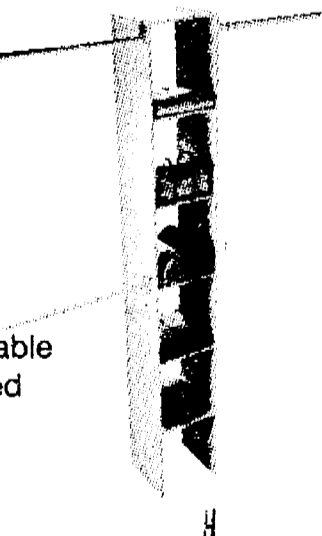
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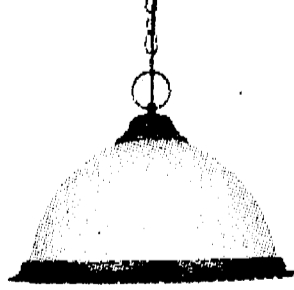
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February 17, 2005

ULS co-ed swim team gets it done the 'Wright' way

By Bob St. John
Staff Writer

University Liggett School's co-ed swim team has put the pedal to the metal this season under second-year head coach Brian Wright.

"We have great leadership this season from my captains, seniors Liz Drettman and Chris Andreovich," Wright said. "We had some talented swimmers a year ago, but we lacked leadership. We have it this season, and it has paid big dividends."

At this point a year ago, the Knights were 1-7, but now Wright has his squad at 4-4, even though they are competing during the boys' season.

"We have 33 on the squad and 20 are girls," Wright said. "It's tough for them to make the state cuts because they have to make the boys' times, but that hasn't deterred the girls from doing their best."

ULS has fielded a swim team since the mid-1980s, but it has always been co-ed due to a low number of competitors.

Wright has the team in position to finish with its best-ever record.

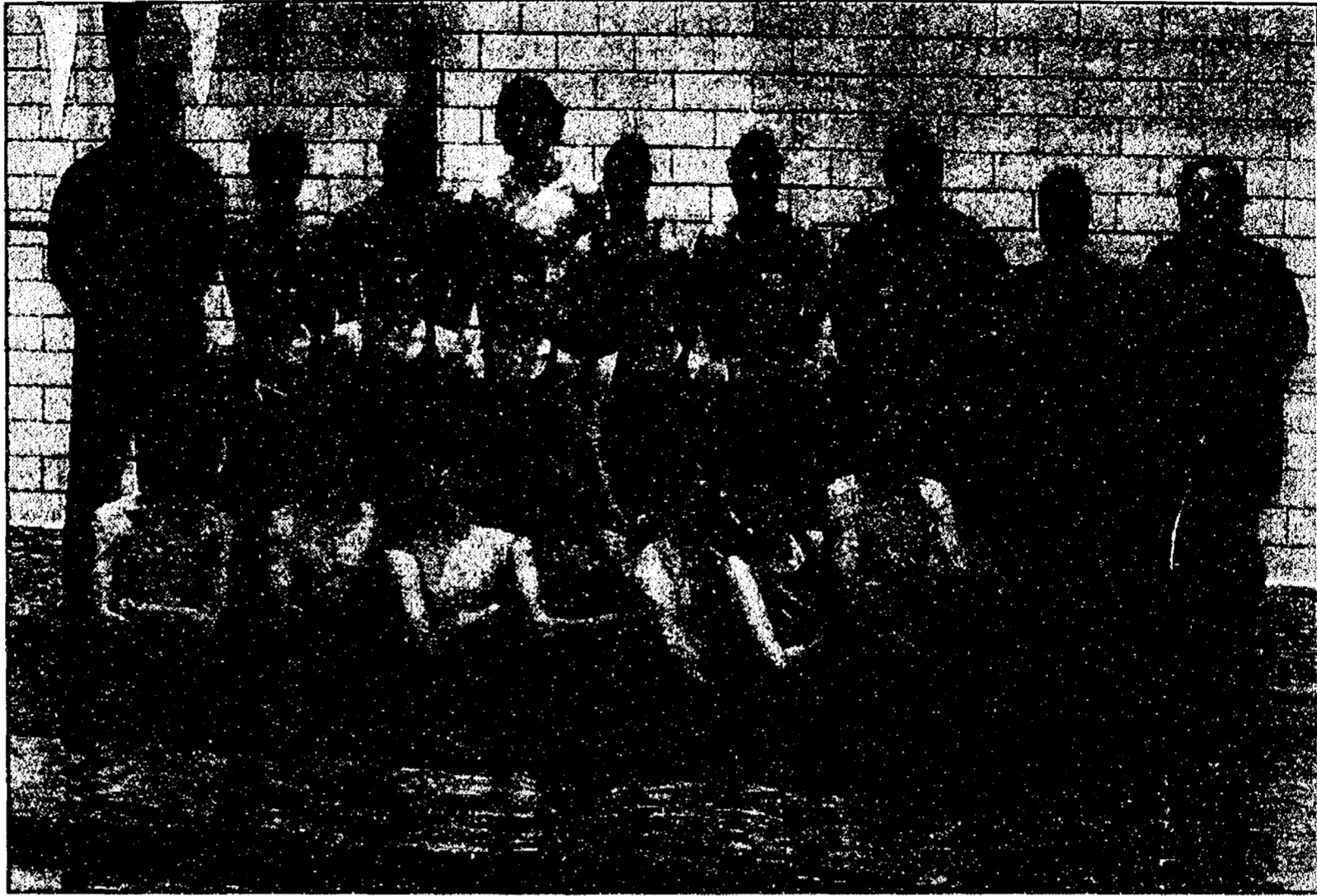
"Our turnout has helped

us compete in every meet, which didn't happen last year during my first season here at ULS," Wright said. "We have very dedicated swimmers, even though we don't have a home pool."

Wright and his Knights have to practice at either Pierce or Parcels Middle schools, and their meets have been everywhere from Grosse Pointe North, Ann Arbor, and Lake Shore.

"It's tough to not have a pool at the school because that means everyone has to travel to another site to practice," Wright said. "Our kids don't complain. They just want to swim and compete."

So far the Knights have beaten Ann Arbor Greenhills (twice), Hazel Park, and Clawson, plus they lost very close meets to St. Clair Shores Lake Shore, Birmingham Detroit Country Day, and



Head coach Brian Wright, standing far left, has his University Liggett School co-ed swim team cruising in the right direction in just his second year at the helm.

Photo by G. Neal

Dearborn Heights Crestwood.

They have been on the losing end of only one lopsided meet, and that was the second time they faced Lake Shore.

First-year assistant coach Ellen Meranze is

excited about the direction the team is heading.

"The kids are really having fun, practicing hard," she said during a recent ULS boys hockey game. "The kids who didn't know how to swim before the season began are now competing to lower their times, which they didn't think was possible a couple of months ago."

Wright, who swam at Whitman College in Washington during his collegiate days, and for St. Andrews boarding school

in Delaware during his four years of high school, understands the time and dedication it takes to become a top-notch swimmer.

"I expect the kids to attend at least 90 percent of our practices during the season in order to earn a varsity letter," Wright said. "I just don't hand them out."

Each swimmer has to earn it because getting a varsity letter should mean something positive."

The Knights began the

season with a close defeat at the hands of Class B Lake Shore, but things quickly improved as all of the swimmers bought into Wright's game plan.

"I know what it takes to be a high school and college swimmer, and it is a lot of hard work and dedication," Wright said. "I am getting that from all of our kids, and that means a lot to me as their coach. I can see everyone having fun, even though they are working very hard to improve as high school swimmers."

The season is winding down, and the next goal for Wright's squad is to finish with that elusive winning record and do well in the league meet coming up on Sunday, Feb. 27, at Eastern Michigan University.

Rival Country Day, Clawson, Cranbrook Kingswood, and Greenhills will be competing.

"This will be a big meet for this team," Wright said. "It would be great to end the season on a positive note."

Engagements



Laura Jane VanderMale and Anthony Victor Grosso

VanderMale-Grosso

Mr. and Mrs. F.W. McMillan II have announced the engagement of her daughter, Laura Jane VanderMale, to Anthony Victor Grosso, son of Victor and Kathy Grosso of Los Angeles. Laura Jane VanderMale is also the daughter of the late Jack VanderMale.

A July wedding is planned. VanderMale earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in elementary education from Calvin College.

She teaches fifth and sixth grade at Dearborn Christian School and is working on a master's degree in elementary education at Wayne State University.

Grosso earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology from the University of California-Irvine.

He is area director for Young Life in Grosse Pointe.

Munerantz-Binkowski

Stephen and Carol Munerantz of Grosse Pointe Woods have announced the engagement of their daughter, Amy Michele Munerantz, to Joseph



Joseph Edward Binkowski and Amy Michele Munerantz

Edward Binkowski of Chicago, son of Elizabeth Binkowski of Grosse Pointe Woods and the late Dr. Ted Binkowski.

An October wedding is planned.

Munerantz earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in interdisciplinary humanities from Michigan State University and a J.D. degree from Wayne State University.

She is a senior contract analyst with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan.

Binkowski earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science from Michigan State University.

He is president of Binkowski Consulting, a communications consulting firm in Chicago.



Russel Nutter III and Adrienne Lynn Seiple

Seiple-Nutter

Robert and Kathy Seiple of Union, N.J., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Adrienne Lynn Seiple, to Russel "Mac" Nutter III. A July wedding is planned.

Seiple earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in art history from Syracuse University. She is marketing director and event planner for Wolverine Harley-Davidson.

Nutter earned a Bachelor of Science degree in mechanical engineering from Syracuse University. He is an independent computer consultant.




Meredith Ann Kaiser and Anthony Giovan Atrasz

Kaiser-Atrasz

Alfred and Gloria Kaiser of Grosse Pointe Woods have announced the engagement of their daughter, Meredith Ann Kaiser, to Anthony Giovan Atrasz, son of Raymond and Laura Atrasz of Grosse Pointe Woods. A May 2006 wedding is planned.

Kaiser earned a Bachelor of Science degree in psychology from Oakland University. She is a sales associate with Saks Fifth Avenue at the Somerset Collection.

Atrasz earned a Bachelor of Science degree in political science from Eastern Michigan University. He is a financial adviser with Ferris, Baker, Watts in Auburn Hills.



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Christ Church Grosse Pointe second workshop centers on praying

The second workshop at Christ Church Grosse Pointe will be "Praying with Scripture." It is a four-week series meeting on Wednesdays beginning Feb. 23. Each session runs from 7 to 9 p.m.

Sunday afternoon at the movies

Gerhard W. Heinen presents "Sunday Afternoon at the Movies: 'Bonhoeffer: Pastor, Pacifist, Nazi Resister'" at 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 20, at the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore Drive, Grosse Pointe Farms.

This documentary tells the story of Dietrich Bonhoeffer, the young German theologian, pastor and disciple of Christ, who offered one of the first clear voices of resistance to Adolf Hitler.

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Janis Fletcher, Ph.D., an accomplished spiritual director and scripture teacher, will unfold a way to use scripture to enrich the experience of praying. It approaches listening and responding to God as the heart of prayer, and will

before-seen footage of Bonhoeffer and the Third Reich is interwoven with interviews with friends, family and students of Bonhoeffer, with historians and theologians and with the words of Bonhoeffer himself as read by Austrian actor Klaus Maria Brandauer.

Heinen has been a board member of the Lay Theological Academy which sponsors this presentation.

A free will offering will be taken.

model ways of using scriptures to do so. There will be several moments of actively trying these ways of praying during the series.

Fletcher, currently a member of Our Lady of LaSalette Church in Berkley, has a career in parish ministry in the Archdiocese of Detroit and elsewhere. She has also been a scripture scholar and instructor in several settings, many of them ecumenical.

Registration ends on Friday, Feb. 18, and the enrollment fee is \$15 per session.

To register, call Maryann at (313) 885-4841, extension 114, or go online to www.christchurchgp.org/spirituality to register and download a flier.

For more information, call Canon Ron Spann, director, at (313) 885-4841, extension 113.



The Rt. Rev. Wendell N. Gibbs Jr.

Christ Church hosts speaker

"Our Gospel Calling: Unity or Unanimity?" is the topic of The Rt. Rev. Wendell N. Gibbs Jr.'s lecture at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 22, at the Christ Church Grosse Pointe.

A native of Washington, D.C., he received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Towson State University and received both his Master of Divinity and Doctor of Divinity from Seabury-Western Theological Seminary. Gibbs was ordained as a deacon in May 1987 and a priest in 1987. On Feb. 5, 2000, he was consecrated as Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Michigan. He was installed and seated as the 10th bishop on Nov. 4, 2000.

Gibbs has served congregations in Illinois, New York and Ohio and worked with teens and the elderly, as well as with neighborhood coalitions.

He has served the church as Deputy to the General Convention in 1997 and 2000; a member of the Recruitment, Training and Deployment Committee of the National Office of Black Ministries; a member of Black Leaders and Diocesan Executives; mentor for the Organization of Black Episcopal seminarians; member of the Board of Trustees of Seabury-Western Theological Seminary; president of the Alumni/ae Association of Seabury-Western Theological seminary; and president of the Southern Ohio Chapter of the Union of Black Episcopalians.

The Pastor's Corner

Our Lenten pilgrimage

By Father Patrick F. Halfpenny
St. Paul Catholic Church

Pilgrimage differs from vacation in a number of ways.

For example, a vacationer often settles for seeing things through a camera lens. A pilgrim sees with the eyes of faith.

Now, we can learn something on either journey. For example, we don't need faith to visit St. Peter's at the Vatican and learn something about Baroque architecture. On a pilgrimage, we hope to learn about ourselves and God.

We just began our great pilgrimage toward Easter on Ash Wednesday. In some denominations, during the next several weeks, candidates complete their final preparations for Baptism.

In the great, graced encounter, the newly baptized receive a new identity in Christ. God does the same for us in our own baptism.

In the Roman Catholic liturgical calendar, we very recently celebrated Jesus' baptism. The day's scriptures described God saying from heaven, "This is my beloved son with whom I am well pleased" (Matthew 3:17). The Father reveals Jesus' identity as the beloved son early in the Gospel account.

The first Lenten Sunday begins with the very next section in Matthew's account: Jesus' temptation. Notice the language in which the devil frames the temptation, "If you are the son of God . . . (Matthew 4:3). The devil attacks Jesus' identity, which the Father had just confirmed at his baptism.

And so with us: He tempts us to be other than we are created to be. We forget who we are. Or worse, we try to be someone other than who God calls us to be. In effect, we lie to ourselves and one another about our identity.

Lent, then, is a pilgrimage on which we go to recover our sense of who we are and where we are going. Through prayer, fasting and almsgiving we strip away the false, sinful identity.

Then at Easter, we renew our own baptismal promises. And God confirms the identity he gave us at baptism. We remember again what he means when He says His favor rests on us.

Purple Perspective

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Installed as the 10th Bishop of the Diocese of Michigan in November of 2000, Bishop Gibbs has provided a focus around the ministry of Congregation redevelopment, diaconal ministry and lay ministry along with his responsibilities serving the diocese of over 100 congregations. Bishop Gibbs is active in assuming his responsibilities on the National Church level as well; serving as President of Province V, a member of the Board of Trustees of Seabury-Western Theological Seminary, and a member of the Standing Commission for Liturgy and Music. Locally, Gibbs is active as a board member of Mariner's Inn and Canterbury House - University of Michigan Ann Arbor.

Up coming Lectures

- March 1: The Rt. Rev. Claude E. Payne, Retired Bishop of the Diocese of Texas presents "Fulfilling the Scripture—Jesus, Through 20 Centuries and Now!"
- March 8: The Rt. Rev. Stacy Sauls, Bishop of the Diocese of Lexington presents "The Windsor Report as Contradiction's Sign"
- March 15: Bishop Robert Rimbo, Bishop of the ELCA, Southeast Michigan Synod presents "The Risky Business of Being the Church"

The Lenten Lecture Series is funded by the Sweeney Lecture Series Endowment, created by the family and friends of longtime parishioners Mary Margaret and Donald V. Sweeney, Jr. The endowment was created in 1986 to educationally enrich the congregation of Christ Church and the greater Grosse Pointe Community.

Star of the Sea presents play

"Just as Mary Magdalene poured the rich oil from the vial onto Jesus' feet, so does the Holy Spirit pour out through your performance," said an audience member after seeing the play, "Magdalene."

The play will be performed at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church, 467 Fairford Road, Grosse Pointe Woods, at 7 p.m. Friday, March 18, 7 p.m. Saturday, March 19, and 2 p.m. Sunday, March 20.

Tickets are \$10 and available at the parish office.

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Foundation for Exceptional Children holds benefit

The Foundation For Exceptional Children will hold its 28th annual benefit party from 7:30 p.m. to 1 a.m., Friday, March 4, at Barrister Gardens Banquet Hall in St. Clair Shores. The Foundation is a private school offering educational, recreational, therapeutic and social activities for children with physical and mental impairments. The planning committee for the party is currently seeking sponsors who can help defray the cost of the 800-person benefit.

"The Foundation is now in its 50th year, and we are very pleased to have had the ongoing opportunity to provide special needs children the care they deserve," said **Deborah C. Moffat**, program director of the FEC. "This event would not be possible without the ongoing support of the community and its commitment to our mission."

Opportunities for corporate and individual sponsorships are available, including:

- **Bronze Medal Sponsorship (\$250)** — includes banner display, inclusion in the brochure (which will be distributed to the event attendees) and two tickets to the event;

- **Silver Medal Sponsorship (\$500)** — includes banner display, inclusion in the event brochure, a commemorative plaque and six tickets to the event; and

- **Gold Medal Sponsorship (\$1,000)** — includes banner display, inclusion in the event brochure, a commemorative plaque, the sponsor's company name and logo in all of the Foundation For Exceptional Children's public relations materials and 10 tickets to the event.

Tickets for the benefit are \$30 a person. Pizza, beer and wine will be served and the evening will include a silent auction, a cash bar and entertainment provided by Steve King & the Dittilies. It is sponsored in part by the Grosse Pointe/Harper Woods ARC, which has pledged \$1,000.

Proceeds will be used for student scholarships. Supported primarily by fundraising initiatives, the Foundation has cared for more than 14,000 children, providing them with enriching and educational experiences.

To become a sponsor, to make a donation to the silent auction, to purchase tickets or to get more information, call (313) 885-8660 between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. weekdays, or visit www.childrensofde-troit.org.

Established in 1954 to provide life experiences and improve the well-being of children with special needs, the Foundation For Exceptional Children became a nonprofit program of the Children's Home of Detroit in 2000. It is the only state-recognized, nonprofit, nonpublic school serving children with severe disabilities in southeast Michigan, and it receives no government funding.

The Children's Home of Detroit is recognized as Michigan's leading provider of specialized services for children and their families since 1836. With two residential campuses in Wayne and Macomb counties providing mental health residential treatment, the CHD is accessible to children from all over Michigan. Specialized residential services provide around-the-clock care so that children may overcome emotional and behavioral problems and return to their local homes and communities.

Goal reached: The Old Newsboys' Goodfellow Fund of Detroit (Detroit Goodfellows) has reached its 2004 fundraising goal of \$1.7 million. The fundraising campaign ended Jan. 31, and the organization is

grateful to all contributors, especially during a time when international disasters drew the attention and assistance of many donors.

"We are thrilled and very proud to have reached our 2004 fundraising goal in order to help thousands of Detroit-area families," said **Barry Grant**, Detroit Goodfellows 2004 president. "With the help of our dedicated members and generous donors, 40,000 children in Detroit, Hamtramck and Highland Park hopefully had a brighter Christmas. We sincerely thank everyone who assisted us in making this campaign successful," Grant added.

This is the 91st anniversary of the Detroit Goodfellows, best known for its Christmas gift program for children in need and whose mission is "No Kiddie Without A Christmas."

Money raised by the Detroit Goodfellows goes to support the nonprofit's various programs benefiting Detroit-area children including:

Christmas gift boxes distributed to underprivileged children in Detroit, Hamtramck and Highland Park. The gift boxes contain warm clothes, books, candy and toys.

Additionally, 15,000 dolls are distributed with the gift boxes to little girls between the ages of 5 and 11.

Tax-deductible donations may be sent to: The Old Newsboys' Goodfellow Fund of Detroit, P.O. Box 44444, Detroit, MI 48244-0444. Donations may also be made using the organization's secure Web site: www.oldnewsboysgoodfellows.org.

Founded in 1914, the Old Newsboys' Goodfellow Fund of Detroit is the original and oldest Goodfellow organization and is not affiliated with any other Goodfellow group.

Race for the Cure:

The 2005 Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation Detroit Race for the Cure is slated for Saturday, June 11. It will be presented locally by the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute on the same weekend as the Detroit Festival of the Arts.

Metro Detroiters will be encouraged to "make a day of it and make a difference."

Last year, 30,000 people spent a day in Detroit's midtown and raised more than \$1.2 million to benefit breast cancer programs and research.

This year, more than 217,000 people in the

United States will be diagnosed with breast cancer and about 40,000 of those will die from the disease. Yet this is a disease which — when caught early — is more than 95 percent curable. Nearly 1,800 of the 2004 Race participants were breast cancer survivors, a testament to the benefits of early detection and treatment of the disease.

"Despite tremendous progress, there is still much work to be done in the fight against breast cancer," said **Dr. John C. Ruckdeschel**, president and CEO of the Karmanos Cancer Institute. "Joining forces with the Detroit Festival of the Arts underscores how everyone can help — and have a wonderful time doing so. I'm inviting everyone to join me at the race and encourage friends, neighbors and colleagues to get involved, and, on the same day, enjoy all that Detroit has to offer."

For more information on the Detroit Festival of the Arts, visit: www.detroitfestival.com. To learn more about the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute, its activities, or how you can get involved, visit www.karmanos.org or call (800) KARMANOS. For more information about the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, visit www.komen.org.

Dance gala:

The Michigan Opera Theatre Volunteer Association and the Detroit Opera House Dance Council will hold an opening night gala dinner preceding a performance of "Cinderella," by Les Ballets de Monte Carlo on Thursday, March 3, at the Detroit Athletic Club. The black-tie reception begins at 5 p.m.; dinner is at 5:30 p.m.

Proceeds from the event will support dance productions at the Detroit Opera House.

Tickets for the reception and dinner are \$130 a person. For reservations, call **Jessica Cheshire** at (313) 237-3407.

Play along:

The fifth annual benefit performance for the historic Players' Playhouse will be from 8 to 11 p.m. Saturday, March 12. The Baldock Mountain Ramblers will perform, and the evening also includes a light dinner and snacks.

The Players' Playhouse is located at 3321 E. Jefferson, 1 1/2 miles east of the Renaissance Center.



Auto Show Preview

Grosse Pointers Paul and Lynn Alandt attended the North American International Auto Show Charity Preview on Jan. 14. The Alandts were honorary chairmen of Children's Services of the Assistance League to the Northeast Guidance Center, one of the 11 children's charities that benefited from the event. Shown with them are Danielle Rutledge, the child ambassador of the Northeast Guidance Center, and Gov. Jennifer Granholm.

Tickets for the evening are \$30 and may be reserved by calling (586) 792-4030.

Red for Ruth:

Sojourn Handbags, a nationwide direct seller of custom handbags, is launching a heartwarming year-long campaign to support education and awareness of heart disease in women.

According to the American Heart Association, one in every 2.5 deaths in women is from cardiovascular disease; yet fewer than half of all women consider themselves well-informed about heart disease. Heart disease, including stroke, is the nation's leading killer of women, a fact that Sojourn's young founder,

Jennifer Gordon, knows all too well. She lost her mom, **Ruth**, to heart disease in 1994. Her mother, a marathon runner, was 53 when she died.

To celebrate Ruth's legacy and to help women everywhere live to their full potential, Sojourn is presenting a special handbag, titled Red for Ruth, in memory of a remarkable woman.

Sojourn debuted the bag, Red for Ruth, in conjunction with the American Heart Association's Go Red for Women luncheon which was held Feb. 15 at the Hyatt Regency in Dearborn. More than 500 women and men were in attendance.

Committee members for the luncheon included Grosse Pointers **Nancy Vella**, **Barbara Gattorn**,

Marty Richardson, **Beverly Hall Burns** and **Patty McCarthy**. Major sponsors included Farmer Jack and Archer Daniels.

Red for Ruth is available for \$78 at www.sojournbags.com. Ten percent of the proceeds from the sale of Red for Ruth will benefit the American Heart Association.

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Inpatient rehabilitation: Bringing back what was lost

By Doreen Tietjen
Special Writer

For individuals who have suffered a debilitating event

such as a stroke, traumatic brain injury, an amputation or multiple injuries from a motor vehicle accident, the

process of rehabilitation begins as soon as the patient is medically stable.

When the extent of the patient's injuries or disabilities are established, they are evaluated by a physiatrist (a specially trained rehabilitation physician) who determines what type of inpatient rehabilitation is necessary.

Acute inpatient rehabilitation is intensive and of a short duration — typically 10 days to two weeks. Patients who benefit the most from this type of inpatient rehabilitation must be motivated and able to tolerate three hours of therapy a day. Depending on his or her diagnosis, a patient may require physical therapy, speech therapy, occupational therapy or any combination of these.

One of the requirements for acceptance into an acute rehabilitation program is that the patient has a well-formulated discharge plan and a strong support system once he or she is home.

A typical length of stay is short, with most patients requiring either additional outpatient therapy or in-home rehabilitation. To assure a smooth transition from inpatient facility to home, family members and other caregivers are given instruction on the use of assistive equipment such as wheelchairs and walkers, and follow-up care.

The goal for the patient during the acute phase is to maximize his ability to perform activities of daily living for himself. This includes being able to ambulate household distances, use the toilet and perform personal hygiene. If the patient lives alone

and prepares his own meals, occupational therapists teach him how to operate safely in the kitchen, using adaptive equipment, if needed.

Persons whose limitations or injuries are severe may not be able to endure the rigorous pace of acute inpatient rehabilitation. Such individuals benefit more from a longer course of sub-acute therapy at a nursing care facility.

These patients are regularly evaluated by their health care team of physicians, therapists, nurses and social workers and can be transferred to a more intensive acute inpatient rehab facility when they are able to tolerate a more rigorous course of therapy.

Recovery takes time, motivation

Debilitating illnesses or injuries often deprive people of their ability to move about unassisted or even carry out such basic func-

tions as speaking, swallowing or performing personal hygiene.

But in the case of stroke or head injuries, the brain has an amazing ability to assign other areas to take over certain functions that were once accomplished by the damaged areas. That's why rehabilitation begins almost immediately — to establish these channels of communication to the brain.

Patients who may be despondent over the loss of such functions as bladder and bowel control, speech or the use of certain limbs are reassured that very often they may regain some or even most of their abilities with time and hard work.

The importance of continuing physical therapy exercises at home is emphasized. This not only limits muscle contractions but also keeps the patient involved in his or her recovery, preventing a feeling of hopelessness.

If limitations are believed

to be permanent, patients are taught how to thrive with what abilities they have.

Recovery from any debilitating illness can be daunting for both the patient and his or her loved ones. Health care providers and family caregivers need to look for signs of appetite loss or depression, which can be treated.

Stories of miraculous recoveries are many, but the common thread that connects each of these stories is a patient who is committed to her own recovery and is willing to work hard.

Doreen Tietjen, a certified registered rehabilitation nurse, is the admissions coordinator for Inpatient Acute Rehabilitation at Cottage Hospital.

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Now is the time to speak up

By Mary Beth Langan and Theodore G. Coutilish
Special Writers

As many of you may know, the Grosse Pointe Public Schools' director of student services, Dr. Pamela Lemerand, has announced that she will retire at the end of the school year.

The position is now posted (see gpschools.org), and the search has begun to find the right candidate to fill the position. When school superintendent Dr. Suzanne Klein visited the January Partnership for Different Learners PTO meeting, she said that parent perspectives and experiences are being sought to help aid in formulating interview questions and establishing parameters for the position. A significant area within the position is overseeing special educa-

X-tra Special Advice

for parents of children with special needs

tion services.

It is not unusual for many private conversations to occur which lay out the good and the bad that is seen in the school system.

The perfect opportunity has arisen for everyone to do this in public. Everyone can and should let his or her voice be heard.

There will be two Parent Forums to gather responses to four questions:

- What does the district do well?
- Where does the district need to improve?
- What do you expect of your director?
- What else does the

district need to know?

The forums will be held at 7 p.m., Thursday, March 3, at Grosse Pointe South High School Wicking Library and 10 a.m., Tuesday, March 8, in the Board Room of the Grosse Pointe Public School Administrative offices at 389 St. Clair.

It may be too crowded for everyone to speak or to speak as long as he or she would like. You may want to share your complete responses to those four questions in writing. Parents could bring copies for Dr. Klein and Larry Lobert, director of human

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Know Your Skin

by Lisa A. Manz-Dulac, MD



Ingrown hairs occurring where a person shaves can result in red, raised bumps, infected follicles and hyperpigmented dark spots. Referred to as pseudo-folliculitis barbae (PFB), the condition

most often occurs in patients with hair that is curly in nature, and is especially a nuisance to African Americans. PFB occurs when razor sharpened hair tips either get caught in the hair follicle as they grow out or by immediately curling and growing back into the skin. The skin then reacts to them as a foreign body (like a splinter made of your own hair) and the follicles become inflamed and irritated, creating bumps and possibly becoming infected.

Treatment requires both relief and prevention. Trapped hairs are helped to come free, and topical steroids often help improve healing. Patients may also require an oral antibiotic if there is an infection.

To eliminate sharp hair tips patients are coached on appropriate shaving techniques, the selection of razors, shaving cream and use of moisturizers. Another option is to pursue permanent hair removal, though this option is often difficult to achieve for patients with dark skin and hair.

To learn more about treatment of pseudo-folliculitis barbae, contact your dermatologist, or call us at Eastside Dermatology, Dr. Lisa A. Manz-Dulac and Associates. Eastside Dermatology has offices in New Baltimore and Grosse Pointe. You can reach them at (313) 884-3380.

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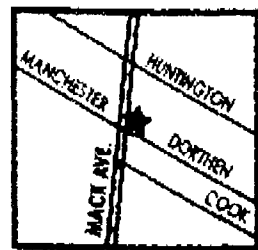


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Grosse Pointe Woods woman celebrates 100 years

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

In Detroit's historic time line, 100 years is a significant chunk of time.

And Gladys Greenburg has been around to witness some of those landmarks in Detroit history.

Greenburg was born on Feb. 20, 1905, in the Forest and Mount Elliott neighborhood on Detroit's east side. It was at a time when the frame two-story flats of the neighborhood still smelled of fresh-cut wood.

Because her family's financial situation was tight during those times, Greenburg had forsaken earning a high school diploma and entered the working world at 16.

"My mother took me to get my working papers, and I went to work as a billing clerk for a wholesale candy company on Jefferson," Greenburg said.

She then attended a business college. From there she worked for three years as a secretary for a company

called Vega, which made cigars.

"That's where I met my first millionaire," Greenburg said. "Harold Wadsworth owned the company, and it was his hobby."

After Wadsworth closed the business, Greenburg worked for a short time for the Wm. Fink Co., where she spent quite a bit of time taking dictation for the company's owner, who wanted to write a book on the health benefits of cracked wheat. Afterward, she took a secre-

tarial job with Gabrielle Steel, which did the engineering work for the Penobscot Building in downtown Detroit.

Greenburg then moved from the steel to the food business. For nine years, she worked for Standard Brands, which held Fleischmann's Yeast and Royal Baking Powder Co. under its umbrella.

"When I first started there, the route man had to make the yeast deliveries every day because the yeast had to be kept fresh," Greenburg said. "Then they came up with a yeast preservative, which changed everything."

Greenburg returned to working for a steel company, this time the R.C. Mahon Co., a company that erected the steel for Cobo Hall and provided the structural steel for U.S. Navy vessels.

"The Navy gave them an award for the structural steel on their ships," Greenburg said. "And when (Lyndon B.) Johnson was vice president, he called for a conference on structural steel. He asked Mr. Mahon to set this up."

R.C. Mahon never saw the conference through. He died on a Saturday afternoon, leaving his company financially on its own, but with no strong leadership from within the company. An outside interest from New York came in and made subtle and incremental changes in the company. Greenburg didn't like what she was seeing, but in 1963, she figured it was time to retire.

For the next 35 years, Greenburg and her husband, Clifford, traveled extensively to all the continents of the world except Antarctica. Their trips included the Grosse Pointe War Memorial's Around the World trip in 1973 and many sponsored through the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) Chapter No. 2151, where she held the job of recording secretary for many years.

Greenburg was also the recording secretary for the Grosse Pointe Woman's Club and wrote for the newspaper at her church, First English Evangelical Lutheran Church in the Woods. In May 1988, she was awarded a certificate of appreciation for her contribution to retirement living by the



Photo by Bonnie Caprara

Gladys Greenburg of Grosse Pointe Woods celebrates her 100th birthday on Sunday, Feb. 20. She says she has no secrets to living a long life. "You just take one day at a time," she said.

AARP.

When she wasn't traveling or busy with her volunteer commitments, Greenburg and her husband often spent weekends at their farms. The couple started with a 2 1/2-acre farm in Algonac, then purchased a 30-acre farm in Armada, then purchased a 100-acre farm in Armada. The farm was run by a friend of Greenburg's husband and Greenburg's husband's parents and sister lived on the farm. The couple raised pigs, chickens and dairy cows on the farm until

they rented it to another farmer.

At home, Greenburg was an avid gardener for most of her years.

"I got ribbons from the State Fair for my gladiolas and dahlias — huge ones," Greenburg said.

"I've certainly had a variety of experiences," Greenburg said.

Today, Greenburg still lives in the Grosse Pointe Woods house she and her husband had built for them 55 years ago. Although her

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Life's woes

Senior Scene

By
Ruth
Cain



It's deja vu all over again for me. Last January I had surgery for a torn rotator cuff in my left shoulder. On Feb. 10, I went in for surgery for a tear in the rotator cuff in my right shoulder.

The first surgery was not a happy event. Before the surgery the doctor told me it would be about a year before my shoulder felt comfortable. No word, however, on how miserable the first four or five months would be.

But there is good news. This time, I was told that it would be only six months before the comfort level was reached.

There's something else in my favor: I have only two shoulders.

Onward and upward. I'm sure most older people are tired of hearing about osteoporosis and bone density. It's almost like hearing more than you care to know, as with Individual Insecurity, formerly known as Social Security.

But bone thinning is not exclusively an aging problem. In fact, the seeds of this problem begin at a far earlier age.

This imposes on us an important responsibility for us to ask our daughters and granddaughters to take precautions now to forestall future problems with low bone density.

Because males have greater bone density to begin with, the problem of bone loss begins at a later age for them, but it can occur.

I found information that should help us in this mission. It comes from a publication prepared by

the Arthritis Foundation.

Bone is a living tissue that changes constantly. During our lifetime there is a constant process taking place with old bone broken down and replaced with strong, new bone.

Between ages 20 and 25, the calcium from food helps bone rebuild faster than it breaks down.

By 25 years of age, bone mass is at its peak. In fact, it's at the highest density it will ever be.

Around age 40, bone mass begins to decline slowly. If you don't have much bone mass at that age, you'll have even greater problems than if you started with healthy bone mass.

That's why it's essential that young people, through proper diet and exercise, develop the greatest bone mass possible.

After menopause, women lose bone mass rapidly due to a drop in estrogen level. Over the next five to 10 years up to one-third of their bone mass can be lost because it breaks down faster than it can be replaced.

Calcium is probably the most essential element in the battle against bone loss. Getting enough calcium is especially important

if you're under age 35 because your body is still able to absorb and store calcium in your bones easily.

Also important are weight-bearing activities that can modestly strengthen bones in young adults and maintain bone mass in middle-aged individuals. Such activities include aerobics, dancing, jogging, cross-country skiing, stair climbing, tennis and walking.

Medical experts don't know exactly how long you must exercise to help prevent bone density loss, but many believe a reasonable goal to gain the greatest health benefits is to do some type of weight-bearing exercise for 30 minutes most days of the week.

You can do this 10 or 15 minutes at a time if you have problems doing it all at once.

It's great when kids start early in life to become involved in physical activity so it becomes part of the life style they grow up with. Electronic games and driving rather than walking are a few of the habits that work against building bone. It's years later when we realize serious bone loss has taken place.

My personal belief is that all women in their 40s should take a bone density test. If bone density is low, you can begin immediately to take preventive measures. This early test also provides a base line for later testing.

If you have a question or comment for Cain, reach her at: ruthcain@comcast.net

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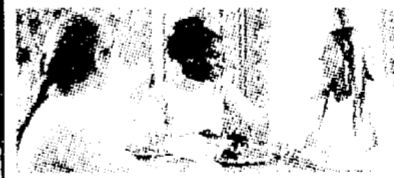
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Looking forward to the Stratford Festival 2005

As sunny days and melting snow herald the approach of the warm seasons, they bring to mind thoughts of one of summertime's appealing features — the shows at the Stratford Festival. They also serve as reminders that it is time to plan early to get tickets for promising events, and to take advantage of the special deals offered.

A brief study of the season guidebook reveals bargain-priced preview performances, discount days in the high season, and group rates, as well as lectures and backstage tours. If you are interested, now is the time to get good seats.

As for picking a show that you can be confident you will like, there is so much variety that there is sure to be something to please. Nor is it taking much of a chance that you won't get a good performance.

Productions at Stratford are uniformly high quality and some of them turn out to be absolutely brilliant. Out of nearly 1,000 productions in the Festival's history, few indeed have been disappointing to any degree.

The fact that the Festival is mounting 14 plays at its four theaters for 2005 makes the point, but there are other intriguing aspects to the repertory.

The company is rich in

talent, with many outstanding actors. They are willing to stay for many seasons as members of an organization recognized as one of the finest troupes in the world. We get to know who they are and what they can do. In a given season, each starring actor generally appears in three plays and usually in sharply different kinds of roles. As a measure of their talent, it is often difficult, occasionally impossible, to recognize the same actor in another role.

That's part of the fun and fascination at an outstanding repertory company. So pick your plays and your actors.

The playbill features a remarkable diversity ranging from Shakespeare to Sondheim. There are three works by the Bard, two by Tennessee Williams, a drama by French author Jean Anouilh, a Noel Coward comedy, two great Broadway musicals and four new or revived Canadian works.

For anyone with an interest in gaining a deeper understanding of Canadian attitudes and values, plays by Canadian authors often offer rich and entertaining insights. Judging by the sustained high attendance in recent seasons, many different offerings seem to provide enough variety to suit a wide range of tastes.

For the core audience of Shakespeare fans, one of his greatest and most popular, "The Tempest," tops the list. Festival star and charter member of the company, William Hutt, returns after a brief two-year absence to repeat the role of Prospero. More years of experience will surely have added to his interpretation of the aging philosopher practicing his magic arts. It is a character seen by many as representing the playwright.

We can watch for special fun in the performances of Steven Sutcliffe as the jester Trinculo and Brian Tree as Stephano, the drunken butler, when they encounter the gentle monster, Caliban, played by Stephen Ouimette.

We might see, and try to recognize, Ouimette on a succeeding evening as Touchstone in "As You Like It." Based on his past work, we can count on an engaging performance.

Meanwhile, "Measure for Measure" boasts Diane D'Aquila as the lewd madam, Mistress Overdone, through whom Shakespeare tempers his plot of lust and corruption with colorful humor; and Jonathan Goad as Angelo, a kind of fallen angel.

The musicals are invariably favorites at Stratford and that is sure to be the

case with "Hello Dolly," but interest will be intensified by the casting of Peter Donaldson as Horace Vandergelder and Lucy Peacock as the indomitable Dolly.

The adult fairy tale, "Into the Woods," with music and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim provides a more wistful and thought-provoking entertainment.

Curiosity will surely bring many theater fans to see "The Lark," by Jean Anouilh. Amanda Plummer, daughter of Christopher Plummer and Tammy Grimes, is in the title role. In New York and Hollywood she won a Tony Award for her role as Agnes in "Agnes of God" and two more nominations as well as two Emmys for roles in "Miss Rose White" and "The Outer Limits" on TV. There is a real cachet to having her appear now at Stratford where her father delivered truly memorable performances in such roles as Hamlet, King Lear, Henry V and Cyrano de Bergerac.

Pure fun for lovers of quick repartee and brittle, slightly suggestive humor, will be Noel Coward's "Fallen Angels." Here, too, there will be a master's touch as the play is to be directed by Brian Bedford, with a team of Seana McKenna and Lucy Peacock as co-stars. Once again, we

State of the Arts



By Alex Suczek

may have trouble recognizing them after seeing them in their other, very different roles.

One of America's greatest playwrights, Tennessee Williams, is represented by one of his biggest hits, "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof," plus an earlier and less familiar piece, "Orpheus Descending." We can look forward to a provocative performance by Jonathan Goad in the modern Orpheus role of Val Xavier while "Cat" should really come to life with the cast of James Blendick as Big Daddy, Lally Cadeau as Big Mama, Cynthia Dale as Maggie and David Snelgrove as Brick.

In the home-grown department, there will be a stage adaptation of "The Brothers Karamazov" by Canadian writer Jason Sherman. Here the excellent director Richard Rose has teamed Jonathan Goad

as Dmitry, and Scott Wentworth as Fyodor, two of the pivotal brother roles of this suspenseful and powerful murder mystery. But while the adapting author is local, the mood remains dramatically Russian.

A significant first in programming will be a play by Shakespeare's principal — perhaps only — serious competitor, Christopher Marlowe. In telling the story of King Edward II and how he is forced to abdicate, Marlowe set an example for Shakespeare of how to portray both the evil and the redeeming qualities of man and how, in being brought down by corruption, he could gain self-understanding. This play may, in fact, be one of the most theatrically gripping experiences of the season. It is being staged in the tiny Studio Theatre where every impression is intensified.

Two more Canadian-based plays complete the bill and if past selections in this category are any indication, they too may prove to be little gems.

Read more about them and check the schedule of all the events and special presentations this summer by calling for a copy of the 2005 Visitors' Guide. The number is (800) 567-1600.

Bess Bonnier to give concert at G.P. Unitarian Church

Bess Bonnier, pianist, composer and vocalist, will perform on 8 p.m., Saturday, March 19, at Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, 17150 Maumee in the City of Grosse Pointe.

Bonnier earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in

English Literature and also majored in music at Wayne State University.

Bonnier's musical career has hit many high notes over the years, including performances at the 1982 Kool Jazz Festival, many Montreux-Detroit Jazz

Festivals and as a featured pianist with Barry Harris, Sir Roland Hanna and Tommy Flanagan at the Detroit Piano Summit in New York.

She also composed Suite William, a jazz theater piece based on the words of William Shakespeare, which was performed in celebration of its release on Noteworks Records at the Kerrytown Concert House in Ann Arbor in 2000.

A highlight of last summer's Jazz Piano Summit at Kerrytown in Ann Arbor, Bonnier was recently fea-

tured in the Paris-based publication Jazz Hot, one of the world's first jazz magazines. In 1986 she was a guest on Marian McPartland's Piano Jazz, and she performed last year at a jazz festival in Terrassa, Spain.

Some of her other accomplishments include receiving the "Arts of Michigan Award for Jazz" in 1986 as well as the "State of Michigan Governor's Award" in 1990. In 1994 Bess played in Brussels, Belgium, along with Jack Brokensha for the Very Special Arts Festival,

where physically challenged people from all over the world performed.

Considered one of Detroit's most important jazz musicians and educators, she was recently named "Musician of the Year" by the Southeastern Michigan Jazz Association (SEMJA).

Tickets to the concert are \$20 and will be on sale at the door. An afterglow will follow the performance, and guests are encouraged to stay and meet the artist. For more information, call (313) 881-0420.

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Trike-a-Thon is benefit for pediatric AIDS

Grosse Pointe Child Care's Trike-a-Thon will be from 9:15 until 10:45 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 23, in the main gymnasium at Grosse Pointe South High School in Grosse Pointe Farms. The annual event raises money for the Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation.

Twenty preschool children ages 3 to 5 will ride tricycles and collect pledges based on the number of laps around the gym they complete.

In addition, there will be a silent auction featuring items and services donated by Grosse Pointe area businesses.

In the 15 years since the Trike-a-Thon began, more than \$75,000 has been raised for Glaser's foundation, which is dedicated to fighting and eradicating childhood AIDS.

The public is invited to cheer on the riders and to bid on the auction items.

Donations are tax-deductible. The school is at 11 Grosse Pointe Blvd. in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Grosse Pointe Child Care is a class of 20 high school students under the supervision of South teacher Phyllis Henry that offers a preschool program for up to 20 children during the school year.

For more information, call Henry at (313) 432-3654 or e-mail her at Phyllis.Henry@gpschools.org.

Correction

An item about the Neighborhood Club thrift shop in last week's paper gave the wrong information about when the Thrift

Shop is open. It is open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mondays through Fridays and from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturdays.

Tuesday Musicales

The Tuesday Musicales of Detroit will present a concert at 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, Feb. 22, at Metropolitan United Methodist Church, 800 Woodward in Detroit.

Soprano Linda Munch and pianist Diana Munch will perform works by Franz Schubert and Alban Berg. Pianist Maria Meirles will perform Schubert's Fantasy in C Major, Op. 15.

Admission is free; a \$5 donation is suggested. For more information, call (248) 848-9930 or (586) 504-0458.

Lecture, book signing

The Grosse Pointe Public Library's new Ewald branch, 15175 E. Jefferson in Grosse Pointe Park, will present a lecture and book signing by author Irene Walt at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 9. Her book is "Art in the Station: The Detroit People Mover."

The program is free, but seating is limited. Call (313) 343-2074, ext. 220 for reservations.

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Take time to create side dish 'au gratin'

Au gratin [Awe GRAH-tun] by definition is any dish that is finished with cheese and/or bread crumbs mixed with bits of butter and cooked crispy under the broiler. I have prepared many a different gratin over the years. Most involved vegetables or potatoes. One gratin even included mussels as its primary ingredient.

This week's recipe is yet another version of the popular side dish. Apple, potato, and onion gratin doesn't rely on cheese for flavor. This tasty dish has fresh thyme and a little white wine to complement the potatoes and tart apples.

Warning; prep time is a bit lengthy due to all the peeling and slicing.



À LA ANNIE
By Annie Rouleau-Scherff

Apple, Potato, and Onion Au Gratin

- 12 tablespoons butter, divided
- 2 pounds onions, halved and sliced to 1/4-inch slices
- 2 tablespoons (packed) chopped fresh thyme leaves
- 4 teaspoons fine sea salt (preferably), divided
- 2/3 cup water
- 2/3 cup dry white wine
- 4 teaspoons sugar
- 2 1/2 pounds Yukon Gold (Yellow Finn or German Butterball) potatoes, peeled and cut into 1/4-inch rounds
- 2 pounds tart apples (Granny Smith or Pippin), peeled, halved, cored and cut into 1/4-inch slices

Melt the 6 tablespoons butter in a large (12-inch) nonstick skillet over medium heat. Add the onion, thyme and 2 teaspoons of the salt. Saute for 8 to 10 minutes, until the onions become translucent. Increase the heat to medium-high and continue to cook for another 8 to 10 minutes, until the onions begin to brown, stirring occasionally.

Remove from heat and stir in the remaining 6 tablespoons butter, water, wine and sugar. Return the skillet to medium-high heat and bring to a boil. Remove from heat and let cool to lukewarm.

Preheat the oven to 400 degrees. Combine the potatoes, apples, remaining 2 teaspoons salt and the onion mixture in a large bowl. Toss gently to blend all of the ingredients.

Transfer the mixture to a 9x13 glass (or similar sized) dish that has been coated with nonstick spray. Spread evenly and cover with parchment paper, then cover with foil, shiny side down.

Bake at 400 degrees for 55 minutes. Remove the foil and parchment paper and continue to bake until the top browns and the juices bubble thickly, about 20 minutes.

Allow the gratin to rest outside the oven for 15 minutes before serving.

The gratin can sit up to 6 hours at room temperature after baking. To rewarm, cover loosely with foil and heat at 300 degrees for 20 minutes or so. If you prepare the gratin a day ahead, simply store it, covered, in the refrigerator.

Reheat time will take longer, but keep the oven at 300 degrees.

Apple, potato, and onion gratin has a sweet and tangy flavor that will pair nicely with a roasted chicken or your favorite pork. With the absence of cheese, this gratin boasts a light presentation that will eliminate the guilt when this yummy combination of apples, potatoes and onions meets your palate.

Prep time? Well... it's worth it.



Women of Wayne

The Grosse Pointe chapter of Women of Wayne will hold its annual luncheon and fashion show on Saturday, March 5, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. Fashions by Coldwater Creek of Rochester will be modeled by club members and their friends.

To make a reservation, make a check for \$28 payable to WOW-GP and mail it to Santina Miller, 20202 Van Antwerp, Harper Woods, 48225 by Monday, Feb. 28. For more information, call (313) 884-3049.

Standing, from left, are Laura Kystad, president-elect; Georgiana Imbrico; Joan Wright, president; Theresa Lorio; and Santina Miller. Seated, from left, are Arliss Zink and Nancy Pacitto. Not shown: Jane McGraw and Marti Miller.



G.P. Power Squadron elects officers

The Grosse Pointe Power Squadron installed its new officers for the 2005 boating season. The organization, which is committed to safe boating and the promotion of boating education, held its 66th annual Commanders Ball on Jan. 22 at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club.

For more information about the Power Squadron's free safe boating classes or free vessel safety checks, call (313) 418-5911 or go to www.usps.org/localusps/grossepointe.

From left, are Lt. Cdr. Frank Horstmann, education officer; Lt. Cdr. Robert Malicki, executive officer; Cdr. Mel Riecher; Lt. Cdr. Phil Trupiano, administrative officer; and Lt. Cdr. William Stano, secretary.

Senior Men's Club Music Makers entertain

The Music Makers from the Senior Men's Club of Grosse Pointe gave a concert on Jan. 26 for the residents of the Bon Secours Nursing Care Center on Jefferson in St. Clair Shores.

The Music Makers are a six-piece dance band. SMC members in the group are

Frank Shea on sax, Paul Bowles on clarinet and sax, and Bob Peterson on string bass.

Shea and Bowles also alternate as vocalists. The band played for the enjoyment of about 100 residents gathered in the Nursing Center's atrium.

The group played Big

Band sounds of the '40s and '50s and some polkas.

The group presently plays from 3 to 4 p.m. at the Nursing Care Center on the fourth Wednesday of each month and at the Belmont Nursing Center every third Wednesday.

Women's

Connection

The Women's Connection of Grosse Pointe will meet at 6 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 24, at a private club in Grosse Pointe. After dinner, the program will be "Having a Heat Wave?" presented by Dr. Anne Marie B. McCarren.

For reservations, call Nancy Neat at (313) 882-1855; for membership information, call Marcia Pikelek at (313) 884-4201.

G.P. Audubon

Grosse Pointe Audubon will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 21, in the Community Room of the Children's Home of Detroit, 900 Cook Rd. in Grosse Pointe Woods. Barbara Baldinger will present a program on the Panamanian Rain Forest. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, call (313) 885-6502.

Detroit Garden Center's annual program slated for March 13

Wil Strickland, self-described garden gnome and weaver, will present "The Garden as a Magical Place" on Sunday, March 13, for the Detroit Garden Center's annual luncheon meeting in the auditorium of the Dossin, Belle Isle's Great Lakes Ship Museum.

Luncheon by Lunchbox Deli begins at 12:30 p.m., and the program will run from 2 to 3 p.m.

The program and luncheon are \$25 (\$30 for non-member); the program only, \$5.

Strickland's 13-year-old garden in Ann Arbor, contains a mix of plants from plant expeditions to exotic locations such as Madagascar, Siberia, New Zealand, South America and China.

He will show the evolution of his garden and give ideas that others can use to make their own garden spaces unique.

Call the Detroit Garden Center at (313) 259-6363 by Wednesday, March 9, to reserve a space.

The Dossin Museum is located across from the Belle Isle Conservatory and Aquarium on the south side of the island, facing Canada.

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resources. If you cannot attend either forum, you can forward your written responses to Larry Lobert at 389 St. Clair, Grosse Pointe 48230 or to larry.lobert@gpschools.org. A copy to schoolboard@gpschools.org will share your responses with all board members.

Parents in the district have different experiences with special education. They have different opinions about how their child should be educated.

A child may be receiving early-on services, services as a preschooler or as a student up to age 26. Perhaps a child receives speech therapy and accommodations for test-taking. Perhaps a child is in a self-contained classroom; perhaps another is with his or her peers in a general education classroom.

Although there are many

experiences and opinions, there are common threads.

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- We expect the administration to have high expectations for all students and to teach them in a manner so that they reach their maximum potential.

- We expect the best education for all children in the district.

Let's all publicly share what we expect of our new director. We're being asked to share, and now is the time to speak up!

Grosse Pointe residents Theodore G. Coutlish and Mary Beth Langan created this column to share experiences from their journey as parents of a child with Fragile X syndrome (fragilex.org). Send your questions or comments to tcoutlish@dmac.wayne.edu or mblangan@hotmail.com.

100th

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husband died 20 years ago, she says she doesn't have a problem living alone.

"I'm used to it," Greenburg said.

While her travel days are over, she still gets out for an occasional bridge game. On her birthday, she plans to go out with a group of ladies from her church.

Coming up on her 100th birthday, Greenburg simply

said: "You just take one day at a time."

However, one of Greenburg's grandnieces, Jessica Hill, said it best 13 years ago in an essay written about her "special person."

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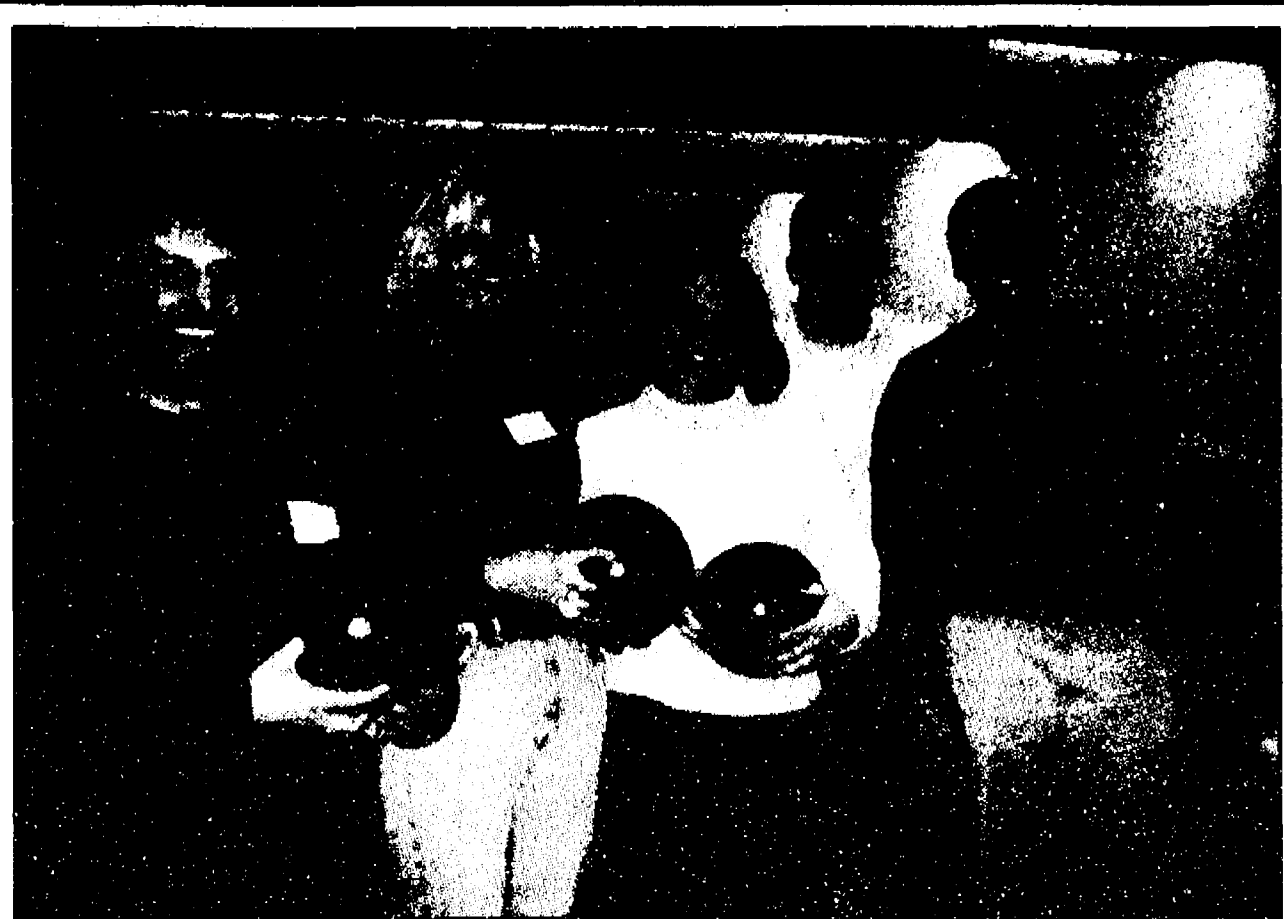
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Newcomers

The Grosse Pointe Social & Newcomers Club recently hosted a winter bowling party at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club.

The winning teams are, from left: Matthew Strong, Elizabeth Fisher, Scott Adlhoeh, Judy Bookwalter, Tom Clarke and Reed Bingamon.

The Grosse Pointe Social & Newcomers Club, established in 1945, is a non-profit social organization for married couples new to or currently residing in the Grosse Pointes. For more information, go to www.grossepointenewcomers.com or call (313) 640-1794.

Pride of the Pointes

Mary Gibson of Grosse Pointe Park was a member of the Houghton College Cross Country team during the fall season. She was named an NAIA All-America Scholar-Athlete. Her best time was 19:51 at the RPI Invitational in Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

Neil Laperriere of Grosse Pointe Park earned a perfect 4.0 grade point average for the fall semester at the Rochester Institute of Technology, School for American Crafts. His Best of Show design at Extravaganza IV, Jewelry/Metalsmithing, was exhibited at Gallery r in Rochester, N.Y.

James DiStefano of Grosse Pointe Woods was named to the dean's list for the fall quarter at Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology.

Grosse Pointers William Moran and Anne Milazzo were named to the dean's list at Johnson & Wales University. Moran is pursuing an AS culinary arts from the College of Culinary Arts at the Denver campus. Milazzo is pursuing an associates' degree in fashion merchandising from the College of Business at the Providence, R.I. campus.

Scott W. Dansbury, son of Joseph and Janet

Dansbury of Grosse Pointe Woods, graduated from Western Michigan University in December. He earned a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in marketing.

Carl Schumacher of Grosse Pointe Park was named to the dean's honor list at Michigan State University.

David Calder Sutton of Grosse Pointe Farms was inducted into Golden Key International Honor Society during a recent ceremony on the campus of the University of Michigan.

Corie A. D'Angelo, daughter of Paul and Janet D'Angelo of Grosse Pointe Farms, earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Michigan and the William Jennings Bryan Award from the university's political science department. She was a James B. Angell Scholar for all semesters and is a member of the Golden Key Honor Society. She will attend the University of Michigan Law School beginning in June.

Bradford J. Walling of Grosse Pointe Woods was named to the Michigan State University School of Packaging undergraduate honors list. Walling, a senior, is the son of James and Jane Walling.

Grosse Pointers Christophe McMillan and Daniel Fishman were named to the dean's list for the fall semester at Northeastern University. McMillan is majoring in computer science and cognitive psychology. Fishman is majoring in liberal arts, non-science.

The following Grosse Pointers were named to the fall semester honors list at Central Michigan University: Susanna M. Klimek, Craig S. Freimuth, Kelli A. Hogan, Mary K. Maki, Natalie C. Buscemi, Kristin M. Jatkowski and Samantha A. Meredith.

Clare Burchi of Grosse Pointe Farms was named to the dean's list for the fall semester at Lehigh University.

Grosse Pointer Caroline S. Janeway was named to the dean's list for the fall semester at the University of Vermont. Janeway, a sophomore in the Rubenstein School of Environmental and Natural Resources, is majoring in environmental science.

Eric Rey of Grosse Pointe Woods, Brenda M. Chomiuk of Grosse Pointe Farms, Shyam M. Guthikonda of Grosse Pointe Farms and Sarah M. Bay of Grosse Pointe Woods were named to the dean's list for the fall semester at Wittenberg University.

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Norsemen's win over CC is a Showcase spectacular

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

The annual High School Hockey Showcase was exactly that for Grosse Pointe North.

The Norsemen showcased their talents in front of several college and junior hockey scouts who had gathered in Trenton for the two-day event, and the scouts had to be impressed.

"A lot of them talked to our guys," said North coach Scott Lock after the Norsemen played a 1-1 tie with Alpena and then beat Redford Catholic Central 1-0.

"We played two great games. It was playoff-type

hockey."

The Catholic Central game was especially sweet for Lock, who played for the Shamrocks but hadn't beaten them in his seven seasons as the North coach.

"The team was real happy for me," Lock said. "They knew how much it meant because CC has such a great program. That's why we play them three times a year — twice in the league and once in a scrimmage. Playing them makes us a better team."

North dominated the first two periods, outshooting the Shamrocks 11-5 in the opening period and 8-6 in the second, but the CC goalie made

some excellent saves to keep North off the scoreboard.

The Norsemen finally broke the scoreless tie with two seconds remaining in the middle period on a goal by defenseman Jimmy Solomon.

Each team controlled play in the other's defensive zone for about 30 seconds of the final minute of the period, but North was the only one that capitalized when Solomon chipped a rebound over the CC goalie. Eddie Tropp and Jon Tibaudo assisted.

"That gave us a big lift going into the third period," Lock said.

The Norsemen weren't

home free, however.

"They were all over us in the third period, and they're such a talented team, but we held on," Lock said. "We had five straight penalties in the third period and they threw everything they had at us."

North's penalty killers — Colin Brown, Tibaudo, Tropp, Robbie Ireland, Jeff Rohrkemper and Peter Watson — were outstanding as they held the Shamrocks scoreless in eight power-play chances. North's forwards and defensemen blocked several shots, and when a shot did get through, goalie Evan Chase was there to make the save.

"This was Watson's first

game since the first week of the season, and we threw him right into the fire," Lock said. "Having him back helps our depth."

"It takes a great team effort to beat CC, and that's what we got."

It was pretty much the same story the night before in the 1-1 tie with Alpena.

North played well offensively and defensively, but had trouble beating another outstanding goalie.

"In the second period we moved the puck better than at any time this year," Lock said. "We had four break-aways but their goalie was fantastic."

Alpena scored a power-

play goal in the second period, but five minutes into the third period North's Brown got the equalizer when he poked a rebound into the net. Tibaudo and Mike Rourke assisted.

"Brown and Tibaudo have been carrying us offensively, and when they haven't carried us they've led us," Lock said.

Brown's goal provided a spark for the Norsemen, but it flickered when North picked up some penalties and had to play six of the last eight minutes short-handed.

"Once again, our defense played well," Lock said.

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North senior ties scoring mark

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Michael Bramos has had a lot of memorable games during an outstanding basketball career at Grosse Pointe North, but last Friday's performance against Utica was right at the top of the list.

"That was one of the best performances I've ever seen," North coach Matt Trombley said after Bramos tied the school record with 39 points in a 76-53 victory over Utica.

"He put two great halves together. But it wasn't until late in the game that we even told Michael and the rest of the team that he had a shot at the record."

The win kept North undefeated in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division with a 9-0 record, and improved the Norsemen's overall mark to 15-2.

Bramos's performance, which included five three-point baskets and a pair of spectacular dunks, tied the mark set by Steve Champine in 1997.

Bramos got his record-tying basket with 1:55 left in the game, shortly after Trombley informed the rest of the team that the senior was on a record pace.

"Henry (McCain) looked for Michael on our next possession," Trombley said. "Except for that, Michael got all of his points in the context of the game. We didn't work to get him the ball any more than we normally do."

In addition to his 39 points, Bramos had six assists and pulled down 10 rebounds.

For the second game in a row, North played a strong second half after a disappointing first half.

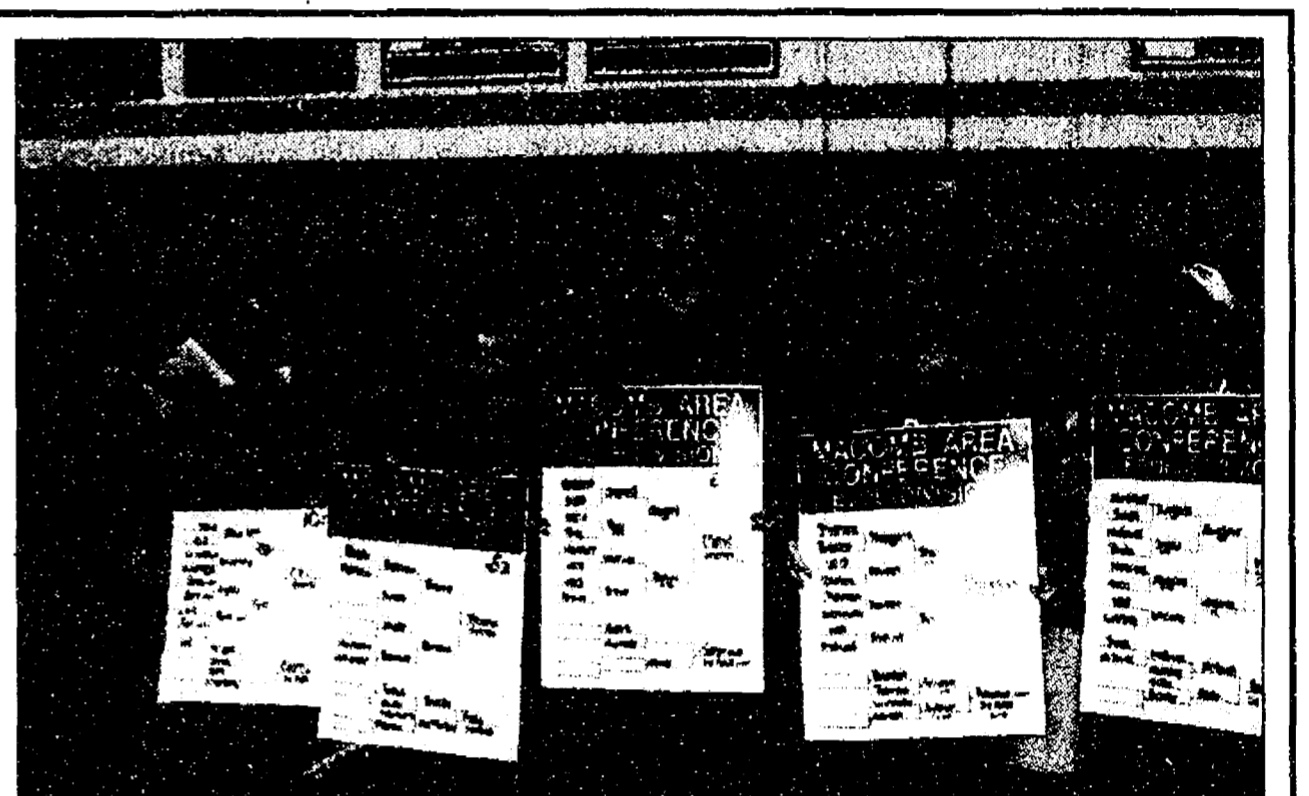
"Utica did a really good job of attacking the middle against our full-court man-to-man (defense)," Trombley said. "They played much better than they did in our first game with them."

Utica was leading 32-29 with 2:24 to play in the second quarter, but North finished the half on a 9-0 run to lead 38-32 at halftime.

"Our defense was horrible in the first half," Trombley said. "That's two games in a row where we've played really poor defense in the first half. We're not sitting down on teams defensively. We're not staying in front and putting pressure on the ball like we should."

"There was a timeout with about two minutes to go, and I was so mad I didn't even talk about defense. I

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Division champs

Seven Grosse Pointe North wrestlers won medals at last weekend's Macomb Area Conference Blue Division championships. From left, are coach Rick Pesta, Jonathon Chow, Mike Czarnecki, Daniel Russo, Spencer Channel, Ryan Stephens, Mike Murphy, Mike Kurdziel. Chow (103 pounds), Kurdziel (119), Stephens (160) and Channel (275) were gold medalists. Czarnecki was second at 135, and Murphy was third at 171. Russo was the junior varsity champion at 103 pounds. See story on page 3C.

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Eighth graders Emma Brush, left, Drew Brophy and Stephanie Skau were the Grosse Pointe Academy's Athletes of the Fall Season.

Academy names top fall athletes

Grosse Pointe Academy eighth graders Drew Brophy, Emma Brush and Stephanie Skau were selected as the school's Athletes of the Fall Season.

Each was chosen based on athletic achievements, leadership abilities, academic performance and citizenship.

Brophy was co-captain of the cross country team and received the Ironman award for perfect attendance during four consecutive cross country seasons. He is a member of the National

Junior Honor Society and is on the school's high honors roll, citizenship list and Head of School list. He also plays on the lacrosse team in the spring.

Brush was co-captain of the cross country team and the girls varsity basketball team. She was most valuable runner in cross country and most valuable player in basketball, as selected by her teammates. A scholar-athlete and member of the National Junior Honor Society, she is in the high honors roll, citizenship list

and Head of School list. She also plays on the Academy's volleyball and soccer teams.

Skau played No. 1 singles on the girls tennis team and was the squad's most valuable player. She was voted the Bulldog Award by her teammates on the girls varsity basketball team. She is also a scholar-athlete and member of the National Junior Honor Society. She is on the school's high honors list, citizenship list and Head of School list. Skau also plays volleyball and soccer at the Academy.

South gets a split in key Metro league hockey games

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

There's nothing that Divine Child's hockey team enjoys more than putting a roadblock in Grosse Pointe South's path to a Michigan Metro High School Hockey League championship.

Last Saturday, the Falcons scored three goals during a 70-second span of the second period to beat the Blue Devils 4-2 and delay their clinching the East Division championship.

"If we would have won the game we would have finished first in the Metro East," said South coach Bob Bopp. "I was disappointed that we didn't play better."

"I tried to make it clear to the team how important this game was and how DC lives to beat Grosse Pointe South. I don't think we practiced well on Friday and I'm not sure they got the message about the rivalry between DC and South."

Earlier, the Blue Devils skated to a 3-1 victory over another tough league rival in De La Salle, so it would have been a perfect week for South if they had been able to defeat Divine Child.

"We still plan on winning the division," Bopp said. "We control our own destiny with three league games and one non-league game before (state) playoffs."

South hosts Ann Arbor

Pioneer on Saturday at City Sports Center, then plays a makeup game on Monday against Riverview Gabriel Richard.

The Blue Devils got off to a good start against Divine Child. Joey Parke scored at 3:19 of the first period, assisted by Sam Mott and Scott Maxwell.

Parke was breaking toward the net and Mott shot the puck toward him, so that he was able to tip it past the Falcons' goalie.

"It was a great play by both of them," Bopp said. "Instead of shooting at the goal, Mott shot it to the side so that Joey could tip it. It was a really smart play by a freshman."

Bopp has been delighted with the play of Mott and sophomore Maxwell.

"They've been great for us all year," the coach said. "They are such a good team on defense. Even as young players they are so fundamentally-sound. They'll be so good for the next few years."

South had an apparent goal by Mike Lewandowski disallowed because the net was dislodged by the Falcons' goalie. The Blue Devils made it 2-0 at 9:46 on a goal by Mackenzie Brookes, assisted by Tom Porter.

Divine Child scored from a scramble in front of the net

with 14 seconds remaining in the opening period.

The Falcons' flurry of goals started with a power-play goal at 8:25 of the second period. They broke the 2-2 deadlock 20 seconds later on a shot that was going wide of the net but hit a South player's skate and changed direction and went into the net.

Divine Child's final goal came on a 2-on-1 break as the Falcons made a fine play to get around the Blue Devils' defense.

Brad Allemon played a strong game in goal for South and turned away 24 shots, including a penalty shot.

South had some good chances in the third period but wasn't able to capitalize on them.

In its game with De La Salle, South avenged an earlier 4-3 loss to the Pilots.

The Blue Devils controlled play for most of the first period and got the only goal of the period when freshman Tim Shield scored at 5:22, assisted by Lewandowski and Anthony Swancoat.

South continued to play well in the second period and increased its lead to 2-0 on an unassisted power-play goal by Ryan Abraham.

Abraham, who had missed the two previous games

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Anthony Swancoat takes a shot on goal during Grosse Pointe South's game with De La Salle.

Photo by Dr. J. Richard Dunlap

Ritchie's Blue Devils get back on track with solid road win

By Bob St. John
Sports Writer

Grosse Pointe South's boys basketball team set aside its recent struggles last week, beating host Warren Fitzgerald 50-38.

The Blue Devils got off to a slow start, trailing 6-0 after missing their first several shots.

Head coach Jay Ritchie was patient with his players, and they responded by playing very well during the final three quarters.

"I couldn't believe how poorly we shot the ball out of the gates," Ritchie said. "We were starting off right where we left off in our last game, but the kids picked up the pace and started hitting some shots. The law of averages had to be on our side."

Junior Christian Conroy had the hot hand in the first half, and he scored the Blue Devils' first 11 points as they led 11-10 early in the second period.

The Blue Devils settled down to take a 26-18 half-time lead, and junior J.C. Cruse stormed out of the gate in the third quarter, scoring 10 of South's 14 points as they increased their lead to 40-27.

"I knew if we could get a double-digit lead we would be OK," Ritchie said. "The guys played with a lot of confidence in the second half, and I hope this effort carries over through the rest of the season."

South's defense was tough; it never allowed Fitzgerald to get into any rhythm, and it shut the door in the fourth quarter when the Spartans were forced to take chances.

Conroy scored 13 points to lead the Blue Devils, while Cruse finished with 12 points and nine rebounds. Junior Derrick Hacias added 10 points off the bench, while senior Andy Wolking and junior Dave Baldwin chipped in with six and five points, respectively.

"Derrick played under control tonight, and it

showed with an outstanding game," Ritchie said. "Everyone played under control tonight. We really needed this win, and now we have two weeks to get ready for the state playoffs."

The Grosse Pointe South basketball team improved to 4-4 in the Macomb Area Conference (MAC) White Division and 10-6 overall.

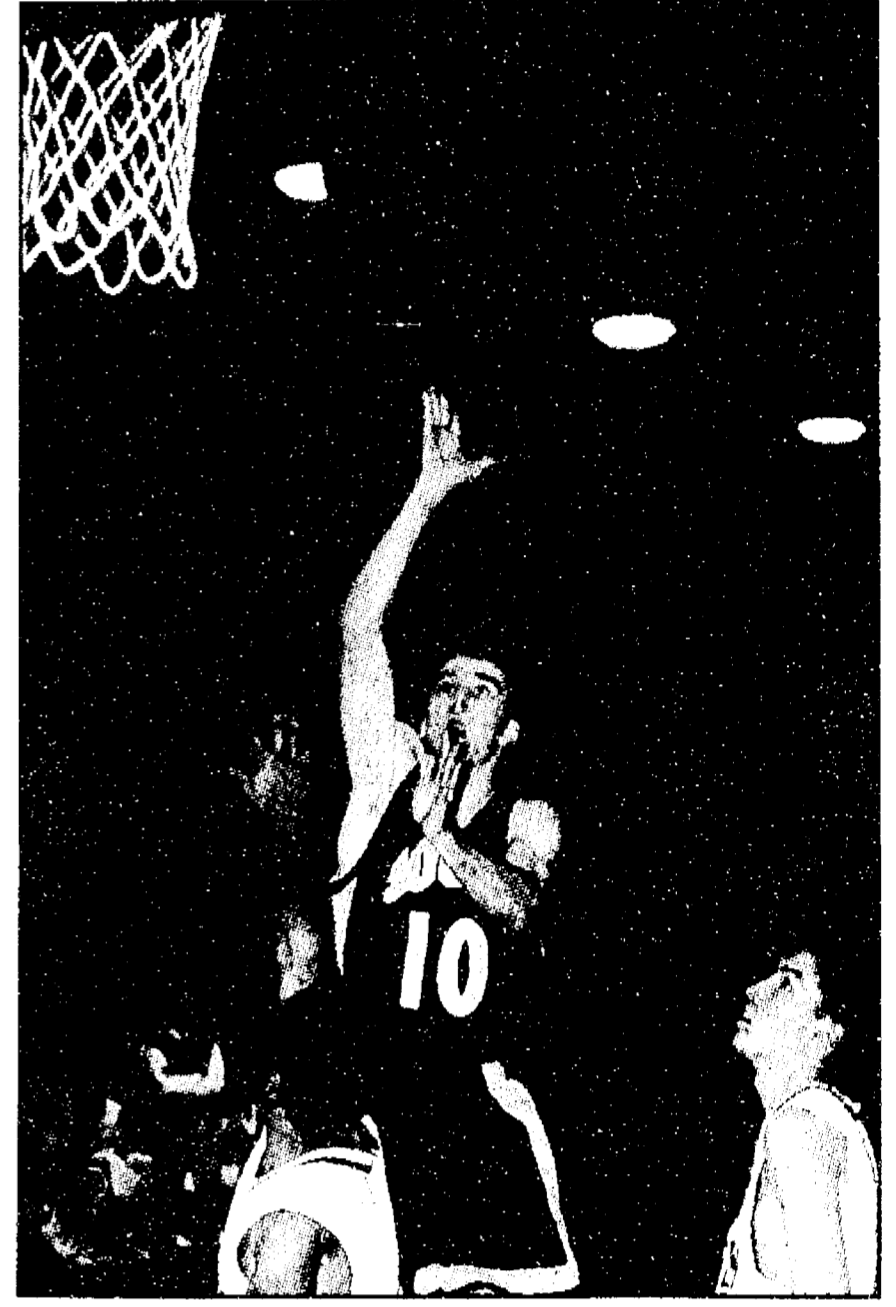


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Grosse Pointe South junior Christian Conroy, No. 10, scores two of his team-high 13 points, helping the Blue Devils beat Warren Fitzgerald.

South swimmers get another win; more state qualifiers

Grosse Pointe South's boys swimming team remained unbeaten last week with a victory over Marysville in a Macomb Area Conference Red Division meet.

Among the highlights for the Blue Devils were new state-qualifying times, and first-place finishes for David Richardson-Rossbach in the 100-yard backstroke, Luke Richard in the 200 freestyle and Casey Browning in the 200 individual medley and 100 freestyle.

South now has at least one state qualifier in each swimming event.

South's divers also performed well. Justin Linne took first place with a personal-best score of 263.45 points and Ty Lattimore was second with 200.10, which was also a personal-best.

"Marysville had some very strong swimmers early in the meet, so that caught us a little by surprise," said Blue Devils coach Bill Thompson. "I was pleased with the way we responded, though. We were able to swim a lot of the younger guys in some individual events and they performed well."

Marysville won the first event, the 200 medley relay, with a state-qualifying time of 1:44.18. South's A team of Richardson-Rossbach, Pete Stevens, Andrew Graham and Ryan Gunderson was second, while the B team of Wilson Holm, Michael Manos, Joe Ryan and Danny Basile was third.

South's Alex Garbarino and Jeff Tompkins took second and third, respectively, behind Marysville's Joshua Koglin in the 50 freestyle.

Stevens, Ryan and Garbarino posted season-best times in the 100 butterfly, finishing second, third and fourth behind Matthew Spradling of Marysville.

Holm touched first in the 500 freestyle in 5:12.34. J.P. Lang was fourth and Robby Mullinger fifth.

The Blue Devils' 200 freestyle relay team of Richard, Graham, Ryan and Casey Browning took first

place, seven seconds ahead of the runner-up Vikings. South's B team of Garbarino, Pete Krysinski, Carlos Padilla and Tim Denton finished a close third.

Manos won the 100 breaststroke in 1:07.89. Freshman Beau Yavor was third in 1:11.29, three seconds faster than his previous best time.

The 400 freestyle relay team of Stevens, Tompkins, Basile and Richard closed out the meet with another first place in 3:30.65.

Last Saturday, many of the Blue Devils competed in the annual Michigan Interscholastic Swim Coaches Association meet, which features the state's top 60 swimmers and divers in each event.

South had several outstanding performances, which showed that the Blue Devils could be contenders in several events at next month's Division I state finals.

Casey Browning, who has qualified for six individual events, won the 500 freestyle with a personal-best time of 4:44.41.

Tompkins achieved a state cut in the same event, finishing 13th in 4:59.44. In just over two weeks, the senior trimmed 18 seconds off his best 500 time.

Holm also swam the 500 freestyle and finished with a personal-best time of 5:09.42. His 1:54.42 in the 200 freestyle was also a personal best.

Richard swam season-best times in two events. He was fourth in the 100 butterfly in 52.57 and sixth in the 50 freestyle in 22.15.

Stevens swam a personal-best 1:02.92 to take eighth place in the 100 breaststroke. He also had a personal-best in the 200 individual medley, which just missed a state cut.

Linne was 10th in diving with a score of 343.85 for his 11 dives.

The Blue Devils' relay teams also performed well. The 200 medley relay team

of Richardson-Rossbach, Stevens, Richard and Gunderson took fifth place in 1:41.17 and the 400 freestyle relay team of Richard, Jon Sax, Richardson-Rossbach and Casey Browning was fourth with a strong 3:18.23.

"The boys swam well and should have a lot of confidence as they head toward the state meet," Thompson said.

The coach added that mental preparation will be a key for the state qualifiers.

"The closer you get to the end of the season, the more important the mental aspect of the sport becomes," Thompson said. "Physically, they will be ready, but now it's time for them to start truly believing in themselves and in their ability to achieve their goals."

Double winners lead North

Andrew Fly and Chris Blunden each won two events last week to lead Grosse Pointe North's swimming team to a 116-70 victory over Utica Ford II in a Macomb Area Conference crossover meet.

Fly's firsts came in the 200-yard individual medley and the 100 breaststroke. His breaststroke time was a season-best.

Blunden won the 100 and 200 freestyle races, and had his best time of the year in the 200.

North's other firsts came from Karl Tech in the 50 freestyle, Mike Kedzierski in the 100 butterfly and Mike VanBeek in the 500 freestyle. VanBeek's winning time was his best of the season.

Other season bests were posted by John Schultes, 100 freestyle; Mike Walton, 100 backstroke; and Jeff Moore in the 100 breaststroke and 200 IM.

North improved to 7-3 overall.

North grapplers take second in MAC Blue; win four gold medals

By Bob St. John
Sports Writer

Close but no cigar for Grosse Pointe North's wrestling team as it made a bid to win last weekend's Macomb Area Conference (MAC) Blue Division Tournament in front of its home crowd.

The Norsemen, which won the MAC Blue dual meet title this season by a half-game over Warren Woods-Tower, lost to the Titans by only 3.5 points in the tournament, 149.5-146 points.

"We're a little disappointed, but this is more of an individual tournament any-

way," head coach Rick Pesta said. "We had a shot to win it in the end, even though it didn't look as if we would heading into the finals and consolation finals. Our kids wrestled hard the entire day, and we just came up a few points short to a very deep Tower team."

Despite the second-place finish, the Norsemen still had several medalists, including gold-medal performances by Jon Chow (103-pound class), Mike Kurdziel (119 pounds), Ryan Stephens (160 pounds), and Spencer Channel (275 pounds).

Chow beat Warren Mott's Mike Paris 11-6 in the title match, while Kurdziel pinned Sterling Heights' Kevin Lieblang in his title match.

Stephens won a 14-3 major decision over Woods-Tower's Ian Fredlund in his gold-medal match, and Channel won by default over Fraser's Marquez Brown in the gold-medal match.

Dave Murphy (171 pounds) took a third-place medal, winning a 9-7 decision over L'Anse Creuse North's Jake Vanderport in the consolation finals, and Mike Czarnecki (135

pounds) was a silver medalist, losing his title match by technical fall to Mott's Eric Mills.

Pesta's other varsity competitors were Zaid Beeai (125 pounds), Dan Lee (130 pounds), Anthony Kanakri (152 pounds), Jake Todd (145 pounds), and Dan Evola (215 pounds).

The final teams standings were as follows: Woods-Tower, 149.5, 1; Grosse Pointe North, 146, 2; Mott, 131, 3; Fraser, 126, 4; L'Anse Creuse North, 105, 5; Sterling Heights, 85, 6; Macomb Dakota, 66, 7; Center Line, 32, 8.

The Norsemen would have had a better chance of winning the tournament if they didn't void three weight classes.

"Injuries are something we can't control," Pesta said. "We probably would have won the tournament if we had a full lineup, but we didn't, and that didn't stop our guys from wrestling hard in every match."

Grosse Pointe North takes a 21-1-1 overall record into the team and individual district portion of its schedule.

North faced Roseville, and Eastpointe East Detroit battled host Grosse Pointe

South in the team district semifinals that were held Wednesday, Feb. 16.

Pesta's grapplers will compete in the Division I individual district tournament on Saturday, Feb. 19, at Southgate Anderson against competitors from Dearborn, Dearborn Edsel Ford, Dearborn Fordson, Eastpointe East Detroit, Garden City, Grosse Pointe South, Lincoln Park, Livonia Franklin, Redford Union, Detroit Catholic Central, Roseville, Southgate Anderson, Westland John Glenn, and Wyandotte Roosevelt.



Photos by G. Neal

University Liggett School sophomore Monique Squiers, No. 9, scored a goal in the Knights' league loss to city rival Grosse Pointe North.

North girls skate past the Knights

By Bob St. John
Sports Writer

Grosse Pointe North and University Liggett School girls hockey teams hooked up in a big league game last week with a potential higher playoff seeding on the line.

The host Lady Norsemen held the upperhand throughout the game, and two quick goals to start the third period helped them beat the Knights 6-3.

"We've been working really hard on not getting down on ourselves after a goal," North head coach Tim VanEckoute said. "We keep saying, go get it back. Our kids are getting the right mindset now, and we did just that."

Junior Melissa Carron and sophomore Christy Sandmair each scored two goals to pace the Lady Norsemen. Senior captain Maria Feldpausch and sophomore Marisa LaValley also tallied second-period goals for North.

"This was a big win for us," VanEckoute said. "Liggett is a much improved team with very good coach-

ing. We have set some late season goals that we want to accomplish in preparation for the playoffs; so far we are right on track."

The Lady Knights were led by senior captain Inga Moss, sophomore Monique Squiers, and senior Kimmy Dickinson, who each scored a goal.

"It was a tough outing for us," ULS head coach Laura Owczarski said. "The girls played hard and played well against a good team for a second straight game, but we weren't deep enough to compete for three complete periods."

ULS outshot North 25-24, and it hosted Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood the day before, losing 7-3.

"We're in a dogfight for one of the top spots in the league, and now we're forced to win two of our last three games to finish the regular season with a .500 record."

The Grosse Pointe North hockey team improved to 11-6 in the Michigan Metro Womens Hockey League and 11-8 overall; ULS fell to 9-8.



Senior Maria Feldpausch, no. 19, played well, scoring a goal in the second period to help Grosse Pointe North defeat University Liggett School 6-3.

South wrestlers jump to third in MAC Gold

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South wrestling coach Jose Ramirez couldn't pick a "Wrestler of the Week" for his team after last week's action.

Instead, Ramirez picked the entire team for the honor after its third-place finish at the Macomb Area Conference Gold Division championships.

The Blue Devils took only 10 wrestlers to the meet at Cousino, but they had two champions among their four finalists and all 10 placed among the top four in their weight class.

"All year we've been voiding two weight classes, but this week we were also missing a wrestler because of an injury and another was on vacation," Ramirez said. "Even though we were shorthanded, the boys fought hard each second they were on the mat."

"This third-place finish

out of eight teams was a complete team effort. Their hard work and relentless intensity earned it for them."

South finished ahead of Madison and Lake Shore, which beat the Blue Devils in dual meets, and South was only 12 points behind second-place Marysville, which won the dual meet title.

South's individual champions were Costa Sirdenis at 103 pounds and Joe Pawlowski at 135.

Pawlowski won his third straight MAC division championship when he beat Clintondale's Blaine Harbourne in the final.

Sirdenis avenged an earlier loss to Alex Jakushavick of Madison by pinning his way to his first MAC title.

"Costa has wrestled well in the league and was the second seed in the tournament, but on Saturday he wrestled the best he has all year," Ramirez said.

Blake Walker at 130 pounds and A.J. Dixon at 189 each finished second after losing tough rematches against wrestlers from Marysville.

"Nobody worked harder in the summer than Blake," Ramirez said. "I always say that champions are made in the summer and crowned in the winter, and the other kids on the team are seeing that now."

Two Blue Devils won their consolation final matches. Andrew Bagby celebrated his birthday with a third place at 145 pounds, and freshman T.J. Carter was third at 160.

"Bagby was 3-1 and had a couple of pins," Ramirez said.

"He wrestled the best he has all year. Carter and Blake Bowman are the two freshmen we took to the meet and they both show a lot of promise."

Bowman was fourth at

125 pounds.

"He'll make an important impact in our lineup next year," Ramirez said. "He learned a lot by working with Joe (Pawlowski) and Blake Walker this year."

Chuck Smith (152), Chris Muer (171) and Nick Carter (215) were also fourth in their weight classes.

"Chris had two overtime matches," Ramirez said. "He came from behind in both of them to send it into overtime."

Carter also lost an overtime match, but wrestled well, and Ramirez was impressed with Smith's work.

"Chuck is a senior captain and he continues to improve," Ramirez said.

South will compete in the state individual district tournament Saturday at Southgate Anderson. Walker leads the Blue Devils with a 34-9 record, while Dixon (28-8) and Pawlowski (26-10) are close behind.



Photo by G. Neal

Freshman Michael Burchi, No. 6, helped the University Liggett School boys hockey team make a fantastic comeback in a 6-5 loss to Country Day.

ULS storms back in loss to Country Day

By Bob St. John
Sports Writer

The University Liggett School boys hockey team nearly pulled off a comeback for the ages last week.

The host Knights trailed Birmingham Detroit Country Day 6-0 after the Yellowjackets scored a short-handed goal with 1:19 left in the second period.

ULS got on the board when Steve Molnar (power play) tallied with seconds remaining in the period.

The Knights roared out of the gates in the third period, getting goals from junior Alex Amicucci (14:36 mark), senior Jake Keith (9:35), senior George Fink (3:38), and junior Adam Rock (1:51 left) to cut the deficit to one goal.

The Knights pulled goaltender Alex Brooks to gain an extra attacker, but Yellowjacket goalie Dan

Gibson made a couple of solid saves in the final minute to keep Country Day ahead.

North grad is most valuable

Laura Fisher, a 2003 Grosse Pointe North graduate, was named the most valuable runner on Oakland University's women's cross country team.

Fisher, a sophomore, was a top finisher for the Golden Grizzlies all season and finished the season as the team's No. 1 runner.

She earned second team All-Mid-Continent Conference honors and was Oakland's top runner in the NCAA Division I Great Lakes Regional meet, finishing 84th in a field of more than 200 runners. Her time was 22:01 for the six-kilometer course.

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Honors galore

Grosse Pointe North football coach Frank Sumner congratulates running back Cam Cecchini for an outstanding season for the Norsemen. Cecchini was recently selected to play for the East team in the high school All-Star game at the University of Michigan on July 23. Cecchini received several postseason awards, including selection to the Detroit Free Press Division 2 All-State team, and All-State honorable mention from the Associated Press and Detroit News. He was the Macomb Area Conference White Division most valuable player. Cecchini rushed for 1,815 yards and scored a total of 24 touchdowns in 2004 as the Norsemen won the MAC White championship and qualified for the state Division II playoffs. Sumner received an honor of his own as he was named regional coach of the year.

Record

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to wait until we got to the locker room."

The Norsemen must have sensed their coach's displeasure, because North's last five points of the first half — a pair of free throws by Marcell Maxwell and a triple by Bramos — came as a result of turnovers.

North played much better defensively in the second half, and with about three minutes left in the third quarter the Norsemen had stretched their lead to 55-39.

Maxwell finished with 14 points, while McCain had seven points and six rebounds.

Andy Bennett hit a pair of three-point baskets early in the fourth quarter and wound up with six points, seven assists and three steals.

Jason Van Fleteran led Utica with 16 points and 12 rebounds, while Rich Kitanoski scored 13 points for the Chieftains.

Earlier, North used a 38-point third quarter to erase a five-point halftime deficit on the way to a 79-71 victory over Romeo.

The Bulldogs were leading 32-27 at the end of the first half when Trombley made a brief speech to his players in the locker room.

"I told them, 'don't play hard because you're afraid of losing but play hard because that's the way we play basketball,'" Trombley said. "I don't know if that struck a nerve or what, but we played a great third quarter."

McCain was the defensive catalyst for the Norsemen.

"Henry came out real aggressive and caused five or six turnovers," Trombley said. "He was really bothering their point guard."

McCain and Alex Sultan each scored 10 points in the third quarter, and each of them hit a pair of three-point baskets.

Bramos had six points in the quarter, while Maxwell and David Klein scored four apiece and Jacob Bloomhuff added a three-point basket.

McCain led North with 20 points, while Bramos had 17, including 7-for-7 from the free-throw line. Maxwell had 12 points, Sultan 10 and Klein seven.

McCain also had seven rebounds and Bramos grabbed six. Adam Miller collected four assists.

The Norsemen had a total of 19 steals, led by three apiece from Jordan Savage, Miller, Maxwell and McCain.

North is idle on Friday, but the Norsemen host L'Anse Creuse on Tuesday.

Lakeshore Striders offers scholarships

The Lakeshore Striders Running Club has a tradition of giving to the community, and especially the running community.

That tradition will continue with the announcement that the club will offer two \$1,500 scholarships to high school cross country runners.

The scholarships will be given to one male and one

female who has run cross country for at least three years in high school. The money will be given to the college of their choice to help pay for tuition and books for the 2005-06 school year.

An application form can be obtained by e-mailing Susan Madden, an officer with the club and the Great Lakes Relay Race Committee Secretary, at

madden12@comcast.net.

Applicants must have a cumulative grade-point average of 3.0, must not be the recipient of a full, four-year scholarship, and must have the recommendation of a coach or other school official.

The scholarship application must be received by March 11.

The Lakeshore Striders,

with money raised through the Great Lakes Relay, has donated more than \$5,000 to the Michigan Special Olympics. For the last three years, donations have been made to the Michigan Interscholastic Track Coaches Association to help teach young children track skills. The club recently sent \$1,000 to the American Red Cross for Tsunami Relief.

Hoops camp is offered during break

Basketball City, which is owned by Grosse Pointe Woods resident Steve Benard, will sponsor a Spring Break Basketball Camp from March 28 through April 1.

The camp is open to boys and girls between the ages of 6 and 17.

Hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day. The cost for the camp is \$110.

There will be stations for improving fundamental skills of dribbling, passing, shooting, rebounding and speed and agility. Basic and advanced offensive and defensive strategy will be taught during scrimmages.

The camp is structured to accommodate players of all skills levels. There will be a competitive environment that emphasizes good sportsmanship. Player evaluation will be provided for all campers.

The deadline for registration is March 10.

Basketball City is located at 16400 Eastland, Roseville, one block north of 12 Mile Road, east of Groesbeck.

For more information call (586) 778-1120 or visit the Basketball City web site at www.basketballcitydetroit.com.

North bows to Big Reds

By Bob St. John
Sports Writer

Grosse Pointe North's girls volleyball team fell to 4-6 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division last week, losing 21-25, 10-25, 25-22, 23-25 to Chippewa Valley.

Junior Jessie Koltun had 18 kills and six blocks to lead the Lady Norsemen.

North's scheduled home match against L'Anse Creuse on Feb. 14 was rescheduled for Feb. 23.

"We will have one final home match for our seniors," head coach Kim Lochart said. "Plus, the rescheduled match will give us some live action before our districts on Saturday."



Photo by Dr. J. Richard Dunlap

Points for Pediatrics

The Grosse Pointe South girls basketball teams, represented by, from left, captains Eleni Papalekas (junior varsity), Sarah Duffield (freshman) and Kara Peters and Annie Dalby (varsity), presented Children's Hospital of Michigan with a check for \$8,830 before last week's boys basketball game between South and Grosse Pointe North. South has participated in Points for Pediatrics for four seasons, and a total of \$38,227 has been raised by the teams. In back, from left, are Roland Peregrine, the 2004 Points for Pediatrics administrator; Dr. Tom Forbes of Children's Hospital; Bill Harrington, the Points for Pediatrics originator; and Saudia Twine of Children's Hospital.

Indoor rowing event is Saturday

Scholastic and recreational rowers are invited to join the Friends of Detroit Rowing at its annual indoor regatta — Motown Madness — on Saturday, Feb. 19.

The event is being held at the General Motors headquarters, 100 Renaissance Center in the Winter Garden atrium.

Rowers from clubs and schools across Michigan will have a panoramic view of the Detroit River as they compete against local rowers from the Friends of Detroit Rowing and Detroit Junior Rowing.

Members of Detroit Junior Rowing are from De La Salle, Grosse Pointe North, Grosse Pointe South, Regina, University of Detroit Jesuit and University Liggett high

South

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because of illness, skated the puck from the corner to the side of the net and slipped it under the Pilots' netminder at 6:14.

South had just finished killing off a penalty when De La Salle scored at 13:12 of the second period on a shot that Allemon had little chance of stopping.

"We did a great job killing the penalty but they scored before our player could get back into the play," Bopp said.

The Blue Devils looked tired and struggled some in the third period, but Allemon came up with some key saves. South finally got an insurance goal with 59 seconds left in the period when Brookes scored from Parke and Porter.

"That was a big goal and took away De La Salle's chance to tie the game," Bopp said. "Rob Porter really worked hard and earned his assist."

South played the final minute just like Bopp wanted.

"The five players on the ice played it perfectly," he said. "De La Salle couldn't get the puck into our zone so that they could pull their goalie."

Allemon made 15 saves.

"Brad played a very strong game," Bopp said.

schools.

Events will be based on

Sharks win Snowball Mite title

The Sharks killed off a late penalty and held on for a 4-3 victory over the Penguins in the Mite Division championship game of the Grosse Pointe Hockey Association Snowball Tournament.

Ian Corbett scored twice for the Sharks, while Andrew Bigham and Brett Bigham added a goal apiece.

The Sharks got a tripping penalty with 49 seconds left in the third period, and the Penguins pulled their goalie for a 6-on-4 advantage.

The Sharks' defense came up strong and goalie Matthew Thomas made some outstanding saves to preserve the slim lead.

Other members of the Sharks squad were Jeffrey Nie, James Keller, James Nie, Nick Herbst, Drew MacLeod, Nick Licatovich, Tenley Shield, Josh Piepszowski, Douglas Graham, Bella Canzano and Jimmy Fildes.

The coaches are Greg Thomas, Bill Shield and Dan Piepszowski.

Ziggy's to hold memorabilia show Saturday

Ziggy's Eastpointe Sportscards will hold a Vintage Sportscards and Memorabilia Show on Saturday, Feb. 19 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

From 1 to 5 p.m., experts in the sports memorabilia field will offer one free appraisal to anyone attending the show.

Ziggy's Eastpointe Sportscards is owned by Grosse Pointers Ziggy and Diana Kryszak, and is located at 17900 East Ten Mile Road, between Gratiot and Kelly.

For more information, call (586) 777-1990 between 10 a.m. and 8 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

age, gender, experience and weight for the 2,000-meter races. Early registration ends Feb. 16.

Races begin at 10 a.m. The fee is \$15 per participant and early registration includes a commemorative regatta T-shirt. Medals will be awarded to the top three finishers.

Spectators are encouraged to attend at no charge.

For more details and registration forms go to www.dbcjuniors.com or call Dick Bell at (248) 559-5824.

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"Alpena has some big, strong guys and they like to cycle the puck, but we limited their chances, although not as much as we did against CC."

Jordan Zielke was in goal for North and he played a strong game.

"If you had to pick three stars, the two goalies would have been No. 1 and No. 2," Lock said.

Alpena picked up a penalty in the closing seconds, but because there was no overtime, the Norsemen didn't get a chance to use their overtime magic. North has won four of the five games that have gone into an extra period.

"We've been playing a nice team game lately," Lock said. "We can open up offensively, and we can play good defense."

"It was a great weekend for high school hockey, and our game with CC was probably the best one."

Lock was in charge of putting the Showcase schedule together last fall, and there were very few one-sided games.

"It turned out better than I could have expected when I put the schedule together," he said. "There was a Midget tournament going on at one of the other rinks, and the scouts kept coming back to the high school games because they were the best games."

North hosts Cranbrook Kingswood, the top-ranked team in Division III on Saturday at the Mount Clemens Ice Arena.



Tourney champs

Grosse Pointe North's junior varsity volleyball team took first place in its own GPN JV Invitational. The Norsemen were undefeated for the entire day and beat Port Huron Northern 25-13, 25-22 in the championship match. In front, from left, are Vanessa Han-Voth, Alex Cheolas, Natalie Briles, Erin Thornton and Stephanie Dennis. In back, from left, are coach Charles Buhaglar, Carrie Kaufmann, Sarah Perry, Allyce Kulek, Michelle Kuznia, Jessica Malouf and Betsy Graney. Not pictured are Sally Testori and coach Katy Clay.

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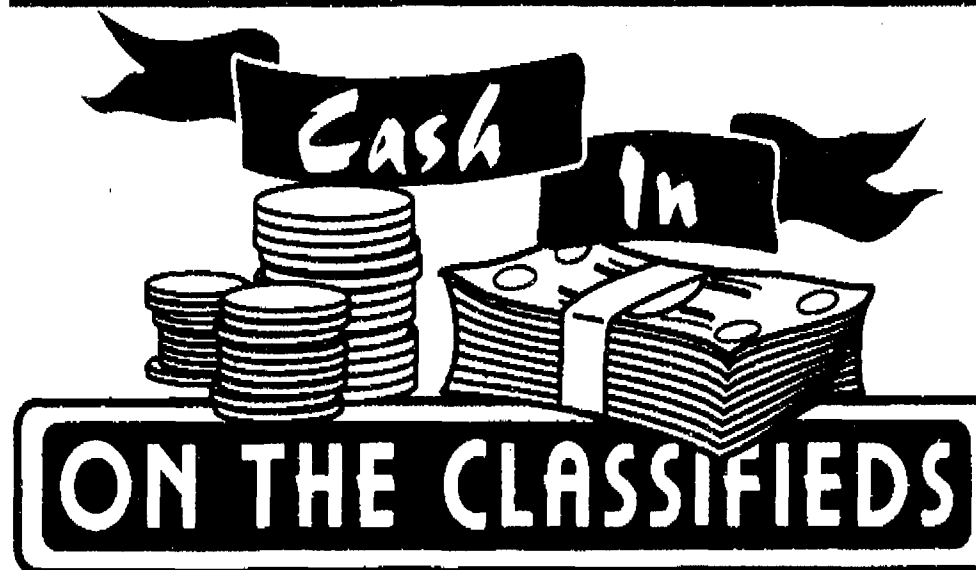
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Dirty copper won't sweat

Q. Mr. Hardware, I have a slight leak at a copper fitting when I moved my laundry tub. I have tried to resolder the leak but I cannot get solder to stick to the pipe or fitting. How can I stop this tiny leak?

— Leaky Larry of St. Clair Shores.

A. Larry, do not sweat this one, at least until all the water is out of the pipe. Even two propane torches will not get solder to flow and bond if there is some water in a pipe.

Before we ponder on how to resolder the joint, ask yourself this: Why did it leak in the first place?

Chances are the leak is due to an improperly cleaned fitting or pipe. If the solder did not "take" to the joint the first time, why would it now? You can usually fix a leak in a copper fitting in the first hour or so. After that, water leaves a trail of calcium or lime making a repair almost impossible without disassembly and cleaning.

Before attacking this problem some additional safety measures (over and above those on the torch) should include goggles, face protection, long-sleeve shirt and gloves. Nothing hurts like having molten solder land on the skin, unless you get it in your eye.

Disassembling the leaky joint can be a waste of time because the solder at that joint just will not allow the fittings to come apart. After three to four minutes of heating and tugging resulting in failure, just cut the copper close to the fitting and remove it the easy way. Using a 25-cent coupling to save five minutes of frustration is well worth it!

Once the new pieces are cut and fitted, use plumber's cloth to sand the pipe clean until it shines. Sand the inside of the fitting just as shiny as you did the pipe.

Clean, clean, clean, is the secret to strong solder joints. Never touch the cleaned surfaces with your hands, or oil from your skin may prevent the solder from bonding.

Put paste soldering flux on the pipe and the inside of the fitting and assemble with a twist. Then heat the fitting, not the pipe, with a propane torch. As the flux "sizzles" out of the fitting, apply solder to the joint, away from the torch flame. As soon as the solder starts



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to melt, back off a little with the torch. The solder should flow until it shows all around the fitting even though you applied it from one location.

Do not get the fitting too hot, or the solder will act as mercury and flow to the bottom of the fitting, and most will drip out. When in doubt, reheat the fitting and add more solder. If solder refuses to take, brush flux on the hot joint and then try to add solder.

If the soldering suddenly hardens, and you hear sizzling in the pipe, it means water just flowed into your area, and unless you have mapp gas you may have to start over if the joint leaks. Ouch!

Send your questions to: Mr. Hardware c/o Gilbert's Pro Hardware at 21912 Harper in St. Clair Shores 48080; call (586) 776-9532, e-mail staff@mrhardware.com, or visit www.mrhardware.com to view past columns.



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| <p>18 HARBOR COURT GROSSE POINTE FARMS</p>  <p>\$700,000 NESTLED just off of Lake Shore and Farms Pier. Kitchen with Corian and granite countertops. Spacious family room with skylights. Living room with fireplace. Formal dining room. Library. First floor laundry. Hardwood floors. Two and a half car attached garage.</p> | <p>488 COVENTRY GROSSE POINTE WOODS</p>  <p>\$649,000 GEORGIAN COLONIAL at end of cul-de-sac. Quality and elegance! Impeccable condition. Tastefully decorated and exceptionally well maintained. Newer kitchen opens to large family room. Oak paneled library. First floor laundry room. Huge luxurious master suite.</p> | <p>552 WASHINGTON GROSSE POINTE</p>  <p>\$599,000 HANDSOME Colonial close to the "Village." Library with built-in bookshelves. Family room. New kitchen with granite countertops and stainless steel appliances. Carpeted recreation room. Immediate occupancy.</p> | <p>1319 BALFOUR GROSSE POINTE PARK</p>  <p>\$539,000 STUNNING four bedroom, three and one half bath totally renovated home combining the best of old and new. Hardwood floors. New custom kitchen with stainless counters and high end appliances. Master suite with walk-in closet and sitting room. All baths updated.</p> | <p>55 MUSOKA GROSSE POINTE FARMS</p>  <p>\$615,000 AUTHENTIC architectural details in the New England style home. Five bedrooms, four and a half baths. Fabulous location! Unique beamed family room with barn siding and five foot fireplace. Sunny heated garden room (24x8). Library/den with built-in bookshelves.</p> |
| <p>271 ROOSEVELT PLACE GROSSE POINTE</p>  <p>\$449,000 ELEGANT BROWNSTONE in immaculate condition. Panelled library with built-in bookshelves. Custom cherry cabinets for the new kitchen with quality appliances. Master suite with private bath and dressing room with customized cabinets.</p> | <p>569 BALLANTYNE GROSSE POINTE SHORES</p>  <p>\$445,000 SPACIOUS RANCH near Star of the Sea. Paneled library plus family room. Three bedrooms, two full and one half baths. Large lot. Hardwood floors. Quick occupancy.</p> | <p>26030 HARBOUR POINTE HARRISON TOWNSHIP</p>  <p>\$438,000 CAPTIVATING view of the marina and Lake St. Clair from this spectacular condo. Open floor plan. Modern kitchen. Master suite features dressing room and skylights. Three full updated baths. Boat well for 40' plus boat. Basement. Two car attached garage. Immediate occupancy.</p> | <p>645 PEAR TREE GROSSE POINTE WOODS</p>  <p>\$385,000 NEAR STAR OF THE SEA. Impressive recent improvements. Master bedroom with bath. Formal dining room. Hardwood floors. Multiple fireplaces. Large family room. Private yard with patio. Immaculate condition. Spacious two car attached garage with built-ins.</p> | <p>891 LAKESHORE GROSSE POINTE SHORES</p>  <p>\$519,000 DOWNSIZING? Moderate size quality built ranch. Updated kitchen and baths. New Andersen windows. Huge sun room with separate heating and air conditioning system. Large custom walk-in closet in master bedroom suite. Recent decorating. Recreation room. Patio.</p> |
| <p>19771 HOLIDAY GROSSE POINTE WOODS</p>  <p>\$239,000 MOVE IN READY! Brand new kitchen with granite counters. New furnace and central air 2001. New windows. Updated bath. Gleaming hardwood floors. Neutral décor. Living room with fireplace. Attached garage.</p> | <p>19990 E EMORY COURT GROSSE POINTE WOODS</p>  <p>\$229,000 WONDERFUL QUALITY BUILT HOME. Original owner. Four bedrooms complimented by two full baths. Living room with fireplace. Large kitchen. New windows. Hardwood floors. Two car garage. Move right in.</p> | <p>1331 HAMPTON GROSSE POINTE WOODS</p>  <p>\$229,000 HANDSOME center entrance Colonial with spacious family room. Living room with fireplace. Four bedrooms. Updated kitchen with new flooring and eating space. Formal dining room. Finished recreation room. Deck and sprinkler system. Two car garage.</p> | <p>1798 STANHOPE GROSSE POINTE WOODS</p>  <p>\$215,000 CHARM AND CHARACTER in this home on double lot. Living room with fireplace. Beautiful hardwood floors. Immediate occupancy.</p> | <p>413 BELANGER GROSSE POINTE FARMS</p>  <p>\$245,000 SHARP BRICK BUNGALOW in immaculate condition. Custom kitchen with granite counter tops and cozy breakfast nook. Natural woodwork. Gleaming hardwood floors. Newer: furnace, air conditioning, windows. Updated bath. Carpeted recreation room with lav.</p> |

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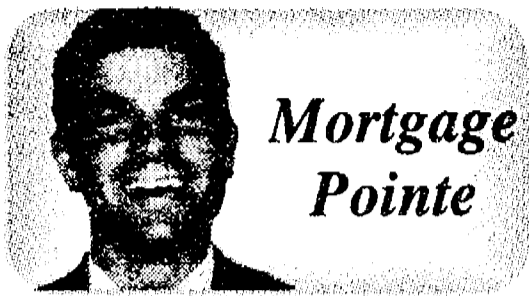


Take advantage of tax breaks of home ownership

Have you taken advantage of historically low interest rates to buy, build or refinance a home or vacation property? Along with the joys of painting, plumbing, and yard work, you now have some new tax considerations.

Your biggest tax break is reflected in your monthly house payment because the bulk of that check goes toward interest which is generally tax deductible. Based on the example of a \$250,000 mortgage at a 30-year fixed rate of 5.5 percent, a buyer would make a monthly payment of \$1,419.47. The homeowner will pay a total of \$13,665.94 in interest and \$3,367.70 in principal in the first 12 months. The interest paid of \$13,665.94 may be used as a full tax deduction.

Mortgage interest on second homes also may be fully deductible. And with a second home, you have ability to rent out your property for part of the year and still take full advantage of the mortgage interest deduction. But be careful: If you do not either vacation at least 14 days



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By Nathan M. Steiner
Flagstar Bank

at the property or 10 percent of the number of days that you do rent it out (whichever is larger), the IRS could consider the property a residential rental property and revoke your interest deduction.

Another tax consideration is the payment of points on a home loan. Many homeowners overlook the tax break available for points paid to get a home loan. Borrowers generally pay points in exchange for lower mortgage rates. The IRS lets you deduct points in the year you paid them if the loan is to purchase or build your primary home. Points paid on a loan secured by a second

home or vacation residence must be amortized over the life of the loan. A homeowner who pays points on a refinanced loan may also be eligible for this tax break, but in most cases the points must be deducted over the life of the loan as well. So if you paid \$2,500 in points to refinance your mortgage for 30 years, you can deduct \$6.94 per monthly payment, or a total of \$83.28 if you made 12 payments in one year on the new loan.

If refinancing frees up cash you then use to improve your house, you may deduct points on that money in the year you paid the points. The same rule applies to home equity loans and lines of credit. When the loan money is used for work on the house securing the loan, the points may be deductible in the year the loan is taken out.

A third major deduction in connection with your home is property taxes. A big part of most monthly payments is taxes, which go into an escrow account for payment once a year. This amount should be included on the annual statement you get from your lender, along with your loan interest information, if your lender escrows funds for taxes. These taxes may be an annual deduction as long as you own your home. If this is your first tax year in your house, it is important to check the settlement statement you got at closing to find additional tax payment information. When the property was transferred from the seller to you, the year's tax payments were likely divided so that each of you probably paid the taxes for that portion of the tax year during which you owned the home. Your shares of

these taxes may be fully deductible.

While many tax breaks are available to a homeowner, don't get too carried away. There are still a few things for which you have to bear the full cost. Private mortgage insurance, homeowner's insurance, association dues, any additional principal payments you make, depreciation of your home, and general closing costs are all non-deductible residential expenses.

Consumers should consult both their accountants and their mortgage lender to verify what may and may not be used for deduction purposes in a given tax year.

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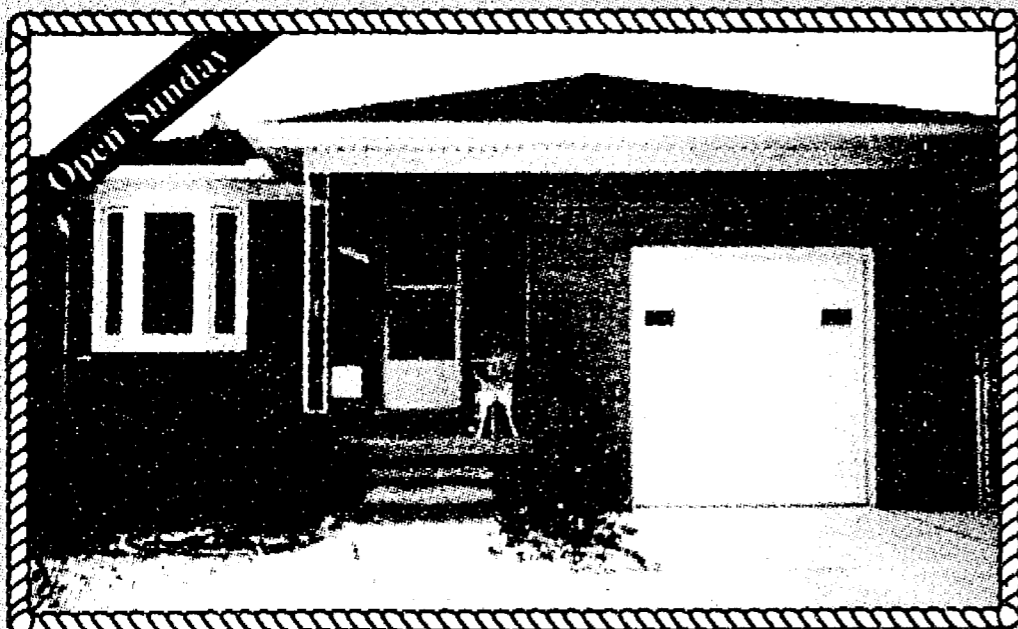
33034 JEFFERSON • ST. CLAIR SHORES

Wonderful opportunity to own a gorgeous newer lakefront home on a spacious 70 x 472 foot lot. With approximately 3,500 square feet this four bedroom, four and one half bath home features an open floor plan with excellent lake views, a walk-out deck with spa, a four car garage, beautifully landscaped grounds with pond, and a fifty foot dock. Offered at \$899,000.



29024 THISTLE LANE • HARRISON TOWNSHIP

Don't miss this opportunity to purchase this new construction home with turn of the century architecture in a \$600,000 + subdivision on the banks of the Clinton River. With over 2,200 square feet, features include three bedrooms and two and one half baths, first floor master suite, hardwood floors, nine foot ceilings, custom kitchen with granite, natural fireplace, extra deep full basement and a boat slip. Offered at \$349,000.



23268 LIBERTY • ST. CLAIR SHORES

A boater's dream! Immaculate ranch on extra deep and wide canal - just a few homes from the lake. Features include a spacious living room with fireplace, finished hardwood floors, updated kitchen with ceramic floor, finished basement, a beautiful and spacious backyard with perennials and fencing - ideal for pets and children. Newer roof, windows, central air and seawall. Offered at \$259,000.



22444 WILDWOOD • ST. CLAIR SHORES

Park your boat in this homes new electric 10,000 lb. hoist and step right into the hot tub! This immaculate home features three bedrooms, finished hardwood floors, a living room with a natural fireplace, a beautifully finished basement with bath, an attached and heated garage and so much more! Offered at \$249,000.



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Q. We would like to renovate our landscaping. I need some advice on where to find some design ideas?

— D.C., via e-mail.

A. If you ask 10 different landscape designers for a landscape plan you will get 10 different landscape designs for your landscape. Landscape designs can vary between elaborate to simple and traditional or contemporary. The goal is to fit the landscape design to you and your family's lifestyle.

The first thing you should do before visiting a landscape designer is to start a list of what you like and do not like in a landscape. Visit other homes to see a variety of landscapes and take notes of aspects you would like in your home. Taking along a camera to take pictures of plants, walls and paths you like will help you remember later on.

Garden design books are a great source of inspiration. You can see themes of landscapes and a large variety of plants. Note which plants you like, and then research to see if those plants will grow in our climate growing zone 6. Trees and shrubs should grow in our area if the zone number is equal or smaller for the plant. The Michigan Nursery and Landscape Association also prints a color photo book of shrubs and trees along with another one on perennials which narrow your choices to only plants compatible with our growing climate. Most garden centers have these books available for sale for about \$3.

Home and garden shows are beginning now. This is a great



**Ask
The
Landscape**

By David Soulliere
Soulliere Garden Center

place to see what is available for building paths, walkways and patios. You will also see some spectacular landscape displays. Take along pictures of the area you would like to landscape and ask for design ideas for your project. Without committing to a complete landscape design, you can get a variety of opinions of what the designers think will look good in the landscape. This will help you decide how elaborate of a landscape you want and also help you set a budget for your landscape.

Once you have a list of plants you like and landscape design ideas that you would like to incorporate, you can build your own landscape design. If you need assistance, now is the time to find a landscape designer to help. At this point you will both have a better idea of the perfect landscape to fit your needs.

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Home building class offered

Grosse Pointe Community Education in cooperation with Oakland Builders Institute will offer a 16-hour seminar, **How to Build Your Own Home**, on Monday/Wednesday, March 7, through 16, from 6 to 10 p.m. at Brownell School, 260 Chalfonte Rd. in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Designed for those who want to contract their own home construction as well as those who want to work with a builder, the course details each stage of con-

struction as well as your rights and responsibilities. The course covers home financing, the building process, builder's terms and contracts as well as building codes, insurance requirements and more.

Pre-registration with payment is required no later than Thursday, March 3 to Grosse Pointe Community Education. For more information, call (313) 432-3880. There are no phone registrations.

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NEW ENGLAND COLONIAL featuring authentic stone exterior with four bedrooms, three full bathrooms, sharp Kitchen with eating space, classic LIBRARY, great floor plan. Great FARMS location - walk to everything. CARRIAGE HOUSE efficiency apartment over three car garage. Character throughout including hardwood floors, attractive detailing and attractively decorated throughout.

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SHORES RANCH nearly 3,000 square feet with FAMILY ROOM off Mutschler kitchen, first floor laundry, hardwood floors. Also offers three bedrooms with three full baths, open floor plan, 100 foot wide lot with circular drive and beautifully manicured grounds. Best value in Shores.



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\$259,000 FARMS RANCH that includes a solid three bedroom home with a great location, Family Room, larger Kitchen and eating area and a very special 32 x22 finished basement with second full bath. Also—new windows, furnace and central-air!!!

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LIBRARY & FAMILY ROOM with four bedrooms, three and one half baths, deep lot, finished hardwood floors and much more. FAMILY ROOM is directly off the kitchen and has vaulted ceiling with skylights. Also features new roof and new windows. Close to Village and schools - \$450,000. See you Sunday Feb. 13th at 720 LINCOLN.



LAKELAND - near Village Shops, schools and ballfields. The perfect location for the active family. Includes library and family room, new windows, three natural fireplaces, 185 foot deep lot, great floor plan and great curb appeal. Great opportunity in low \$500's!



NEAR VILLAGE, very spacious rooms with four bedrooms, Family Room, hardwood floors, Den and Florida Room - all very well maintained and also offering a 70 foot wide lot. Walk to Village Shops, Elworthy ballfields, Schools and Park at the end of the street.

FOUR CHOICES • 3 BEDROOMS • \$259,000 TO \$279,000 • FARMS & CITY



THREE BEDROOM, custom built by Walter Mast. Includes a newer kitchen with breakfast room, very nice family room, finished hardwood and new decor along with a recreation room, central-air, nicer yard and oversized garage. Open Feb. 13th. 485 CLOVERLY, \$269,000



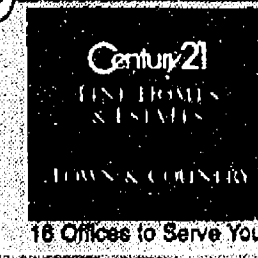
NEAR VILLAGE, Grosse Pointe City with three bedrooms and plenty of curb appeal and interior character. Features include finished hardwood floors, FAMILY ROOM, two car garage, central air and a great value opportunity at \$269,000 for nearly 1,700 square feet.



NEARLY 1,900 square feet on popular MCKINLEY with plenty of "Mast Built" charm, newer windows and roof, fully finished basement, updated kitchen with breakfast room, attractive landscapes and much more. FARMS \$279,000

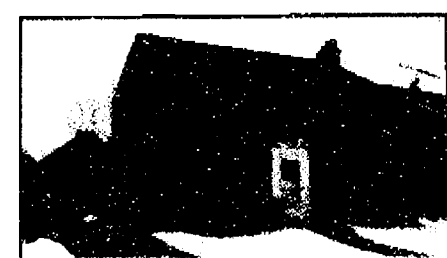
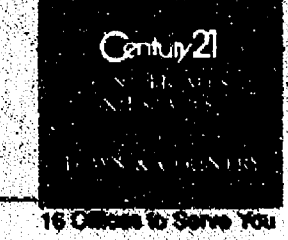


FARMS - 2,000 square foot with Family Room, Den, sharp and larger Corlan kitchen. All rooms are oversized. Great value. \$269,000



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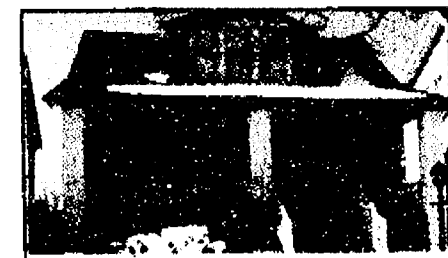
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GROSSE POINTE PARK 1st Offering
Charming three bedroom one and one half bath, two car detached garage, formal dining room, fireplace, Florida room, hardwood floors, partially finished basement. All appliances stay. Great location. Home warranty. (LGP59NOT) 313-886-5040 \$249,900



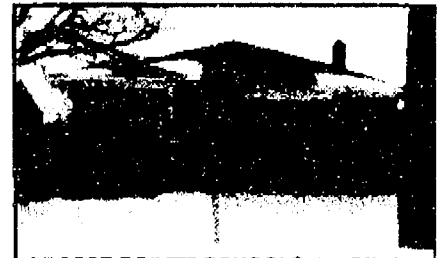
GROSSE POINTE WOODS 1st Offering
Character and charm abound. Updated kitchen, natural fireplace in living room, Florida room, refinished hardwood floors, full basement, freshly painted throughout. Nicely landscaped yard. Great locale. Priced to sell! (LGP72LAN) 313-886-5040 \$185,900



GROSSE POINTE PARK 1st Offering
Lovely three bedroom bungalow perfectly located in the Park. Great updates including roof, furnace, central air, and newer windows. Full bath in basement, charming master bedroom has loft like feel and tons of storage. (LGP11BEA) 313-886-5040 \$172,500



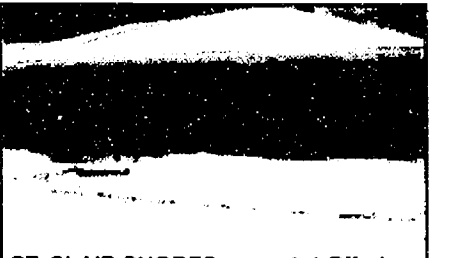
GROSSE POINTE WOODS 1st Offering
Style and character complete this totally renovated three bedroom bungalow. Open floor plan, eat-in kitchen, two fireplaces, master bedroom with full bath. Move right in... this won't last. Home warranty included. (LGP69ANI) 313-886-5040 \$214,900



GROSSE POINTE SCHOOLS 1st Offering
This three bedroom brick ranch is spotless. Newer kitchen, newer roof and newer windows. Refinished hardwood floors, central air conditioning, two car garage. Seller will help buyer with closing costs. Home warranty. (LGP12BEA) 313-886-5040 \$146,900



GROSSE POINTE SCHOOLS 1st Offering
Beautiful three with a possible fourth bedroom bungalow. One and one half baths, extra wide front porch, finished basement, two car garage, central air. Adjacent lot is a buildable lot and may be purchased at an additional price. (LGP40RID) 313-886-5040 \$129,000



ST. CLAIR SHORES 1st Offering
Spacious brick ranch, three bedrooms, gourmet kitchen, family room. Newer windows and roof. Living room with hardwood floors and fireplace. Finished basement with laundry and wetbar. Home warranty included. (LGP18MAU) 313-886-5040 \$259,900



GROSSE POINTE WOODS Simplicity
Spacious ranch, great location. Nice layout with open concept kitchen. Features include fireplace, newer kitchen flooring, surfaces and an enjoyable yet manageable yard with deck make this home simple to enjoy. (LGP090XF) 313-886-5040 \$169,900



GROSSE POINTE Spectacular
Beautifully mastered Tuscan style kitchen/gathering room. Swetstone counters, fireplace, plenty of seating at the table or family room area. Beauty continues throughout with elegantly appointed and generously sized rooms! (LGP098RV) 313-886-5040 \$515,000



GROSSE POINTE Spacious
Nice floor plan on this five bedroom Colonial situated steps from the lake. Open concept kitchen/family room. Master suite with cathedral ceiling, walk-in closet and marble bathroom with spa tub. Library/den and finished basement. (LGP17WEL) 313-886-5040 \$629,900



GROSSE POINTE PARK Lakefront
This true "Lakefront" home is set on the tip of a secluded point with panoramic views from Peche Island to the Eastern horizon. Freighters glide through the nearby channel. A gorgeous home in a spectacular setting. (LGP15LAK) 313-886-5040 \$2,500,000



GROSSE POINTE FARMS Roomy
Gracious three bedroom offers beautiful hardwood floors and newer kitchen with appliances. Huge master bedroom with bath, two fireplaces, knotty pine recreation room and bath in basement. Two car garage and immediate occupancy. (LGP40MAD) 313-886-5040 \$239,900



GROSSE POINTE PARK Two Family
Two family income with one year old roof, newer windows and vinyl siding! Separate furnaces and utilities. Upper unit has newer kitchen and third story finished expansion attic. Two car garage. Close to schools and parks. (LGP43WAY) 313-886-5040 \$189,900



GROSSE POINTE WOODS Updated
Three bedrooms, two and one-half baths. 2004 updates, waterproofed and finished basement with drywall, drop ceiling, recessed lights and carpet. Added hardwood floor in kitchen, refinished all floors and painted. (LGP79STA) 313-886-5040 \$192,500



GROSSE POINTE WOODS Move-In
Three bedroom updated Colonial. Newer kitchen, windows, concrete, two and one half car garage. Deep lot, beautiful family room, fireplace, finished recreation room in basement with wet bar and half bath. (LGP58HAM) 313-886-5040 \$210,000



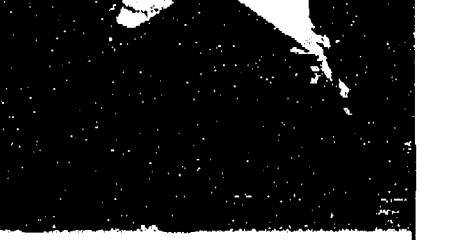
GROSSE POINTE FARMS Enjoy
Rich and airy Cape Cod on generous lot. Vaulted great room, master suite, two updated full baths, two fireplaces. Several upgrades. Near elementary and middle schools. Designed for your comfort and pleasure! (LGP57BEL) 313-886-5040 \$279,000



GROSSE POINTE FARMS Exquisite
Gorgeous Georgian, prestigious locale, seven bedrooms, five full and one half baths. Three fireplaces, updated kitchen, butler's pantry, finished basement with rec room. Tavern room with wet bar, newer furnaces, oak roof, refinished hardwood floors. (LGP71LEW) 313-886-5040 \$900,000



GROSSE POINTE PARK Multi-Family
Nice two family with good space, room sizes and super tenants. All utilities (except water) are separate. Newer windows, two car garage. Hardwood floors, separate basements, formal dining rooms, garage parking. (LGP79MAR) 313-886-5040 \$175,000



GROSSE POINTE Spacious
Spacious three bedrooms, two and one-half baths, two car garage, two fireplaces, finished basement, library, Florida room, rear deck, air conditioning, fenced yard, corner lot, occupancy at closing. Home Warranty. (LGP66CAD) 313-886-5040 \$299,900



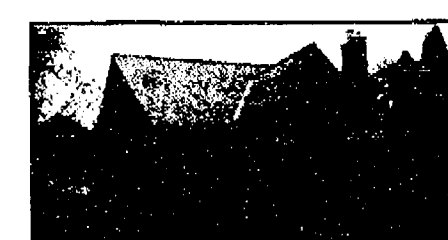
GROSSE POINTE Magnificent
This English Tudor offers three floors of grace and elegance with a carriage house. Two story foyer leading to sunken garden. This home has been restored with ceramic tile and marble throughout. It will not disappoint you! (LGP94LAK) 313-886-5040 \$1,850,000



GROSSE POINTE FARMS Lovely
Three bedroom, two bath home offers a location that's an easy walk to the Hill, Pier Park, schools, more! Pretty hardwood floors, leaded glass windows, breakfast nook, den. Partly finished basement, newer boiler. (LGP43MCM) 313-886-5040 \$295,000



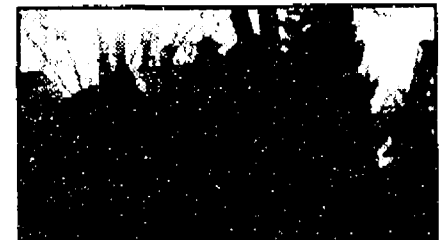
GROSSE POINTE FARMS Exceptional
Five bedrooms, three plus car garage, two and one-half baths, fireplace, spa in outdoors four seasons room, Pella windows, newer kitchen with Pewabic tile, all appliances stay, newer furnace and air, all the amenities. (LGP30ROL) 313-886-5040 \$379,900



GROSSE POINTE CITY Brick Tudor
Three bedroom, two full bath brick bungalow. Spacious kitchen with dining area, hardwood floors. Master bedroom has stall shower and double sinks. Recreation room with half bath. Appliances included. Home warranty. (LGP71UNI) 313-886-5040 \$264,000



GROSSE POINTE WOODS Two Family
Great locale! Brick two family income. Many updates, also includes hardwood floors, beautiful gas fireplace, formal dining room. Finished basement for extra living space. Separate furnaces and utilities makes smart buy. (LGP61VER) 313-886-5040 \$255,000



GROSSE POINTE WOODS Value
Nice starter home. Newer kitchen, bathroom, tear-off roof in 2000. Cute and cozy. Great area of Grosse Pointe Woods with all the amenities of schools, waterfront park, public services for a great price. Won't last. (LGP97ROS) 313-886-5040 \$129,900



GROSSE POINTE FARMS Stunning
Brick three bedroom Colonial, one and one-half baths, one and one-half car garage. Spacious living room with gas fireplace, family room with French glass doors, central air, hardwood floors and Home Warranty. (LGP67TOU) 313-886-5040 \$249,900



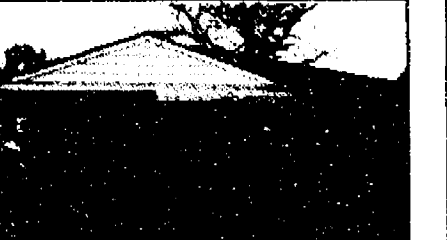
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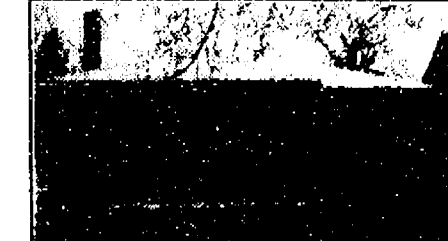
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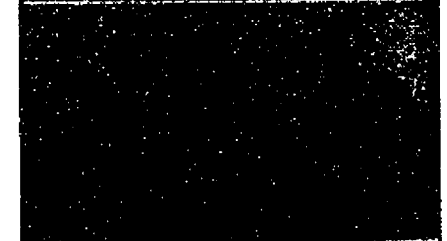
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Attractive Harper Woods ranch. Hardwood floors, formal dining room. One and one half baths. Doorwall leads to rooftop patio with lights. Central air, alarm system, newer windows. Attached two car garage. Home warranty. (LGP67FLE) 313-886-5040 \$175,900



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Footsteps from the Nautical Mile. Enjoy this well maintained home on a popular street. Two natural fireplaces, three bedrooms, hardwood floors, half bath and kitchen in huge finished basement. Updated roof, furnace. (LGP26STA) 313-886-5040 \$212,500



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Newer construction with nice upgrades, a stone's throw from the Nautical Mile. Lovely two story great room, first floor master suite, second floor laundry, finished basement with wet bar. Multi level maintenance free deck, hot tub and two car garage. (LGP32RID) 313-886-5040 \$247,500



ST. CLAIR SHORES Just Built
Fantastic quality built home. Four bedrooms, full basement, two and one half baths. Master with fireplace, master bath with jacuzzi and separate shower stall. Cherry kitchen with ceramic floors. Great room with gas fireplace. Lake views. (LGP23LAN) 313-886-5040 \$274,900



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The weight of having a professional home inspection

Q. We just put our house on the market and have started shopping for another home. We were wondering what is a "home inspection," and are they worth it?

A. Good question. I would first suggest you get the opinion of the real estate agent who is assisting you, since it is he whom you have entrusted to give you guidance and expertise. However, let me speak generally about home inspections, and perhaps you can intelligently decide if one would best serve your interests.

The most common form of a home inspection is an objective, third party that offers a "critical-eye" to potential home buyers as to the overall condition of a house. This third party to the transaction is typically an insured and bonded professional home inspector. Although home inspectors are not required to be licensed in the state of Michigan, not all home inspectors are created equally. Many of the most qualified home inspectors in this area are, in fact, licensed builders and members of American



Society of Home Inspectors (ASHI) with years of residential housing experience.

The home inspection is also part of the purchase agreement that allows a contingency to be placed on an offer to purchase. In other words, when you write an offer, you can choose to stipulate the execution of this contract is contingent upon satisfactory review of a home inspection. A home inspection is one of only a few contingencies that a buyer can reasonably place on an offer to purchase. Therefore, relatively few buyers will choose not to have a home inspected and thoughtfully reflect on the results.

Most home buyers will find it is better to let a professional look over the largest purchase of their lives. Unless you specialize in plumbing, electrical, heating/cooling, foundations, roofing, insulation, and so forth, you should consider yourself at a disadvantage when trying to assess the condition of a home. The smartest people are the ones who know their limitations.

Consider this: Most professional home inspections are relatively inexpensive. Ask yourself, would it be better to invest a few hundred dollars for the peace of mind that goes along with a professional assuming the responsibility of diagnosing the condition of the home?

As mentioned, most professional home inspection companies are insured and bonded. One of the questions to ask when calling home inspectors is to what extent is their liability coverage in the unlikely event that they would miss a serious issue. I mentioned earlier that some home buyers choose to do the home inspection themselves and this is perfectly fine except, if

"Uncle Bob" happens to miss the fact that there is a long horizontal crack in the foundation that later leaks, there is only one person to blame — you. Ultimately, remember that if you choose to do your own inspection, you have also chosen to assume all responsibility for the accuracy of that inspection.

The majority of real estate agents encourage their buyers to have an objective, third-party look the property over. Remember, most professional home inspectors are seasoned builders or related tradesmen who have seen hundreds of homes. Through years of experience they have come to know the most common, and costly, issues that typically plague a home.

Your real estate agent will offer many invaluable services to you. One thing he is not is your home inspector. Typically, the more qualified, insightful and honest individuals you can get to participate in your purchase the better.

Steve Aiuto is a licensed Realtor living in Grosse Pointe Park. He can be reached at steveaiuto@hotmail.com.

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Collecting

By Larry Cox

Q. I have one of the original G.I. Joes. Whom can I contact to find out its value?

— Hubert, Cap Pele, NB, Canada

A. First some background: G.I. Joe was introduced by Hasbro during the summer of 1964. The figures were first test-marketed in New York and quickly triggered a national campaign. G.I. Joe proved to be such a hit, a fan club was started just before the Christmas season of 1964, and an astonishing 150,000 kids lined up at toy counters to enlist.

Brian Savage is president of the G.I. Joe Collectors Club, 225 Cattle Barron Parc Drive, Fort Worth, TX 76108.

Q. I have an old board game of Major League Baseball that was patented in 1912. It has a spin wheel with an arrow, similar to a roulette gambling game. I would like to find out how much it might

be worth.

— Julius, Montevideo, Minn.

A. Board games are always in demand. Mark Cooper is the owner of Baseball Games and Memorabilia and an expert in his field. He is especially interested in baseball board games and has written the definitive text on the subject. His address is 816 Chauncey Road, Narberth, PA 19072.

For a second opinion, you might also want to contact collector Bill Smith, 56 Locust St., East Douglas, MA 01516. It is always a good idea to include a self-addressed, stamped envelope when contacting sources listed in this column.

Tip: Beware, gentle readers, of what on first glance appears to be vintage butter churns that are now finding their way into the collectible marketplace. They are

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| 1st Best Financial Corp. | (800) 833-8916 | 5 | 0.5 | 4.5 | 0.5 | 2.625 | 0 | JB |
| 1st Choice Mortgage Lending | (734) 459-0782 | 5.125 | 0 | 4.75 | 0 | 3 | 0 | J |
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| A Family Mortgage | (800) 538-5947 | 5.125 | 0 | 4.75 | 0 | 3.75 | 0 | JB/VF |
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| Aabco Mortgage | (800) 731-0001 | 5.25 | 0 | 4.875 | 0 | 4.625 | 0 | JB/VF |
| AAVA Discount Mortgage | (877) 728-3559 | 5.125 | 0.125 | 4.625 | 0.375 | 3.5 | 0 | J |
| AFI Financial | (877) 234-0600 | 5.125 | 0 | 4.75 | 0 | NR | NR | J |
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| American First Rate Mortgage | (800) 887-8106 | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR | JB |
| American Home Mortgage | (866) 372-0837 | 5 | 2 | 4.625 | 2 | NR | NR | JB/VF |
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| Bank One | (800) 219-0057 | 5.625 | 0 | 5.125 | 0 | 4.5 | 0 | JB/VF |
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| Chase Home Finance | (888) 267-3495 | 5.625 | 0 | 5.125 | 0 | 4.5 | 0 | J/VF |
| Citizens Bank | (800) 989-8949 | 5.25 | 1.75 | 4.75 | 1.75 | 3.25 | 0.5 | J |
| Client Services by Golden Rule | (800) 589-5805 | 5 | 0.5 | 4.625 | 0.75 | 2.5 | 1.125 | JB/VF |
| Co-op Services Credit Union | (734) 468-6113 | 5.625 | 0 | 5.125 | 0 | NR | NR | J/VF |
| Community Bank of Dearborn | (734) 981-0022 | 5.5 | 0 | 5.125 | 0 | 4.375 | 0 | J/VF |
| Countrywide Home Loan | (248) 980-2070 | 5.25 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 2.875 | 1 | J |
| Credit Union One | (248) 544-1442 | 5.625 | 0 | 5.125 | 0 | 4.125 | 0 | JB |
| Dearborn Federal Savings Bank | (313) 565-3100 | 5.625 | 0 | 5.125 | 0 | 3.625 | 2 | JB |
| Dynamic Mortgage | (734) 453-8120 | 5.125 | 0 | 4.75 | 0 | 1.85 | 0 | J |
| Elite Mortgage Corp. | (586) 803-9600 | 5.375 | 0 | 4.875 | 0 | NR | NR | J/VF |
| Family Home Lending Corp. | (313) 581-7575 | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR | J/VF |
| Fifth Third Bank | (800) 792-8830 | 5.625 | 0.25 | 5.125 | 0 | NR | NR | VF |
| First Alliance Mortgage Co. | (800) 292-7357 | 5.5 | 0 | 5.125 | 0 | NR | NR | JB/VF |
| First Equity Residential Mortgage Inc. | (800) 557-9270 | 5.125 | 1 | 4.5 | 1.5 | 2.25 | 2.25 | JB/VF |
| First International Inc. | (248) 258-1584 | 5.375 | 0 | 4.875 | 0 | NR | NR | JB |
| Flagstar Bank* FSBI | (800) 72-FIRST | 5.375 | 0 | 4.875 | 0 | 3.5 | 0 | JB/VF |
| GMAC Mortgage Corp. | (800) 888-4822 | 5 | 3 | 4.875 | 1.5 | 3.875 | 0 | JB/VF |
| Golden Rule Mortgage | (800) 785-4756 | 4.75 | 1.875 | 4.25 | 2.25 | 2.25 | 2 | JB/VF |
| Goldstar Mortgage | (800) 489-8260 | 5.125 | 0.125 | 4.75 | 0.375 | 2.75 | 0.5 | JB/VF |
| Great American Mortgage | (800) 870-3441 | 5.125 | 0 | 4.75 | 0 | 4.375 | 0 | JB |
| Group One Mortgage | (734) 953-4000 | 5.375 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 4 | 0 | JB/VF |
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| Home Finance of America | (800) 358-5826 | 5.125 | 0 | 4.75 | 0 | 3.25 | 0 | JB |
| Horizon Financial Group | (866) 538-7887 | 5.25 | 1 | 4.875 | 1 | NR | NR | J |
| Huntington Mortgage Co. | (800) 538-1812 | 5.5 | 0 | 5.125 | 0 | NR | NR | JB/VF |
| International Mortgage Inc. | (248) 540-7576 | 5.375 | 0 | 4.875 | 0 | NR | NR | JB |
| JMC Mortgage Corp. | (248) 469-4020 | 4.875 | 3 | 4.5 | 3 | NR | NR | JB |
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| Peoples Mortgage | (313) 730-5040 | 5.125 | 0 | 4.625 | 0.125 | NR | NR | J |
| Pinecrest Mortgage | (800) 822-1448 | 5.25 | 0 | 4.75 | 0 | 3.625 | 0 | J |
| Premier Mortgage Funding | (248) 967-2274 | 5.25 | 0 | 4.875 | 0 | 3.825 | 0 | JB/VF |
| Prime Financial Corp. | (248) 203-7010 | 5.375 | 0 | 4.875 | 0 | NR | NR | VF |
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| St. James Mortgage Corp. | (800) 837-7005 | 5.625 | 0 | 5.125 | 0 | 4.125 | 0 | B |
| Standard Federal Bank | (800) HOME-800 | 5.25 | 2 | 4.625 | 2 | 3.25 | 2 | JB/VF |
| United Mortgage Group | (586) 286-9500 | 5.125 | 0.125 | 4.75 | 0 | 4.5 | 0 | JB/VF |
| Uptown Mortgage | (248) 203-8530 | 5.125 | 0 | 4.75 | 0 | 4.125 | 0 | J/BF |
| York Financial Inc. | (248) 593-9658 | 5.25 | 0 | 4.75 | 0 | 3.875 | 0 | JB |
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Collecting

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copied from glass Dazey one-quart churns with metal gears. If authentic, the churns often sell for well above the \$500 mark. The fakes are often priced at about \$50. The churns are aged to look old, but a closer inspection will reveal that the crank, mold marks, rivets in the lid and base are not right.

The advice often repeated in this column is simple: When a price seems too good to be true, it usually is. Be careful and always do your homework. Three of these fake churns made by evil Asian reproduction elves were recently seen at a local flea market.

Q. I have a tray that features the likeness of Marilyn Monroe. Whom can I contact to find out its value?

— Bertha, Mount Vernon, Ky.

A. Clark Kidder is a dealer who specializes in Marilyn Monroe memorabilia. His address is 3219 East Country Road N., Milton, WI 53563. For a second opinion, Denis Jackson is also interested in Monroe. His address is P.O. Box 1958, Sequim, WA 98382.

Q. My mother has decided to sell her extensive Hummel collection. Could you recommend some dealers who might help her with this?

— Shari, via e-mail.

A. The first Hummel figurines were created by Berta Hummel, a Franciscan nun, also known as Sister M. Innocentia. The earliest limited editions appeared in 1935 and were crafted and marketed by Franz Goebel of Rodental, Germany. In addition to figurines, plates and plaques were also produced. Hummel pieces are, of course, collected throughout the world.

To sell your collection, you need the advice of an expert. You might want to contact Dorothy Dous, president of the Hummel Collector's Club Inc. Her addresses are 1261 University Drive, Yardley, PA 19067; Web site, hummels.com. John Copeland is a dealer who specializes in Hummels. His toll-free telephone number is (800) 882-9946.

Q. I have an older saxophone that I played in my high-school band during the 1950s. Where can I sell it?

— Ken, Austin, Texas.

A. The Charles Fall Music Co. is

interested in older saxophones. Its address and toll-free telephone number are: 4710G Ecton Drive, Marietta, GA 30066; and (800) 965-2263.

Q. I have a glass plate that has an image of Herbert Hoover and the words "President Herbert Hoover" etched on it. It has been in my family for many years, and I would like to find out its approximate value.

— Anastazia, Decatur, Ill.

A. During this summer of campaigning, political collectibles have never been more popular. Your plate was probably issued during the presidential race of 1932 that pitted Hoover against Franklin Roosevelt.

Although there are numerous reference books and price guides available at most larger bookstores, you might want to begin your search by contacting Joe Doerring, a Hoover collector and expert. His address is P.O. Box 35351, Des Moines, IA 50315. A second resource is the Herbert Hoover Library, 211 Parkside Drive, P.O. Box 488, West Branch, IA 52358.

Q. I have a phonograph with a turntable that plays all three speeds of recordings. The needle is missing, and I would like to find another one so that I can use it again. Any suggestions?

— Shirley, Staarsburg, N.Y.

A. First, check your nearest Radio Shack. Needles for most of the older machines are available through the company's catalog sales.

If that fails, there are several companies that might be able to help you: namely G.M. Wylie Company, P.O. Box AA, Washington, PA 15301; Mike Zuccaro, 8795 Corvus St., San Diego, CA 92126; and Yesterday Once Again, P.O. Box 6773, Huntington Beach, CA 92615.

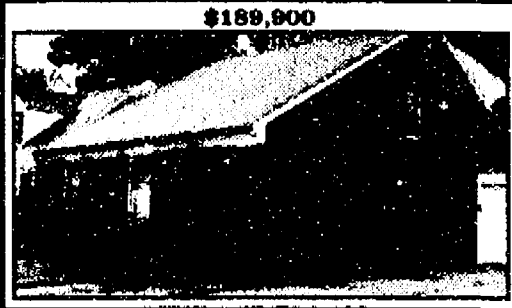
Q. I have a child's walking stick that was crafted in 1925. How can I find out its value?

— Karen, via e-mail.

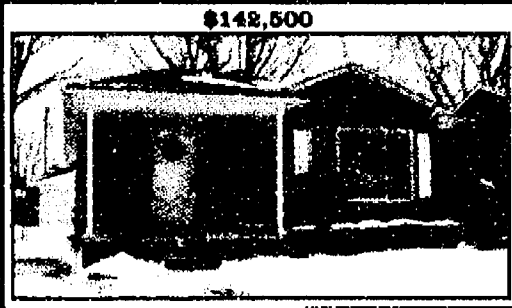
A. Henry Taron, owner of Tradewinds Antiques and Auctions, is a cane and walking stick expert. His address is P.O. Box 249, Manchester, MA 01944. You might also contact the Cane Collectors of America, 2 Horizon Road, Suite G18, Fort Lee, NJ 07024.

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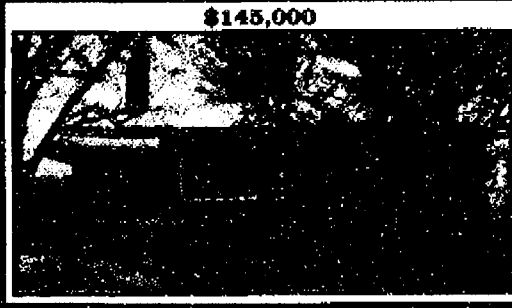
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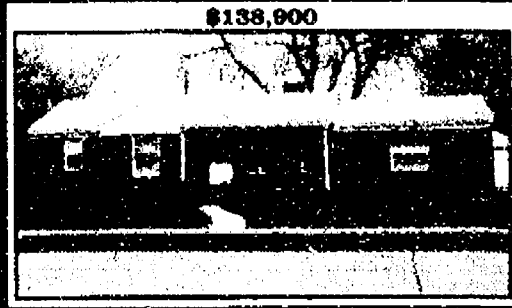
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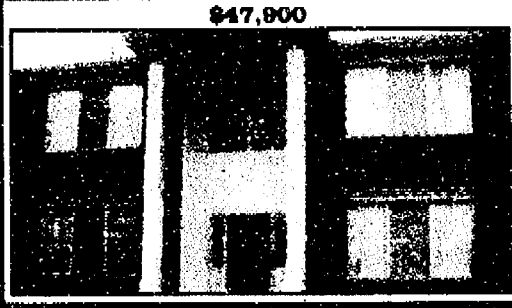
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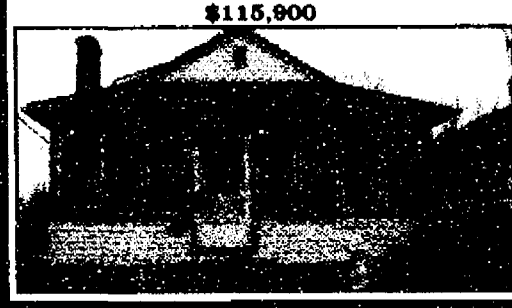
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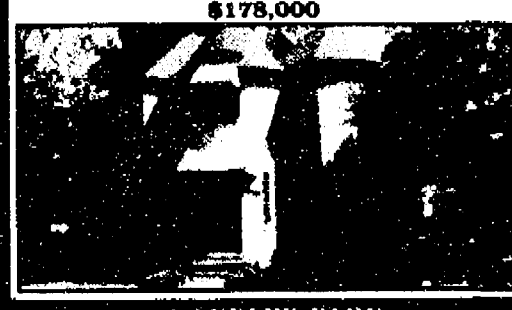
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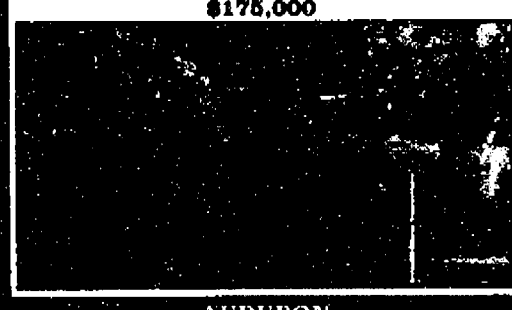
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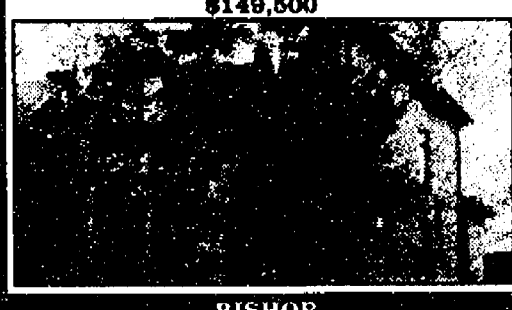
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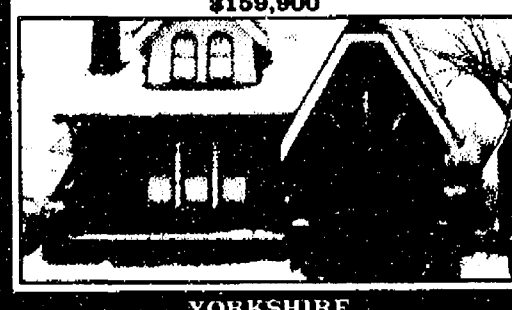
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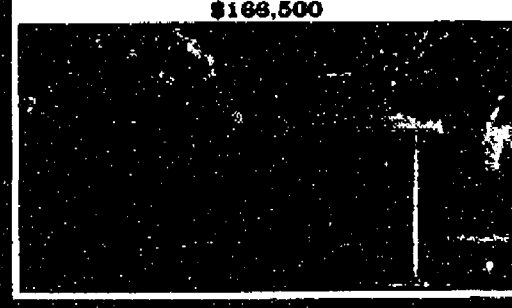
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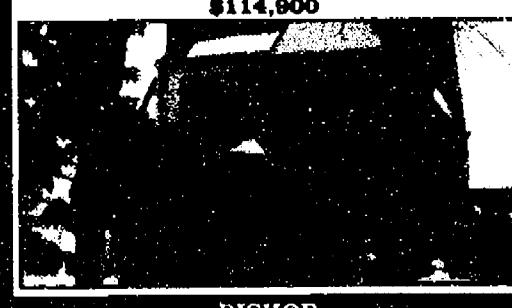
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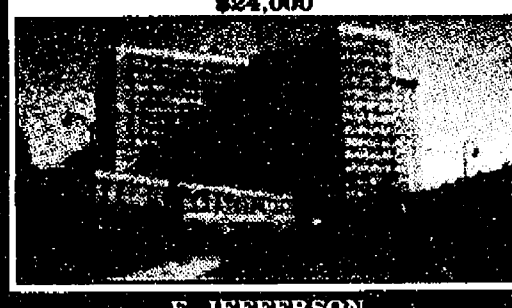
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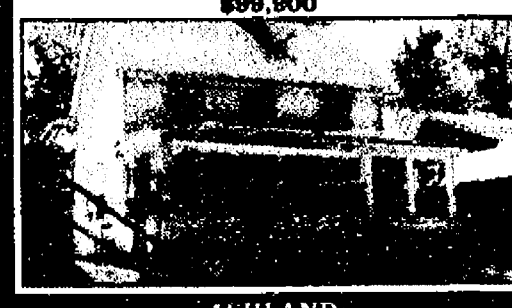
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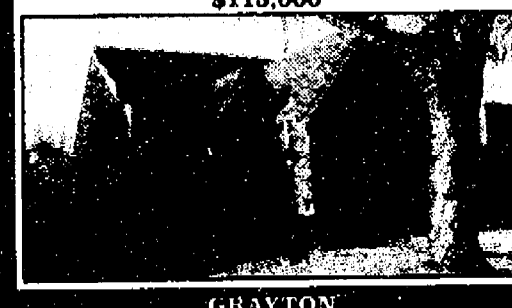
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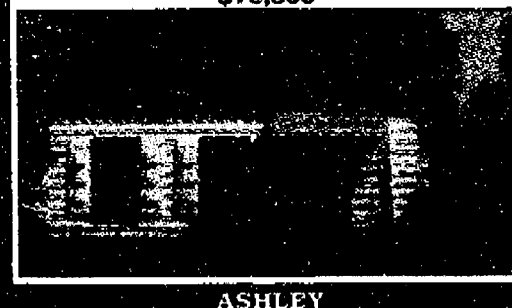
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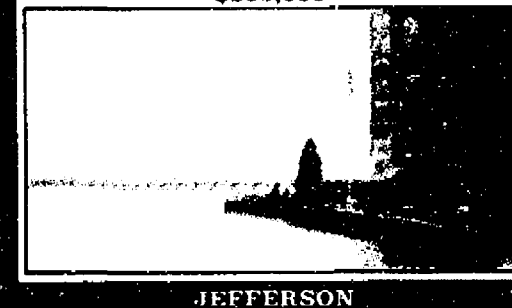
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800 HOUSES FOR SALE

2 bedroom brick, fireplace 2 1/2 car garage, fenced yard. Grosse Pointe border, \$85,900, (313)885-8129.

2110 VanAntwerp, Grosse Pointe Woods. Completely updated, 3 bedroom, 1 bath colonial. Generous room sizes including family room. Recently finished: hardwood floors, basement with full bath. \$225,000. (313)640-4134. Open Sunday 2-4pm.

800 HOUSES FOR SALE

BY owner, 21479 Morningside, Grosse Pointe Woods. Spectacular 4 bedroom colonial in prime location, close to all schools. Hardwood floors, master suite with bath. Huge finished basement with sauna, 2 car attached garage, 20'x 40' in ground pool with slide, outdoor Jacuzzi and much more. \$479,000. Call (313)881-8086 after 6pm. Open Sunday February 20th 11am-2pm

800 HOUSES FOR SALE

GROSSE Pointe Woods, 1777 Hawthorne, 2 story colonial, 1 1/2 bath, 3 bedrooms. \$259,000. Call for appointment, (313)882-1237

NEWER St. Clair Shores ranch 1981 built, 3 bedroom, 2 full 2 1/2 baths, "state of the art" kitchen, new roof, windows, paver walkways, finished basement. \$272,000. Ann Poronto, 586-997-9900 ReMax Metropolitan.

800 HOUSES FOR SALE

PRE LISTING SALE
Elegance, condition and cul-de-sac location make this Farms colonial outstanding. Newer kitchen with built-in appliances including Sub Zero. Large family room, living & dining room. Two fireplaces, plaster crown moldings, hardwood throughout, abundant storage and more! 4 large bedrooms, 3 full baths, 2 half baths, finished carpeted basement, new furnace & hot water. Asking \$587,000. Open Sunday 20th 2-5pm. 31 Elm Court or for appointment Call (313)886-4955

800 HOUSES FOR SALE

ST. Clair Shores, Nautical Mile. Colonial, 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, force air heating, air conditioning, oak floors, partially finished basement, family room with fireplace, newer roof/windows/ furnace, poured patio, attached garage. Move in condition. \$269,900. (586)776-4626

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Completely renovated 4 bedroom. Family home located within eyeshot of Lake St. Clair. Home features all new finishes including: • Nearly 1,000 sq. ft. Kitchen/Family Room Addition. • Cherry Cabinets with Granite Countertops • Master Bedroom Suite with Private Bath • Natural Hardwood Floors

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90 Feet Frontage on a Dead End Street, leading to Lake St. Clair. Established Grosse Pointe neighborhood.

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ST. Clair Shores, large 3 bedroom brick colonial, living room, family room, Inground pool, new granite kitchen. 2 car attached garage. \$275,000. (313)550-6900

ST. Clair Shores, 22625 Maxine, 1 large bedroom, \$87,000. Call for appointment, (313)882-1237

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GROSSE Pointe auto repair facility available. Long standing clientele. 12 + hoists, 4 large overhead doors. Please call (313)822-4454

803 CONDOS/APTS/FLATS

\$9800 down- no qualifying. 2 bedroom co-op, Vernier Road. Full basement, private entry. \$49,900, \$399/month principle interest plus association fee. Donna, 313-717-7277

1750 Vernier, 1st floor, corner 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, \$175,000. (734)417-0639

BY owner, 2 bedroom, 2 bath overlooking 13th fairway at St. Clair Shores Country Club. All appliances, garage. \$139,000. (810)304-0476 (810)387-0377

CO- op, by owner, St. Clair Shores, beautiful 1 bedroom, great neighborhood, under \$36,000. (586)939-5396 after 3pm

FOR sale! Available 2 & 3 bedroom townhouses. Williamsburg, 32115 Harper, St. Clair Shores, (586)293-4709

811 LOTS FOR SALE

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NEFF.- 2 large duplexes (4 units). Fireplaces, garages, hardwood, great location. \$715,000/ offer. Will split. (313)478-6402

GROSSE Pointe City, 17111 East Jefferson. 2nd* floor unit, sunny exposure, 1,800 sq. ft. (810)714-3103

ST. Clair Shores ranch. Lake view, 2 bedrooms, garage, balcony. \$117,900. (586)415-1810

UPPER condo for sale- 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths. Florida room, great location in the Park. \$165,000. Call today, (313)882-7271

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GROSSE POINTE CITY

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| 939 Rivard | \$349,900 | 2-4pm | Donna Stoner/Bolton Johnston | 313-655-5066 |
| 306 Roosevelt | \$489,900 | 2-4pm | Higbie Maxon Agney | 313-886-3400 |

GROSSE POINTE FARMS

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| 357 Belanger | \$279,000 | 1-4pm | Randy Repicky/Century 21 Town & Country | 313-530-1710 |
| 31 Elm Court | \$587,000 | 2-5pm | By Owner | 313-886-4955 |
| 410 Hillcrest | \$210,000 | 2-4pm | Higbie Maxon Agney | 313-886-3400 |

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| 1332 Grayton | | 1-3pm | Dee/Century 21 AAA | 586-292-7522 |
| 715 Trombley Road | \$699,000 | 2-4pm | By Owner | 313-720-8311 |

GROSSE POINTE SHORES

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| 80 Crestwood | \$399,500 | 2-5pm | By Owner | 313-642-0702 |
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| 1258 Hampton | \$210,000 | 1-4pm | Sharon Nelson/Century 21 Town & Country | 313-580-5987 |
| 1681 Hollywood | \$259,900 | 1-4pm | Keller Williams | 586-541-4018 |
| 1957 Manchester | \$204,900 | 2-4pm | Paul F. Pellerito/ReMax in the Pointes | 313-461-5022 |
| 21479 Morningside | \$479,000 | 11am-2pm | By Owner | 313-881-8086 |
| 21605 River Road | \$267,000 | 2-4pm | By Owner | 313-881-2429 |
| 1088 Torrey | \$317,500 | 2-4pm | Loraine Muccioli/Johnstone & Johnstone | 313-378-7999 |
| 19912 W. Doyle | \$379,000 | 2-4pm | Loraine Muccioli/Johnstone & Johnstone | 313-378-7999 |

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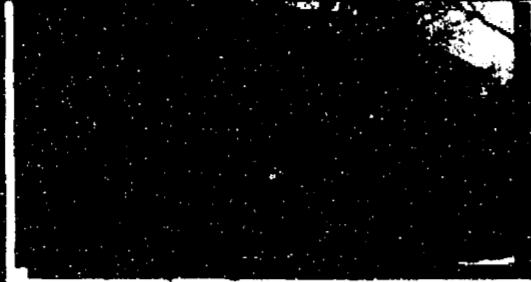
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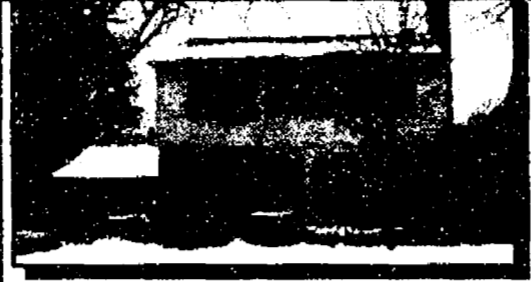
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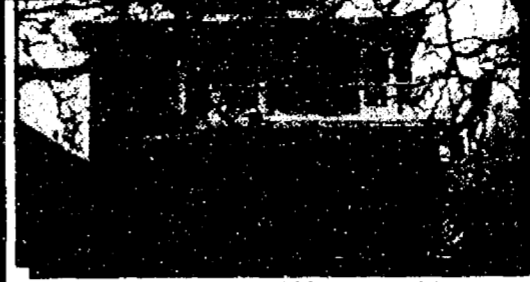
OXFORD, GROSSE POINTE WOODS
EXCEPTIONAL BLEND of old and new! Fabulous features throughout, immense two-story family room with loft, Mutzler kitchen with granite island, double staircase, oak flooring, multiple fireplaces. Four bedrooms, three car garage. \$575,000.

FIRST OFFERING



LAKELAND, GROSSE POINTE CITY
SPECTACULAR FAMILY ROOM with cathedral ceiling, skylights, recessed lighting, wet bar and built-in bookcases will be the "fun center" for you and your guests. Three bedrooms and two and one half baths, large rear yard deck. \$468,000.

FIRST OFFERING



LAKEPOINTE, GROSSE POINTE PARK
INVESTOR'S DELIGHT! Call us today about the seller financing being offered on this very well maintained two family. Fully occupied with great income. Hurry! \$194,500.

FIRST OFFERING



LENNON, HARPER WOODS
DREAM STARTER! Move in condition and walking distance to Grosse Pointe schools. Many updates and open floor plan. Master bedroom with full bath, Jacuzzi tub and skylights. Finished basement with office, cedar closet and lav. \$162,500.

FIRST OFFERING



KINGSVILLE, HARPER WOODS
START HERE! Darling Bungalow has been completely remodeled. New kitchen with large eating area, new bathroom, new carpet throughout and new windows. Neutral décor. Basement waterproofed. Grosse Pointe school district. \$105,000.

GROSSE POINTE SHORES



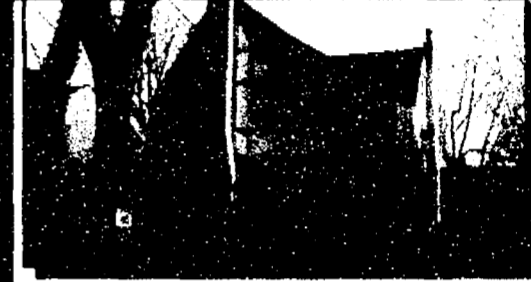
THIS IS LIVING! Four bedroom Colonial features a great floor plan and spacious rooms, including a family room, heated garden room and den. Master bedroom has a 16' x 12' sitting room. Beautiful interior and grounds. \$598,900.

GROSSE POINTE PARK



COLONIAL CHARM - contemporary convenience! Updated kitchen with premier appliances, refinished wood floors, freshly painted, new terra cotta floor in sunroom, large master suite with balcony, new full bath on third floor. \$489,000.

GROSSE POINTE FARMS



LOOKING FOR CHARM & AMAZING DETAIL? Looking for a wonderful neighborhood? Look no further! Four bedrooms, two and one half baths. This home is truly special. \$479,000.

GROSSE POINTE PARK



SPRAWLING RANCH with open floor plan set on a spacious 160 x 172 foot lot just off Jefferson. Updated kitchen, huge family room with door wall to patio, two and one half baths. Attached garage. \$585,000.

GROSSE POINTE WOODS



IT'S ALL HERE in this wonderful Colonial. Updated kitchen and newer baths. Newer family room plus a den, master bedroom has cathedral ceiling, walk-in closet and bath with steamer. Finished basement with bath and tons of storage. \$419,000.

GROSSE POINTE PARK



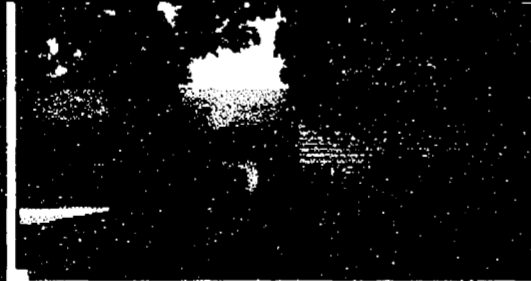
UNBELIEVABLE PRICE! This wonderful income property could be yours! Two bedrooms and fireplaces in each unit. Upper has an 8 x 5 foot sitting room. Shared basement, two year old furnace, central air new in 2003. \$141,000.

GROSSE POINTE FARMS



CUSTOM CENTER ENTRANCE COLONIAL features an updated kitchen with appliances, large breakfast room and formal dining room. Basement recreation room, bath, laundry room and a bonus room. Newer windows. \$289,000.

GROSSE POINTE PARK



LOCATION, CONDITION, VALUE! This quality built home is rich with architectural detailing and a lovely interior. Two full baths, Mutzler kitchen, custom fireplaces in living room and family room. \$380,000.

GROSSE POINTE PARK



EXCEPTIONAL RESIDENCE! Attractive Colonial situated on a fabulous size lot. Four bedrooms, charming kitchen with eating area, step-down family room with pegged floors and fireplace. Recreation room, deck and new central air. \$435,000.

GROSSE POINTE WOODS



WELL-MAINTAINED Colonial with great first floor living space. Large family room with gas fireplace and grill, bay window and beamed ceiling, updated kitchen, hardwood floors. Three-season garden room, finished basement. \$379,000.

GROSSE POINTE CITY



GRACIOUS COLONIAL is the answer to your home search. With its four bedrooms, updated kitchen, family room, multiple fireplaces and gleaming hardwood floors, you'll want to call it your home. New furnace and central air. \$495,000.

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2-4 P.M.

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1810 Oxford, Grosse Pointe Woods
872 Pemberton, Grosse Pointe Park
484 Elizabeth, Grosse Pointe Farms
20292 Lennon, Harper Woods
581 Pemberton, Grosse Pointe Park

2230 Hawthorne, Grosse Pointe Woods
1356 Bishop, Grosse Pointe Park
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