

No fireworks this Fourth at Parcels; exorbitant costs cited

By Jim Stickford
Staff Writer

What's the Fourth of July without fireworks?

Grosse Pointers will have the chance to find out this year because the Grosse Pointe Business and Professional Association of Mack Avenue has had to cancel its annual fireworks show at Parcels school in the Woods due to lack of funds.

The association made the

announcement last week after members came to the conclusion that they could not raise the \$30,000 needed for the show in time for the Fourth, said events chair Robbie Curry.

"I've been chair of the event for the past nine years, and funding and insurance have just killed it," Curry said. "We were getting too close to the Fourth, and we simply didn't have the money. We sent out

letters to our members requesting funding, but we didn't get the response we hoped for."

Association president Joyce Piasecki said there are only 120 association members. Running a business and trying to raise funds for the fireworks is very difficult, she admitted.

"Raising \$30,000 from only 120 donors is difficult," Piasecki said. "I think people enjoyed the fireworks, but the

costs have become monumental. It didn't used to cost so much money to put on the show. We hope to raise enough money for a show in 1995."

Woods Mayor Robert Novitke said that he had only heard about the cancellation of the fireworks last week.

"The event has been held at Parcels school in the Woods for the past 10 years, and it's always sad to hear that a tradi-

tion like this has been cancelled," Novitke said. "The Grosse Pointe Kiwanis used to have fireworks, and they stopped for one year, and never were able to put on another show."

The display, which in past years attracted a crowd of 75,000, required the Woods public safety department to work overtime, Novitke said.

The other Pointes and Harper Woods, were always willing to provide auxiliary police when the Woods asked for help, but the city always incurred some costs.

The city has in the past made a monetary contribution to the association to help sponsor the fireworks, Novitke said, but picking up a \$30,000 tab is out of the question.

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WEEK AHEAD

Friday, April 15

Tax Day. The Grosse Pointe post office will be open until 10 p.m.

Saturday, April 16

Grosse Pointe North boys host a six-team invitational track meet at noon.

Monday, April 18

The City of Grosse Pointe council meets at 7:30 p.m. in city hall, 17147 Maumee. The council is expected to fill the vacancy left by Susan Wheeler's appointment as mayor.

The Grosse Pointe Woods City Council meets at 7:30 p.m. in city hall, 20025 Mack.

The Grosse Pointe school board meets at 8 p.m. in the Wicking Library at South High School. The board will discuss the future of the public library.

Tuesday, April 19

The Village of Grosse Pointe Shores holds its regular council meeting at 7 p.m. in the village offices, 795 Lakeshore.

The Grosse Pointe Democratic Club will hold a membership meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the Unitarian Church on Maumee and St. Clair in the City of Grosse Pointe. Attending the meeting will be gubernatorial candidates Howard Wolpe, Larry Owen and Debbie Stabenow.

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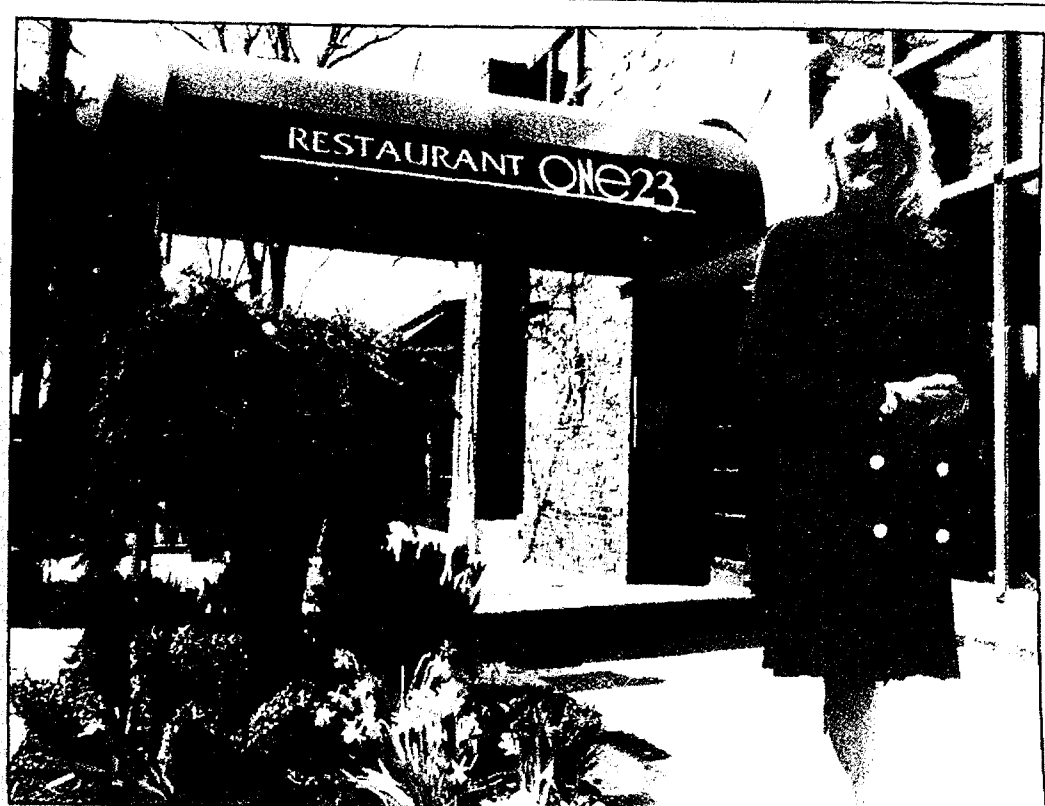
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Hill restaurant extends its welcome

They haven't rolled out the red carpet, but manager Darlene Peterson, above, and the owners of the upscale ONE23 restaurant on the Hill, have done the next best thing: They've installed a welcoming canopy out to the curb on Kercheval, following approval by Grosse Pointe Farms. Not only will diners stay dry, they'll also be better able to spot the restaurant. Look out Birmingham!

Park teen to be sentenced in stabbing

By Shirley A. McShane
Staff Writer

A 17-year-old Grosse Pointe Park youth pleaded no contest March 7 in Detroit Recorder's Court to charges that he stabbed a Grosse Pointe Woods teen in the leg and back during a fight last fall at Angel Park.

By entering a no contest plea to the charge of felonious assault, Michael P. Verlinden neither admitted guilt nor desired to contest the case in court and will be sentenced to the charge as if he were found guilty, said his attorney Laurence Burgess.

Verlinden is scheduled to be sentenced by Recorder's Judge Harvey Tennen on May 2. Felonious assault carries a maximum penalty of four years in prison.

"This has been an unfortunate situation, but there is more to the story than what (Detroit) police and newspaper articles have suggested," Burgess said.

Previous reports that Verlinden was acting abusive toward his girlfriend are inaccurate, Burgess said. He particularly took exception to remarks made by Detroit police that Grosse Pointe teenagers and their parents thought the matter was a joke and didn't take it seriously.

"My client's family and everyone involved are very concerned about this," Burgess said. "My client did not want to fight (the Woods teen) and tried to tell him he didn't want to fight. He was attempting to de-

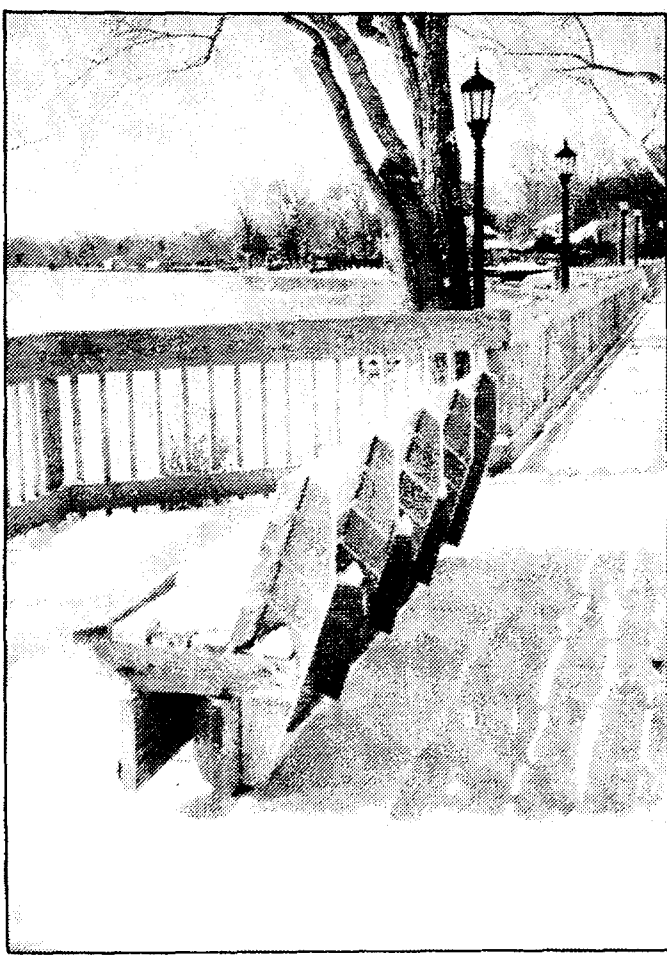
fend himself."

Burgess said Verlinden and the Woods youth had been best friends before the Woods teen developed a grudge against his client that escalated into a fight last fall.

Following several months of investigation by detectives in the Fifth Precinct of the Detroit Police Department, Verlinden was arraigned Feb. 7 in 36th District Court. A not guilty plea was entered on his behalf. He waived his right to a preliminary examination and was ordered to stand trial in Recorder's Court.

The charges stem from an Oct. 22 incident at Angel Park,

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Oh no, snow!

Photo by Joan Bartlett

Those dire words were on everyone's lips and minds last Thursday, April 7, when the Pointes were covered with more than an inch of snow - just when we thought it was all over. Let's hope that's the last of the white stuff until Christmas.

2 Gravel killers lose appeal, face adult sentences

By Shirley A. McShane
Staff Writer

The Michigan Supreme Court has denied a sentencing appeal made by two men convicted of killing Grosse Pointe businessman Benjamin Gravel.

In a 5-2 decision, with justices Michael Cavanagh and Charles Levin dissenting, the state's highest court on April 8 ordered Cortez Miller, 19, and Kermit Haynes, 20, to be sentenced as adults in Detroit Recorder's Court for their role in the 1990 murder of Gravel.

The supreme court essentially upheld a May 1993 Michigan Court of Appeals order to reverse Detroit Recorder's Chief Judge Dalton Roberson's decision to sentence Miller and Haynes as juveniles.

Miller and Haynes are currently being held at the Maxey Training Center for serious juvenile offenders in Whitmore Lake. They were sentenced in August 1991 as juveniles and remanded to the custody of the Department of Social Services until they turn 21. Haynes will be 21 in July. Miller turns 21 next April.

The convicted killers were 15 and 16 at the time of the crime. The Wayne County prosecutor's office elected to prosecute both as adults for first-degree murder. Although Miller and Haynes pleaded guilty to first degree murder, Michigan law allows a convicted juvenile to be sentenced either to state prison or to juvenile probation until the juvenile turns 21.

After Roberson sentenced the two teens as juveniles, the Wayne County prosecutor's office sought and obtained reversals of both sentences. Following the Michigan appeals court decision last spring, Miller and Haynes appealed to the state Supreme Court.

In her opinion, justice Patricia Boyle said "the interests of public safety can be served without forcing the trial court into the all-or-nothing choice of placing a person 16 or 17 years old in the juvenile system until the age of 21 or placing that

The defendants could further stall the case by filing for a rehearing.

same person in the adult system for a non-parolable term of natural life."

Boyle further suggested that the Michigan Legislature should consider amending current laws to provide a broader range of sentencing discretion in cases involving automatic waiver of juveniles.

Justices Cavanagh and Levin defended Roberson's sentence, arguing that his conclusions were supported by ample proof in carefully reasoned opinions based on lengthy hearings and expert recommendations.

A sentencing date has not been set for Miller and Haynes, but Tom Chambers, Wayne County assistant prosecutor in the appellate division, said both could further stall the case by filing a motion for rehearing with the Michigan Supreme Court. Miller and Cortez also could ask Roberson to withdraw their guilty plea and retry the case.

"But, in my opinion, they don't have much of a chance the second time around," Chambers said. "We have the upper hand now. We're no longer trying to get something changed; the onus is on them."

Haynes, Miller and four other youths ambushed the 53-year-old Gravel shortly after 10 p.m. on Feb. 8, 1990, as he was driving on Clairpointe in Detroit. Using a gun provided by Miller, Haynes fired several bullets into Gravel's car when he ignored Haynes' orders to stop the vehicle.

Gravel was fatally wounded.

POINTER OF INTEREST

Effie C. Pappas

Home: Grosse Pointe Woods

Age: "You'll have to guess."

Family: Married, no children

Occupation: Designer at Scott-Shuptrine

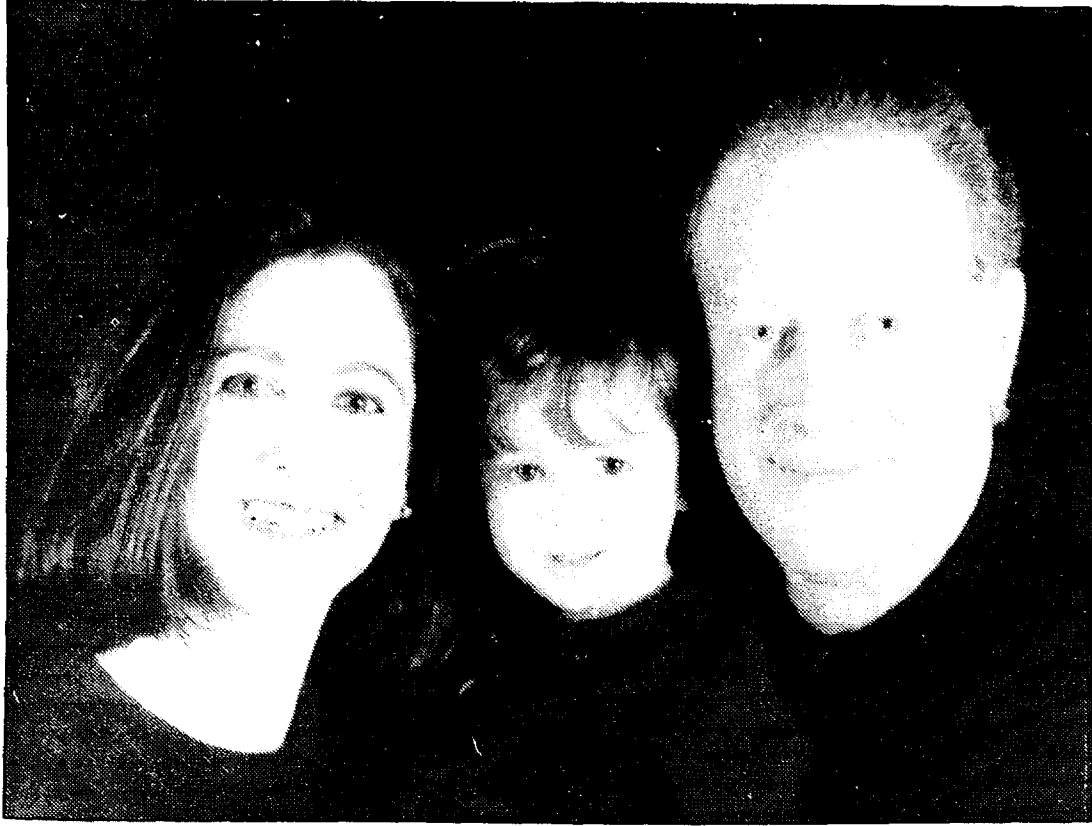
Claim to fame: Named 1993 Interior Designer of the Year by the Home Furnishing Representatives of Michigan.

Quote: "I took this job thinking it would be for one year and it has become 47."

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Effie C. Pappas



Monte Nagler used a diffusion filter to soften facial lines in this family portrait of Sarah and Harold Fried and their delightful daughter, Leah.

Farms to build new picnic shelter

By Chip Chapman
Staff Writer

Continuing the updates at the Pier Park, the Grosse Pointe Farms City Council approved a \$25,139 bid to construct a new picnic shelter in place of the present shelter.

The new shelter will be roughly the same size as the

current one, and will have a cedar-shake roof, wooden support columns, electrical service plugs, recessed ceiling lights, gutters and downspouts, and a new concrete floor.

"This is a continuation of the park's theme," said Farms parks and recreation director Richard Huhn. "The new struc-

ture will have lights, which the current one doesn't have."

The purchase of options — copper gutters, a sink and a cupola — could bring the total price up to \$33,378.

Funding will come from the Farms' capital improvement fund.

Five Builders, the lowest of four bidders, is scheduled to begin the work by April 18 and completed the project by May 20.

Stabbing

From page 1

a popular teen hangout at the foot of Alter Road in Detroit, where Verlinden and a 16-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods boy engaged in a fistfight. Witnesses said Verlinden pulled out a knife and stabbed the Woods teen in the leg and back.

The injured youth was treated at a local hospital for the stab wounds and a collapsed lung.

Trouble between the two youths began earlier that night at a "teen drinking party" in Grosse Pointe Park, according to Detroit police.

Senior facility plans April 24 open house

St. John-Bon Secours Senior Community will host an open house from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday, April 24, at 18300 E. Warren near Mack.

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For more information, call 343-8971.

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Five color filters that really work

There are countless types of filters on the market, many of which are outrageous and needless. But certain filters, used properly, can be important additions to your photo accessories. They can turn an ordinary picture into something quite special.

Today, I'm going to discuss the five essential filters for color film, the ones I feel you can put to good use to help get rave reviews for your photographs. In my next column, I'll talk about the important black and white filters.

Polarizers: This is the most essential filter of all. The polarizer will reduce reflections, cut through haze and, most important, deepen colors, especially the blue in the sky. Shooting at a right angle from the sun, a polarizer will dramatically darken the sky for an impact-filled photo. Think of a polarizer as putting a pair of sunglasses on your camera.

Skylight: While a skylight filter will slightly warm up colors, its main function is to protect your lens. Think of it as an inexpensive "insurance policy" for your expensive lens.

Diffusion: A diffusion filter will make you a hero when photographing the women in your life. Harsh facial lines will be eliminated and more glamorous shots will result. Diffusion filters are available in a variety of strengths from a very slight softening effect to extreme diffusion.

Photography

By Monte Nagler

Close-up: Most lenses can't focus any closer than a couple feet so if you want to produce some good, close-ups of flowers, you're just out of luck. Simple solution — a set of close-up filters. It's like placing a magnifying glass on your camera. Sound exciting? It is! Close-up filters come in sets of three, allowing you to select whatever strength works best for you.

Colored filters: Orange, red, magenta — any color you want is available. Colored filters can be used to really spruce up a sunrise or sunset by adding the filter color to the overall scene. For best results, use slide film and be sure to bracket your exposures.

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All items for the Features and Entertainment sections must be in by 3 p.m. Friday to be considered for the following week's paper.

All items for the Sports section must be in by 10 a.m. Monday for that week's paper.

All items for the News section, including letters to the editor, must be in by 3 p.m. Monday for that week's paper.

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Wendy Anderson Halperin, an award-winning artist and illustrator of children's books, will be the guest reader for a mini read-aloud at the Grosse Pointe Central Library on Wednesday, April 20, at 7:30 p.m.

The read-aloud is a highlight of the library's celebration of National Library Week, April 17-23. Halperin will read "Hunting the White Cow" by Tres Semour, a children's book she illustrated and which she researched extensively.

The book is set in rural Kentucky in the 1920s. In order to capture the mood of the region and time period, Halperin spent hours scanning old photographs in the Chicago Public Library and the University of Kentucky's library. In order to best illustrate the cows, she traveled to Switzerland to observe them in their mountain habitat.

Other National Library Week activities include a book raffle which can be entered all week at any branch library, a Tech Tour of library CD ROM programs, a Friends of the Library \$3 bag day and a pajama party story hour at Third Coast Booksellers.



They're in the cricket league

Scott Vandekerckhove of Grosse Pointe Woods won second place in the January 1994 Cricket League International writing competition. The 12-year-old Parcels Middle School student placed second with his poem about a special passion. His poem appears in the April 1994 issue of the award-winning children's magazine.

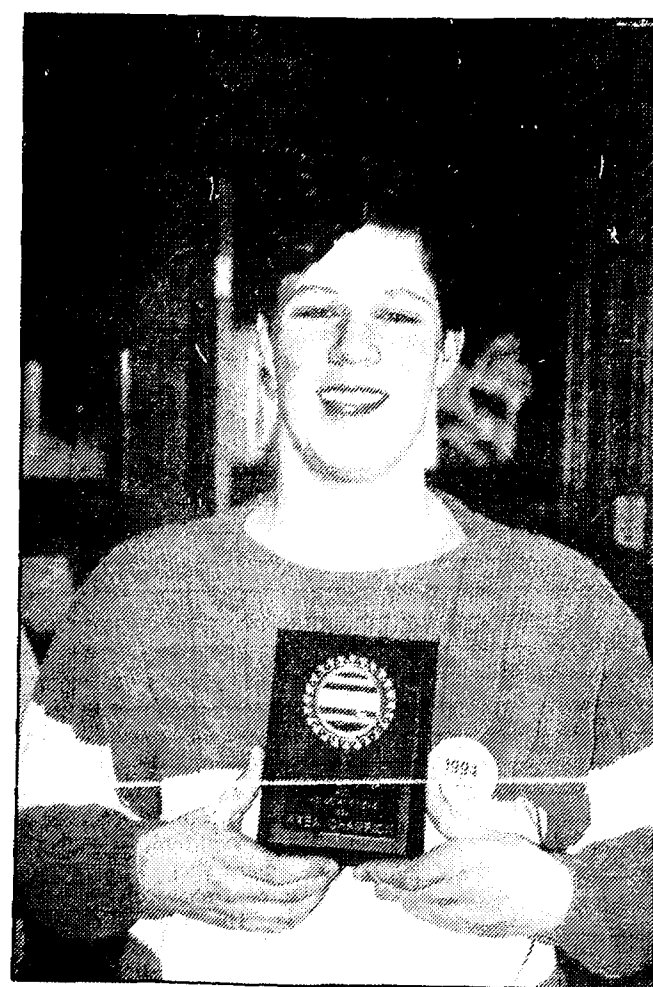
Ben Semmler of the City of Grosse Pointe received an honorable mention in the competition for his story about a horse. Semmler, 11, is a student at Brownell Middle School.

Learn about genes and ADHD

Genetics may be a factor for children who suffer from Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD), according to recent research on the disease. This genetic link, along with how ADHD is associated with other disorders, including anxiety, depression and obsessive/compulsive disorder, will be the highlight of an 8 a.m. to noon seminar on Saturday, April 30, at University Liggett School, 1045 Cook Road, in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Featured speakers at the ADHD seminar sponsored by the Bon Secours Center for Individual and Family Therapy and University Liggett School are: Michael Nigro, chief of neurology at Children's Hospital of Michigan and professor, department of pediatrics and neurology at Wayne State University; and Joel Young, medical director of psychiatric emergency services at Crittenton Hospital.

The workshop is designed for parents, teachers, physicians, psychologists and social workers. The cost is \$20. To register or for more information, please call (810)779-7900.



Leehr takes first

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To be candid this Grosse Pointe Woods camera shop has it all

By Jim Stickford
Staff Writer

Not many people can thank a recession for getting them into the business of their dreams, but Sam Vinegar, owner of Classic Cameras at 20219 Mack in the Woods can.

Vinegar sold tires until the recession of the late 1970s put him out of work. It was then that he decided to go into business for himself selling antique photography equipment.

"I was driving along Mack and I saw an empty store near the old Studio Camera store," Vinegar said. "Back then it was one of the best camera stores in the state. So I decided to open my own business in the empty store. I was already a collector of antique cameras, so I bought them out."

Vinegar was able to purchase the fixtures from a couple of camera stores that were going out of business, and he bought his store's carpet from a discount store that was closing.

"Our principal service is the buying and selling of new and used cameras, primarily used ones," Vinegar said. "We also deal in all types of photography equipment as well. There is a large worldwide market for collector's quality cameras and

photography equipment. I have a catalog that lists 8,000 different kinds of cameras dating to the earliest days of photography."

Vinegar's oldest camera dates to the '70s — the 1870s.

"Photography dates back to the 1840s," said Vinegar. "Here when we talk about the war and what it did for photography, we are talking about the Civil War. When people ask us about post-war cameras we have to ask which war are they referring to."

They also repair cameras at Vinegar's store. If they can't repair it there, they can find someone who can. Believe it or not, Vinegar said, the most modern cameras are the ones that are hardest to repair.

"Modern cameras have a lot of electronic parts, so they have to be sent to the factory for repair. For very old cameras, we can often make the part."

In addition to running the camera shop, Vinegar sponsors camera shows across the country. His next Michigan show will be at the Dearborn Civic Center on April 16 and 17.

"I have a customer base all over the country," said Vinegar. "I just recently stopped doing shows in California and

Washington state. The red tape required to operate there has become too great."

In addition to selling antique cameras, Vinegar sells antique fountain pens, old photographs and old radios and televisions.

"I have a 1948 studio video camera," said Vinegar. "It's one of the oldest video cameras ever. I sell a lot of toys for men, basically. There are women photographers and women collectors, but for the most part my customers are men. In selling antique pictures, one nude is worth 1,000 grandmas."

Vinegar explained that 19th century nude portraits are extremely rare, while portraits of grandmothers aren't. So the price for nudes is high.

Vinegar sells film and a limited number of modern cameras. He does not sell photographic paper or photographic chemicals. He says the trend in cameras is similar to the trend in computers. A better model will be out every six months. He also provides manual cameras to local schools for photography classes.

"I have a 5-year-old digital camera," Vinegar said. "Digital cameras don't use film, they record the image on a computer disc. The disc is inserted into a machine and the picture can be viewed on a computer screen or printed out on paper. The technology has changed so much, they don't even make the lenses for my camera anymore."

Vinegar does not see people abandoning film for computer discs in the future. It's so cheap to have pictures developed, he said, that the cost of digital cameras, which can be as high as \$15,000, will have to drop greatly.

For weekend photographers, film will be cheaper and easier for some time to come, Vinegar said.

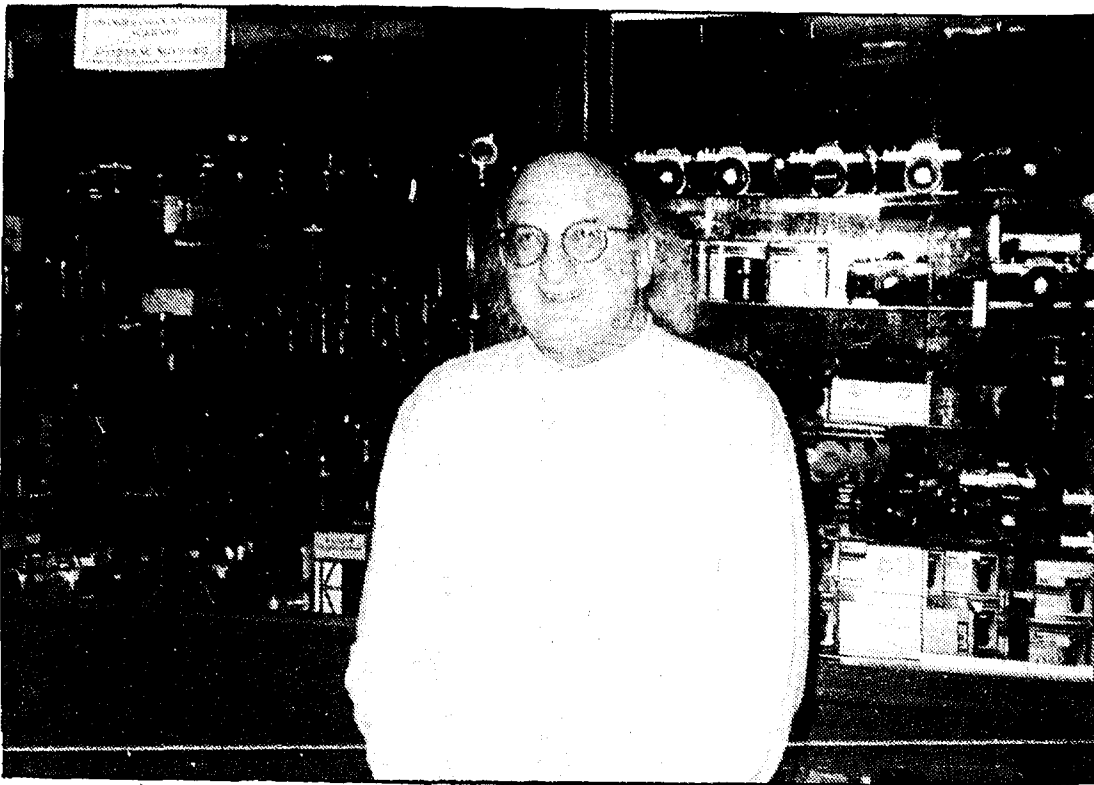


Photo by Jim Stickford

Classic Camera owner Sam Vinegar has a wide selection of antique and used cameras that stretches back over 100 years. The Woods shop aims to please the serious photography buff.

Managing damaging conflict in family-owned businesses

Only one in 10 family-owned businesses survive through the third generation due to the complexity of combining business and family interests. To be successful, family-owned businesses need to employ specific techniques for solving intergenerational conflict and for managing sibling rivalry.

On Tuesday, April 19, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Radisson Hotel in Southfield, the Family Business Council (FBC), southeastern Michigan's only

non-profit business assistance program created solely for family-owned businesses, will present a program on "Resolving Intergenerational Conflict and Managing Sibling Rivalry."

Mary Whiteside, former director of the Family Firm Institute and author of "How Families Work Together," is the featured presenter.

For more information, contact Rick Segal at (810) 353-5600.

Business People



Allen

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Richard Allen, as part of Kelsey Hayes' reorganization, will serve as president of foundation brake operations. Allen joined the company last year, after serving in management positions with Perkins Engines Ltd. of England and Massey Ferguson.

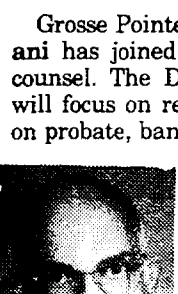
Grosse Pointe Park resident Alice VanTassel recently qualified as a team manager with Mary Kay Cosmetics. VanTassel gets free use of a red Pontiac Grand Am, and had to meet specific sales and recruiting quotas to earn the honor.

Grosse Pointe Park resident Steve Brown was named executive vice president, general manager of J. Walter Thompson Detroit. Before his promotion, Brown was senior vice president, executive management director of diversified accounts.



Daly

Grosse Pointe Park resident Mike Daly recently joined Kolon Bittker & Desmond as senior vice president, executive creative director. He will oversee concept developments and creative functions within the agency. Daly previously worked for Young & Rubicam as a vice president.



Viviani

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Anthony Viviani has joined Blue Water Title Co. as legal counsel. The Detroit College of Law graduate will focus on real estate law with an emphasis on probate, bankruptcy and taxation.



Ravi

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Dr. Valiya Ravi was named president of the Saratoga Community Hospital medical staff. Dr. Ravi is a gastroenterologist and joined the Saratoga's medical staff in November 1981.

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Steve Moore was appointed executive vice president of the main office of Image Entertainment. Moore has 25 years of experience in the entertainment industry and specializes in corporate and association entertainment production.

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"As the April 15 deadline approaches, I want to remind Michigan taxpayers who may not be able to complete their returns timely, to request an extension by filing Form 4868, Application for Extension of Time to File U.S. Individual Income Tax Return," said IRS district director John Hummel.

The extension must be filed by midnight, April 15. A timely extension will allow taxpayers until Aug. 15 to complete their return.

"Taxpayers must estimate

their total tax liability when requesting an extension," Hummel said, "and, if possible, pay it with the Form 4868. If they are unable to pay the full amount, they can still get the extension."

Interest will be charged on any tax not paid by April 15. There may also be a late payment penalty if the amount paid by April 15 is less than 90 percent of the total tax on the return.

If you have completed your tax return, but cannot pay the full amount owed, you can ask for an installment plan when you file. Complete Form 9465 and attach it to the front of the

tax return. We will let you know within 30 days if the proposed plan is acceptable.

April 15 is also the due date of the first installment for 1994 estimated taxes. "Individuals who pre-pay their taxes directly to the IRS must make the first payment by April 15," Hummel said. "Form 1040ES, Estimated Tax for Individuals, is used to send the payment." Both the Form 4868 and 1040ES are available from local IRS offices. Many community libraries also have copies of federal income tax forms. Last-minute taxpayers may be able to copy the forms they need there.



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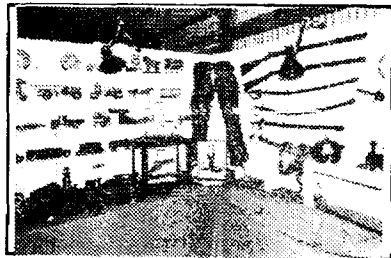
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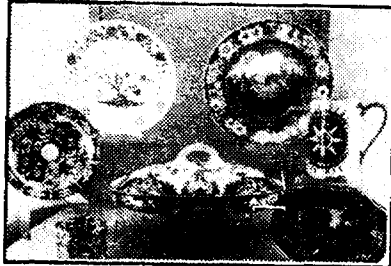
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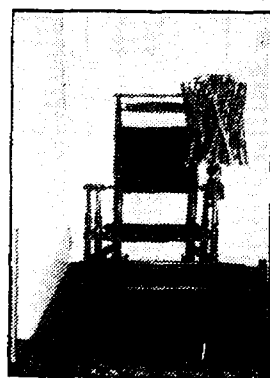
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Cable expansion a step closer as Woods acts to join group

By Jim Stickle
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointers moved one step closer to getting new and expanded cable television service last week when the Grosse Pointe Woods City Council completed the first step toward passing a cable franchise ordinance.

The law prevents city councils from passing ordinances on the day they are introduced. There must be a first and second reading before ordinances may be passed to allow public comment on the proposed measure.

The Woods is the only one of the five member cities of Grosse Pointe Cable that hasn't passed a new cable franchise agreement.

Grosse Pointe Cable's original 15-year franchise with the five cities, Harper Woods, Grosse Pointe Woods, the City of Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Farms and Grosse Pointe Park, expires later this year.

In order to update and expand the system, Grosse Pointe Cable has to borrow money, said company president John

Nicholson. But the company needs a completed franchise agreement with the five cities first.

When completed, the new system will be expanded to 80 channels, up from the current 35, and will use fiber optic cables which can transmit more than television images.

So for the past several months cable officials and representatives from the cities have been working out the details of the new franchise agreement.

Woods Mayor Robert Novitke and other members of the Woods city council had strong objections to the composition of the cable company's board of directors and vowed not to pass any franchise agreement until it was changed.

The agreement that created Grosse Pointe Cable was an unusual one. In order to keep control of the system local, the five cities approved a plan put forth by the War Memorial.

The plan established a cable company owned by the War Memorial and the five cities, through a beneficial trust.

Comcast Cable would own a portion and provide technical help and use its size to purchase programming at a reduced price.

The original franchise agreement established a five-member board of directors. The War Memorial would have three directors, Comcast would have one and all the cities would have one director to represent their interests.

Under the board of directors would be an advisory board consisting of one representative from each city. Nicholson pointed out that before the board of directors made any major decision, it always got the approval of the advisory board.

But when it became apparent that the Woods and other cities would not approve the franchise agreement with the old board, Nicholson and Grosse Pointe Cable agreed to change the board's composition. The new board has 12 members, five from the War Memorial, one from each of the five cities and two from Comcast.

Actions by the board would

require at least three of the five cities' votes, Nicholson said.

Ward Beard, a Woods resident, spoke to the council at last week's meeting and asked it to consider carefully any decision concerning cable.

"As a member of the future committee I am concerned about cable 12 or 15 years in the future," Beard said. "Cable is one of Grosse Pointe's jewels. No one knows how the information superhighway will change things, but one thing is sure, things won't be the same. A cable system that can handle the technology of the future will be a foundation Grosse Pointe can build on for the future."

Woods city attorney George Catlin told the council that the agreement they were considering was not quite the same one agreed to by the other cities. The major difference was that it would allow other cable companies to set up shop in the Woods without having to offer their services to all Woods residents.

"We did this in case, in the future, a cable company has a service appropriate for say businesses," said Novitke. "This amendment allows us to let them operate in the city without their having to offer their services to residents."

Nicholson told the council that the amendment might violate anti-redlining laws. Novitke asked Catlin to investigate that possibility.

The council will vote on the proposed franchise ordinance at its Monday, April 18 meeting.

Nicholson said that once the Woods passes the ordinance, Grosse Pointe Cable will proceed with its expansion plan.

"We have completed the planning and mapping phase of the rebuild," said Nicholson. "We are currently in the design phase. Once the design phase is done, we will proceed to the equipment purchasing phase and then the installation phase. Actual construction should begin this summer. We expect the whole thing to take between 18 months and two years."

Board approves 2.75% pay hike for teachers

By Shirley A. McShane
Staff Writer

After more than seven months of negotiations, stalled talks, mediation and other methods to reach an accord, Grosse Pointe school board members ratified a new contract Monday night.

While the lengthy process is over for now, teachers and the board will begin it all over again in May since both sides only agreed to a one-year contract.

The board voted 6-1 to ratify the contract that features a 2.75 percent pay increase and addresses other issues recommended by a state-appointed fact-finder. Trustee Sears Taylor cast the dissenting vote.

"My first allegiance as a trustee on the board of education is to the child and to make sure we are wisely spending a limited, shrinking pie of resources," Taylor said.

Taylor's vote reflected comments made by some members of the community who voiced opposition to a pay increase for teachers and librarians.

"I think it's a little unfair to take advantage of the taxpayer at this time," said Woods resident Jim Perry. "I can't under-

stand how the fact-finder made his decision. He was hired by the state; he certainly was not hired by the taxpayers."

Perry said he fears the district will fall short of funds needed to support a pay hike and will turn to the taxpayers to approve a millage increase.

Other residents questioned how 2.75 percent is a compromise between the 3 percent the Grosse Pointe Education Association asked for and the wage freeze sought by the school board.

"Teachers wages exceed the rate of inflation while workers in private industry saw their wages reduced," said Park resident Anneliese Bajer.

Other residents who addressed the board said they were willing to support a pay increase for teachers in order to maintain the quality of schools.

"This is a fine school system

and the teachers deserve what they get," said City resident Terry Nelson. "If we want to stay that way we have to do what's necessary."

Except for Taylor, the other school board members were comfortable adopting the fact-finder's recommendations. Board members spoke of the district's consistent high ranking in the annual Michigan Educational Assessment Program tests, the district's continual efforts to levy less than the voter-approved millage rate and the process of site-based budgeting, all of which reflect the school district's efforts to contain costs and maintain high standards.

Negotiations began last spring in anticipation of the expiration of the GPEA's three-year contract on Aug. 31, 1993. Talks stalled when both sides deadlocked on issues of wages

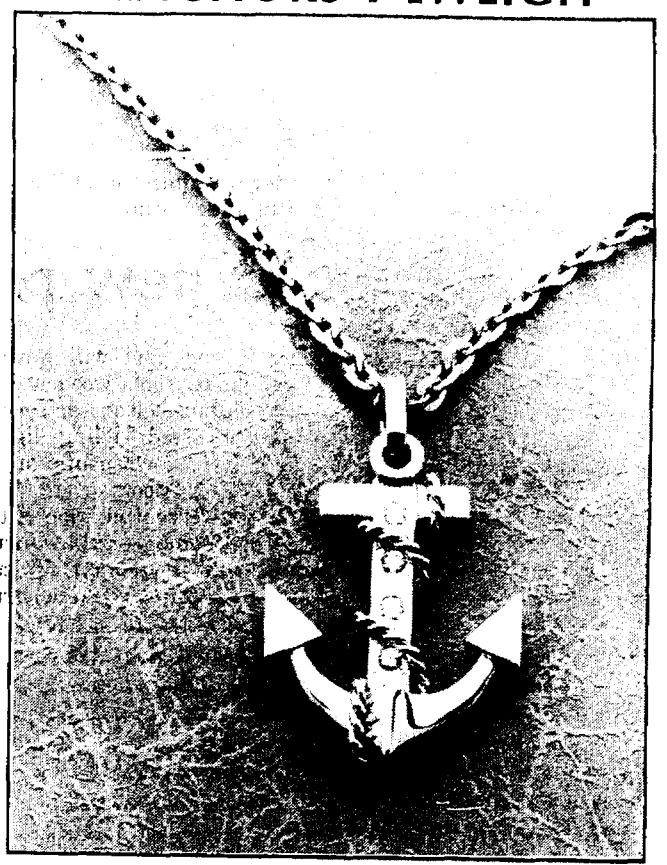
and benefits and the district sought the help of a mediator.

The mediator, however, was unsuccessful in bringing both sides to an agreement. Next, both sides agreed to call in a state-appointed fact-finder to issue a non-binding recommendation.

Appointed by the Michigan Employment Relations Commission, fact-finder Mark J. Glazer met with both sides of the bargaining table in early February and issued a report dated Feb. 23.

Teachers and librarians ratified the new contract March 23.

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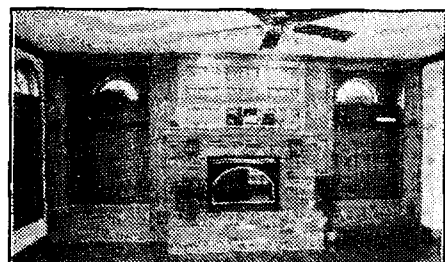
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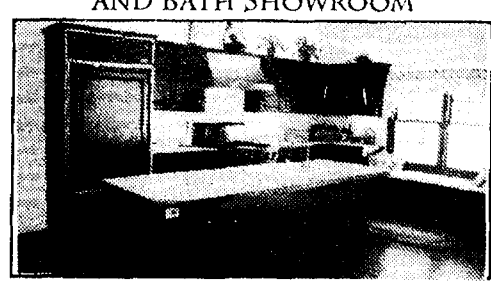


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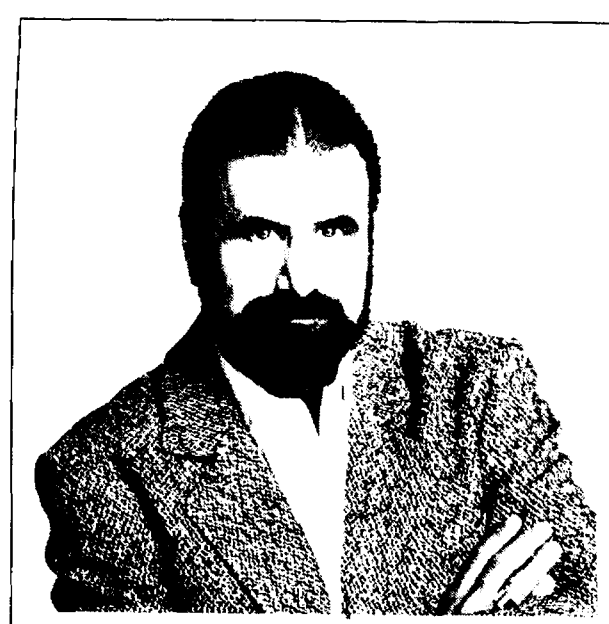
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Patience has paid off for award-winning interior designer

By Chip Chapman
Staff Writer

Effie Pappas has been in the interior design business long enough to see furniture styles come and go and then come back again.

When the Woods resident went to work at the Scott-Shuptrine Furniture store on East Jefferson near Belle Isle in the late 1940s, she thought she would only stay there for about a year.

"I took this job thinking it would be for one year and it

has become 47," she joked. "I married Arthur G. Pappas and Scott-Shuptrine."

Pappas had come into the store, which specializes in traditional furniture to purchase a bedroom set.

"I was talking with Mr. (Harold) Scott (who co-owned the store with Willard Shuptrine) and he told me there was a job opening," Pappas said. "I was hired as a secretary, and before I knew it, I was working out on the floor."

Pappas had worked as a sec-

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retary for the U.S. War Department in downtown Detroit, but she didn't like the job. She enjoyed art and design and decided to pursue these interests.

"I loved it from the first minute," Pappas said. "I loved the people who ran the store then and the Van Elslanders (Gary, president, and David, director of merchandising) have been great."

Last November, Pappas was honored as the 1993 Interior Designer of the Year by the Home Furnishing Representatives of Michigan.

The award was based on her sales volume and knowledge of products in the industry.

"I was invited ahead of time, but I didn't know I would receive an award," she said. "I went there and thought, 'who knows?' but I was elated when I won."

Soon after she was hired, Pappas took art and interior design classes at Wayne State University.

When she joined Scott-Shuptrine, the store was located on East Jefferson, near Belle Isle. Then, as it is now, Scott-Shuptrine was considered a "high end" business. The Van Elslander family, which bought Scott-Shuptrine seven years ago, have kept it that way.

"We had a doorman," she remembered, "and customers would pull up in limousines in front of the store."

About 40 years ago, the East Jefferson Scott-Shuptrine store moved to its present location on Mack in Grosse Pointe Farms, and Pappas moved with it.

Although she values the education she received at Wayne State, Pappas said the best training comes from being in the store.

"School is great, but the store is where you gain the

knowledge," she said.

Pappas credits former store managers Fred Oderfer and Carl Roesch as mentors who helped her learn the furniture and interior design business.

Over the years, Pappas has returned the favor, serving as a mentor to younger staff members at Scott-Shuptrine.

"The young people on the staff sometimes ask my advice," Pappas said. "They are very anxious, but it takes a long time to develop business. You have to know the product and the people. And you have to be patient."

Pappas credits her success to knowing the needs and wishes of her patrons, from whom she receives a lot of repeat business.

"I've never felt that something has to be my way," she said, "but I will tell the patron if something is wrong. My reputation is on the line."

Pappas is a member of Scott-Shuptrine's Laurel Society, established by the Van Elslanders to recognize sales and design excellence.

Pappas and her husband, who retired from Unisys, enjoy playing golf and going to the theater in their spare time. Although they have no children of their own, they are especially proud of their nephew, John Panourgia, who is an attorney with Dickinson, Wright, Moon, Van Dusen & Freeman.

"One of these days I'll have to leave," she said, "but not too soon."



Effie Pappas gets comfortable at the Scott-Shuptrine furniture store in the Farms. She has been with the company for 47 years.

Two running for school board

School board president Timothy Howlett will be challenged June 13 by Grosse Pointe Park resident David Hunt in the annual election for one four-year term to the board.

Howlett and Hunt were the only two school district residents to submit an application to run in the June election by the Monday, April 11 deadline.

Howlett is seeking a second term on the board. He is a resident of Grosse Pointe Park and a partner in the law firm of Dickinson, Wright, Moon, Van Dusen & Freeman.

This will be Hunt's second bid for a seat on the board. A resident of Grosse Pointe Park, Hunt is 31 and a manager of a mortgage company.

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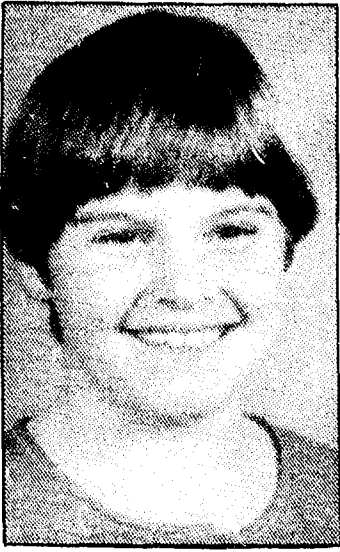
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Student Spotlight

Lauren Miller

Each week in this column we focus on the work of a student. It can be a poem, a drawing, a short story, a picture of a scientific experiment, a woodworking project or a book review.

Lauren Miller is in the fourth grade at Grosse Pointe Christian Day School in Grosse Pointe Park. She is the daughter of John and Loretta Miller of Detroit.



Lauren Miller

SPRINGTIME

Wake up! Wake up!
You lazy flowers!
Wake up to the sound
Of springtime showers!

The bees are awake!
Singing their soft buzzing tone,
The queen bee is awake!
Sitting high on her flower throne!

The beasts are awake!
All of the hogs,
The wolves, all the deer,
And all of the frogs!

The wind is awake!
Ready to fly,
Such beautiful colors,
To soar so high.

The sun is awake!
To shine on me,
Such a bright orange color,
To shine beautifully!

The trees are awake
Growing to the light,
Such a nice fine color,
A beautiful green bright.

The river is awake!
Out of its ice,
With the fish swimming beneath,
It all glimmers so nice!

The earth is awake!
Mushing under my foot,
And right underneath me,
It's holding a root!

Smelling the smells,
Seeing the sights,
Hearing the sounds,
I'm full of delights!

Laura Montague

Laura Montague is a fifth-grader at Defer Elementary School in Grosse Pointe Park. She wrote this poem as part of a creative writing assignment.

Celebration of Spring

A light spring breeze
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"Winter is gone,
whistle your song."
To the new
flower buds
the wind murmurs,
"Fan the world,
bloom and make happiness."

Catching the birds
heading north
the message is,
"Open your hearts,
let all hear
the music of spring."
Soon,
life is restored . . .
energy and bustling.
The voices of nature
are calling to you,
"Open your hearts,
whistle your song,
be happy and merry.
Join us in the
celebration of spring."

Ferry's winners

Fifth-graders Lia Ventura, Joel Kielbowicz and Maria Palazzolo were the top winners in the Americanism poster contest sponsored by the AmVets.

The contest required the 85 participating students to submit a hand-drawn picture and a 50-word essay. Drawings were judged by an AmVets committee for originality, neatness, artistic ability and patriotic inspiration.

Ventura took first place with her drawing of the American eagle. She won a \$50 U.S. savings bond and will advance to



Kielbowicz



Ventura

the state level of the contest. Kielbowicz won \$15 for second place and Palazzolo won \$10. All the students who participated received a certificate and were invited to an award ceremony at the AmVets hall on Allard and Harper.



May flowers

The Grosse Pointe South Mothers' Club is holding its annual impatiens and flower sale Friday, May 6, from noon to 7 p.m. and Saturday, May 7, from 9 a.m. to noon, in the high school main gym. Orders will be taken until May 1 and may be picked up during the sale until noon May 7. Free delivery of five or more plants is available for Grosse Pointe area residents. Proceeds from the sale provide funding for scholarships and student enrichment activities. Impatiens will be sold in flats of 48 plants in a choice of white, pink, salmon, red, orange and violet at \$13 each. Begonia flats of 48 plants come in a choice of white-green leaf, pink-green leaf, red-green leaf, and red-red leaf also will be sold for \$13 each. Reiger begonia hanging baskets in a choice of red or yellow, are \$15 each. New Guinea impatiens hanging baskets in a choice of red, pink, orange and lavender are \$15 each. Bird houses, garden stoneware, herb baskets, aprons and many varieties of perennials will be available during the sale with no pre-orders necessary. Only impatiens and begonias must be pre-ordered. Order forms are available in stores, libraries and all Grosse Pointe public schools. Checks should be made payable to Grosse Pointe South Mothers' Club, 170 Lakeview, Grosse Pointe Farms, Mich. 48236.

Middle schools host noted mime

All Grosse Pointe seventh- and eighth-graders will have an opportunity on April 19 and 20 to see Tim Cusack, a nationally known performer who uses mime, story telling and acting to introduce a discussion on the feelings and challenges young people face. Topics include believing in yourself, family, celebrating differences and the importance of education.

Cusack has performed at schools throughout the United States, including the Brooklyn Academy of Music, the Smithsonian Institution and the National Children's Theatre & howcase.

Trombly student's a McWinner

Ann Swickard, a fifth-grader at Trombly Elementary School in Grosse Pointe Park, won first place in the state finals of the Michigan McDonald's "When I Grow Up" speech contest held March 26 in Lansing. She qualified as a



Ann Swickard

semi-finalist in the regional round of competition held in Grosse Pointe in mid-March. She was awarded a \$300 U.S. savings bond and will spend the day with a professional actress, what she dreams of becoming when she grows up.

Swickard is the daughter of Susan and Joe Swickard of Grosse Pointe Park. She plays the piano and has participated in several school and church dramatic productions.

Notre Dame open house April 24

Notre Dame High School will host an open house for boys and their parents on Sunday, April 24, from 1 to 3 p.m. Prospective students and their par-

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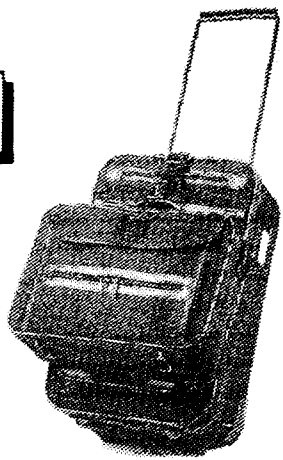
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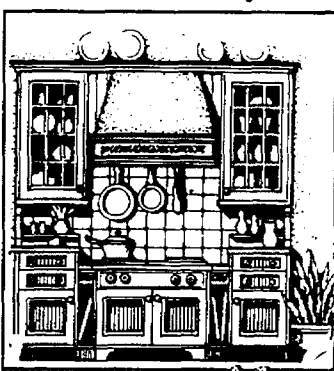
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Park man led a hide-and-seek life in Belgian underground

By Chip Chapman
Staff Writer

May 10, 1940, is a date Grosse Pointe Park resident Noel Van Assche will not forget.

"About 2 o'clock in the morning, the sirens started going off," said the native of Belgium. "We heard planes. We knew something was going on, but we had to wait until seven in the morning. That's when the national radio broadcast from Brussels. They said that the Germans had attacked, and there is war in Belgium."

Van Assche lived in the town of Izegem, about 25 miles inland from the North Sea, "where the trees start growing straight."

Because of the strong winds from the North Sea, the trees grow at an angle until about 20 miles inland.

Van Assche was 15 years old, living on the family farm, when the Germans invaded the country. His brother, who was 20 at the time, was already in the Belgian army.

Citizens were called to the city square and taught what to do in case of bombings, shootings and other war activity. They were all given a sheet of paper with the names and ages of family members to be printed on them and placed inside the front doors of each home.

"In case there were bombings, they could open the front door and see how many people are in the house," he said.

About 9 a.m. on May 10, a French plane shot down a German bomber, which crash-landed about three miles from Van Assche's home.

By 5 p.m., the Belgian government had constructed an airfield in the farm field about five miles from where Van Assche lived.

A half-hour later, about 30 German bombers flew over and bombed the airfield.

As the German planes turned back, six French fighters attacked the bombers, shooting down a couple of the German planes. The English army had already come into Belgium to help defend the country.

"The official communique at 7 o'clock that evening said that Germany had lost more than 100 planes," Van Assche said. "I don't know if that was true or not, but we saw three or four planes shot down."

Although French and English troops were there to help defend Belgium, King Leopold III did not want foreign forces in his country.

"Belgium was independent," Van Assche said. "He would mobilize his own troops but did not want to offend Germany. He tried to be independent, which was a big mistake, because Belgium did not have a defense when the Germans attacked."

An electric fence on the Belgian-French border was built to keep foreigners out.

Eventually, the Germans broke through a fort at Eben-Emael.

The fort was considered impregnable, but German special airborne troops, with the aid of Belgian spies, were able to break through by May 28, 1940.

"We got orders to take all the cigarette ads down because



Van Assche, center, at General Motors Corp. with Frank Crawels, left, and King Leopold III of Belgium, right.

spies had reproduced some of the ads with maps of the area on the back," he said. "The first thing the Germans did was go for those cigarette ads."

The "Verdinaso" was a group of militant Belgians who supported Adolf Hitler. They marched in the streets with green shirts, black leather ties, helmets, drums and they distributed propaganda.

"When the war broke out the Belgian government rounded up the heads of the Verdinaso," Van Assche said.

Because the Germans had moved in so fast, the Verdinaso captives were moved to France. The orders were given to the French not to let the prisoners get into German hands.

The prisoners were locked in the kiosk in the main square and when the town was eventually surrounded by the Germans, the "Bloodbath of Abbeville" took place. The prisoners were executed at night.

By the night of May 26, 1940, Belgium was surrounded.

"People had left their homes," Van Assche said, "but you couldn't go north because of the North Sea. You couldn't go toward France or Holland either, they were taken. We were all cornered. The Germans could have wiped out two million people."

All of a sudden, the Germans attacked Izegem.

There was a regiment of 600 Walloon (French-speaking Belgian) soldiers on the family farm and they told Van Assche's father to move the family out. His father remained at the farm, as Van Assche, his mother, brother and German shepherd went to stay at a college outside the town.

"About midnight, the Germans came into the college and they were furious," Van Assche said. "They had lost quite a few men to the Walloons. They said that every man between 16 and 65 years of age had to come out."

Van Assche was not yet 16. The law in Belgium required all citizens 14 or older to carry a passport, even in peacetime.

"I tried to prove to this German soldier I wasn't 16," Van Assche said. "This guy grabbed me by the collar and threw me right out. He was the first German I met."

Van Assche said that there was an anti-German sentiment

among the younger Belgians, even though most had not seen a German before, because of the stories about what had happened in Belgium during World War I. Van Assche's father had been gassed during the last war.

"We were lined up and told to keep our hands up from midnight until 4 o'clock in the morning," Van Assche said. "There were three machine guns pointed at us from the roof of a flat building. I think they would have killed us, but at 4 o'clock in the morning, the king of Belgium signed an agreement that the Belgians would no longer fight. It was May 28."

Because of this agreement, the English troops were forced to retreat to Dunkerque on the northern French coast.

Van Assche learned that his brother, Roger, who was in the Belgian army, had been killed about 6 p.m. on May 27.

Van Assche and his oldest brother rode five miles to where the grave was located. They asked the farmer (on whose property Roger Van Assche was buried) if they could borrow a couple of shovels to dig up their brother and bury him in the town cemetery.

"My mother wasn't happy. She wanted him buried in our town's cemetery. We moved him again in the middle of the night to our cemetery. He is buried there in a plot with the other soldiers from the Second World War."

German soldiers were put up in civilian homes in Belgium until March 1941.

"They went back to Germany to get ready for the attack on Russia," he said.

The German soldiers, Van Assche said, were the Wehrmacht — regulars who were drafted.

"They just wanted to get home and be with their families," Van Assche said. "They were not like the SS (Schutzstaffel), the secret police."

Van Assche said that worse than the SS were the Belgian turncoats, many of whom had been influenced by the Verdinaso.

"They went and got nice jobs

from the Germans, nice dark blue uniforms. They sold us out," Van Assche said.

By 1942, famine hit Belgium. The Germans, who had plundered the country during World War I, brought with them pockets full of counterfeit Belgian money.

"They went in the stores and bought everything," Van Assche said. "There was nothing left in Belgium. Smart people, like my mother, remembered World War I, and bought everything they could lay their hands on."

The Germans drafted Van Assche in 1943 and ordered him to the workers bureau — the Arbeitsamt — and told him to report to Germany for work.

"I went underground," he said. "The day I was to present myself, I didn't show up. Most of the people didn't show up."

Two days later, a couple of Volkswagen jeeps came to the family farm, with three German officers and three Belgian turncoats, looking for Van Assche. They took his father, who was very sick, as a hostage to the Arbeitsamt.

They gave Noel Van Assche 24 hours to give himself up or his father would be transferred to a camp in St. Omer, France.

"Any of the sons who went underground," Van Assche said, "they (the Germans) took a hostage from the family."

On Aug. 17, 1943, Van Assche went to the Arbeitsamt and turned himself in.

That night, Van Assche was put on a train and sent to Aachen, Germany. The Germans marched Van Assche and about 150 others to a school outside the city.

"There, we had our papers stamped," he said. "The Germans loved stamping things."

At about 11:30 p.m. that night, sirens went off in the city. The English began bombing Aachen.

"The town was on fire," he said. "It looked like daylight with those flares. It was the most scary night of my life. I was thrown up and down."

Van Assche carved his name with the date, Aug. 18, 1943, in the brick of the school auditorium where he was staying.

"I thought, 'who knows, maybe somebody might see it,'" he said.

Van Assche and the others were rounded up by the Germans and marched through the streets, which were on fire, and taken to a railroad station, which was gone.

They were to be taken to Cologne, but because of the condition of the train tracks, were taken to Koblenz, Germany, on the German-French border, where the Mosel and Rhine rivers meet.

Van Assche was led into a German camp and soon got into an argument with a soldier.

"He punched me and I got my first bloody nose," Van Assche said. "He then took me to see this officer."

The officer, it turned out, was from Izegem. He had been a soldier in World War I stationed in Van Assche's home town.

The soldier tried to help transfer Van Assche out of Germany. After giving the soldier some tobacco, Van Assche was sent to the Arbeitsamt in Luxembourg. Van Assche had to walk about six miles to a farm where he would be staying.

"It was like a bed and breakfast," he said. "It was the first time I had slept in a bed with blankets in some time."

Van Assche expressed his wishes to return to Belgium. He gave the farmer some of the tobacco he was carrying, Van Assche was sent back to Germany. An officer there asked for more of Van Assche's tobacco, stamped his papers and sent him on his way to Belgium.

"I had to fake that I was sick to be sent back," he said, "so I swallowed the rest of my tobacco and the German MPs said, 'he's sick,' and I was on my way back to Belgium."

Van Assche returned on Aug. 26, 1943, and joined the Belgian underground and was given a weapon. He could not go home, however.

"I was underground for the rest of the war," he said. "The Germans were too preoccupied to look for us."

"You joined the underground for food and protection, not to kill Germans."

The RAF (Royal Air Force) dropped three-pointed nails over Belgium and the underground members would place the nails in the roads to flatten the German truck tires. The RAF also dropped graphite, which when mixed with oil, would prevent the oil from lubricating the axles of railroad cars, burning them out.

The English eventually liberated Izegem in September 1944.

Toward the end of the war, five SS soldiers were killed by the underground and their motorcycles had to be disposed of. Subsequent SS soldiers traveled



Noel Van Assche at the citadel in Liege, Belgium, in 1946.

through Holland after this incident.

At the time of the Battle of the Bulge, in December 1944, the underground members feared that the Germans would begin shooting them.

In 1945, Van Assche was drafted into the Belgian army, but it wasn't until 1946 that he joined the 6th artillery regiment.

"I was trained, given a Norton motorcycle and sent to Germany in 1947," he said.

While in the army in Germany, Van Assche rode his motorcycle to Aachen. The town was completely destroyed, but with the help of an old man, he was able to find the school auditorium where Van Assche had been the night the English bombed the city.

"I went to the corner of the theater and found my name carved in the bricks," Van Assche said.

Since there was a shortage of farm workers in the country, soldiers who had farms were released from duty.

"My captain didn't want me to go," Van Assche said. "He gave me an assignment — an aide to a military attache in Washington, D.C."

"I didn't want to spend three years there so I turned him down."

Van Assche returned to the farm, but eventually came to the United States anyway.

He got married and in 1951 took a job with General Motors at the tech center in Warren. Van Assche was a design supervisor of Cadillac interiors.

A few years later, King Leopold III visited GM. One of the King's aides-de-camp was Van Assche's former captain, now a general.

"I was able to meet the king and catch up with my old captain," Van Assche said. "I gained a lot of respect at GM that day. I told my boss that I had known the king before."

Food and Friendship program restored by SOC

The Food and Friendship Program of Services for Older Citizens (SOC) will have a grand reopening celebration on Thursday, April 21, from 9:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Barnes school.

Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. followed by dessert and entertainment. Kyle Wells, program director, invites all seniors "who are tired of eating with their TV set" to join in celebrating a new beginning for Food and Friendship.

Thanks to a new funding source, SOC will again serve meals four days a week, Monday through Thursday, for a small charge of 75 cents a meal plus \$1 a month donation, starting on April 18. Alice Frost, Julia McKee, and Dorothea Springer, who continued to come to SOC to socialize

with friends during the time that the program was temporarily suspended, are among those seniors who are looking forward to its reopening.

Wells states that it is not much fun eating alone and the Food and Friendship Program offers seniors a chance to socialize while they eat. She said the program is perfect for those who find it easier to grab some junk food rather than preparing a well-balanced meal. She encourages senior citizens of the five Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods to come and meet new friends and become reacquainted with old ones.

Services for Older Citizens is located in the Barnes school, 20090 Morningside, in Grosse Pointe Woods. The phone number is 882-9600.

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Is job training just corporate welfare here?

A Detroit News story Sunday started a new controversy over the use of state school aid funds to finance job-training projects conducted by private firms.

The story reported that \$40 million has been diverted this year from state adult education money to fund more than 100 job-training projects sponsored by Michigan corporations.

The newspaper said the diversions were made by the Engler administration, with the Legislature's blessing, but the report raises questions about the propriety of some of the uses by private firms of adult education money.

A News chart headed "Corporate Welfare?" listed 12 firms which had received state grants totaling \$9,863,265, with the largest, \$3,527,509, going to Chrysler and more than \$2 million each to General Motors and Ford.

A former GOP lawmaker from Ann Arbor, Margaret O'Connor, was quoted by The News as describing the diversion as "really corporate welfare." She added that the "state is subsidizing Fortune 500 companies to train existing employees."

Opinion

Rep. Lynn Jondahl of Okemos, a Democratic candidate for governor, also questioned the spending, telling The News: "It's pretty hard to justify some of these (job-training) projects as proper public expenditures."

A more specific criticism emerges from the story's statement that most of the job training money — 95 percent of the \$25 million fund last year and \$35 million awarded so far this year — went to training employees already on the participating company's payrolls.

This year, the story said, the money is being used to train 37,940 current workers and 5,990 new employees.

Doug Stites, chief operating officer of the Michigan Jobs Commission, which oversees the program, told the paper, "We're spending more than \$400 million in this state to train people without jobs. With this program we're spending some money on people who have jobs."

Asked for his opinion of the job-training program, Rep. William R. Bryant of Grosse Pointe Farms said the job-training

grants do amount to a form of tax abatement and that competing states do offer similar inducements to keep or attract industries and businesses.

He said, however, that some of the specific grants cited in The Detroit News story would surely not have been approved by legislators if they had voted on them.

The state funds go to community colleges, intermediate school districts or private trade schools which must form partnerships with the business firms to get the cash. Some training takes place at schools, some at job sites and some is done in-house by company staff, The News story said.

John Truscott, Engler's press secretary, defended the program, telling the newspaper: "If the grants help us keep companies here, that's a lot of jobs for the local economy."

As the paper's reporter, Mark Hornbeck of the Lansing Bureau, wrote, however, "The grant applications don't ask whether the training is needed to maintain

business in Michigan."

A question of conflict of interest also arises from the paper's report that two members of a 20-member panel that ruled on individual grants were top officers of two corporations that received state grants.

They were Richard DeVos, president of Amway Corp., which received \$324,875, and Samuel Valenti III, president of Masco Capital Corp., which was granted \$111,533.

Karen Holcomb-Merrill, executive director of Common Cause of Michigan, a public-interest organization, suggested the use of the fund is open to abuse by the governor.

"You generally think of job training money going to people to help them get off unemployment and welfare, not to help top management learn foreign languages," she said.

We suggest that the Legislature review the propriety of the diversions reportedly made from adult education funds in the state's school aid fund.

In addition, the process by which the state provides such aid to corporations already known to be highly profitable should be open to public inspection to avoid any conflicts of interest.

On the face of it, at least some of the diversions appear to be inappropriate because critics have already contended that the state school aid fund will not be able to meet the demands of the 1993-94 school year, especially if the economic recovery falters.

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He'll run if he has a district

Rep. William R. Bryant Jr. of Grosse Pointe Farms announced this week that he'll run for his 13th term in the state House of Representatives this year — if he has a district.

That qualifying "if" is not a joke to Bryant, to the Republican Party or to the friends and supporters of the senior Republican in the House whose record of service goes back to 1970.

Bryant's district is a major issue of contention in a redistricting challenge filed by the NAACP and the American Civil Liberties Union and joined in by the state's Democratic Party.

A three-member panel of federal judges will begin hearing the challenge in Detroit next Monday.

The appellants contend the current state legislative redistricting plan, approved in the 1980s and still not revamped since the 1990 census, had violated the U.S. Voting Rights Act, as revised in 1982.

That act was designed to eliminate access barriers to blacks, primarily in the South, but is being used in Michigan to claim five "majority-minority" Senate districts and 15 such districts in the House. Bryant's 13th District seat is one of the House seats at issue.

Such districts must have a black population of at least 65 percent. If the suit should prevail, Bryant's current district would be one of those revamped to provide the additional minority population to

merit additional black representation in the Legislature.

Such an action would also effectively eliminate Bryant as a candidate for reelection and sharply diminish the Pointes as a factor in any election in such a district.

Bryant himself believes the Democratic Party is using the issue as a means of eliminating his Republican district and thus helping the Democrats regain control of the House in November.

This suit was begun more than two years ago but developed so late it had to be postponed to avoid interference with the 1992 primary. Unless action comes soon, it could interfere with the 1994 primary on Aug. 2. In any event, it is believed the loser will appeal the case to the U.S. Supreme Court.

In political party support, the Pointes long have constituted a Republican island in the Democratic sea of Wayne County but have been able to retain a Republican in the House.

In the current case, we think the Voting Rights Act is being misused to try to gerrymander a district in an effort to unseat a veteran Republican who has long served his district with distinction.

Let's hope the state of Michigan and the Republican Party put up a strong defense to defeat the political and racial challenges being made via the courts to eliminate Bryant's seat.

Costs of lottery's record year

The Michigan Bureau of State Lottery recently published its report for 1992-93 with a claim that it was a record year. And so it apparently was in many respects.

The bureau claimed that lottery sales soared to a record \$1.24 billion, players raked in a record \$684 million in prizes, retailers earned a record \$83.9 million in commissions and the lottery generated \$427 million in net revenues for the school aid fund.

Those figures offer evidence that modern society has accepted lotteries and gambling in general as easy ways to raise needed public revenues to supplement the more traditional imposition of taxes.

However, gambling does impose heavy costs.

It puts its greatest burden on the poor who often deprive themselves and their families of necessities in order to buy more chances at winning a fortune.

Nor is it just the poor who get hurt. Many other families suffer indirectly and all of us must pay more taxes to finance increased social services, expansion of law enforcement activities and additional jails to house those who commit crimes in vain efforts to recoup their gambling losses.

In any fair report, those costs must be measured against the monetary gains to both public and private promoters.

Youth assistance wins backing

We congratulate the Grosse Pointe Woods City Council for renewing its support for the Children's Home of Detroit's Youth Assistance Program for another year.

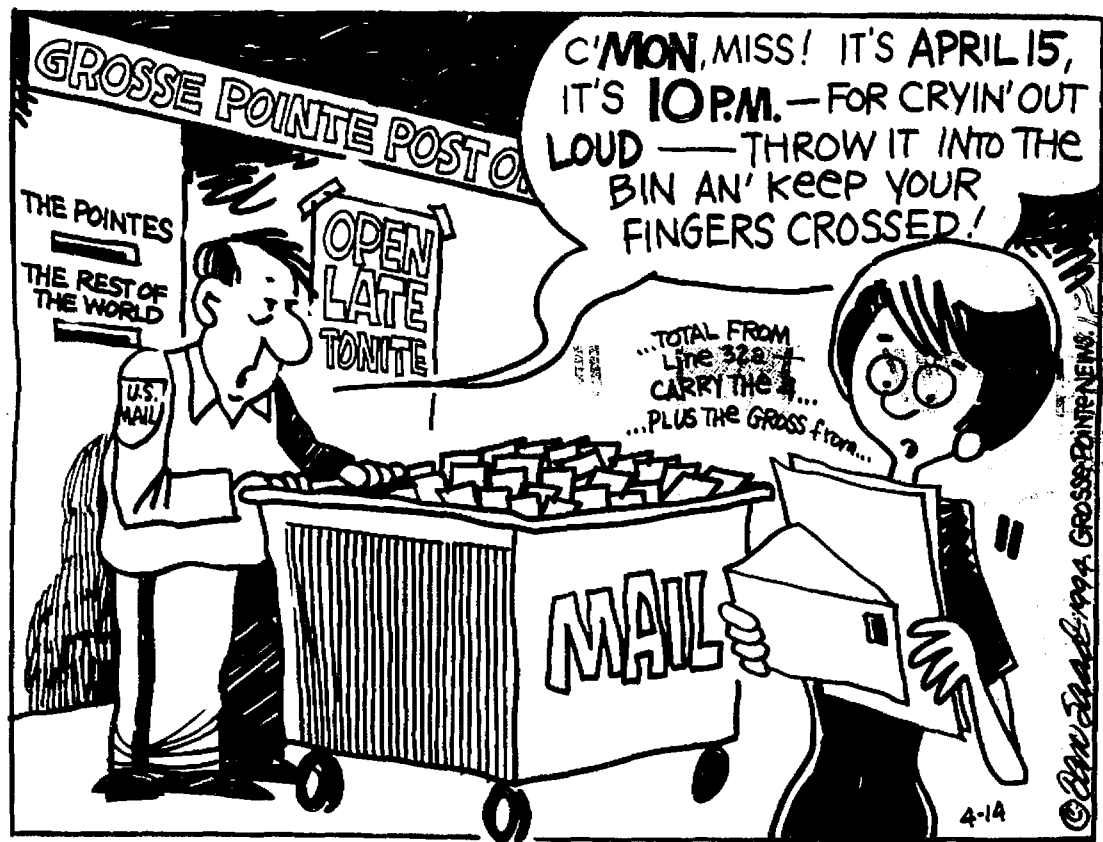
The program, supported by the Children's Home, the five Grosse Pointe municipalities and Harper Woods, has been operated for the past four years by the Children's Home after the Family Life Education Council ended its participation.

As the Grosse Pointe News reported last week, the Woods council, like the other backers of the program, decided

that its \$7,440 share of the cost was a worthwhile investment in diverting youths from a possible life of crime.

What is especially attractive about the program is that it offers local counseling to Grosse Pointe families whose youngsters get into trouble and who otherwise would be required to appear in Wayne County Juvenile Court in Detroit.

In effect, the program offers a second chance to Grosse Pointe youngsters who make a mistake. Furthermore, it permits those who participate to avoid a criminal record as well as a possible life of crime.



Letters

'FYI' columnist says thanks

To the Editor:
After completing a full year of contributing items for the Grosse Pointe News, I offer thanks to the many readers of FYI and the residents who offered help and information during the 52 weeks.

Hugh Munce
Grosse Pointe Park
Editor's note: Hugh Munce has stepped down as the FYI columnist for the Grosse Pointe News and has been replaced by another Park resident, Ken Eatherly. We would like to thank Hugh for his contributions throughout the year.

Iraqi POW clarification

To the Editor:
Recently I wrote an article objecting to a published report that over 35,000 Iraqi POWs and their families were being resettled in the United States courtesy of the U.S. taxpayer.
My letter was addressed to President Clinton and Sens. Carl Levin and Donald Riegle. Only Sen. Levin extended the courtesy of a reply.
Not surprisingly these days, the original published

report was less than factual. Furthermore, unless I missed it, the media failed to publish the complete account. So, to set the record straight, following is the reply from Sen. Levin.

Lud Schomig
Dear Lud:
Thank you for contacting me expressing your concern over the resettlement of Iraqi prisoners of war (POWs) in the United States. I appreciate your concern.
After the end of the Persian Gulf War some 35,000 to 39,000 Iraqi refugees in Saudi Arabia were recommended by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to be resettled in countries other than Iraq or Saudi Arabia. The Bush administration, along with nine other countries, agreed to share in the resettlement process.
On Sept. 13, 1993, the United States Senate adopted an amendment proposed by Sen. John Warner to the Department of Defense Authorization Act. The amendment stated that immigration privileges under the Immigration and Nationality Act for Iraqi POWs held in Saudi Arabia should be denied, unless they actually assisted in the coalition forces during the war and did not commit any

war atrocities. I voted in favor of the Defense Authorization Act.

Recent published reports claim that as many as 13,000 Iraqi POWs have resettled in the United States. The State Department, however, states that under 4,000 Iraqi refugees have been resettled thus far, of which only 453 are soldiers, most of them dissidents who openly rebelled against Saddam Hussein. They add that these immigrants are given no different or better status than any other type of refugee applying for asylum.

Best wishes,
Carl Levin

Letters welcome

The Grosse Pointe News welcomes letters to the editor. All letters must be signed and, preferably, typed and double spaced. Include a telephone number for verification purposes.

The deadline for letters is 3 p.m. Monday to be considered for that week's paper. Letters are subject to editing and space limitations.

Hand-deliver or mail letters to: Editor, Grosse Pointe News, 96 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, Mich. 48236; or fax them to 882-1585.

Long-term care extends to fourth generation

Try as we may to take good care of ourselves, it is possible that at some point in our lives, we may need long-term care. It is not a cheerful prospect but a practical possibility, particularly if we live to an advanced age.

Despite all of the progress medical science has made and the many promising cures for disabling diseases that affect the elderly, there are still stubborn degenerative processes that are part of aging.

Not that progress in geriatric medicine has not been made. People once crippled by arthritis are now able to move about because of hip and knee replacements. Physical speech and language therapy help stroke victims regain muscular coordination. Cardiac rehabilitation and preventive health programs for heart attack victims not only enable them to enjoy more normal lives but do reduce the chances of a second heart attack.

There is no doubt that people will be active longer and will live longer because of the miracles brought by medical science but there is also the possibility that three-generation families — grandparents, parents and grandchildren — will extend into four-generation families, which will include great-grandparents. It is likely that they will need long-term care.

It is expedient then, that the best provisions possible are made for our emerging new so-



Prime Time

By Marian Trainor

cial group — our four-generation senior citizens. This is a real concern for those who may be entrusted with their care. We hope President Clinton's health plan will alleviate that concern.

People who are senior citizens themselves will be responsible for the care of their elderly parents. If they are not in the best of health themselves or if they have plans for retirement that do not include custodial care, this can be a problem.

They have worked hard, they have raised a family, they have postponed doing things together. It is only right that they should enjoy their leisure and whatever luxuries they have earned.

There are no easy answers to the problem of duty to others vs. duty to self. Parental love dictates that we make the last years of those who nurtured and cared for us as comfortable and happy as possible. But this does not have to be achieved at the expense of setting aside all

that we have looked forward to in our own later years. What we owe those and ourselves (since it is possible that we will reach the same age) is the assurance of good medical care and good provisions for social welfare.

Just keeping a person alive is not enough. Attention must be given to seeing that all the situations that made their lives happy and fulfilled in their younger years — contact with others, good nutritious food and leisure time activities — are provided.

It is necessary to realize that the elderly do not comprise a monolithic group.

Unlike adolescence, a stage of life that is relatively limited, the period of retirement and that of the elder senior citizens could stretch out to 30 years. This time span indicates that there is not one solution because at various levels in the advancing years, needs may differ. Policy priorities may need to shift emphasis for different age groups and offer a range of

services — housing, health and social.

The question is what the term "good care" encompasses. Certainly it means that health deficiencies are remedied, but it also has to take into consideration social aspects, because many health problems result from neglect to provide the amenities beyond just keeping the body functioning.

There is one aspect of extended care about which all agree: The nursing home, which has come to include everything from residential or personal care to nursing or extended care, is not the answer to meeting the needs of the elderly as individuals. It is designed to meet housing needs, social, recreational needs and health services.

An alternative could be a multilevel institution that would combine housekeeping flats, old age beds and long term beds within the same facility. The advantage is that the changes are less traumatic for the residents. Such arrangements would call for coordination between health and social workers.

Another solution to better long-term care is the establishment of homes built with a number of wings to create the intimacy of a smaller home and at the same time provide the economy and service of the large impersonal institutions. Such an arrangement seems sensible because these small units would more closely resem-

ble apartment complexes.

In the last analysis, the standard of care given the elderly is determined by our social values. Good care for the elderly can be demanded if the issue is made an important one.

Pressure for the kind of care we want for our elderly and for

our own later years should come not from younger people but from those who are approaching those later years.

Old age, after all, is a land of its own, with a language that can only be fully understood by those who share it.

'Second Hand Rose' sale

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Obituaries

Dr. N. Buford (Sunny) Jones

Services were held Thursday, April 7, at Isle of Hope United Methodist Church in Savannah, Ga., for Dr. N. Buford (Sunny) Jones, 56, who died Tuesday, April 5, 1994, at Savannah Memorial Hospital.

Born in Cordele, Ga., Dr. Jones was a former resident of Grosse Pointe Farms.

A 1961 graduate of Emory University, Dr. Jones completed his residency in oral and maxillofacial surgery at Henry Ford Hospital in 1970.

He served in the Dental Corps of the U.S. Army.

Dr. Jones was a diplomat of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and a fellow of the American College of Dentistry.

He is survived by his wife, Karin Inthout Jones; two daughters, Jane Kelly Jones Clay and Clare Whitney Jones; two sons, Scott McMillan Jones and N. Buford Jones IV; and his father, Dr. N. Buford Jones Jr.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Arthritis Foundation.

Barbara Potts Gallup

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, April 29, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church in Grosse Pointe Farms for Barbara Potts Gallup, 69, who died Friday, April 1, 1994, in Tucson, Ariz.

Born in Buffalo, Mrs. Gallup was a resident of Grosse Pointe Woods.

She was a graduate of the Buffalo Seminary and Smith College.

Mrs. Gallup had a lifelong interest in the Detroit Institute for Children and the Detroit Industrial School. She was a member of Sigma Gamma, an inactive member of the Junior League of Detroit and for many years a volunteer to the American Red Cross.

Mrs. Gallup is survived by her husband, Alden; a daughter, Madie; a son, Alden III; a sister, Jane Poag; and a brother, Charles Potts.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that remembrances be made to the Detroit Institute for Children, 5447 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Mich. 48202 or the American Cancer Society.

Theodore S. Hicks

A private service was held for Theodore S. Hicks, 91, who died Wednesday, April 6, 1994, at St. John Hospital in Detroit.

Born in Columbus, Ohio, Mr. Hicks was a resident of Grosse Pointe Shores.

He was a broker in the lumber industry.

Mr. Hicks was a member of Grosse Pointe United Church and the Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club.

He enjoyed playing pinochle and cribbage.

Mr. Hicks is survived by a daughter, Sandra Cook; six grandchildren; and a great-grandchild. He was predeceased by a son, Theodore S. Hicks Jr.

Arrangements were made by the R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home in Detroit.

Memorial contributions may be made to Grosse Pointe United Church, 240 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms, Mich. 48236.

Charles Dale Gore

Services were held Tuesday, April 5, at the Chas. Verheyden Inc. Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Park for Charles Dale Gore, 61, who died Sunday, April 3, 1994, at his home in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Mr. Gore served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War.

He was a member of the Masons, the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary and a past commander of the U.S. Coast Guard.

He enjoyed fishing and gardening.

Mr. Gore is remembered as a very humorous and loving person.

He is survived by his wife, Florence; a daughter, Julie; two sons, David and Thomas; and five grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Regina High School Scholarship Fund.

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A Two Part Program

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A panel of Michigan legislators, led by Rep. John Jamian (R-W. Bloomfield), Co-chair of the House Public Health Committee, and Sen. Fred Dillingham (R-Fowlerville), Chair of the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules, will convene to hear testimony from pain patients. The panel will explore the impact of pain on patients and families, access to appropriate care, and insurance and referral matters related to pain.

Part II - Headaches & Other Pain Syndromes

JOEL R. SAPER, M.D., F.A.C.P.

Author, Educator & Pain Expert

National Chairman of the American Council for Headache Education
Director of the Michigan Head & Pain & Neurological Institute in Ann Arbor

DANIEL B. CARR, M.D.

International Authority on General and Cancer Pain
Director of the Pain Center of Massachusetts General Hospital (Harvard University)

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Monday, April 25, 1994

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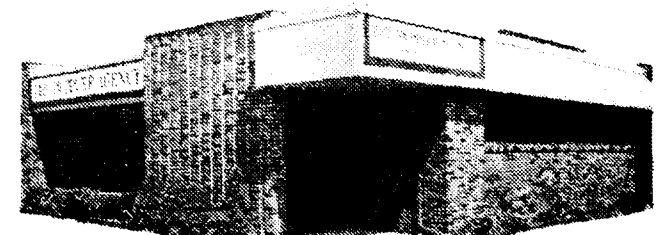
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Edubabble spoken by a learning facilitator

Author Robert Fulghum maintains that all you need to know you learn in kindergarten. Boy, was he lucky he didn't have to stick around for fifth-grade at my kid's school.

For those of you not up to speed on the changes in many public education systems, I'll try to walk you through this. Take notes, as an assessment of your ability to fully comprehend the data I'm about to impart to you may be given at the discretion of the facilitator. (Listen up, there may be a quiz.)

First, as you may have gleaned from the preceding paragraph, no one in education speaks English anymore. I like

to refer to their new language as Edubabble.

Edubabble uses many of the same words as the English language, but these words have entirely different meanings than we are used to.

It was created by educational professionals intent on separating themselves from the mainstream of the standard American communication system, enabling them to conduct meaningful dialogues with their peers. (Like teenagers in the 1950's talking Pig Latin.)

Let's translate some Edubabble terms.

First, children are no longer students attending a school. They are now members of a Learning Community. Teachers are not teachers, they are Learning Facilitators. Students don't have reading groups anymore. Now they assemble in learning teams.

Their learning community day revolves around Whole Language strategies formulated by Integrated Thematic Instruction with differentiation of cur-

I Say

Kathleen Ryan

riculum application in order to orchestrate a more focused, brain-compatible teaching/learning environment. (Sorry, I can't explain that sentence. I'm only in Edubabble 101.)

Edubabble 101 is currently being taught at my daughter's school. Parents dutifully troop off to evening classes taught by the school's principal. Unfortunately, she does not believe in the Berlitz approach to Edubabble. Instead, armed with an overhead projector and the fervor of a linguistic demagogue, she regales the assembled parents with her overwhelming command of the Edubabble lan-

guage. (No one, not even the parents who are lawyers, understands a word she says.)

The main test of a parent's command of Edubabble comes during what we used to call parent/teacher conferences, but are now called Learning Assessment Sessions. They are now another component of the parent/student learning community coalition demonstrating a full partnership in a focal point development pertinent to the individual child's brain-compatible educational strategy. (And to think the biggest worry used to be that a parent would have to sit on a little

chair.)

Armed with our Edubabble-English/English-Edubabble dictionary, my husband and I proceeded to dialogue with our daughter's learning facilitator.

"Your daughter is highly bodily-kinesthetically talented, processing knowledge through whole-body sensations, while maintaining her logical/mathematical intelligence through manipulating objects with a nod toward her spatial awareness," droned her learning facilitator, Mrs. Smith.

"The apple hasn't fallen from the tree," said her father proudly.

"What the learning facilitator said was that our daughter can't sit still for five minutes, has her nose in everyone's business, and was caught reading a romance novel in science class," I whispered, throwing the dictionary at him.

But all hope for this class is not lost.

As my daughter came home from her learning community the other day, I grabbed the

dictionary and asked how her day was.

"My learning team was able to participate in a cooperative educational exercise without the inherent structure of a time constraint," she dialogued. (Mrs. Smith forgot to have math class again today.)

"Then this afternoon we had a substitute learning facilitator who was unable to recognize the different learning strategies employed within a cooperative learning environment. But she was able to express her concerns to us in a healthy, non-repressed manner which served as an example to all of us, especially those members of the learning community high in linguistic intelligence."

"In other words?" I said.

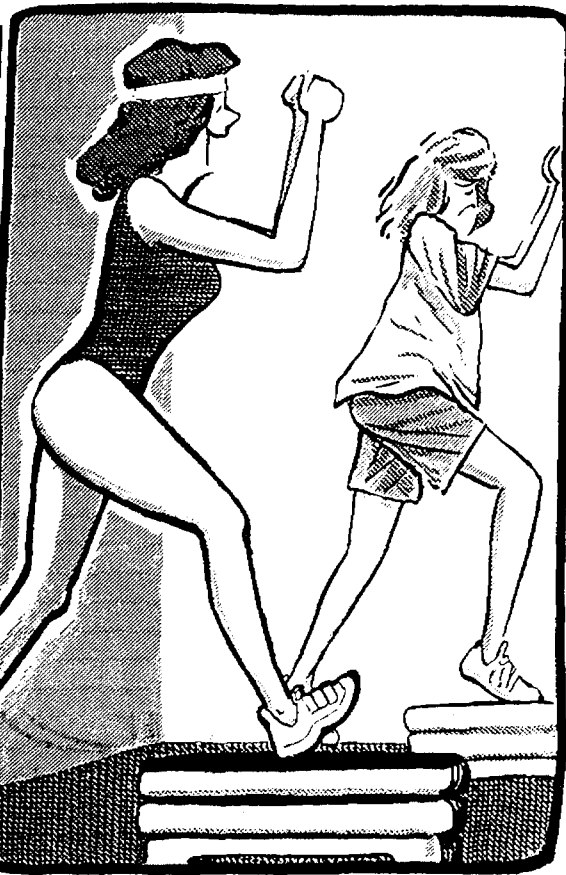
"At 2:45 the sub went screaming from the room, shouting that we were the worst class she had ever encountered in 25 years of teaching and we all should be in reform school."

At last, someone who speaks English.

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The Op-Ed Page



Workout For Hope Apr. 16th (AIDS Research)

Quality of our society is us

You know the way newspaper articles go: "In a surprise move, the administration blah blah..." or "Surprised observers noted that etc. etc. . ."

It means the writer of the article was surprised, either not paying close attention to developments, or perhaps a bit slow to pick up on their significance.

It's in that sense that pundits noted general surprise when letters and opinion polls supported the Singaporean caning of the young American spraycan graffiti-ist. The pundits were surprised. People who listen to radio call-in shows probably weren't.

Conventional wisdom suggested that Americans would present a horrified and united front against the barbarous punishment. But conventional wisdom overlooked the by-now-more-general horror at the unraveling of American society.

The ACLU notwithstanding, more and more people, even those who consider themselves on the liberal side, are taking tougher stances on social issues. The death penalty has always had a corps of adherents, but the lock-'em-up-and-throw-away-the-key faction seems to be growing.

But call me an ostrich — I too was surprised at the number of people who think caning is a suitable punishment for vandalism.

That they do is a measure of the widespread despair at our loss of community, our loss of a sense of security in our own homes and on our streets. It translates to a fear that we have lost our freedom and a sense that law-abiding people have fewer rights than criminals.

So it shouldn't be surprising that people want a crackdown. But consider the implications.

The legal system that canes vandals is the same legal sys-



Nancy Parmenter

tem that forbids — and penalizes — the chewing of gum in public. Cane a vandal, cut off the hand of a thief, stone an adulterer, imprison a dissident. Harsh punishment admittedly reduces the prison population, but at what cost to the rest of society? And where do we draw lines?

American society certainly weights the rights of the individual more heavily than any other society. It's historically been our strength. But the downside of individual freedom is a much more chaotic society than most other countries would put up with.

One of my favorite columnists, Sydney Harris, who died a decade ago, liked to write about this sort of social question:

"What we are beginning to learn, if only dimly, is that each of these distinct styles brings its own blessings and burdens to a society, and you get nothing without paying a price for it. . . The traditional closely knit culture restrained the individual, but it also provided him with a sense of belonging. . . Loneliness and estrangement are the deep side-effects of a rampaging individualism."

"How can a traditional society promote personal freedom, and how can a modern society preserve cohesion and affiliation among its members? This may well be the most important question we may have to answer in the 21st century;

thus far, we are not even asking it."

Harris probably wrote that piece in the late '70s (I saved the column, but the date is illegible). I would argue that the world is starting to grapple with the practicalities of the question — without considering its philosophical depths.

This is the question China is wrestling with: how to remain traditional and still allow the freedoms its people are beginning to demand. India has struggled with the same question and seems to be losing the battle. It's the obverse of the question we are raising about the caning dispute:

How can we tame the chaotic aspects of our society without becoming repressive?

Or maybe the question is how we arrived at this chaotic state when a mere generation or two ago we were civil (or we remember ourselves that way)? According to a survey of teachers in 1940, the seven most pressing discipline problems in public schools were: talking, gum chewing, making noise, running in the halls, getting out of turn in line, wearing improper clothes, and not putting paper in waste baskets.

One longs for such manageable problems today.

What has happened to American society has happened from the inside. The Rev. Earl Holt of St. Louis, who has been mulling these questions too, writes that "a good society can only be built by good people, by the quality of who they are and how they shape their individual lives, their personal character. A society is not shaped primarily by government, laws or economics, but by the character of its citizens."

And that's really what the family treatment expert said last week when the 12-year-old Detroit girl was accused of

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By Ken Eatherly

Mixed bag

It's a beautiful spring Sunday and Doc (as her students at South High lovingly call her) and I are out walking when we run into Frank Huster and his Shi-tzu pup, Hugo, who stands about eye-level with my ankle.

It's obvious that Frank and Hugo both practice good dog citizenship. Hugo sits on command, and doesn't bite like that little white dog I met while strolling along Jefferson last fall. And I notice that Frank has the kind of blue plastic bag that the New York Times comes in, stuffed in his pocket.

You see a lot of those plastic bags being reused these days. For short dog-walking jaunts, they're just about the handiest way to obey what, for the sake of delicacy, I will refer to as the scooper law.

It's a regulation that, if you're a walker like me, you may have noticed some dogs don't seem to be aware of around these parts.

I rib Frank a bit, jesting that Hugo is so small the law might not even apply to him.

"Our daughter gave us a scooper that's bigger than the dog," Frank laughs, and walks on, with his blue plastic bag still at the ready.

Search mission

That man you may have noticed hunched over one of the computers at the Central branch of the public library is Jim Johnson, and he's on a mission.

"I'm looking for 1,626 people," he told me last week as he worked his way through the library's CD-ROM copy of the nationwide electronic Yellow Pages.

Jim is preparing the groundwork for a reunion of World War II pilots of Class 44-1, all of whom went through Maxwell Field in Montgomery, Ala., during the war. He and Robert Hudd of St. Clair Shores have located 170 survivors since last December, including one Pointer, Robert DuRoss. So far, 832 of the original group have been found.

The reunion is set for Oct. 13-15. You can call Johnson at 881-1088 after 9 p.m. if you think you might be able to help.

Quick shot artist

South High art and photography teacher Jack Summers' photo montage titled "Ascent II" sold in a flash at the opening reception of the "Once Upon a Time . . . Happily Ever After" art show April 8 at the

drowning her 5-year-old neighbor. Amid the headshaking, he pinned it quite neatly on the adults: Kids are going to do what you do, say what you say, and be what you are.

Galleria Offcentre in Southfield. The exhibition by 106 state artists ends May 7 and benefits the Michigan Opera Theatre.

Older, better

"How does it feel to be 90?" a friend asked Grace Harrison recently.

"I don't much think about it," replied Grace, who once said she's so busy she has a different project piled on every chair of her house, and she has a lot of chairs.

"I've had a happy life and I'm still having a happy life. And if I weren't, it'd be my own fault."

Friends from the Grosse Pointe branch of the Herb Society surprised Grace with a party at Sparky Herbert's April 5. "It's the best birthday party I ever had," she told them.

What about that card from the White House Clintons? Hardly worth mentioning, what with all the other things going on.

Bill's Fludde

A funny thing happened to Bill Herbert this past winter when he was building the stage-prop Noah's ark to be used in the recent Christ Church production of "Noye's Fludde."

Or maybe if you were there you wouldn't think it was so funny. He had a flood.

It seems a pipe burst in their house when Bill and his wife, Mary, were away and they

came back to discover things, including the ark, had received a pretty good drenching.

All's well that ends well, it is said. The three performances in March packed the church to the rafters, and after a bit of repair work Bill's ark came through high and dry.

Sweet Bess

Her fellow Pointers are going to be hearing a lot about jazz pianist and Grosse Pointe North artist-in-residence Bess Bonnier in the coming months.

First, Bess is going to be the only Michigania performing among representatives of 60 countries early in May, at the Very Special Arts International Festival in Brussels, Belgium.


Later the same month at North High, she will perform in the world premiere of her own original jazz, theater and dance composition titled "Suite William," based on the sonnets of William Shakespeare.

Finally, in September she and WQRS program director Dave Wagner plan to begin an Academy of Music at the Grosse Pointe Academy, with late afternoon and evening classes that include piano, voice, strings, woodwind, organ and brass.

I first encountered Bess at a Grosse Pointe Poetry Society meeting, where she captivated me with the way she read verse in Braille.

At the rate she's going, she's about to captivate the civilized world.

If you have any FYI tips, call Ken Eatherly at 822-4091.



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Confessions of South chaperone at Sadie Hawkins dance

By Larry C. Anderson
Grosse Pointe Park

"What? Chaperone the Sadie Hawkins Day Dance? No way!" I bellowed to my wife who had volunteered our services. "Oh no!" echoed my daughter, a senior at South. "If you come to that dance I am not going!" "That settles it!" I said. "No one is going to that dance!"

A compromise was reached. My daughter would go to the dance if my wife maintained a position within a 6-foot radius of the women's gym bathroom and I wore clothes of my daughter's choosing. Apparently, she does not like my form of casual dress, a worn pair of running shoes and a marathon T-shirt. If not, she wanted me dressed so that I could be easily recognized and thus avoided.

The dance brought back memories of my youth. I was raised in a rural farming community, Litchfield, Minn., 60 miles from Minneapolis. My town was billed as the "Hub of

Rural Progress" and could easily be the legendary Lake Wobegone. I graduated from high school in the year that up side down or right side up was still 1961. The building I went to school in contained grades K through 12.

At my Sadie Hawkins dances we usually dressed like farmers, which was not surprising considering the large number of students who lived on farms (us city slickers called them sod busters).

At our dances we separated ourselves, by grades, into single sex bachelor groups of various sizes. Social interaction occurred between the sexes when a male would approach a female group and ask one of them for a dance. Also, some females would dance with each other until the arrangement was broken up by a male suitor.

I knew that the South dance would not mirror my generation but I did not know what to expect from them.

My curiosity became all the more apparent when I noticed that so many of the early arriving women were wearing black dresses. If not for mourning, these dresses were probably symbolic of a new dance fad. I believe the occasion was semi-formal or whatever you call dress where a significant number of men wear baseball caps, jeans, tie and a shirt. The tie could also be used as a head band or was worn around the neck as a scarf. I once forgot to take my hat off in school and had a teacher grasp me by the hair in order to pull my hat off. Wearing hats inside school has not always been socially acceptable. I believe that some kids have worn the same hat continuously for so long that it has to be surgically removed before a haircut can be done.

South students were no better dancers than my generation. However, the sexes freely intermingled and distinct single-sex-dominated groups were

not the norm. The activity of the 300 or so crowd resembled a blending of dysfunctional aerobic dancing and a track and field event.

South music was a mixture of what I would call rap and the top 40. It sounded like fractured elevator music to the ears of a man raised on doo whop and who still believes that if it ain't rock and roll it ain't music. I was thankful when the South DJ played "Brown Eyed Girl" by Van Morrison.

Once, a large group of South students banded together for a synchronous movement of what was, I believe, a dance called The Hustle.

In reality the students were well behaved and it was nice to be at a student gathering with the presence of parental chaperones and absence of uniformed guards (unless you call that stupid striped shirt my daughter made me wear a uniform). I didn't observe alcohol to be a problem at the dance but I wondered about afterward.

Alcohol was there after my dances and I can still remember the names of my friends who died in alcohol-related auto accidents. I'll bet South students can get booze with the same ease we got it as kids. I was a teenager and walked into 3.2 bar (a bar that can only serve 3.2 percent alcohol beer) and the bartender asked me for my ID. Flustered (I was told he didn't check IDs) I showed him my valid driver's license and he said if you got the guts to show that to me you are old enough to drink. Mark Twain had it right when he said we should be born when we are old and wise and die when we are young and foolish. Youth, alcohol and cars are accidents waiting to happen.

A generation gap? Yes. These kids were raised with cable TV and that part of society it reflects. This includes "MTV," an endless variety of movies with graphic violence, total frontal nudity, explicit

sex, and pornography. People are blown away with impunity in these movies. The more blood and guts the better. Life is cheap and sex a cheap thrill. If I had been exposed as a youth to this, I wonder how it would have affected me?

Did my daughter have fun at the dance? You will have to ask her. She managed to avoid me the entire dance, and we didn't talk about it afterward. I have to admit, she was hard to find because she had a black dress on.

Would I like to have changed places with one of the men students that night? Absolutely! I would love to wear my hat inside and dance slow with one of those lovely maidens. It would

be like a second run on puberty! Youth may be foolish but they know how to have fun and let it show. We tend to become conservative with age and focus keenly on the consequences of our actions. Youth tends to focus on the actions and not their consequences. Maybe that is what brings on a mid-life crisis — we are young enough to do it but too old to dare try.

Good luck GPS class of 1994. Larry C. Anderson is an associate professor in the anatomy department of the University of Detroit-Mercy.



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Cleaning up our neighborhoods

Under the new invigorated leadership of Mayor Dennis Archer, the City of Detroit has begun to make its way toward renewed economic prosperity and recovery.

Positive signs are everywhere: more police on the streets, a friendlier and more accessible government atmosphere, the hosting of the G-7 Job Summit. But even with these positive influences the tarnished image of Detroit lingers on. In part this is because the city is tarnished and in need of a good old Spring cleaning.

That is why city officials have organized a citywide cleanup of neighborhoods and communities to take place on three consecutive Saturdays, April 23, 30, and May 7. Residents of Detroit will be coming out to pick up trash, rake lawns, and plant new flowers and trees.

From Wayne County

Andrew C. Richner
District 1 commissioner

But this is a monumental undertaking, in dire need of assistance from any willing and able body, including those of us in the eastside suburbs. We are asking for residents of the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods to help us in our efforts to assist community organizations on the eastside of Detroit.

Denise LeVasseur and John Petz of my Wayne County commission office and I are organizing and coordinating cleanup

efforts with Detroit community groups on the three Saturdays. If you can spare any of your time (or other resources, such as flowers, trees, shrubs, gloves, gardening equipment) to help our neighbors, call us at 224-0920.

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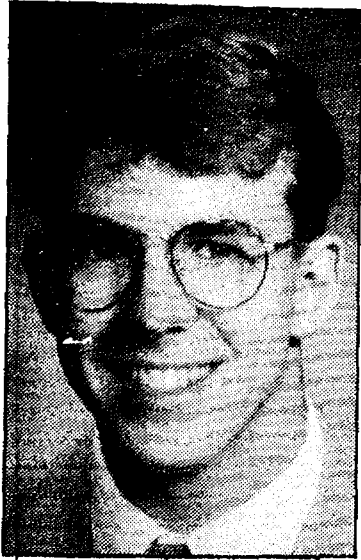
Trombly gets OA accreditation

The North Central Association of Colleges and Schools recently awarded Outcomes Accreditation status to Trombly Elementary School.

OA is an alternative accreditation plan that focuses on student successes, efficiency and quality-with-equity programs.

Outcomes Accreditation is NCA's school improvement model. The OA process requires a school to document the success it is achieving in specific areas identified by a team of teachers, students, administrators and parents.

The NCA is the nation's largest regional accrediting association with a league of more than 7,000 schools and 900 colleges and universities in 19 states. The association works with schools to improve the quality of education for all students.



William Stephens

Stephens vies for scholar program

William F. Stephens, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Stephens of Grosse Pointe Shores and a senior at Grosse Pointe South High School, has been named one of approximately 2,600 semi-finalists in the 1994 Presidential Scholars Program. Semi-finalists are selected from more than 2.5 million students expected to graduate from U.S. high schools this year.

From the list of semi-finalists, 141 will be selected as the 1994 presidential scholars. The White House will announce its selection in mid May.



Discovering medicine

Second-grade students from Richard Elementary School took a hands-on-tour of Bon Secours Hospital recently, thanks to the efforts of Richard parents Brian Steeland, CRNA; Amy Mullinger, RN; and Bill Wood, registered pharmacist.

The students toured the newborn nursery and saw a video on laproscopic surgery. They also visited the pharmacy, where they mixed solutions and counted pills.

Pictured is Brian Steeland showing students J.P. Frohlich, Jaclyn Egnatios, Jaclyn Stralatak and Meghan Beach the hospital computer room.



Kindergarten roundup

The Tuber band from Grosse Pointe Christian Day School would like to welcome you to the annual kindergarten round-up, to be held on Thursday, April 14, at 1 p.m. The kindergarten classroom will be open for visitation by parents and children considering enrollment in the fall.

For further information, call the school at 821-6159.

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Co-op nurseries roundup

Most parent cooperative nursery schools in the Grosse Pointes are now accepting applications for the 1994-95 school year.

Parent cooperative nursery schools, commonly known as co-ops, offer programs for 3-and 4-year-olds. An increasing number of schools also offer parent-toddler programs. While classes are taught by Michigan Department of Social Services certified teachers, schools are administered by the parents of the student body. Not only do co-ops benefit from a high level of parent involvement, but co-ops are leading proponents of parent education and offer a high quality level of early childhood education at a relatively low cost.

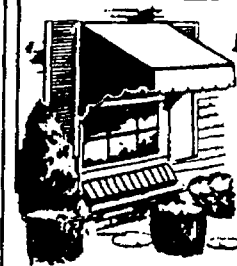
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the Greater Detroit Cooperative Nursery Council at 261-6110.

Academy's Harris attends Science Symposium

Reed Harris, an eighth-grader at the Grosse Pointe Academy, became the first middle school student to be invited to attend the prestigious Junior Science and Humanities Symposium sponsored by Wayne State University.

Harris' science project on the magnetic levitation of trains earned him the honor. Reed spent two days at Wayne listening to student presentors, college professors and previous science symposium winners.



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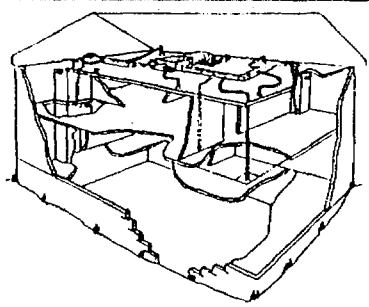
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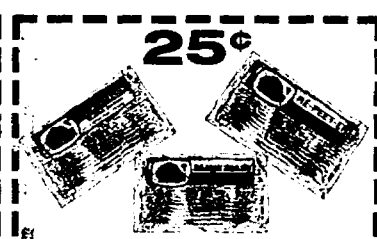


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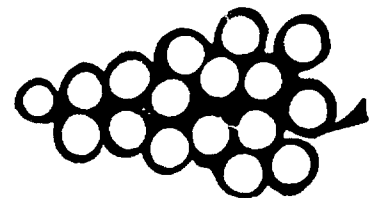


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Woods grants pay raise to appointed officials for outstanding service

By Jim Stickford
Staff Writer

Citing the excellent job performance of the city's appointed civil servants, Grosse Pointe Woods approved a 3 percent pay raise for five employees last week.

"We on the council have been truly impressed by the caliber of work by our appointed officials over the last year," said Mayor Robert Novitke. "Everyone really pulled

together during the transition period between city administrator Phil Belcher and Pete Thomas."

Novitke said that the officials in question, city administrator Thomas, city clerk Louise Warnke, city comptroller Cliff Maison, city assessor William Knapp and city attorney George Catlin, are the main conduit between the public and the council and the job they've

done in keeping the lines of communication open merits the raise.

Thomas' salary is \$72,450, up from \$70,000. Warnke saw her salary go from \$48,568 to \$50,267. Maison will now make \$59,512, up from \$57,500. Knapp will now be making \$23.60 an hour instead of \$22.80 and Catlin's fees are now \$89 an hour, up from \$86.

Woods pay levels are in line with the other Pointes, Novitke

said, noting that each city pays its workers differently, and each position has different job requirements.

For example, he said, the City pays its city manager Thomas Kressbach \$74,000 a year, but Kressbach also acts as the city clerk. City director of finance Dennis Foran earns \$58,680, but also acts as assessor.

Shores village manager Mike

Kenyon makes \$71,000, but acts in the capacity of a treasurer while the village pays finance officer Rhonda Gaskill \$40,000 to keep the village's books up to date.

In the Farms, city manager Richard Solak earns \$72,397, and the clerk, Shane Reeside, \$45,466 and acts as assistant city manager. Reeside said that the salaries of the city manager and the city comptroller receive 25 percent of their funding from the city's water fund and 75 percent from the general fund. The clerk's salary is funded in part, 10 percent, by the water fund.

The attorney for the City of Grosse Pointe, John Fildew, said that each city has its own

arrangement with their city attorneys. These are based on tradition and precedent unique to each city and to try to compare attorney arrangements would be unfair, he said.

His firm charges the City between \$85 an hour and \$150 an hour depending on the work and the attorney handling the case.

"Each city has a different pay structure, and the duties of the top officers really do vary city to city," said Park manager Dale Krajniak, who makes \$67,500. "For me to say I'm underpaid or overpaid compared to other officials in the Pointes is unfair. We each have slightly different job descriptions, so the best judge of pay is each city council."

Public safety reports

Woman robbed in Farms lot

A 43-year-old Detroit woman was robbed of more than \$5,000 on April 7 by two armed women who forced their way into her car at Mack and Moross in Grosse Pointe Farms.

The victim told police that the robbers, described as two black women armed with handguns, forced their way into her car around noon as the woman was leaving the shopping center. One of the suspects got into the back seat and placed a gun against the woman's head while the other assailant got into the passenger seat and grabbed the woman's purse.

The suspect in the front seat discovered the victim had a bank book with her and ordered her to drive to her bank at Eight Mile and Kelly in Eastpointe. Along the way, the robbers repeatedly assured the woman that if she gave them money they would let her go.

The woman went into her bank and withdrew \$3,000. She did not seek help in the bank because her captors had threatened to kill her if she did so.

After giving the money to the robbers, the woman was ordered to drive back to Mack and Moross. Along the way the robbers decided the victim had more money in the bank and ordered her to turn the car around, go back to the bank and withdraw the rest of her savings.

The woman complied, taking out an additional \$1,800 and giving it to the robbers. She then drove the women back to Mack and Moross, where the women then robbed the victim of her jewelry and fled the parking lot on foot.

Grosse Pointe Farms police

detective Mike McCarthy said the description of the robbery suspects and their method of operation fits that of robberies reported recently in Detroit and Ferndale.

Ice is nice

A party store on Mack in Grosse Pointe Farms twice last week was the target of thieves who have a taste for ice beer.

On April 10, store employees called police after they saw a 25-year-old Detroit man running across Mack with two cases of ice beer. Police, with the help of witnesses at a nearby business, were able to arrest the thief, who was hiding under a porch.

On April 7, employees saw a man steal two cases of ice beer but attempts to capture the thief were unsuccessful.

Tossed salad

Two homeowners in Grosse Pointe Woods last week reported that vandals had tossed food at their homes.

A homeowner in the 1200 block of Edmundton reported on April 10 that someone had thrown fruit and vegetables at the back of his house, damaging some of the siding. The homeowner said he heard a loud crash the night before but was unable to locate the source of the noise.

On April 9, a resident who lives in the 2000 block of Lancaster discovered that someone had thrown raw eggs at the front of his house, breaking a pane of glass.

The homeowner told police he is concerned that his family may be the target of harassment because his home has been vandalized in the past.

Boy accosted in the Farms

A 6-year-old Grosse Pointe Farms boy was playing in front of his house on Cloverly on April 2 when a man in his 40s or 50s pulled to the curb and asked the boy if he would like to go for a ride.

The boy told the man no and ran toward his house. The man is further described as having grayish blond hair, clean shaven and slim, driving a late model light blue hatchback car.

Grosse Pointe Farms police detective Rick Good said it appears to be an isolated incident as no other parents have reported similar activity in recent weeks.

Signs recovered

On Thursday, March 24, the Grosse Pointe News reported the theft of decorative street signs in Grosse Pointe Shores. That evening, five signs in a plastic garbage bag were discarded by the thieves in the Brownell Middle School parking lot in the Farms.

Police have vowed to prosecute the thieves if caught on felony charges, and it appears they have leads.

Actually, the clues were left by the thieves themselves in the form of fingerprints left on the signs. Police plan to turn the prints over to State Police, who will enter them in their AFIS (Automated Fingerprint Identification System) computer. If the thieves prints have been recorded in the past, the computer will identify them, and if the suspects are ever printed in the future, the computer will match them with the thefts.

Shores home vandalized

A resident who lives on Shorecrest in Grosse Pointe Shores was notified by police that his garage had been spray painted by vandals.

A police officer noticed the damage while on routine patrol and notified the homeowner. Further investigation indicated that the vandals had entered the homeowner's unlocked car parked in the driveway and found the garage door opener, opened the garage door and spray painted the garage floor and outer walls. The vandals did no further damage but did not return the door opener.

Alarm betrays clumsy burglar

Police officers on patrol in Grosse Pointe Park on April 6 heard a burglar alarm sounding in the area of Devonshire and Mack. When they arrived at the source of the noise, officers saw a man reaching through the broken window of a video store on the Detroit side of Mack.

The burglar, realizing he had been caught in the act, ran from the store, through back yards and into the waiting hands of Park officers who had sealed off the area. The man was turned over to Detroit police.

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Park allocates block grant funds to spruce up old city hall

By Jim Stickford
Staff Writer

In an effort to bring a 1920s building up to 1990s standards of handicap accessibility, the Grosse Pointe Park City Council recently approved spending \$76,500 in federal funds on the Park's original city hall building.

"The money we will use is from the Community Development Block Grant program," said Park city manager Dale Krajniak. "The federal government provides the money to Wayne County and Wayne County distributes the funds to

the different cities in the county based on a population formula. The money is meant to help seniors and the handicapped."

This year Krajniak recommended to the council that they approve CDBG funds for renovation of the city hall bath-

rooms. "We have a good building, and it's in good shape," Krajniak said. "But it's old. When it was built in the 1920s no one knew about handicap accessibility. I don't think it would have occurred to anyone to make it accessible even if the concept

were well-known." In addition to using CDBG funds for updating city hall's rest rooms, the council also voted to contribute \$10,000 to Pointe Area Assisted Transportation Services and \$14,500 to Services for Older Citizens. These programs are designed to help the elderly remain active in Grosse Pointe.

Sally Graham, executive director of P.A.A.T.S., advises anyone interested in a ride to call 343-2580 at least two days before they need the service. This year's budget is about \$82,000, Graham said.

SOC operates along the same lines as P.A.A.T.S., but instead of providing transportation, it funds home repair projects and case coordination and information services, said SOC executive director Ann Kraemer.

The programs are designed to help seniors remain active and independent in their own homes for as long as possible. For more information, call 882-9600.

Woods passes new drunk driving penalties

By Jim Stickford
Staff Writer

It just became a little more expensive to be convicted of drunken driving in Grosse Pointe Woods.

The city council last week approved councilmember Eric Steiner's proposal to charge convicted drunken drivers for the public safety department's costs associated with handling them.

Steiner said when proposing the ordinance last month he told the council that several

other communities in the metro Detroit area, including Dearborn and St. Clair Shores, had enacted similar ordinances.

"When researching the city's ordinances, I discovered that last year the council passed an ordinance that would pass on the costs of processing drunken drivers to the drivers," said Steiner. "But the ordinance required the council to pass a resolution setting the fees convicted drivers would pay. The council hasn't done that until

now."

The fees set by the ordinance require those convicted to pay a set sum for certain services. These include \$25 for the cost of video tape used during an arrest, \$10 for vehicle decontamination, \$55 for jail decontamination, \$6 for cleaning a jump suit and a \$55 administrative fee.

Those convicted will also now pay for the time public safety officers spend on drunken driving arrests. The fees will follow

a formula that charges the number of hours public safety officials work by their salary broken down into an hourly rate.

The council strongly endorsed Steiner's proposal and unanimously passed it. Mayor Robert Novitke said the fees would apply equally to residents and non-residents alike. Novitke said some members of the public called the council because they were confused on this point.

Events

Summer camp by the lake

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial's summer camp integrates a variety of activities into three days of participatory fun designed to emphasize creativity, develop coordination skills and increase self-confidence.

Grouped according to age, the campers' days will be filled with art projects, exercise in the form of tumbling, cartwheels and relay games, exposure to the Chinese arts of kung fu and t'ai chi and use of their reading and writing plans for an old-fashioned Idlerial grounds. Magicians, clowns, folksingers and puppeteers will take turns entertaining the children with a special program at the end of each day.

- Session I: Aug. 2-4, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Session II: Aug 9-11, 9 a.m.

- to 3 p.m.
- Session III: Aug. 16-18, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Session IV: Aug. 23-25, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Cost is \$100 a child per week. Bring a sack lunch; snacks will be provided. Call 881-7511 for reservations or for more information.

Park plans spring events

With summer just around the corner, the Grosse Pointe Park parks and recreation department is looking for a few good swimmers, and is making plans for an old-fashioned Independence Day celebration.

Veterans of the Park's swim team who wish to try out for this year's team should attend a meeting at the Tompkins Community Center at 6 p.m. Friday, April 29. The \$15 swim team fee will be collected, and

team swim suits and T-shirts will be for sale as well. T-shirts cost \$7, girls' swim suits \$37.50, women's swimsuits \$40.50, boys' swim suits \$18.50 and men's suits \$19.25.

Newcomers who wish to join the team should register at tryouts, which will be held on Saturday, June 5, from 10 a.m. to noon. Potential swim team members have to swim a competitive stroke at least 25 yards in the deep end of the Park municipal pool.

The recreation department is also getting ready for Independence Day and has moved some events planned for this year's May 1, Law Day celebration have been rescheduled for the city's July Fourth celebration at Patterson Park.

The switched activities include games and face painting. The Coast Guard helicopter is still scheduled to land and McGruff the Crime Dog and representatives from local, state

and federal governments, child identification and a host of other activities are still planned for Law Day.

The Law Day activities will be held at Windmill Pointe Park from 1-4 p.m.

Dance workshop for the wedding

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Registrations will be taken at the office of the Village Clerk, 795 Lakeshore Road (second floor), Grosse Pointe Shores, Michigan, each Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. The last day for receiving registrations for this election is **Monday April 14, 1994.**

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Call any of the following local therapists for additional information:

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Libraries observe their week

Celebrate National Library Week, April 17-23, with the Grosse Pointe Public Libraries:

• **Monday, April 18**
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• **Tuesday, April 19**
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• **Wednesday, April 20**
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Friends of the Library used book sale and \$3 bag day from 3 to 9 p.m. at Barnes School, Room 110. Thousands of books for \$3 a bagful.

Mini read-aloud at Central Library with Wendy Halperin, an award-winning children's book illustrator. Halperin will read from her latest book and sign autographs.

• **Thursday, April 21**
Mini read-aloud at Pierce Middle School auditorium. "The Wife of Bath's Tale" from Chaucer's "Canterbury Tales" will be dramatized by members of Grosse Pointe South High School's "Grosse Players" at 9 a.m.

Mini read-aloud at Central Library with librarians Helen Gregory and Gerda Bielitz. "The Story of Ferdinand" will be performed with a violin accompaniment. Raffle of Ferdinand books at 1 p.m.

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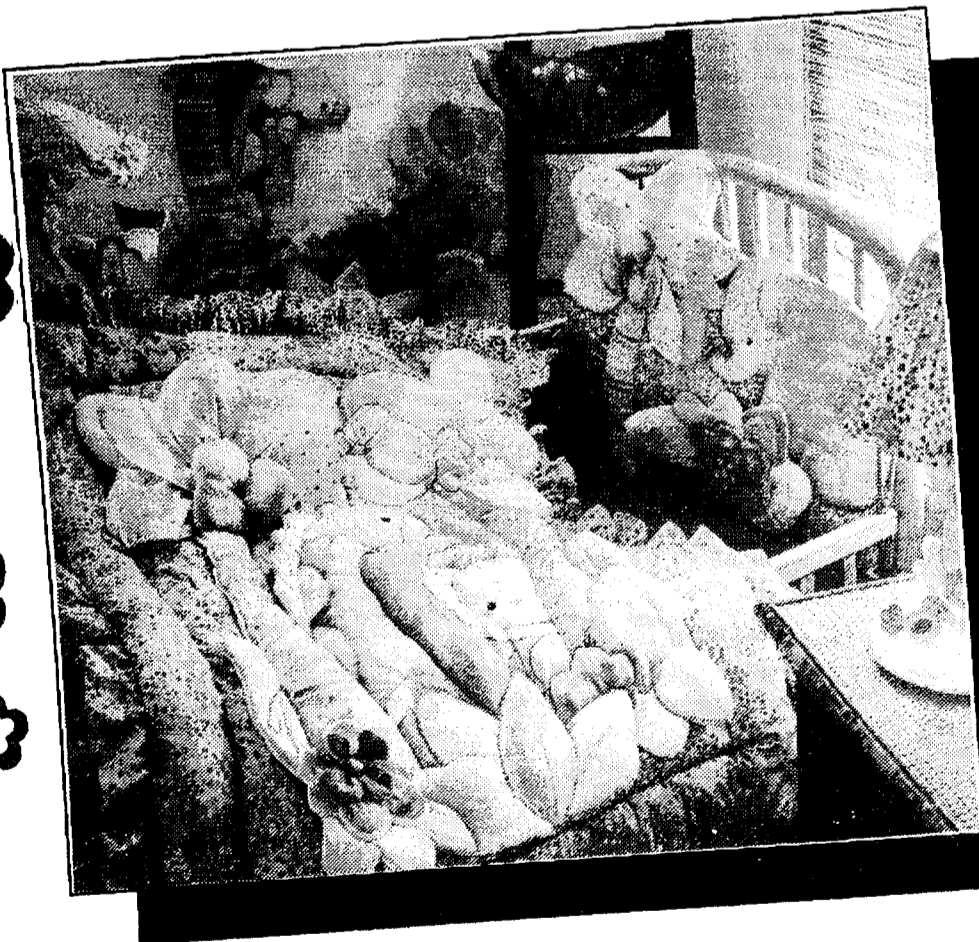
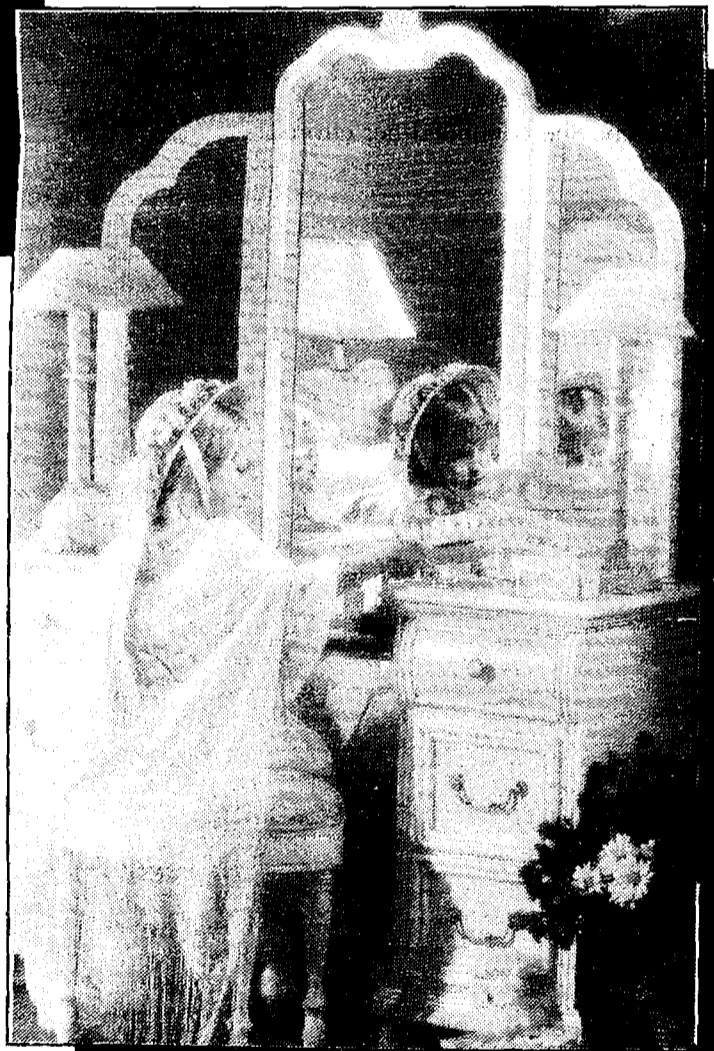
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- **Navigation Lights** for night running. Navigation lights must be on from sunset to sunrise. Most motorboats 16 feet or longer will already be equipped with the correct navigation lights by the manufacturer. White lights must be visible for two miles on a dark, clear night. Combination or side lights must be visible for one mile. Combination lights must shine red to port (left) side or green to starboard (right) side.
- **Fire Extinguisher**. All fire extinguishers must be Coast Guard-approved, fully charged, and readily accessible. Two sizes of approved extinguishers are available:
 - Motorboats less than 26 feet long with built-in enclosures where fuel or engines are housed require a B-I fire extinguisher.
 - Motorboats 26 to less than 40 feet long require at least two B-I extinguishers, one B-II extinguisher.
 - Motorboats 40 to 65 feet long require at least three B-I

extinguishers or a B-I and a B-II extinguisher.

• Motorboats over 65 feet long require at least three B-II fire extinguishers.

Note: When a motorboat is equipped with a Coast Guard-approved fixed fire extinguishing system in the engine compartment, one less B-I extinguisher is required.

• **Ventilation**. An efficient ventilation system must be present on any boat that carries its own gasoline or any other fuel that has a flashpoint of 110 degrees Fahrenheit or less.

• **Flame Arrestors**. Gasoline engines other than outboard motors must be equipped with a Coast Guard-approved backfire flame arrestor on the carburetor.

• **Whistles/Horns**. All motorboats must have whistles or horns that can produce continuous sound for at least two seconds. On boats 16 to 25 feet the sound must be audible for at least one-half mile. For longer boats, the sound must carry for at least one mile.

Note: Only government patrol boats are allowed to carry sirens.

• **Muffler/Noise Limits**. Motors used on any boat must have a muffler, underwater exhaust, or other device that adequately suppresses the sound of the motor. Cut-outs are illegal.

• **Marine Toilets**. All permanently installed toilets aboard boats must be Coast Guard-certified no-discharge devices. All waste must be retained on board for proper disposal after returning to shore.

It is also recommended that you keep a wide selection of gear (not required by law) suitable for local waters and possible bad conditions. These items include:

- Anchor and line
- Bilge pump or bailer
- Oars or paddle for small boats
- Extra life preservers to throw overboard
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The Geo Metro is just such a gas miser. In fact, the Metro XFi, with an estimated EPA city/highway rating of 55 mpg, has topped the high-mileage charts for the last several years. That little rascal joins a base Metro 3-door hatchback coupe and a 5-door wagon for the nameplate's 1994 lineup. Come fall, a restyled Metro coupe and notchback sedan will replace them.

So what's it like driving a Metro, other than not having the attendants at the neighborhood gas station recognize you because your stops are so infrequent? Metro is maneuverable, easy to get into, reasonably quiet, comfortable on extended drives, offers good driver visibility (the tiny vehicle itself may not show up too well in the company of an 18-wheeler) and it keeps up with traffic.

All 1995 Metros are powered

Autos



By Jenny King

by a 1.0-liter 52-hp fuel-injected four. A 5-speed manual transmission is standard; a three-speed automatic is available. For 1994 a 1.3-liter engine will be offered in addition to the smaller four. In spite of the dainty engine size, this front-drive subcompact really isn't afraid to go 70 mph. It seems to enjoy it, and engine noise, even though the RPMs are well over 3,000, is not annoying.

The interior is Spartan but spacious. Front-seat passengers enjoy ample head, leg and shoulder room. The back seat was accessible and roomy enough, even with two full-size men with long legs occupying the front buckets. Chevrolet assures us that all Metros are designed to carry four adults. One member of my family trans-

ported his 200-plus-pound frame along with a couple of even larger friends in the Metro (he figured the total weight package was 700 pounds), and claimed everyone was comfortable.

On a car with a base price of around \$7,200, don't expect heated power seats with leather inserts. For this kind of money, you get soft gray and vinyl materials on the seats themselves, and a lot of gray molded plastic door trim and instrument panel cover. Surely the molded plastic is easy to keep dusted and it's inexpensive to produce, but it does have the effect of turning a vehicle into a cold-looking echo chamber.

Metro coupe doors lock automatically — even without power locks — once the car be-

gins moving forward. If they had invited me to the focus group that evaluated the Metro, I would have suggested a couple of cupholders instead. I'll decide when the doors will be locked, thank you, and would rather have a safer place to put a few ounces of coffee than wedging some foam cup between the parking brake handle and the seat.

There was a slight rattle somewhere on the instrument panel, even though the test car had only a couple of hundred miles on it. In keeping with the overall size of the Metro, its sideview mirrors were very small. So were the images in them.

Shifting the 5-speed was OK but not great. Building up speed seemed more to the Metro's liking than the process of down-shifting; third gear kind of disappeared just when it was needed.

Geo Metros are the offspring of a union between General Motors and Suzuki. They are being built by CAMI Automotive, Inc., in Ingersoll, Ontario. I suppose Metros, whose target markets are young singles on budgets and families looking

for an economical second or third vehicle, might be contemporary stand-ins for the beloved Volkswagen Beetle. The Metro convertible, whose cartoon-car aura was closer to the Beetle's has been dropped from the lineup. We're going to miss it.

The 1995 Metro 3-door hatchback and 4-door sedan were introduced last month at the auto show in New York. They go on sale this fall. I had a peek at a prototype '95 sedan at Chevy's 1994 press preview in Las Vegas last September. A Chevrolet spokesperson said this body

style will replace the station wagon because potential buyers said they felt safer in a sedan.

Our sky blue metallic '94 test Metro started life as a \$7,195 coupe. Add-ons included a \$150 rear window defogger (not efficient) and a \$1,021 preferred equipment group that included a stereo radio/cassette and air conditioning. The bottom line, including delivery charge, read \$8,981. Wagons begin at \$7,695; automatic transmission adds about \$500, and air conditioning is \$720.

Auto, etc.

April is auction month

RM Classic Car Productions, the Ontario-based company that bought a major chunk of Dick Kughn's automotive collection last fall, announces two classics auctions this month.

The weekend of April 15-17, RM will stage its annual spring sale in Toronto. Vehicles up for sale include a 1956 Ford Crown Victoria glasstop; a restored 1934 Ford cabriolet (no reserve — goes to highest bidder); a

1955 Mercedes-Benz 300SL gullwing; a 1948 Studebaker business coupe (no reserve, 31,000 actual miles), and a 1951 Chevrolet convertible.

The auction, held at the International Centre on Airport Road, will also have a special nostalgia sale including jukeboxes, signs, toys and pop machines from the past. For details, call RM Classic at 416-744-9692.


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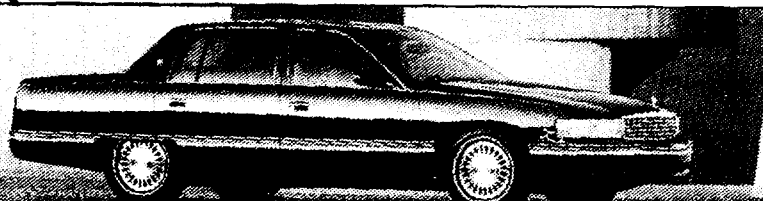


The Metro wagon will be replaced by a sedan this fall. A convertible with manual top was dropped at the end of the 1993 model year.



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Use of safety belts and motorcycle helmets found increasing

Thanks to increased traffic safety efforts in Michigan, more automobile drivers and motorcyclists are taking measures to protect themselves on roadways, according to a University of Michigan study.

Researchers stationed at 168 intersections and freeway exits throughout the state last fall observed 64.4 percent of drivers and front-seat passengers wearing safety belts, a 13 percent increase from summer 1992. In addition, 99 percent of motorcyclists sighted were wearing helmets.

"The overall belt-use rate represents a higher rate than in any of the previous 14 surveys (since 1984)," says Frederick M. Streff of the U-M Transportation Research Institute (UMTRI).

"Perhaps the most important reasons for the increase are the safety-belt enforcement efforts and accompanying public information and education programs that have been conducted statewide by the Michigan State Police Office of Highway Safety Planning, as well as by various local programs promoting safety-belt use."

Another reason, Streff says, is that cars built since 1990 are equipped with automatic restraint systems — safety belts or air bags — as required by federal law. "There is consistent evidence that shows higher use rates for occupants in vehicles equipped with automatic shoulder-restraint systems than those with manual systems."

According to the study, slightly more motorists observed on freeway exit ramps than those stopped at intersections were wearing safety belts, indicating greater seat-belt use on expressways than on other roads.

In addition, use of safety re-

straints is greatest during the morning rush hours with nearly 74 percent of observed drivers and front-seat passengers wearing safety belts. Also, Streff says that "unfortunately, belt use is lowest in our most populous county," with 55.4 percent of Wayne County motorists wearing safety belts — less than most other areas in the state.

Conducted in the state's 28 most populous counties, the study involved 17,719 front-seat occupants in 13,669 passenger cars. It also included 177 motorcyclists, all but one of whom were wearing helmets.

"These impressive results show that Michigan's helmet law and the enforcement of this law are effective in promoting

helmet use," Streff says. Unlike the helmet law, however, the safety-belt law is not a primary enforcement measure — that is, police are not allowed to ticket drivers solely because they are not wearing safety belts. Streff believes that compliance with Michigan's safety-belt law would be facilitated if it permitted primary enforcement.

"But even without such new legislation, stricter enforcement of the current law, coupled with major publicity campaigns, can be effective in increasing belt use," he says. "Issuing safety-belt citations regularly to motorists being cited for another violation can be particularly effective in increasing safety-belt use, because traffic-law offenders are less likely to use

safety belts than non-offenders. Thus, even with secondary enforcement, police have many opportunities to affect the segment of the population at greatest risk for non-use."

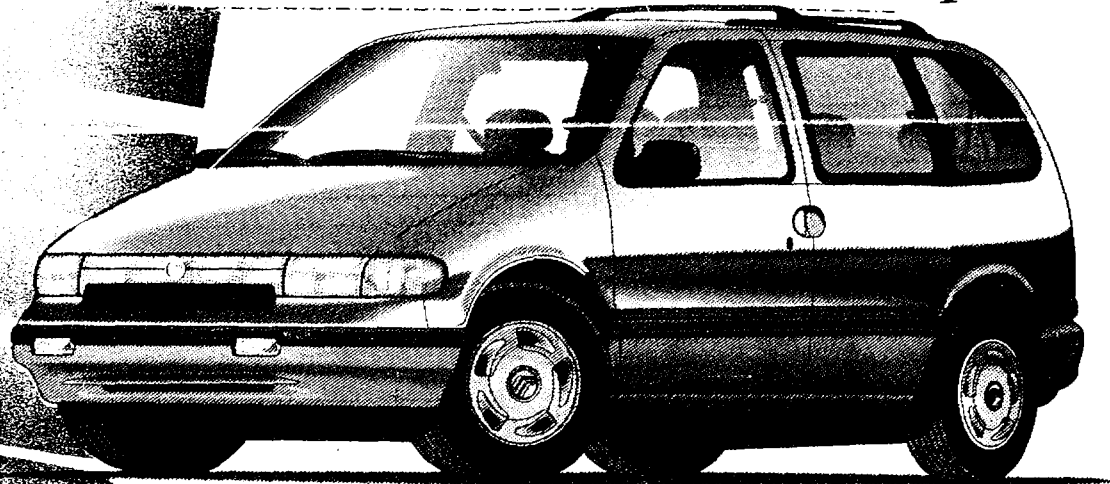
Streff's colleagues on the study were UMTRI researchers David W. Eby, Lisa J. Molnar, Hans C. Joksich and Richard R. Wallace.

Conventional and Advance Payment Program lease payments based on '94 Mercury Villager with PEP 692A MSRP of \$21,225, and '94 Mercury Sable with PEP 451A MSRP \$19,475. Excludes title, taxes and license fee. Lease payment based on average capitalized cost of 92.35% of MSRP for Villager, and 93.65% of MSRP for Sable for 24-month Red Carpet Leases purchased in the Great Lakes Region through 12/31/93. Some payments higher, some lower. See dealer for payment/terms. Lessee may have option, but is not obligated to buy car at lease end at price to be negotiated with dealer at signing. Lessee responsible for excess wear/tear and mileage over 30,000 miles at \$1.11/mile. Credit approval/insurability determined by Ford Credit. Take new retail delivery from dealer stock by 6/2/94. Total of monthly payments is \$7,176 for Villager, and \$6,456 for Sable. *Cash savings based on a comparison of total of monthly payments under a conventional 24-month Red Carpet Lease plus cash down payment vs. one lease payment under the Advanced Payment Program lease. \$8,198 vs. \$7,434 for Sable and \$9,258 vs. \$8,501 for Villager. †This is an average of prices based on an independent survey of Metro Detroit Lincoln-Mercury Dealers on March 9, 1994 for Cougar and March 29, 1994 for Grand Marquis. Some prices higher, some lower. Title and taxes extra. See your Metro Detroit Lincoln-Mercury Dealer for his price and terms. ‡Always wear your safety belt. *Taxes and title extra.

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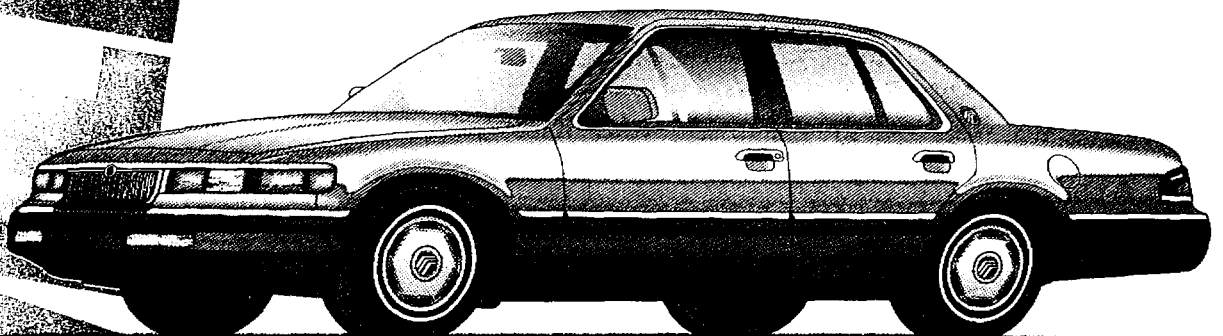
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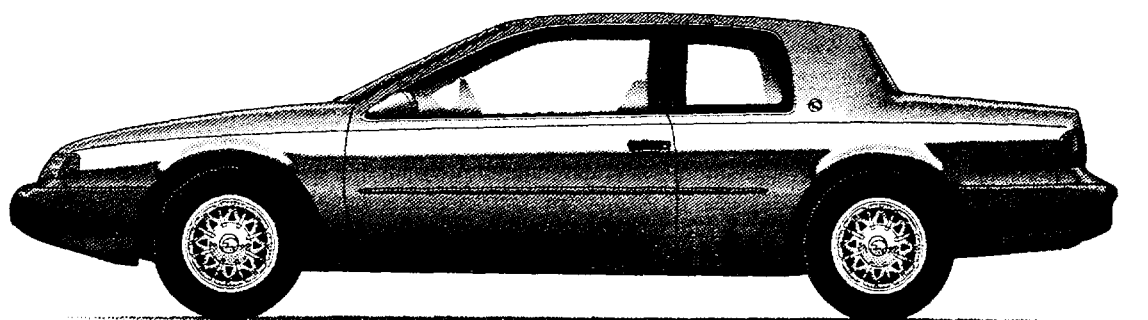


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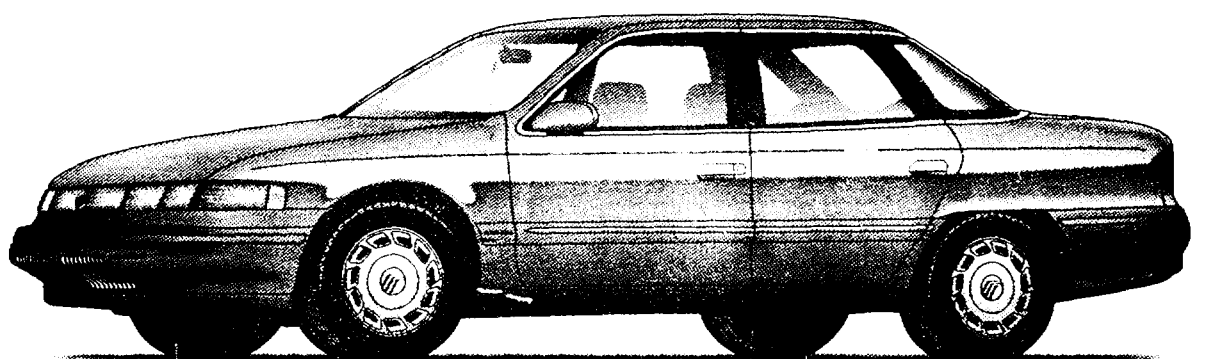


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Autos

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If you're looking for something a little closer to home, circle the weekend of April 29 through May 1. RM Classic will be at the Novi Expo Center the end of this month with more good stuff from which to choose.

Like gaudy and unusual? The Detroit-area auction will feature a one-of-a-kind red 1949 Cadillac Bohman & Schwarz station sedan with wooden doors built after the war for MGM studios. It's said to have lizard upholstery marked with the Hollywood filmmaker's emblem — be sure to see it, even if you don't intend to buy it.

Also going on the auction block are: a 1948 Oldsmobile torpedo-bodied sedanette; a 1939 Mercury coupe; a 1957 one-owner, unrestored 1957 Porsche speedster; a 1937 Rolls Royce PIII; a 1940 Cadillac LaSalle convertible coupe; a 1956 Nash sedan, and a 1953 Oldsmobile Fiesta convertible. Nostalgia sales run Saturday and Sunday mornings.

Kruse International of Auburn, Ind., will handle both auctions. For information on the sale in Novi, telephone the auction hotline at 313-459-3311.

Honda hits sales high

American Honda Motor Co., Inc. reported the sale of its 10-millionth automobile in mid-February of this year. Honda automobile sales began in the United States in 1970 with the N600. Today the company manufactures cars, motorcycles and power equipment in North America for both the United States and export markets.

Another milestone reported by American Honda was production earlier this year of the one-millionth lawn mower in the U.S.

The parent company, Honda Motor Co., opened an auto showroom in Beijing April 6 to promote car sales in China.

The opening of the showroom, which will exhibit Legend and Accord models, coincides with the launch of active automobile-marketing efforts in China by Honda's Hong Kong-based sales subsidiary, Honda Motor (China) Co. Honda already is building motorcycles in China. It plans to increase production to one million units by the end of this decade. Production for the current year is forecast at 750,000 motorcycles.



Jill Shannon Pruellage and Sean Cassidy Hunt

Pruellage-Hunt

Patricia Pruellage of Creve Couer, Mo., and John Pruellage of Ladue, Mo., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Jill Shannon Pruellage, to Sean Cassidy Hunt, son of John and Carol Hunt of the City of Grosse Pointe. An April wedding is planned.

Pruellage earned a bachelor of arts degree in communications from Southern Methodist University, where she was affiliated with Delta Gamma sorority. She works for the depart-

ment of alumni relations at the University of Missouri.

Hunt earned a bachelor of science degree in finance from St. Louis University, where he was affiliated with Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity. He is in the corporate engineering department of Anheuser Busch Co. Inc.

Blackwell-Guevara

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Blackwell of Boca Raton, Fla., have announced the engagement of



Walter Guevara II and Keri Blackwell

their daughter, Keri Blackwell, to Walter Guevara II, son of Dr. and Mrs. Walter Guevara of the City of Grosse Pointe. A July wedding is planned.

Blackwell graduated from Michigan State University with a bachelor of arts degree in education. She is a substitute teacher in the Bloomfield Hills schools and is pursuing a graduate degree at Oakland University.

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Calendar of Events

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"SUNDAY BRUNCH BUFFET"... from 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Adults \$7.95 and children (10 years and under) \$3.95... In The St. Clair Room.

April 14th (Thursday) Personal Bridal Shower for "Lingerie" Intimate Apparel with informal modeling from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Bridal Registry Service available and refreshments will be served. Lingerie Department.

April 16th (Saturday) Meet designer Dominic Pangborn, featuring Mens Ties Collection from Noon to 3:00 p.m. Mens Department.

Personal Appearance! Meet millinery designer, B. Michales from 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. with informal modeling. Fashion Accessories Department.

Ollie Hubbard, (local Michigan person) of Mother Hubbards cupboard will be demonstrating pasta recipes from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. in our Gourmet Kitchen Shop in Store For The Home.

April 19th (Tuesday) Meet Sandy Crump from Wacoal Parafage. Get a personal fit in your lingerie. She will be happy to assist you with any questions from 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Lingerie Department.

April 22nd (Friday) David Brown Collection Show. Personal appearance of David Browns intimate apparel from Noon to 4:00 p.m. with informal modeling. Lingerie Department.

April 28th (Thursday) Louis Feraud and Louis Feraud & Set, Fall/Winter 1994 Collection Trunk Show from 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. with informal modeling, International Salon.

April 28th (Thursday) 2:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m., April 29th (Friday) 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., April 30th (Saturday) Noon to 4:00 p.m. Picture perfect makeovers in cosmetics. Complimentary makeovers and a photograph in a card for Mother's Day. Makeovers by: Estee Lauder/Chanel/Dior/DeMarkoff/Lancome and Clinique.



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Features

1,800 walkers raise \$207,000 in MS Walk



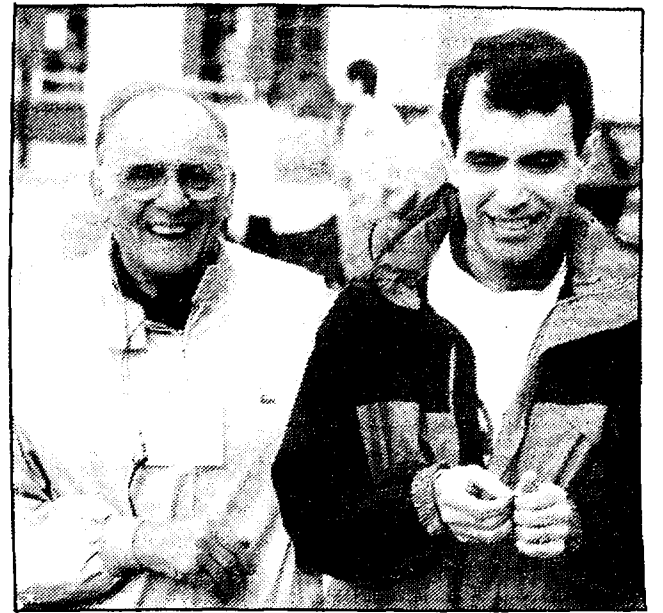
More than 1,800 people participated in the sixth annual MS Walk Sunday in Grosse Pointe. Among them were Mariette Vereecken, at the left, displaying a blister on her left foot; Doug Pranon, above center, with a hungry friend; Jim and Julie Mathews, Charles Ebner and baby Connor Matthews (who rode, rather than walked), above right; Fred Maloof and John Francis, lower right; and Mary, Anna, Sara and Tina Julien, below.



The sixth annual MS Walk, a nationwide fundraiser to support the 350,000-plus Americans with multiple sclerosis, took place Sunday.

Grosse Pointe was one of nine Michigan locations for the event. More than 1,800 people participated in the 20K (12.5-mile) Sunday morning walk that began and ended at Grosse Pointe South High School.

Pledges totaled \$207,000. The weather — perfect for walking — was partly sunny/partly cloudy, with a high in the 60s.



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The soul in everyday life explored

The Center for Jung Studies of Detroit will present classes examining Thomas Moore's best selling book, "A Core of the Soul: The Experience of the Sacred in Daily Life." The class will read and discuss issues presented in the text.

The class will be led by Nancy Dougherty on six Monday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m. in her office at 620 N. Woodward, No. 201 in Birmingham.

Daughters to spend busy day at work

In an effort to introduce young girls to the working world, Bon Secours Hospital is sponsoring the second annual "Take Our Daughters To Work Day" on Thursday, April 28.

Created last year by the Ms. Foundation, the nationwide event is intended to expose young girls to their mothers' typical work day.

Daughters, aged 9-15, of hospital employees are invited to spend a half day with their mothers. The program includes a tour of the hospital, a career fair, a video presentation, lunch and working with mom.

Last year more than 60 girls came to work at the hospital. This year some 70 to 80 girls are expected to share the day with their mothers.

Josiah Harmar meets

The General Josiah Harmar chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, originally the Grosse Pointe Park Chapter and still named Grosse Pointe Park chapter in Washington, D.C., will meet on Saturday, April 16, at noon, at the home of Mrs. R. M. Stewart, who recently moved to County Knoll Drive in Northville.

Ruth Szabo will call the meeting to order and get reports of the awards meeting which was held April 5-6 in Kellogg Center in East Lansing.

Speakers will be Dr. and Mrs. R. M. Stewart. They will tell the group all about The 357th Fighter Group of the 8th Air Force of World War II — a 50 year retrospective. Anyone wanting more information, call Florence Davis, 422-0006.

Grosse Pointe Woman's Club

Members of the Grosse Pointe Woman's Club and their guests will meet at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 20, for a tea and program in the Crystal Ballroom of the War Memorial.

After a social hour, Joyce Cook, first vice president and program chairman, will introduce the speaker, Maribeth M. Pettys (Skimpy Traveler), whose topic will be, "Ready to travel anywhere in 20 minutes."

Members planning to invite guests must make reservations by calling the hospitality chairman by noon Saturday, April 16. Call 885-8232 or 885-4994.

Friends of Vision plan fashion show

The Friends of Vision's annual luncheon and fashion show, "Visions of Spring," will be held Wednesday, April 20, at the Lochmoor Club. The show is courtesy of Walton-Pierce. Tickets are \$20 a person and must be purchased in advance. For information, call 824-4710.

Camera Club

The Grosse Pointe Camera Club will meet on Tuesday, April 19, at 7 p.m. at Brownell Middle School, 260 Chalfonte in Grosse Pointe Farms, Room C-11, for a monochrome and color print competition and pictorial and nature slide competition. Visitors are welcome.

For more information, call 824-9064 or 881-8034.

The class dates are April 18 and 25, May 2, 9, 16, 23. The tuition is \$65 for members and \$75 for non-members.

Dougherty is a Jungian analyst in private practice in Birmingham and is a member of the C.G. Jung Institute of Chicago. The class will be informal with an emphasis on dialogue and will touch on Moore's view of archetypal psychology as it differs from the classical Jungian perspective.

Pre-registration is required. Call 881-7970. The Center for Jung Studies of Detroit is a non-profit, tax-exempt, educational organization established to disseminate the psychology of C.G. Jung.



Valerie Fons Kruger

Canoeist Valerie Fons Kruger to speak at April meeting of Women of Wayne

"Finding Courage to Face Change" is the title of Valerie Fons Kruger's program to be presented to Women of Wayne on Saturday, April 23, at 10 a.m. at the Lochmoor Club in Grosse Pointe Woods.

The morning, featuring a talk, display of quilts, and some slides accenting her "Faces of Strength" exhibit and her two-continent canoe expedition, will begin with the club's famous brunch. To make reservations, call Alumni House on the campus of Wayne State University, 577-2169. Cost of the event is \$24.

Kruger is a woman who practices courage and considers fear as a door that must be opened and walked through to reach her goals. Racing down the 2,348-mile Mississippi River and receiving a place in the "Guinness Book of World Records," setting the 1982 Women's Record at the Michigan AuSable Marathon, paddling 2,400 miles around the Baja Peninsula and surviving a hurricane that washed 27 sailboats onto the beach taught Kruger the importance of choosing courage rather than submitting to fear. During her 33-month,

Two Continent Canoe Expedition, a 21,000-mile voyage of discovery from the Arctic to Cape Horn, she realized that everyone has her own Cape Horn and she encourages women to reach for their dreams.

Women of Wayne is an alumnae organization that is part of the WSU Alumni Association and promotes fellowship and leadership opportunities, serves the university, helps expand women's opportunities for education and recognizes Wayne women for their contributions to society.

Garden Center plans lily lecture

The Grosse Pointe Garden Center, co-sponsored by the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, will offer its Green Thumb Lecture at 7:30 p.m. Monday, April 18, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Stewart Fleming, a member of the American Hemerocallis Society, an expert on day lilies will discuss his specialty. He will discuss where to purchase, plant and care for day lilies. His garden was featured on the 1992 Grosse Pointe Garden Tour.

Admission is free for Garden Center members and \$3 for non-members. Tickets are available at the War Memorial. Call 881-4594 or 881-7511 for more information.

Artists meet

The Progressive Artists Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 22, at the Spindler Park Building, 19400 Stephens in Eastpointe.

Marilyn Lyons, a guest artist, will demonstrate water color techniques.

Here's the low-down on low back pain

By Michael McMillin, M.D.
Medical Director, Henry Ford Cottage Hospital Emergency Center

One of the most common problems seen in emergency departments is low back pain. It is second only to the common cold as a cause for missing work in the United States, and billions of dollars are spent each year treating it. In fact, eight out of 10 Americans will suffer from at least one backache at some time in their lives.

Some researchers believe that the reason lies in evolution — that human beings have evolved to walking in an upright position, even though the human spine has difficulty handling the stresses involved. Being erect puts pressure on the vertebrae of the lower back where the spine curves most and, consequently, where most back pain occurs.

Low back pain tends to become more common between the ages of 30 and 50, when the discs between the vertebrae start to lose water and their ability to absorb shock. Also, in middle age, people tend to be less active and their muscles become weaker, contributing to back instability.

Fortunately, the great majority of back aches aren't serious and clear up on their own. These cases usually represent a strain of the muscles or a sprain of the ligaments of the back. These conditions can be caused by sudden lifting, too

little or too much exercise, poor posture or a combination of these things. X-rays usually show nothing abnormal.

Arthritis also can cause low back pain, and this is seen more often in the elderly. Usually, it is a chronic type of pain, relieved with aspirin.

A more painful and debilitating condition occurs when muscle spasms develop in the back. This is characterized by a more severe pain as the muscle involuntarily goes into spasm. It can be caused by lifting or poor posture. Some researchers believe that stress also can play a role in muscle spasm.

A more serious but less common cause for back pain is a herniated disc. Between the vertebrae of the spine are discs which act as shock absorbers. In a herniated condition, the disc bulges between the vertebrae and can press on a spinal nerve sending shooting pain down the leg. If the affected nerve is the sciatic nerve, it is called sciatica.

Finally, other problems can cause low back pain which are not related to the spine. These may include kidney disease, cancer or spinal infection.

You should see your doctor if any of the following symptoms

occur with your back pain: pain radiating down the leg, numbness or weakness in the leg, loss of bowel or bladder control, back pain that does not go away with rest, or very severe back pain. These symptoms may indicate a more serious problem.

You can generally treat yourself initially for the less serious causes of back pain, such as muscle strain or ligament sprain. The most important thing is rest. Lie down on your back on a firm surface such as a firm mattress. Avoid sitting, since sitting actually increases the stress on your back. Apply a heating pad to your back; heat will help the muscles to relax. You can take over-the-counter pain medications such as aspirin or ibuprofen for the pain. Usually, in a day or two, the symptoms go away.

For more severe back pain, a doctor can prescribe higher doses of anti-inflammatory medication, and can prescribe muscle relaxants when muscle spasm is present. Heat and bed rest are also important when there is muscle spasm.

How can we avoid getting low back pain? Since going back to walking on all fours is not a socially acceptable option,

we can suggest some steps to avoid this common problem.

First of all, if you are overweight, lose those extra pounds. Extra weight can put increased strain on the muscles and ligaments of the back. Poor posture also can put extra stress on the lower back and contribute to back pain. It is important to keep the stomach tucked in and the pelvis pushed forward to avoid a sway back. Your mother was right. Don't slouch!

Sitting can put a strain on your back. If you must sit for long periods, try to maintain good posture with both feet flat on the floor. Also, use a chair that can support your lower back, or place a pillow behind your lower back to give yourself additional support.

Improper lifting is a common cause of low back pain. When you lift, bend at your knees, not at your waist, and keep your back straight. Remember to keep the object you are lifting as close to your body as possible.

Finally, regular exercise can help to strengthen the muscles in the back and abdomen, reducing the instability of the spine and reducing low back pain.

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'Taste of the Nation' reaps \$125,000 for relief of hunger

A night of food, friends and funds is one way to describe the recent 1994 Share Our Strength (SOS) "Taste of the Nation" benefit held on Tuesday, March 22.

Chaired by chef Jimmy Schmidt of the City of Grosse Pointe, the dining extravaganza held at The Rattlesnake Club and the Stroh River Place atriums raised awareness of — and more than \$125,000 for — the national effort to relieve hunger.

Local organizations receiving funds included Gleaners Community Food Bank, Forgotten Harvest, Hunger Action Coalition, Food Gatherers and the Detroit Self-Employment Project.

Highlighting the annual event were 35 of metro-Detroit's finest chefs who prepared and personally served up culinary delights from hors d'oeuvres to main dishes, topped off with samples of fine wines, Godiva liqueur and grand desserts. Musical entertainment was provided by Mel Ball and Colours.

A silent auction and raffle further added to the success of the evening.

Hall of famer: The Friends of the International Institute will hold a special evening with the Detroit Sym-

phony Orchestra on Friday, April 15, to honor the 1994 International Heritage Hall of Fame inductees, including Grosse Pointe Park's Mado Olga Lie and Detroit Symphony Orchestra music director Neeme Jarvi.

Also among those honored will be Mary Bell, president and chair of the Bell Broadcasting Corp., Fr. William T. Cunningham, head of Focus: HOPE, and Yousif B. Ghafari, president and CEO of Ghafari Associates Inc.

The hall of fame honorees will be inducted at a formal awards dinner at Cobo Center on Wednesday, May 25. Addition of the 1994 members will raise to 52 the number of Michigan leaders in the permanent International Heritage Hall of Fame on the lower atrium level of Cobo Center.

The hall of fame was founded in 1984 to honor leaders from various ethnic backgrounds who have made outstanding contributions to the American way of life and for demonstrating a commitment to ethnic and cultural traditions.

For tickets to the April 15 DSO concert and reception, call (313) 824-9011.

Flea market: The Bon Secours Nursing Care Center Auxiliary will begin spring



Members of the Mammoth Flea Market planning committee prepare for the April 16 event; from left, are Mildred Davis, co-chairperson; Phyllis Socia, raffle chairperson; and Ginny Schnurr, co-chairperson.

cleaning by hosting its third Mammoth Flea Market from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. Saturday, April 16, at the Bon Brae Center Gymnasium, 22300 Bon Brae, at 10 1/2 and Jefferson, behind the Bon Secours Nursing Care Center. Proceeds will help purchase a van for the residents and their families.

Garage sale enthusiasts will have a large variety of items from which to choose — children's clothing to furs, toys to small appliances and furniture items, costume jewelry, pottery, china and silver and much more.

To donate or to obtain more information, call the Bon Secours Gift Shop East at 779-7018.

Share and care: The St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center, a residential treatment facility for abused, neglected and emotionally disturbed children from 5 to 14 years of age, is holding a fundraiser luncheon and fashion show beginning

with a social hour at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 16, at Laurel Manor in Livonia. Fashions will be provided by Talbots of Twelve Oaks. Tickets are \$30 and proceeds will be used to refurbish the children's cottages at the center. Call 540-1327 or 645-1967 for more information.



Mado Lie

American Business Women to hear talk on assertiveness

The American Business Women's Association, Grosse Pointe chapter will host a spring enrollment event on Wednesday, April 20 in Grosse Pointe Shores. The speaker will be Suzanne Guimond Wilson, director and co-founder of the Comprehensive Health Education System. Her topic will be "Assertiveness Skills for the '90s and Beyond."

The social hour will begin at 5:30 p.m. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. The charge is \$23 for non-members and \$20 for members. For more information or to make reservations call Joanne Blaszkowski at 881-6741 or Paula Blackford at 777-4621. The reservations deadline is April 18.

Founded in 1949, ABWA is an influential national organization with membership exceeding 100,000 nationwide who are employed in diverse profes-

sional levels of business. ABWA has more than 2,100 chapters throughout the United States and Puerto Rico.

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Attending the SOS "Taste of the Nation" on March 22 were Grosse Pointers Jim and Valerie Kotsonis and Dr. and Mrs. Manuel Rothis.

English Speaking Union meets

The spring dinner meeting of the English Speaking Union will be held Wednesday, April 20, at the Renaissance Club in downtown Detroit.

Men's Garden Club meets

The Men's Garden Club of Grosse Pointe will host guest speaker Don Juchartz at its 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 21, meeting at Brownell Middle School.

Juchartz, a Michigan State University graduate with degrees in horticulture, has produced and presented in excess of 16,000 radio shows on WJR and has been featured on more than 150 television programs nationwide.

The "Garden Doctor" retired in 1984 from 32 years of teaching at Michigan State University and today heads his own horticulture consulting firm with clients in 35 states and abroad.

There is no admission charge and all gardeners are welcome.

Bon Secours Guild plans card party

The Bon Secours Guild will host its Spring Card Party from noon to 4 p.m. on Thursday, April 14, in the Crystal Ballroom of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore Drive in Grosse Pointe Farms. The cost is \$20 a person. Proceeds from the fundraiser will benefit programs and services at Bon Secours Hospital.

The party will include an afternoon of card playing, a catered luncheon, door prizes and ample parking. To make reservations or for more information, call 882-5604.

Deeplands Garden Club

The Deeplands Garden Club members met on March 14 at the home of Sue Reid, with Grace Harrison as co-hostess.

Ann Cline, president of the Iris Club of S.E. Michigan, presented a slide show to inspire members on the beauty and fine points of iris cultivation.

During the April meetings, the program was "The Art of Pruning," presented by the Mack Allemon Landscape Center.

Hostess was June Bieker, with Valerie Pesegna as co-hostess.



Windmill Pointe Questers No. 385

Members of the Windmill Pointe Questers No. 385 will travel to Livonia and Plymouth on Monday, April 18, for an antiques shopping excursion, followed by lunch and installation of new officers at the Mayflower Hotel.

New officers are: president Peggy Ann Brown; first vice president Betty Schmaltz; second vice president Jean Obenaue; recording secretary Doris Cook; treasurer Gerald Ricard; and corresponding secretary Winifred Popham.

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Pianist Andsnes, Jarvi make old music like new

One of the outstanding features of Neeme Jarvi's regime as DSO music director is the fact that the works he programs for each concert are consistently of high interest. The reason may be that the work is unusual, new, or undeservedly overlooked.

In the case of standard works, often Jarvi brings a freshness to his performance that makes a familiar work seem new. The experience was vividly illustrated at last week's concerts.

The first concert on Friday morning opened with associate conductor Leslie B. Dunner leading a performance of the winner of the African-American Composers Forum, "Childhood Scenes," by Donald E. Dillard. It is a collection of reminiscences of life on 45th Street in New York, portraying street life, school, church, baseball, street gangs and the inevitable piano lesson. Dillard himself read a narrative, sometimes with the music as background and sometimes in the pause between segments.

The music is wonderful in many ways. There is great originality to it yet it is rich in the heritage of the American musical experience with hints of jazz, gospel and early pop styles. It also provides an eloquent portrayal of the activities and emotions described in Dillard's text. The music is, in fact, more moving than the text but the narration provides rich clues to the subjects, making a highly effective dramatic whole filled with nice touches of humor, suspense and humanity.

There is a casualness to the way it all goes together that is disarming. The very lack of slickness and Dillard's straightforward and sincere reading add an ingenuous charm to the performance that could have meaning to any listener and satisfy even the demanding.

Jarvi then took the stage with Norwegian pianist Leif Ove Andsnes to celebrate the 150th anniversary of Edvard Grieg's birth with his familiar and well-loved piano concerto. The choice of Andsnes for this performance was a master stroke. He plays with a focus and intensity that is hypnotic and his treatment of the romance and sentimentality of this concerto is in exemplary good taste. The dynamic of every note and shading of every phrase were highly expressive and blended into a totally consistent and highly moving performance.

His probing and thoughtful treatment of the cadenza built smoothly and dramatically to a stirring climax, making Grieg's music profound to a degree rarely heard. One could understand the spontaneous applause at the end of the first movement.

Obvious agreement between conductor and pianist also lent a consistency that gave exceptional force to the music. Together they expanded the audience's perception of the exceptional quality of a standard work that is too often taken for granted.

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Detroit Actor's Guild gives the Gem Theatre another lease on life

By Ronald J. Bernas
Assistant Editor

A thriving Detroit theater district which provides Michigan actors and writers and theater technicians professional experience and which provides local theatergoers the chance to see new, more cutting edge theater — that's been the dream of many local actors, producers and writers, most of whom start out great, then fall short of that goal.

The latest person to attempt to make that dream come true is Grosse Pointer Peter Belanca.

"The No. 1 problem for Detroit actors is that there aren't a whole lot of outlets for them to work professionally," Belanca said. "There's the Attic, the Detroit Repertory Theatre, the Jewish Ensemble Theatre and Meadow Brook. The lament of the actor who for whatever reason calls Detroit his home is that he can't make a living wage."

That's what Belanca and several other local actors were facing when they formed the Detroit Actor's Guild last year.

And so far, it's worked well. The first production by the DAG was the holiday version of the '40s-style revue "The All Night Strut" at the Gem Theatre. It opened to good notices and did a decent business.

The latest production, "The Vast Difference," is completely Michigan based, from the playwright, Chelsea's Jeff Daniels, to the actors.

In fact, it is exactly the same production that was presented

to record-breaking audiences last summer at Daniels' Purple Rose Theatre in Chelsea. All the actors — some of whom won awards for their work in the show — reprise the roles they played in the original production.

The show opened in February and has received such good notices and has filled the Gem Theatre's 450-seat house so often, that it's been extended through May 1.

"The Vast Difference" is the story of one man's vasectomy (he expects there will be a vast difference in his life once his vas deferens is snipped). It explores the relationship between men, women, fathers, sons and baseball. It examines '90s men and Al Kaline. It's all in good taste, though — and it was refreshing that no one chose to add a Bobbit joke.

The eight-member cast is truly an ensemble, and seems to have a lot of fun with the script, which alternates from the trite to the strikingly original.

But the quality of the acting doesn't surprise Belanca, who's been performing professionally for about five years, after a bout with a life-threatening illness prompted him to put his legal career on the back burner so he could pursue his love of the theater.

"The amount of talent in this area is fantastic," he said. "Detroit is the third best market for making industrial training films. You wouldn't think it, but it's true. There are a lot of training films shot in Detroit,



The cast of "The Vast Difference," which is playing at The Gem Theatre through May 1.

so there is a lot of work for actors in those films.

"There are a lot of good centers of actors, too, in the area: there's the Hilberry, there's Eastern Michigan University. There are a lot of actors; they just need a place like this where they can get a chance to do things that they never would do if they went to New York or California to ply their trade."

Belanca said the DAG will run like a truly legitimate theater: No grants, no foundation money, no subscription seasons.

"We will put a show up and run it until the audience stops coming," he said. "Then we'll put up something new."

Belanca believes Detroit is ready for that type of theater. Not only do local theatergoers sometimes have to wait years for the big-ticket items to visit Detroit, they're often too expensive to see.

That's why he's instituted a special ticket policy for college and university students. It works like this: Beginning a half hour before any performance, any student showing ID can get two tickets to that performance for \$9.75.

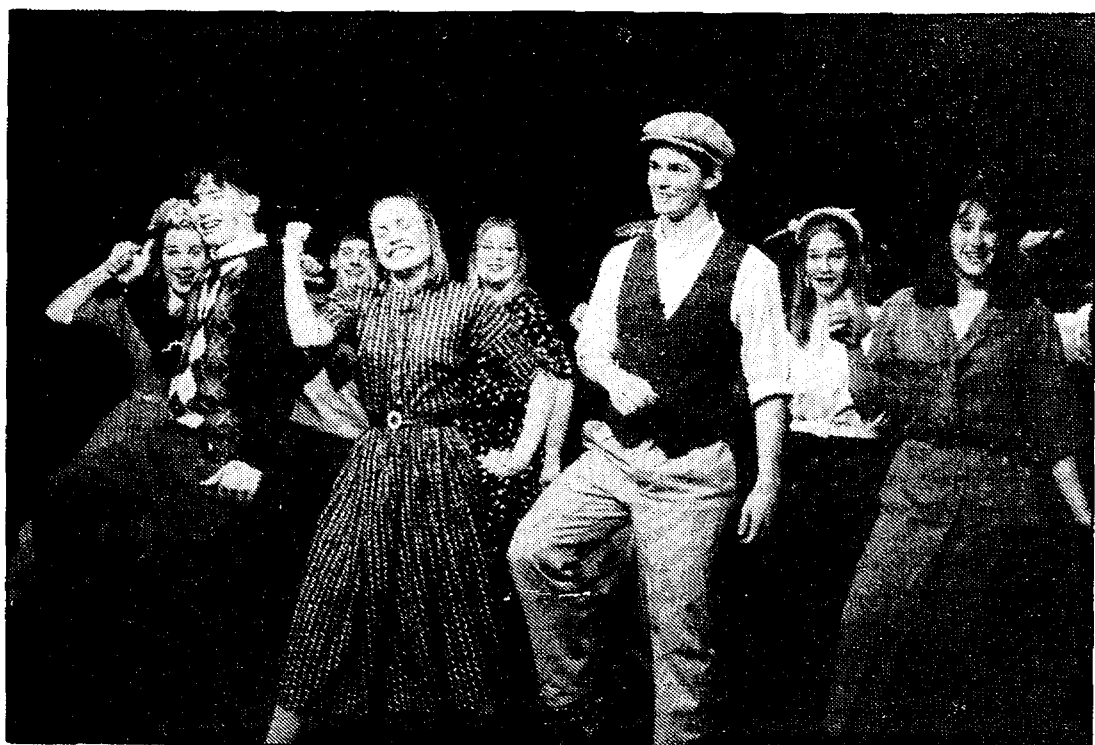
"It's an idea I got in Dublin on a theater tour," Belanca said. "All the seats were filled to capacity, many with young people. This is a great way to build an audience, so I thought

we could try it here."

Belanca has lots of plans, including reviving a successful production of "Frankie and Johnny in the Claire de Lune," which ran at the Attic Theatre several seasons ago. David Regal, who is the DAG's artistic director, would reprise his role as Johnny and Mary Bremmer would play Frankie again.

There is also talk of another revue-type show opening sometime in the fall.

Until then, "The Vast Difference" plays Wednesdays through Sundays at the Gem Theater, giving eight actors professional experience and the chance to make a living wage doing what they do best.



Shelly Ritter and Bill Drummy, along with the company, in "Me and My Girl."

South presents 'Me and My Girl'

Grosse Pointe South High School will present the delightful musical "Me and My Girl" April 21-23 at the Grosse Pointe Performing Arts Center located at North High School, 707 Vernier.

"Me and My Girl" is the story of Bill Snibson who has just learned that he is the heir to the late Lord Hareford's estate. He is a cockney gentleman from Lambeth, and his newfound relatives are from a very proper English family. The late Lord Hareford left everything to Bill, provided he was found and properly educated. He struggles between "learning his way to the fortune" or staying with his cockney girlfriend Sally.

The leads include Bill Drummy as Bill, Shelly Ritter as Sally, Courtney Jo Dempsey as the Duchess, Nelson Mitchell as Sir John, Geoff Button as Gerald, Nicole Rabaut as Lady Jaqueline, Heather Albrecht as Lady Battersby, Brian Young as Lord Battersby, John Riley as Sir Jasper, Betsy Leto as Mrs. Brown and Kevin Young as Hethersett the butler.

The understudies for Bill, Sally, Gerald, Jaqueline, and

Hethersett are Bill Vogel, Neely O'Brien, Greg Sharrow, Lauren Beckenhauer and John Itchon, respectively. There are also aristocrats, servants, cockney dancers and singers, as well as an orchestra.

The show is directed and produced by South's choir director Ellen Bowen and drama director Mary Martin. Set design and construction are by Dan Vicary. The accompanist is Jeff Bruning, the chief choreographer is Andy Haines and the assistant choreographer is Todd Moses. The costumer is Danielle deFauw, the sound designer is Gail Carroll-Coe, and the lighting designer is Joe Gragaitis.

Student leaders are stage manager Tim Reynolds, assistant music director Molly Brayman and assistants to the director and producer Nate Stutsman, Corey Schroeder and Katie Sperti.

Show times are 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 21; 8 p.m. on Friday, April 22; and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. on Saturday, April 23. Tickets are \$8 adult and \$5 student/senior for the evening

performances, and \$5 adult and \$3.50 student/senior for the Saturday matinee (The lead roles will be understudied.)

There will also be a special senior citizens performance on Tuesday, April 19, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets for this performance are \$3.50, or free with a Grosse Pointe Gold Card.

Tickets may be ordered by calling 343-2617, or may be purchased at Third Coast Bookellers on Kercheval in the Park. Seniors should call Marge Nixon at the board office at 343-2191.

Viennese Ball is May 7

Waltz into spring with the elegant music of Johann Strauss and enjoy the rare opportunity to waltz to the music of a real string orchestra in the Crystal Ballroom overlooking Lake St. Clair.

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial's annual Spring Viennese Ball will provide that opportunity from 8:30 p.m. to midnight on Saturday, May 7. The music will be provided by the 15 musicians of the Johann Strauss

'Thumbelina' is magic for children of all ages

By Marian Trainor
Special Writer

When it comes to what make the most appealing feature-length animated films, classic children's tales top the list.

Witness how many successful time-proven tales such as "Aladdin," "Snow White," "Bambi" and others have won the hearts of viewers. Then look at how viewers were turned off by "Rock-a-Doodle," which featured an Elvis singing rooster, and "All Dogs Go to Heaven," which dealt with organized crime among street dogs. "Doodle" and "Dogs" were the work of Don Bluth who is back on track now with his enchanting musical, "Thumbelina."

The Hans Christian Andersen tale on which the film is based enchants with its captivating story of a girl who wonders if she will ever find someone as tiny as herself to love her.

Thumbelina, as the name implies, is a thumb-sized girl who magically grows out of a flower, a gift to a lonely woman who wished for a little girl. Thumbelina returns her mother's love, but frets about her size. She asks if there are any other people as little as she is, and her mother tells her Fairies are about Thumbelina's size.

That very night, Cornelius, Prince of the Fairies, arrives on his bumblebee. The two fall in love and he promises to return.

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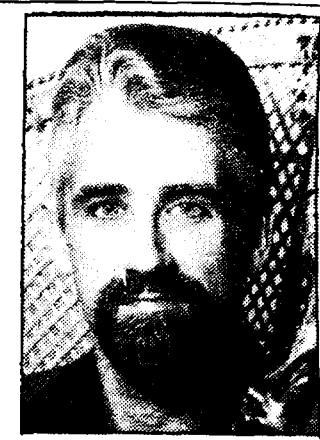
sized girl. The ugly Toad has an equally ugly mother who kidnaps Thumbelina to force her to marry Toad. Thumbelina escapes only to find herself pursued by various forest denizens, some helpful, some harmful.

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Love conquers all and like all satisfying fairy tales, "Thumbelina" ends on a happy note.

Thumbelina is delightfully presented. She is a living doll who is sure to show up in replica in toy stores to delight little girls. Boys will relate to the beetle bugs, and everyone will applaud the spectacular special effects. The musical numbers by Barry Manilow are also wonderful.

"Thumbelina" is a winner.



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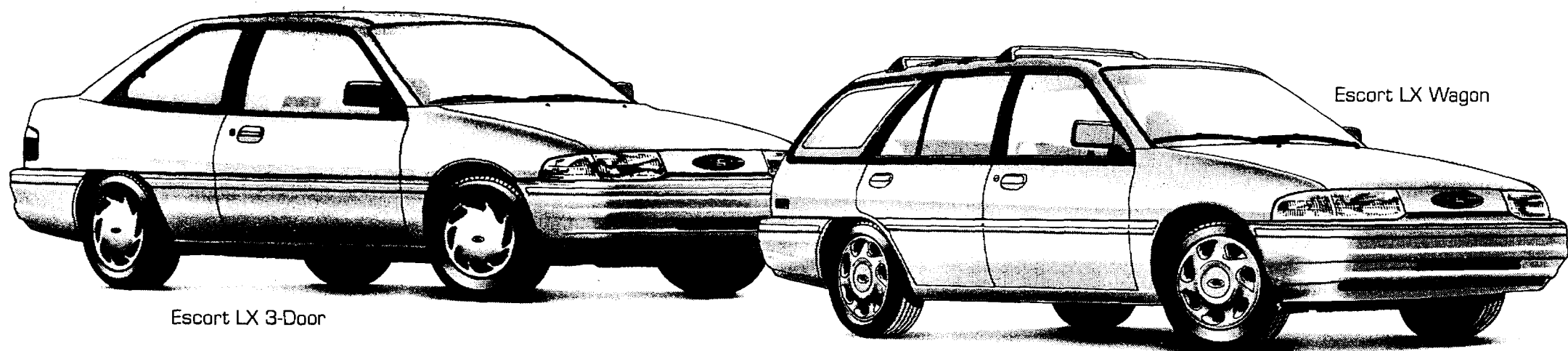
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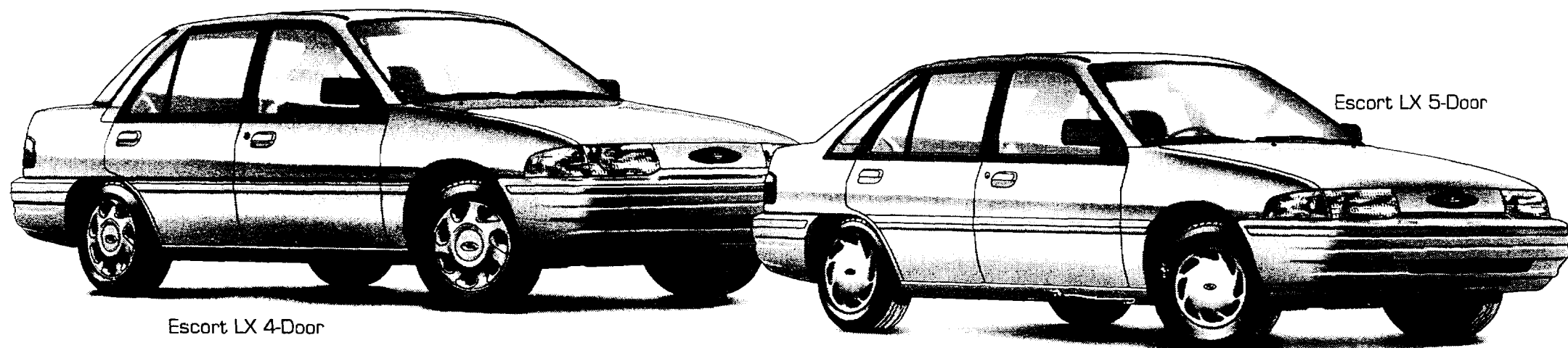
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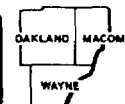


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Buhl hopes to combine winning and learning

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Robbie Buhl is used to winning whenever he steps into a race car.

The Grosse Pointe driver was no stranger to Victory Lane when he was competing in the Barber Saab Pro Series and the Firestone Indy Lights Championship circuits.

That success made the adjustment last year to PPG IndyCar World Series racing difficult at times for Buhl.

"You have to change your mindset," he said. "It's a tough transition. I struggled, but I had to adjust. I love driving a race car, but I'm not just out there for that reason. I want to be winning. I want to achieve

my goals of winning the (Indianapolis) 500 and the IndyCar championship."

Buhl drove last year — and is driving again this season — for Dale Coyne Racing of Plainfield, Ill. His main sponsors are MI-JACK Products of Hazel Crest, Ill., and Copper and Brass Sales of Detroit. It isn't one of the high-budget opera-

tions on the IndyCar circuit and that made it difficult to compete against the teams with the newest equipment.

"I had to learn what I could take away from each race," Buhl said. "I had a year-old car last year and I'm in the same position this year. This year's package — we have a Ford-Cosworth engine which is the

motor of choice among drivers — is better, but the other teams have improved, too.

"Every year that I progress I run into more people who have been successful in the lower stages of the sport and they're all merging at the same point. The level of competition here is so much greater than I've ever encountered before."

Buhl finished third in the IndyCar Rookie of the Year competition with a strong finish. The two rookies ahead of him — Nigel Mansell and Andrea Montermini — each had extensive Formula One experience before switching to IndyCars.

"The highlight of last year was running strong all race in my last four races," Buhl said. "We were struggling to finish in the top 10, but I wanted to take something away from each of those races and I did learn things that are going to help me in the future. We had some good runs, good pit stops and a pretty well-balanced car."

Although he's learning the ropes, Buhl isn't prepared to go forever without having a car that will give him the chance to go into every race with the opportunity to win.

"If I'm not able to compete at the level I want in the next year or two, then I'll probably try something else and come back to IndyCars later," he said.

Buhl is going to drive in at least 10 events on the IndyCar circuit this season, including the Detroit Grand Prix and this week's race at Long Beach, Calif. Buhl had his best finish at Long Beach last year when he took sixth place.

"I'd love to do more (races),

but it's a question of economics," Buhl said. "Maybe we'll be able to fill it out as the season goes on, but I'm happy with the 10 we are running."

Although he wasn't slated to drive at Phoenix last week, Buhl attended the race.

"I just wanted to sit back and watch the teams and drivers operate without the pressure of driving," he said. "You get so occupied with your job when you're driving — this way I can look at it from a different perspective. It also shows the other teams that I'm committed to the sport."

In addition to the differences in competing at the highest level of open-cockpit racing, Buhl had to adjust to a new crew.

"The driver is just one of many pieces that go into a successful racing operation," he said. "I found out last year just how much of a team sport it is. I had the same crew for three years in Indy Lights and we created a bond. They knew what I was thinking and how to interpret what I'd say."

"Last year we weren't able to do a lot of testing so we had to learn about each other during the race. That's like playing a football game on Sunday without any practices during the week. You develop your rapport during practice. That's why this year I plan to spend more time at the shop in Illinois."

Buhl isn't planning to drive at Indianapolis this year. It's disappointing, but he's realistic about it. Especially after crashing twice during practice runs at the "Brickyard."

"Unfortunately, that's what



Robbie Buhl, left, the national spokesperson for the Racing for Kids charity, accepts a \$4,000 check from Mark Bridges, treasurer of the Championship Association of Mechanics board of directors. In the last three years, Buhl has helped the charity raise more than \$300,000 for children's hospitals across North America. The donation from the IndyCar mechanics

went to children's hospitals in Indianapolis and Memphis. Buhl, a Grosse Pointe native, is in his second year on the PPG IndyCar circuit. He finished third among in the IndyCar rookie point standings a year ago and will be in the field for Sunday's race at Long Beach, Calif. Buhl was sixth in the event last year for his best finish of the season.

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Members of the Grosse Pointe Bulldogs Squirt A hockey team celebrate on the Joe Louis Arena ice after beating the St. Clair Shores Saints in the Little Caesars Tier I playoff championship game. In the bottom row, from left, are Richie Giffin, Mike Hackett, Neal Gram and Phil Mannino. In the middle, from left, are Brett Schalk, Johnny Matteson, Trevor

Mallon, Marc Kaplan, Joey Versical, Ryan Kramer and Todd Lorenger. In back, from left, are Rick Gram, Mark Lorenger, Brian Schulte, head coach John Hackett, Don Giffin, Howard Kaplan and Paul Mallon. Brent Franklin is missing from the photo.



Highlights

Basketball league crowns two playoff champions

Champions have been crowned in the Neighborhood Club High School Basketball League in which students formed and managed their own teams.

In the upper bracket, Beef beat the Snakes 39-36 after the Snakes forced a rematch by beating the previously undefeated Beef.

Brow Merriweather, who scored 10 points in the Beef's loss to the Snakes, led all scorers with 13 in the victory. Teammate Carl Melchoir added 10 points. Ryan Hathaway, who had 17 points in the Snakes' victory, led the way with 10 in the second meeting. "(Melchoir) led our team in rebounds and he played great overall defense," said Beef player-coach Brian Sullivan.

In the lower bracket, Skeleton Crew won two straight games against the previously unbeaten Jerky Boys in the championship round.

In the first game, Mike Rubino, Tony Candella and Bill Summer scored 10 points apiece to spark the Skeleton Crew's 46-38 victory. Steve Fennel led the Jerky Boys with 11 points.

Player-coach Rubino said his team, which trailed by nine points at halftime, changed defensive strategy in the second half.

The second game ended in a 28-11 victory for the Skeleton Crew when the Jerky Boys, who had only five players dressed for the back-to-back contest, had to forfeit at half-time because of a shortage of players.

Joel Hutchcraft played excellent defense for the Skeleton Crew.

"Everyone on our team was playing their best that day," Rubino said.

Gymnastics

Children from pre-kindergarten through eighth grade can take gymnastics classes at the Neighborhood Club on Mondays and Tuesdays, beginning April 18.

There will be classes for beginner, advanced and intermediate levels. Pre-kindergarten and kindergarten classes are also available.

The program, directed by Gretchen Madison and Jan Mason, includes tumbling, balance beam, vaulting horse and uneven bars.

Pre-kindergartners can attend sessions on Mondays from 12:30 to 1:20 p.m. or Tuesdays from 10 to 10:50 a.m. Kindergartners meet on Mondays from 1:20 to 2:10 p.m. and Tuesdays from 10:50 to 11:40 a.m. The cost for those classes is \$40.

Classes are held Mondays at 4 p.m. for beginners, at 5 p.m. for advanced beginners and a mixed beginners/advanced class is at 6 p.m. The classes are one hour and the cost is \$45.

The spring gymnastics session will conclude on May 23.

Register in person or by mail at the Neighborhood Club, 17150 Waterloo, Grosse Pointe, 48230. All participants must have a current club membership, which can be purchased at registration.

For more information, call 885-4600.

Winning titles a habit for Bulldogs

Winning championships at Joe Louis Arena is becoming a habit for the Grosse Pointe Bulldogs Squirt A travel hockey team.

A 2-1 victory over the St. Clair Shores Saints in the championship game gave the Bulldogs their second straight Little Caesars Tier I playoff title.

In the eighth meeting of the season between the Bulldogs and the Saints, including two playoff wins by the Shores team, the Grosse Pointe squad eked out a 2-1 victory when it counted the most.

Joey Versical, who was named Most Valuable Player of the championship game, scored both Bulldogs' goals.

Saints' goalie Rodney Tocco made several outstanding saves before Versical deflected Marc Kaplan's hard shot from the blue line into the net to give Grosse Pointe a 1-0 lead.

The Saints tied the game in the second period, but Versical scored a third period power-play goal, assisted by Neal Gram and Brett Schalk, to give the Bulldogs the victory.

Defensemen Trevor Mallon, Kaplan, Brent Franklin and Phil Mannino seldom let the Saints cross the blue line and when they did, Mike Hackett

and Richie Giffin did an excellent job of backchecking and goalie Ryan Kramer was steady in the net.

Coach John Hackett did a lot of lineup juggling during the title game and moved defenseman Johnny Matteson to a wing, while dropping forward Todd Lorenger back on defense.

The Bulldogs began the playoffs with a 4-2 victory over the Livingston Hurricanes. Gram scored twice for Grosse Pointe, while Schalk and Versical added a goal apiece. Lorenger had two assists and Giffin, Schalk, Versical, Kaplan and Matteson collected one apiece.

Lorenger scored three goals in a 6-1 romp over Trenton. Versical, Schalk and Mannino also tallied for the Bulldogs. Versical had three assists, Kaplan and Schalk each collected two and Mallon had one.

Kramer played a strong game in goal with defensive support from Franklin, Hackett and Giffin.

Game 3 was another easy win for the Bulldogs, who rolled past the Antonio Firebirds 7-1. Versical had three goals, Giffin two and Gram and Schalk added one each. Lorenger had three assists, Hackett and Gram two apiece and Giffin, Mallon, Mannino, Schalk,

Matteson and Versical each collected one. Once again the Bulldogs got fine goaltending from Kramer and stellar defense by Kaplan and Franklin.

Grosse Pointe suffered its first loss of the playoffs when it dropped a well-played 1-0 decision to the St. Clair Shores Saints.

Faced with a must-win situation, the Bulldogs built a 4-1 lead and held on for a 4-3 victory over the Plymouth Stingrays.

Lorenger had two goals and Gram and Schalk one apiece for Grosse Pointe. Kaplan and Versical each had two assists and Giffin, Hackett and Gram added one apiece.

The Bulldogs finished the first round with a 4-1 record and moved into the single-elimination second round.

Kramer was flawless in goal and the defense of Kaplan, Mannino, Mallon, Matteson and Franklin reached a peak in a 5-0 victory over the Woodhaven Leafs.

Schalk and Gram each tallied twice and Versical completed the scoring. Lorenger, Schalk and Versical had assists.

The shutout put the Bulldogs into the round-robin third round with the Saints and

Lakeland Hawks with the top two teams meeting for the championship at Joe Louis.

Versical and Schalk scored for Grosse Pointe in a 2-1 victory over the Hawks. Lorenger, Mallon and Schalk had assists.

Lakeland beat St. Clair Shores 2-1, forcing the Bulldogs to either win or lose by only one goal in their game with the Saints. St. Clair Shores led 3-0 at the start of the third period, but the Bulldogs cut the margin to one on goals by Versical and Gram, and Kramer made some excellent saves to earn the return trip to Joe Louis.

Buhl

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a lot of people remember about my year," he said. "We've put it behind us, but because of what happened last year, I don't want to go back until I have the latest and greatest cars. The 500 is so big that you don't want any variables working against you. As much as it means to me to win that race, I don't want to go back until everything is in place."

Buhl said that he had offers from two teams to compete at Indianapolis, but each of them would have been in older cars with older motors and the situation wouldn't have been any better than it was in 1993.

He wants to be sure he has complete confidence in his machines before he tries Indianapolis again.

"It's amazing how your mental approach can alter things," Buhl said. "If you have a question about something, it's going to affect the way you drive. When I race, it isn't me against 30 other drivers. It's me and my team against them and their teams."

Buhl is still active in the Racing for Kids program that helps raise funds for children's hospitals around the country. He makes appearances at the hospitals in each of the race venues and continues to be the major spokesman for the program.

"It's something I enjoy doing, but I haven't been able to expand on it because I've been so busy with the driving end," he said.

Buhl isn't the only one with extra duties. Dr. William Pinky, who had the idea for Racing for Kids, is more tied down to a new job at Harper Grace Hospitals in Detroit.

Buhl is looking forward to a huge fundraising party that will be held in conjunction with the Detroit Grand Prix in June.

Although life on the IndyCar circuit has been a struggle at times, Buhl understands he has to pay his dues.

"The guys who are successful now haven't always been that way. It takes time," he said.

It took a driver like Bobby Rahal several years to develop into one of the major players in racing. Now he's no stranger to Victory Lane or high pole positions.

If Buhl's career parallels Rahal's he'd be delighted.

"I'd like to be an owner-driver like Bobby is," Buhl said. "That way you have more control over what you do. I know what it takes. The main thing is to be organized."

"I hope to be in that position someday and I realize that if I fail, it would all come back to me. You can't get yourself off the hook by saying it was somebody else's fault. But I still think it would be a great challenge to try to put it all in place."

Right now, Buhl is just trying to learn as much as he can while he waits for that major breakthrough, whether it's winning a race or getting the chance to drive for one of the big-budget teams.

South honors top athletes

Grosse Pointe South honored its top winter sports athletes at a recent awards dinner.

Sean Darke was Most Valuable Player on the hockey team, while Todd Dunlap was Most Improved. Chris Nixon was named Best Defensive Player and Jimmy Andary and Bill Staars shared the Coaches Award.

Geoff Prysak was named Most Valuable swimmer, while C.J. Hurd took the same honor in diving. Cory Winger was the squad's Most Improved.

In wrestling, Rob Sharrow was Most Valuable; John Hill, Most Improved; and Paul Dwaihy, Rookie of the Year.

Jim Dailey was Most Valuable on the varsity boys basketball team, while Ben Harwood took Most Improved honors. Jake Howlett won the Sportsmanship Award and Dan Wolking earned the Coaches Award. Dailey was named to the Macomb Area Conference all-White Division team, while Todd Drake and Lee Rupert received honorable mention.

Jenna Nutter was Most Valuable on the varsity volleyball team, while Michelle Dumlaker was Most Improved. Chris Howson won the Molsen Award and Kate Grenzke took the Coaches Award.

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North bats boom in twinbill sweep

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

If the pitchers are supposed to be ahead of the hitters early in the season then Grosse Pointe North's baseball team should provide plenty of offensive fireworks when the weather warms up.

The Norsemen looked like they were in mid-season form last week when they swept Fraser in a non-league doubleheader 11-1 and 8-7 in nine innings. North hammered out 26 hits in the two games.

"We came out hitting well," said North coach Frank Sumbera. "We hit well in a scrimmage with Notre Dame, which has some good pitchers, and we roughed up Fraser's ace in the first game. We should have a good hitting team."

Senior righthander Joe Maceri was the beneficiary of North's booming bats in the opener of the twinbill. In the five-inning game, he allowed three hits, one walk and no earned runs. Maceri struck out eight.

Nick Chapie, who moved from third base to catcher this season, led the offensive attack with a homer and single and five RBI. Nate Treska drove in three runs with a pair of singles and Maceri and Derek Ottevaire each had two hits.

Chapie singled in two runs in the first inning and North boosted its lead to 4-0 in the second on consecutive singles by Maceri, Ottevaire, Donny Tocco and Treska.

Fraser picked up an unearned run in the bottom of the second, but North broke the game open with six runs in the fourth, featuring a two-run sin-

gle by Treska and a three-run homer by Chapie.

A couple of North pitchers who struggled in the second game made amends with their bats.

Tocco tied the game with a solo homer in the sixth after allowing the Ramblers to take a 7-6 lead with four runs in the top of the frame. Ottevaire, who had control problems after getting hit on the shin with a line drive during Fraser's three-run first inning, had three hits, including a homer, triple and two-run single.

North cut the Ramblers' lead to 3-2 in the bottom of the first on back-to-back homers by Maceri and Ottevaire. The Norsemen went ahead in the second on consecutive triples by Ottevaire and Tocco, followed by David Guaresimo's RBI single.

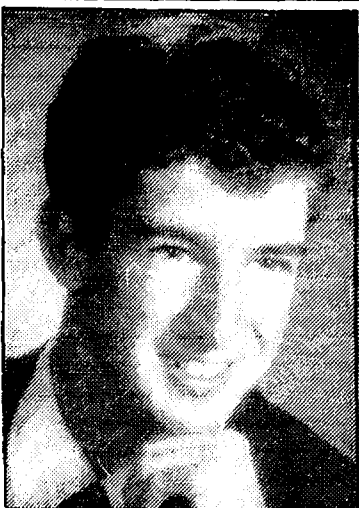
North added two more runs in the fourth. Singles by Kevin Kasiborski and Treska and a walk loaded the bases and Ottevaire followed with a two-run single.

The Norsemen threatened in the seventh and eighth innings but could break the 7-7 tie. Treska doubled with two out in the seventh but was thrown out at the plate on Maceri's single. North loaded the bases with two out in the eighth, but a strikeout killed the threat.

Treska tripled in the ninth and scored the winning run on Maceri's single.

Junior righthander Greg Sieszputowski, who pitched a total of 5 2/3 innings in two separate mound stints, recorded the victory. He allowed no runs and one hit, while walking three and striking out four.

"He did a great job," Sumbera said.



Jeff Wheeler



Andy Loredi

South net squad dedicates season

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's tennis team has a special reason for wanting to do well this season.

"We're dedicating ourselves and whatever merit the season holds in memory of Jeff Halso," said coach Tom Berschback. "His loss leaves a memory in our hearts of a tremendous competitor and a wonderful friend."

Halso, who made the All-State team as a freshman doubles player in 1993, died in an automobile accident during the winter.

"We're coping with his loss the best we can," Berschback said. "Jeff was an outstanding tennis player but more important, he was a fine young man."

The Blue Devils are led this year by co-captains Andy Loredi and Jeff Wheeler, who will battle each other for the first two singles positions. Wheeler played No. 2 singles last year and received All-State honorable mention. Loredi was South's third singles player in 1993 and hopes to earn a state ranking this year.

Berschback and Jeff Hodges, who coaches the doubles teams, expect three other veterans to play major roles in the Blue Devils' success.

Senior Todd Scallen and juniors Andy Schumacher and Andy Giraldo will be tried at third and fourth singles and first doubles.

"I think Todd could really come on for us and could earn us a state seed at fourth singles," Berschback said.

Seniors Rob Hostetter, M.J. Morris, Matt Galnor and Rob Docherty, juniors Peter Devries and Jay Disser and sophomores Greg Ryan and Ryan Parshall are among the leaders in the battle for the other starting positions.

Ryan and Parshall are both up from the junior varsity, while Devries missed most of last season after an appendectomy.

Easy Riders swing into spring

Now that spring is here, the Easy Riders bicycle club is ready for another season of fun and exercise.

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Easy Riders have three planned rides a week. On Tuesdays, the club meets at the Harper Woods Library parking lot at 1-94 and Allard. Meeting time is 10 a.m. in April and 9 a.m. beginning in May.

Thursdays at 7 p.m. the group meets at the Grosse Pointe Woods city hall parking lot. Sunday morning rides take the club to various starting points throughout the surrounding counties.

The rides average 15 miles each and are led by riders familiar with the area.

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Blue Devils glad to be back home

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Cincinnati was a nice place to visit but Grosse Pointe South's baseball team is glad to be home again.

Monday's return to familiar surroundings brought the Blue Devils their first victory of the season.

Hot-hitting Jay Harrington's two-out single in the ninth inning drove in winning pitcher Todd Malbouef with the deciding run in South's 7-6 triumph over U-D Jesuit.

"We're doing well here and there, but we need consistency before we start the league season (on April 25)," said Blue Devils' coach Dan Griesbaum. "We still have some questions that have to be answered and we're making the early-season mistakes that we hope to correct."

Despite giving up six runs, South got some excellent pitching in the victory over the Cubs that gave the Blue Devils a 1-2 mark.

Starter Paul Coyro pitched no-hit, no-run ball over the first four innings, striking out seven and walking two. Reliever Karl Davids struggled with his control in a brief stint, but Malbouef replaced him and allowed two hits and no earned runs over the last five frames. Malbouef also struck out seven.

South led 3-0 after scoring a run in the third inning and two in the fourth, but U-D came back to score four times in the fifth and the Cubs added a run in the sixth to make it 5-3.

The Blue Devils picked up a run in the bottom of the sixth when Pat Brennan was hit by a pitch and came around to score on singles by Ryan Messacar and Justin Braun.

The Cubs increased their lead to two runs in the seventh, but South tied the game in the seventh on RBI singles by Brian Nugent and Brennan.

Malbouef started the winning rally in the ninth with a leadoff single. An error on Cory Geer's sacrifice and an intentional walk to Nugent loaded the bases. The next two batters went out but Harrington, who is 7-for-11 this season, delivered the winning hit. It was his third hit and second RBI of the game.

Eugene Agnone had two hits, including an RBI triple, and Brennan had two hits and two RBI.

During last weekend's trip to

Cincinnati, South played two games and had a pair of scrimmages.

The Blue Devils dropped a 14-5 decision to Cincinnati Norwood as the Ohio squad scored four runs in the first inning and broke the game open with a 10-run third. South scored three times in the first as Malbouef singled home one run and another came in on Sean Recht's sacrifice fly.

Brennan hit a two-run single in the sixth to complete the Blue Devils' scoring.

South struggled again in the first inning of its 6-4 loss to Cincinnati Princeton. Harrington had control trouble as Princeton scored five times in the opening frame, but he settled down for the rest of his four-inning stint.

Agnone pitched the last three innings for South and allowed only one run.

The Blue Devils scored twice in the first inning. Harrington, who went 3-for-3, doubled and scored on Braun's single. Braun scored on Brennan's single after moving into scoring position on Agnone's hit.

Agnone drove in a run in the fifth and Harrington singled and eventually scored on a groundout in the seventh.

"We just couldn't muster enough offense to offset the first inning," Griesbaum said. "We played some good teams in Cincinnati. One of the teams we scrimmaged has a couple of kids who are expected to be high draft picks. The teams there are a little ahead of us because they've been able to play more games."

Today, April 14, South hosts defending state Class A champion De La Salle at 4 p.m.

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Norsemen off to encouraging start

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

There was encouragement for the present and for the future as Grosse Pointe North opened the boys track season with a pair of invitational meets.

"It was a good start," said coach Pat Wilson. "A lot of kids worked hard during the off-season and they reaped the benefits of their work."

North's veteran athletes competed in the Macomb County Indoor Championships at Macomb Community College and the Norsemen had a first place and two seconds to highlight their performance.

Bill Stevenson won the two-mile run in 10:22, while teammate Marty Bogen finished fifth.

"Bill was only a second off his best time ever for the two mile," Wilson said. "He had a real good winter."

North placed two runners in the 60-yard hurdles. Shareef Simaika was second in 7.9 seconds and Jason McBrien took fifth in 8.6.

Eric Peters was nearly in

Cummings has good efforts at state, Ohio

Grosse Pointe South sophomore Marla Cummings, who finished seventh in all-around at the recent state high school gymnastics meet, made a good showing at the 11th annual Buckeye Classic in Ohio.

Competing in the Level 9 Junior (ages 14-15) Division, Cummings was 13th in all-around with a score of 34.10 points. She was second on parallel bars (8.85), 17th in floor exercise (8.65) and 20th in vault (8.65).

Cummings represented the Blake Acronauts in the Buckeye Classic, which is the largest gymnastics competition in the United States. Cummings was one of 64 gymnasts competing in the Level 9 Junior Division.

Her performance at the state high school meet featured a second-place in floor exercise (9.45) and a seventh on bars (9.25). Her all-around score was 36.50.

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Home sales off their peak, but headed for an upturn

Sales of existing single-family homes continued at a healthy pace in February, compared to a year ago, according to the National Association of Realtors.

The association recorded a seasonally adjusted annual sales rate of 3.83 million existing single-family homes in February, up 10.4 percent from the same month a year ago, when the resale rate was 3.47 million units. Adverse weather conditions and recent upticks in mortgage interest rates, however, contributed to a dip in February resales compared to the previous month. February's sales rate was down 9.9 percent from January's pace of 4.25 million units.

"To place the dip in perspective, the sales rates in December and January were the highest on record. We anticipate any loss in terms of market activity because of adverse natural conditions will be made up later in the year. With demand in the housing market still strong, 1994 still has the potential to be a record-breaking year for home sales," said NAR president Robert H. Elrod.

Elrod added that the resale increase in February compared to a year ago reaffirms predictions that 1994 will be an active year.

"The fact that we now have the best affordability conditions in years has far outweighed any poor winter weather conditions and recent rise in interest rates that might normally keep buyers from purchasing," he said.

Elrod said that while both first-time buyers and move-up buyers are generating activity in the resale market, a slight drop in February's median home prices across all regions compared to the previous month indicates that first-timers dominated last month's market.

"More first-time buyers are able to enter the housing market than ever before. With current conditions so good, many are finding they are able to buy even more house than they first thought they could," he added.

The Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. reported that the national average commitment rate for 30-year, conventional, fixed-rate mortgages was 7.15 percent in February, up slightly from 7.07 percent the previous month. However, Elrod noted, the February rate still remains lower than the 7.68 percent rate of a year ago.

February's national median existing single-family home price was \$106,900, which was 3.5 percent

higher than one year earlier, when the price was \$103,300. The median is the midpoint in the price range — half the homes sold cost more, half cost less.

NAR chief economist John A. Tuccillo attributed the drop in home sales between January and February of this year to bad weather and a "tug-of-war that is currently being waged between an improving economy and rising rates." He noted that the association had predicted such a slowdown.

The West posted the greatest gain in resales. That region recorded a rate of 900,000 units in February, a rise of 21.6 percent from the pace one year earlier. The region's median price was \$143,200 last month, up 1.4 percent from one year earlier.

Ranking second was the Northeast, which posted a resale pace of 600,000 units, up 9.1 percent from February 1993. The median price for existing single-family homes in the Northeast was \$138,200 last month, up 2.0 percent from one year earlier.

The South also experienced strong gains with a resale rate of 1.42 million units in February, up 8.4 percent from one year earlier.

The median price in the South was \$95,400, up 6.2 percent from February 1993.

In the Midwest, the resale rate was 920,000 units in February, 4.5 percent higher than the previous February. The Midwest's median price of \$84,100 in February remained unchanged from a year ago.

NAR predicts existing single-family home sales to total 3.94 million units in 1994, representing a 3.7 percent increase from the 1993 total. The median price for existing single-family homes is expected to be \$110,400, up 3.4 percent from last year.

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Q. I own a home in a rural area with about a third of an acre in property. A good part of my back yard is enclosed by a fence made of cedar wood. The design is a post and rail type with two entry gates. The problem I am experiencing after approximately four years since the fence was constructed is wobbly gates. The gates are well built and have not decayed or rotted. However, upon opening them, they rock and waver very unsteadily. I have tried to reinforce the gates with extra nails and even installed a chicken wire fence, but still had no success. Do you have any useful suggestions to remedy this problem?

A. A good percentage of your dilemma is plain old settlement of the wood due to aging. Cedar wood is extremely sturdy, but will actually shrink in girth and length over time. The process of cedar aging begins with the gradual peeling of its skin (or bark), and then the wood slowly compresses itself. The heartwood or center of the cedar is very firm and that's what gives it the strength.

At this point in time you proba-

bly already know what will cause your gates to behave in a rickety manner. One sure solution to end a wiggly gate is to install a common turnbuckle with a threaded steel rod on each end. This item can be put in place in a short time and is fairly inexpensive. Any building home center or hardware store will carry a wide variety of turnbuckles.

One turnbuckle with the two threaded steel rods installed diagonally will steady even the most wobbly gate. The store where you purchase this item can advise you if any other hardware is necessary.

Q. I have a remote-controlled garage door which has a small amount of daylight and air leaking from under each end of the rubber-tight seal. Can you suggest any helpful tips for a better seal?

A. A very quick and simple method is to use two short pieces of foam pipe insulation. Cut the small circular pieces in half or even less and place inside the open ends of your garage door seal. Test by closing your door and add foam if necessary.

Antiques by Ralph & Terry Kovel

Q. My metal lamp has a glass shade with a painted scene on the inside. It is marked "Moe-Bridges." Can you tell me about it?

A. Moe-Bridges Company was in Milwaukee about 1925 and it made painted scenic shades like yours. They also made bent glass and pierced metal shades. Prices for the lamps with painted glass shades are less than the prices for lamps by Handle, Pairpoint and other famous makers. A good-quality Moe-Bridges lamp would bring about \$2,700.

Q. We have an old tankard that has been in our basement for years. We think it originally was silver but the finish seems to have worn off. We had it silver-plated. My friends say that it was more valuable without the silver. Can you help me? The bottom of the tankard says, "Manning, Bowman and Co. 83." The front is engraved, "Compliments of the United Pleas-

ure Club to Mr. and Mrs. Feldotto on their silver wedding, August 28, 1878."

A. The tankard was originally silver-plated. It was made by a company that specialized in electroplated silver. A tankard with original silver plate still intact would be worth more than a resilvered piece. New silver plating will not detract from the value. Collectors usually pay a premium for original finish, a good price for a restored finish, and a low price for a piece that needs refinishing or repair. Very early Sheffield silver-plated wares made in England in the 18th century were plated by a process that is not used today. Electroplating those pieces does not add to the value.

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Builders' remodelers council hosts contract seminar part II

The Remodelers Council of the Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan (BASM) will host a seminar on "How to Get the Contract Part II" on Wednesday, April 20.

A panel of experts, led by Chuck Breidenstein, educational director of the Michigan Association of Home Builders, will present techniques used by the most successful

remodelers and builders in the business.

The meeting will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Northfield Hilton, 5500 Crooks Road (at I-75 interchange) in Troy. Registration fee, including dinner, is \$20 for BASM members and \$35 for non-members. For registration information, call (810) 737-4477.

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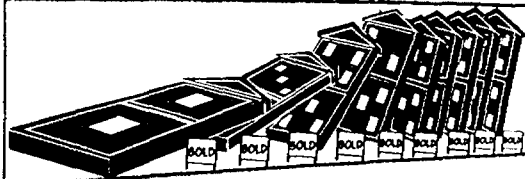
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A. People who have trouble digesting milk can usually drink it in small amounts or can drink milk to which the enzyme lactase has been added. Buttermilk, yogurt and cheese are good alternatives and are easier to digest.

Others simply don't like milk or dairy products. Calcium can be found naturally in leafy green vegetables like kale and broccoli. It's also added to some products, such as fruit juice. It's best to get as much calcium as you can from the foods you eat. If you feel you are not getting enough from foods, discuss whether you should take a calcium supplement (and what kind)

with your doctor or dietitian.

Q. What should I look for when choosing asparagus, and how should it be stored at home?

A. Choose asparagus with firm, smooth spears and tight buds. The spears should not be woody or too soft and should snap when bent. To assure even cooking, select stalks of the same thickness. (Although many people prefer thin asparagus, it is best to choose the stalks based on the above criteria.)

To store, trim the base of each stalk, stand the stalks in a container with an inch or two of cold water and refrigerate them, covered loosely with a plastic bag. Alternately, wrap the base of the trimmed stalks in a damp paper towel and keep them in a plastic



bag in the refrigerator.

Q. I was in a Greek restaurant and came across a sauce called

skordalia. What is it and how is it made?

A. Skordalia is a Greek mayonnaise-type sauce. It consists of garlic (skordo in Greek), olive-oil, lemon juice or vinegar, and salt, emulsified with (depending on the recipe) mashed potatoes, bread, and/or ground nuts. This Greek specialty is served with meat, fish, poultry and vegetables.

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Marion E. Hubbard is a dietitian with a master's degree in nutrition and is on the staff of the Macomb CES.

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growth characteristics of the turf grasses play a major role in determining the rate of organic matter accumulation. For example, vigorous turfgrass varieties, high rates of fertilization and irrigation that stimulate vegetative growth will encourage thatch formation. In compacted or fine-textured soils, poor aeration will reduce the activity of thatch-decomposing organisms. Clippings do not significantly contribute to thatch formation because of their high rate of decomposition.

Thatch under 1/2 inch in thickness is considered to be beneficial, aiding in wear tolerance and providing some insulation from extremes in temperatures and other environmental stresses. With excessive thatch accumulation (more than 1/2 inch) problems may begin to develop. Root development may take place largely in the thatch, which dries out quickly and doesn't hold nutrients. This condition can

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Sandra Goeddeke-Richards is the home horticulturist for the Macomb MSU Extension. Write to her in care of the Macomb MSU Extension, 21885 Dunham Road, Clinton Township, Michigan 48036, or call the Master Gardener hotline at 469-5063 on Monday, Wednesday or Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Q. What is thatch in turf? What can I do to control it?

A. Thatch is defined as an accumulation of dead, partially decayed remains of stems, roots and shoots found in a mat between the soil and living plant cover. Thatch develops when the accumulation of organic matter exceeds the decomposition rate.

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For the fifth consecutive year, Farms resident **Loraine Muccioli** was named both Top Listing and Top Sales agent. Muccioli also received The Prudential's President's Circle Award. No. 2 in sales was **Beline Obeid**, of Grosse Pointe Woods, also named to Prudential's Leading Edge society. And No. 3 in sales was Grosse Pointe Woods resident **Anne "Nikki" Andrus**.

Members of the Million Dollar Roundtable included **Nikki Andrus**, **Betsy Armstrong**, **Nancy Coles**, **Jeanne Coyle**, **Jeff Darnell**, **Diane Dennis**, **Sally Le-**

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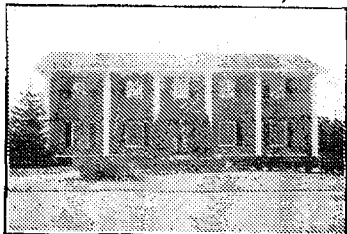
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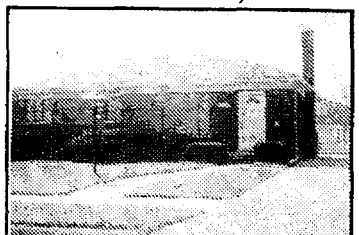
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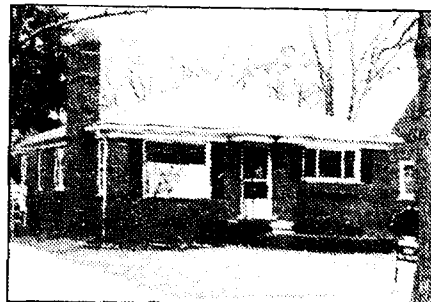
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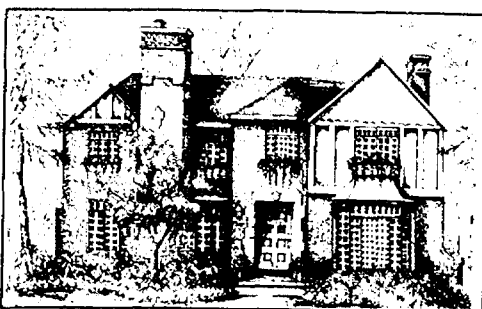


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How to work with your agent to speed buy/sell process

By **Dough Stranahan**

Divisional President
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Common sense tells us that working as a team with a professional real estate agent will make home buying and selling a quicker and easier experience.

During the process of choosing an agent, securing a mortgage, listing a home, marketing it, and eventually either completing a purchase or sale, there are several steps buyers/sellers can take to create a rapport with a real estate professional.

A sense of teamwork usually motivates agents to perform at their highest level. Nothing ruins a good working relationship more than shopping around for alternative representation during the transaction. Stick to one agent and he or she will reward you by going that extra mile to sell your house or find a new one.

When looking for a home to buy, give honest feedback to your agent who is working for you. If you don't like the neighborhood or the way a kitchen is designed, let your sales associate know. It helps them zero



in on the kind of home you want to buy.

After finding your dream home and the time comes to select and apply for a mortgage loan, be completely candid about your income and debt. Most sales associates can save time and money during this process by recommending specific mortgages to fit your needs. Lenders can also speed the process if they know all the facts.

If you are selling a home, spend time with your agent to calculate an accurate listing price for your property. Many times a sales associate will compare your asking price with the prices of similar homes in your neighborhood that were sold within the last few months. Often referred to as a comparative market analysis, this step can sometimes take longer than necessary if a seller has an unrealistic view of his home's worth. Be objective and find a listing price that buyers will accept.

Some states have laws that re-

quire home sellers to disclose all structural defects in their property, so be up front with your agent. Withholding such information will only work against you in the end by either slowing the sale or possibly resulting in a legal dispute.

Make your home easily accessible for your agent when the time comes to show it to potential buyers. Your agent will suggest a

method which may include installing an outdoor lock box to securely provide the agent a house key when you're not around.

Communicating your true feelings on price, location and appearance to your agent will go a long way toward expediting a transaction — and will help make your next home buying or selling experience rewarding.

Don't be shocked; here's portable lamp safety tips

Each year, electric shocks and home fires occur when people continue to use portable lamps with damaged, misused or worn cords.

Underwriters Laboratories Inc. (UL) estimates that there are 10 to 20 portable lamps in every home, and UL encourages consumers to check their lamps and lamp cords on a regular basis. To reduce the risk of fire, electric shock or injury in your home, UL safety experts suggest the following tips when using portable lamps.

- Shop carefully — look for the UL mark for portable lamps on the products you purchase and use. The UL mark means that representative samples of the product have met UL's standards for safety.

- Read the manufacturer's instructions before using portable lamps anywhere in the home. Pay special attention to warning labels. Portable lamps are intended for indoor use only, unless marked otherwise.

- Avoid securing lamp cords to walls or furniture. Staples can crack the insulation around cords, causing electric shock or fire hazard.

- Never place carpet or rugs over cords. An electric short in the cord may ignite carpet and start a fire.

- Keep the cords out of the normal reach and view of children and pets.

- Place lamps in locations where they cannot be easily tipped over by children or a strong draft from an open window.

- Be careful when using vacuum cleaners around lamps and cords. Vacuum cleaners can damage cords, resulting in shock or fire hazard.

- Never place lamp cords near hot or wet surfaces. Heat can melt cords, causing potential hazards; wet surfaces can dangerously conduct electricity if the cord emits a spark.

- Never place paper or cloth over portable lamps. These materials may burn and start a fire.

- Never use a bulb of a different type or wattage than that indicated by the manufacturer's instructions.

- Do not place lamp cords near walkways where someone might step on or trip over the cord.

- Inspect your lamps and cords annually. Over the years, insulation around the wires may become cut, cracked or pinched. If your lamp cord is damaged, unplug the lamp immediately and have it inspected at a repair shop or replaced.

- Avoid attaching your lamp cord to extension cords or overloading an electric outlet. Use a power strip that includes overcurrent protection when hooking up multiple lamps and appliances to an outlet.

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Ten free shade trees will be given to each person who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation during April.

The free trees are part of the nonprofit foundation's Trees for America campaign.

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"These trees were selected to provide shade and beauty, and a variety of forms, leaf shapes, and fall colors," said John Rosenow, the foundation's executive director.

The trees will be shipped post-

paid at the proper time for planting in April or May with enclosed planting instructions. The 6- to 12-inch-tall trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge.

Members also receive a subscription to the foundation's Arbor Day news magazine, "The Tree Book" with information about tree planting and care, and a membership card.

To become a member of the foundation and to receive the free trees, send by April 30 a \$10 membership contribution to Free Shade Trees, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, Neb. 68410.

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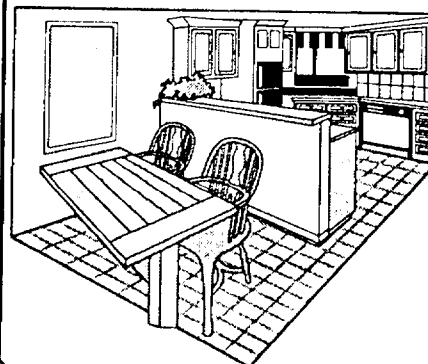
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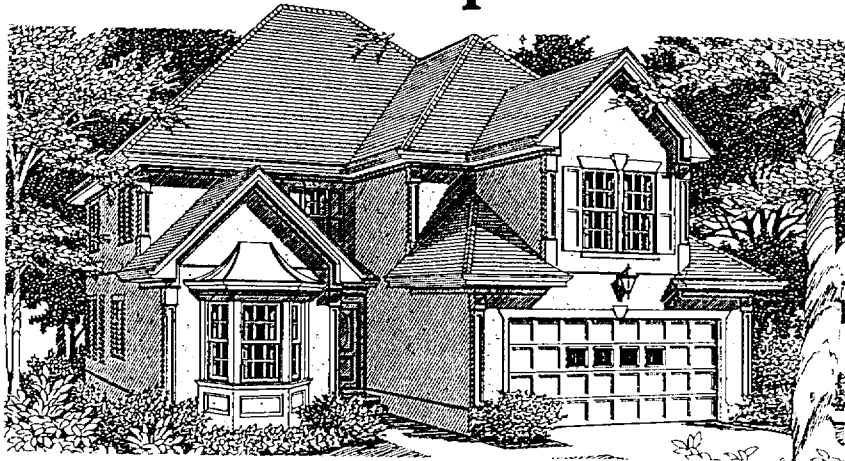


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By W. D. Farmer

Upon entering the front door of this spacious home, you are greeted by a stairway up to the bedrooms or a large cased opening leading to the living room and an angular hall leading into the remainder of the first floor.

The first floor includes many features. A private study, a dining room open on two sides and an open breakfast room are included just for starters. A half bath is tucked away in the hall area, convenient for day use.

The large kitchen includes all the luxuries, as well as a snack bar. Access to the garage is through the laundry room, and the basement stair is located beneath the stair up.

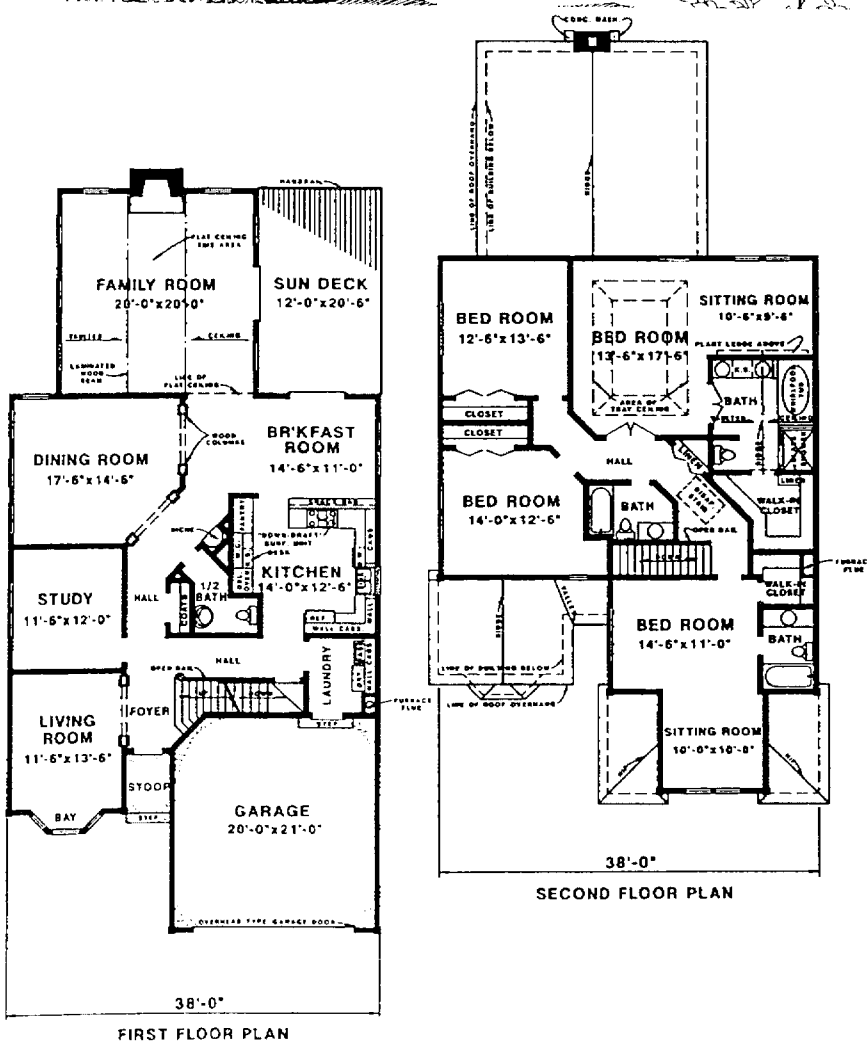
The 20-by-20 family room is isolated at the rear of the home, and includes a vaulted ceiling with laminated wood beams and direct access to the sun deck.

The second floor contains four bedrooms, two of which have private sitting rooms. The uniquely angled hall provides access to each bedroom. The master suite is highlighted by a tray ceiling and a large sitting room for relaxation. The garden master bath includes a separate shower and whirlpool tub

and access to a large open walk-in closet. The bedroom on the front of the house also includes a secluded sitting room, private bath and walk-in closet. The remaining two bedrooms share a central hall bath and are generously sized.

The exterior is stucco with a combination of hip and matching gable roof design. The bay window in the living room gives the front distinction.

For further information on plan No. 3408, a computer generated plan containing 3,407 square feet, write W.D. Farmer Residence Designer Inc., P.O. Box 450025, Atlanta, Ga. 30345.



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The course is for those who want to subcontract the construction of their own homes, building trades people who are now working without a license and want to work legally, and real estate investors. The cost of the seminar is \$170 and includes all materials, including a course textbook and sample test

questions.

Registration is required no later than Thursday, April 28, at Grosse Pointe Community Education. Call 313-343-2178 during office hours to register.

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Address	Bedroom/Bath	Description	Price	Phone
1040 S. Oxford	4/2.5	Exceptional center ent. Col. Prime location, f.r., library, new cust. craft kitchen. Fin. bsmt. A/C Many spec. features. Lg. lot. Owner	\$345,000	886-9722
890 Hampton	3/	English Tudor. Newly remodeled kitchen. Argus Realty	\$145,000	884-2666 885-9297
1243 Roslyn	3/2	Open Sun. 1-4. Bungalow, newer kit./fur. CA, hot H2O, fin. basement, Fla. room.	\$112,000	884-1914
1549 Hampton	4/2	Open Sun. 1-5. By owner. Award winning home! Two lots, lg. fam. rm., deck.	\$167,000	886-6761
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931 Lochmoor Plc.	3/2.5	Open Sun. 2-4. Cluster home condo, full basement, 2 car attached gar.	Call	882-6986
1550 Oxford	3-4/1.5	Colonial, C/A. Mutsher kit., form. din. rm., fam. rm., fin. basement. Below market value!	\$182,000	882-1056
591 S. Rosedale	3/2	Open Sun. 1-4. Clean ranch w/fin. bsmt., nfp, much more. Century 21 East, Inc.	\$174,900	886-5040
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171 Lakeview	3-2.5	Open Sun. 2-4. Colonial. By owner. Built 1973 with many recent improvements.	\$179,000	885-1358

III. GROSSE POINTE FARMS (cont.)

Address	Bedroom/Bath	Description	Price	Phone
140 Lewiston	5/4.5	Lg. brick Colonial on nicest blk. in farms. L/C terms. Diane, Coldwell Banker Schweitzer	Call	886-3445 886-5800
231 Lakeshore Rd.	4/3.5	Open Sun. 2-4. Family room & library! Terrace with lake view! Higbie Maxon	\$898,000	886-3400
439 Madison	3/1.5	Open Sun. 2-4. Handsome Colonial with family room! Higbie Maxon	\$124,900	886-3400
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242 Merriweather	4/2.5	French Normandy. cath. ceiling in master bed. New kitch.	\$327,500	881-5536
367 Belanger	3/1.5	Perfect! newer Pellas — kitchen — Drive. R.G. Edgar & Assoc.	\$164,900	886-6010

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1418 Devonshire	5/2.5	Open Sun. 2-4. Family room, first floor laundry. Higbie Maxon	\$189,000	886-3400
1105 Three Mile	4/2.5	Open Sun. 2-4. By owner. (See Class 800).	\$265,000	499-3593
1318 Audubon	4/3.5	Open Sun. 1-4. Spacious blk. colon. mta in liv. rm. Century 21 East, Inc.	\$200,000	886-5040

VI. HARPER WOODS

Address	Bedroom/Bath	Description	Price	Phone
5010 Lannoo	3/1	Open Sun. 2-4. Brick Colonial w/ fam. rm. in great location.	\$74,900	884-6200

HARPER WOODS

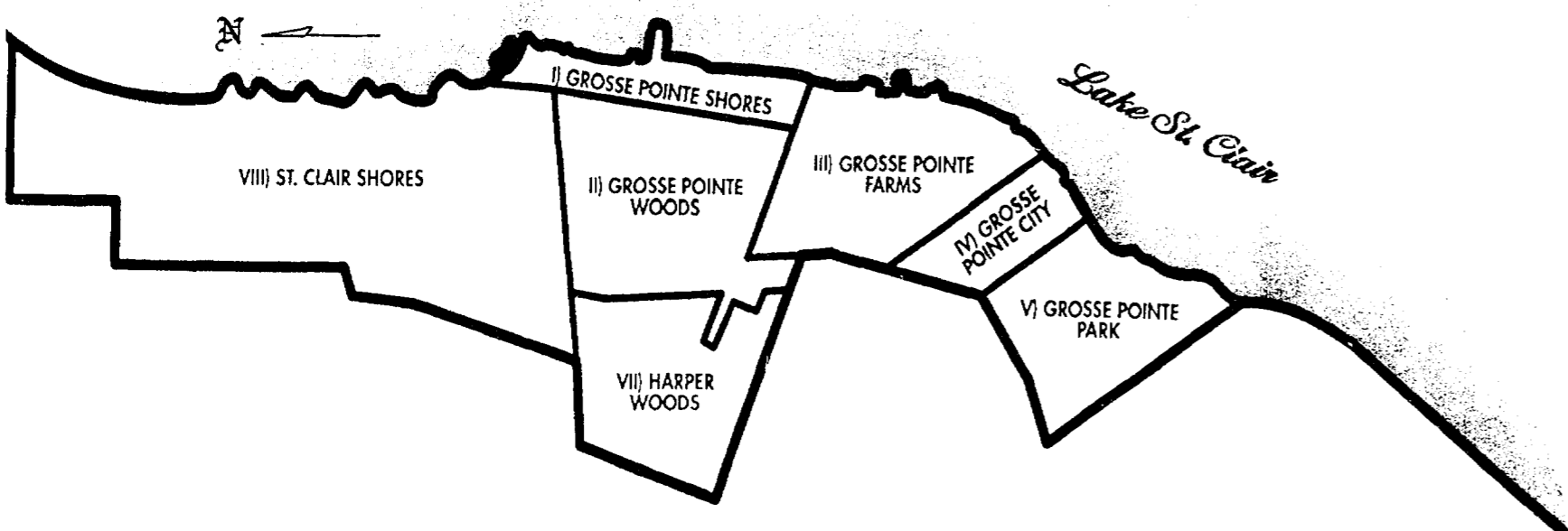
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19701 Kenosha	3/1	Great starter home. Updated kitchen. Stieber Realty.	\$58,500	775-4900
20864 Hunt Club	3/1	Real sharp brick. Grosse Pte. Schools. East of Harper. Stieber Real Estate	\$83,900	775-4900
20307 Lochmoor	3/1.5	Updated kit., nfp, 2 1/2 car gar. Cen. air. G.P. Schools.	Call	886-6649
21216 Brierstone	3/1	Open Sun. 1-5. Clean, attractive br. Ranch, nfp, fin. basement, 2.5 car gar., Must see. By owner.	\$88,500	775-0185
19178 Kenosha	2/1	NEW LISTING. Newer bath & winds., semi. fin. bsmt. Century 21 East, Inc.	\$53,500	886-5040
19944 Woodmont	3/1	NEW LISTING. Updated home. Fresh paint, new crpt. Century 21 East, Inc.	\$87,900	886-5040
19876 Cedar Court	3/1	Brick ranch. Family room, fireplace, finished basement. Johnstone & Johnstone	\$79,900	881-6300

VII. ST. CLAIR SHORES

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532 Country Club	2/1.5	Condo., imm. occupancy, 2 car attached garage, golf view, new carpet & decor. By owner.	\$119,000	881-3149
435 Riviera Terrace	1/1	Condo, C.A., appliances, carport. Security guard.	\$59,900	775-4759
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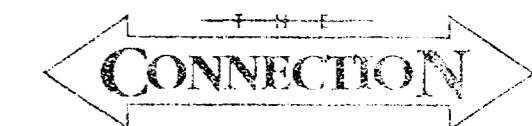


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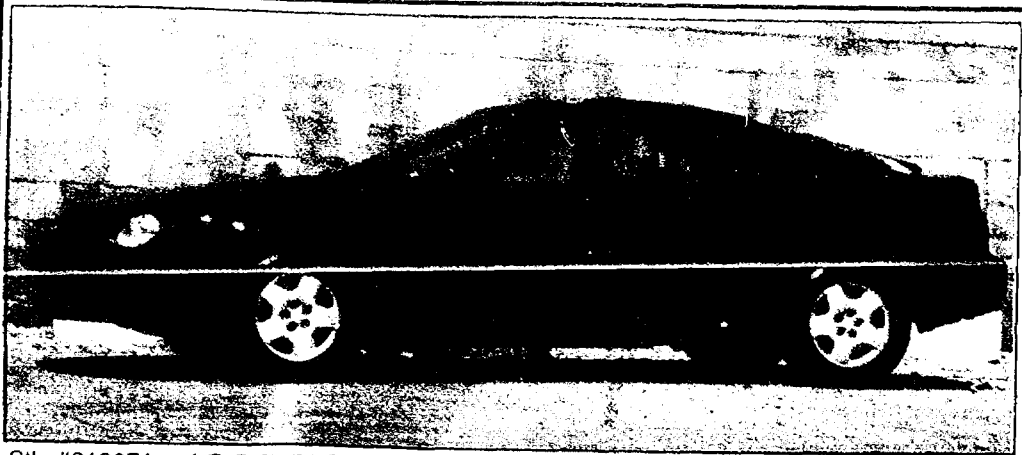


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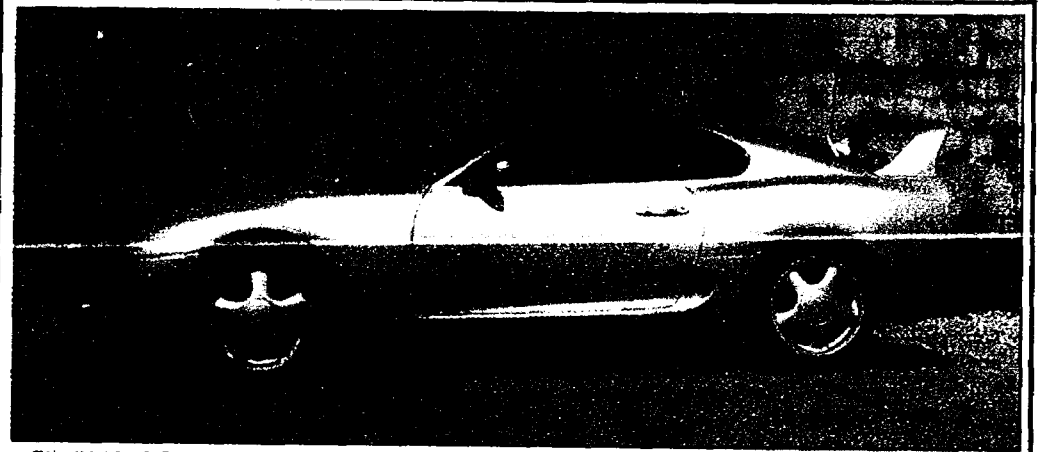
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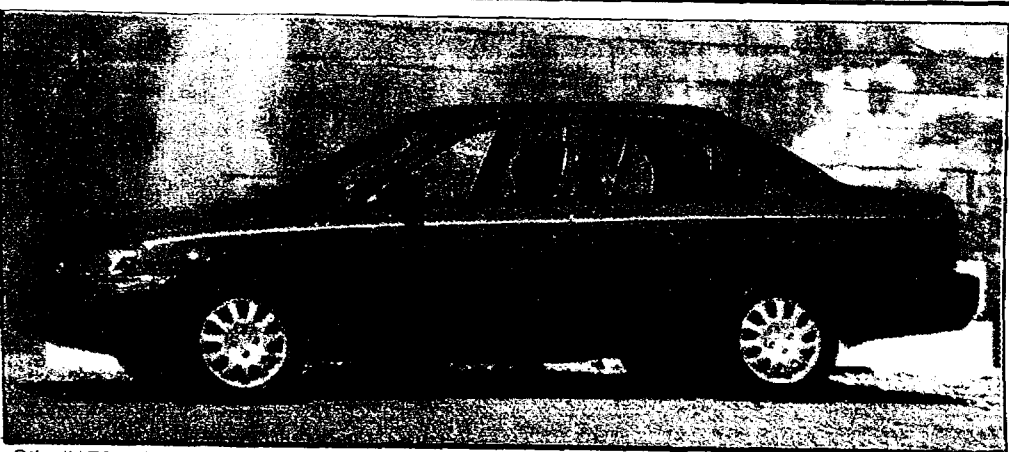
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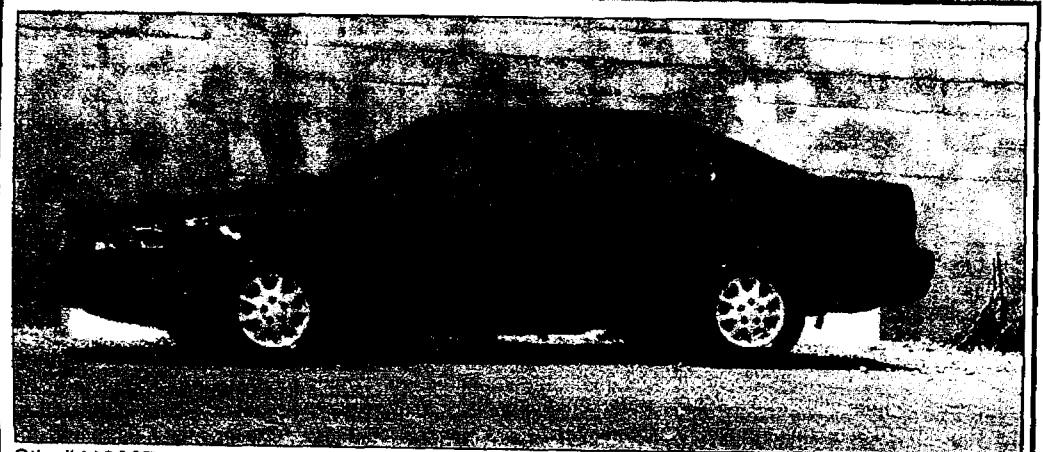
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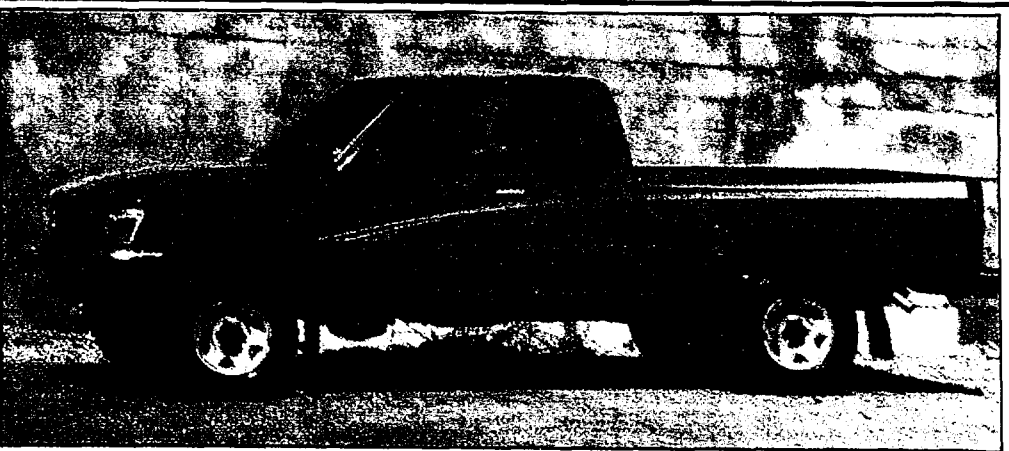
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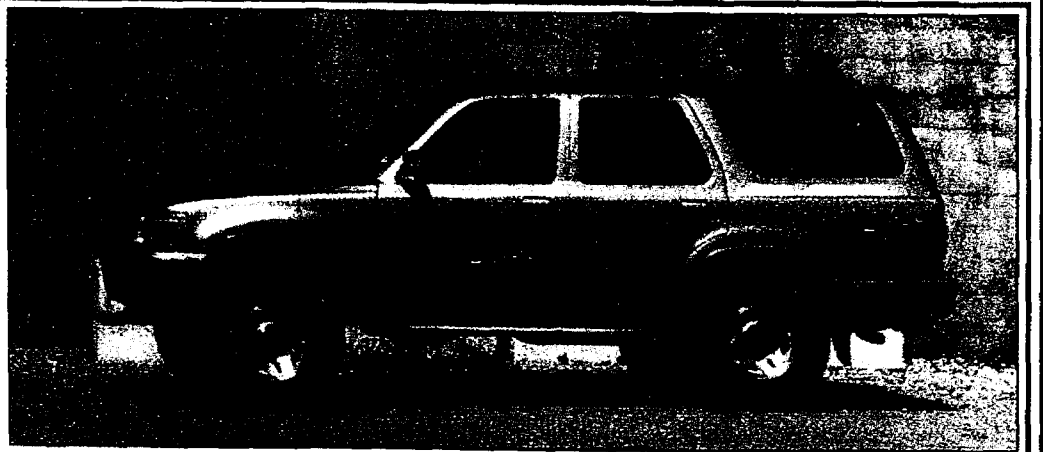
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