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WEEK AHEAD

Saturday, March 14

Grosse Pointe Farms hosts its annual Daddy-Daughter Dance at the Pier Park recreation building from 7-9 p.m. The cost is \$12 per couple, with a \$4 charge per additional daughter. It is open to Farms residents and tickets may be purchased at the Farms city hall. For information, call (313) 343-2405.

Sunday, March 15

The Grosse Pointe Memorial Church Choir and Orchestra performs Haydn's "Paukenmesse" in Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for students and seniors. Call (313) 882-5330 for more information.

Monday, March 16

A forum on criminal justice takes place in the Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center, 20025 Mack Plaza, at 7 p.m. Featured guests include Wayne County Prosecutor John O'Hair, Director of the Department of Corrections Ken McGinnis and Chief Judge for the Court of Appeals Maura Corrigan.

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

The Grosse Pointe Farms City Council meets in the Farms city hall, 90 Kerby, at 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 17

The Grosse Pointe Shores Board of Trustees meets in the Village hall, 795 Lakeshore, at 7 p.m.

Judge Timothy Kenny addresses the Eastside Republican Club at 7:30 p.m. in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, at the club's monthly current affairs forum.

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Have you hugged your child today?

Grosse Pointe kids need special attention, too

By Helen McDonald
Special Writer

"Too many local students are 'carrying the weight of the world on their shoulders,'" observed Bill Sanders, national author speaking March 5 at Parcels Middle School. "They need to hear you say, 'You are special' and 'I need you here.'"

Sanders further told parents, teachers, coaches and those who interact with kids: "The world has some-

thing to gain from your children."

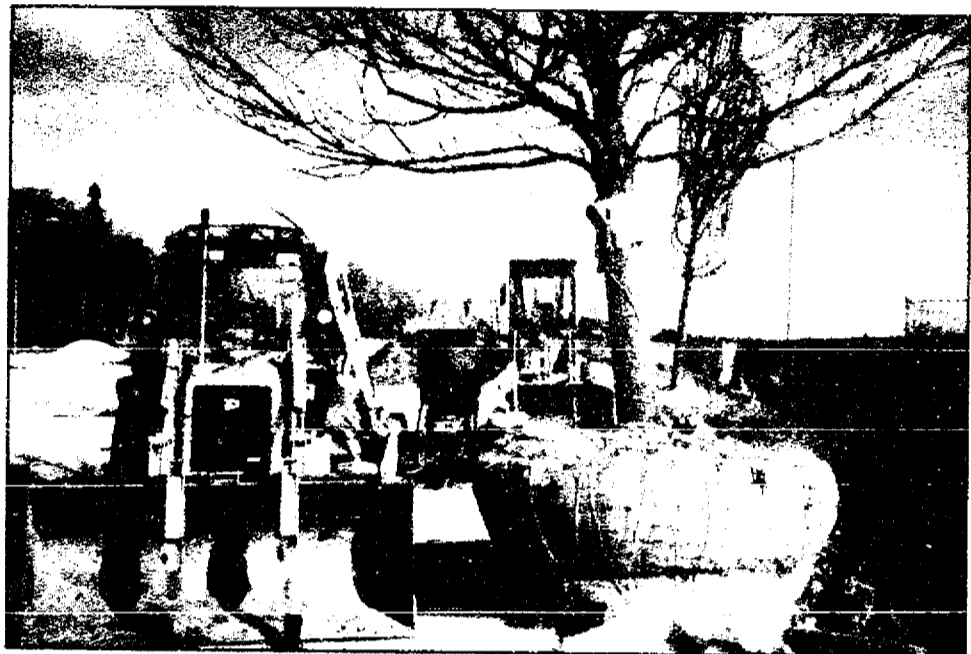
Speaking at the "Building Successful Families" program, Sanders advised encouraging kids and practicing ongoing daily forgiveness.

"Learn to say 'I'm sorry. Please forgive me. You don't have to be perfect. Everyone is allowed to make mistakes.'" He believes that kids are not troublemakers. "Some just have trouble making it," he noted.

Reading and answering over 700 letters a year from students, Sanders has come to believe we can all "become life-touchers with young people."

A crowd of over 60 people heard the message and many bought Sanders' books and tapes.

At assemblies during his visit, students from North and South high schools heard Sanders' thoughts on resisting peer pressure and setting their own goals.



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Pier Park Promenade planned

New trees, walking path will meander through park

By Frank P. Hogan
Special Writer

Some thought that Pier Park was forever ruined after last year's disastrous, July 2 tornado. Half of the park was scarred and naked after 67 broken trees were removed after the storm. A void loomed mentally where once the picnic shelter stood; its absence was a stark reminder of the lives tragically lost that day.

But Grosse Pointe Farms rallied to the cause. Municipal leaders with vision assembled a talented team, the Parks and Harbor Committee, which included the Grosse Pointe Farms Foundation; a landscape architect; the city's beautifica-

tion committee; a park planner and Charles F. Irish Co., the contractor.

A master plan has been in existence for some time to take Pier Park into the next millennium but the tornado disaster, unfortunately, dictated speeding-up some of the process. An appeal was made to residents for donations and, according to Richard G. Solak, Grosse Pointe Farms city manager, about \$335,000 has been raised so far, from the residents at large and, most importantly, from the foundation. Don Childs, park planner with Don Childs Associates, estimates that the reforestation, the fence repairs, seeding and a walkway will all be covered by the contributions.

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caliper" trunks, i.e., trunk width measured 12 inches above grade, will have been planted in the park's devastated picnic area and about 15 trees will have been added to the point of land along the harbor. Some of the smaller trees will be braced with guy cables.

Fifteen tree species were selected by the team based on soil, disease resistance, "messiness," various foliage textures and shapes and hardness (to stand up to the park's harsh exposure).

A new canopy creating dense shade was not the intent, rather an esthetically pleasing visual presentation, as well. Room for disk throwing or ball tossing had to be allowed-for in the master plan plus reorientation of the

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District gives green light to driver ed — but at \$225 fee

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Okay kids, get ready to start your engines, driver education is only a few months away.

The Grosse Pointe Public School System will continue the program, this year, at least.

The school board resolved the long-standing driving issue by voting unanimously to continue the curriculum with a \$225 tuition.

Classes start this summer.

If things go well, meaning if the district is able to contain costs without raising tuition through the sunroof, the program will be extended for at least another year.

If things go really well, board member Cindy Pangborn said she would consider expanding the program year-round.

The board chose not to contract the program with an outside agency, which superintendent Suzanne Klein said raised unanswered financial questions. Likewise, the board didn't eliminate the program, which some board members said was a safety issue as students might not otherwise be assured of taking part in a well run curriculum.

"We need a high quality driver education program in the

community," said Joseph Brennan, board member.

Klein said the total cost of the program was \$47,480. The \$225 tuition would cover costs beyond those paid for by the state's \$70 per student reimbursement and the district's matching funds.

She said enrollment fluctuations could cause tuition rates to change. The more students, the less the tuition; less students, more tuition.

But not this year.

Board members agreed with colleague Steven Matthews that setting a firm rate would allow people to make plans for the summer.

Similar programs in Birmingham and Bloomfield public schools charge \$220 tuition, the board said.

In addition to enrollment size, cost variables this year include the possibility of buying new textbooks at \$16 apiece, renting an additional car and hiring a driver to ferry students from classes at Barnes school to Grosse Pointe North High School for range driving.

Classes won't be held at North this summer because of electrical work scheduled to be done throughout the building.

Park sues its insurance carrier over Fox Creek \$3.8 million settlement

By Jim Stickford
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe Park has gone from defendant to plaintiff as a result of a lawsuit against the city that ended in an agreement where the residents who live by Fox Creek were awarded \$3.8 million, half of which the Park is responsible for.

The problem is now who pays the \$1.9 million owed by the Park — the city or its insurance company.

Park City attorney Herold McC. Deason said that the Park has been denied coverage by its insurance company, the Michigan Municipal Liability and Property Pool, and now the

city has no choice but to go to the courts to get its insurer to acknowledge its responsibility to the city.

In the lawsuit filed on Thursday, March 5, in Wayne County circuit court, Park attorneys maintain that the Pool breached its duties to the Park. Among the reasons cited in the lawsuit are that the city was not allowed to be defended by the counsel of its choice.

The city, it is alleged, was also not notified of any conflicts and divergence of interest raised by the Pool's reservation of rights and that city officials

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Think spring!

That's what the thousands of home do-it-yourselfers had on their minds as they checked out the displays by the 70 exhibitors at the Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors' 11th annual Home & Garden Expo last Saturday at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

Attending his colorful booth was Jim Farquhar Jr. of Grosse Pointe Florist.

The Realtors' annual Home & Garden Expo has become an outstanding success and is looked forward to by thousands every year.

Photo by Ross Sillars



POINTER OF INTEREST

Martin Petz

Home: City of Grosse Pointe

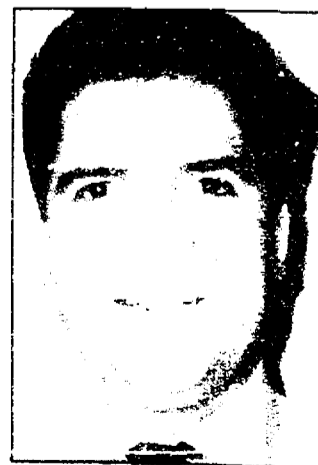
Age: 37

Family: Wife, Joanne; three children, Shannon, Martin Jr., and Brendan.

Occupation: Business owner

Quote: "Nothing in this world can take the place of persistence. The slogan 'press on' has solved and always will solve the problems of the human race."

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Martin Petz

50 years ago this week



Ice jams on the lake

The ice piled high on Lake St. Clair as winter neared its close and the fluctuating weather started breaking up the heavy sheath of ice that has coated its waters since late last fall. This picture of some of the ice jams that have resulted was taken last weekend from Gaulker's Point. (Grosse Pointe News, March 11, 1948; picture by Fred Runnells.)

yesterday's headlines

5 years ago this week

■ Grosse Pointe Park residents may have to disconnect their downspouts in order to reduce combined sewage overflow into Detroit's Fox Creek.

The issue resulted from pressure from the state Department of Natural Resources to make sure discharges into the creek are clean. The Park's permit to discharge into Fox Creek expires in the fall of 1994.

■ Students at Grosse Pointe South High School asked the board of education to allow invocations at high school graduation ceremonies. At issue was a 1992 U.S. Supreme Court decision which made invocations at such events unconstitutional.

Board president Gloria Konsler told prayer proponents, "We do not necessarily disagree with you, but we have to uphold the Constitution."

■ Efforts by Grosse Pointe Park officials to reduce the assessment of residential property paid off when the Wayne County assessor's office reduced the city's state equalized value rate by nearly 2 percentage points.

The reduction saved Park taxpayers \$330,000.

10 years ago this week

■ According to the Grosse

Pointe Park crime report, overall crime was down 12.4 percent over the year before, but burglaries increased by about 13 percent.

Police said two people were responsible for a significant number of the break-ins. Once they were captured, 100 break-ins on the east side were cleared and "the number of burglaries decreased dramatically," said Richard Caretti, Park director of public safety.

■ Students and faculty members came out in support of keeping Grosse Pointe South High School's open campus policy. More than 300 people attended the Open/Closed Campus Forum held at North High School.

The board of education requested that school officials examine the district's open campus policy for high schools in light of problems with student alcohol and drug abuse off campus during lunch hours.

25 years ago this week

■ More than 50 Pointers volunteered to fill sand bags and construct a break wall at Neff Park. The wall, 260 feet long and consisting of about 3,500 bags, was built to prevent spring flooding.

■ The Grosse Pointe Farms city council rejected a proposal by Cottage Hospital to rezone three plots of residential land

to build a parking lot. The hospital submitted the proposal to solve the problem of hospital visitors parking on Muir, Kenwood and Lewiston roads.

■ Grosse Pointe Woods applied for flood insurance from the federal department of Housing and Urban Development. The city wanted to line up flood protection because of anticipated record high water levels in Lake St. Clair.

50 years ago this week

■ Grosse Pointers with the unlikely nick-names of "Scarface" and "Long Joe" were nabbed in connection with a gambling investigation by members of the Detroit Police Hold-Up Squad and FBI agents who "came along for the ride."

■ Results of elections in three Grosse Pointes included the following being named president of their city councils: James Watkins to the Farms, Homer Fritsch to the Park, and Alois Ghesquiere to the Woods.

■ Construction began in the Park on a 15 foot diameter sewer. The sewer, an extension of the Detroit sewage and drain system, will take about a year to complete.

— Brad Lindberg

Pier Park

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volleyball courts.

The team learned that finding mature trees to fill the bill was not easy; most came from Ohio and Illinois. The trees were delivered on "tarped" flat-bed trucks. Fortunately the roads were dry so exposure to road salt was avoided. Charles E. Irish described how their rootballs, some 12 feet wide and 5 feet high, were wrapped in burlap then encased in thick chain "nets" enabling the contractors' cranes to hoist and gently maneuver them into place.

Each tree hole was excavated using back-hoes, then a base of stone and pea-pebble was laid to support the tree and provide root drainage. Each tree has three "access ports"

around the rootballs, tubes buried underneath the mulch. If it is suspected that a tree's toes are standing in water (the biggest problem affecting the survival of replanted trees), the unique inspection tubes can be opened and a "dipstick" inserted for verification. If standing water is found, it can be syphoned-out through the same ports.

Derek Stratelak, landscape architect with Hubbell Roth & Clark Inc., confirmed that the new trees ranging in size from 3-inch calliper to 12.5 inches include various oaks, ashes such as "autumn purple," ginkgo, and maples such as "green mountain sugar." Both

Stratelak and Irish estimated that the largest of the transplanted trees are 20 to 25 years old.

The reforestation project is designed to fill the park's short-term needs as well as long-term goals. Our mild El Nino winter didn't help; such projects using heavy equipment are best done while the ground is frozen. February's early thaw and rains put all work on hold until the ground firms up. As it is, large areas were gouged and rutted from the equipment. That will be

repaired before summer if the weather cooperates.

Dick Huhn, director of parks and recreation, described the 8-foot wide concrete walking path being readied. It will start at a new entrance off of the parking lot, near the tennis courts, and meander past the courts with their new picnic table and drinking fountain and angle toward the north breakwall, it will then go out to the corner and loop back along the harbor. At the corner of the

large harbor one comes to a T-shaped intersection with an island in the middle for landscaping, one part goes back to the breakwall and one part continues over the recreation building, then past the concession stand and eventually arrive back at the starting point.

The path forms a stylized figure eight — runners and walkers will find that it measures very nearly one-half mile. A wagon area will be installed at

the new entrance, where the pathway begins, and park benches will be placed at strategic sites along the path. Childs described how conduit will be laid along the path so that when the funds become available for lighting it, the job will cost less.

A new paved and lighted picnic shelter is being erected near the pathway. A wooden boardwalk has been installed along the western edge of the small harbor.

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Woods man killed in car/bike collision; investigation continues

By Jim Stickford
Staff Writer

An 83-year-old Woods resident died as the result of injuries sustained when his bike collided with a BMW Roadster at the intersection of Stanhope and Bramcaster.

According to police, Earl S. Vogel was heading north on Bramcaster when he was hit by a car heading west on Stanhope at about 5:35 p.m. Thursday, March 5. The car, a

BMW, was driven by Woods man.

Woods public safety department detective sergeant John Ross said that there was a stop sign at Stanhope, but that traffic accident experts are reviewing the evidence to determine the exact sequence of events that led to Vogel's death.

"Right now we only have the driver's statement," Ross said. "There are at this time no other witnesses to the accident. We even placed a patrol car in

the area on Friday to try to find any commuters who may have been driving by at the time of the accident. Anyone who is a witness to the accident is urged to call the department."

Woods public safety officials have called on the expertise of a State Police accident reconstruction expert to review the collected evidence and come up with the most likely scenario of what happened, Ross said.

"We have measured skid-marks, reviewed damage done

the bicycle and the car and have the preliminary results of Mr. Vogel's autopsy," Ross said. "The initial autopsy results have turned up nothing unusual, but we are waiting for the final results. People we have spoken with who knew the victim say that he was an enthusiastic bicyclist and would ride every chance he got, weather permitting."

Ross said that the weather on Thursday afternoon was not bad and the road conditions

were good. The BMW driver agreed to a breath test, which revealed no traces of alcohol in his bloodstream.

"The accident happened at about 5:35 p.m.," said Ross. "A call was sent to the Woods public safety department right away and an ambulance was dispatched to the scene. Mr. Vogel was still alive at the time and was immediately transported to St. John Hospital. But the injuries he received in the accident were too severe

and he died shortly after midnight on Friday, March 6."

Ross said that once Woods and State Police officials complete their investigation, all evidence will be turned over to the Wayne County prosecutor's office for review to determine whether or not any charges will be filed. This is standard procedure in an automobile accident that results in a death.

Park residents await final word from Feds over status of flood plain

By Jim Stickford
Staff Writer

After years of study, planning and construction, residents in the federally designated flood plain along Lake St. Clair in Grosse Pointe Park are awaiting the final federal approval that will free them from the obligation of purchasing expensive flood insurance.

Grosse Pointe Park city manager Dale Krajniak said that on Nov. 18, 1997, city officials received a letter from the Chicago office of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) which stated that, provided the city

changed its ordinances to comply with the new flood zone specifications, on May 18, 1998, residents in the flood zone would no longer be required to purchase flood insurance.

The letter went on to state that this date of deliverance, as it were, could be moved up to as early as Feb. 18, if city officials did everything required by federal statutes to comply with flood plain standards.

"We did what we were asked by FEMA," said Krajniak. "That included changing local ordinances and completing all the paper work given to us. We

then sent everything to the Chicago FEMA office and are now waiting to hear from them."

Once FEMA approves the paperwork, said Krajniak, residents in the old flood plain will no longer have to purchase insurance. Once the city gets the final go-ahead, all residents in the plain will be notified by letter as to what to do.

"Federal flood insurance costs homeowners in the flood plain between \$600 and \$1,200 a year," Krajniak said. "Most people will be happy to see that expense disappear. Because insurance is pur-

chased for a whole year, there are a number of residents who will have coverage past May 18, or the earlier date set by FEMA."

"We have received a number of inquiries as to whether or not residents are eligible for refunds. Once we get the final go-ahead from FEMA, residents will be instructed on what their legal options are."

Krajniak said those residents who wish to maintain their flood coverage will no longer receive favorable federal rates.

"The area between Jefferson and the lake was only desig-

nated a flood zone in the mid-1970s," Krajniak said. "At the time federal flood insurance was quite reasonably priced, and there had been some flooding around the lake. Residents asked to have a flood plain established."

Since then, there have been no floods and the cost of insurance has increased. Mayor Palmer Heenan and the city council made it a priority to have the flood plain rezoned.

So city engineers, in conjunction with the Army Corps of Engineers and FEMA, designed and built a number

of berms at strategic points along the lake shore. So if the lake level rises to the point where the plain would have been flooded, the berms would act as a dam to keep the water out.

Krajniak and other city officials have always maintained that while the berms dramatically reduce the odds of flooding along the lake, they don't completely eliminate that possibility.

"This has been a lengthy project and by May 18, if not sooner, it should be completed," Krajniak said.

Park council denies developer approval for apartment project on Charlevoix

By Jim Stickford
Staff Writer

It's back to the drawing board for developer John Yaldeo after the Grosse Pointe Park City Council unanimously rejected his plan Monday night to construct a six-unit apartment building at the corner of Charlevoix and Beaconsfield.

This was the second time Yaldeo had gone before the

council with a plan to develop the property at 15230 Charlevoix. His first proposal for a small grocery store at that site was rejected by the council last year.

Yaldeo said that neighborhood opposition to a retail business at that corner made building apartments on the site the more logical way to develop the property.

"It seemed like no one want-

ed a grocery store at that address," Yaldeo said. "So I am now proposing a six-unit apartment complex. But if neighbors aren't happy with that, how am I going to make a living?"

The proposed unit would have 12 outside parking spaces for tenants, which meets the business zoning ordinances for that part of Charlevoix, Yaldeo said.

Park building inspector Ronald Carmona said the property is in a business-zoned area. While it has enough parking for a retail business, it's a gray area for apartment units because there are no specific housing regulations that applied to the property.

Several residents who live near the proposed apartment unit told the council of their opposition to the project. Pamela Durrschmidt said the proposed apartment building was not consistent with the surrounding neighborhood, which was mostly single-family homes.

Martin McDonald of Crown Realty said that 12 parking spaces for a six-unit complex were not enough. People have guests over and each unit could have two or three residents, all with their own car. Given the fact that there is

already a shortage of parking in the area, adding a building like this would only make the problem worse.

The council unanimously voted to reject Yaldeo's plan,

but referred him to the city's planning commission so that he could work out a develop-

ment plan for the site that would be more agreeable to the council.

Park suit

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were not told of these conflicts during the lawsuit. It was also stated in the suit against the Pool that the Park was not informed during negotiations that part or all of the settlement would not be paid by the Pool and the city was not told what its liability would be.

It was also alleged that the pool failed to tell Park officials that "the City as to the best course of negotiations it should pursue where, from the Pool's viewpoint, a settlement offer in excess of policy coverage was being negotiated."

The Park's suit also alleges that the Pool undertook "an active role in directing litigation and settlement where the Pool had determined that it would not provide coverage for any of the claims asserted in the suit and making representations that there was coverage under the Policies if in fact there were not."

Because the Pool acted in the way it did, the city was "unable to negotiate a settlement with complete knowledge of its potential exposure under the settlement being negotiated" and was "deprived of the oppor-

tunity of negotiating a settlement" that was to the Park's best advantage.

Deason said that attorneys for the Pool have 30 days to respond to the Park's lawsuit. Then the suit follows the normal procedures of discovery, mediation and trial.

Under discovery, both sides subpoena the witnesses and records needed to make their legal arguments. After the discovery phase is completed, mediation is attempted to see if there is some sort of agreement that can satisfy both sides in the lawsuit.

If mediation fails, then the lawsuit goes to trial. The whole process can be quite lengthy, taking months or even years, Deason said. The suit is currently before Judge Dalton Roberson.


"Basically our insurer dealt with the Fox Creek lawsuit, picking the attorneys and advising us to agreement to the \$1.9 million settlement," said city manager Dale Krajniak. "When we agreed, we were told that they weren't actually going to pay any of the settlement. We are going to court to protect our rights."



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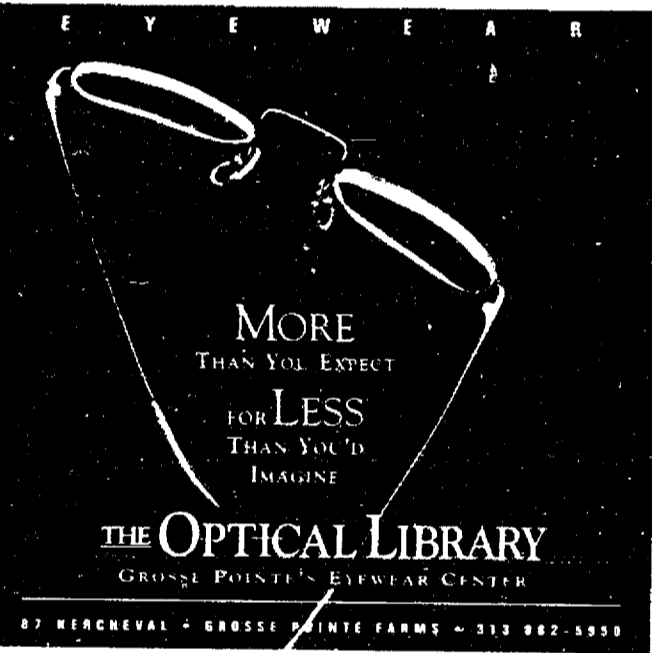
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Martin Petz goes where no Pointe businessman has gone before

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe entrepreneur Martin Petz and the cast from "Star Trek" were milling around the Las Vegas Hilton waiting for things to get off the ground.

It was the grand opening of Star Trek: the Experience, a \$70 million theme attraction.

James Doohan, "Scotty" in the original "Star Trek" series, was bored and started playing a slot machine and hit the jackpot. Petz joined Jonathan Frakes, who plays first officer Riker on "Star Trek: The Next Generation," in finding a bucket to hold Doohan's winnings.

On another occasion, Petz helped Jay Leno find the bathroom.

When asked, Petz can drop the names of Hollywood personalities, especially those from the worlds of Star Trek and Star Wars, as effortlessly as most people talk about friends and neighbors.

Most of the time, however, he's just like any father of three children trying to balance attending elementary school concerts, coaching little league baseball and running three businesses.

He's also the small business representative on the board of the Detroit Regional Chamber and president of the Young Entrepreneurs Organization.

How did Petz become friends with the cast of Star Trek?

After graduating from Oakland University and attending the Detroit College of Law, he decided he didn't want to become a lawyer and earned an MBA from Central Michigan University. Then he went to work in the advertising industry.

But something was missing. "As I moved up the ladder, there were restrictions on what I could do and how I could do it. So, I became my own boss," he said.

The result was Communications Creative, a marketing and public relations firm in Grosse Pointe Park.

"I started the business by going up to potential clients, sticking out my hand and saying, 'I think I can make something happen for you.'"

For the most part, the company targets smaller businesses that "don't have the man-

power to get the job done," Petz said.

Six years ago, he formed Illustrators Creative, a company that contracts with advertising agencies for art projects.

Three years ago, and here's the Hollywood connection, Petz formed Scipubtech, which

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"I've always enjoyed reading science fiction, like Isaac Asimov's 'Foundation.' I enjoy science fiction because it has multiple layers of meaning. It can be brain candy or it

Paramount waited a year before approving Scipubtech's first project, a cutaway drawing of the original Enterprise NCC-1701. The poster shows everything from Dr. McCoy's sick-bay to Scotty's dylithium chamber.

It also has expanded views of the starship's bridge and Galileo shuttlecraft.

William Shatner signed a series of posters that Petz donated to a WTWS Channel 56 auction.

The Enterprise NCC-1701-E from "Star Trek First Contact" has even more detail. The ship has three huge computers, three and four decks high. Something called Bussard collectors, located at the front of the warp drive nacelles, glow bright red.

Petz is careful that his designs stay true to the series. "There's nothing 'fake' about our drawings," he said.

To ensure accuracy, he consults with the authors of the "Star Trek Encyclopedia," a new edition of which he keeps in his office.

"Often, the posters contain things that have not actually been seen in the TV shows or movies, but would be part of any spaceship," he said.

Like Jay Leno's bathroom.

"I was unveiling the Enterprise E poster at a Star Trek convention in Pasadena. Leno came by and wanted to know where the bathrooms were," Petz said.

It's one of the most frequently asked questions about his drawings. "They're in the crew's quarters in the forward part of the ship," he said.

Another visitor was the head of licensing for Lucas Films — and so began the relationship with Star Wars.

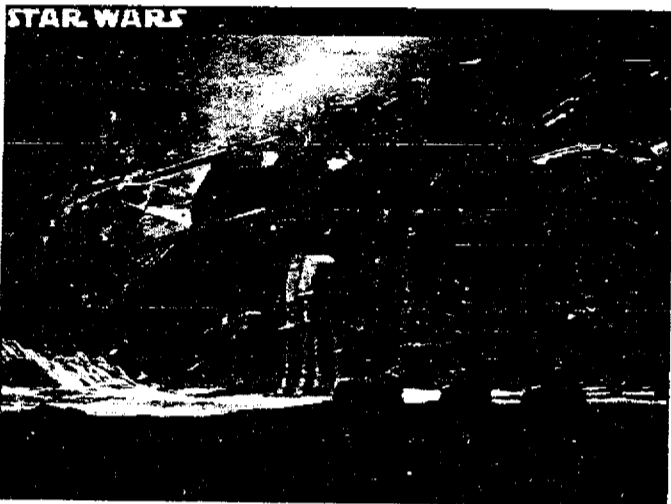
Petz said Star Trek's popularity can be explained on many levels, from the ideal to practical. "Historically, human's have always been interested in space. Politically, people want to believe in a truly democratic future where everyone is equal."

Also, "the existence of our species requires that we eventually colonize other planets to obtain natural resources."

The force behind Star Wars,



Martin Petz launched a business with the production of this poster of the U.S.S. Enterprise NCC-1701 from the original Star Trek television series.



The Empire Strikes Back in Martin Petz's latest technical illustration for Lucas Films.

stands for "science fiction, publishing and technology."

The business designs and sells technical posters for the Star Trek and Star Wars series from Paramount Studios and Lucas Films.

"You can count on the fingers of one hand the number of companies that are licensed to work with both Paramount and Lucas Films," Petz said.

The posters are sold in stores, at conventions, through the mail and Internet. His web site is www.scipubtech.com.

can be challenging. There are always moral issues being battered about," he said.

But how does someone go from public relations to producing science fiction posters?

"I combined my knowledge of publishing with my interest in science fiction. I decided to build a relationship with Star Trek and Star Wars because there was an established demand for commemorative products," Petz explained.

To get to know the market, he joined the local Star Trek fan club.

Sparks fly regarding GP electrical contract

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Over the objections of members of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, a contract was awarded to General Electric Construction to upgrade the wiring of Grosse Pointe North and South High Schools.

Union representatives said the \$543,000 bid was suspiciously low, and warned of change orders, which occur when contractors raise prices in the middle of a job.

Board member Steven Matthews asked if the company had a suspicious history when the union said the electrical contractor had a history of labor violations and fre-

quent name changes.

School administrators countered by saying they double checked the company's references after learning of the union's allegations and received glowing recommendations from the contractor's former customers, three of them school systems.

Christian Fenton, assistant superintendent in charge of business and finance, said the district's legal counsel helped investigate the contractor, but

couldn't find anything wrong.

"To our mind, (GEC) can perform this job," Fenton said.

The electrical work will begin in mid-April in order to be completed by the beginning of the following school year, he said.

The rewiring is needed to bring the buildings into the computer age, according to school documents.

Addressing GEC's low bid, which was less than half that of the only other bidder, Jim

Frantz, the district's manager of technology, said, "It was lower than expected. I thought it would be in the range of \$600,000 to \$800,000."

He explained that because of the strong economy, "electrical contractors are three times busier than usual," so they are able to charge higher rates.

GEC's low bid, on the other hand, can be explained because it's a new company that's hungry for business, Frantz said.

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from 12:00 noon - 4 p.m.
and 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

at City Hall, 90 Kerby Road, Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan 48236. Hearings will be scheduled by appointment. Please contact City of Grosse Pointe Farms at 885-6600, extension 252.

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Why not add St. Clair to Great Lakes?

Now that Congress has added Lake St. Clair to the Great Lakes, the Pointes ought to campaign to add Lake St. Clair to the chain, too.

In fact, action to accomplish that aim already has been started by Rep. Andrew Richner, who represents the Grosse Pointes, and has been in the forefront of those seeking state and federal aid for the preservation of the lake.

Richner has introduced a bill to support the addition of Lake St. Clair to the Great Lakes as well as a resolution to put

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the state Legislature squarely behind the move.

In fact, a much better case can be made for inclusion of Lake St. Clair than Lake Champlain as a Great Lake.

The lakes are about equal in size — each being about 490 square miles in area — but Lake St. Clair is in the direct chain of lakes that constitute the five Great Lakes.

Furthermore, Lake St. Clair also requires further studies to halt the con-

tinuing pollution that already is damaging the lake, its shoreline and its beaches, as swimmers and boaters have learned to their sorrow in recent years.

It was no secret that Vermont sought Great Lake status for Champlain in order to gain some of the federal funds available to study that lake's problems.

But simply because Michigan already is a Great Lakes state — and touches on Superior, Michigan, Huron and Erie — should not stop us from seeking more fed-

eral funds to aid in preservation of Lake St. Clair, which many of us already call "our Great Lake."

We understand Rep Fred Upton, representing Michigan's Sixth District, has already started seeking support for a bill to repeal the congressional approval of Champlain as a Great Lake, and we support that move, too.

Furthermore, how can school kids use the word "homes" to remember the names of the Great Lakes since it obviously does not include a letter C?

Vermont has shown that the previous law governing the Great Lakes was not written in stone.

That means Lake St. Clair supporters ought to rally to the inclusion of their lake in the Great Lakes federal fund distribution and thus help finance the preservation of our lake.

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What is El Nino's March plan?

It's been said, "Everybody talks about the weather but nobody does anything about it."

This year's unusual and troublesome weather, however, has been attributed to El Nino, the strange pattern of winds and water that has hammered both the east and west coasts of our nation.

We're told that during El Nino, the trade winds around the equator blow from the southwest to the northeast instead of the opposite, their normal pattern.

That causes waters in the eastern and central Pacific Ocean to become warmer, and when those waters collide with cooler air from the rest of the Earth, weather patterns change.

So in February, in part because of the effect of this year's El Nino, we recorded no snow in the Grosse Pointes, or for that matter, in the Detroit metro area. But frequent rain gave our land area its needed precipitation.

It was with some trepidation that people in this area faced the opening of March. What would El Nino do now that would affect us? Would it continue the early delivery of spring that February had

heralded? Or would El Nino help build an old-fashioned March that would come in like a lion?

As we now all know, March didn't come in like a lion, but it wasn't a lamb, either. Instead, it delivered a series of light snow days, including Friday.

Looking out the windows of the Grosse Pointe News, we saw huge, fluffy flakes that don't seem to have much purpose except to make walking and driving a bit more dangerous.

Monday, however, was windy and cooler in this area, but out in Nebraska a March blizzard supplied by El Nino went on the attack, to the detriment of farm animals, cars, trucks and human beings.

But as we move on into March's second week, we won't really complain unless the Pointes get one of those storms that prompted the poet's famous lines:

"The snow had begun in the gloaming,
and busily all the night,
had been heaping fields and highways,
in a silence deep and white..."
Don't do that to us, El Nino. Please.



FUTURE CAMPAIGN CONFESSIONS TO LOOK FORWARD TO

Letters

Park passes

To the Editor:

I read your article on recommendations for new park passes (Woods council to ponder new park pass policies," Feb. 12, edition).

As a lifeguard at the Grosse Pointe Woods park, I feel that it is appropriate for me to give my input. Throughout the article you state three recommendations that could solve the problem for the pool being overcrowded. After reading these recommendations, I wish to respond to them.

First, you say that a possible solution is to limit the issuing of park passes to those people who actually live in a home. I feel that this is not a fair solution. I think that anyone who lives in the Woods and is a taxpayer should be able to use the park. Also, anyone who is living in a house of a taxpayer should be able to use the pool facilities as well.

Next, you state that it would be smart to limit the number of group park passes, and that group passes would not be issued for weekends. I think that this is a good idea and that this should be carried through.

Group passes mean that a large number of people can use the park at a given time under someone else's pass. As you know, some of these people are not residents. I feel that it

would be better to void these passes on the weekends, and let them be valid only on the weekdays. This may help limit the number of nonresidents that use the pool.

Finally, you say that it would be a smart idea to limit the number of guests who use the facilities and the pool. I feel that this is a good idea. I think that people should be able to bring guests in regularly. However, I think that cutting down the number of guests will not cause the pool to be overcrowded.

Ryan Messing
Grosse Pointe Woods

Dog-walkers' rage

To the Editor:

In response to a recent article in the Grosse Pointe Park paper I would like the following information: Where can a "responsible dog owner" like myself, who picks up my dogs' droppings in rain, fog, sleet, snow, dark of night, summer, winter, fall and spring obtain a form letter that I can give to the people who verbally abuse me as I walk my dogs daily — before I have to go to my lawyer?

I read that the city has form letters for people to give irresponsible dog owners, but what about people like me who are responsible? I have been accused of not picking up after my dogs while crossing a street, whereas my accuser has the nerve to walk one of his two dogs off-leash. Don't the Grosse Pointes have leash laws?

Or the security guard at the pumping station who watched me clean up after my dog and then yelled across the street, "Did you pick up your dog's poop?" "Dog-walkers' rage" took over and I went across the street with my 200 pounds of Akita and showed him.

If the city can afford to supply form letters, then maybe it should provide badges or shirts that obviously tell people who the responsible dog owners are before "dog-walkers' rage" becomes a popular fad and irresponsible home owners have to reap what they say!

M.L. Kauffman
Grosse Pointe Park

Local auto dealer: Show flag respect

To the Editor:

The phrase "rally around the flag" has been a patriotic slogan ever since the birth of our nation for a very good reason. We have no sovereign whom we can unanimously agree to follow. In our democratic form of government, we have only a symbol that our citizens can all agree to serve under and unite in their support. That symbol is Old Glory.

For years, I have observed your automobile agency fly our flag in all types of weather, 24 hours a day. Both practices show disrespect toward our flag. But even worse is the abandonment of our stars and stripes after it has been raised on its halyards. Repeatedly, I have seen the flag you fly reduced to tatters — and no concern shown.

I am a retired CEO. All of the companies I supervised flew Old Glory. My employees took turns to proudly raise our flag each morning before work and take it down each evening after work. I did not order them to do this. They volunteered; perhaps your employees would do the same if you let them.

In the past, I have complained about the manner in which you treat the flag, and your manager informed me that the reason you did not replace Old Glory more frequently was because it cost too much.

If you think cost is such an important consideration regarding our flag, consider those brave Americans who paid with their lives while defending Old Glory. Isn't that price infinitely higher than a few replaceable dollars? Fly our flag with respect — or take it down.

Joe Trowern
Grosse Pointe Park

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War declared on bad drivers

An all-out war against drunken drivers and others who contribute to the heavy toll of deaths and injuries on the state's public roads and highways is well under way in Michigan.

A House committee has proposed a bipartisan package of legislation that would significantly strengthen Michigan's laws against drunk driving and prevent convicted drunk drivers from repeating their crimes.

In addition, House Republicans have their own approaches, one of which requires drivers who have lost their licenses to use a red car plate when their driving rights are restored.

Another calls for confiscation of cars owned by those whose drivers' licenses are cancelled or not renewed because of their driving records.

And in Washington efforts are being made to enact a new and lower test of alcohol in the blood to protect most drivers from the drunken drivers.

Where's ours?

Gov. John Engler recently announced \$47 million and 12,000 jobs in road projects statewide, with \$20 million in road work right here in southeast Michigan.

In Macomb County, 23 and 24 Mile roads and Van Dyke will be widened. In Oakland County, Nine Mile and Novi roads will be widened and the Village of Milford will reconstruct Oak Street.

In Wayne County, Conner will be widened in Detroit, primarily to benefit the Chrysler Mack Engine Plant. And Newburgh Road in Westland, Cedar Street in Wyandotte and Haggerty Road in Canton Township will all be widened.

What's wrong with this picture? Obviously, once again, there's nothing in Engler's package for Grosse Pointe — nor Harper Woods, nor St. Clair Shores.

How come none of the bacon comes back home to the Pointes? We pay megataxes. We overwhelmingly vote Republican. We even host Engler fundraisers in our homes. But we're not good enough for the governor to bestow his blessings upon?

What gives?

The House Judiciary Committee's bill really targets drunk drivers, and combines prevention, punishment and treatment to make our roads safer.

It calls for a mandatory sentence of up to five years for anyone convicted of operating under the influence of Liquor (OUIL), if the individual had been previously convicted of any two drunk driving offenses.

There is more in these bills, but in toto they ought to curtail drunk driving and provide new warnings to those who already have records that they will face tougher penalties for any further offenses.

And it's all being done, of course, to protect the innocent who too often lose their lives to drunk drivers on the highway.

In another action, Michigan Living, the official publication of the Automobile Club of Michigan, in its March viewpoint page, calls attention to two kinds of auto crashes — road rage and car-deer crashes — that could and should be eliminated.

Road rage is a recent development on the highway. It means some drivers who are angry and frustrated then often challenge their fellow motorists — which too often results in an unnecessary crash.

This apparently is a fairly recent phenomenon. AAA reports that the number of aggressive driving "incidents" has risen 51 percent just since 1990.

Yet the number of miles of highway in the United States has increased only by 1 percent — while the number of miles of driving has risen by 35 percent.

AAA advises motorists to give aggressive drivers plenty of room, let them pass at will, and avoid confrontations with them while driving carefully and using seat belts and turn signals.

In 1996, AAA counted more than 68,000 car-deer crashes on Michigan roads alone. That averages out at 186 crashes per day involving deer and motor vehicles. And 1997 didn't seem to be much different.

While the highest incidence of car-deer crashes occur in the fall, there is also an unusual herd movement in the spring. Those crashes caused deaths and hundreds of injuries, plus more than \$100 million in losses.

Natural? No thanks

Natural. It's a good thing, Martha Stewart would say so. We go out of our way to select fresh, natural foods. We buy vitamins that are "natural" and "pure." We strive for natural looks in clothing and make-up, garden design, furnishings and accessories.

Sometimes we work hard to act natural. Natural childbirth is good for babies.

Darwin's theory of natural selection works, like it or not.

We snub manmade fibers like polyester. We favor natural fabrics like cotton, linen, wool and silk. We select styles with natural shoulders and natural fits and natural cuts; and we pick from colors like flax and

indigo and putty and verdigris and hemp and straw.

Candles, potpourri and perfumes, various scented sprays for this and that are hawked as natural, which means they smell like jasmine and peonies and kiwi and spring showers and grass and beeswax, I guess. (These are preferred, I suppose, to candles with natural aromas like "wet dog" or "spoiled raw chicken" or "mildew.")

Natural is supposed to be good for us too.

We are healthier, theoretically, if we eat natural foods because they're full of pure vitamins and real fiber and genuine minerals and complex carbohydrates and so on.

Organic gardens are great, too, in theory. Organic gardeners avoid pesticides, weed killers and chemicals. Mother Nature lets plants creep around wherever they want to



I Say

Margie Reins Smith

go. Mother N. loves crab grass just as much as she loves a primrose or a rhododendron or a perfect red rose and she thinks all of them should be allowed to compete fairly and squarely for blooming space.

Bald eagles and passenger pigeons and praying mantises are welcomed with open wings (in Mother N.'s natural garden). Should we also welcome mosquitoes and bedbugs and great swarms of locusts.

Catalogs advertise furniture

in terms that imply we just love to drag these items in from the great outdoors and sit on them. Natural-style furniture is rustic and weathered, with a so-called patina. It may be made of natural pine or reclaimed wrought iron or antiqued, distressed hand-rubbed wood that has been tinted as described, with "colors that only occur in nature."

How about some really natural colors then, like "field

mouse" or "braise" or "tarnish" or "dried blood?"

I recently pondered an item in a catalog of expensive one-of-a-kind home accessories. The wall decoration was made of iron, with a "naturally oxidized finish." According to my fuzzy memories of high school chemistry, that means it's rusty, doesn't it?

Natural-looking stuff is what's hip-happening, I guess.

Baloney, I say. Let's hear a cheer for fake and faux, when appropriate. Mother Nature, while wise and generally well-meaning, has fooled more than once. We must correct this.

What would an un-natural woman of a certain age do without un-natural things like electric hair dryers and washing irons and products that "color-correct" our hair.

How could we face the world without moisturizers; bronzers; blushes; eye makeups in

the form of pencils, wands, gels, cremes, powders, sticks; lipsticks in natural shades called "nude" or "bare" or "nude"; lip glosses to put natural shine where it's needed; powder to reduce natural shine where it isn't needed; and an entire drugstore aisle of nail-care products to shape, oil, clean, shine, polish and color the tips of our fingers and toes.

How good would "natural" be without help from manufactured stuff like soap, deodorant, toothpaste, mouthwash, razors, bath oil, perfume, and various scented potpourris, candles and spritzers for this and that.

We have natural rights, too? (Like the right to life and liberty.)

And the right to use several drawers full of unnatural products in the pursuit of happiness.

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The Op-Ed Page



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A prayer for some wings

They might have flown away anywhere between her home in Windsor, her friend's house in the Park, or Jake's, First Federal or Kroger's in the Village, but Elizabeth King hopes some reader of this paper can return her lost pilot's wings.



Ken Eatherly

Solid gold with a center diamond, the value of the pin is real — but the sentimental value for Elizabeth is even greater. Her husband, Ed, who died recently, had had the piece cast from his own pilot's wings when she got her pilot's license.

It was not just a piece of jewelry to her, it symbolized love, pride and even more after Ed's death, she says: "To feel him close to me I wore the wings as a symbol of him as my guardian angel — as he was my guardian angel, my soul mate and best friend throughout our marriage."

"Betsy's looked everywhere for them since she was at Jacobson's main store and found they had fallen off their backing last Wednesday," says her friend, Anne Speicher. There is a reward. Anyone with information can call Anne at (313) 881-0388 or Elizabeth at (519) 945-5766.

Take a chance, help a child

Beanie Babies have gone green for St. Paddy's Day, and the Village Toy Company's Nancy Renick hopes they'll put a Pointe doctor's charity in the pink.

Buoyed by last year's success in raising more than \$15,000 for Wings for Kids (Dr. Mark Johnson's fund that flies needy families to Detroit for prenatal surgery), the store is raffling off 10 of their total allotment of 12 rare "Erin" Irish Beanie Baby bears at \$1 per ticket or six for \$5, with the drawing to be held at 5 p.m. next Tuesday.

All proceeds will go to Wings for Kids, said Nancy's daughter, Ellen Durand, who manages the store. "I heard from Doug Evans, who ran the Beanie Baby auction on Channel 4, that the money we raised last time helped bring six families here."

The St. Patrick spirit was in evidence Friday as Ellen revealed a binfull of raffle tickets mounting up for the little green bear with the white shamrock on its chest.

"Any Irish in the Renick lineage?" FYI asked. "Not a speck," answered Ellen. "But everybody's Irish on St. Patrick's Day."

Eat some cow, save a pup

As usual starting at 11 a.m. on March 17, they'll be giving

away free bowls of Irish stew at O'Flaherty's Pub on Charlevoix and Grumpy's Grub and Pub on Mack, both in the Park.

— And as usual (since some pet-loving Irishman got into the act last year), bartenders at both places will gratefully accept whatever donation the stew chompers care to make for "The Second Annual Green Bucks for Barks."

There's a new twist this year, says pub owner Dennis Dallacqua. "We're marking the tradition by offering specially-decorated St. Patrick's Day mugs filled with stew for the first 150 donations."

Fee for the mugs is \$3, the rest is optional, and all proceeds go to the Michigan Humane Society.

"Loyal Irish subjects" are urged to "muster support in collecting as many Green Bucks for Barks as humanely possible," Dennis says.

Snow tennis?

FYI's not sure if they're the Fearsome Foursome or the Frozen Foursome, but his Arctic parka hood is off to Farms neighbors — Ron Carloni, Mark Jahnke, Robin Milazzo and Ernie Rudnick, who, according to Ron's wife, Donna, "love playing tennis together so much (that) any break in the weather and they're down at the Pier Park."

This winter has been no exception, with the four hitting

the courts, racquets in gloved hands, any chance they can get.

"You'd think that since they were the only tennis team that showed up for the Winter Games, they'd be gold medalists," says Donna.

Add ice skates and you've got a new sport.

Speaking of new Olympic sports:

The Farms' Laura Kaake is proud of her grandson, Shaw, the son of former Pointers Donald and Patricia Kaake.

"Donald is a graduate of Grosse Pointe High, but the family moved before Shaw could attend," says Laura. "He studied design in college, helped his dad in the construction business, then finally started a company in Switzerland, where he has patents on his own ski and snowboard designs."

Shaw had his snowboard exhibited at the Metropolitan Museum of Modern Art in New York in 1976, she says.

"I was thrilled when I was watching the Olympics and saw the gold medal winner in snowboarding did it on the board that Shaw designed."

Got an FYI tip? Call Ken Eatherly at (313) 822-4091, or e-mail him at KSCD36A@PRODIGY.COM

Conservatives and liberals

I've always wondered whether conservatives and liberals comprise two distinct character types. Could it be that political ideology is genetically determined? On the other hand the evidence is strong that social conditioning strongly determines your political stance. It's the old argument of nature vs. nurture, heredity vs. environment.

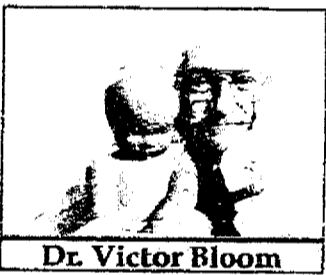
But as we also know, each person is a complex combination of inherited and acquired traits. It is interesting to see how the polls about the Clinton-Lewinsky "scandal" divide the nation into a majority, which seems to approve the president's performance, and a minority, who would impeach him.

These positions are based on opinions without facts. It remains to be seen whether independent counsel Kenneth Starr supplies his accumulated factual evidence to the Senate and how it deals with it. It also remains to be seen whether the Senate, if it gets damning evidence, will go against what seems to be the will of the people.

At the extreme left, Clinton can do no wrong. As long as he is credited for the improved economy and compromising with the right, he is seen to be the ultimate politician. When the people are employed and the economy is sound, there is little impetus to rock the boat. At the same time, it is a wonder how the left tolerate what appears to be an arrogance of power and a shameful degree of corruption. At the left it is believed there is no evidence of wrongdoing, only hearsay and gossip.

On the right, Clinton is a devil. He is guilty of all the things attributed to him — lying, womanizing, suborning perjury, obstruction of justice and, most of all, trying to live above the law with an arrogance of power that would have horrified the framers of the Constitution. A strong principle of this country is that no man is above the law. The forced resignation of Richard Nixon was proof of that.

I have tried to search out the differences between liberals



Dr. Victor Bloom

and conservatives. The liberals tend toward socialism, in which the government takes a parental role toward the disadvantaged and appropriates tax money from the rich and provides benefits to the poor and disadvantaged. This is called sharing the wealth or developing a level playing field. Leveling the playing field is the ostensible purpose of affirmative action, a process which has been called into question as being unfair and discriminatory. The conservatives prefer the "natural" mountains and valleys, preferring the mountaintops, of course.

Conservatives tend to the status quo, the status quo being to their advantage as well as the moral high ground. The rich are not unconcerned about the poor, but would rather choose their charity than trust the bureaucracy of big government. Minimal government works best for them — except for corporate welfare, which is better for the economy and their pocketbooks than welfare for the poor.

Conservatives believe in individual initiative and personal responsibility; therefore, some people, because of lack of intelligence or motivation or hard work or study, are bound to remain poor. "The poor shall always be with us," quoth the sages.

Conservatives feel that the disadvantaged have the potential in a free society to better themselves. It seems like the entitlements of the past have done the poor little good. On the whole, conservatives believe, for example, that African-Americans can be successful in our system with individual initiative; they must earn their advantage; it need not be simply given.

Left-wingers do not abide the

status quo. They think the status quo is unfair. They want government to, in effect, abolish poverty and give everyone a safety net so that no one will be without medical care or food or adequate education.

The interesting thing to me is that given your political ideology, that is what influences the perception of the Washington scandal. If Clinton is on my side, I see him as innocent or guilty only of minor indiscretions. If Clinton is not on my side, I see him as a rabid womanizer, a liar, a cheat, a cad of the first order, and want to see him disgraced and thrown out of office.

At the same time, nobody wants to rock the boat too much, as our needs are being met and we are comfortable and safe. At the same time, morals and values, character and integrity go out the window, which is a sad commentary on contemporary America.

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G.P. Dems to hold St. Pat's Day party

Dust off your favorite green outfit and join the Grosse Pointe Democratic Club at a St. Patrick's Day party on Tuesday, March 17, from 5 to 9 p.m. at the Harper Woods Community Center.

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Mercury Grand Marquis — 'luxury chariot' for the masses

The Mercury Grand Marquis is a throwback to an early era of American automotive design. It is big, luxurious, rear-drive and powered by a 200-hp V-8.

It is reminiscent of the big Mercurys of 25 years ago, the kind of overblown, overpowered luxury chariots which drove environmental critics to distraction, but which Americans loved and bought in staggering numbers.

Twenty-five years ago was 1973, of course, and the first full-size car was still to come. And the kind of car that the '73 Mercury was had little time left. As the price of gasoline soared in late 1973, owners began trading in their big gas guzzlers for smaller machines which they might not like better but which they could afford to keep gassed up.

The EPA was not keeping track of fuel economy yet in 1973, but the full-size American car of that era with V-8 engine was probably getting in the neighborhood of 10-14 mpg city and 16-20 highway, if driven with a light foot.

By 1988, the full-size car was somewhat smaller. The '88 Mercury Grand Marquis had a wheelbase of 114 inches, compared with 124 in 1973, and overall length of 213.5 inches, down from 222.5 in 1973. More importantly, weight of the '88 Grand Marquis was 3,828 pounds, pared down from 4,739 for the '73 Mercury. By 1988, the EPA

was keeping track of fuel economy and rated the Grand Marquis at 17 city 24 highway.

The 1988 Grand Marquis is not changed a lot in size from 1988 — wheelbase similar at 114 inches, overall length down a little at 212 inches and weight at 3,828 lbs.

And its EPA fuel efficiency ratings are not much changed, 17 city 25 highway.

So the Grand Marquis is indeed a throwback. Is that bad?

Not at all. In fact, it is a pretty good value if you are looking for a roomy, comfortable, good performing vehicle that is pleasant for commuting or travel.

Trendy? No. But 25 years ago, American cars were all things to all people and represented big automotive values. The '88 Mercury Grand Marquis is in that mode.



Autos

By Richard Wright

The Mercury Grand Marquis was substantially improved this year, with a new front instrument panel, new steering and suspension and all-speed traction control. Apparently Ford is not planning to follow General Motors in phasing out the big rear-drive sedan.

The Mercury Grand Marquis, Lincoln Town Car and Ford Crown Victoria are the last American sedans to

feature rear-wheel drive. This kind of vehicle is favored by police departments, taxi companies and ambulance cutlitters.

But what about the ordinary user? Isn't front drive superior? Isn't that why the Grand Marquis is last of the breed?

Well, only in America. There are still some European makes of some repute that use rear drive, such as Rolls-Royce, Mercedes-Benz, Volvo and Porsche.

The Mercury Grand Marquis may be a dinosaur, but it is a nimble one, very maneuverable and peppy. And, as you would expect in a large car, its ride is comfortable. As you might not expect in a large car, it is also of a very high roadability order, thanks to a new rear suspension with a Watt's linkage unit that Mercury says gives the rear axle 400-percent greater stiffness than the axle it replaced.

So? So the Grand Marquis tracks through corners better than before, with more lateral

stability for enthusiastic drivers, the engineers say.

And a change in the steering gear to provide better on-center feel and more controlled direction changes means drivers will feel more comfortable hustling around corners.

All-speed traction control debuts this year as well, which promises to make the Grand Marquis as good at driving in slushy and slippery winter conditions as its rival front-drive Buick LeSabre.

Are there benefits to rear-wheel drive? Front drive is generally considered better in slippery conditions, but rear-drive provides better handling during acceleration and in high-speed freeway tracking. With traction control, the rear-drive Mercury overcomes much of the front-drive advantage.

The Mercury Grand

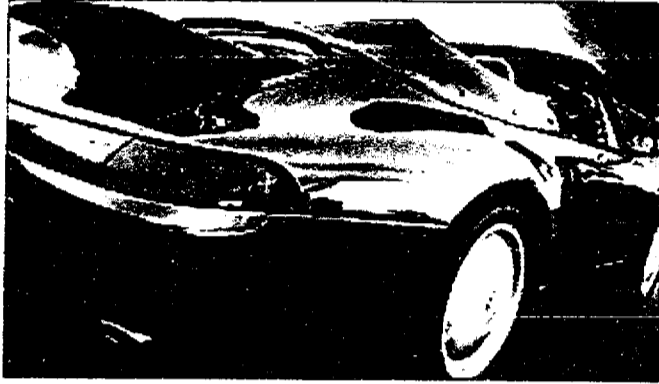
Marquis is powered by a 4.6-liter V-8 rated at 200 hp.

It carries a basic three-year 36,000-mile warranty on vehicle and drivetrain and warranty against rust for five years with unlimited mileage. The warranty includes roadside assistance for three years or 36,000 miles.

Anti-lock brakes are optional, a disappointment on an upscale car like this, but with that option the car's safety quotient is good. Front air bags are standard and the car did well in crash tests in protecting both driver and passengers.

Sticker price for the Grand Marquis four-door sedan with standard automatic transmission is \$22,495.

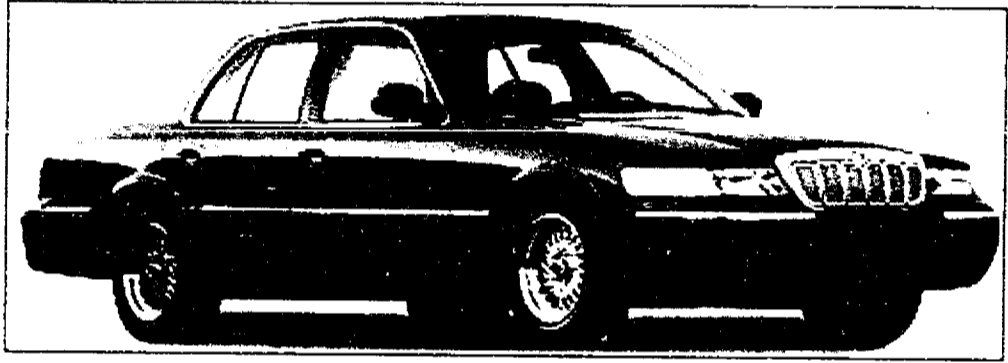
The Grand Marquis gives you a lot of automobile for that price, another throwback to an earlier era.



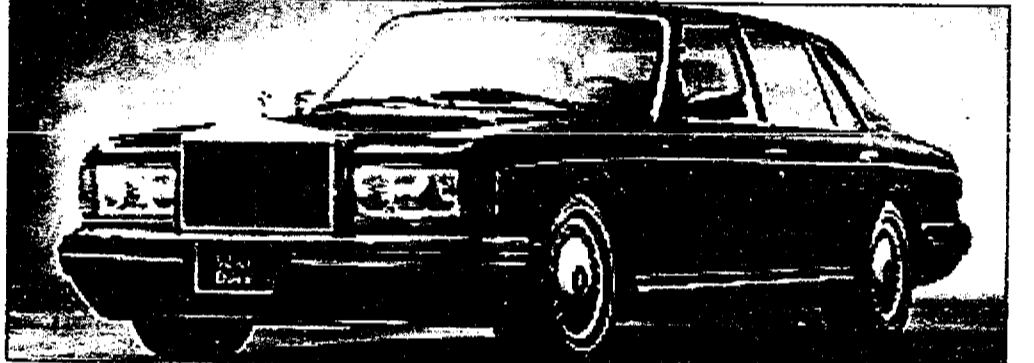
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The South students are **Olivia V. Ambrogio**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Ambrogio of the City of Grosse Pointe; **Antonia C. Eliason**, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. James Eliason of Grosse Pointe Park; **Seth M. Lloyd**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Seth Lloyd of Grosse Pointe Park; **Claire E. Molloy**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Molloy of Grosse Pointe Farms; and **Timothy J. Mooney Jr.**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Mooney of Grosse Pointe Park.

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Additionally, 10 South students were named Commended Students in the NMSC competition. They are



Grosse Pointe North Principal Caryn Wells is shown with this year's National Merit Scholarship Finalists from her high school. From left are: Ted Huebner, Eric H. Bonten, Adam Ziegler and Andrew Schubeck.

Daniel L. Clark, son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Clark of the City of Grosse Pointe; Peter J. Cline, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Cline of Grosse Pointe Park; Aimee E. Constantine, daughter of Mrs. Mary Ann Constantine of Grosse Pointe Farms; Trevor Harris, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gregg Harris of Grosse Pointe Park; Garrett C. Heffner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Heffner, of Grosse Pointe Farms; Michael P. Hindelang, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hindelang of the City of Grosse Pointe; Cheryl A. Mackechnie, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Hugh Mackechnie of Grosse Pointe Park; Julie A. Mondro, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Mondro of the City of Grosse Pointe; Adriane A. Powell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Powell of Grosse Pointe Park; and Matthew E. Rudnick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Rudnick of Grosse Pointe Farms.

Nine in a million

More than one million students in some 19,000 U.S. high schools entered the current merit program by taking a qualifying test, the PSAT/NMSOT, in 1997 when they were juniors. The top scorers in every state, representing about half of 1 percent of the states' high school graduating class, are included in the nationwide finalists.

The road to become a Merit finalist

To become a finalist these students had to meet high academic standards, be fully endorsed and recommended by their high school, take the SAT and confirm their qualifying test performance and submit information about their school and community activities, personal interests and goals.

The next step

The finalists will compete

for \$26 million in merit scholarships in 1998 and about 6,900 of the distinguished finalists will receive a merit scholarship.

Every finalist will be considered for one of 2,000 National Merit \$2,000 Scholarships, awards that are distributed on a state representational basis according to each state's percentage of the total of U.S. 12th graders.

Corporations, foundations and other business organizations also will underwrite some 1,100 merit scholarships for finalists who meet their preferential criteria.

Approximately 3,800 four-year merit scholarships will be offered by colleges and universities and any finalists who wish to attend a sponsor institution will compete for these awards.

Next week: Announcement of Merit Scholar finalists among University of Liggett students



Liggett debate champs

The award-winning University Liggett School debate team and coach are: (back row, left to right) Coach Shane Stafford, Adam Little, and Brianna Crantz, and (front row, left to right) Alicia Malik, Kristin Lingemann, Carl Spina, and Sherif Manganas. ULS earned its third straight Michigan Class C/D Debate Championship on Feb. 7. The ULS team of seniors Spina and Crantz, both of Grosse Pointe Woods, finished the preliminary rounds with an 11-3 record. In the semifinals, ULS earned a 3-0 decision over McBain High School, and, in the finals, scored a 3-0 decision over No. 1 seed Cass City High School. The topic was "Resolved: that the United States should adopt a policy to substantially increase renewable energy use." Of note, it was also the third state championship for Spina — the first time in the 81 years of Michigan high school debate that an individual has earned three state championships.

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Harper Woods City Council will be holding a public hearing on Monday, April 6, 1998, at 7:30 p.m., in the Municipal Building City, located at 19617 Harper Avenue, for the purpose of obtaining comment on a request from Mrs. Swirek, Proprietor of 20479 Anita, to split the lot into 3 parcels, two of which will adjoin the property in the rear area of the homes at 20458 and 20472 Danborn Lane, and the third parcel to remain with 20479 Anita.

Plans for the proposed split, along with the legal description are available for public inspection in the City Clerk's Office, located at the above address, during the hours of 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Notice of this hearing has been sent to Harper Woods property owners within 300 feet of the requested lot split area. Residents and property owners who are unable to attend the hearing may submit their comments regarding this request in writing to the City Clerk's Office prior to April 6, 1998.

POSTED: March 1, 1998
G.P.N./The Connection: 03/12/98

Mickey D. Todd,
City Clerk

School fundraisers

Cabaret Concert

The Grosse Pointe South Choir Boosters are sponsoring the Grosse Pointe South Choir Cabaret show, beginning at 7 p.m. on March 28 in the school's gymnasium.

This fund raiser will feature musical performances by all of the high school's choirs.

The evening will begin with introductions and light refreshments. The highlight of the evening's entertainment will be the Pointe Singers' 42nd Street medley which they will be performing at the national showstoppers' competition in April 1998.

Following the show, a coffee and dessert buffet will be

served while a live dance band, The Gentlemen of Swing, plays.

Tickets are \$45 each; the event is black-tie optional.

All proceeds from this event will help defray the costs of the students competing in the Showstoppers' Competition in Nashville.

Flower sale

The senior class of Grosse Pointe South High is sponsoring a spring potted plant sale. The flowers available for purchase are: Easter lilies with six to eight blooms; pink or blue hydrangeas with two blooms; red, pink, yellow and lavender tulips; daffodils, and assorted

colors of cinerarias and cyclamens. The plants come in foil wrapped six-inch pots. The cost is \$8 per plant. The deadline for ordering any plants is March 27.

To order, or for more information, call Berdean Smith at (313) 885-4806; delivery is available with an order of six or more plants. Funds raised from the sale will go toward the prom and other senior activities. This is the ninth year the school has hosted a flower sale.

Telethon


On April 3 and 4, the Grosse Pointe TV Production class (comprised of students from both North and South high

schools) will hold its fifth annual, 22-hour telethon. The TV production classes provide a studio setting for those students with a serious interest in pursuing a career in communications. The studio is equipped with basic equipment so that students can become familiar with all aspects of broadcasting, and can create programs of community-wide interest. These programs air on Channel 20, a new cable channel.

For people interested in donating to this worthy cause, call (313) 343-2061. Donations of any item, service or money can be tax deductible.


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NOTICE OF REVIEW OF THE 1998 ASSESSMENT ROLL

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Review of the City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Wayne County, Michigan, will be in session in the Community Center of the Municipal Building, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan on

Tuesday, March 10
Tuesday, March 24


From 9:00 a.m. to Noon, 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., and 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. EST, for reviewing the 1998 Assessment Roll.

All persons considering themselves aggrieved by their assessment, or who have any questions or comments, may make an appointment to appeal before the Board of Review by contacting the Tax Department 343-2435, between March 2 and March 10, 1998. Resident taxpayers must appear in person or send an agent to appeal their assessment.

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Pierce to host open house March 18

The faculty, students and PTO invite all to attend the Sixth Annual Club Night which will be held Wednesday, March 18, from 6 - 8 p.m. at Pierce Middle School on Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Park.

A part of the event will be a Coney Island dinner, and the opportunity to find out more about Pierce Middle School.

Representatives from the faculty and student activities will be present. The families of fifth graders at Maire, Defer and Trombly are particularly encouraged to attend.

Cost for a Coney dinner (which includes a Coney dog, pop, and chips) is \$3; an extra Coney dog is \$1.50; ice cream is \$1; and extra pop, chips are 75 cents.



Mexican restaurant a la Richard

Richard Elementary School teacher Pam Liagre's grade 3 and 4 magnet class opened its own Mexican restaurant for one day at the school. The restaurant operated from 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. and served a variety of appetizers, entrees and beverages. Liagre and her students came up with the concept and planned all aspects of the restaurant. Students made decisions on the decorations, outfits, menus and their duties. Invitations were sent to all school board members, administrators and teachers. The students staffed the restaurant as hosts, waitpersons, cooks and cashiers. They created the meals in assembly line fashion. The event was a huge success and well attended by school administrators, teachers and parents. The event tied in with the class' study of Mexico.

Brownell captures gold in OM contest

Brownell Middle School captured the gold medal at the southeastern Michigan Odyssey of the Mind (OM) tournament held March 7 at Grosse Pointe North High School.

This particular winning team started three years ago with six kids who were students at Kerby Elementary School. The students have remained together as OM competitors. Although the team is currently comprised of eight kids who are students at several area schools, they are registered for competition in the OM tournament under "Brownell" because OM requires that teams with mixed age groups must register under the school name with the oldest students.

The team members are Rory O'Bryan, Andrea Sheridan and J.T. Gage from Brownell, Robert Arcand and Conor O'Bryan from Kerby Elementary, Rachel Sullivan from Defer Elementary, and Alexandra Huntley from Richard Elementary.

Coaches are Conor and Rory's parents, Mike O'Bryan and Karen Sullivan — she's a fifth grade teacher at Ferry

Elementary. "We're happy all our hard work paid off with a gold medal," Arcand said.

At this district-level tournament, the team competed against schools from throughout southeastern Michigan. They will now compete at the state-level tournament on April 25 at Central Michigan University.

Odyssey of the Mind is a nationally-held competition that rewards teams for working together to solve problems in a creative manner.

The task that the group addresses was to portray, in a humorous manner, a skit set in medieval times that involved making a pageant wagon that towed another vehicle; conducted humorous skits and slay a dragon. The skit had to be researched with all aspects of the props and performance being done by the youngsters.

Additionally, a spontaneous competition was held with the youngsters taking turns responding to an item or sentence put forth by the judges within a two-minute time. Responses were judged as either common or creative.

Liggett instrumental students excell at regional competition

Nine University Liggett School students were awarded "Superior" ratings at the MSBOA (Michigan Schools Band and Orchestra Association) Solo and Ensemble Festival at Chippewa Valley High School, Feb. 14.

Earning "superior" honors (a division I rating) from ULS were: senior Justin Young (alto saxophone), junior Brad Boring (alto saxophone), junior Jim Fortune (tenor saxophone), junior Michelle

McGoey (violin), junior C.R. Moultry (alto saxophone), sophomore Paul Rossen (piano), freshman Jose Carrion (piano), freshman Christal Phillips (violin), and the saxophone quartet of Moultry, junior Nicole Young, Fortune and Boring.

Phillips, who also plays the clarinet, earned an "excellent honors" (a division II) rating on that instrument.

Other ULS students who earned "excellent" honors (division II) ratings were:



sophomore Jacob Bondy (tuba), Carrion (trumpet), and the string quartet of Phillips, Michelle McGoey, eighth-grader Suzanne McGoey and eighth-grader Genevieve Carrion.

Students receiving a division I rating compete at the State Festival on March 28.

South students commemorate King visit

In commemoration of the 30th anniversary of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s March 14, 1968, speech at Grosse Pointe High School, the school's Student Association, the Human Relations Club and other student groups took the initiative to design a plaque to hang in the lobby of the main gym where King appeared.

The plaque will read: "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere." The students presented their plans to the school board Monday night. Board members thanked the students for "memorializing a great and courageous leader."

— Helen McDonald

Notre Dame to hold open house

Notre Dame High School in Harper Woods presents its "Spring Open House" on Palm Sunday, April 5, from 1 to 3 p.m.

Guests will have the opportunity to tour the school, visit with faculty, parents and students; review curriculum; and participate in ongoing demonstrations that highlight student life, athletics and intramurals. Ice cream sundaes will be offered to guests. For more information, call (313) 371-8965.

New English language curriculum explained March 31

As a part of the continuing efforts for inclusion of public opinion of curriculum development, the Grosse Pointe Public School System will hold an information forum to familiarize the public with the draft of the new English Language Arts Curriculum. The forum is planned for Tuesday, March 31 in the library at South High School at 7 p.m.

The English Language Arts Curriculum Committee will present the product of its three-year study of English language education and will present its recommendations for the direction of instruction for the Grosse Pointe Schools. The Public Forum is the first step in the adoption process for the new curriculum. Following this opportunity for public comment, the curriculum will be presented to the district's Educational Planning Leadership Council in May, and, finally, to the Board of Education in June.

All members of the community are welcome. There will be procedures to allow those attending to address the committee with their ideas and concerns.

U-M offers advanced math program

From classes in probability to sessions on the nature of infinity and "Codes, Ciphers and Secret Messages," Michigan high school students interested in mathematics may enroll in an intensive summer math program at the University of Michigan.

Participants in the Math Scholars Summer Program, sponsored by the U-M Department of Mathematics, may attend one or both sessions, June 21-July 4 or July 5-18. Deadline for applications is April 15; qualified students will be admitted as their application materials are received.

According to Carolyn Dean, coordinator of the program, students will have access to outstanding computer facilities and departmental computer accounts, and will spend the two weeks in small classes in state-of-the-art courses. Throughout the academic year, they will be mentored by U-M graduate students in mathematics. Interested students can write to: Math Scholars, Department of Mathematics, U-M, 525 East University, Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1109, call (734) 647-4466 and leave a message, or call the Scholars Program director, Carolyn Dean, (734) 763-5034. The program also has a web site for downloadable material: <http://www.math.lsa.umich.edu/~mathsch>

Liggett junior is among math elite

Terry Szymanski, a junior at University Liggett School, an Eastpointe resident, and son of Daniel Szymanski and Willow Ward, has been named an award winner in the 41st Annual Michigan Mathematics Prize Competition.

He earned the honor by placing in the top 100 out of 15,749 high school students who participated in the competition.

Szymanski was honored at a banquet at Michigan State University on Feb. 28. More than \$32,000 in college scholarships were awarded to the top scorers in the competition; which is run each year by faculty members from Michigan's colleges and universities.

City of Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Review of the City of Grosse Pointe Park, Wayne County, Michigan will be in session in the Municipal Building, 15115 East Jefferson Avenue, Grosse Pointe Park, for the purpose of reviewing the 1998 assessment roll:

TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 1998

THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 1998

The board will meet from 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. recessing from noon to 1:00 p.m. and again from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Hearings are by appointment only. Contact the City of Grosse Pointe Park at 822-4365.

Resident taxpayers must appear in person or have a representative appear for them. Written appeals will be accepted postmarked no later than March 27, 1998.

BOARD OF REVIEW
CITY OF GROSSE POINTE PARK
Diann Lulis
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City of Grosse Pointe, Michigan
Wayne County

BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING

The Property Assessment Roll of the City of Grosse Pointe, Wayne County, Michigan, for the year 1998 has been compiled. The estimated State-Equalization factor for 1998 is 1.0000 Residential and 1.0000 Commercial. The taxable value increase is limited to 2.7% unless ownership of the property was transferred in 1998. Therefore, in accordance with the General Property Tax laws of the State of Michigan and Section 35, of the City Charter, as amended:

The Board of Review will meet in
Monday, March 23, 1998
and
Tuesday, March 24, 1998

During the Hours of 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.
and 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Such meeting will be held at the Municipal Offices, 17147 Maumee.

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Technology revolutionizes classrooms Schools see widespread change

By Helen McDonald
Special Writer

Quick! What's the first thing you think of when you hear "computers?"

a) I'll never really get to learn those darn things, or

b) Can't wait to surf the Net.

Whether you're a failure at finishing "Windows For Dummies" or a top-notch solitaire player, someone in the Grosse Pointe school system knows exactly how you feel.

When the schools' Technology Strategic Plan began phasing in computer hardware and software three years ago, 30 percent of the teachers were "uncomfortable" using them. Some didn't want to turn them on.

Today, thanks to intensive in-service training and summer classes, teachers are catching on to the most sweeping revolution in education history.

"Educational technology touches every student and every subject in our schools," said Grace Smith, technology curriculum coordinator, at the Grosse Pointe school board meeting March 9. "It offers a wide variety of tools as it is integrated into the everyday lesson plan."

Because it is changing the way teachers teach and the way that students learn, com-

puter literacy has become indispensable in the classroom. Part of Henry Pichla's job as half-time consultant at Ferry Elementary School last year was to teach teachers how to manage classes and computers at the same time.

"Teachers are learning to organize software in the curriculum, analyze reports, and evaluate the effectiveness of both software and their lesson plans," Pichla said. Some training has taken the form of departmental instruction, mentoring and one-on-one aid.

At Pierce Middle School, for instance, three computer consultants are available to troubleshoot questions and answer them within half an hour.

"Sometimes a teacher will come to us with an idea, and we will help them develop the project," described Bonnie Middeldorf. "After helping them find curriculum matches (an important goal), we help them master skills and then model the process with the students."

In desktop publishing, how many skills do you think it takes to edit a school newspaper like North High's North Pointe? "Twenty-two," according to teacher Penny Soby. "This includes learning some complicated accounting in handling their own budget."

At Brownell Middle School, the three computer consultants discovered that 91 percent of the students used a computer at home. They devised the novel idea of using 20 minutes of advisory time to assign proficiency-building tasks.

And how early do the students begin handling a mouse? In early elementary grades, IBM's SchoolVista package allows kids to click on objects pictured in a room, like books on a shelf, much like clicking on a Windows icon. By second grade at Trombly School, students can chart the Important Events in My Life in Social Studies.

Special Ed students benefit from innovative large-sized, colorful mice, boxes that speak for them, Braille keyboards and a voice-input-command setup commissioned by famous performer Stevie Wonder.

The beauty of the technology program is that it not only facilitates the core curriculum, but also individualizes plans for each student. And teachers are now becoming "skilled enough to diversify into new applications," said consultant Joanna Porvin at Pierce school. All of which results in improved academic performance and an exciting learning environment.

Board spends \$0.5 million on repairs

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

For administrators of the Grosse Pointe Public School System, maintenance is next to godliness as the district is laying out more than a half-million in contracts for building repair this summer.

The venerable wooden bleachers in the Grosse Pointe South High School gym will undergo a \$185,401 repair this summer.

The 40-year-old bleachers are wearing out, school officials said. Because the gym also serves as the school's auditorium, the bleachers do double duty. At sporting events and school functions, sections of the bleachers are rolled in and out as needed.

Board member Joan Dindoffer introduced a spectral aspect to the discussion by saying the bleachers sometimes roll out by themselves.

At issue is the safety of the bleachers.

Arthur Miller, principal of South, speculated that the

bleachers would fail an inspection by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration because they lack hand railings, are unstable, and the wood seats are starting to splinter.

He voiced concern about how the bleachers shift when in use.

Another consideration is esthetics.

In order to maintain the architectural integrity of the gym, the wood bleachers should be a uniform color and dimension, said the board. That's easier to accomplish if all of the bleachers are replaced at once, not by working on them piecemeal, said Christian Fenton, assistant superintendent.

Suzanne Klein, school superintendent, said the board's historic preservation committee approved the plans.

Fenton said the bid to replace the bleachers was \$5,831 less than the bid to refinish the existing wood.

The contract saves more

than \$216,000 over the next comparable bid.

In another maintenance issue, the board approved roofing repairs to Pierce Middle School, South High and Kerby Schools.

C. Davis Roofing was selected for the \$398,000 project.

All of the roof sections are 25 years old or more. If repairs were delayed, the district risked more expensive repairs in the future due to possible water damage, school documents said.

In another matter involving improvements at Pierce, the shining faces of school children won't be the only thing lighting up Pierce after the school board accepts a bid to improve the school's auditorium lighting system.

The board rejected a \$146,500 bid for the project. The district can afford only \$94,000 for the job.

The board will invite new bids.

Renown speaker to address child development

In conjunction with Parent Awareness Month, nationally known author and lecturer H. Stephen Glenn will present "Seven Building Blocks for Developing Capable Young People" on Thursday, March 19, at 7:30 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center at

Grosse Pointe North High School.

The program is sponsored by the Grosse Pointe schools' Department of School Social Workers, the Harper Woods school system, the Grosse Pointe PTO Council and the Grosse Pointe Foundations

for Academic Enrichment.

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Market repeats new highs for first week of March

Sounds like a repeat of February. For the week ended last Friday, March 6, the DJI rose 24 points to close at 8,569.39, just a few points below the record high of 8,584.83 posted on March 3.

The S&P 500 almost mirrored the DJI, up 6.35 points to close at another high of 1,055.69, on Friday, March 6.

But analysts warned of some cracks in the polished veneer, which are called "earnings expectations below street estimates."

Last Wednesday, after the close on March 4, Intel Corp. (INTL, about 78-1/8 on NASDAQ) announced its first quarter revenues and earnings would come in significantly below Wall Street estimates.

At the opening and throughout Thursday and again on Friday, the market for INTL shares was unforgiving — down 10-7/8 and, again, down 11-1/2, to close the week at 78-1/8, off 22.3 percent.

Last Thursday, after the close on March 5, Motorola (MOT, about 53 on NYSE) issued an announcement similar to INTL's. Fortunately the

DJI spurted 125 points, so MOT's weekly loss was only 5-8, or 4.7 percent.

This brings to mind the old adage: "A rising tide lifts all boats."

The real bad news came Friday afternoon, after the close, when Compaq Computer (CPQ, about 27-5/8 on NYSE) announced it expects only break-even results for the first quarter, way below street estimates.

According to First Call, CPQ was expected to earn 35 cents/share, so zero would be quite a shock for the leading PC maker. In after-hour trading in the "third market" last Friday, CPQ traded at 25, down 2-5/8, or 9.9 percent.



By Joseph Mengden

Financial analysts

A week ago — Wednesday, on March 4 — LTS attended a special dinner meeting of the Financial Analysts Society of Detroit, now celebrating its 50th year. The highlight was the presentation of the Founders Award to David D. Williams, CFA, of Grosse Pointe Shores.

Williams was president of the Detroit Chapter in 1958-59, and later served as president of the national society in 1962-63.

The award recognized his dedication to establishing the

Charter Financial Analyst (CFA) certification — a minimum three-year examination process. Williams retired from NBD's trust department some years ago.

The featured speaker at the dinner was John B. Neff, CFA, retired portfolio manager of the Windsor Fund and the Gemini Fund at the Wellington Management group of mutual funds. During his 31-1/2 years at the helm of the Windsor Fund, it outperformed the S&P 500, on average, 13.8 percent per year vs. 10.7 percent.

Neff is renowned as a "value" or "contrarian" investor. Yes, he bought the "dogs," which he calls the "pick of the litter."

He says you must have confidence in the economy, keep to fundamentals, and look for opportunities in "washed-out" stocks. As a "bottom-fisher," you have to pick and choose very carefully. It takes a lot of patience and backbone.

Contrarian investors look over the stocks that everyone has sold and is still selling.

The "turn-around" situations usually involve dividend cuts or elimination. New management is usually a necessity.

Let's talk...STOCKS

Speedway Motor Sports (TRK, about 26-7/8 on NYSE) owns and operates six race-tracks, including Atlanta, Bristol, Charlotte, Texas and the new West Coast track at Sonoma, Calif.

International Speedway "A" (ISCA, about 30-3/4 on NASDAQ) and Penske Motorsports (SPWY, 31-1/2 on NASDAQ) are track operators, but little financial information is readily available since they are not listed in Moody's OTC Industrial 1997 Manual.

As sports go, auto racing is, by far, the most popular sport in America, based on the dollar value of admissions sold.

Excluding the Formula One cars (remember the Detroit Grand Prix when it ran the downtown streets?) which now only race overseas, the three sanctioning bodies ran over 90 major races last year.

NASCAR, founded by Bill France at Daytona Beach 20 years ago, ran 33 Winston Cup races and 31 Busch races in 1997, featuring "look-alike" racers that somewhat resemble the Ford Thunderbird, Chevy Monte Carlo and Pontiac Grand Prix, and the just introduced Ford Taurus.

CART was organized by Detroit's Roger Penske in 1978, joined by U.E. "Pat" Patrick, of Jackson, Mich. They used the original Indy racers, with open cockpits and open wheels, that ran 240+ mph on the straight-away.

Last year CART sanctioned 17 races, with 19 scheduled for 1998.

Several years ago, Tony George, owner of the Indy 500 track, after a spat with CART founder Roger Penske, started a rival circuit, which he called the Indy Racing League (IRL). It will run 11 races this year, but the IRL's equipment specs differ from those of CART, so that both cars will not compete against each other in the same race this year.

Advertisers, called sponsors, love racing!

Most cars and drivers' suits and helmets haven't room for even one more log. TV boasts a national audience on weekends, which is family-oriented.

Of all the major sports, auto racing has the highest attendance by women. Some analysts claim that Tide is the No. 1 laundry detergent, because the red-colored Tide-sponsored racer appears in the Winner's Circle so often!

The CART season opens this Sunday, March 15, with the Miami Grand Prix.

Who is your favorite driver? Bobby Rahal? Todd Bodine? Or one of the dozen or more recent winners?

Then watch out for the CART stock offering later this month!

How to get into the race

This week's Barron's (March 9) contains a feature article titled, "In Gear," which describes the upcoming initial public offering (IPO) of shares of stock of Championship Auto Racing Teams, or CART, for short.

Get your Barron's at your favorite news dealer, or at the Notre Dame Pharmacy in the Village, or at Barnes & Noble bookstore on Mack.

There are presently three publicly traded racing-related stocks.

Value averaging refines a widely used strategy

By Sam Ventimiglia

Dollar cost averaging has long been touted as an opportunity for average investors who want to use the volatility of the stock market to their advantage. Now many investors are using a refinement of that concept called value averaging.

To use dollar cost averaging, the investor decides on a set amount to invest at regular intervals, usually once a month, regardless of the price of the security. Because the amount invested is consistent, the investor is buying more shares when prices are low and fewer when they are high.

Value averaging uses the same principle, but takes it a step further. Instead of investing a consistent amount, investors who use value averaging adjust the amount invested, up or down, to meet prescribed targets.

The difference is best shown by example. Assume an individual using dollar-cost averaging invests \$300 a month in the Gee Whiz Mutual Fund for four months. This month,

units are selling at \$10 each, so \$300 buys 30 units. Next month, the price rises to \$15 per unit, so \$300 buys 20 units. For the third month, the price slips to \$5 per unit, so \$300 buys 60 units. When prices rebound to \$10 in the fourth month, the investor again buys 30 units. The investor ends up with 140 units for \$1,200. That's an average of \$8.57 per unit, which is well below the average market price of \$10 (\$10 + \$15 + \$5 + \$10 / 4).

Using value averaging, instead of assuming an investment of \$300 a month, assume a target of \$300 in value.

During the first month, a \$300 investment buys 30 units at \$10 each. The following month, when the price rises to \$15, the initial \$300 investment is worth \$450, so the investor contributes only \$150, which buys 10 units.

For the third month, when the price slips to \$5 per unit, the investor's initial contribution is worth only \$200. To reach the \$900 target (\$300 + \$300), the investor contributes \$700, which buys 140 units.

consider his or her ability to continue investing in stock funds even when prices are low. It takes a great deal of discipline. Investors who follow a market trend or a hunch and invest more money during a given period, are no longer

The conservative investor may realize the need to earn greater returns than are available by keeping funds in a savings account, but a low tolerance for risk may be keeping him or her out of the stock market and away from other appropriate investments. Dollar cost averaging or value averaging can ease the transition.

Neither dollar cost averaging nor value averaging can guarantee a profit or insure against a loss. Investors should understand that dollar cost averaging and value averaging are long-term strategies requiring continuous investment in securities, regardless of price fluctuations. An investor must

IRS offers tax help

The Internal Revenue Service will offer special walk-in service in Detroit on Saturdays, through April 11. The IRS office in the McNamara Federal Building, 477 Michigan Ave., will be open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

IRS trained volunteers also offer free tax assistance. Call 1-800-829-1040 for more information on the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) and Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) programs.

Sam Ventimiglia, CLU, RHU is a professional financial expert from Grosse Pointe. He can be reached at 22930 Nine Mile Road, St. Clair Shores, MI 48080, 810-774-5300.

Business People

At Butzel Long, Shores resident Daniel Rustmann was named a shareholder. Among the areas in which Rustmann practices are general commercial litigation, bankruptcy and creditor's rights. Rustmann earned his undergraduate and law degrees from Valparaiso University.



Rustmann

Robert Haddad has been elected principal of the law firm of Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone. He works in the firm's Bloomfield Hills office. He has a products liability and tort litigation practice.



Haddad

Miller is a cum laude graduate of the University of Detroit Law School. He has an MBA from the University of Detroit. He lives in Grosse Pointe Woods.

At Franklin Bank, Judith Brownell has been promoted to assistant vice president. She sits on the boards of the Friends of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial and Faith and Works in the Christ's Ministry. She has an MBA from Wayne State University. Brownell lives in Grosse Pointe Woods.



Brownell

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan has honored Tim Mourad for exceeding sales goals for 1997.

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City of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan

NOTICE OF ENACTMENT AND SUMMARY OF WASTEWATER DISCHARGE CONTROL ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE NO. 342

On February 23, 1998, the City Council of the City of Grosse Pointe Farms enacted an amendment to the Wastewater Discharge Control Ordinance, originally enacted September 14, 1992 as Ordinance No. 314, Code No. 8-06. As authorized by 1991 Public Act No. 182, being Section 117.3(k) of the Michigan Compiled Laws, the following summary shall serve as official notice of enactment of the foregoing amendment and is submitted in lieu of publication of the full text of the amendment. A true copy of the full text of the amendment is available for inspection or photocopying at the office of the City Clerk, City of Grosse Pointe Farms, 90 Kerby Road, Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan 48236.

The purpose of the original Ordinance was to ensure public health and safety by abating and preventing pollution through the regulation and control of the quantity and quality of wastes discharged into the collection and treatment system operated by the City of Detroit Water and Sewerage Department. Consistent with such purpose, the amendment (which restates the original Ordinance in its entirety) incorporates modifications to the code of federal regulations governing the discharge of wastewater, streamlines necessary procedures for compliance with such federal regulations, seeks to improve the efficiency, operation and implementation of the City of Detroit Water and Sewerage Department's industrial pretreatment program, establishes new regulatory requirements for centralized waste treatment facility dischargers, modifies the self-monitoring requirements for certain industrial users, and modifies the appeal and reconsideration process available to certain industrial users.

The Ordinance, as amended, establishes criminal misdemeanor penalties (a fine of not more than \$500 or not more than 90 days imprisonment or both) for any violation of any provision of the Ordinance. Additionally, the Ordinance authorizes the commencement of civil actions to enforce compliance with the provisions of the Ordinance.

Enacted: February 23, 1998
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Howard R. Walton Jr.

A memorial service will be held in California on Sunday, March 15, for former Grosse Pointe Farms resident Howard R. Walton Jr., who died on Monday, March 2, 1998.

Mr. Walton, 74, was born in Evanston, Ill., and graduated from Grosse Pointe High School in 1941. He was an alumnus of Dartmouth College and served in the U.S. Army during World War II in Germany.

Mr. Walton is survived by four daughters, Christina Olsen, Elizabeth Hannehan, and Mary Louise Timmerman; a sister, Dorothy Mooney; a brother, Jonathan T. Walton, and 10 grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife, Marian Kuechenmeister Walton; and by his brother, David.

James George Buhro

Funeral services were held on Saturday, March 7, in Florida for former City of Grosse Pointe resident James George Buhro, who died in Florida on Wednesday, March 4, 1998.

Mr. Buhro, 76, was born in the City of Grosse Pointe and worked at Henry's Market and Hamlin's Market. He is survived by his wife, Marjorie; and his son, William.

Cecelia Elizabeth Mason

A funeral service was held in the Chas. Verheyden Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Park on Saturday, March 7, for former Grosse Pointe Park resident Cecelia Elizabeth Mason, who died of complications from an automobile accident on Tuesday, March 3, 1998.

Mrs. Mason, 82, was born in Mount Clemens and graduated from Michigan Normal School, now known as Eastern Michigan. She owned and operated her own employment agency until her retirement.

An active member of the community, Mrs. Mason was a Chaplain of the Naval League, and past president of the school of government as well as a supporter of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and a member of the Detroit Review Club. She was an accomplished pianist.

Mrs. Mason is survived by a niece, Mary Papiet; and five nephews, William Barr, John Barr, Arnold Barr, James Correll and Monte Correll. She was predeceased by her husband, Ralph L. Mason.

Interment is at Clinton Grove Cemetery in Mount Clemens.

Josephine G. Parthum

A funeral Mass was celebrated on Monday, March 2, in St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe Park for Park resident Josephine G. Parthum, who died in Bon Secours Hospital in the City of Grosse Pointe on Thursday, Feb. 26, 1998.

Mrs. Parthum, 91, was born in Cleveland and was a teacher. She is survived by two sons, John W. Parthum Jr. and Donald J. Parthum; a sister, Florence Sutherland; six grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Interment is at Oakview Cemetery in Royal Oak. Funeral arrangements were handled by the Chas. Verheyden Funeral Home of Grosse Pointe Park.

Memorial contributions may be made to the St. Joseph's Home for the Aged, 4800 Cadieux, Detroit, Mich., 48224.

Constance MacDonald Mair

A funeral service was held on Monday, March 9, at the Woodlawn Cemetery in Detroit for former City of Grosse Pointe resident Constance MacDonald Mair, who died in St. Louis on Tuesday, March 3, 1998.

Mrs. Mair, 86, was a graduate of the University of Michigan and a life long member of the Delta Gamma sorority.

Mrs. Mair is survived by two daughters, Susan M. Gray and Ann M. Russell; and three grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband, Harold U. Mair; her sister, Ruth M. Preston; and by a grandson, Jason Russell.

Funeral arrangements were handled by the Elton Black and Son Funeral Home of White Lake.

dren. She was predeceased by her husband, Alexander Russell Keys Jr, by a sister; and three brothers.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Hospice of Southeast Michigan.

Mr. Vogel served in the Burma-China-India theater of operations as a radio mechanic in the U.S. Army Air Corps, where he was a sergeant. He was a member of the Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club and Veterans of Foreign Wars

14, at 10 a.m. for Grosse Pointe Woods resident Stella B. Fox, who died in St. John Hospital in Detroit on Saturday, March 7, 1998.

Mrs. Fox, 84, was born in Adena, Ohio, and worked for many years as a grocery store cashier. An active member of the community, she was honored by Services for Older Citizens and Retired and Senior Volunteers Program for her volunteer service to the community. She was also a grandparent's aide for 20 years in the Grosse Pointe public school system at Perry and Mason schools.

Mrs. Fox is survived by a daughter, Dr. Jacqueline E. Fox; a son, Louis Fox; and three grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements were handled by the Chas. Verheyden Funeral Home of Grosse Pointe Park.

Katherine Parshall

A memorial service was held in the Chas. Verheyden Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Park on Friday, March 6, for former Park resident Katherine Parshall, who died in Henry Ford Continuing Care, Belmont in Harper

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- James George Buhro
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- Helen Keys
- Constance MacDonald Mair
- Cecelia Elizabeth Mason
- Katherine Parshall
- Josephine Parthum
- Howard R. Walton Jr.
- Jack VanHoorelbeke



Helen B. Keys

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Private funeral services were recently held for City of Grosse Pointe resident Helen B. Keys, who died on Monday, March 2, 1998.

Mrs. Keys, 86, was born in Sault Ste. Marie and attended Michigan State College. She worked for the Chicago Title Co. until her retirement in 1980.

An active member of the community, Mrs. Keys was a member of the Detroit Institute of Arts Founders Society and the Grosse Pointe Historical Society.

She was also a volunteer and patron of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

Mrs. Keys enjoyed painting in oils, as well as gardening and boating.

Mrs. Keys is survived by a daughter, Sarah Cameron Keys; a son, Howard Burris Keys; a sister, Francis; a brother, Carmen; and two grandchild-

A veteran of World War II,

Jack VanHoorelbeke

A funeral service was held in the A.H. Peters Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Woods for Grosse Pointe Shores resident Jack VanHoorelbeke, who died in St. Joseph Hospital in Clinton Township on Thursday, March 5, 1998.

Mr. VanHoorelbeke, 58, was born in Detroit and was the owner of Airways Party Store in Chesterfield Township. An active man, he enjoyed playing golf, as well as boating and vintage cars.

Mr. VanHoorelbeke is survived by his wife, Juanita; a daughter, Julie; a son, Jack; a step-daughter, Michelle Stupar; two step-sons, Robert Gardner and John Farrell; a sister, Mary Ann Samson; two brothers, Robert and Gerald; his mother, Ann Seidor; and one grandchild.

Interment is at Clinton Grove Cemetery in Mount Clemens.

Earl S. Vogel

A funeral Mass was celebrated in Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church in Harper Woods on Tuesday, March 10, for Grosse Pointe Woods resident Earl S. Vogel, who died in St. John Hospital in Detroit from complications from an automobile accident on Friday, March 6, 1998.

Mr. Vogel, 83, was born in Beal City and was a shipper for Uniroyal, retiring in 1976 after 40 years of service. He also worked as a self-employed radio and television repairman.

A veteran of World War II,

Bruce Post No. 1146.

An active man, Mr. Vogel enjoyed bowling, golf, travel and playing cards. He played baseball for city leagues as a youth and he loved spending time with his grandchildren.

Mr. Vogel is survived by his wife of 56 years, Eleanor; two daughters, Sharon Duiganan and Patricia Davis; a son, Earl J.; two sisters, Luella Marx and Theresa Gross; five brothers, Ervin, Joseph, Norman, Steve and George; and eight grandchildren.

Interment is at Christian Memorial Cultural Center in Rochester Hills. Funeral arrangements were handled by the A.H. Peters Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Woods.



Stella B. Fox

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A funeral Mass will be celebrated in St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church in St. Clair Shores on Saturday, March

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Persistence pays off in the Park

Grosse Pointe Park detectives were able to solve a number of crimes dating to December 1997 when fingerprints found in several recovered stolen vehicles led them straight to jail.

The recovered prints were sent to the State Police for identification. When the results came back, it turned out that they belonged to a 20-year-old Detroit resident who was currently spending his days and nights in the Wayne County Jail.

The suspect was questioned by Park detectives and he admitted to participating in the theft of three motor vehicles, as well seven larcenies from vehicles and damaging six other vehicles in an attempt to find something to steal.

The spree began in December and ended in January.

The suspect remains in Wayne County Jail pending charges for his crimes.

North break-in

Grosse Pointe Woods public safety officers were sent to Grosse Pointe North campus at about 2:30 a.m. on Saturday, March 7, in response to an alarm going off in building A.

A search of the exterior of the building turned up nothing, but just as officers were getting in their cars, two people were seen running from the building. One suspect, a 15-year-old Harper Woods resident, was caught near building C.

The other suspect, a 15-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods resident, escaped capture by running into the back yards of homes off of Hidden Lane. He was identified by his partner in crime and picked up by police later.

Both suspects were known to school officials because they had been suspended for drinking.

They gained entry into the building by kicking in a door near the cafeteria.

The matter has been turned over to Woods juvenile officers.

— Jim Stickford

Underage

Farms police charged a 16-year-old Woods teen with operating a vehicle under the influence of liquor after her blood alcohol level registered .12. She was stopped for speeding on northbound Moross near Williams on Saturday, March 7 at 12:50 a.m.

Drugs and beer

A 36-year-old Roseville man was arrested by Shores officers for narcotics violations on Thursday, March 5, at 2:26 a.m. Police pulled over his 1986 Ford Ranger because the license plate was partially obscured.

When police told the man that a background check showed the plate didn't match the vehicle, the man explained that he found the license plate on the ground and decided to put it on his vehicle.

Police found open beer and

liquor bottles in his truck. The suspect was arrested for possession of stolen property and having open intoxicants in a vehicle.

Bowling ball, tools stolen

On Sunday, March 8, Shores police reported a \$2,000 Master Craftsman tool kit and \$200 Ebonite bowling ball were stolen from a vehicle parked at a residence in the first block of Regal Place.

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GPS drug busts

In a pair of narcotic violations, Shores police stopped a 26-year-old St. Clair Shores man for speeding on Lakeshore near Morainville.

Police found a brass pipe and a green leafy substance inside the vehicle's glove compartment. The man was arrested.

His drivers license was confiscated and he was released after posting a \$100 bond.

A few days later, Shores police arrested a 51-year-old Detroit man for possession of drug paraphernalia. Police had pulled the man's car over on Lakeshore on Friday, March 6, at 1:55 a.m. for having a broken taillight. A search of the car revealed drug paraphernalia under the passenger seat.

Shores catches drunken drivers

Shores public safety officers nabbed a number of drunken drivers last week.

On Friday, March 6, at 10:43 p.m., a 33-year-old woman from St. Clair Shores was arrested for drunken driving on Lakeshore. She registered .22 on a chemist blood alcohol test. After spending the night in jail, she posted a \$100 bond and was released.

On Saturday, March 7, at

2:04 a.m., police arrested a 20-year-old Detroit man who was observed bumping the curb while driving along Lakeshore. He blew a .21 preliminary breath test and was arrested.

On Sunday, March 8, at 2:25 a.m., police arrested a 20-year-old New Baltimore man who had been pulled over for speeding. Where? On Lakeshore, where else?

He failed a series of field sobriety tests, registered an .18 blood alcohol level and was arrested.

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What are you afraid of?

Spiders? Snakes? Heights? Lightning and thunder? Chain saws? Cats? Bumblebees? Small spaces? Germs? Crossing bridges? Friday the 13th?

By Jim Stickford
Staff Writer

For the second month in a row, we are faced with a Friday the 13th — a day on which terrible things are supposed to happen: a day on which we are supposed to be afraid... very afraid.

That, of course, is a superstition whose origin is lost in the mists of time. Some people believe that it dates back to the Last Supper, where 13 people (including Christ's betrayer, Judas), were present. Jesus was crucified the next day, a Friday.

In a year looming with three Friday the 13ths — in February, March and November — a new favorite fear, according to a poll by Dateline News Service, is "the unknown." Some 30 percent of Americans surveyed say they are afraid of things that go bump in the night or of the discovery that something that seemed quite normal, suddenly isn't.

Other fears mentioned in the survey: the dark, falling from high places, thunder and lightning, small spaces and large crowds.

Smaller percentages of people were afraid of black cats, bats, snakes, spiders, graveyards and the number 13.

Uncommon fears revealed in the survey: the fear of crossing bridges, the fear of touching pins, and fears of fish and fur.

The superstition surrounding Friday the 13th, according to the poll, touched virtually everyone surveyed. Most had at least mild feelings of disquiet about the alleged unlucky day.

No matter where the superstition came from, the fear it produces is real, said Dr. Suzanne L. Keller, manager of outpatient mental health service in the Henry Ford Cottage Hospital partial hospitalization program.

"We are a blank slate when we are born," Keller said. "When a person is born, a person basically has no fears because that person has no experiences. I think we are genetically pre-wired to take care of ourselves and to protect ourselves from harm. Combine that with what we learn as we grow, and fears

are created." Keller believes that most people have some sort of special fear. Common fears include rats and mice, heights, fear of open spaces, fear of closed spaces, fear of snakes and fear of insects and bugs.

"I myself have a fear of wasps and bees," Keller said. "I trace that back to when I was a child and a friend died as a result of a bee sting. When I was told the reason, I assumed that anyone would die if stung by a bee. I now know that one has to

be allergic to bee stings to provoke such an extreme response."

Knowing what is the cause of her fear, Keller said, doesn't make the fear go away. Even today, if she even sees a bee, her level of anxiety increases.

"Like I said, most people have some sort of fear," Keller said. "But it is possible for most people to still live a full life despite, say, being afraid of heights. It's when a fear produces so much anxiety that a person can't function — then professional treatment should be sought."

A classic example, Keller said, is Howard Hughes. She said that as a behavioral psychologist, she wonders what happened to a man who went from having a fear of germs to being so afraid that he stayed locked up in a room, afraid to go out.

"We have what is known as a 'fight or flight' response to fear or anxiety," Keller said. "When something causes fear,

the body responds by readying itself to run from the fear or physically fight it. Pupils dilate, blood is pumped to the body's extremities

Getting the patient to walk around in her own house was the first step in treating her fear, Keller said. Going outside was a low-priority

task. If a fear becomes crippling, it usually doesn't happen all at once.

Perhaps one time the sufferer's throat constricted. The next time the sufferer went out, he or she ended up stuck in traffic and got yelled at.

But just as a problem comes about in stages, so does the cure.

Learning to deal with an overwhelming fear can be done if the person is motivated to change, Keller said. Fears can be placed

under control fairly quickly. Doctors use a process referred to as "systematic desensitization" where patients are exposed to their fears and learn to control them.

If someone is afraid of snakes, he or she might be shown pictures of snakes, Keller said. Then the person might be placed in a room

with snakes in a cage. Ultimately he or she would handle the snakes. At each level of treatment, the person is moved a little closer to the source of anxiety.

In addition to this process, there are other interventions, including relaxation training and cognitive restructuring, Keller said. The point is, she said, that a number of treatments are available.

Some doctors are even using the technology of virtual reality, Keller said. Goggles are available that present an image so vivid that it seems real to the viewer. This can be extremely useful when treating someone with a fear of heights, Keller said. There is no danger, but the patient is in a clinical setting that can be monitored and yet still experience the anxiety-producing situation.

Some medications can help decrease anxiety, Keller said. But part of the problem is the American attitude that "we should be able to handle our problems ourselves," Keller said. She had one patient who had many anxieties, including an anxiety about being anxious. When that happens, seeking help isn't a weakness, but a sign of strength.

"Like I said, we all have our little fears," Keller said. "But people shouldn't worry about them until they interfere with the quality of life or the ability to function. Then help can be sought. Any hospital with a psychiatric department should be able to provide the assistance needed."



Garden Center officers

The Grosse Pointe Garden Center held its annual meeting Jan. 16. The program included a program by Nancy Harris on Victorian gardens.

New officers were elected. In the back row, from left, are Marie Mainwaring, treasurer; Ernestine Johnston, corresponding secretary; Andrea Rasmussen, recording secretary; Ann Smeltzer, assistant treasurer; and Adrienne Gregory, second vice president-membership.

In the front, are Maria Lucarelli, first vice president-program; and Phyllis Rab-bideau, president.

The center promotes educational lectures, scholarships, special events, an annual garden tour, a children's garden and the Trial Gardens, which are funded and maintained by the center. For information about membership or activities, call (313) 881-4594.

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Kiddie karate

Help your youngsters, ages 5 to 13, build positive self esteem, confidence and discipline with Pee Wee Karate classes at The Assumption Cultural Center, 21800 Marter in St. Clair Shores, Saturdays, March 21 through June 6, from 9 to 10 or 10:30 a.m. The fee is \$30 for one hour or \$45 for one and one-half hours. Preregistration is required. Call (810) 779-6111.

Richardfest '98

The Magic School Bus pulls into Richard Elementary School, 176 McKinley in Grosse Pointe Farms, Saturday, March 21, from 10

a.m. to 4 p.m., for Richardfest '98 with games, prizes, food and fun for the entire family. Call (313) 343-2281.

Blooming sale

Order your Easter Lilies, Hydrangeas, Cinerarias, Cyclamen, Tulips and Dahodis from the 9th annual Grosse Pointe South High School Spring Flower Plant Sale by Friday, March 27, and help to support the Class of 1998! Plants are \$8 each, all orders must be prepaid. Patrons can pick up their orders from the Wicking Library on Friday, April 3, from 2 to 4 p.m. and Saturday, April 4, from 9 a.m. to noon. Call (313) 885-4806.

Daddy's girls

Grosse Pointe Farms fathers and their little girls are invited to share a special evening during the annual Daddy Daughter Dance at the Pier Park, 350 Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Farms, on Saturday, March 14, from 7 to 9 p.m. Tickets, available at the Park or at the Farms City Offices, 90 Kerby in Grosse Pointe Farms, are \$12 per couple and \$4 for each additional daughter. Call (313) 343-2375.

Parent workshop

Discover The Seven Building Blocks for Developing Capable Young People, from nationally known author and lecturer H. Stephen Glenn, during a free Parent Workshop on Thursday, March 19, at 7:30 p.m., in the Community Performing Arts Center of Grosse Pointe North High School, 707 Vernier in Grosse Pointe Woods. Complimentary babysitting is

available by reservation. Call (313) 343-2012.

Volumes of fun

Reading in The Park, 15129 Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Park, offers volumes of free, fun-filled programs for children. Girls and boys, in grades 1 to 5, may partake in a pair of afternoon offerings: Discover fascinating facts about ancient Egypt then make a sugar cube pyramid during a free Mummies Made in Egypt Winter Workshop, on Monday, March 23, from 3:45 to 4:30 p.m. Create your own old-fashioned Gum Wrapper Chain during an American Girl Workshop on Tuesday, March 24, from 3:45 to 4:30 p.m. Youngsters can hear stories about Ice Cream Bear then make their own forever ice cream cone during free Preschool Story Hours on Monday, March 23 and Tuesday, March 24, from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. Preregistration is required for most programs. Call (313) 822-1559.

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Barnes & Noble, 19221 Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods, invites young readers to enjoy free Children's Story Times and coordinating crafts on Tuesdays, at 11 a.m., and Thursdays, at 7 p.m. Call (313) 884-5220.

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Field trips

Educators and school volunteers can explore the offerings of 31 organizations, artists and performers participating in the Arts & Scraps Hudson's free Field Trip & Assembly Fair, Thursday, March 12, from 4 to 9 a.m. at the Millennium Theatre, 15600 J. L. Hudson Drive in Southfield. Call (313) 640-4411.

Oz adventure

Go off to see the wizard! Attend Paper Bag Production's presentation of the children's classic The Wizard of Oz, at the Historic Players Club, 3321 East Jefferson in Detroit, through Saturday, April 11. Bring your own brown bag lunch and enjoy performances on Saturdays at noon and Sundays at 1 p.m. Tickets are \$7.50. Call (810) 662-8118.

Science fun

The Detroit Science Center, 5020 John R in Detroit, offers entertaining and educational family fun. The Cyberspace Safari Exhibit Lab features hands-on exhibits integrated with more than 40 Internet-connected computers. Other new exhibits include the Singing Bowl, Magnetic Tornado, Jumping Ring, Bike Wheel Gyroscope, Jacob's Ladder and Laser Wave Guide. Now showing in the Center's IMAX Dome Theater, on a

rotating hourly basis. Monday through Saturday, are the thrilling films Super Speedway and Special Effects. Showing Saturday and Sunday only are Sharks, Tropical Rainforest and Destiny in Space. The Detroit Science Center is open Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, from 12:30 to 5 p.m. The IMAX Theater is open until 9 p.m. on Saturdays. Admission is \$4.75. Call (313) 577-8400.

Exciting experiences

The Museum of African-American History, 315 E. Warren in Detroit, offers a host of exciting experiences for all ages. A Communion of the Spirits, African American Quilters, Preservers and their Stories, featuring photographs by Ronald L. Freeman, can be seen through Sunday, June 7. Explore The Life & Times of Paul Robeson through Tuesday, June 30. The Museum is open daily during Black History Month, from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call (313) 494-5800.

Detroit's past

Stroll through the Streets of Old Detroit, enjoy Remembering Downtown Hudson's or take in the new exhibit A community Between Two Worlds: Arab Americans in Greater Detroit, along with other exhibits at The Detroit Historical Museum, 5401 Woodward in Detroit. The Museum is open Wednesday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The suggested admission is \$3 for adults or \$1.50 for seniors, children ages 12 and under enter free. Call (313) 833-1805.

Fingerprinting free

Assure your child's safety by partaking in the Free Child I.D. and Fingerprinting program at the AAA Grosse Pointe Branch, 19299 Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods, Thursday, March 19, from 2 to 5:30 p.m. Packets of safety information will also be provided. Call (313) 343-6000.

History alive

The Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village, 20900 Oakwood, in Dearborn, brings history to life with exhibits and experiences. Classic cartoons, scavenger hunts and radio plays are just a few of the highlights of Family Fun Month, through Tuesday, March 31. The Henry Ford Museum is open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is \$12.50 for adults, \$11.50 for seniors age 62 and above and \$6.25 for children ages five to 12. Call (313) 271-1620.

Prehistoric predators

Explore the world of a prehistoric predator with Raptors: Hunters of the Sky, through Sunday, May 3, at The Cranbrook Institute of Science, 1221 N. Woodward in Bloomfield Hills. The exhibit, which features hands-on displays, videos and authentic specimens tracing the lineage of birds of prey, is open during regular museum hours, Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 5 p.m. Admission is \$7 for adults and \$4 for children ages 3 to 17 and seniors ages 60 and older. Planetarium shows are an additional \$1 and Laser Shows are an additional \$2. Call (248) 645-3200.

'Equity for Women' program to be March 17

"Equity for Women," a free program open to all, is slated for 1 p.m. Tuesday, March 17, in Room 409 of the J Building, Oakland Community College, Orchard Ridge Campus in Farmington Hills.

Barbara Bonsignore, president of the American

Association of University Women of Michigan, will present the session, sponsored by the college Womencenter.

The event will celebrate March as Women's History Month and 1998 as the 150th anniversary of the first Women's Rights Convention in

Seneca Falls, N.Y.

Bonsignore was formerly on the staff of the State University of New York in Brockport.

She will finish her three-year term as AAUW of Michigan president in June.

In 1996, she was honored by Women's Action for New Direction with its Women Leading the Way Award.

Additional information on the drop-in March 17 program can be obtained from the OCC Womencenter, (248) 471-7602.

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Women's Division, Project HOPE

The Women's Division of Project Hope held a high tea at the Townsend Hotel in February. The event included a musical program and a spring fashion show. From left, are Grosse Pointers Lynne Girard-Dewey, Ann Law and Julieta Wood; Lady Susan Willis-Kushner, chairman of the tea; and Maxine Frankford.



Photo by Patricia A. Ellis

Making Dreams Happen

United Way Community Services' "Making Dreams Happen" auction on Feb. 27 raised more than \$410,000 to benefit the organization's youth leadership programs.

More than 540 people attended the seventh annual auction, which included a sit-down dinner by Opus One at the Detroit Opera House, silent and live auctions, raffle prizes and a performance by jazz saxophonist Kenny G.

Volunteers who helped make dreams happen for local young people included, from left, Stephen and Phyllis Strome of Bloomfield Hills; auction co-chairmen Grosse Pointers Jim and Ann Nicholson and Joan and Bill Gehrke; and Sharma and W. Frank Fountain Jr.



Bingo Bash

Memorial Nursery School of Grosse Pointe Farms will hold a fundraiser, "Bingo Bash '98," from 7 to 11 p.m. Saturday, March 21, at Sindbads. Howie Kay of the City of Grosse Pointe, at the left, will be the bingo caller for the sixth straight year. The public is invited. Tickets are \$20 and include a buffet dinner, cash bar and chances to win prizes and certificates from local businesses. Memorial Nursery is a cooperative, play-based school located on the third floor of Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore. For more information or to purchase tickets, call Maurya at (313) 881-5585 or Teri at (313) 882-3567.

Lawyers' Auxiliary

The Grosse Pointe Lawyers' Auxiliary's annual fundraiser, a performance of "Squabbles" by the Fine Arts Society of Detroit, will be held at 7 p.m. Saturday, March 14, at the Players Playhouse in Detroit. A light supper will follow the performance.

Among those who are planning the event are Kathy Kedzierski (at the top); Sheila Gramenos (left); Irene Gracey, president of the auxiliary (right); and Christy Rickel (at the bottom). For more information, call (313) 885-9275.



Fontbonne celebration

The Fontbonne Auxiliary of St. John Hospital and Medical Center recently hosted its 50th anniversary celebration "All About Angels" luncheon at the Lochmoor Club. The event was co-chaired by Santina Fulgenzi, at the left, and Patricia Ostosh.

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ABWA

The Grosse Pointe chapter of the American Business Women's Association will meet on Wednesday, March 18, at the St. Clair Shores Country Club. The keynote speaker will be James Larkin, whose topic will be "Listen to What You Say to Yourself."

Networking will begin at 6 p.m.; dinner is at 6:30 p.m. Cost for the dinner is \$17. For reservations, call Barbara Murphy at (810) 776-7985 or Peggy Lynch at (810) 977-5836 by March 13.

Camera club

The Grosse Pointe Camera Club will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 17 at Brownell Middle School in Room C-11 for a monochrome and color print competition and pictorial and nature slide competition. The nature assignment: The Color Green. Visitors are welcome.

For more information, call (313) 824-9064 or (313) 822-7080.

Genealogical society

The Detroit Society for Genealogical Research will meet at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 14, in the Explorer's Room of the Detroit Public Library, 5201 Woodward in Detroit.

The speaker will be Edson Barlow, an experienced computer genealogist, who will talk about how to use the Internet for research into family history.

The public is invited to the free meeting. For more information, call Steve Keller at (734) 722-6305 or Catherine Phillips at (248) 541-0403.

Questers No. 385

The Questers' Windmill Pointe chapter No. 385 will

meet at 7 p.m. Monday, March 16, for a "show and tell" program by members.

Basket guild

The Grosse Pointe Basket Guild held its monthly meeting March 11, at the Children's Home of Detroit.

Members completed a "butterfly basket" that was started at the last meeting.

Handweavers' guild

The Eastside Handweavers' Guild will meet at 7 p.m. Monday, March 16, at the Children's Home of Detroit. The guest speaker will be Debbie Snyder. Her topic: "Paper Jewelry."

Park garden club

The Grosse Pointe Park Garden Club held its meeting March 7 at the home of Shirley Worthman. Carol Sauter was co-hostess.

AAUW

The Grosse Pointe branch of the American Association of University Women will meet for lunch at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, March 14, at the Lochmoor Club.

The program, "Ocular Poppycock," will be presented by Dr. Philip C. Hessburg, president of the Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology. Hessburg will offer a light-hearted look at people's misconceptions about their eyes.

Reservations may be made by sending a check for \$20 payable to AAUW-GP to Jean McDonald, 23251 N. Rosedale Court, St. Clair Shores, 48080. For more information, call (313) 881-9059.

Detroit

Garden Center

The Detroit Garden Center will hold its annual program Sunday, March 15, at 1:30 p.m. in the auditorium of the Detroit Historical Museum.

A slide lecture, "Yesterday's Flowers Today: American Ornamentals from 1800-1940," will be presented by Scott Kunst, landscape historian and antique bulb specialist.

Admission is \$5 plus museum admission of \$3 for adults; \$1.50 for seniors. Seating is limited. For reservations, call (313) 259-6363.

Questers No. 147

Grosse Pointe Questers No. 147 will meet on Friday, March 13, at the home of Maryhelen Feighner. The program will be "Belding, Mich. — Silk City of the World." Co-hostesses will be Louise Papista and Rosemary Bay.

Woman's club

The Grosse Pointe Woman's Club will meet at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 18, in the Crystal Ballroom of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

Tea will be served. After a social hour, chairman Margaret Wittwer will introduce Marguerite Decker, a professional landscape architect whose topic will be "Beautiful European Gardens," and will include slides of gardens that are not usually open to the public.

Members planning to bring guests should make reservations by calling the hospitality chairman at (313) 885-8232 or (313) 885-4994 by Saturday, March 14.

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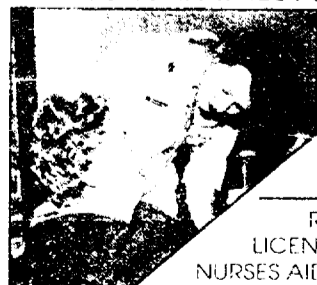
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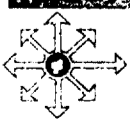
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The Pastor's Corner

The spiritual value of work

Rabbi Nicolas L. Behrmann
Grosse Pointe Jewish Council

Words often capture the depth of human wisdom. The Hebrew word for worship — *avodah* — is also the word for work.

Avodah would suggest that we must put some effort into our communication with the power in the universe that many of us refer to as God. *Avodah* would also suggest that there might be some spiritual value to the work we do for a living.

In the agricultural setting of the Scriptures, working the land and living one's life "the right way" were intertwined as bountiful produce was seen as a reward of both.

As we moved into more of an urban society, removed from the land and its cycles, faith becomes a more dominant demand, along with prayer and study of religious teachings.

As we make the transition into the information age and approach the millennium, the search for self-identity in a confusing world would seem to dominate our religious impulse.

While perhaps neither poverty nor the source of the next meal are personal issues for readers of this column, the practical aspects of religious impulse might well be.

The religious impulse is called upon most when we face times of uncertainty. The workplace where we spend the majority of our wakeful hours has become a minefield of challenge. Downsizing, workplace violence, job definition and work flow change are only some of the stress-inducing factors we experience.

The good news of low employment would seem to disguise the problems individuals face daily at work. The statistics only disclose the numbers of individuals filing for unemployment, not those who have not filed or who remain on the job only for the paycheck. Unhappy or unfulfilled workers are costly to themselves, their employers, their families and their communities.

Scripture tells us that those who are not emotionally alive cannot praise God. If we are not engaged in meaningful *avodah* (work) we cannot enter fully into *avodah* (worship). We are each then somewhere on the continuum between the spiritual value of work and the work of being spiritual. If we can find fulfillment in work, then we can open ourselves to our families, our communities and our religious faith.

Perhaps our religious community here in the Grosse Pointe area might wish to create safe harbors for individuals who are in "job transition" as other faith communities have. Job transition covers the range of situations from job dissatisfaction through unemployment.

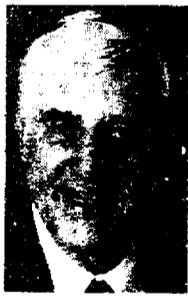
Soup kitchens may not be required here, but nourishment for the working soul just might be.

Sponsorship by the faith community of activities aimed at assisting individuals to achieve "full employment" that is fulfilling would help to open even wider the doors of our worship communities.

Pointer named Lutheran Layman of the Year

The Lutheran Luncheon Club of Metro Detroit has selected Joe Foerster of Grosse Pointe Woods as Lutheran Layman of the Year.

The Lutheran Luncheon Club is an active men's club that meets at Historic Trinity Lutheran Church in downtown Detroit. The luncheons are held the first Wednesday of each month, September through May, with various other special events scheduled from time to time.



Foerster

The club was established more than 45 years ago and is made up of Lutheran laymen from diversified business backgrounds and pastors. The luncheons feature a guest speaker and attendance ranges from 60 to 100 men each month.

Objectives of the club are to foster educational programs in civic, political and religious matters and to undertake specific projects of benefit to metro Detroit Lutheranism.

Each year an outstanding Lutheran Layman is selected to be honored at the annual testimonial banquet.

Foerster was chosen because of his service to his home congregation, to the church-at-large and his civic service to the community.

Foerster is a lifelong member

of Bethany Lutheran Church in Detroit and has served as congregational chairman; vice president; president of the Men's Club; member of the 100th anniversary celebration committee; and chairman of the 100th anniversary renovation committee.

He also served on the board of elders and on the board of trustees, where he is still active. He is also a member of the Bethany Choir and is a charter member of the Lutheran Chorales. He is currently president and a member of the board of directors of the Lutheran Center Association. He is a member of the International Lutheran Laymen's League and a past president of the Lutheran Luncheon Club.

"I've been blessed with a great Christian family; a Christian education; and by other Lutheran Laymen that have been great role models," Foerster said. "They have been my inspiration and my aspiration is to follow in their footsteps. Undergirding all of this is my favorite verse from Psalm 115: 'Not to us O Lord, not to us, but to your name be the glory.'"

The banquet honoring Foerster will be held Tuesday, April 21, at the Ukrainian Cultural Center, 26601 Ryan in Warren.

Tickets are \$22.50 a person and can be obtained by mailing a check payable to The Lutheran Club to Claude Decker, 45581 Cass, Utica, 48317-5607. For information, call Decker at (810) 254-5714.



Stephen Ministers

Christ Church Grosse Pointe will commission its new Stephen Ministers at its 9:15 and 11:15 a.m. worship services on Sunday, March 15.

The new group has completed 50 hours of training in topics such as crisis theory, listening, grief, death and dying, divorce, depression and suicide. Each will be assigned to assist in one-on-one caring relationships.

Shown in the back row, from left, are Mary Herring; Peggy Valerio; Pat Worrell; Ben Daume, leader; Ellie Meaux; Joe Aff; Doreen Putnam; and Bry Dennison, leader. In the front, from left, are Elizabeth Pethick; Ada Booth; Polly Ledyard, leader; and Betsy McCormick, leader.

Stephen Ministers who will be recommissioned are: Florence Adams, Betty Bird, Gerhard Heinen, Elizabeth Johnson, Al Mackey, Jacque Mackenzie, Keith Mackenzie, Joe Maycock, Peggy Maycock, Dorothy Nelson, Kathy Nurre, Helen Santiz, Penny Soby, Mary Stroble and Elaine Yates.

DeHaven Chorale offers Lenten concert at Assumption Greek Orthodox Church

The music of Sergei Rachmaninoff will be featured at a special Lenten concert at Assumption Greek Orthodox Church in St. Clair Shores on Sunday, March 22, beginning at 4:30 p.m.

The DeHaven Chorale will perform the "All Night Vigil," Opus 37, in the original Russian, under the direction of Frederic DeHaven, with Mary Rubel as mezzo and Charles

Furchak as tenor. The Rev. Demetrios Kavadas, Assumption's pastor, will also give a special introduction.

Rachmaninoff published "All Night Vigil" in 1915. The composition is based on Russian Orthodox Church chants. It is considered one of the finest examples of unaccompanied choral music.

DeHaven has been performing as a conductor and choir director in Michigan for over 20 years. He and his group will tour Russia and Scandinavia this summer.

The public is invited to attend the special one-hour concert, which will be followed by an afterglow. For more information, call (810) 779-6111.

St. James offers translation of gospel

St. James Lutheran Church will present David M. Rhoads, a professor of New Testament at the Lutheran School of Theology in Chicago, in a program at the church from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday, March 20. Rhoads will perform his own translation of the Gospel of Mark.

Rhoads is known for his work in narrative criticism, including approaching Scripture from a literary point of view. His translations include descriptions of people and situations, as well as humor.

The community is invited. There will be a free will offering and an afterglow after the presentation. For more information, call (313) 884-0511.

The church is located at 170 McMillan in Grosse Pointe Farms.



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Juros-Buell

Ron and Deb Juros of Hamilton have announced the engagement of their daughter Jaime Danielle Juros, to Scott Allen Buell, son of John and Sandy Buell of Grosse Pointe Woods. A July wedding is planned.

Juros earned a degree in nurse management from Michigan State University. She is working on a bachelor's degree in agriculture.



Jaime Danielle Juros and Scott Allen Buell

Buell earned a dairy management degree from Michigan State University. He is working on a bachelor's degree in agricultural communications. He works for The Andersons, in liquid operations management.

Tiderington-Valice

Sara Tiderington of Grosse Pointe Woods and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tiderington III of Saginaw have announced the

engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Ann Tiderington, to Robert Arden Valice, son of Dr. and Mrs. Robert Valice of Grosse Pointe Shores. A July wedding is planned.



Jennifer Ann Tiderington and Robert Arden Valice

Tiderington earned a bachelor of science degree in sociology from Michigan State University, and a J.D. degree from the Detroit College of Law at MSU. She is a staff attorney with Allstate Insurance Co.

Valice earned a bachelor of arts degree in accounting from Michigan State University. He is a student in the Wayne State University School of Medicine.

Roncatti-Lee

Susana Toledo Roncatti of Aventura, Fla., has announced the engagement of her daughter, Sharon L. Roncatti, to Sean T. Lee, son of Dr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Lee of Grosse Pointe Shores. A March wedding is planned.



Sharon L. Roncatti and Sean T. Lee

Roncatti earned a bachelor of arts degree in history, cum laude, from Nova Southeastern University and a paralegal certificate. She is a paralegal with Dickinson, Wright, Moon, VanDusen & Freeman.

Lee earned a bachelor's degree in business administration from St. Thomas University. He is working on a master's degree in physician assistant studies.

Jeffs-Hanlon

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hamilton Jeffs II of Grosse Pointe Farms have announced the engagement of their daughter, Laura Hamilton Jeffs, to Geoffrey Louis Hanlon, son of Mr. and Mrs. John William Hanlon of Lake Forest, Ill. An October wedding is planned.

Jeffs earned a bachelor of arts degree in American studies from Miami University. She is a regional marketing manager for Kelly Services in

Minneapolis. Hanlon earned a bachelor of arts degree in English from Miami University. He is an account representative with J. Walter Thompson Advertising in Minneapolis.



Laura Hamilton Jeffs and Geoffrey Louis Hanlon

Wright-Bielski

Ms. Sheridan Godbold Wright of Rushell, Ga., and Samuel A. Wright III of Merairie, La., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Deborah Lorraine Wright, to Andre Christopher Bielski, son of Ewa T.M. Bielski-Budek of Grosse Pointe Farms and the late George Bielski. A September wedding is planned.

Wright graduated from Louisiana State University with a bachelor of arts degree

in Spanish language and literature. She is working on an MBA at Kennesaw State University. She is a business operations analyst with BellSouth Business Systems.

Bielski earned a bachelor of science degree in computer science information systems from Grand Valley State University. He is an information systems consultant.

Agosta-Cermak

Mr. and Mrs. Russell F. Agosta of Grosse Pointe Farms have announced the engagement of their daughter, Andrea C. Agosta, to Daniel M. Cermak of Milford. A June wedding is planned.

Agosta earned a bachelor of science degree in education and math and science, with honors, from the University of Michigan. She is a fourth-grade teacher at Poupard Elementary School.



Andrea C. Agosta and Daniel M. Cermak

Cermak earned a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering, with honors, from the University of Michigan.

He is working on a master's degree in electrical engineering from U-M.

Towle-Dudus

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Towle Jr. of Grosse Pointe Shores have announced the engagement of their daughter, Nicole Renee Towle, to David Brian Dudus, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dudus of Detroit. A December wedding is planned.

Towle earned a bachelor of arts and science degree from Adrian College. She is a training coordinator for American Dental Technologies.

Dudus earned a bachelor of arts and science degree from Adrian College. He is an English teacher at St. Alphonsus High School in Dearborn.



David Brian Dudus and Nicole Renee Towle

Weddings



Mr. and Mrs. Jason Schoolar

The Rev. Bryant Dennison officiated at the 7:30 p.m. candlelight ceremony, which was followed by a reception at the Country Club of Detroit.

The bride wore an ivory silk satin, long sleeved dress with a chapel-length train and a veil made of English lace. She is the sixth generation of brides on her mother's side of the family to wear the floor-length veil. She also wore a diamond cross brooch that belongs to her godmother, Tuppy Gravel of Grosse Pointe. Dennison recited the Lord's prayer during the service, using an 1809 ivory prayer book belonging to the bride. The bride carried a bouquet of ivory English roses, lilies of the valley, stephanotis and ivy.

The matron of honor was Mrs. Benjamin Gravel Jr. of Grosse Pointe. The maid of honor was Karen Anderson Rahm of Aspen, Colo.

Bridesmaids were Juliana Bailc Aalfs and Nancy Elizabeth Aalfs, both of Seattle; Mrs. Matthew Smith of Shelburne, Vt.; and Mrs. Thomas O'Neil of Santa Fe, N.M.



Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Marshall Smith

Bridesmaids wore silk satin, green floor-length gowns. They carried smaller versions of the bride's bouquet.

The flowergirls were the groom's nieces, Catherine Tracy Smith and Anna, Clare Smith, both of Shelburne, Vt. They wore hand-smocked ivory silk tea-length dresses and ballet slippers.

The best man was the groom's brother, Matthew Clare Smith of Shelburne.

Ushers included the bride's brother, Roger Coalter Powers of Bloomfield Hills; David Stafford Keegin of Holland; Blake Charles Rockwell of Chicago; William Bruce King of Far Hill, N. J.; James Robert Morgan of Grand Blanc; Phillip Lambert Rahm III of the City of Grosse Pointe; and Mark Van Osdol of Grosse Pointe

Farms. The bride's mother wore a silk satin apricot-colored gown decorated with gold brocade poppies.

The groom's mother wore a fuchsia silk evening jacket and matching skirt.

Accompanists were the Choir of Men and Boys of Christ Church Grosse Pointe, two trumpeters and two French horn players. The organist was Fred De Haven.

The bride graduated from Miami University. She is a vice president with JobDirect.com, an Internet job recruiting company.

The groom graduated from Albion College. He is an investment broker with A.G. Edwards & Sons.

The couple honeymooned in Florence, Italy. They live in Birmingham.

Hutchcraft-Miller

Sara Ellen Hutchcraft, daughter of Kevin and Sheri Hutchcraft of Grosse Pointe Park, married Brian L. Miller, son of Eric and Sharon Kobosh of Grosse Pointe Farms and the late John A. Miller, on July 12, 1997, at the Wedding Gardens in Las Vegas.

The Rev. A.J. Tucker officiated at the ceremony, which was followed by a reception at the Top of the World in Las Vegas.

The maid of honor was Rebecca Anne Norris of Grosse Pointe Park.

The best man was Eric Kobosh of Grosse Pointe Farms, the groom's stepfather.

The bride graduated from Wayne State University. She is an elementary school teacher.

The groom is a student at Macomb Community College working toward a degree in law enforcement.

The couple lives in Roseville.



Mr. and Mrs. Brian L. Miller

Trepczynski-Schoolar

Cymbrie Anne Trepczynski, daughter of Cymbrie Pratt Trepczynski of the City of Grosse Pointe, and Chester Marvin Trepczynski of Grosse Pointe Park, married Jason Schoolar, son of William and Anna K. Schoolar, on Dec. 27, 1997.

The Rev. Samuel Zun officiated at the noon ceremony.

The bride wore a white gown with a fitted beaded bodice, heart-shaped neckline, a full skirt and a train. She carried a bouquet of heather and roses in shades of red, rose, white and peach.

Four flowergirls attended the bride.

The mother of the bride wore a red suit.

The groom's mother wore a purple, green and gold dress.

The bride earned a bachelor's degree in music history and is working on a master's degree in education.

The groom earned a bachelor's degree in bass performance. He is a classical bassist and a teacher.

The newlyweds traveled to Charleston, S.C. They live in Cincinnati.

Powers — Smith

Carrington Cabell Powers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Kenyon Powers of Bloomfield Hills, formerly of Grosse Pointe Farms, married Andrew Marshall Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Tracy Smith of Harbor Springs, on Nov. 15, 1997 at Christ Church Grosse Pointe.

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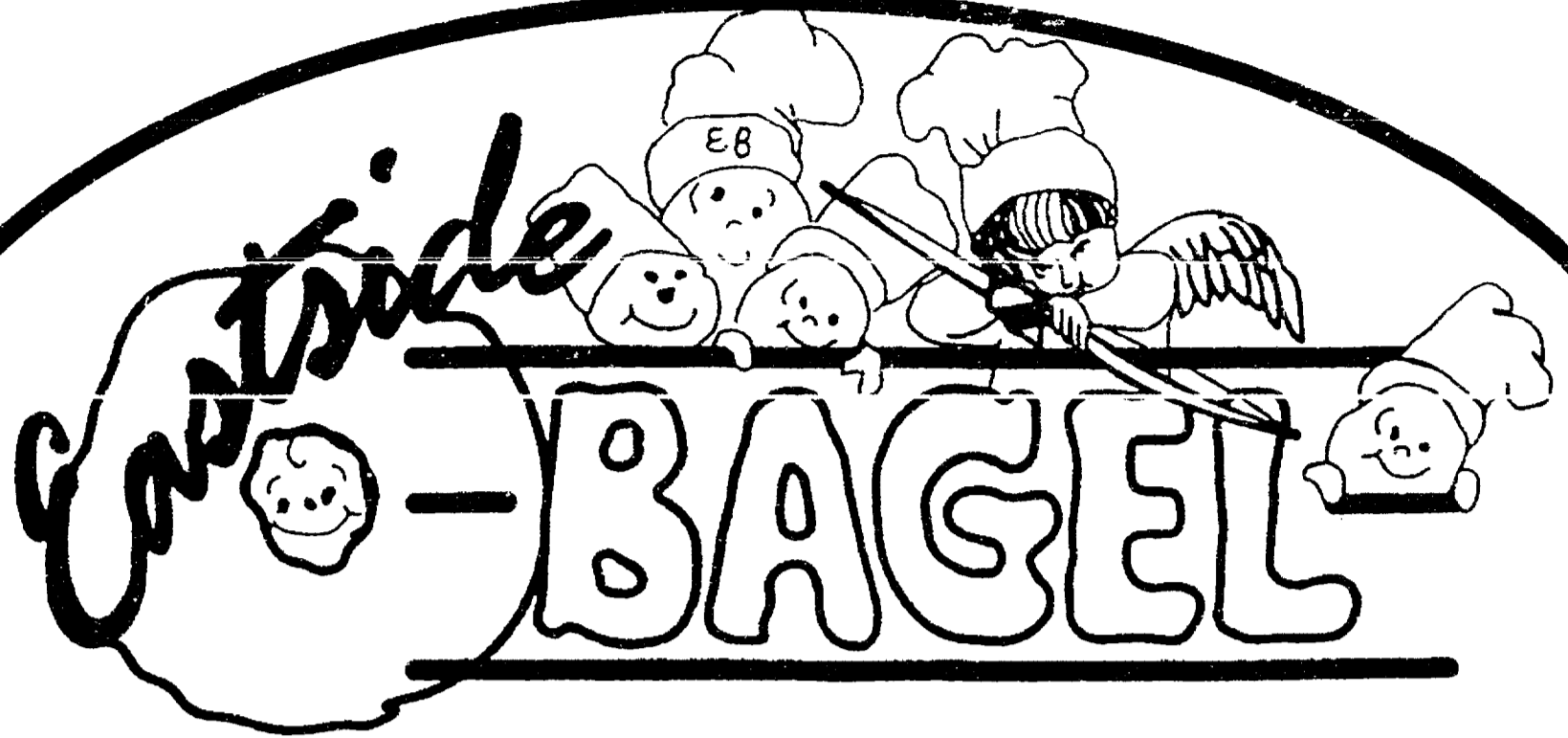
Our Lady came calling; not a word did she say;
But carefully listened as we knelt to pray,
Inviting our confidence, hearing our needs,
As we prayed for ourselves and the world on our beads.

Our Lord's Virgin Mother came calling today
And I know that He sent Her to teach us to pray;
And I know that He blesses each family scene
Where She's given a welcome befitting a Queen.

Our Lady came calling! And stayed for a while,
Hearing our praying, and smiling Her smile,
Till the light of Her presence and the peace on Her face,
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PBS offers series on addiction

By Jeff and Debra Jay
Special Writers

Dear Readers:
Bill Moyers has been working for two years on this five-part series on addiction, called "Moyers on Addiction: Close to Home."

At a meeting in Washington, D.C., Moyers told us that it has been one of the most difficult subjects he has ever explored and unquestionably one of the most important. He went on to say, "Hardly a family in America has been spared some direct or indirect experience with addiction — including my own."



Jeff and Debra Jay

Having previewed part of this documentary during our meeting with Bill Moyers, we highly recommend that everybody make an effort to watch this series.

If you are thinking right now of all the reasons you can't watch TV on these nights, tape the show and watch it later. This is possibly the best program on addiction that has ever been aired on television.

Moyers talks to scientists and researchers who explain why addiction is a chronic and relapsing brain disease. He talks to recovering people who

share the powerful stories of their journeys into and from addiction. He shows us that treatment can work and people recover in a variety of ways, and that nothing is more important than the support network of family, friends and community.

He reports on efforts to reach young people most at risk of addiction, and looks at the growing movement for a new drug policy based realistically as a public policy health issue.

Explaining the public's need for this kind of education, Moyers says, "Even people who have gone through the experience don't understand that addiction is a disease, how the chemistry of the brain is affected, that relapse is a normal part of the recovery process. People don't grasp the full scope of addiction."

Moyers also asks that community outreach groups across America join with him, on Wednesday, April 1, in the nationwide "Take a Step" campaign, one of the most extensive public television outreach efforts to date.

"We believe the series will have a major impact when it airs," Moyers said. "But we know that only through the outreach effort can people be challenged to join together in moving America a step closer to confronting addiction."

Brighton Hospital will be participating with Moyers in the outreach campaign, offering free consultations and resources to families who are concerned about a loved one with an alcohol or other drug problem. Contact Brighton at (810) 227-1211 for more information. Brighton will have sites across the greater Detroit area that families can access on April 1 for free, helpful information.

"Moyers on Addiction: Close to Home," a five-part series, will air on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, March 29, 30 and 31 on PBS. (If you watch closely, you'll be able to spot the writer of this column, Jeff Jay, speaking on one of the segments.) You can also catch Moyers discussing this series on "Oprah," on Monday, March 23.

Dear Jeff and Debra:

I think we are making a bigger deal out of kids experimenting with alcohol and drugs than we need to. My generation smoked pot, dropped LSD and drank ad nauseam, and we're doing all right. Why should it be any different for kids today?

— Been There and Survived

Dear Been There:

Unfortunately, not everybody does survive, and we cannot predict who will or will not survive once children decide to use drugs. It is important to consider that, while not everyone ends up in the gutter or dead from drug use, there are many other serious consequences and hazards that are less visible to the public. They include high-risk behavior, ethical deterioration, stunted emotional maturity and lost potential.

We not only worry about fatal car accidents, overdoses and teen pregnancies linked to behaviors related to drug use, but also AIDS, hepatitis C and date rape. And as for addiction, ask just about anybody and they will tell you that they know at least one person with an alcohol or other drug problem.

We have more information today about how drugs — including alcohol — affect our children. We know that drug use decreases a child's ability to learn. We also know, as a result of a long-term study, that children who begin to drink before the age of 15 have a 40 percent chance of becoming alcoholics. When a person waits until age 21, the chance of becoming an alcoholic drops to 10 percent.

Using alcohol and other drugs is never without risk. It is also against the law to use street drugs and, when under the age of 21, to drink alcohol. As adults, we must recognize both of these facts before we can expect the same of our children.

Jeff Jay, a native of Grosse Pointe, is director of program development for Brighton Hospital and the president of the McGovern Family Foundation in Washington, D.C. Debra Erickson Jay is an interventionist and the managing director of "Take Charge! America," a fundraising drive that places educational materials for the families of alcohol and drug abusers in libraries and churches throughout the country.

Send questions to Jeff Jay, c/o Brighton Hospital, Dept. GP, 12851 East Grand River, Brighton, 48116. Or call (810) 227-1211.

Tomorrow's pharmacists will need new skills

Tomorrow's pharmacists will be as likely to make house calls or see patients in a doctor's office than to work behind the counter at the corner drugstore. And wherever they're found, pharmacists will be doing much more than doing out drugs.

Counseling patients about chronic conditions such as diabetes and high blood pressure, advising physicians about which drugs to prescribe, and helping everyone sort through the confusing and sometimes conflicting jumble of drug information on the Internet are among the jobs they'll be expected to perform.

At the University of Michigan's College of Pharmacy and at other pharmacy schools around the nation, courses and requirements are being revised to better prepare today's pharmacy students for tomorrow's roles. The emphasis is on training students to provide services to patients, not to just distribute drug products, said Frank Ascione, associate professor of pharmacy administration and associate dean for academic affairs.

The trend reflects changes that have been taking place in the pharmacy profession in recent years, Ascione notes. With the explosion of drug products on the market, physicians and patients have come to rely more and more on the expertise of pharmacists, who are trained to understand how drugs exert their effects, how they travel through the body, and how they interact with one another.

At the same time, methods of dispensing drugs have become

more and more streamlined, allowing some of that work to be automated or done by technicians.

It has made sense, then, for highly trained pharmacists to shift into roles that take full advantage of their expertise, according to Ascione. Changes in the health care system have contributed to pharmacists' changing roles, too. As health maintenance organizations have become more concerned with cost containment and accountability, pharmacists have taken responsibility for making sure patients get at a reasonable cost the medications that are most likely to produce the desired results.

In the past, if a doctor prescribed an antibiotic for a patient with a cold, for example, the pharmacist's job was simply to make sure the patient got the antibiotic that was prescribed. If that drug didn't help the patient's cold, the doctor might prescribe another one, and the pharmacist would simply fill that prescription. With the new approach, called pharmaceutical care, "we're much more concerned about whether the patient is going to get better," Ascione explains. "Part of the philosophy is that it's our responsibility to act as a patient advocate and ask the physician if this is really the appropriate drug for the patient."

As these changes continue, pharmacists will work more and more closely with physicians — and with patients. After a patient sees a doctor in a clinic, for example, a pharmacist might come in to discuss the drugs the patient will

be taking. A person getting intravenous chemotherapy treatments at home might have regular visits from a pharmacist to check on any problems with the drugs. And increasingly, pharmacists will act as educators, teaching patients how to manage diabetes, high blood pressure, and other chronic conditions.

Pharmacists will need a host of skills — from interpersonal communication to Internet savvy — to meet the profession's changing demands, Ascione says. Curriculum changes under way at the U-M are designed to provide pharmacy students with just such skills. From their first year in the doctor of pharmacy program, students learn to communicate with patients and to understand their responsibilities to the people they serve. They're exposed to the Internet right away and taught to evaluate the information they find online.

"We tell our students that if no one else can find the answer, they'd better be able to — and to come up with the right answer," Ascione said.

Students also learn how to critically read and comprehend research papers. And in courses taught by interdisciplinary faculty teams, they explore how basic science meshes with clinical applications.

In one class, for example, students were assigned to figure out whether changing the way a drug was delivered — from one type of aerosol spray to another — would change its effectiveness. To answer the question, they had to understand basic principles of drug stability and activity and consider how those might be affected by the method of delivery.

Finally, students learn a lesson that is increasingly important in many professions — to expect and embrace change.

"We realize that pharmacy is a changing profession," Ascione said. "We spend a lot of time orienting our students to that notion, telling them that we're at a point in time, not at the end of a time. We want them to be change agents, to continue to redefine pharmacists' roles."

Babies

Lauren Renee Messner

Bill and Michele Messner of Bloomfield Hills are the parents of a daughter, Lauren Renee Messner, born Feb. 15, 1998. Maternal grandparents are Paul and Millie Jingoian of Beverly Hills. Paternal grandparents are Bill and Marilyn Messner of Grosse Pointe Woods.

Mary Katherine Vaughn

Jim and Ellen Vaughn of Dayton, Ohio, are the parents of a daughter, Mary Katherine Vaughn, born Jan. 25, 1998. Maternal grandparents are Thomas and Nancy Mayer of Grosse Pointe Park. Paternal grandparents are Joseph and Frances Vaughn of Grosse Pointe Shores.

Madeline Paige Arkison

Michael and Alison Arkison of Grosse Pointe Farms are the parents of a daughter, Madeline Paige Arkison, born Feb. 13, 1998. Maternal grandparents are Daniel and Susan

King of the City of Grosse Pointe. Paternal grandparents are Ann Arkison of Chelsea and the late Henry Arkison. Great-grandfather is William Denler of Grosse Pointe Farms.

Jack Connor Lepley

Jeff and Theresa Lepley of Grand Rapids are the parents of a son, Jack Connor Lepley, born Jan. 19, 1998. Maternal grandparents are Barb and John Gracik of Tawas City. Paternal grandparents are Nancy and Fred Lepley of Grosse Pointe Woods. Maternal great-grandmother is Evelyn Miller of Saginaw.

Lindsay Alison Trokey and Luke Michael Trokey

Tim and Jill Trokey of Midland are the parents of twins, Lindsay Alison Trokey and Luke Michael Trokey, born Jan. 6, 1998. Paternal grandparents are Barbara Trokey of Grosse Pointe Farms and Lloyd Trokey of San Diego. Maternal grandparents are Gene and Ginny Thurston of Midland.

Bon Secours Hospital offers diabetes education program

Bon Secours Hospital offers educational opportunities for (non-pregnant) adults with diabetes who are referred by their physicians.

A comprehensive program will help people with diabetes learn how to eat well while staying on individual meal plans, how to exercise for fun, how to prevent long-term problems, how to control and monitor blood sugar and how to recognize signs of high and low blood sugar.

An individual assessment with a nurse and dietitian is required before the start of class. Appointments are necessary. The fee for the class is covered by many insurance plans. The class will be offered from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. Wednesdays and Fridays, March 18, 20, 25 and 27, in the Bon Secours Hospital Connelly Auditorium.

For more information or to preregister, call (810) 779-7900 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Volunteers are needed

As part of a new program, St. John Home Care is looking for volunteers to provide services to terminally ill patients, their caregivers and families.

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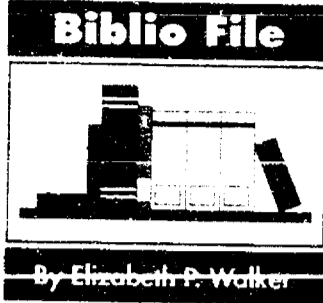
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Easter books — good gifts to place in toddlers' baskets

Just in time for Easter, Golden Books has issued a number of attractive books especially for young children. The publisher has gone to great lengths to produce a beautiful, eye-catching set devoted to the Easter theme. For parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles, what better gift is there for a youngster to receive from a thoughtful relative or friend?

The price ranges from \$3 to \$8. The books are beautifully illustrated, certain to catch the eyes of all children, ages 1



By Elizabeth P. Walker

to 5. "Ten Little Easter Bunnies," firmly bound in binding board,

should easily withstand the curious, probing fingers of tiny pre-readers. Fully illustrated with colorful photographs of romping bunnies, this book will certainly attract the toddler set, thus laying the groundwork for future readers.

For the same age group, there is "It's Easter Time," which is also bound in binding board, with lively pictures on each page. It will inspire children with vivid dreams of an Easter full of egg baskets and striped candy. The rhymed

verses along with these images will charm the young readers who will enjoy the cast of characters.

"Egg in the Hole Book" is a real touch-and-feel book. Preschool kids will love guessing what happened to the missing egg. After much hunting and excitement, they will discover the plushy yellow egg on the very last page. Richard Scarry is the author and illustrator who is also responsible for many other juvenile books. He is in a class by himself.

"The Bunny Book" is another Richard Scarry title for Easter and a must for the young crowd. Filled with charming illustrations of cute bunnies of all kinds who gleefully cavort on its pages, this book will draw the rapt attention of toddlers. This is a

marvelous introduction to what rabbits eat, how they play and what they look like.

Walt Disney characters appear in "Minnie's Easter Bonnet," which is an amusing tale of how Minnie Mouse, all of a sudden, realizes that she has nothing to wear on Easter. She proceeds to create a special bonnet for the occasion. The familiar Disney faces lure the children and they find themselves drawn closer to the story.

There is also a coloring book, "Jim Henson's Muppets Eggstra Special Easter," which encourages young artists to wield a crayon or a paintbrush. While the oldersters are recovering from their Easter meal, the young fry can be busily entertained by this activity book.

"Wake Up, Groundhog!" although lacking an Easter theme, is an amusing tale of how a sleepy groundhog is aroused from his slumbers by the call of his friends who insist that he get up to find his shadow on the ground. This would be a good choice for the slightly older child.

Of course, a traditional Easter basket full of chocolate bunnies, marshmallow chicks and jellybeans surrounded with green plastic grass is also very popular.

However, would it not be a good idea to add another item — books? An Easter gift of books is something to be enjoyed over and over. Laying a foundation in the early years is bound to create some faithful readers in the future.

Ageing musketeers continue to swashbuckle

"The Man in the Iron Mask" ★★ (out of four)

France in the mid-17th century is the setting for "The Man in the Iron Mask," a swashbuckling tale of a tyrannical king, his restless peasants and the continuing saga of three musketeers.

Leonardo Di Caprio heads a truly all-star cast which includes Jeremy Irons, John Malkovich, Gerard Depardieu and Gabriel Byrne in this beautifully costumed, lush production of the Alexandre Dumas novel.

As we meet King Louis XIV (Di Caprio), he runs the country like the spoiled 22-year-old that he is. He gives his starving people spoiled food, courts beautiful women with the tenacity of a swooping hawk and uses his kingly powers to rid himself of competition.

Along with the peasants, some of the musketeers are tired of his reign. Athos (Malkovich) makes no attempt to hide his feelings about the king, even making an attempt on his life. Soon the others realize that the country they fought for not so long ago needs them once again.

They rescue a prisoner who has been imprisoned in an iron mask for the past six years and find out he's the twin of the king. Aramis (Irons), a priest who is still close to Louis, devises a plan to dethrone Louis with his own brother, Phillippe.

To hinder their attempt is D'Artagnan (Byrne), Louis' protector and head confidant. He is also a former ally of Aramis, Athos and Porthos (Depardieu) during the musketeers' glory days. D'Artagnan tries to bridge the differences among them but the musketeers are bent on change — peaceful if possible, but with bloodshed if necessary.

They devise a plan commonly referred to as "the old switcharoo" — capture Louis and put Phillippe in his place.

But since Phillippe was stuck in that mask for so long, he has not exactly kept himself abreast of the subtle points of etiquette, so he must be taught to pass for Louis.

The film from first-time director Randall Wallace (who wrote "Braveheart")

walks a nice line between comedy and drama. Di Caprio's king is the complete opposite of his Jack Dawson from "Titanic." He's such a self-centered scoundrel you want to get him in the guillotine yourself, while

AT THE MOVIES



By D.J. Honstain

Depardieu and Irons offer the most comedic relief as soldiers past their prime.

Depardieu's Porthos is having the most problems with his former celebrity. He has put on some pounds and cavorted with his share of mademoiselles, but seems to be a soldier without a war. His cohort is Aramis, who has dealt with his faded glory by becoming a man of the cloth. The result is an amusing French version of the odd couple.

Wallace brings it all together nicely, especially for a first effort. The costumes, by three-time Oscar winner James Acheson,

"Restoration," "The Last Emperor" are wonderful and the sets, some of which were filmed at actual French castles, are gorgeous. Di Caprio is riding high on the heels of "Titanic" and could probably get hordes of young ladies to pay to watch him recite pages from a thesaurus. As in last year's "Face/Off," he gets to play both hero and villain.

Of course the villain role seems more fun. After several trysts D'Artagnan asks the king if he loves any of the women he beds. "Quite often, actually," he replies with a smirk.

The most annoying part of the film is the multi-cultural accents. Nobody paid any attention, or even cared to try to match the language to the character. Di Caprio and Malkovich sound like they're from Ohio, while Byrne and Irons sound like they've been loitering around Buckingham Palace rather than the Bastille. Only Depardieu is

comfortable in his language, but then again he's the only one who is actually French. But once you get used to it, the film offers some old-time-movie swordfighting, costume-drama fun. It's a rare film that actually utilizes all of its star-studded cast.

This is the last "At the Movies" article before the Oscars on Monday, March 23. Here's my for-whatever-it's-worth prediction/preview.

Best Picture: "The Sweet Hereafter," but since it wasn't nominated — "Titanic," in a close race. "Titanic" is a sweeping masterpiece, while "Hereafter" is a subtle one. Of the five nominated, "Titanic" is the only one that will be able to go down in film history as a true classic.

The best director award should and (I think) will go to James Cameron for a film that seems to be completely his vision. He took all the heat and silenced all who bad-mouthed the film even before it was released.

Best actress might go to Helen Hunt, partly because she's the only American in the bunch. The weakest race is for best actor. Without outstanding performances by Di Caprio ("Titanic"), Kevin Kline ("In & Out"), Ian Holm ("Sweet Hereafter") and Djimon Hounsou ("Amistad"), the category seems more like a lifetime achievement award. Peter Fonda ("Ulee's Gold") will win because the other nominees have already won or are too young.

The best race is the supporting actress category. Even without Sarah Polley ("Hereafter"), one of the five best performances of the year in any category, it's still a tight race. Look for Gloria Stuart ("Titanic") to get the deserved nod. And the supporting actor category seems to be a race between Burt Reynolds ("Boogie Nights") and Robin Williams ("Good Will Hunting"). Although most of the talk is about Reynolds, Williams could gain support because of his many nominations without a win. Also, Reynolds might lose a few votes from those who sat through his trunkload of terrible films. Remember "Cannonball Run II," "Stroker Ace," "Smokey and the Bandit 3" or "Rent-A-Cop"? Hopefully, for him, the voters don't either. Happy Oscar night.



"To Kill a Mockingbird"

The third major production in the Grosse Pointe Theatre's 50th anniversary season will be "To Kill a Mockingbird," by Christopher Sergel and based on the novel by Harper Lee.

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Clockwise, from the top, are Emmajean Evans of the City of Grosse Pointe, who plays Calpurnia; Andrew McIntyre, who plays Jem; Randy Coble, who plays Atticus; and Maggie Keenan-Bolger, who plays Scout.

Director is Lois Bender of St. Clair Shores, who also designed the set. Producer is Chris Kaiser of the City of Grosse Pointe. Geoff Proven of Grosse Pointe Woods is stage manager.

Tickets are \$13. Call (313) 881-4004.

Ford House re-launches Internet site

The management of the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House announced the re-launch of its Internet site at <http://www.fordhouse.org>.

Highlights of the improved site include a "virtual tour" of the national historic landmark home, a monthly ticket giveaway promotion, the ability to create door-to-door directions and a personalized map, archived media information, a full calendar of events and general tour information.

"The Edsel & Eleanor Ford House is very committed to utilizing the latest technology to promote public tours," said Ford House president John Franklin Miller. "The Internet

allows us to provide prospective visitors with a preview of all there is to see and to do at Ford House."

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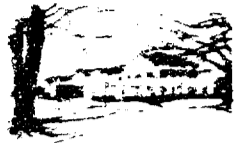
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South beats defending champs to skate into quarterfinals

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

You'd think from watching Grosse Pointe South's hockey team kill penalties, that the Blue Devils must spend hours of practice time on that phase of the game.

You'd also be wrong. "We spend nine times the amount of time on the power play than we do on penalty killing," South coach Bob Bopp said after the Blue Devils moved into the state Class A quarterfinals against Clarkston with a thrilling 2-1 victory over defending state champion Catholic Central.

It doesn't look like it was hard to tell which team was on the power play when the Shamrocks had their three power-play opportunities in last Saturday's regional final at the Compuware Arena in Plymouth.

CC had only two shots on goal during the three power plays and on the third, South's Charlie Braun scored the game-winning goal. It was Braun's 25th goal of the season after he scored only three last year.

Braun's shorthanded tally came at 7:07 of the third period and broke a 1-1 tie. Braun took

a pass from Pat Manion and slipped the puck under the pads of goalie Rick Marnon. Dave Bilbrey also assisted.

"Our penalty-killing has been great all year," Bopp said. "We use the same four forwards: Adam Whitehead, Andy Klein, Braun and Manion, and all six defensemen. These guys are so smart and they're aggressive. If we take a penalty, they know there's no reason to panic."

"It probably also helps that our penalty killers are also on our power play units."

South carried the play for the rest of the game and

Marnon made two good saves on Chris Gellasch and Ben Weaver with about two minutes left.

CC coach Gordon St. John pulled Marnon with 1:04 left, but the Shamrocks couldn't get the puck past Blue Devils goalie J.C. Tibbitts. Tibbitts smothered the puck during a goalmouth scramble with 11.2 seconds to go and Bopp called a timeout.

"I just wanted to make sure everybody knew what they were supposed to do," Bopp said. "I realize it gave them a chance to set up another play, too, but I felt it was worth taking that chance. And they didn't change anything."

There were several faceoffs in the South defensive end during the last minute and the Blue Devils won most of them.

"It didn't matter who took the faceoff — Klein, Braun or Chris Smith — I had confidence we could win it," Bopp said.

The victory marked the first time a South hockey team had advanced to the quarterfinals of the state tournament.

"It was like an early state championship game," Bopp said. "There was no noise on the bus going out to the game. They were so focused."

"They also realize that this isn't their ultimate goal. There's more that they want to accomplish, but this was a huge win against a very good team. I'm glad we were able to do this for all the people who've been so supportive."

Bopp appreciated the South fans who made the trip to Plymouth for the game.

"CC always has a big cheering section, but this was the

first time in six years of playing that we had more support than there was on the other side," he said.

South started out strong against Catholic Central. Tibbitts got into the game early when he stopped a breakaway attempt by the Shamrocks' Keith Rowe, but after that the Blue Devils dominated the first period. South had a 10-5 edge in shots and led 1-0 after Matt Moran's power-play goal at 5:20. Whitehead and Ben Weaver assisted.

"Moran has been doing a great job of finishing on the power play," Bopp said. "I think he's had four of our last six power-play goals."

Moments before Moran's goal, Marnon made a glove save on Manion and the Shamrocks' goalie kept South from adding to its lead with a save on Chris Gellasch, who was set up by Braun.

Catholic Central tied the game at 5:54 of the second period when David Moss scored on a high backhand shot. Moss' goal seemed to light a fire under the Shamrocks.

"The last five minutes of the second period they took it to us," Bopp said. "A lot of teams fold against that pressure, but we stayed focused. When we survived that, I was confident we'd win. Catholic Central is also known for having a strong third period, but we wouldn't let them. We got a little sloppy during the last eight minutes of our district final against Birmingham, but we learned from that."

South's defense corps did an excellent job against the Shamrocks' powerful forward lines.

"I think we have the best forwards in the state, but CC is built up there, too," Bopp said. "They put a lot of pressure on a defense but ours played with a lot of confidence and shut them down."

South advanced to the regional with a 6-3 victory over Birmingham in the district championship game at the City Sports Center.

Moran and Klein each scored twice, while Braun and Brad Balesky notched the other South goals.

"That's as good a game as Klein has played in four years here," Bopp said. "And our defensemen all stepped up, too. We had excellent games from Weaver, Moran, Bilbrey and Jeff Maxwell."

Braun opened the scoring at 9:17 of the first period when he went around a Birmingham defenseman and flipped a shot into the left corner of the net.

South outshot the combined Groves-Seaholm squad 17-2 in the first period, but Braun's goal was the only one scored by the Blue Devils.

Klein made it 2-0 at 2:58 of the second period when he backhanded a shot through the pads of freshman goalie Tim Shea, but Birmingham cut the lead to 2-1 on a power-play goal by Darrin Egerer at 7:42. It was the first of Egerer's three goals.

"We knew they had one good line, but we didn't think they could hold up for three periods," Bopp said. "Their goalie also did better than we expected, especially in the first period."

Klein pushed South's lead back to two goals when he shot the puck past Shea while he

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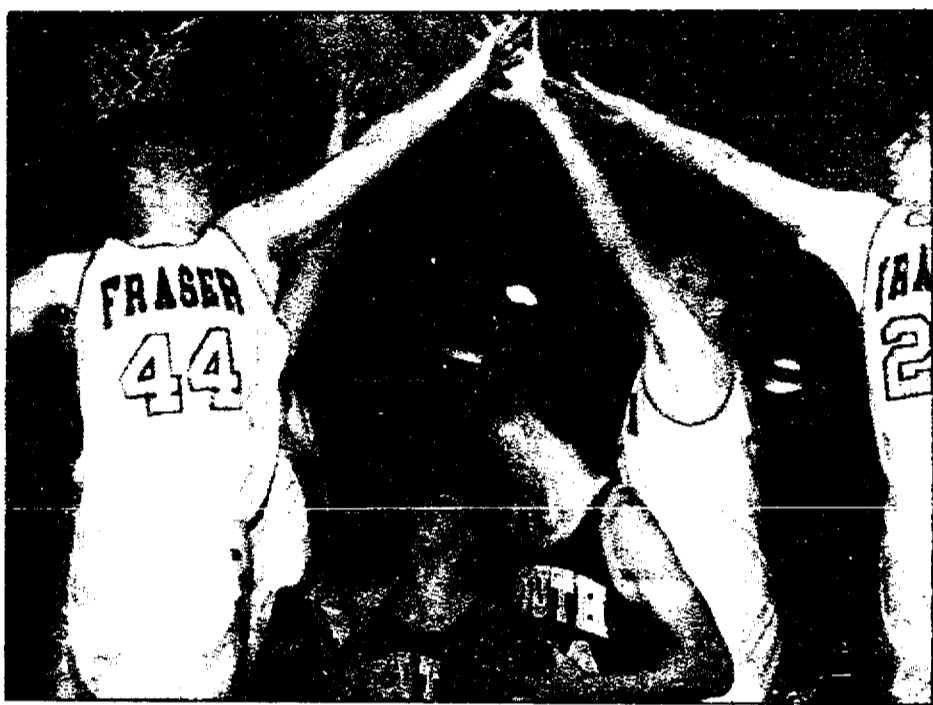


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Foursome faked

Grosse Pointe South's Adam Hess fakes four Fraser players off their feet during last Friday's game between the Macomb Area Conference Red and White division champions. White Division champion Fraser won the game 76-71. Read details of that contest and South's final division game on page 3C.

ULS clinches Metro crown

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Three years ago a Metro Conference championship looked like little more than a dream for the seniors on this year's University Liggett School basketball team.

"These kids were 4-17 and they lost several games by six points or less," said coach Bruce Pelto after the Knights clinched the outright Metro Conference title with an 81-75 victory over Lutheran Westland.

"They've turned it around. They've learned how to win."

ULS finished the regular season with a 10-game winning streak to wind up 13-3 in the Metro Conference and 17-3 overall. It's the first outright Metro title for the Knights, who shared the crown with Lutheran East in 1994.

The Knights struggled through three quarters against Westland, but outscored the Warriors 28-17 in the fourth quarter.

"We were down five going into the fourth quarter and I told them 'champions find a way to win,'" Pelto said. "We switched from our matchup zone to a man-to-man defense and we played the best quarter of defense we've played all year. The kids rose to the occasion when it had to be done."

And it was a group of seniors who carried the load offensively in the final quarter. Brian Bruenton scored 12 of his game-high 37 points and Kevin Espy and Justin Macksoud added six apiece.

"Justin really played a strong fourth quarter," Pelto said. "He did a good job off the bench and took good care of the basketball."

The game was tied at 17-all after one quarter and Westland led 39-34 at halftime as ULS

experienced some shooting woes in the first half.

Free throws kept the Knights in the game in the third quarter as they connected on 11 of 14 attempts. ULS went to the line 35 times and Bruenton connected of 16 of 20 free-throw attempts.

"Westland is the best free-throw shooting team we've seen this year," Pelto said. "They made 24 of 28 when we played them at home and in this game they hit 11 of 15."

Joel Parrott finished with 21 points, Espy had nine points and nine assists and Macksoud finished with eight points.

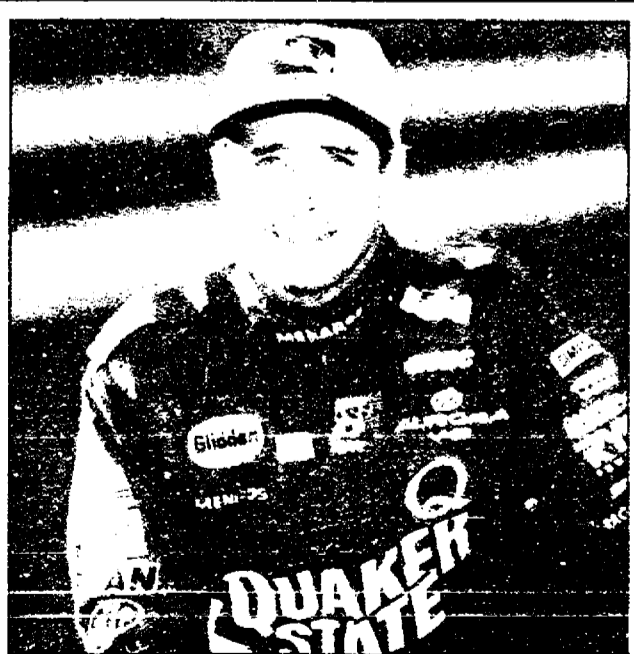
"Winning this game on the road allowed them to meet one

of their major goals — to win the conference," Pelto said. "We started 0-2, but regrouped mentally. The senior leadership — and I consider juniors like Joel and C.R. (Moultry) seniors because they've played for us since they were freshmen — took over after those losses and after we played poorly against Hamtramck."

ULS wrapped up the regular season with an 81-68 non-league victory over Oakland Christian.

Again, the Knights survived a slow start. ULS spotted Oakland a 13-3 lead as freshman guard Jim Mehlberg hit

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Feeling confident

Robbie Buhl feels confident that he can compete in any of the events on the Indy Racing League circuit since hooking up with Team Menard last year. See story on page 2C.

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Buhl's confidence is at a peak with Team Menard

By Chuck Kionke
Sports Editor

For the first time since he's been racing Indianapolis-type cars, Grosse Pointe's Robbie Buhl isn't going to be completely satisfied with anything but winning.
"It's a great feeling to know that when you show up at the track you have a shot at winning the race," Buhl said recently. "Things could be off that week or that day, but I know that between the organization and my abilities I have a great shot at winning or at least being on the podium with a top three finish. This is a situation I've dreamed of for

a long time."

Buhl has driven one of the cars for Team Menard in the three-year-old Indy Racing League (IRL) the last two seasons. In five races for Team Menard in 1997, Buhl had his first Indy Car victory at New Hampshire and finished third in Las Vegas. Those were his last two races of the 1997 season.

"I want to carry the momentum from last year into this season," he said.
He ran in the top three in one point in all five races and qualified fourth and led the Indianapolis 500 for 16 laps. He eventually wound up eighth

at Indianapolis because of some bad luck with his pit stops.

Buhl's first race of the 1998 campaign — The Walt Disney 200 in Orlando, Fla. — was something of a disappointment.

"My car was running really well, but on the fourth lap it started to pop out of third gear," Buhl said. "Finally I just had to skip that gear. Then halfway through the race, the car just shut down because of electrical problems."

"The way I'm looking at it is that I've got the bad luck out of the way. Now I can just concentrate on winning races."
During a break in the IRL schedule, Buhl drove a Tom Gloy Mustang in the Rolex 24 Hours of Daytona last month and finished third in his class behind two Porsches. He was 11th overall.

Last year had some ups and downs for Buhl.

The season started on a disappointing note when he had to sit out the first race of the series in Orlando because his previous team had a chassis, but the Infinity engine wasn't

ready in time for the race.

It was an unfortunate situation because Buhl had finished third in 1996 in the inaugural IRL event.

The high point was when he received the call from owner John Menard.

"He asked me if I could be in Phoenix the next day," Buhl said. "I hopped on a plane, tested in the morning and afternoon and the next day I signed to drive the second car for Team Menard. It took a little while to sink in."

The other Menard car is driven by Tony Stewart, who was the season points champion in the IRL last season.

Buhl's low point was when he crashed during practice for a race at Colorado Springs, suffered a concussion and had to miss that event and the next one in Charlotte, N.C.

"I was out for about two months," Buhl said. "I got to be pretty good friends with the doctor and I learned a lot more about head injuries than I ever thought I would or wanted to."

"Fortunately, I was still able to go to the track, so I wasn't that far removed from it. And it

made me feel good that the team wanted for me to come back. They didn't put another driver in the car."

And when Buhl was ready to return, he rewarded Menard's confidence with the victory at New Hampshire.

It was an exciting finish as Buhl passed Eddie Cheever and then held off a charge by Vincent Sospiri.

Buhl continues to be active in racing for Kids, which helps raise money for children's hospitals.

He's also the part owner of a Ford-Mercury dealership in Indianapolis.

"I'm really excited about all of this," he said. "There's a lot going on."

He's also excited about the progress of the IRL.

"We've come a long way in three years," Buhl said. "Thirty-one cars showed up to qualify at Orlando and this year all the races are going to be on live TV. We also have a title sponsor in Pep Boys, which is going to be good for name recognition."

"The IRL is doing a good job of keeping competitive with a ceiling on the speed. I got a chance to see just how competitive it was when I was injured last year."

As far as his Indy 500 dream goes, Buhl is getting closer to realizing it all the time.

"First of all, I just wanted to be in the race," he said. "Then I wanted to lead it and I did that. Unfortunately, last year we got out of sequence with our pit stops."

Buhl had to pit under a green flag and the moment he got back on the track, a yellow came out because of a crash.

"I want to win at Indianapolis, but there are 32 other drivers who want to win just as badly as I do," he said. "I think we have the team and the car and I feel comfortable with my ability."

"Now I just need some luck. That's the place you want it. It's the biggest race of the year, no question about it, but we prepare for every race the same way."

Highlights

Assassins II beat the Pistons 54-36 in the championship game for the Neighborhood Club's ninth and 10th grade basketball league.
The Assassins II were led by Devon Peters' 21 points and Chris Bryant's nine. Vinnie Sadzinski made an outstanding three-point shot, while Jason Rusko also scored a three-pointer at a critical point in the game.
Assassins II led 25-19 at halftime as the Pistons played a good zone defense that gave the Assassins trouble. The Pistons cut the lead to 25-22 before the Assassins pulled away.

Openings remain for South camp

There are still some openings available for the afternoon session of the annual indoor baseball instructional camp hosted by the Grosse Pointe South baseball team.
The camp will be held Saturday, March 21, in the high school gym. It is open to players in fourth through eighth grade only.
The afternoon session runs from 1 to 4 p.m.

All campers must pre-register. There will be no registration at the door. The fee is \$35 per player. All youth coaches are invited to attend either session — the morning session is from 9 a.m. until noon — for free.
Registration forms may be obtained at the main office at South, or by calling camp director Dan Griesbaum at (313) 884-7834.

There will be no confirmation notices sent to campers who have already registered, but they are requested to report 15 minutes before their session is scheduled to begin.
Instructors are the coaches and varsity and junior varsity baseball players at South. There will be instruction in all phases of the game.
All proceeds from the camp will go to the Blue Devils' baseball program.

Ottevaere has a good trip for WMU baseball

Derek Ottevaere, who made the high school baseball All-State Dream Team as a senior at Grosse Pointe North, is continuing to star on the diamond at Western Michigan University.
Ottevaere batted .375 during the Broncos' Florida trip. He hit six home runs and two doubles.

One of his highlights was a two-homer, four RBI performance in a 9-4 victory over Central Michigan.
Ottevaere, who is playing first base for Western, is a senior with junior eligibility after sitting out last season with an injured arm.

Ryan Fried had 10 rebounds for the Assassins, while Bryant had six steals. Jon Blalock also did a good job on the boards and had several assists.
Brian Vandenberghe made some good drives to the basket, while Peters punctuated the victory with a dunk. Rusko and Fried were the Assassins' captains.

In the 11th and 12th grade basketball league, Serenity Now won the championship with a 42-31 victory over Auto Parts.

Team unity, good defense and strong motivation were ingredients in the victory for Serenity, which has had its sights on a title for four seasons.

Player-coach Paul Wilson led Serenity Now in scoring, while James Feagin and Andrew Petersen contributed three-point shooting.

Other highlights for the winners were Matt Barry's drives to the basket, Mike Case's calm and collected free throws, Chris McGratty's perimeter defense and intensity, Jack Kristan's excellent defensive play and passing, Feagin's inside presence, Jim Jahnke's all-around solid play and Paul Franta's blocks late in the contest.

Tom Sperti couldn't play because of an injury, but he supported the team and helped Wilson coach.

Paul Bourke led Auto Parts, which played well, in scoring.

ULS

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three straight three-point baskets. Mehlberg had 14 of his 18 points in the first quarter as Oakland led 20-14.

The Knights whittled the lead to two points at halftime, but Oakland still led by three points going into the final quarter.

Then ULS took over. The Knights outscored the Crusaders 31-15 in the fourth quarter.

"They have a legitimate All-State candidate in Aaron Willson, who scored 28 points, but Kyle Denham did a tremendous job of keeping him from getting the ball in the second half," Pelto said. "That was a big key. Willson had only two points from the floor in the second half."

Offensively, Bruenton and Parrott provided the spark as each hit three-point baskets early in the final quarter.

"They got us rolling," Pelto said. "We were down three or four points and all of a sudden we were up by six or seven."

Bruenton, who averaged 33.2 points over his last four games, finished with 36 and Parrott added 27. Espy and Renard Morey-Greer added six points apiece.

"Oakland Christian's coach (Ed Mehlberg) told me after the game that this was the best his team has played all year," Pelto said.

Next up for the Knights is the Class C tournament where they'll meet the winner of the Royal Oak Shrine-Detroit Frederick Douglass game at 6 p.m. Thursday.

"We won't be in fear of anyone," Pelto said. "The football experience has been good for these kids."



Serenity Now won the Neighborhood Club 11th and 12th grade basketball championship with a victory over Auto Parts in the title game. In front, from left, are Jim Jahnke, coach Paul Wilson, Mike Case and Tom Sperti. In back, from left, are Paul Franta, Jack Kristan, James Feagin, Matt Barry, Andrew Petersen and Chris McGratty. Members of the Auto Parts team were Matt Borushko, Paul Bourke, Joe Camm, Jim Forkin, Matt Giant, Kyle Osowski, James Rush, Mike Schott, Val Solano and Rick Surheinrich.



Assassins II won the Neighborhood Club ninth and 10th grade basketball championship with a victory over the Pistons in the title game. In front, from left, are Devon Peters, Jon Blalock and co-captain Jason Rusko. In back, from left, are Brian Vandenberghe, Chris Bryant, co-captain Ryan Fried and Vinnie Sadzinski. Members of the runner-up Pistons were Craig Freimuth, Chad Gohlke, captain John Halpin, Matt Pattyn, Demetri Salvaggio, John Sawicki, Ryan South and Andrew Viasak.

Hockey

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was on the seat of his pants after being hooked to the ice.
"That was a great goal," Bopp said.

Shea was injured on the play and had to be replaced.
Moran scored two power-play goals for South early in the third period. The first, at the 47-second mark, gave the Blue Devils a 4-1 lead and the senior defenseman made it 5-1 at 4:26.

Egerer scored for Birmingham at 5:04 and 8:55, but South tightened up defensively and there was no more scoring until Balesky got an empty-net goal with less than a second remaining.

Klein and Balesky each had two assists for the Blue Devils, while Moran, Braun and Whitehead picked up one apiece.

A victory in the quarterfinals would send South into a semifinal game at 8:30 p.m. Friday at the Flint IMA.

Saturday's Class A championship game is scheduled for 7 p.m.

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Blue Devils win outright MAC Red basketball championship

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

A year ago, Port Huron kept Grosse Pointe South's basketball team from getting a share of the Macomb Area Conference Red Division championship.

This year the Big Reds stood in the way of the Blue Devils winning an outright title but South wasn't going to let them be spoilers again.

The Blue Devils led 21-12 after the first quarter and never let up as they rolled to an 82-42 victory.

"The kids remembered what happened last year," said

South coach George Petrouleas. "They were determined to take care of business tonight."

South broke the game open in the second quarter when the Blue Devils outscored Port Huron 22-7 to lead 43-19 at the break.

Adam Hess, who had 11 of his 26 points in the first quarter, kept the heat on at the start of the second half when he scored nine points in the first 2:00 of the third quarter to boost South's lead to 52-21.

Hess also had 12 rebounds to lead South in that category, while Steve Howson had seven

rebounds and Matt Rudnick and Jeff See grabbed six apiece.

Howson, who had five assists, scored 11 points. See and Dustin Marx collected nine points apiece and Rudnick scored seven.

Neil Fields led Port Huron with 10 points, all in the first quarter, while Chris Collier scored nine.

South had a chance to claim the undisputed championship of the whole MAC last Friday when it played White Division champion Fraser, but the Ramblers came away with a 76-71 victory.

"They made it tough with their free-throw shooting," Petrouleas said of Fraser, which made 33 of 44 attempts from the line and at one point was 28 for 31. "Our free throw shooting wasn't as good. You have to give yourself a chance to win."

South cut a 10-point Fraser lead to 61-60 with 3:40 to play when Karl Freimuth scored on an offensive rebound, but the Ramblers answered with a pair of free throws by Frank Suszynski and a three-point play by Dan Kresbaugh to lead 66-60 with 2:45 left. Fraser's two scoring plays were sandwiched around a pair of missed free throws by the Blue Devils.

South continued to hang close and Howson's layup with 15.8 seconds left cut the Ramblers' lead to 73-71, but Kresbaugh, who had 16 points and 15 rebounds, again came

up with a key play, scoring on a layup and making the free throw after being fouled with 10 seconds to go.

Two more missed free throws by the Blue Devils with 4.4 seconds remaining sealed their fate and left them with a 16-4 regular season record. Fraser wound up 18-2, setting a team record for most victories.

"I was disappointed with our offensive execution," Petrouleas said. "There were a couple of key possessions in the fourth quarter where we didn't do what we wanted to do. And in stretches we didn't do a real good job defensively."

Although he wasn't happy with the result, Petrouleas had no complaint about the effort.

"There was a lot of pride out there," he said of the battle between division champions. "Both teams played hard."

Fraser led 17-13 after the

first quarter and the Ramblers took a 34-30 lead to the locker room at halftime, although there were eight lead changes and six ties in the second quarter.

Fraser never trailed after breaking a 38-38 tie with an 8-0 run late in the third quarter.

Chris McCarty led the Ramblers with 18 points, while Suszynski also scored 16.

Howson paced South with 25 points and Hess added 22, while See scored 15. Hess grabbed 11 rebounds and See collected six.

South began state tournament play this week at East Detroit against Detroit Denby.

"This game was a good tune-up for us for the state tournament," Petrouleas said of the loss to Fraser. "It showed us that we have a few things we have to refine."

North gymnasts send trio to state after setting regional mark

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Tina Francis plans to coach gymnastics at Grosse Pointe North for at least a few more years.

And three of the reasons are Sarah Linebaugh, Christine Victor and Claire Cadornin.

"We have a good young team," Francis said after North finished fifth at last weekend's gymnastics regional at Rochester and set a record for the highest team score in the process.

North is also sending three gymnasts — seniors Robbie Langlois and Andrea O'Boyle and sophomore Linebaugh — to the state meet in Grand Rapids this weekend.

"Linebaugh is a sophomore and Victor and Cadornin are both freshmen and we have

several other good young gymnasts," Francis said. "I think I'll stick with it for a few more years."

North's team score was 134.55, beating by nearly four points the school's previous best at a regional. The Norsemen finished behind perennial state powers Troy Athens, Rochester Adams, Rochester and Troy.

"It was a very competitive regional," Francis said. "The first three spots were pretty much locked in right from the start, so I'm really pleased with our performance. And our three state qualifiers are the most in my five years coaching here."

Linebaugh was the Cinderella story of the meet as she finished first on balance beam in Division II — which

includes non-club gymnasts — with a score of 9.3, to tie the school record.

"Sarah has been sick or injured almost all season and she needed a parental permission note to compete Saturday," Francis said. "We kept reminding her, 'don't forget the note.'"

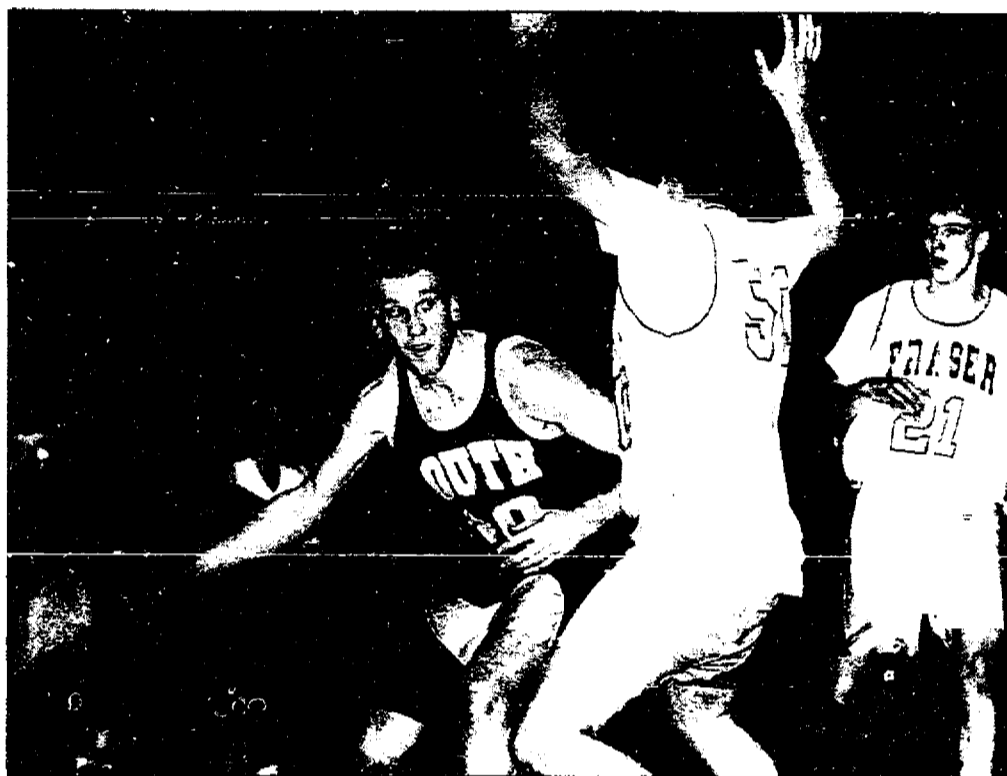
"That was a great performance. She had never scored a nine before. When she did, she cried her eyes out she was so happy."

Langlois, who competed in Division I for club gymnasts, was second on vault with a 9.55. That was also a personal best and tied the school record. Langlois was eighth on bars with an 8.55 and placed fifth in all-around with a score of 36.

O'Boyle, who just missed qualifying for the state last year, was sixth on parallel bars with a personal best of 8.05.

Kristen Adams also had a strong performance on the beam, scoring an 8.5.

"Colleen Bryzik, Cathy Conger, Christine Victor and Claire Cadornin also had strong meets and greatly contributed to our record-breaking score," Francis said.



Grosse Pointe South's Steve Howson dribbles around Fraser's Chris McCarty during last week's game between the two Macomb Area Conference division champions.

Knights play well in loss to Cranbrook

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

University Liggett School goalie Jacob Bondy cooled off Cranbrook's high-powered offense, but the Cranes were still able to advance in the Class B-C-D state hockey tournament.

"Jacob was outstanding," said ULS coach John Fowler after the Knights' 4-0 loss to Cranbrook in the district game at the Fraser Sports Arena. "Especially in the third period when he stood on his head and saved all 16 shots he faced."

Bondy finished with 40 saves against Cranbrook, which is the favorite to repeat as Class B-C-D champions.

"Of course, we're disappointed we didn't win, but our boys played their hearts out against a very superior team," Fowler said.

Cranbrook went on to beat Detroit Country Day 9-2 for the district championship and the Cranes defeated Dearborn Divine Child 3-0 in a regional game.

ULS got off to a good start against Cranbrook, but the Knights drew a penalty for too many men on the ice and the Cranes' outstanding freshman, Dustin Kimm, capitalized with a power-play goal at 3:40 of the first period.

"It was a goal scorer's goal," Fowler said. "It went off Jacob's pad and sneaked in between his pad and the post."

Cranbrook made it 2-0 at

6:52 of the first period when a Cranes player poked the puck away from Bondy as he was attempting to smother it.

"The referee seemed a little slow with his whistle on that one," Fowler said.

ULS had one good scoring chance in the first period when Chris Mitchell was set up on a good passing play from Jason Cooper and K.C. Crain, but the Knights weren't able to beat the Cranbrook goalie.

Cranbrook boosted its lead to 3-0 at 8:13 of the second period and the Cranes all but sealed the win when they blocked a ULS shot from the point and scored on a two-on-one break with 13 seconds left in the period.

"That really hurt because we had killed off their two-man advantage a couple of minutes earlier," Fowler said. "Charlie Keersmaekers, A.J. Stachecki, C.T. Thurber, Nick Maitland and Robbie Thiel all did a good job on the five-on-three."

ULS had some chances in the third period with its five shots, including a power play, but couldn't get on the scoreboard.

"Bondy was fantastic, A.J. and Jason Capen played very well as a defense pair — all of our defensemen had to play well to hold them to four goals — but it takes more than desire to beat a great team," Fowler said.

Blackhawks tie for Squirt championship

Unselfish play and solid fundamentals were the key ingredients in a championship season for the Grosse Pointe Hockey Association Squirt B Blackhawks.

The Blackhawks posted a 16-3-1 regular season record to tie for the league championship.

The Blackhawks also finished third in the 10-team district playoff field.

After losing to Royal Oak in the first round, the Blackhawks battled through the consolation bracket with victories over Berkley, Troy and Royal Oak in a rematch to reach the semifinal round.

A gritty defense, anchored by Mick Bassett, Joe Burchi, Paul Walny, Andrew Weathers and Joe Halso, kept opponents off balance. On the rare occasions that a team threatened offensively, goalie Blake MacEachern came up strong.


The Blackhawks' offense was sparked by centers Joe Parke, Dan Tappert and John Crillo. The three productive lines also got solid play from Eric Alvarez, Billy Conway, Matt Girolamo, D.J. Rentz, Kyle Valade and Alex Verkuilen.

Julian Alvarez and Duncan MacEachern were the head coaches, assisted by Al Burchi, Joe Parke and Don Rentz.

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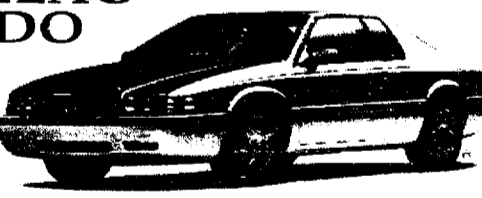


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North sweeps both foes in volleyball district win

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's volleyball team probably could have finished first in a lot of leagues, but the Norsemen were in the middle of the pack in one of the toughest in the state.

"There might be some tougher leagues on the west side of the state, but I don't know if there are any better in this area," North coach Beth Gulick said of the Macomb Area Conference Red Division which had five district champions come out of it last weekend.

One of those five was the Norsemen, who beat Regina 15-7, 15-9 in the championship match at the district hosted by North.

North moves on to the

regional round, where it begins play Saturday at 10:30 a.m. against Detroit Cass Tech. The Norsemen will also host the regional.

Chippewa Valley, Fraser, Port Huron Northern and Marysville are the other district champions to come out of the MAC Red. And Fraser will be North's opponent if both teams win their regional semifinals.

"The division helps us when we play in tournaments, but it's a struggle during the season sometimes," Gulick said. "You wonder if you have the stamina to hold up when you have tough matches almost every time you play."

Gulick was pleased with her team's performance in the district.

"It was definitely a team win," she said. "We were missing three girls who were on a Close Up trip to Washington, D.C., so we called three players up from the JV team."

There were several standouts as North swept Regina after beating Grosse Pointe South 15-10, 15-5 in the semifinal round of the district.

Lauren Bramos had 22 service points in the four games, while Carolyn Solomon served 17 points. Annie Peacock had 33 sets and eight points, while Lindsay Simmon was outstanding in the front row with 16 kills, 19 attacks and 12 blocks.

In the South match, Lindsay Hawkins did an excellent job in service and attack receptions.



Grosse Pointe North's volleyball team celebrates after beating Regina in the championship game of the Class A district tournament hosted by the Norsemen. In front, from left, are Lauren Bramos, Katie Crowther, Michelle Champine, Ann-Marie Evola and Annie Peacock. In back, from left, are coach Ann Belloli, Lindsay Hawkins, Kristy Rogers, Kathy Hellrung, Carolyn Solomon, Pam Majewski and coach Beth Gulick.



Grosse Pointe North's junior varsity volleyball team posted a 32-0 record this year and won three tournaments. Standing from left, are Jaime Francis, coach Charles Buhagiar, Emily Kingsley, Kelley Jesnig, Kelly Huetteman and Alicia Barbieri. In the middle row, from left, are Nicole Russo, Jackie Rogers, Lindsey Knost, Mary Cornillie and Laura Butler. In front, from left, are tri-captains Katie Crowther, Anne Evola and Michelle Champine.

North's JV spikers are perfect

It was a record-setting season for Grosse Pointe North's junior varsity volleyball team.

The Norsemen, who are coached by Charles Buhagiar, were undefeated in 32 matches, including tournament victories at Anchor Bay, Grosse Pointe North and Harper Woods.

North beat Almont in the championship match at Anchor Bay, defeated Chippewa Valley in the finals of its own tournament and beat Grosse Pointe South in the Harper Woods finale.

The Norsemen posted a 12-0 record in the tough Macomb Area Conference Red Division, beating Port Huron Northern, Marysville, Romeo, Fraser, Chippewa Valley and Cousino two times apiece.

North had a 65-6 record in games played.

North posted some impressive team percentages, including 89 percent serving, 95 percent setting, 81 percent passing, 83 percent hitting, 92 percent tipping and 77 percent blocking.

Individual team leaders were setters Anne Evola (744-for-770, 96 percent) and Jaime Francis (418-436, 95 percent); hitters Mary Cornillie (155-164, 94 percent), Michelle Champine (291-340, 85 percent) and Katie Crowther (163-202, 80 percent); and blocking specialists Cornillie (69-74, 93 percent) and Kelley Jesnig (53-66, 80 percent).

Leading point scorers on serves were Evola (307-325, 94 percent, 41 aces) and Emily Kingsley (195-206, 94 percent, 29 aces).

Other contributing to the perfect season were Kelly Huetteman, Alicia Barbieri,

Nicole Russo, Jackie Rogers, Lindsey Knost and Laura Butler. Crowther, Evola and Champine were tri-captains.

Tennis tourney underway at Hunt Club

The 25th annual Western Open Indoor Mixed Doubles tennis championship is underway at the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club.

Play begins at 6 p.m. today, March 12, and Friday. Saturday's action starts at 9 a.m.

The semifinals are scheduled to begin Sunday at 10 a.m., with the championship match slated for 2:30 p.m.

Among the players expected to compete are Grosse Pointe South students J.R. Mason, Nick Lodzinski and Lauren Pankhurst.

Pee Wee AA Bulldogs defeat Canadian team for tourney title

The Grosse Pointe Hockey Association Pee Wee AA Bulldogs took a break from the Little Caesars playoffs to win the recent Sports Weekend Extravaganza tournament at Compuware Arena.

The Bulldogs beat the Meadowvale Mohawks 7-3 in the championship to avenge an earlier 5-3 loss to the squad from a Toronto suburb.

In the championship game, Grosse Pointe jumped out to an early 3-0 lead on two goals by Bobby Colombo and one by Fraser Gaspar.

Each time the Mohawks attempted to come back, tournament most valuable player Erik Schleicher responded with a goal for the Bulldogs. Strong goaltending by Jon Starr and insurance goals from Andrew Amato and Stefan Knost sealed the Grosse Pointe victory.

Mark Callert and Nick

Hatfield had strong defensive games for the Bulldogs, while Rory Schroeder played well during his stint in goal.

Grosse Pointe opened the tournament with a 5-4 victory over the Southfield Warriors.

Southfield scored first, but Colombo tied the game on a quick pass from Knost. The Warriors tallied again, but the Bulldogs answered with goals from Justin Galli, Danny Ridell, Trevor Mallon and Jordan Winfield.

The Bulldogs then beat the LaSalle (Ontario) Sabres 4-2. Colombo started the scoring with an early goal — his first of two — and Schleicher and Amato completed the scoring.

LaSalle's size looked like it might pose a problem, but the tight-checking Bulldogs shut down the Canadian visitors.

Meadowvale was Grosse Pointe's next opponent and the Mohawks built a quick 3-0

lead. The Bulldogs made a comeback on goals by Amato, Schleicher and Chris Boase, but the Mohawks answered with two more goals to offset a late tally by Grosse Pointe's Brandon Ernat.

Following the tournament, the Bulldogs successfully completed the first round of the Little Caesars Tier I playoffs.

Despite a 2-0 loss to the defending state champion Royal Oak Eagles, the Bulldogs won three of their first four playoff games to advance to the second round.

The Bulldogs beat Plymouth 4-1 on goals by Mallon, Callert, Colombo and Ridell. Schleicher scored twice and Colombo, Amato and Ernat added a goal apiece in a 5-1 win over Allen Park. Amato had two goals and Mallon, Boase and Schleicher each scored on in a 5-1 victory over Lansing.

Penguins earn spot in tourney

The Grosse Pointe Hockey Association Psycho Penguins won't be hanging up their skates for a while.

The Penguins finished with a 4-0-1 record in the Little Caesars Pee Wee House tournament and are one of 16 teams selected to play in a one-game elimination tournament at Joe Louis Arena, beginning March 13.

In their final tournament game, the Penguins played a 1-1 tie with the St. Clair Shores Storm.

The Storm scored late in the third period to offset a goal by Grosse Pointe's Boomer Urisko. Also playing well offensively for the Penguins were Joe Youngblood, Robert Hammei and Tommy Russell.

Defensive standouts were Nathan Fredrick, Andrew Damaske, Thomas Bogen and Jeff Bogen.

Psycho Penguins 3, Habs 2
Goals: Bret Faber, Robert Hammei,

Jeff Bogen (Penguins); Stuart Manor, Ryan Thomas (Habs).
Assists: Brandon Clary, Joe Youngblood, Tommy Russell (Penguins); Michael Scarfone, Thomas Lance Carroli (Habs).

Comments: The Psycho Penguins scored the winning goal with less than a minute remaining. Drew Kisskalt, Mike Lovato, Andrew Sweeny and Taylor Palmgren had good offensive games for the Habs, while Jack Stevens and Matt Blanche played well on defense. Brandon Koch, Chris Perkins and Brad Leonard were among the offensive standouts for the Penguins, while Boomer Urisko and Bogen played well defensively.

Psycho Penguins 6, Ice Dogs 0
Goals: Kevin Hogan 2, Brad Leonard 2, Tommy Russell, Brandon Clary (Penguins).
Assists: Hogan 2, Chris Perkins 3, Leonard 2, Jeff Bogen, Boomer Urisko (Penguins).

Comments: Psycho Penguins goalie Byron Hauck posted his 12th shutout, despite the offensive efforts of the Ice Dogs. William Lee, Thomas Solomon, Zachary Zemanick and Steven Pokorski. Bret Faber had a good offensive game for the Penguins, while Jeff Bogen and Thomas Bogen were standouts on defense. Thomas Tavery and Karl Hiedemann played well on

defense for the Ice Dogs.

Psycho Penguins 3, Chiefs 1
Goals: Brandon Clary 2, Brad Leonard (Penguins); Patrick Schafer (Chiefs).

Assists: Bret Faber 2, Tommy Russell, Leonard, Jeff Bogen (Penguins); Aris Karabetos (Chiefs).
Comments: Kevin Hogan, Thomas Bogen and Chris Perkins were among the offensive standouts for the Psycho Penguins, while Nathan Fredrick and Faber played well on defense. The Chiefs had good offensive efforts from David Bargowski, Nick DeGalan, Steve Kowal and Eric Miller. William Moran and Anthony Gillespie were strong defensively.

Psycho Penguins 4, Blackhawks 0
Goals: Thomas Bogen, Tommy Russell, Jeff Bogen, Brandon Clary (Penguins).

Assists: Robert Hammei, Bret Faber, Brad Leonard, Kevin Hogan (Penguins).

Comments: Goalie Byron Hauck recorded his 10th shutout against the offensive efforts of Jeff Moore, Michael Damman, Thomas Kirk and Eric Kelly. James O'Neill and Evan Scott played well on defense. Andrew Damaske and Nathan Fredrick were defensive standouts for the Psycho Penguins.

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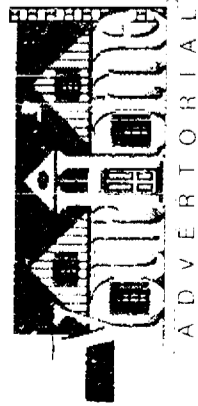
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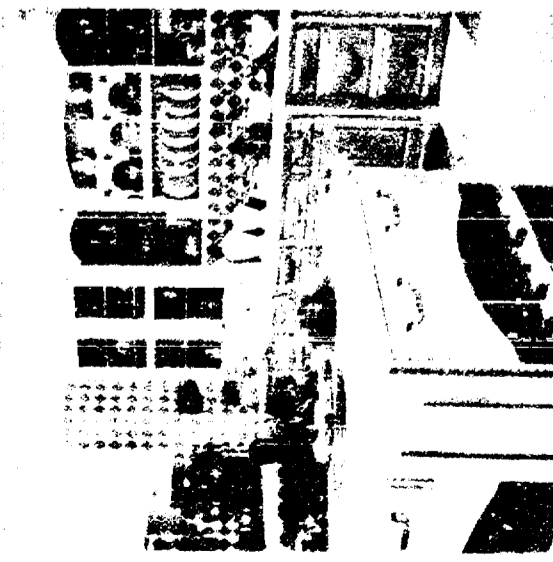
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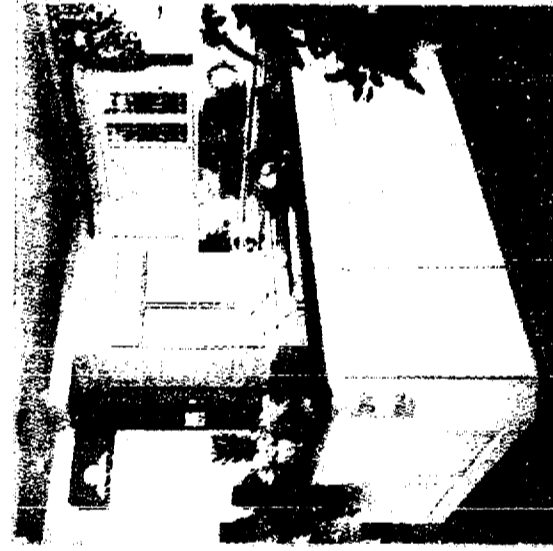
By Margaret K. Fitzgerald



Since 1947, Crystal Cabinet Works has lived up to high standards of craftsmanship. In this kitchen, cabinets finished in Antique White are accented with details like the hand painted grape moulding along the tops of the cabinets, and mullion doors. This framed cabinetry design is called "Country French Square" and is installed in a full overlay door style.



This traditional bistro styled kitchen features leaded glass cabinet doors, brass hardware and decorative fretwork over the open shelves. The framed "Nantucket" cabinets are made of cherry and are stained in Sable.



Inset cabinetry resembles fine furniture in this English Country kitchen. The Crystal inset maple cabinets are called "Country Classic." The upper portion was done in a Lymed finish, and the lower cabinets were treated with a custom color to match the tile work and floors. With dovetailed drawers, an open plate rack, carved fretwork and mouldings typically found on upscale furniture, the final look is reminiscent of a handmade English kitchen.



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When the talk turns to kitchens, everyone has a story to tell.

My friend knew exactly what she didn't like about her kitchen. All I had to do was ask. It was too small...there wasn't enough countertop workspace...the lighting was bad...the appliances were failing. And yet she and her husband spent at least four hours every day for a couple of years preparing meals in a room which completely frustrated them. Finally they gutted and remodeled. My friend confided, "I got tired of waiting for a better kitchen in my 'next home' — when would that be? I decided I could really use it now."

How much time do you spend in your kitchen? More importantly, how long do you intend to wait for the one you're dreaming of? Your kitchen is the hub of your home. It should be well designed and inviting. Proper design is important here, since it facilitates meal planning and preparation, as well as the inevitable cleanup. And aesthetically, it ought to be a place where you feel happy, even inspired. So what are you waiting for?

At Showcase Kitchen & Bath, Inc. at 31435 Utica Road in Fraser, owner and founder George Kelly has been successfully designing kitchens and bathrooms since 1974. Attentive to their customers' needs and experienced in the latest design techniques, Showcase has earned a reputation in the industry as a company committed to creating upscale kitchens and baths using the finest materials. There are five designers on staff, including two

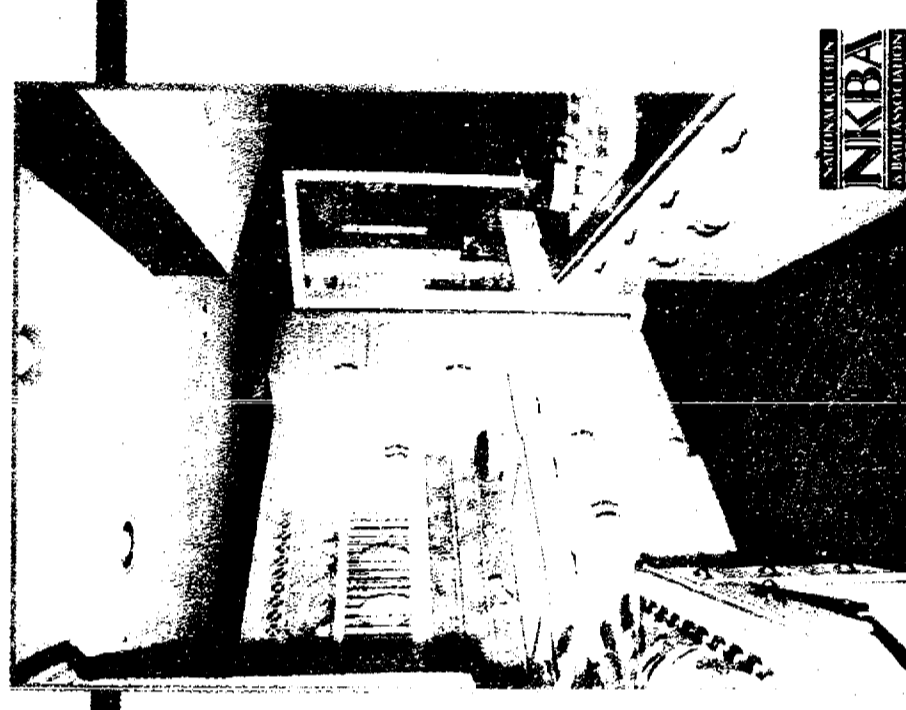
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RATE YOUR PRESENT BATHROOM

This is a sample from a questionnaire created by the National Kitchen & Bath Association. Showcase is an NKBA member. You can visit them and take the full test. If you answer "NO" more often than "YES," you should think about a new bathroom!

1. Is the existing bathroom big enough? YES NO
2. Is the cabinet door style and color up-to-date? YES NO
3. Is there enough storage space for your grooming equipment? YES NO
4. Is there an efficient ventilation system in the room? YES NO
5. Does the bathroom relate to adjacent rooms the way you would like? YES NO
6. Does the room look pretty to family members and guests? YES NO
7. Are all the fixtures an attractive color? YES NO
8. Can two people use the bathroom comfortably and conveniently at the same time? YES NO



For over 20 years, the design staff at Showcase Kitchen & Bath, Inc. has been creating state-of-the-art kitchens which are as beautiful as they are functional. When you visit them, take a closer look at this stunning kitchen by Crystal. It features birch cabinets finished in "Classic Winter," evergreen CORIAN countertops, a cooktop by GE and plumbing fixtures by Grohe.

by Grohe and Kohler, and appliances by Kitchen Aid. Crystal Cabinet Works is their prized custom cabinet manufacturer, renowned for their creative designs for kitchens, bathrooms and home theaters. Crystal offers the latest in framed, inset and frameless cabinetry. George is quick to point out, though, that name brands are only a part of the package. "It is our job to take our clients and educate them as to what's available. Since we coordinate the entire job from start to finish, we have to be knowledgeable in all aspects of the job, from plumbing to electrical, to flooring, drywall and interior design. We have made this our priority."

So what's the bottom line? In a word, trust. As a consumer, it is important to feel that your job is in good hands. You need to know your questions and concerns

A FOUR POINT PLAN TO CONSIDER

When you sit down with a designer from Showcase, they are already anticipating that you will have four major objectives in mind. They know it is your job as a consumer to expect the following:

1. The BEST design.
2. The BEST materials.
3. The BEST workmanship.
4. The BEST price.

Although many people tend to focus on price alone, it is more important to aim for a balance of all four elements. Consider, says George, that a well-designed kitchen using the highest quality materials is worthless if the workmanship is substandard. And no amount of savings can justify a kitchen which in, say, five years looks shabby and worn. It ought to look as good and perform as well as the day it was installed.

Make an appointment with a Showcase Kitchen designer. Just as you're clear on your "Four Point Plan," they are clear on their commitment to design a kitchen that is, according to George, "functional, durable, attractive and within your budget." This integral part of your home receives heavy use, and its redesign ought to be a one-time proposition. You know what you want, and they know how to do it. Do it once and do it well with Showcase.



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Balancing Price and Product

According to George, your kitchen is usually the most expensive room in your home to remodel. Electrical, plumbing and general structural changes have the most profound impact on the final cost. Think of the money you are spending here as an investment. George advises his clients to consider how long a product is guaranteed to last when factoring in the cost. This is an important point when deciding, for example between something like a less expensive laminate countertop versus a more expensive but longer-wearing one by CORIAN. Here is where the Showcase design team can advise their clients and offer options in products.

Your kitchen is also the number one selling feature of your home. Although you may not have plans to move in the near future, it makes good financial sense to concentrate on major improvements which will make your home more valuable. A new kitchen will not only increase your level of enjoyment now, it will make your home more marketable in the future.

Showcase Kitchen & Bath, Inc. is located at 31435 Utica Road, in Fraser. You can call them at (810) 294-2333 to arrange for a consultation. Showcase Kitchen & Bath is fully licensed and insured. They are certified fabricators of DuPont CORIAN Solid Surface materials.

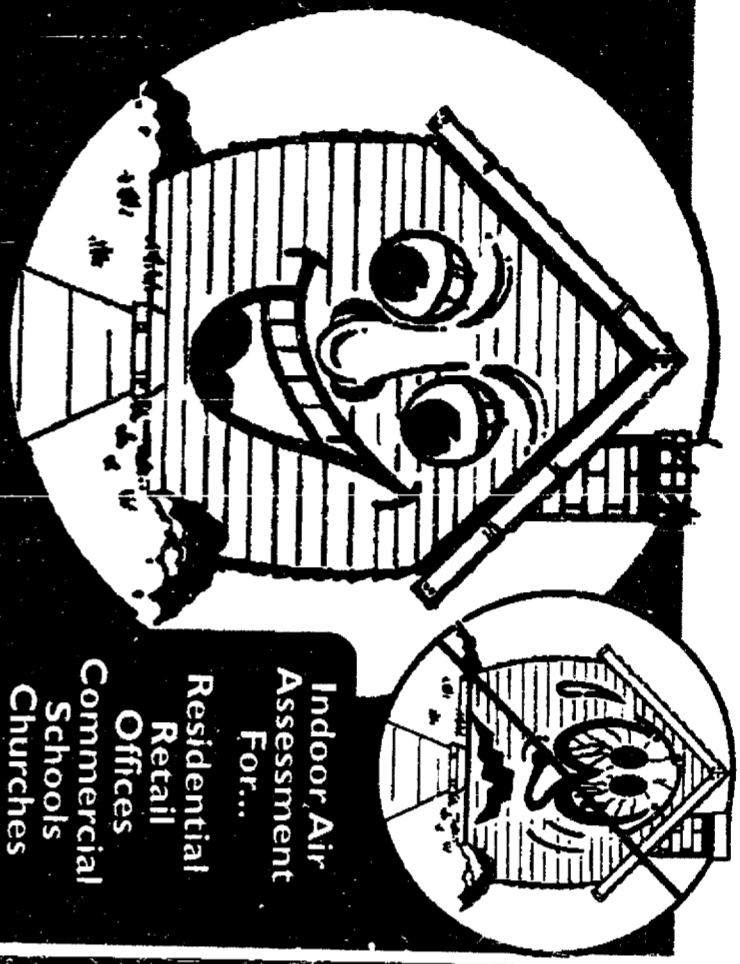
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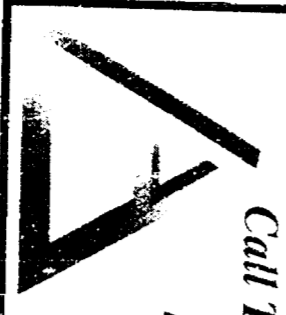
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Household Help

Here's a short, easy-care guide to keeping your solid hardwood furniture looking its very best. Solid hardwoods respond to the cabinetmaker's tools, to your touch, even to changes in the climate at home. That's why they expand and contract a bit with the rise and fall of relative humidity. Don't give it a second thought. It's a natural cycle.

Humidifiers in winter and air conditioners in summer help keep humidity around 30 percent — a healthy level for solid hardwoods as well as for people.

Natural hardwoods stand up to many household mishaps better than laminates and synthetics. Since the grain and pattern of solid hardwoods go all the way through, even scuffs and burns that would permanently damage synthetic surfaces can be repaired, with relative ease. Some furniture makers offer "super finishes" that give solid hardwood surfaces even greater resistance to burns and scratches.

Furniture labels do more than praise the product and tell you where to buy more. They often carry useful information about materials, finishes and care. Keep them for future reference.

Even with modern finishes,

Pruning is the single best investment a community can make to ensure the survival and lengthen the life-span of their trees.

"A regular, well-planned pruning program improves tree health in a vast number of ways," says Robert Kause, staff arborist for the National Arborist Association (NAA). "For instance, when dead branches are allowed to persist on a tree, wood decay, a tree's mortal enemy, can gain entrance to the trunk. When dead branches are properly removed, the tree can cover over the wood, protecting the trunk from the wood decay."

Pruning also improves community safety by ensuring that branches and limbs with weak attachment, cracks or cavities or other structural problems are removed before they fall. In addition, regular pruning is more cost-effective than replacing trees by withold. There are short-term savings; however, the neglected trees will have shorter lives and are more likely to develop structural defects. This results in more frequent tree removals and replanting, increasing the cost to the community in the long term. A well-planned city tree maintenance program starts with the

waxing is good for most solid hardwood furniture. Paste wax applied once or twice yearly helps brighten and preserve it. However, you should avoid waxing urethane-finished furniture. Waxing these surfaces causes them to gather dust and dirt rather than repel it. Occasional dusting with a damp, soft cloth will keep surfaces looking their best; a dry cloth can leave tiny scratches. Always dust with the grain.

Too much sun is bad for your skin, and the same goes for finished hardwood surfaces. It's a good idea to draw the curtains once in a while if your furniture is exposed to direct sunlight.

Small scratches, nicks or stains on solid hardwood furniture are easy to fix with common household materials. You can touch-up scratches on dark woods with shoe polish, a nutmeg, a felt-tip marker or a child's crayon.

Watermarks often require no more than a dab of salad oil, mayonnaise or toothpaste and a light buffing with a clean cloth.

Community prunes trees for safety

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An informative guide on getting ready to buy a home

Have you have decided that home ownership is for you, there are many things you have to consider as you prepare to look for a home, according to Cheryl Kravak of the Michigan State University Extension Service. The first thing you have to do is decide what you want in a house and how much you can afford to pay for a house. Starting this information with your real estate agent will help that person understand what you are looking for.

Needs vs. wants

First-time home buyers usually want a lot in their first home. Time spent distinguishing between what you really need to live vs. what you want can help you focus on realistic options.

For example, if your family wants a living room and a family room, you might settle for a house with a living room and a basement that could eventually be remodeled to include a family room. Your family's lifestyle patterns will play an important role in determining needs vs. wants.

You may also want to go to a local bank and pre-apply for a mortgage. After the bank tells you how big a mortgage you qualify for, you can then only look at houses in that price range.

Economic value

Economic vs. esthetic value is another important factor to consider. Many things add to the economic value of a home — land, size of house and number of rooms, stairs of rooms, number of bathrooms, size and design of kitchen, storage space, quality of construction, plumbing, heating and cooling systems, and energy-saving features.

Other features add to esthetic value and may actually cover up defects. Cosmetic features include carpeting or fancy wallpaper, the current owner's furnishings or appliances (which may not stay).

Asbestos handling workshop

Workshops on handling asbestos are scheduled.

Handling Asbestos: Your Rights and Responsibilities is of particular interest to building owners, managers, school facility managers, municipal government managers, contractors, consultants, residents of commercial buildings, architects and engineers.

The workshops are:

- March 17 at the Holiday Inn Gateway Center, Pin.
- March 18 at the Holiday Inn West, Livonia.

with the home, fancy lights and bathroom fixtures.

If you don't take time to analyze the difference between the two, you might be dazzled by the new paint job and designer wallpaper rather than considering things such as the condition of the roof and windows.

Location

Location is one of the most important considerations. If you are not sure you want to live in a city, the country or a suburb, look in all three places and consider the phone and minutes of living in each.

For example, in the city, you would have city water and sewer. In the country you could have a well and a septic system, which have added upkeep costs. Different costs are incurred monthly: water-saver toilets vs. maintenance or replacement of a water pump and a septic tank.

The value of the house you buy will be affected by the value of other houses in the neighborhood. The value of these houses is reflected by their general appearance and the general appearance of the neighborhood.

To not hesitate to approach people living in the neighborhood and ask questions that will help you get a feel for the quality of the neighborhood. The availability of sports and recreational activities, and a culture where people relax on their porches or garden in the back yard will all influence your decision.

Two other important issues to consider are the quality of the schools and safety of children.

Evaluating houses

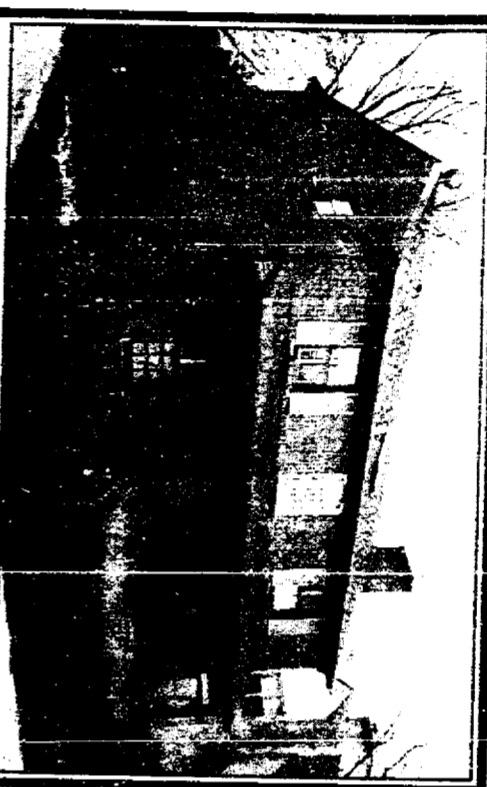
During your first trip through a house, you get a general impression of the house, its cosmetic condition and the potential of the space and layout to satisfy your family. If the house appeals to you, second and third visits may

occur. During these visits you will want to focus on particular items, including the interior and exterior structure, heating, plumbing and electrical systems, insulation, etc.

When you decide to make an offer on a house you need to have it inspected by a professional inspector. Make your offer-to-buy contingent on a satisfactory inspection report or resolution of any problem areas.

Buying a house is usually the biggest investment most people ever make. When getting ready to buy a house be sure to analyze what you need, know what you can afford by pre-qualifying for a mortgage and never offer to buy a house unless it passes a home inspection.

For information on home buyer classes offered by MSU-Bextenham call (810) 489-6450.



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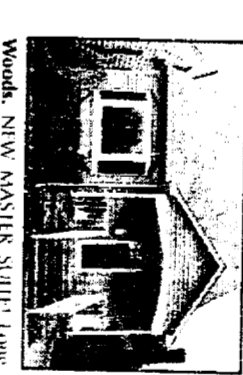
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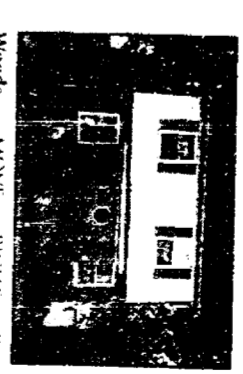
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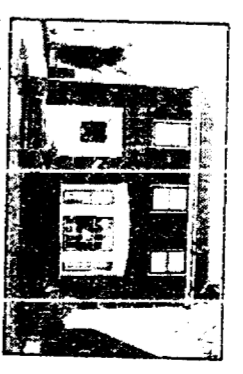
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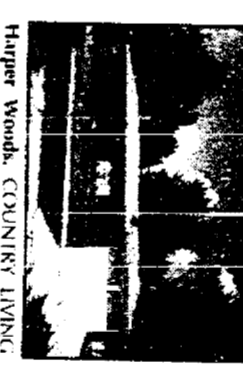
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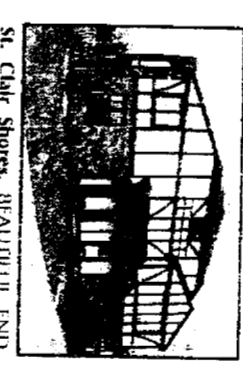
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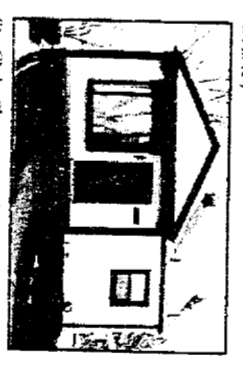
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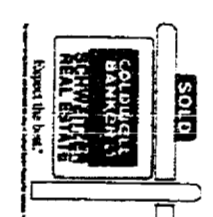
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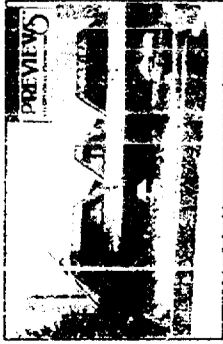
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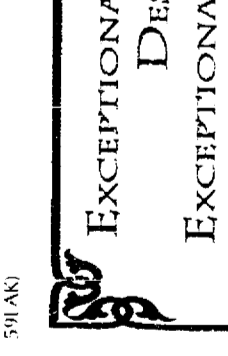
Woods, OPEN SUNDAY 2-4 P.M. 1147 Hollywood. Price reduced on this three bedroom Colonial featuring entry hall, family room, natural fireplace, stone new windows, central air and more. Come see for yourself. \$179,900. (GPN-F11EAK)



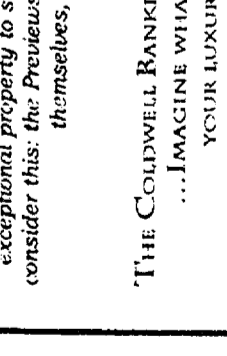
Harper Woods, SPACIOUS LOT! Well priced three bedroom ranch, with room to spare. Natural fireplace in living room with new oak mantel. Updated kitchen with built-in oven, new range and refrigerator. \$134,900. (GPN-F11EAK)



Shores, LAKESHORE DRIVE Magnificent views of Lake St. Clair and Crosse Pointe Yacht Club. Five bedroom home featuring master suite with fireplace and jacuzzi. New bar kitchen with granite, counters, and marble floors. \$467,555. (GPN-F11EAK)



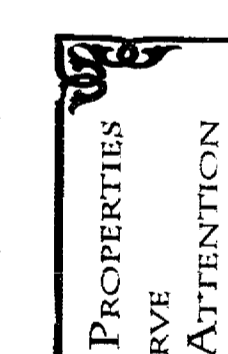
Shores, THIRTI BUILT classic Cape Cod with many updates and additions including 6000 sq ft master bedroom with cathedral ceiling, beautiful Quaker Made kitchen and tile second floor. \$545,000. (GPN-GW-53BA)



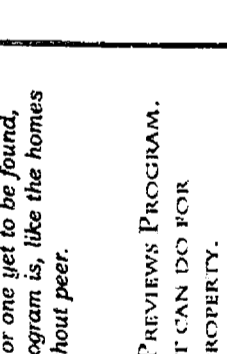
Park, ROOMY LAGO SICILY home with newer spacious family room, updated kitchen, formal dining room, built-in breakfast, large remodeled bath and bedrooms recently painted. \$149,900. (GPN-GW-65AK)



Shores, ALBERT KAHN Lakeland home with separate carriage house. Panoramic views of Lake St. Clair. Wonderful detailing on first floor leaded glass windows. A wonderful home to enjoy in all seasons! \$366,455. (GPN-H-44LAK)



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Cinnamon, one of the most essentially used spices



By Ellen Probert Williamson

It is impossible to really know what spice was the first used by human beings, but most authorities agree that it was very probably cassia, or Chinese cinnamon bark, which records prove was used before 2700 B.C. and which is still one of the most important and widely used spices.

Cinnamon was one of the most important spices used in medieval times and in ways which would be strange to us, such as flavoring roast beef with it, or putting it in wine — but today's food uses it just as much. Think of cinnamon rolls, or apple pie, or cinnamon toast, and similar culinary delights.

Much of the cinnamon we purchase today is really cassia. It is doubtful that anyone could distinguish it from genuine cinnamon. Centuries ago, cassia was known as a spice, another tree of the same species was discovered growing wild in the jungle forests of Ceylon and southern India. Very quickly it took the place of the old cassia, or Chinese cinnamon, and is still one of the most valuable and important of spices.

For many years both the Dutch and Portuguese endeavored to control the export of this true cinnamon, and in 1770 the Dutch began the cultivation of cinnamon trees in Ceylon, where they are still an important crop.

In the early days of the plantations, the bark was gathered in the same wasteful manner as the cassia bark, the trees being cut down and stripped.

Now the trees are grown as

small saplings, and to ensure neat, straight trunks, or stems, they are set a foot apart in circles three or four feet in diameter. When they are about 2 years old the larger saplings are cut, leaving the others to continue to grow. The bark of these straight, small trees is carefully removed in the form of half-cylinders and, after slight fermentation, the rough, outer surface is scraped off. The "quills," as they are called, are then sun-dried.

The smaller quills are then placed inside the larger ones, thus forming the "pipes" of the highest grade bark. The small pieces, chips, scrapings and dust are all saved and distilled for the valuable oil they yield, and finally, the leaves, small twigs, stems and branches from which bark cannot be peeled are also distilled for a cheaper grade of oil. This, and the better grade of oil, are used in commercial flavorings, medicine and perfume.

Although there are several varieties of the cinnamon tree which are recognized by the planters of Ceylon, now known as Sri Lanka, all of them are the same species. But in Thailand and Malaysia and New Guinea there are several other species of cinnamon, only some of which have any commercial value. But among these is the massoi tree of New Guinea, the bark of which is used as a source of vanillin, a white, crystalline substance used as a substitute for true vanillin.

Cinnamon is mentioned frequently in the Bible. There is no

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doubt about its identity. The Hebrew word for it is kinnamon. The Hebrews always regarded cinnamon as a deliciously fragrant substance and valued it highly as a spice and as perfume. It was one of the principal ingredients used in the manufacture of the "holy oil" which Moses was commanded to use in the Tabernacle in anointing. Cinnamon is frequently mentioned in the books of Exodus, Proverbs, Song of Solomon and Revelation.

The cinnamon tree is called "korunda-guabab" in Sri Lanka.

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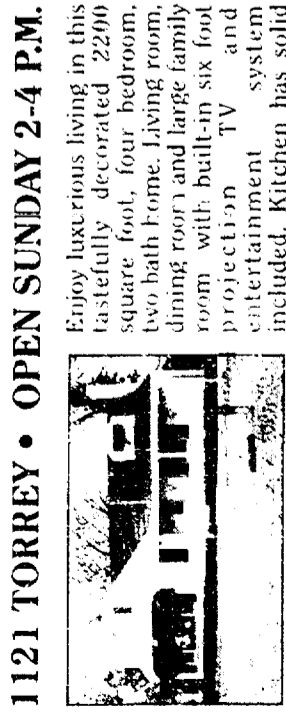
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Cleanup after winter storms could prove hazardous

The surrounding area for anything — utility lines, property, vehicles, etc., that might get hit or interfere with the tree felling or removal.

- Examine the shape and lean of the tree. Inspect the trunk for decay, weak spots or hanging limbs, and for any metal or concrete in or around the tree. If so, the tree is unstable and requires extra precaution while removing.
- Even small trees, bent under tension, can be extremely hazardous.

Do not use a chainsaw for tree removal unless you have years of experience in handling one. Even professional tree-care personnel are injured using chainsaws. Tree removals are very unpredictable — don't take unnecessary chances.

Remember, a tree is a living thing, and its integrity and stability changes over time, so don't



assume that a tree that has survived 10 severe winters will necessarily survive another. Have a professional arborist evaluate the trees you own. Doing this will

help you determine potential weaknesses and dangers.

Ask the arborist to look for signs of potential hazards, such as stress cracks, weak branches and other subtle indicators of potential hazards. Check the tree for dead or partially attached limbs hung up in higher branches that could fall and cause damage or injury during a storm.

For a list of professional arborists in your area, or to get information on the care and maintenance of trees, contact the NAA at (800) 733-2622.

The NAA is a 60-year-old public and professional resource on trees and arboriculture. Its more than 2,000 members all recognize stringent safety and performance standards, and are required to carry liability insurance.

Providing children with lead-free drinking water

especially when making formula, juice and baby foods.

One common concern of parents is lead, since infants and toddlers are especially vulnerable to lead toxicity. Some homes and apartments, especially those built before the mid-1980s, may have lead in the plumbing that can leach into the water. Also, lead service lines may connect your house with the water mains under the street. You should check to see what type of plumbing is used in your home.

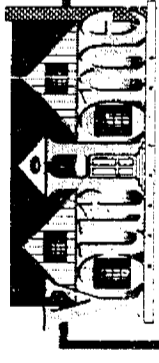
One way to safeguard infants and toddlers (and parents, especially if pregnant or nursing) against lead in the water is to filter tap water through a pitcher, such as those made by Brita. The Brita pitcher eliminates 98 percent of the lead from water, along with most sediment and chlorine taste and odor, providing fresh-

water as well as reassurance.

To receive the free booklet, "A Parent's Guide to the Health Effects of Lead," send a self-addressed, stamped No. 10 envelope (32 cents) to: The Brita Products Co., P.O. Box 24305, Attention: Parents Guide, Oakland, Calif., 94623-1305.



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Bedroom/Bath: 1/1
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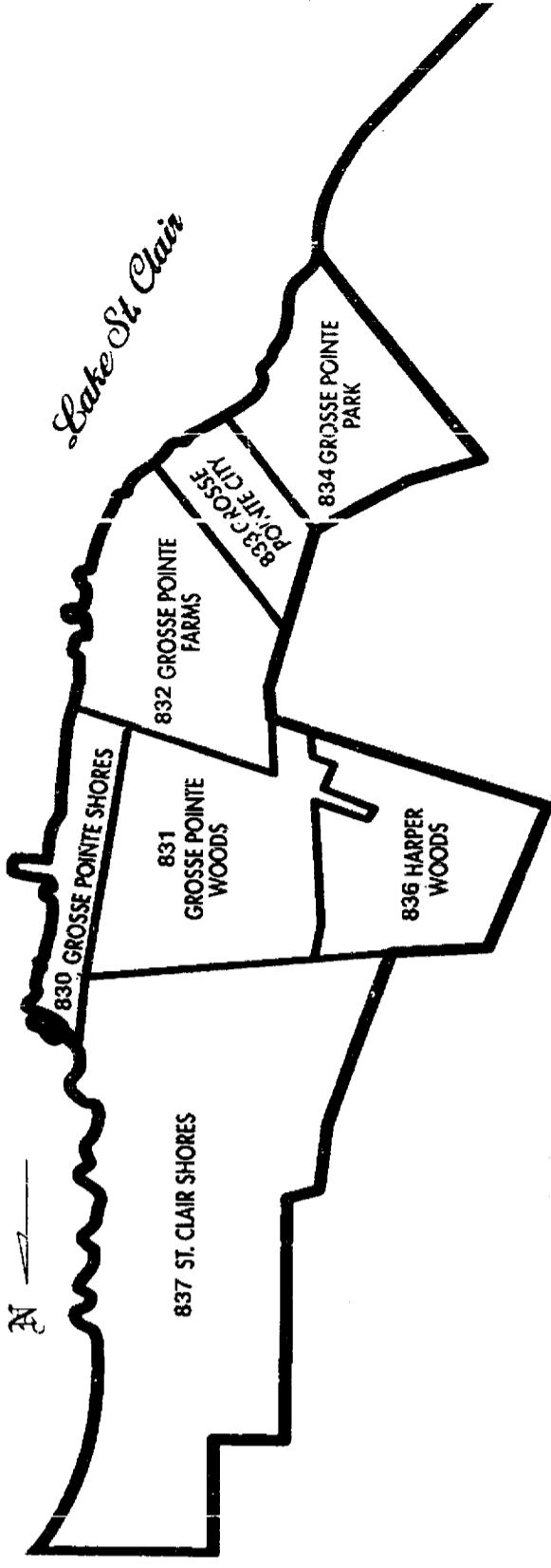
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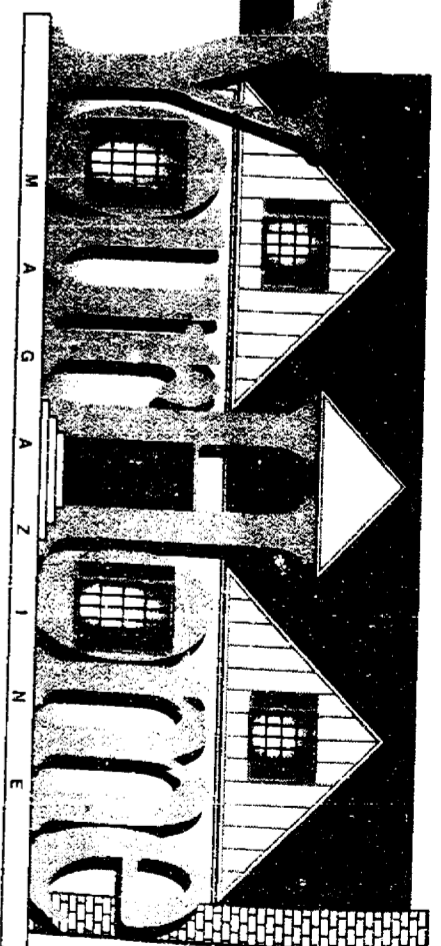
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