

Grosse Pointe News

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INSIDE

■ The newly completed clock arch in the City of Grosse Pointe's Village shopping district has received great praise from residents. But not everyone is happy. There are those who maintain that the structure looks cheap and is a poor tribute to Grosse Pointe's glorious past. Page 18A

■ The upcoming holiday parade should be fun for everyone. But authorities are looking for volunteers who can act as traffic marshals to help with motor traffic before the parade starts. Page 11A.

■ The Grosse Pointe Board of Education approved a \$7.3 million non-voted bond issue for energy control systems and window and boiler replacements at its Monday meeting. Page 15A.

■ After Grosse Pointe public school teachers spent over four months without a contract, the Grosse Pointe Board of Education finally ratified a four-year contract at its Monday meeting. Page 15A.

■ Grosse Pointe North's girls basketball team completed its first undefeated regular season last week with a 31-19 victory over Fraser.

The Norsemen finished 20-0 and won the Macomb Area Conference White Division championship.

The win over Fraser, which suffered its only two losses of the season against North, assured the Norsemen of an outright division title. Page 1C.

■ Grosse Pointe South's football playoff run ended last week with a 49-14 loss to Chippewa Valley in the Division II regional.

The Blue Devils finished 8-4 and won two state playoff games in their first postseason appearance since 1989. Page 1C.

WEEK AHEAD

Thursday, Nov. 16

Pierce Middle School begins its holiday poinsettia sale. Cactus and cyclamen will be sold in addition to the traditional poinsettia. To order, call Suzanne at (313) 882-6114. Deliveries are made for purchases of 10 or more plants.

Services for Older Citizens holds a health fair at Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church, 19950 Mack, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Among the services offered are free flu shots, pneumonia vaccinations, diabetes testing, cholesterol testing, blood pressure screenings, bone density testing and mammograms. Appointments are required. Call (313) 882-9600.

Friday, Nov. 17

Pierce Middle School's production of The Music Man begins at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$4 for children. Another show will be performed on Saturday, Nov. 18. For ticket information, call the school at (313) 343-2094.

Monday, Nov. 20

The City of Grosse Pointe Council meets at 7:30 p.m. in the City's hall, 17147 Maumee. The meeting is open to the public.

Tuesday, Nov. 21

The Village of Grosse Pointe Shores board of trustees meets at 7 p.m. in the village hall, 795 Lakeshore. The public is invited to attend.

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The Richners celebrate another win for dad, Andrew Richner of Grosse Pointe Park has been elected to his third term as the Pointe's Republican representative in the Michigan Legislature. Above, Richner is with his wife, Susan, a Grosse Pointe school teacher, daughter Emily and son Clark.

Richner wins again

11th straight victory for G.P. Park Republican

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

The Grosse Pointes' incumbent Republican state representative, Andrew Richner, has kept the tradition alive by sailing through another election.

Richner's nearly 2-1 victory last week earned him a third term in the State House and marked his latest in a string of unbeaten contests.

Richner has never lost an election, dating to his days 10 years ago as a rookie city councilman in Grosse Pointe Park.

His 11-election winning streak has supporters calling him "Mr. November," a variation on the baseball moniker describing clutch hitters who come through in the playoffs.

"I represent the best district in the world," said Richner. "I'm the envy of my colleagues in the Legislature. District 1 has well-informed, highly educated constituents who expect a lot from their representative."

Richner beat Patricia Irving Cwiek, a Democrat from Grosse Pointe Woods who was making her first attempt at public office. Although Cwiek trailed in the suburbs, she won the Detroit portion of the district. Cwiek could not be reached before deadline.

Richner ascribed his success in the voting booth to meeting his constituents' needs.

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NEED AN EXPERT FOR YOUR ROOF?
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Election night fog forecasts cloudy outcome

Tight election proves every vote (re)counts

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Last-minute voters in last week's presidential election stepped from their Grosse Pointe polling places into a night veiled in fog.

No one knew that the mists covering the community foreshadowed national election results so cloudy that a weekly newspaper could stay current on the subject 10 days after the event.

"He's concerned about his constituents," said Slaymaker. "The Grosse Pointes are heard in Lansing and our concerns are acted upon."

She cited Richner's strengthening of the Pointes' municipal courts, a system many state lawmakers would like to abolish.

Richner's success wasn't shared by Eric Steiner, a Republican Woods city councilman who had hoped to win a seat on the Wayne County Board of Commissioners.

In his first bid for county office, Steiner lost to incumbent Democrat Christopher Cavanagh of the Park.

Steiner won all of the Grosse Pointes by nearly 2-1, but came up short in Harper Woods by more than 1,000 votes.

Cavanagh dominated the Detroit section of the county district, winning nearly 95 percent of the eastside Detroit vote.

"There is much we can achieve by working together," said a victorious Cavanagh, recognizing the line of demarcation between his constituents' dueling political parties.

Although the presidential vote in the heavily Republican Grosse Pointes was a clear-cut victory for Bush, and although Bush lost Michigan in a clear-cut defeat to Democrat Al Gore, tight races elsewhere in the country have a random sampling of Pointe residents contradicting skeptics who say an individual vote doesn't count.

"Somebody's vote is going to count a lot," said Theokas, referring to the re-recount going on in Florida.

Theokas is a Grosse Pointe Park city councilman who served as a Michigan delegate to the Republican National Convention. A classmate of Bush at Yale, Theokas commiserates with the post-election jitters the GOP candidate must be having.

"I can't imagine going through a long campaign, then having to wait several days after the election to determine who won," said Theokas. "I have sympathy for both candidates having

to wait (for results) after putting forth their best efforts to cross the finish line. The closeness of the race shows they were doing the best they could."

On the other hand, Kate Cherry of the City of Grosse Pointe said Bush and Gore are getting what they deserve.

"Politicians spend their whole lives making laws and regulations, yet they live above the law," said Cherry. "I wonder how the (presidential candidates) feel now that they are victims of the very laws and regulations they made."

As for her vote's effectiveness, Cherry said, "Even though the election wasn't close (in Michigan), I still feel my vote counted."

Tom McCleary, chairman of the Eastside Republican Club and resident of Grosse Pointe Farms, would have represented the 15th Congressional District in the Electoral College had Bush carried Michigan.

He said his vote counted. But he added the Florida outcome should be settled at the polls, not in court.

"We have a system of voting that has survived a couple of hundred years," said McCleary. "It hasn't served us too badly. (Florida) should have its recount, wait for the absentee votes, and whoever wins, wins. That's it."

"Ultimately," added Theokas, "the election outcome shouldn't drag out too long. If it does, it will affect the governance of the country. Challenges would litter the map."

He lacks patience with Palm Beach voters who claim an unfair ballot made them vote for more than one candidate. The action voided thousands of Palm Beach County ballots.

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	GPC	GPF	GPP	GPS	GPW	HW
President						
Al Gore (D)	1,229	1,754	2,992	338	2,869	3,862
State Representative District 1						
Patricia Irving Cwiek (D)	879	1,103	2,102	229	2,073	2,963
Wayne County Commissioner District 1						
Christopher Cavanagh* (D)	1,156	1,522	2,770	318	2,633	3,786
Wayne County Commissioner College Trustee						
Linda Burton (D)	317	491	1,133	136	624	907
Proposal 1 (vouchers)						
Yes	1,302	2,679	2,496	891	2,953	2,196
No	1,562	3,401	3,574	2,857	4,242	3,224
Proposal 2 (2/3 majority)						
Yes	869	1,588	1,793	574	2,289	2,185
No	2,220	4,424	4,240	1,063	5,549	4,000
Proposal A (arts tax)						
Yes	2,068	3,812	4,000	834	3,134	2,100
No	1,104	2,408	2,122	852	3,915	2,861
Wayne County Community College Millage						
Yes	913	1,521	2,026	385	1,904	1,842
No	2,140	4,748	3,973	1,283	5,934	4,988

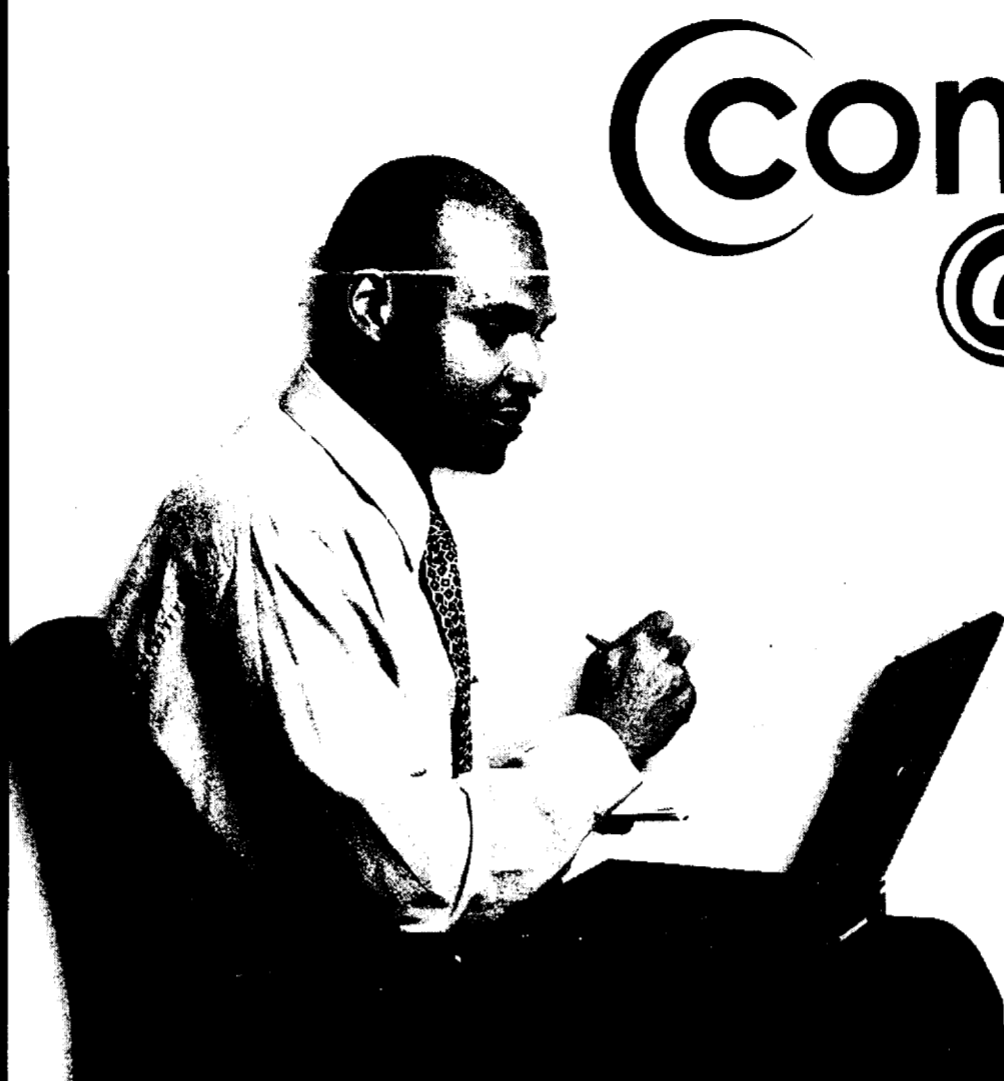
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Robert G. Liggett
Home: Grosse Pointe Shores
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Family: Wife, Vicki; three daughters, Emily, 10 and twins Marjorie and Roberta, 9
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75 percent of Pointe voters cast ballots

By Jim Stickford
Staff Writer

Voting may have been tough in Florida, but Grosse Pointers didn't seem to have any problems, according to officials from the five Pointes.

Farms city clerk Shane Reeside speculated that the local issues of proposals one and two and the highly-contested presidential race were responsible for the high turnout.

Louise Warnke, Grosse Pointe Woods' clerk, said that they had a turnout of 77 percent of the registered voters, up from 68 percent in 1996. Julie Arthurs of the City of Grosse Pointe said that they had a turnout of 74 percent vs. 70 percent in 1996.

It seems to take a presidential election to get large numbers of voters out. City records show that in 1999, a year in which City council members were up running for office, there was only a 27 percent voter turnout. Woods records for 1999 show that only 23 percent of registered voters bothered to participate in an election in which city candidates were running.

Records for Grosse Pointe Park indicate that they had

Richner

From page 1A

"Wayne County is experiencing an economic resurgence. I want to make sure my district is a big part of that."

As of 4 a.m. the morning after the polls closed, Steiner led Cavanagh by about 6,000 votes. Then the trickle of Detroit returns hemorrhaged.

"The seat is difficult for a Republican to win," said Steiner. "The district is becoming more Democratic."

Richner called his victory "humbling."

He added, "Thousands of people have helped me during my career as an elected official. They are the ones responsible for my being where I am."

Because of term limits, Richner's upcoming term in the Legislature will be his last. His supporters, however, hope he will continue a political career.

Ed Vermet of Grosse Pointe Woods, one of Richner's longtime friends and supporters, said, "I have the utmost respect for Andrew. I hope he has a long and successful political career. I hope to encourage him that way."

Among issues to be handled in the upcoming legislative session, Richner will deal with redistricting. The issue is a hot topic for Republican Grosse Pointers whose influence in Congress was nullified when the community was split, some say gerrymandered, into the 14th and 15th Congressional districts. Both districts are dominated by Detroit Democrats.

Because Republicans retained the House majority, Richner said, "we'll be in a position to reunite the Grosse Pointes into one congressional district."

Richner said he hasn't decided whether to stay in politics following the completion of his next term.

"I still have a full term to serve," he said the night of Tuesday's victory. "There's plenty of time to think about the next step."

He's even kept family members in the dark.

"If he has any plans," said his mother, Georgiana, "he's kept them to himself."

70 percent of registered voters participating in this year's election. That's a 7 percent improvement over 1996. In 1999, all local candidates ran unopposed and they had a turnout of 11 percent. In 1997, the last year there was a contested local race, voter turnout was 22 percent.

Park clerk Jane Blahut said that more residents voted in the morning than later. According to Park records, 4,983 people voted on Tuesday. In addition, there were 1,746 absentee voters.

Absentee voters constituted between 25 and 30 percent of voting totals in each of the Pointes.

By 11 a.m. on Tuesday a total of 2,039 people had voted. Between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. an additional 689 had voted. Between 1 and 3 p.m. 607 people voted. Between 3 and 5 p.m. 720 people voted. Another 697 voted between 5 and 7 p.m. During the last hour of the election, 231 people voted.

City records show that 285 people voted in the first hour of the election. Between 8 and 9 a.m. 554 people voted. By noon it was 1,255 out of a total of 2,429 cast that day.

Warnke and Blahut said that trend of voting early was quite different from 1996, when they said they still had a number of people

Election

From page 1A

"What about the 500,000 people who used the ballot and didn't make that error?" said Theokas. "You're getting into woulda, coulda shoulda."

Eric Steiner, a Republican city councilman in Grosse Pointe Woods, lost his bid to become the Pointe's Wayne County Commissioner. Steiner won the Grosse Pointe vote, but lost to

in line at 8 p.m., when the polls closed.

Reeside said that about 6,700 residents voted in the Nov. 7 election. That's 75 percent of the city's registered voters. That figure is 5 percent over the number of residents who voted in the 1996 election.

"Voting was heavy during the early hours," Reeside said. "After the first hour, the wait was relatively minimal. A lot had to do with our electronic voting equipment. We aren't limited by the number of voting booths, so we can set up more stands at the precincts. Our election workers did a great job and got everything done despite the high turnout."

Shores voters approve charter change on pensions

By Jim Stickford
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe Shores voters approved, by a margin of 1,005 to 400, changing the village charter to bring a section that was written in 1911 and dealt with the pensions of specific employees in line with other pension policies adopted over the past 90 years.

Village attorney Ralph Houghton said that when the charter was written, pension laws and pension plans were very simple. The charter also only specifically dealt with a few employees. As time went by, more employees started getting pensions, but these pensions weren't mandated by the

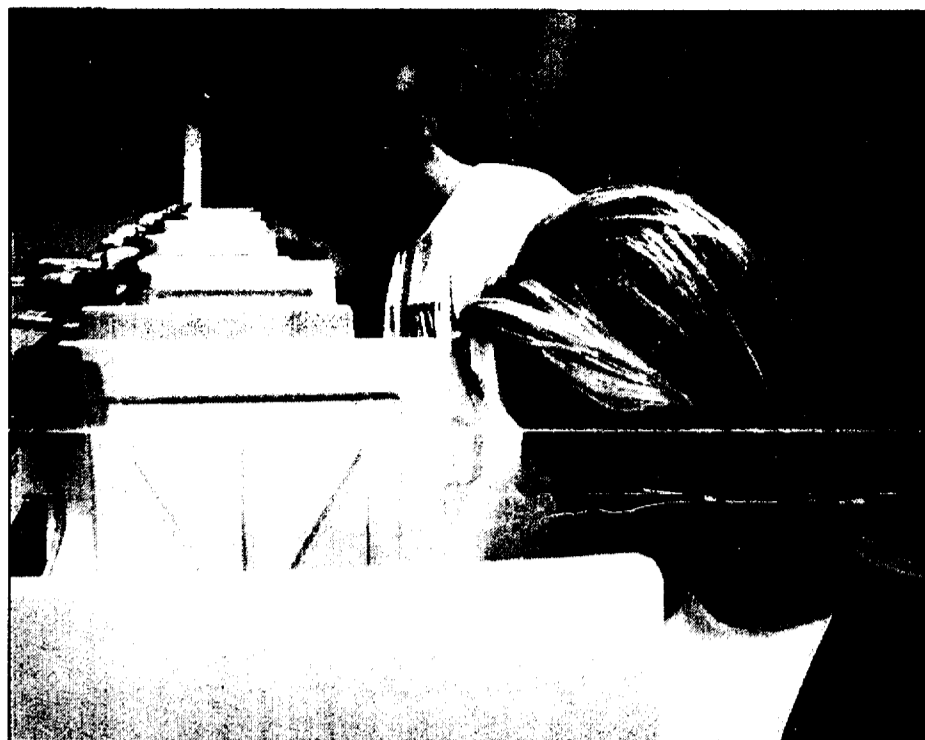


Photo by Brad Lindberg
Marc and Sheri DeLoach of Grosse Pointe Woods vote minutes before the polls closed.

deal with the pension plan created specifically by the charter. It should not add any expense to taxpayers, said Houghton. And no one is losing or gaining any benefits under the new rules. He said it's basically an administrative change.

The board of trustees felt that things were getting too complicated. The logical solution, it decided, was to amend the charter to bring all the plans under one roof, as it were. But amending the charter requires voter approval.

As a result, the proposed changes were placed on the village ballot for the November election. The change will allow officials to more easily regulate all the pension plans without having to go through a series of cumbersome steps whenever they wanted to

Correction

Corrections will be printed on this page every week. If there is an error of fact in any story, call the newsroom at (313) 882-0294.

In last week's story "Well rates go up at Woods marina," it was stated incorrectly that a one-time fee of \$154 was included in the Grosse Pointe Woods city council's approval of a boat well increase at Lake Front Park. Boaters will, however, be charged \$125 to raise and lower docks only if they request the docks be adjusted.

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Pointer makes the move from sound bites to big bites

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

Just like the way he was as a boy, Robert G. Liggett's daughters want to get into their dad's business.

Emily, 10, and twins Marjorie and Roberta, 9, want to be waitresses at Big Boy.

When the time is right, the Liggett girls will probably have their choice of almost 500 restaurants to work in if the U.S. Bankruptcy Court approves Liggett's approximately \$25 million offer to buy the Elias Bros. Big Boy chain.

Liggett, whose life had always been in radio and not in restaurants, saw the prospect and had the opportunity of turning around an undervalued company.

"It has a great platform for growth," said Liggett. "If you like Warren Buffett's analogies of why he bought Sees Candy and several other businesses — a strong brand, good people in management and an opportunity to grow — you've got it all."

Liggett entered into the radio business when it had a great platform for growth. As a boy, he was fascinated with his father's work as an actor and writer for shows like "The Lone Ranger" and "The Green Hornet."

"I saw him and I got a bug for it," said Liggett. "I thought it was cool to hear my dad on the radio and have him come home for dinner an hour later. It was that and radio was exciting in the 50s. It was the

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changeover from drama and entertainment to the advent of rock and roll that led me to become a high school DJ and hanging around radio stations."

As a teenager, Liggett's father schlepped him to work at various stations from Pontiac to Mount Clemens to work as everything from file boy to fill-in announcer on the evening and weekend shifts nobody else wanted to take. Through his college days in the 1960s he worked part-time filling in for the likes of Jimmy Launce and Mike Whorf at WJR-AM. He also was an announcer for the Detroit Red Wings in the Olympia Stadium heydays, marking the moves of players like Alex Delvecchio and Gordie Howe.

After graduating from Wayne State University Law School in 1969, Liggett thought he was ready for a career change. However, his law career, he said, lasted about a week.

"I had 11 years of radio under my belt, was a seasoned radio guy and making a good living at it, so I decided to give it a go," said Liggett. "I'd have to start all over as a lawyer."

Liggett gave it a go, not

just as an announcer, but as an owner of WFMK-FM in East Lansing which he bought in 1970.

"I've always had a sincere desire not to be poor so I thought I'd go where I could enjoy all of the elements of the broadcasting business," said Liggett. "I could announce and do all the things I enjoyed doing, especially when the business was very small. I even got to do some of the legal work since the radio business is highly regulated. I could act in many cases that weren't quite as dependent in great skills."

Liggett quickly hopped on the wave of the FM expansion. In the early- to mid-1970s, when FM radio became commonplace in cars and houses, Liggett began to acquire stations which quickly rose to No. 1 ratings in mid-size markets like Bay City/Saginaw, Adrian and Battle Creek. After the Federal Communications Commission lifted its limits of radio station ownership in the 1980s, Liggett bought stations as far away as New York, Minnesota and California. By 1990, his company, Liggett Broadcasting, had become

the largest radio broadcast group in Michigan.

By 1999, Liggett had his eye on securing his family's future and was looking for something different. With radio properties at a peak, he sold nine stations to Citadel Communications Corp. in December for \$120 million, leaving Liggett Broadcasting with five stations in Port Huron.

"I'm one of the lucky ones," said Liggett. "I was born at the right time. I made some tough decisions, got in, took my chances and prospered. I don't have a whole lot to complain about at 120 million bucks, but I've talked to general managers of stations who wanted to own facilities themselves, people who will never have that opportunity. I feel most concerned about the children of the people who are running the stations today and some of those other people who didn't get a chance. That bothers me a bit."

The sale, of course, afforded him the luck and opportunity to rescue a Detroit institution.

But can success in radio transfer over to success in the restaurant industry?

"It's amazing how over the years I've used a lot of restaurant analogies in my broadcasting career," said Liggett. "We used to have

people who wanted to change the format because they got bored with it. I said, 'No. In a restaurant you serve what you do best all the time and when people get hungry they come in for the best hamburger or the best strawberry pie and just because you're sick of serving it every day is not any reason to change your format.'"

The format is unlikely to change at the 65-year-old restaurant chain best known for its Slim Jims and strawberry pies.

"It's a great local brand and people love it," said Liggett. "The people who are going to stay on with the company are very strong. Their problems were caused by only one or two individuals at the top and if you pare that down, there are some really good people in the middle."

The biggest challenge, Liggett said, will be in growing the business. Before Elias Bros. filed for Chapter 11 protection in October, it sold 43 restaurants that had been suffering cash flow problems. However, Liggett sees opportunity for plowing new markets not only nationally, but internationally.


"I'd be interested to see if Big Boy can fly in England just like Austin Powers can," said Liggett.

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Pointe voters knock out Proposition 1

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

Following the state's 3-2 margin, voters in the five Pointes rejected Proposal 1 — the proposal that would have allowed private school tuition vouchers — by 15,584 to 10,311 votes.

"The people have spoken their feelings on this issue,"

said Matthew Hanly, University Liggett School headmaster and president of the Association of Independent Michigan Schools.

"I'm disappointed, but not surprised," said Our Lady Star of the Sea School principal Patricia Stumb. "I'm concerned about the kids in these (under performing)

schools. The opposition used a lot of scare tactics. They talked about things that would happen, but actually wouldn't if Proposal 1 passed."

Stumb, whose school is full with a waiting list and wouldn't have benefited if Proposal 1 passed, said she hoped to see another school reform proposal.

"I liked the teacher testing and I'd like to see more indirect aid," said Stumb.

"I don't think this will be the end of it," said Hanly, whose school would not have accepted vouchers if Proposal 1 passed. "I suppose something like it will be back in the legislature than by popular vote."

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What's the hurry?

While the nation's (and world's) attention focused on Florida's election results, there was another state that had not reported its results as of last Friday. Very little attention was paid to Oregon because its seven electoral votes were not enough to put Bush or Gore over the top. But attention should be paid.

Oregon became the first state to conduct a presidential election by mail. "People really feel like it has worked very well," Oregon's secretary of state, Bill Bradbury, told The Oregonian. "The early concerns about fraud have all been eliminated."

We realize that a national election is really a collection of separate state elections, each with differing procedures, but why must votes be cast and projections announced the same day, often before all polls are closed?

We live in an "instant gratification" world today, and many people want the results now. But if the right to vote is the most important pillar of a democracy, as many have said during the past week and a half, isn't a fair and accurate election worth the wait?

In Oregon, ballots are mailed to registered voters roughly three weeks before the election. This provides plenty of time to examine the issues and ask questions about any confusion regarding the ballot. This also gives voters time, especially when there are a large number of candidates and proposals on the ballot, as was the case in Michigan this year, to make careful and thoughtful choices without feeling rushed, as often happens at the polling places.

Those registered voters who have not received a ballot or those who have made a mistake have plenty of time to obtain a new one. The voter then can fill out the ballot and mail it

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in, provided it is received by 8 p.m. Election Day, or the voter can drop off the ballot at an election site by that time. Voting by mail is also less expensive than precinct voting, although voters must pay the postage unless they choose to drop off their ballot in person.

Security has been the main concern for mail-in ballot opponents. In Oregon, the most important security device is the voter's signature on the back of the ballot envelope. To prevent double voting, election officials verify that the signature on the envelope matches the one on the voter's registration card. If a signature is questioned, a verification board takes a second look. This is little different than vote signature verification of absentee ballots and at the polls.

A mail-in national election could also take away some of the influence of the television networks, which have had the collective habit of projecting winners before the West Coast polls close.

Unfortunately for the citizens whose polls were still open when the networks rushed to judgment, voter turnout and local elections in those places may have been affected.

A not-so-well-kept secret is that the exit poll projections are provided by the same research group, the Voter News Service, which is owned by CBS, NBC, ABC, CNN, Fox and the Associated Press. When one network makes a projection, they all do. When one screws up a call, as happened twice with Florida on Election Day, again, they all do.

"We made mistakes. But we made mistakes in good faith, based on bad information," NBC producer Jeff Zucker told the New York Post. "If you make a mistake and own up to it, that's fine." Last Friday New Mexico's five electoral votes were pulled out of the Gore column because that race was "too close to call." We'll soon learn if that was the networks' third mistake.

Exit poll projections, it has been argued, depress voter turnout. The networks say that they have a First Amendment right to report information, and that it's not their job to worry about turnout.

Just before 6 p.m. Pacific Standard Time on Election Day in 1980, NBC announced that Ronald Reagan had defeated Jimmy Carter. Carter conceded the election an hour later, long before the polls on the West Coast closed. "There's something wrong when voters in Walla Walla or Boise do not feel that their votes have the same impact as that of voters in Charleston or Providence," former Sen. Brock Adams, D-Wash., told the States News Service.

News concerning who is leading an election will be reported as long as voters participate in exit interviews, but why does anyone outside of an election official have access to the vote count before all of the ballots have been tabulated and certified? With mail-in voting, only those who drop off their ballots in person would be subjected to exit interviews. This would minimize the influence early projections might have on voters who


have yet to fill out their ballots and turn them in.

Election Day should serve as a deadline of when votes must be cast, not when they must be counted. At 8 p.m. or whenever a poll closes on Election Day, election workers should go home and get some sleep. The next day, with a good night's rest, they should return and begin tabulating the results. When the ballots have been counted and certified, whether it takes a day or a week, go ahead and let the media know the results.

There has been an increase in absentee ballots since the last presidential election, so mail-in ballots are nothing new. We've seen during the past week and a half that in a close election, every vote truly counts. Since we have to wait as late as Nov. 17 for overseas absentee ballots anyway, why jump to conclusions when there's a chance that media projections and candidate concession phone calls might be retracted?

Election officials in Oregon say there are some bugs to work out with a mail-in ballot system, but the complaints by opponents have focused primarily on the delay in learning the results. Part of the delay has been attributed to a need for more staff and drop-off sites. Oregon, like Michigan, also had a long list of issues and candidates on the ballot this year. In the end, Oregon achieved its goal of boosting voter turnout, with 80 percent of registered voters returning ballots.

There are a number of lessons to be learned from this fall's election, especially when looking at what has happened with the close races in Florida, Wisconsin, Iowa and New Mexico. So far, Oregon's vote-by-mail system seems to have provided the nation a better example on how to conduct elections. As MSNBC's Paul Begala, a Democratic consultant, said in reference to the Florida situation: "It's more important that we get it right, than get it right away."

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Newsman recalls Dewey

The presidential election is over, but the memory lingers on.

And what the memory will be in the distant future, especially after Nov. 17 when overseas ballots have been counted, nobody yet knows.

Those of us with long memories, however, recall somewhat similar circumstances in earlier elections in presidential races.

As the news editor of the Minneapolis Star & Tribune in Minneapolis in 1948 when the nominees were Thomas Dewey of New York and Harry Truman of Missouri, I sat in a hot seat on election night.

The banner story in our first edition, which went to press about 9 p.m., read: "Confident Dewey awaits returns."

Our editor at the time was favorable to Dewey's election and he in effect wrote that headline, which lasted only until we soon got enough returns to realize that Truman's lead was not impressive for the following reason:

What had happened was that the early returns were all favorable to Truman, but our editor said that he expected that early result because Truman had labor support in the big cities, but labor votes were not necessarily the only votes that were in. So when the farming areas' votes began to be counted, it was clear that Truman had pulled a huge upset.

At any rate, by the time the 11 p.m. edition rolled around in Minneapolis, we had changed our headline to something like this: "Truman leads in early returns."

Meanwhile, I was busy in our library trying to find an appropriate picture of Truman for later editions to replace the two-column cut that we had run with that unfortunate Dewey headline.

From that point on, however, my memory is hazy because the returns began to pour in from all over the country. Yet it wasn't until about 4 a.m. that it finally appeared that Truman had been elected.

Our first edition headline was mistaken, of course, but the worst early edition headline was provided by the Chicago Tribune, which said flatly, "Dewey Elected."

In Minneapolis, we did find a good picture of Truman to replace the early edition picture of Dewey on Page 1, and we continued through the night to predict that Truman could be elected.

But for several hours, we thought it was possible the election could wind up in a tie, and we had a couple of our best men checking the U.S. Constitution and returns from earlier presidential elections to see what might happen then.

My wife's sister at the time was living in Ada, Minn., an agricultural community. Early in the evening she called Gretchen, my wife, to tell her that Truman was going to win.

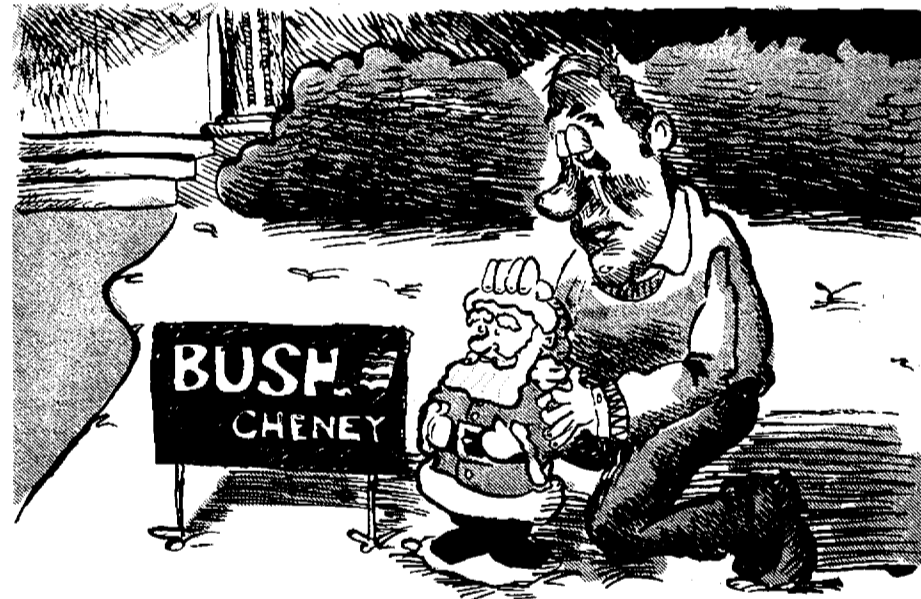
Gretchen was incredulous, I was told afterwards, because she had followed the daily papers, which were predicting a big Dewey victory.

Gretchen's sister said she was prepared to bet \$50 that Truman would be elected, but as a cautious newspaper man, I suggested that Gretchen trim the bet to \$5, which, fortunately for me, she did.

After that election, I was transferred to Washington, where I heard more about the election and about Truman predicting his own election early on election night and then going to bed.

As it turned out, Truman, the little man from Missouri, became a better president than many of us thought he would be.

— Wilbur Elston



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Offering from the loft

Old dog — new tricks

Never say never. Times change, and we try to adjust to the circumstances presented to us. I vowed not to touch upon the "situation" in Florida in this column and am wrestling with my own private battle of the season, Christmas shopping.

Never in a zillion years did I think I would consider a catalog to be my friend. I have filled out all the forms, in an attempt to stop delivery of same, to no avail. I pity the mail carriers who must surely suffer premature hernias and assorted back problems as a result of transporting these monsters that spill from our mailboxes daily.

Having said that, I have to admit to relying on a few of these catalogs for my shopping this year. Before you jump all over me about betraying our local retailers, I would remind you that they have catalogs, too, and very impressive ones. One can still shop locally and not leave home.

Due to some injuries to my back, my activities have been somewhat curtailed for the past few months and my stamina compromised. This sounds as if it might be a blessing for our wallets, keeping me off the streets, out of

the stores, etc. However, I seem to be spending an inordinate amount of time leafing through catalogs. My interest perks up when they advertise free shipping or gift wrapping.

Actually, I find that catalog gazing isn't too far removed from window shopping. I will fold the corner of a page intending to revisit it and then forget. It is wise to double check yourself to see if you ordered two of something or none! The young won't understand this — my contemporaries will.

Another vehicle that has served me well is the computer. I can shop around the world, in the Village, on the Hill or Mack Avenue from my desk. If I have questions, it's easy to speak to a live human being and have my packages delivered to my door. In most cases, I can even see the items I am purchasing.

There are times when this technobabble nearly drowns me, but I have to admit, it also simplifies life a great deal and makes the world a smaller place. If you miss the lights and holiday music, you can always put a Christmas CD in the computer and sip a little egg nog while you're browsing.

Letters are on Page 8A. The deadline for letters is 3 p.m. Friday for the Nov. 23 issue, which will come out on Wednesday, Nov. 22

Gore is no Nixon

No matter what happens in the presidential election controversy, the Gore-Bush contest will go down as the best ever.

Nothing has gotten more Americans talking about the political process than the confusion we now have in Florida, which may spread to other states.

Regular citizens are debating the pros and cons of the voting process, the clarity of ballots and the fairness of the electoral college. What was once the dry, boring minutiae covered in secondary school, are now topics of everyday conversation.

What we as students once questioned — as in "why do

I need to know this stuff?" — is part of the popular agenda.

But just because we are talking about it, doesn't mean we understand it, including some of us in the media.

Previously, I knew what the electoral college was, but I gave it little thought. I knew the president was not necessarily chosen by the popular vote, but rather by the electoral votes won by each candidate.

But I didn't know that not all the states' electoral votes had to be cast in order for a president to be chosen.

For example, let's say Florida fails to reach a decision and submit its electors by Dec. 18, the date the presidential electors meet in each of the states' capitals and the District of Columbia. In that case 25 electoral votes would fail to

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John Minnis



be cast, leaving 513 electoral votes.

Of those 513, Gore has 245 and would therefore be elected president. According to an article by Adam Clymer in the Nov. 10 New York Times, the U.S. Constitution only requires that to become president, a candidate must win a majority of the electoral ballots cast. But it does not say that all electoral ballots must be cast.

If Florida fails to cast its electoral votes, too bad. A

president is chosen and the nation's government continues.

Many voters, many of whom may have understood some of the electoral college process for the first time, are now calling for it to be eliminated so that the president can be elected by a true popular vote.

After all, that's the American way — majority rule — right?

But the electoral college was not adopted on a whim with little thought. It does

serve a purpose.

For one thing, it prevents a single state, such as Florida, from short-circuiting the political process, from bringing government to a halt. The continuation of the presidency — and government — must be assured. (Some cynics may think otherwise.) The electoral college makes sure a president is ultimately chosen.

Another good reason for the electoral college vs. a nationwide popular vote is when a state's vote is questionable or too close to call. It is far easier to recount the ballots in a single state than it is to conduct a nationwide recount.

The electoral college, which makes up electors equal to the number of U.S. senators and representatives from each state, has worked well. Only twice, in

1876 and 1888, has the top popular vote-getter failed to win the majority of electoral votes. And only twice, in 1800 and 1824, did the House of Representatives have to break an electoral vote tie.

But probably the best historical precedents in controversial presidential elections were set by defeated candidates Samuel Tilden in 1876 and Richard Nixon in 1968, a Democrat and a Republican, respectively.

In both cases, the losing party both felt that they had been cheated in the election process. But in both cases, the losing candidates had the good sense and statesmanship to tell their supporters to acquiesce for the good of the country.

Too bad Al Gore doesn't have as good a character as Nixon did 40 years ago.

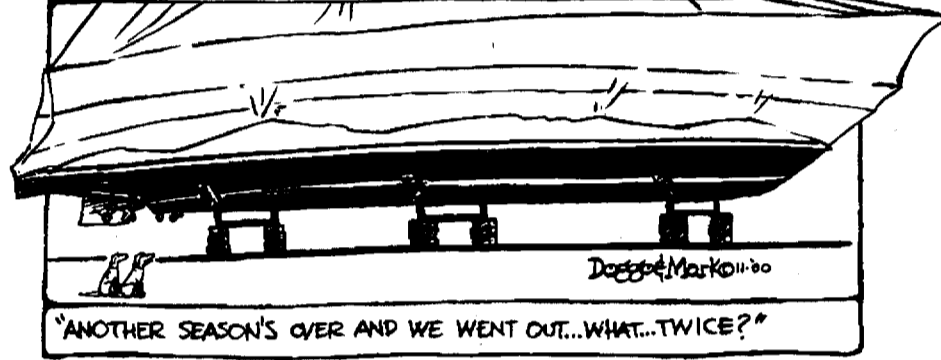
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Election confusion

My predictions of last week were not far off the mark, but close as they were, I could never have anticipated the razor-thin closeness of this election and the resultant confusion and controversy. The down side of this unique situation is the divisiveness being engendered, each side claiming fairness, justice and the law is on its side.

The up side is that the country is having a civics lesson of monumental proportions, and we are reviewing the decisions of our founding fathers and judging their appropriateness today. They never anticipated high tech voting machines and the vagaries of punching a hole to vote in a somewhat confusing ballot.

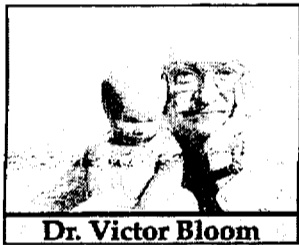
The Republicans are saying the ballot was approved by Democrats and are therefore legal, and all elections have a small percentage of confusion and some ballots are discarded if they are incorrectly filled out.

Up to now, voters get only one chance to vote, and if they make a mistake, it is their tough luck, and usually nobody knows if their ballot was valid or counted or not. A certain amount of faith is invested in the electoral process, even though we have all heard stories of ballot stuffing, ballot tampering and various forms of mischief.

The story was oft repeated that there were irregularities in the Chicago vote in 1960, in which Mayor Daley made sure that Kennedy emerged victorious in Chicago, but Nixon, knowing that he had lost in any event, refused to question the vote and throw the nation into a turmoil.

The Florida situation is profoundly different in that 19,000 votes are alleged to be wrongly discarded, and that many voters who voted for Buchanan really intended to vote for Gore. That is what they say, but how do we know?

Since there is a chance that mistakes were made and many people were unfairly disenfranchised, a recount was done, and although Gore gained a few hundred votes, Bush was



Dr. Victor Bloom

still ahead in the controversial county. According to law, if Bush is still ahead after the recount and gets all 25 of Florida's electoral votes, he wins the election and is the president-elect.

Since the recount narrowed Bush's lead, the Democrats demanded another recount, this time by hand, and there is controversy about that, one side contending that a hand count is too subjective and the other stating that a hand count is the only way to see whether the machines were wrong.

If a tiny tab of paper is still attached to the hole (which is punched by a tool), a legitimate vote may be accidentally counted as illegitimate and discounted. One side says the machine is more objective, less subjective, and the other side said a hand count is more accurate.

Since a hand count can actually distort the count by judging the presence or absence of a significant tab of tiny paper, the Bush campaign is challenging that count in court. This court challenge has been opposed by the Gore people, who threatened court challenges in the first place, initiating the controversy.

Given the closeness of the race and the importance of the election, they cannot be blamed for this, but neither can blame be attributed to one side or the other. Both

sides want to win. Both sides feel they deserve to win. Each side contends that their victory will be better for the nation.

A good friend of mine from high school, who has become a cardiologist of renown and a published poet, and who often sees the big picture before anyone else, has offered the following sentiments, which I heartily endorse.

Despite the fact that he strongly feels that Gore is better suited to be president, his message transcends the present controversy and looks to the future. Whichever man wins, the nation must unite around him and support his effort to resolve party and ideological differences.

Implicit in his message is the wish that despite diversity and multiculturalism, we can again become a melting pot of Americans.

He wrote, "Perhaps the most significant outcome of this election is the demonstration of the deep divisions in the nation by region, urban and suburban as opposed to rural, and the concept of the proper role of the federal government. The great task of the next president will be to subordinate his own political ambitions in order to reconcile these differences. The president must provide the rare leadership necessary to clear elucidation of the common interests of the nation and to achieve a unifying agenda for the 21st century."

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Richner to discuss election

Andrew Richner (R — Grosse Pointe Park), recently returned to the Legislature by Grosse Pointe voters, will speak to the Eastside Republican Club regarding the results of the election.

The meeting will take place at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial on Tuesday, Nov. 21, at 7:30 p.m.

Tom McCleary, chairman of the club, said speakers usually make a 20-minute presentation after which the meeting opens for questions. Admission to Eastside Republican Club meetings is free. The public is invited, regardless of political affiliation.

For more information, call McCleary at (313) 882-2709.

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Here's the rest of the story!

From among the poignant World War II tales of sacrifice, suffering and heroism recounted in honor of Veteran's Day 2000, here is a love story from the "this is a small world department."



Ben Burns

A few weeks back, I wrote about the thrice-told tale of St. Clair Shores' Ray Laenen's survival in a lifeboat in the Indian Ocean after the Liberty ship he was sailing on was torpedoed in 1945.

Laenen, who spent 22 days adrift before being rescued by an American sub, visited Germany last year and met with some of the crew of the U-boat that sent the Peter Sylvester bound from San Francisco to Calcutta to the bottom.

Neal Shine, of St. Clair Shores, that consummate Irish story teller, advised me I had heard only part of Laenen's incredible tale, which had been written in 1980 by a Free Press feature writer, and reprised by Neal in 1995 after he and wife Phyllis sailed the Indian Ocean exactly 50 years after Ray's ship sank there.

As Paul Harvey, famed radio commentator, would say: "Here's the rest of the story."

Laenen, Tom Spicketts, a friend from Kalamazoo, and a soldier named Chuck Briley from Detroit's east side, had been standing on the deck of the Peter Sylvester the night of the sinking. They were three 18-year-old youths, talking about life and death and what they would do after the war. Briley talked at great length of his plans to go home and marry his high school sweetheart, Marie. He said he couldn't wait to get back. He extolled Marie's beauty, personality and charm and said marrying her was the first thing he was going to do. It wasn't the first time that Briley had told Laenen about his affection, but it was the last time.

When the trio went below to go to their hammocks, Laenen and Spicketts turned left below deck and Briley turned right to go to the showers. Fifteen minutes later, the first German torpedo hit the ship where Briley was showering and he was killed instantly.

Laenen and Tom Tschirhart, who had been inseparable all through school at St. Rose's in Detroit, got to the lifeboats. They were in the same boat, but the next day the Navy officers decided there were too many in one boat so they ordered Tschirhart trans-

ferred to another boat. Both men protested the separation, but the order stood. And the next day Ray and his crewmates found themselves alone on the open ocean with no other lifeboats in sight.

After Laenen was rescued, each day he would go to the admitting area of the hospital he was recuperating at in Melbourne to learn any news of his mate, Tschirhart. Each day there was none. After a month, hope was pretty much gone.

But on the 32nd day, Ray came back to his hospital bed and discovered a tiny, brown wrinkled figure sitting on the bed next to his. Laenen thought they had put a Japanese prisoner of war in the bed next to him. But when he looked close he discovered it was Tschirhart, rescued after 32

days. Tschirhart thought he was hallucinating when his friend Laenen appeared. "Tom, It's me, Ray." They were reunited and remain friends to this day.

For years after the war, Laenen thought about trying to track down the mysterious Marie to tell her about Chuck Briley's last conversation and advise her how much she had been loved. But Laenen didn't know her last name or how to find her.

In 1995 after Neal Shine reprised Ray and Tschirhart's story in his Free Press column, Ray and his wife, Norma, were attending a party at St. Gertrude's parish in St. Clair Shores. The Laenens had been married there in 1949 and Ray had been an usher there over the years.

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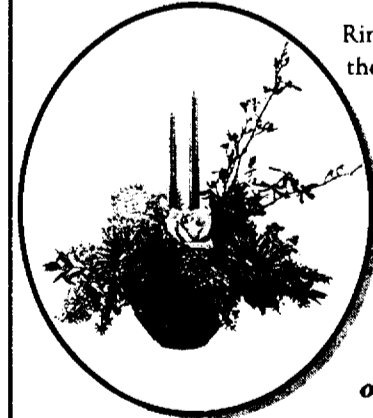


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Unavoidable challenge

To the Editor:
On election night after Gore conceded, I thought our presidency was about to receive a long-delayed cleansing from corruption and scandal. It is time for Al Gore to concede defeat to George W. Bush, again. It was time the night of the election, when Al Gore conceded but then reneged.
Now after two machine recounts that supported the Bush victory, Al Gore is demanding hand recounts of millions of ballots. These hand recounts involve so much subjective judgment that each ballot could be contested in court.
To make matters even worse, Al Gore has sent his

chief campaign adviser, Bill Daley, to supervise these hand vote recounts. Mr. Daley is the son of the former Chicago Mayor Richard Daley, who allegedly stole the 1960 election from Richard Nixon. Now we have another Daley assisting Al Gore in a critical vote count.

These hand recounts can be steered in any direction that the people doing the counting want them to go. These ballots are not only recounted but also reevaluated to determine the intent of the voter. The intent is judged by the counters.

The delay of the U.S. election results is wreaking havoc on our reputation in foreign countries and in overseas financial markets. On the surface the world is laughing at us but beneath

the surface is a fear that the orderly transfer of U.S. governmental leadership has been corrupted.

Al Gore has changed the rules for his own interests. If Gore refuses to concede, George W. Bush should aggressively challenge the vote totals in Iowa, Missouri, Oregon, Wisconsin and other states with a vote differential under 1 percent.

The local newspapers and the Michigan Republican party should reexamine the 90 percent voter turnouts reported all over Detroit. This is not the time for the Republicans to be country club statesmen conceding defeat with great civility, while the Democrats steal the White house.

Sears Taylor
Grosse Pointe Park

FYI

From page 7A

The St. Clair Shores Goodfellows that year had run a picture in their fundraising newspaper of the St. Gertrude's boys basketball team from 1940 and another usher — Cliff Mason — was in it.

Laenen went over to kid Mason about how he looked in those ancient basketball shorts of the '40s. After joking with Mason about how good he looked, Laenen turned to leave. Mason's wife, whom Ray didn't really know, reached up and caught his arm and said, "Ray, I've always meant to ask you about that story that ran in the Free Press about the ship that was tor-

pedoed during the war in the Indian Ocean.
"I was engaged to a man who lost his life in a sinking in the Indian Ocean."

Laenen says he got a funny feeling as she spoke and answered, "Oh, my gosh. You are Marie."
She answered, "Of course I'm Marie," thinking that Ray knew her first name.

"No, I mean you are Marie. Chuck Briley's girlfriend, the one he was going to marry," Laenen said. "We have to sit down."

Laenen then told Marie about that last evening aboard the doomed Peter Sylvester and Briley's vow that he would wed Marie when the war was over. When Briley didn't return

from the war, Marie married Mason and the couple had 10 children and now live in Harrison Township. They had lived within a few miles of Laenen for half a century and in fact, as teenagers, two of Laenen's children had dated two of Marie and Cliff's teens. But neither Laenen nor Marie ever made the connection until that night at the St. Gertrude's party.

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Seniors should talk with doctors about pneumococcal vaccine

Regardless of when the flu vaccine is available this fall, seniors and others considered to be at high-risk for influenza are encouraged to talk to their health-care provider about pneumonia vaccine. Pneumococcal pneumonia, caused by the bacteria *Streptococcus pneumoniae*, is the most common bacterial complication of influenza.

Although a vaccine to help protect against this kind of pneumonia has been available in the United States for more than 20 years, only 45.6 percent of Michiganders over 65 have been vaccinated, according to the latest government fig-

ures. The vaccine is reimbursable through Medicare Part B.

"Prevention is the first step in dealing with virtually every disease. Fortunately in the case of pneumococcal disease, we have a very good method of helping to prevent pneumococcal disease — the pneumococcal vaccine," says Dr. Neil Schachter, professor of medicine at the Mount Sinai Hospital, Mount Sinai School of Medicine, New York City.

An estimated 150,000 to 570,000 cases of pneumococcal pneumonia occur annually in the United States. Pneumococcal infection,

which can also affect the brain (as meningitis) or blood (as bacteremia), causes approximately 40,000 deaths in the United States each year.

The fatality rate for pneumococcal infection is higher among the elderly.

In urging patients to talk to their health-care providers about vaccination, Schachter points out that the bacteria that cause pneumococcal disease have become increasingly resistant to common antibiotics. In some areas as many as 35 percent of pneumococcal bacteria have been reported to be resistant to penicillin. Many penicillin-resistant

pneumococci also are resistant to other antimicrobial drugs.

The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends pneumococcal vaccination for everyone over age 65 as well as persons over age 2 with certain underlying medical conditions, including congestive heart disease, diabetes, emphysema, liver disease, sickle cell or HIV. Those living in special environments (e.g. nursing homes or long-term care facilities) are at increased risk for pneumococcal infection.

You should talk to your

doctor about whether pneumococcal vaccination is appropriate for you. There are persons who should not receive pneumococcal vaccine.

For example, the vaccine should not be given to anyone allergic to any vaccine component.

Most people ages 65 and older need only one shot, though the duration of protection is uncertain. All persons over 65 years who have not received the vaccine within five years (and were younger than 65 years at the time of vaccination) should receive another dose of vaccine.

Pneumococcal vaccine

may not protect everyone, and it will not prevent disease caused by types of pneumococcus other than those contained in the vaccine.

Some of the side effects that may occur with pneumococcal vaccine include soreness, warmth and swelling at the injection site, fever and other less common systemic reactions. Other more serious reactions have been reported with pneumococcal vaccine. You should talk to your doctor about the vaccine's side effects.

Seniors should talk to their doctors or health-care provider about pneumococcal vaccination.

Library selects architect for Woods, Park branches

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

The Grosse Pointe Public Library has contracted David Milling & Associates/Architects (DMA) of Ann Arbor and Library Planning Associates of Madison, Wis., to develop plans for two new 8,000 to 10,000 square-foot branch libraries in Grosse Pointe Park and Grosse Pointe Woods.

David Milling had worked with the library with his previous firm, Osler/Milling Architects, in 1987 in drawing up plans to expand the Central Library and renovate the two branch

libraries.

That proposal was turned down by voters. Recently, DMA had designed the renovation and new construction of five libraries in Kalamazoo, a new library in Oxford and is currently working on renovations of the Hall-Fowler Library in Ionia and the McGregor Library in Highland Park.

"They are very sensitive to the particular areas of the community," said library director Vickey Bloom, who suggested the board pick DMA over seven other architects and planners. "What impressed me was their will-

ingness to work with focus groups to hear what the community has to say, but also provide ideas of what other new libraries have to offer that we don't."

"The hallmark of what we do is community participation," said David Milling of DMA. "We're looking forward to meeting not just with the staff, but with the public as well."

The DMA projects in Kalamazoo range from a sleek and ultra-modern 100,000 square-foot downtown main branch to the renovation of a cozy 1929 English arts and crafts

8,000 square-foot building.

"There were several things that were done very, very well," said Kalamazoo Public Library director Saul Amdursky. "The buildings came in a timely manner and at budget and they did a good job of fitting in with the neighborhoods. They're talented people. They have very creative eyes and they listen to people."

What will the two new branch libraries look like?

"I have no preconceived notions," said Milling. "At this point, I have an open mind and confidence we can come up with a shared vision."

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Grosse Pointers join state in rejecting Prop. 2

By Jim Stickford
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe voters, along with voters from the rest of the state, turned out overwhelmingly to reject Proposal 2, a ballot initiative that, if successful, would have required the state Legislature to have a super-majority of two-thirds before passing any laws that would affect local governments.

According to figures published in the Detroit Free Press, statewide the proposal received only 32 percent of the total votes.

The results from the Pointes mirrored the state

vote.

Voters in the City of Grosse Pointe rejected the proposal by a margin of 2,220 to 869. In the Farms it was 1,585 yes vs. 4,121 no. Park results were similar, with the proposal getting 1,793 yes votes and 4,216 no votes. Grosse Pointe Woods voters defeated the proposal by a margin of 5,647 to 2,289. Grosse Pointe Shores voters cast 1,061 no votes and 574 yes votes.

The proposal received strong opposition from local politicians. Woods Mayor Robert Novitke said that while he was a strong believer in local government, he

thought the proposal went too far.

Park Mayor Palmer Heenan said that there are too many problems that could only be solved on a state level. He cited, as an example, ending raw sewage discharges into the lake. That needs one overall solution and not 20 communities coming up with 20 different solutions.

State Rep. Andrew Richner, R-Grosse Pointe Park, said the language of the proposal was too vague, making it an attorney's dream and a community's nightmare.

He also thought it would

lead to too many bad laws being passed and too many good laws being rejected.

"I guess the majority of voters didn't favor a super-majority," said Park city manager Dale Krajniak. "There are occasions where I understand the need for state control, but there are other cases where it's too intrusive. In the past year I can think of instances of both."

But the bottom line, said Krajniak, was that the majority of state voters didn't want state policy controlled by a minority of representatives.

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G. P. Woods sells three used police cruisers

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Three local police cruisers with a combined mileage a few patrols short of reaching the moon will be sold.

The vehicles have been part of the public safety fleet in Grosse Pointe Woods for the past two to three years.

Mike Makowski, the Woods public safety director, said the cars will be sold to

Highland Park for a total of \$21,000. The price was established with the help of a local automobile dealer.

The vehicles cost \$62,000 when new in 1997 and 1998.

"The public safety director believes no benefit will accrue to the Woods by plac-

ing the vehicles up for bid," according to Ted Bidigare, the Woods city administrator. Proceeds from the sale will be used for future public safety needs.

Woods patrolmen have driven the three cars a total of 215,996 miles, only 4,710

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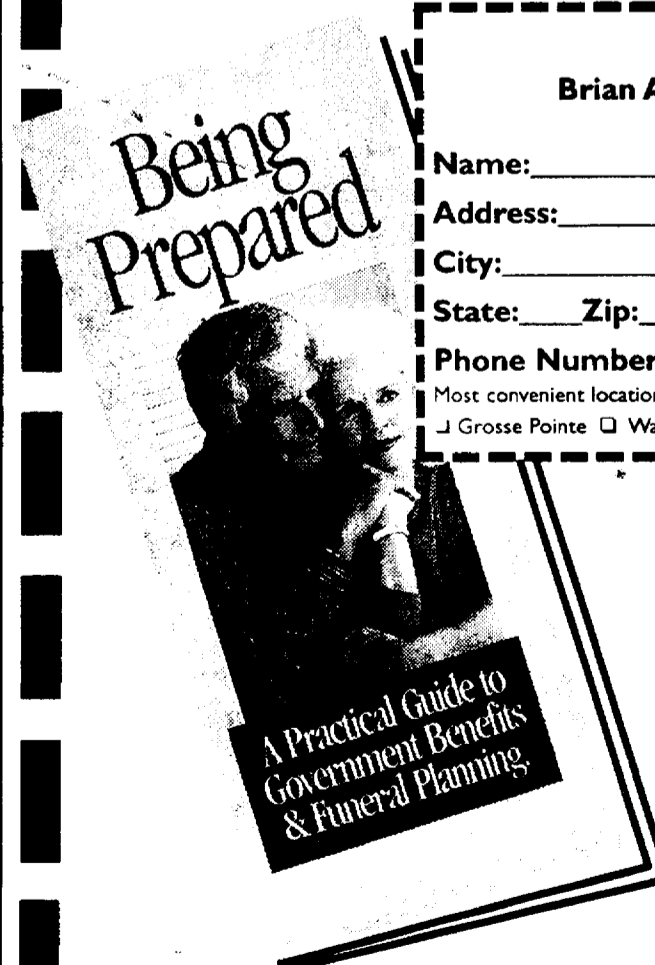
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Richard W. Balsler, DDS

Former Grosse Pointe Shores resident Richard W. Balsler, DDS, of Hobe Sound, Fla., died Friday, Nov. 10, 2000. He was 78.

Dr. Balsler was born in East Hampton, Mass., on April 25, 1922. He was a 1946 graduate of the University of Detroit Dental School and had his own practice for 41 years. He served in both the U.S. Army and U.S. Navy during World War II.

Dr. Balsler was a parishioner of St. Christopher Catholic Church in Hobe Sound and a member of the Black River Country Club in Port Huron, the St. Clair Country Club in St. Clair, the Gowanie Country Club in Mount Clemens and the Eaglewood Country Club in Hobe Sound.

Survivors include his wife of 55 years, Vivian; two sons, Richard W. Jr. (Judy) of Rochester Hills and Michael T. (Diane) of Clinton Township; a sister, Eleanor Dorr of Marietta, Ga.; one grandson and two step-grandchildren.

A memorial Mass for Dr. Balsler was celebrated Wednesday, Nov. 15, at St. Christopher Church. Funeral arrangements were handled by Young & Prill Funeral Home in Stuart, Fla.

Memorial gifts may be sent to the Leukemia Society, 5840 Corporate Way, West Palm Beach, FL 33407 or Hospice of Martin & St. Lucie, Inc., 2030 S.E. Ocean, Stuart, FL 34996.

held. Funeral arrangements were handled by Verheyden Funeral Home.

Caroline Jolley McAdow

Former Grosse Pointe Farms resident Caroline Jolley McAdow, of Bradford Woods, Pa., died Tuesday, Nov. 7, 2000, after a lengthy illness. She was 97.

Mrs. McAdow was born May 18, 1903, in Kansas City, Mo., and was raised in Kansas City and Topeka, Kan. She graduated from the University of Kansas in 1925 with a degree in sociology.

Mrs. McAdow was a member of Grosse Pointe Memorial Church where she was involved with the Presbyterian Women's Group, worked on various church support activities and was a former Sunday school teacher; the American Association of University Women; a 30-year member of the Cottage Hospital Auxiliary and served on the board of the Young Women's Home Association.

Mrs. McAdow is survived by a daughter, Ann McAdow Jenkins of Bradford Woods, Pa.; a son, Walter Robert of Troy; a sister, Mary Elizabeth Dean of Aptos, Calif.; a brother, John Jolley of Charlotte, N.C.; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband, Walter "Mac," on July 21, 2000.

A memorial service for Mr. and Mrs. McAdow will be held Saturday, Nov. 18, at 2 p.m. at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church. Interment will be at the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church Columbarium.

Memorial gifts may be sent to Grosse Pointe Memorial Church.

nomics. After graduation, she worked for Ames Employment as manager of their Detroit office.

Mrs. Potter was a member of the Cottage Hospital Auxiliary and several investment clubs, a volunteer at Grosse Pointe South High School, the Grosse Pointe War Memorial and Channel 56 and an alumna of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority. She enjoyed travel, swimming, music, dance, the arts and reading.

Mrs. Potter is survived by a daughter, Kathleen; a son, Brian (Michelle); and two grandchildren, Ana Kathryn and Reilly Lewis. She was predeceased by her husband, Theodore L. and son, Steven.

Services were held Saturday, Nov. 11 at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church. Funeral arrangements were handled by Verheyden Funeral Home.

Memorial gifts may be sent to the Alzheimer's Association.



Jay W. Sorge

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Grosse Pointe Farms resident Jay W. Sorge died Wednesday, Nov. 8, 2000, following a brief illness.

Mr. Sorge was born July 27, 1917, in Detroit and was a graduate of Grosse Pointe High School where he was valedictorian of the Class of 1935. He attended Washington and Lee University, the University of Michigan and U-M Law School. He was a member of the Law Review and elected to the Order of the Coif in law school.

Mr. Sorge was a senior partner at Hill Lewis. His law practice involved public issues of stock, mergers and acquisitions, other general corporate matters and charitable foundations. He was listed in "Who's Who in American Law," "Who's Who in Commerce and Industry" and "Who's Who in the Midwest."

Mr. Sorge was secretary and director of several corporations and trustee of several charitable foundations. He was chairman of the corporations committee of the State Bar of Michigan and was treasurer of several U.S. congressional and State of Michigan House of Representative campaigns.

Mr. Sorge was a former member of the Detroit Club and was a member of The

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Tracy C. Kolodziej

Tracy Christine Kolodziej

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Tracy Christine Kolodziej died Wednesday, Nov. 8, 2000, at Riverview Hospital in Detroit. She was 34.

Mrs. Kolodziej was born in the City of Grosse Pointe and was a graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School.

Mrs. Kolodziej was a member of the Bon Secours Mothers Club and enjoyed gardening and reading.

Survivors include her husband, Walter III; a daughter, Courtney Michol; a son, Walter IV; her mother, Michol Barlow; her father, James Kaminski; and a brother, Scott Kaminski.

A private service was



Lois Gehrig Potter

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City of Grosse Pointe resident Lois Gehrig Potter died Wednesday, Nov. 8, 2000, at Bon Secours Nursing Care Center in St. Clair Shores after a lengthy illness. She was 73.

Mrs. Potter was the daughter of Edward and Edith Middleton Gehrig and was a native Grosse Pointe, was a 1940 graduate of Grosse Pointe High School and a 1944 graduate of Dennison University where she earned a degree in eco-

nomics. After graduation, she worked for Ames Employment as manager of their Detroit office.

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Counterfeit

A man claiming to be homeless has been arrested for trying to cash an \$819 counterfeit check at a bank in the 20200 block of Grosse Pointe Woods.

According to a bank investigator, the Woods incident, which took place on Tuesday, Nov. 7, at 12:47 p.m., followed an earlier shakedown where the suspect allegedly cashed a fake \$819 check at a branch in Detroit.

The Woods attempt took place while a veteran teller was training a new employee. Thinking the counterfeit check didn't add up, the teller began an investigation that resulted in the suspect's arrest.

Woods police said the man was a parole violator who had eight outstanding warrants from Detroit.

Caught, freed

A Clinton Township man driving a car with a defective taillight was found to be wanted on drug charges in Detroit.

The 41-year-old suspect's history came to light after a Grosse Pointe Woods policeman pulled him over in the area of Jackson and Hunt Club on Saturday, Nov. 11, at about 5:30 p.m.

After issuing the man a traffic ticket for defective equipment, Woods police had to release him because Detroit police were unable to pick him up.

Business B&E

Employees of a Grosse Pointe Woods business arrived at work last week to

find someone had broken in and raided the cash register.

On Tuesday, Nov. 11, at 11:05 a.m., said Woods police, employees of a store in the 21100 block of Mack found the cash register drawer lying empty on the floor among scattered loose change. The store had been closed at about 11 p.m. the night before.

There were signs of entry, but the back door was discovered ajar.

Fiddle filched

On Thursday, Nov. 2, a student at Pierce Middle School in Grosse Pointe Park reported a Lewis violin missing from a locker.

Four cars entered

Like locusts in a wheat field, car thieves ravaged cars in a company parking lot near Mack and Moross in Grosse Pointe Woods on Tuesday, Nov. 11.

Police have no leads on who broke into four cars, smashing windows and stealing cash, cellular telephones, video and stereo equipment.

Bike problems

Three bicycles were stolen last week in Grosse Pointe Park.

The first theft took place in the 800 block of Harcourt on Tuesday, Nov. 7, between 10 a.m. and 9:45 p.m. A resident reported a red 19-inch Upland Giant bike was stolen from a garage.

The remaining thefts occurred the night of Nov. 10-11 in the 1200 block of

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Maryland. The victim reported someone stole a 26-inch man's Cannondale and woman's 26-inch Trek bike.

—Brad Lindberg

Shores drinkers

Grosse Pointe Shores public safety officers arrested two suspects for operating motor vehicles while under the influence of intoxicating liquors on the same evening.

The first incident took place at 12:43 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 11. A Shores public safety officer was traveling west on Vernier when he spotted a 2000 Honda Accord traveling 45 mph in a 30 mph zone. The officer finally pulled the vehicle over at Morningside and could smell the odor of alcohol coming from the car. He asked the driver, a 32-year-old Detroit woman, if she had anything to drink. She admitted to having "a couple of drinks" at a St. Clair Shores tavern.

She also failed her field sobriety tests and blew a .14 on her preliminary breath test (PBT). She was arrested and later released on \$100 bond.

The second incident took place at 1:59 a.m. A Shores patrol officer spotted a 1997 Chevrolet Blazer traveling along Lakeshore at a speed of 50 mph, 15 mph over the limit. The officer followed the vehicle into Grosse Pointe Farms as the driver ignored the police car's flashing lights and siren. It

finally pulled over in the Farms at Whitcomb and the driver, a 28-year-old St. Clair Shores woman, admitted to having "two, maybe three beers."

She also failed her field sobriety tests and blew a .167 on her PBT. A background check also revealed that the driver was driving with a suspended license. She was taken into custody and later released after posting bail.

Failed entry

A Grosse Pointe Shores resident who lives in the first block of Vernier reported that sometime during the early morning hours of Saturday, Nov. 11, someone attempted to pry open the door of his Buick, which was parked in the driveway of his home. While the door was damaged, it did not appear that anyone got in the car.

 Scooter scoots

A silver scooter left on the front porch of a home in the first block of Beverly in Grosse Pointe Farms was stolen between 5 and 9:15 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 11.

Fugitive caught with gun

Grosse Pointe Farms police were notified of suspicious behavior by two men who were seen to be checking the door handles of cars in a parking lot behind businesses in the 18800 block of Mack at 4:15 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 11.

When an officer was dispatched to the scene, he saw that the two men seen checking door handles had gone into a car and were in the process of picking up two women who were carrying shopping bags.

The officer pulled the vehicle over and told the driver why the vehicle was being pulled over. The driver said he had a job and wasn't doing anything illegal. When the officer asked the driver what was the name of the male passenger in the front seat, the driver said he didn't know.

The officer then asked the passenger what his name was. The passenger said he had no identification and gave a name. The officer asked him to get out of the car. As he did so, he placed his hands below his stomach and said he had to urinate. This behavior put the officer on the alert.

The officer then spotted the handle of a revolver

sticking out from the passenger's waist band. The suspect was immediately taken into custody and handcuffed on the ground. The gun turned out to be a .357 caliber magnum and was loaded with four rounds.

A more thorough check of the suspect's background revealed he was the brother of the driver and was wanted by Lansing authorities for parole violation. A further search of the car turned up an open bottle of bourbon.

The passenger was cited for carrying a concealed weapon. The driver was cited for transporting an open intoxicant. The female passengers were sisters and released from police custody.

Failed B&E

A resident of the 200 block of Merriweather in Grosse Pointe came home at 2:30 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 10, and found that her key did not work in the front door. A closer inspection of the mechanism revealed that the lock had been damaged, as if someone tried to jimmy the door open. Nothing was stolen and police believe no one was able to enter the house.

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Obituaries

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Club at Pelican Bay and the Country Club of Detroit.

Mr. Sorge is survived by two daughters, Susan and Jane Sorge Anderson; two sons, Jay W. Jr. (Debbie) and David Ervin (Madelynn); a sister, Harriet Gayle; and four grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife of 53 years, Mary Jane.

Services for Mr. Sorge were held Tuesday, Nov. 14, at Christ Church Grosse Pointe. Funeral arrangements were handled by the

Wm. R. Hamilton Co. Memorial gifts may be sent to the Children's Leukemia Society of Michigan, 29777 Telegraph, Suite 1651, Southfield, MI 48034.

Louise M. VanderMarliere

Louise M. VanderMarliere (nee Marsack), of St. Clair Shores, died Thursday, Nov. 9, 2000, at St. John Hospital and Medical Center. She was 78.

Mrs. VanderMarliere was born in Grosse Pointe

Farms. She was a member of the VFW Bruce Post Women's Auxiliary.

Mrs. VanderMarliere is survived by two daughters, Connie (Bill) Morrow and Joanne Neff; two sons, Charles (Eugena) and Paul (Roberta); 23 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by a son, Gilbert "Skip."

A funeral service for Mrs. VanderMarliere was held Saturday, Nov. 11, at Kaul Funeral Home in St. Clair Shores. Interment is at St. Paul Cemetery.

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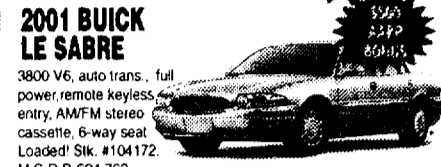
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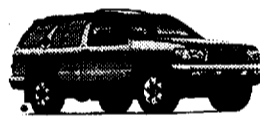
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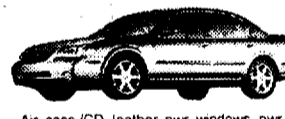
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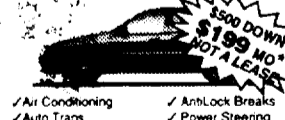
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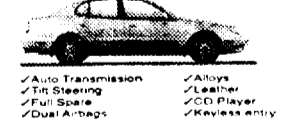
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Board approves \$7.3M bond for construction projects

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

Energy-related and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) modifications are online at 13 Grosse Pointe public schools.

The Grosse Pointe Board of Education approved a \$7.3 million non-voted bond issue for energy control sys-

tems and window and boiler replacements at its Monday, Nov. 13 meeting.

The bond proposal was modified from an original \$9.95 million request made last week. The \$2.7 million proposed in elevator projects at eight buildings will now be financed from money in the district's Durant Fund

— the district's rainy day fund of monies reimbursed from the state for special education expenditures in 1998.

"These are all projects on our five- and 10-year list of projects," said assistant superintendent of business affairs and support services Chris Fenton. "This bond

will allow us to move up the time frame to get them done now and to combine these projects to get some savings."

Fenton noted that some planned projects, like window replacements at Barnes School, Ferry Elementary School and Brownell Middle School may afford the dis-

tract some savings by having all three projects done simultaneously since they were designed by the same architect and built at the same time.

Fenton also noted that immediate financing will afford a better investment in aging boilers, like the one at Grosse Pointe South High School. A short-term repair or upgrade of the system may cost as much as \$450,000 while a brand new boiler will last at least 30 years before major repairs or upgrades are likely to be needed.

Other projects to be funded by the bond issue include boilers at Grosse Pointe North High School, Trombly, Richard and Maire elementary schools and the district administration building.

New energy management systems are slated for all high schools and middle schools as are new windows at Kerby Elementary School and the administration building.

Other projects slated in the next 18 to 24 months to be funded by bond or Durant Fund monies include new elevators and elevator upgrades at South; Parcels and Pierce middle schools; Kerby, Monteith and Richard elementary schools and the administration building.

The bond issue will be repaid over 15 years at 7 percent interest by monies in the district's general fund. Over the long term, the interest on the loan will be offset by energy and maintenance savings.

Board of ed ratifies teacher contract

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

After Grosse Pointe public school teachers spent over four months without a contract, the Grosse Pointe Board of Education finally ratified a four-year contract at its Monday, Nov. 13, meeting.

The highlights of the new contract include up to four half-days of planning time for elementary school teachers and a flexible benefits package, as well as a 4.3 percent salary increase for the 2000-01 school year, a 3.9 percent salary increase for the 2001-02 and 2002-03

school years and a 3.6 percent salary increase for the 2003-04 school year.

"We are very pleased," said Grosse Pointe Education Association president Rosalie Bryk. "We feel comfortable with what we brought to our membership."

"The salaries are commensurate with contracts in the area and they reflect the dedication and experience of the Grosse Pointe teachers and the board's value of the teaching staff. We also believe the flexible benefits package provides our membership with more options members can tailor to their needs."

However, while elementary teachers were provided with more planning time in response to concerns about grasping steadily changing curricula and time needed to employ differentiation, or different teaching approaches to students of various skill levels, Bryk said, "The elementary planning time is a good start. It's a foundation on which to build on."

"When the state decided that the funding for education was going to come from a statewide level and that we no longer had complete control over it here in Grosse Pointe, it called to some pretty creative

approaches to financing and I think that's what this contract represents," said board president Jack Ryan. "It's a healthy raise to the teachers that in this district is absolutely deserved for the professional, top-notch job that they do and we had to come up with the money somewhere and (assistant superintendent for business affairs and support services) Mr. (Chris) Fenton did a good job of that and working with the union to come up with a good approach."

Contracts for office personnel and classroom assistants are expected to follow.

School bells will ring earlier

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

If it feels like summer is getting shorter every year, it will be.

Beginning with the 2000-01 school year, teachers will report for duty on the Monday before Labor Day and students will report for their first day of class the following Tuesday.

"It wasn't a local decision to extend the school year," said Grosse Pointe Board of Education president Jack Ryan. "The mandate came from the state that we had to by law increase the number of days and our only choice at the local level was where to add those days."

Superintendent of schools Suzanne Klein said that the decision to add days at the beginning of the school year came from requests from an elementary school survey taken last school year when families were asked when they would like to see those days added.

Klein said there were requests to see if the school day could be lengthened to accommodate the requirements for extra hours, but she said, "Increasing the school day, especially for our kindergartners and first-graders, doesn't work very well."

Klein said that the new schedule also honored the request of parents to protect the existing vacation times.

Even though the school year will begin before the unofficial end of summer on Labor Day weekend, the new calendar only adds three days to the school year.

The new schedule allows for a four-day Labor Day holiday. A state law prohibits classes to be held the Friday before Labor Day.



Oddly entertaining

Carl Schumacher and Andrew Davis and the rest of the cast and crew of Grosse Pointe High School's Pointe Players have matched up well for Neil Simon's mismatched comedy "The Odd Couple." Performances run Thursday, Nov. 16, at 7:30 p.m. and Friday and Saturday, Nov. 17 and 18 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$6 for students and seniors and are available at Posterity: A Gallery in the Village. For more information, call (313) 343-2617.



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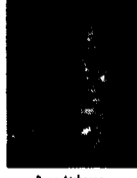


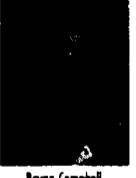

















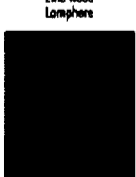







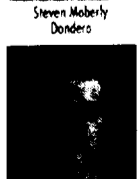




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Parents, administration in dis'chord'ance over North choir

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

Amid concerns of what Grosse Pointe Public School System and Grosse Pointe North High School administrators term as a program "in transition," more than a handful of parents attended the Nov. 7 and 13 board of education meetings to plead their case for the district to find a new vocal music director who will bring excellence and parity to the vocal music program at North.

Panic among parents arose this summer when North's former vocal music director, Brad LaPratt, announced his resignation. A first round of interviews was conducted with three candidates in August, but no

candidates were found to be suitable.

"The interview process did not yield the candidate that the administrators felt matched our unique needs," said North principal Caryn Wells in a letter dated September, 2000, to vocal music parents in September.

"Specifically, we were looking for someone with a strong classical background, someone whose students consistently earned superior ratings in competitive performances. We were looking for someone who had an interest in musicals and experience in a variety of performances, including some opportunities to showcase the different ensembles. We were asking for

someone to build North's program, including the beginning of a show choir experience. We are looking for a lot in one person."

In the meantime, the district hired Stan Harr to act as a long-term sub for vocal music classes at North. Harr has 25 years of choral teaching experience in Madison, Wis., and is a member of the Detroit Concert Choir and Grosse Pointe Theater.

Wells also met with students in focus groups and met with parents in October to discuss wants, needs and concerns of the program.

Students said they wanted a program that offered a wide variety of music, especially increasing contemporary offerings; different cos-

tumes and outfits; a trip to New York or another big city; participating in more concerts and festivals; developing a before or after school show choir; keeping a strong focus on musical production and developing mixed group choruses.

Parents also said they wanted a show choir and a possible trip this year.

They also wanted to continue developing the vocal music program, establish a parent booster club and work toward finding the most capable replacement for vocal music director.

From those focus groups and the meeting with parents, district fine and performing arts supervisor Margaret Steele has been

looking into the possibility of arranging a spring performance trip and completed paperwork for entering the school's eligibility for competitions. The district has also recently posted an Extra Pay, Extra Duty (EPED) position for a before or after school show choir. In addition, the district has lined up a new set of interviews with 12 new vocal music director candidates on Nov. 20 and 21.

Parental Concerns

Several parents at the Nov. 7 and 13 board meetings expressed opinions about lack of continuity from the level of programming from Parcels Middle School into North, students

losing interest in and dropping out of the program, disparity between programs at both high schools, insufficient options to accommodate the most serious students and differences in program vision between administration and parents.

Jerry Miserendino, a parent of two daughters in the vocal music program at Parcels, said, "I was very disappointed to hear from ninth-grade parents at North whose very talented children left Parcels with wonderful expectations only to discover the music program at North is a huge disappointment. This can only be exemplified by the large See DIS'CHORD'ANCE, page 17 A

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Games day is a cooperative effort at Brownell

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

Half days at Brownell Middle School are all fun and games.

No, it's not a free-for-all or an athletic competition, but more on par with the TV show "Survivor" in reverse where team members have to work together to conquer obstacles.

Last year, physical education teachers Gina Francis and Becky Herd developed a set of group games designed to develop group dynamics, trust and one of the school's North Central Association

accreditation goals of having students show respect for each other.

Herd and Francis decided that half days presented the best opportunity to play the games which require groups of 12 to 14 students. Each game lasts about 16 minutes in length with a five-minute debriefing where the teacher in charge and the group talked about what strategies worked well and what could have been done better.

"During class time with a group of 30 kids is not the best way to do this," said Francis.

In testing their mettle in their ability to work as a team, students had to pick up, transport and dump "toxic waste," pass themselves and each other through a "spider web" and instruct blindfolded team members through an obstacle course rigged with booby traps.

"What we want to teach them is that you can't rely on yourself, but if you work together, you can achieve your goal," said Francis.

"I thought they would struggle early on, but we were surprised how quickly

they picked up that concept," added Francis.

The cooperative games day, held for the sixth-graders last week and will be held in March for the eighth-graders and in May for the seventh-graders, is also a cooperative effort for the Brownell staff as well. While one grade is off to play the games, the other grades participate in other group projects.

"We couldn't have done this without the help of all the other teachers," said Herd.



A group of Brownell Middle School students attempt to transport and dispose of a container of "toxic waste" (balls) into a container without spilling.

Dis'chord'ance

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number of talented students who have dropped out of the vocal music program at North."

Miserendino said he and his wife attended the October meeting at North only to hear that many parents were "disappointed with some of the answers to our questions."

"It was our concern that the district music director and North administration may not share the same hopes as the North parents relative to the depth and magnitude to the music program at North," Miserendino continued. "We were told at this meeting that North and South presently do have similar music programs and this is clearly not the situation. The vocal music programs are worlds apart and I believe the situation is not the result of the late resignation of last year's director. It's a problem that has grown and has been allowed to exist for many years."

North parent Jack Coury also pressed the board to look for a short-term solution for seniors to get through this year with optimal opportunities to prepare those wishing to seek opportunities in music in college.

Even South Choir Booster president Leo Nouhan was leery of North's commitment to the short and long-term goals of the vocal music program.

"I am surprised that North hasn't attacked this like the cafeteria issue," said Nouhan.

Nouhan also stated: "It's not good enough to hire a part-time sub. There are options available and I'd like to see them explored."

Debbie Ruggeri, a parent of two daughters in the vocal music program at Parcels, expressed suspicion that the vision of parents and administration did not mesh.

"In a recent letter sent out to parents, it was clearly stated that the administration was looking for someone who had a strong classical background along with an interest in musicals and a variety of other music," said Ruggeri. "Our new director must be experienced and well versed not only in classical, but jazz, contemporary, musical theater and choreographed movement to music. The program must meet the needs of all students so that all of them are challenged in their areas of interest."

Despite the skepticism and concern, Wells said, "This is a year of growth and reflection and I feel comfortable we'll find an exceptional teacher. The performing and visual arts are high priorities for us. They have high visibility and we have high expectations."

The Future

The interview team to meet with vocal music director candidates on Nov. 20 and 21 had not yet been finalized at the Monday, Nov. 13 board meeting. A few parents have suggested that a current vocal music teacher sit on this committee in addition to administrators and parents.

Beyond the scope of finding a new director, board secretary Linda Farmer said she has noticed growing support of the vocal music program at the North end and suggested that parents form a vocal music booster club.

"I think we're finding now

in the athletics as well as in the arts that money the school district is able to provide to these programs is dwindling and the strong support of parents is becoming the mainstay of all our extracurricular activities," said Farmer.

Farmer also suggested the district look into a fine arts steering committee.

"Having participated in the athletic steering committee in the district and I've seen how effective it was to have a large participation in that steering committee and the understanding across the district and the mutual support of having the athletic programs at

North, South and the middle schools become stronger," said Farmer. "I would like to put forth that we look at banding an arts steering committee inclusive of parents and students at the middle and high school levels."

Board treasurer Beth Konrad Wilberding echoed Farmer's suggestions.

"Mrs. Farmer's suggestion is on the mark," said Konrad Wilberding. "I think there's nothing more demonstrable than going to a concert at South and going to a concert at North to look at inequity that has been demonstrated continuously in the last two to three years."

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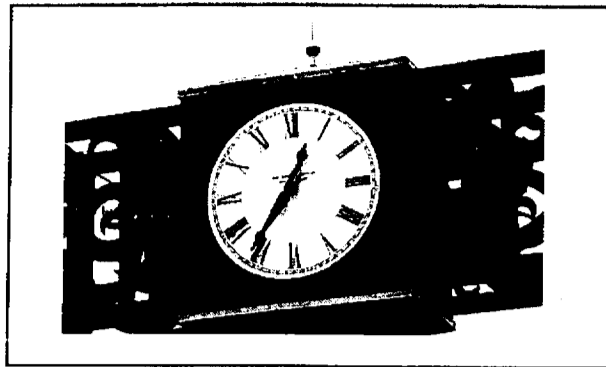
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People chime in with comments on new clock in the Village

By Jim Stickford
Staff Writer

City of Grosse Pointe Mayor Susan Wheeler and Village Association representative Beverly Leinweber have received a lot of compliments on the new clock arch that was constructed on Kercheval between Notre Dame and St. Clair. But not everyone is totally pleased with the work.

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Peter Toenjes, in a communication to the Grosse Pointe News, wrote, "I think the new clock in The Village is a great thing.... There is just one problem with the structure. The cut and welded metal looks cheap and out of style with the Pointes. I was disappointed. It just looks like a box with holes cut in it.... I guess I was expecting a handcrafted look similar to many of the wrought iron gates across the Pointes. You know, the same look found in many of the small villages and communities in Europe. I feel the new arch lacks the depth and rich detail needed to make it an admired piece of work. If the Farms ever



The new clock in the Village shopping district in the City of Grosse Pointe is supported by a lattice arch spanning Kercheval.

decides to construct their own arch clock on the Hill, I hope the city council considers a better style."

Toenjes went on to write that the stone base and clock are beautiful and that getting the project completed was worthy of applause, but should work be done in the future a more elegant European wrought iron look should take its place.

Leinweber, who was a leading force in getting the clock arch built, said that the arch was based on European patterns.

"I've heard a lot of compliments," Leinweber said. "But I've also heard one person say it looks like it belongs in Birmingham. What does that mean? A number of people have also said that the arch doesn't look like it's of colonial design. It's not supposed to be a colonial clock. It's supposed to have a French look."

Leinweber explained that during the planning stage of the project, it was decided that the clock should have a

French design. This was a way to celebrate Grosse Pointe's French heritage.

"Just look at the nearby streets," said Leinweber. "Notre Dame, Cadieux, Charlevoix and St. Clair. The wrought iron work was meant to acknowledge the wonderful old wrought iron fences you used to see on the large estates of old Grosse Pointe."

Debbie Jensen, an architect with the East Grand Rapids firm of Michael Smith & Associates, said that when they designed the clock arch, they looked at a lot of wrought iron work from Italy and France dating back to the 17th century.

"The scale of the arch is so big," said Jensen. "You don't want really fine, fancy work. The metal also has a structural function. You have to have a certain thickness of steel for engineering purposes. The decorative function has to fit in with the engineering function."

Jensen said that an arch of this type across a street like Kercheval is unusual.



She said the firm was happy with the project and she thought the City was happy as well.

Mayor Wheeler said that Toenjes' comments on the clock arch fall under the category of personal taste and there can be no argument about that.

"I appreciate his kind words about the arch and the fact that he took the time to write about it," Wheeler said. "But I think the look of the clock is lovely. Part of getting the project done came down to the bottom line. I think the arch is a centerpiece for the City and it will be around for generations and will be loved for generations. We set out to build a focal point and something special. A lot of people came together to achieve that goal. I think we did a good job, but that's a matter of taste."

It is Wheeler's hope that

the arch will become the kind of landmark where people will say, "meet you under the clock," and everyone will know what you mean.

"The feedback we've gotten has generally been posi-

tive," said Wheeler. "People have to understand about the French influence and they have to understand that there are financial limits associated with such a project."

Corrections

Corrections will be printed on this page every week. If there is an error of fact in any story, call the newsroom at (313) 882-0294.

Last week's story "G.P. Woods council to yank downspouts" should have stated that 65 percent of residential downspouts in Grosse Pointe Woods have been disconnected.

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The first thing you must do in a Mercedes SLK is put the roof down. The solid roof is actuated by a single button and in an elegant series of actions it unlatches the roof, folds it up, drops it down into the trunk, closes the rear deck, then lowers the windows on the front door. This is serious cool.

The SLK's big selling point is its exclusive retractable steel roof that, when raised, makes the car seem as tight and insulated as you expect from a Mercedes-Benz sedan. In less than 30 seconds, you can convert the SLK from a closed coupe to a cool convertible without leaving the driver's seat.

The SLK can go from steel-cocoon security to

wide-open freedom — or vice versa — with a single button. In less than half a minute, the SLK becomes an enclosed coupe or an open convertible.

It is a two-seater. It costs around \$40,000. It's also a Mercedes-Benz; now \$40,000 doesn't sound like so much.

The SLK comes in two rear-drive versions for 2001. The SLK 230 Kompressor has an intercooled supercharged 190-horsepower 16-valve in-line four-cylinder engine and prices start at \$39,545. The SLK 320, new for 2001, is powered by a 3.2-liter 215-horsepower V-6 and its prices start at \$44,545. Our test car was an SLK 230.

This two-seater is not an economy car or a commuter, although its EPA mileage estimates are pretty good for the performance you're getting: 21 mpg city/29 mpg highway with either six-speed manual transmission or optional five-speed automatic. Our test car had the automatic.

This is a luxury sports car



Autos

By Richard Wright

and a delight to sit in, to drive and to talk to people about, as it attracts admirers everywhere you go. No one is indifferent to the Mercedes-Benz SLK. And reaction was invariably positive and enthusiastic. Pedestrians and other drivers shouted "great car" and waved. I can't disagree. It is drop-dead gorgeous!

All of the expected safety features — dual front and side air bags, anti-lock brakes, side impact protection, etc. But this roadster also has such unexpected features as built-in rollover protection in the form of twin bars behind each seat and a strongly reinforced windshield pillar. The entire

passenger compartment is a steel cage, much like those in race cars. There are crumple zones front and rear. Traction control is standard.

And the passenger seat is equipped with a BabySmart child-seat detection device, to prevent air bag deployment if a child is seated there.

Turn signal indicators are integrated with the side mirrors of the SLK for better visibility.

The SLK isn't a high-performance sports car in the sense of, say, a Chevrolet Corvette or Toyota Supra. It's far more refined. Handling is outstanding. Braking is superb. And the

steering is precise and right-on.

It tracks perfectly on the Interstates and you can drive for hours without the fatigue that can come unnoticed with the constant slight adjustments needed to keep a car going down the middle of the lane at freeway speeds.

It is at its best on the kind of country roads found in Michigan when you get off the freeway outside the metropolitan area and that abound in rural Virginia and Maryland. A drive to the summer resort town (we were off-season, so traffic was moderate) of Ocean City, Md., was truly a delight — sunny day, gently winding roads, a breeze off the ocean and the top down.

The remarkable handling prowess of the SLK has been enhanced for 2001, with the Electronic Stability Program, which incorporates the traction control function and corrects fishtailing by braking individual wheels and/or reducing engine power to restore stability.

The anti-lock brake system is excellent and in combination with the superior handling and steering gives one a sense of oneness with the machine. Think what you want to do and it does it effortlessly. If you need to stop in a hurry, Brake Assist applies full braking force before you can.

Performance of this small four-cylinder engine is not as neck-snapping as some of the SLK's competitors, but is smooth and refined and at times astonishing with the supercharger, which boosts performance considerably at mid-range speeds.

As expected of a car in this price range, many amenities are standard. The remote control keyless entry device presents the key in switchblade fashion. Press a button and, swoosh, the key pops out. The huge keys issued with some luxury cars punch holes in pockets.

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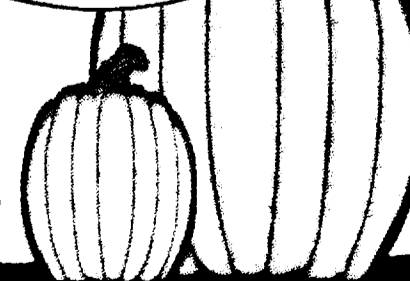
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The still pond in front of this Stave Church provided Monte Nagler the perfect opportunity for a reflection photograph. He took this shot in Lillehammer, Norway.

Reflecting on reflections

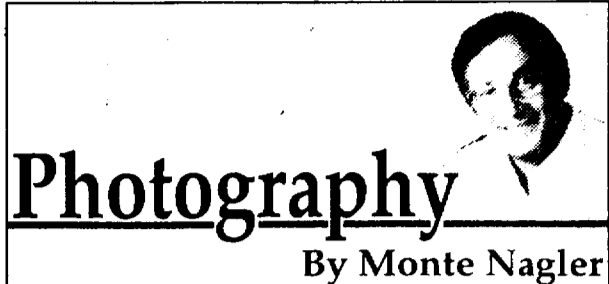
Reflections surround us constantly in our everyday lives. Have you ever noticed the reflected images in the exterior glass of a modern office building, that polished oil tanker you passed on the way to work, or even a pair of sunglasses? How about colorful, abstract reflections in an oil spill, puddles after a rain?

Reflections abound. If you tune your photographic vision their way, you'll have many marvelous opportunities to give added dimension to your photographs.

With building glass and metal surfaces, the reflected image will nearly always be distorted into a surreal, dreamlike quality.

Mirrors, on the other hand, provide the truest reflections. In fact, mirror reflections can be so lifelike it may be difficult to distinguish between the actual scene and the reflected one. A photographer can often use this effect to his advantage.

When photographing mirror reflections, study your composition carefully and get in the viewfinder only what you desire. You may even want yourself in the



Photography

By Monte Nagler

picture for an unusual self-portrait. Use a small aperture to get as much depth of field as possible. This is necessary to keep both the reflected image and the scene surrounding the mirror in focus.

Water, as artists and photographers have long known, is the greatest source of reflection, offering a great range of photographic possibilities. On a calm, clear morning, a body of water can become an enormous mirror, reflecting almost perfect images of clouds, mountains, trees and boats. Just after dawn is the best time to find glass-smooth water, before the warming air stirs up breezes.

Water can also fragment reflections. Slight surface undulations can result in an image with soft overtones while pronounced ripples can produce an abstract scene or even a collage of reflected colors.

Don't limit yourself to reflections that you happen upon. You can create your own, too. Mix up a batch of soap bubbles and you'll be surprised at the reflected pictures you'll be able to capture on film. Or take a piece of crinkled aluminum foil and tape it to a sheet of cardboard. Place brightly colored subjects in front of it and photograph the reflections in the aluminum to obtain dazzling photographic effects.

Crime

From page 12A

Failed car theft

A resident of the 400 block of Madison in Grosse Pointe Farms reported at 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 9, that the steering column of his 1987 Oldsmobile was dam-

aged sometime that day while the vehicle was parked outside a restaurant in the 18400 block of Mack in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Young thieves

Staff of a store in the 17000 block of Kercheval in

the City of Grosse Pointe saw two juvenile girls, one from Grosse Pointe Farms and one from Grosse Pointe Park, place several items of clothing worth about \$200 inside a backpack.

The two girls were confronted by staff and admitted they were trying to steal

the merchandise.

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— Jim Stickford

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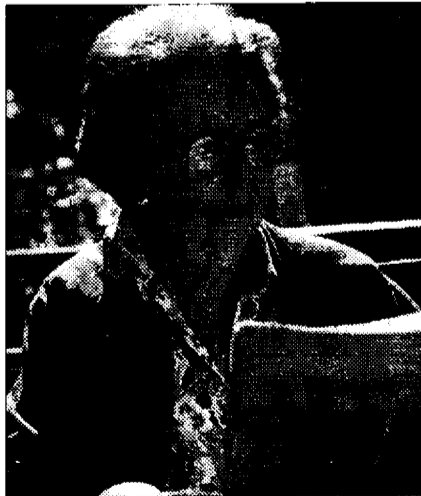
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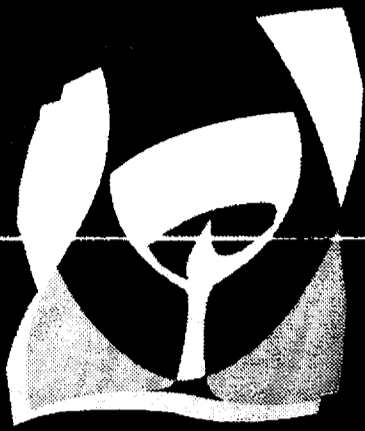
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Past and present events can jolt our memory

The past is forever a part of the future. Often it recedes so far into the dim recesses of our consciousness that we seem to forget past happenings, big and little events, joys and sorrows, triumphs and failures, friends and neighbors. But dusty and remote as these memories are, they live forever in the shelves of our memory.

Some of them are treasures we like to bring out to cheer us when we are lonely or depressed. Some of the painful ones we push way back in memories' deepest corners.

Others are casual happenings seemingly not too important in life's repertoire but pleasant to recall. It is one of life's kindest gifts that we can voluntarily call back precious moments in the circle of time.

But what is truly amazing are those that come tumbling back without bidding. An incident will occur and there they are, waiting to remind us that they, too, deserve to be brought into being and appreciated for the part they have played in our lives.

Such memories as these are often related to our childhood.

In the annals of years, as we make our way through one passage of time to another, we close doors. There is so much of the present we must attend to. We don't have to go back to open doors and retrace our steps that brought us to the point where we now live. Sometimes it is a chance meeting with a neighbor or ride through an old neighborhood that works that magic.

Sometimes it's a visit to the home of our childhood.

Sometimes it is the death of someone we met long ago but never forgot.

It happened to me a few years back when I read of the death of Arthur Hathaway. Mr. Hathaway was a long-time editor of the Detroit News. My father worked with him as a reporter and later as an editorial writer. I didn't meet Mr. Hathaway until after my father's death but I remember my father talking about "Art's six boys" and the great times they had as a family.

My father was a young man when he died and I was a young child. It was then that I met Mr. Hathaway in person. I was properly impressed. Even then I knew editors were important people. It was an impression that remained with me all of my life. Later I came to know that often under a rough exterior they were kind and compassionate people.

We attended the same church and when he would see me, he would say, "There's Goody's daughter." My father was Louis Goodnow and his co-workers, friends, mayors, judges, governors, senators, people he came into contact with, called him "Goody."

There was something about that greeting — Goody's daughter — that magically triggered the locks of memories' doors and I was once again a child holding my father's hand as we went for our evening walk.

That walk usually ended in the editorial room of the "News." Sometimes I would sit there watching the rewrite men with their headphones on typing the news that was being relayed



Prime Time

By Marian Trainor

to them.

Or, I would wander to the glassed-in office where teletype machines were noisily clacking out news from around the world. Sometimes I would be introduced to people I would later come to know from their bylines as feature columnists, Mark Beltaire, Vera Brown and Doc Greene.

Frequently I would be left on the third floor to amuse myself walking around the stacks of books. I loved going to the office with my father. I could think of no more exciting or glamorous job than working on a newspaper. I never made it on a full-time basis.

The closest I ever came was working in the "morgue" (reference room) at the Detroit Times.

Instead of becoming a reporter, I married one — James Trainor, who later became a renowned city editor. Where without actually being involved in it, I could be part of a world like no other.

A world where headlines sometimes evolved in bits and pieces as reporters dug for news or exploded. And a ready-made staff had to work furiously to catch up.

I learned that those who lived with the news were larger than life themselves. They were ones with cabbage and kings as they min-

gle with the rich, the poor, the famous, the unknown. They observed that those in high places who were less than they ought to be and with those who have never been in the paper except for tragedy and hardship who nevertheless displayed more dignity and nobility of character in their misfortune. The wonderland of human experience was a reporters daily beat.

Living so close to the good and bad in people humanized them.

The "tough" city editor, the "ruthless" reporter's, those were the roles they played in their determination to present the truth and facts of the story — and

there is a distinction.

Facts can be presented in such a way as to distort the truth, just as figures can be manipulated to alter statistics.

Beyond the hard work and endless hours in getting the story was the talent and skill that went into writing so the reader could have a true picture of what was involved.

The intricacies of bureaucracy, the detail of crime, the sorrow of loss, the pain of defeat, the glory of victory, all of these had to be put into words that clearly explained what was happening and yet betray no emotional involvements in the situation.

It was a tight rope of accuracy without bias.

Newspapers, like all institutions, have changed since I was close enough to watch from a privileged position. There are bureaus and special editors.

There are still general reporters and there are more writers who are experts assigned to specific fields. The thrill of being first with a breaking story is

almost nonexistent. Television, radio, and the Internet have stolen the thunder.

But one aspect of the business remains constant — making the product still exists.

Those who work in what has to be one of the most fascinating professions in the world do it with tireless dedication and with their best efforts.

And so with a debt of time to return to the premise of this essay.

There are many memories and values waiting to be recognized as important influences in life.

In this instance it was the death of my father's home editor that made me think once again how wonderful it has been to have lived all of my life associated in one way or another with newspapers and the men and women who work on them.

Traffic volunteers needed for holiday parade

By Jim Stickford
Staff Writer

If you want the best seat on the upcoming Holiday parade route, deputy director of public safety for the City of Grosse Pointe Dennis Van Dale has a job for you.

Van Dale is in charge of all police and fire operations for the parade, which starts on Fisher, the Farms/City border, and ends at Cadieux, the City/Park border.

"We use the resources of three public safety departments," said Van Dale. "In addition to the City, the Farms and the Park lend a hand. We need traffic marshals to monitor traffic between Fisher and Neff."

The marshals are needed, said Van Dale, for the period between the time when the run starts at 9 a.m. and when the parade starts at 10:30 a.m.

"We like to have people at the intersection instead of just putting up a traffic barrier," said Van Dale. "With people, you can have cars cross Kercheval without having a driver have to get out and move a traffic barrier. We can also better monitor the situation during the run. Not everyone will be on Kercheval at the same time. With marshals we can send cars across the street during the run when there is a gap in runner traffic."

Van Dale likes to have four people at every intersection. There are six streets between Fisher and Neff.

When asked why he needed four people at each intersection, Van Dale said it's nice to have four people, two for each side of the street, in case someone wants to use the bathroom or has to leave for some reason.

"We are concentrating our officers in the Village," said Van Dale. "For the first time we will have a hospitality tent and there will be the reindeer area. We want officers where the people will be most concentrated."

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Ding, dong, Dell drags tech stocks down the well

Another down week last week. Thank goodness the Big Board average daily trading volume declined 18.5 percent to 949 million shares per day from the prior week.

Again, all eyes and ears were on the NASDAQ Composite Index last week, which sank 422 points, or 12.2 percent, in five days, its third worst weekly performance ever.

Closing at 3,028, the NASDAQ was only inches above its key technical support level of 3,000. It is currently down 25.6 percent this year-to-date, and is off 40 percent from its all-time high of 5,048 last March.

The gloom started in Austin, Texas, home of Dell Computer (DELL, about 23, down 9.50 points, or 29.2

percent last week). Last Thursday, Dell warned of less-than-expected sales growth in 2001.

The news spread rapidly, taking along other tech stocks down the well, including:

• Hewlett-Packard (HWP, about 39.13, off 7.13, or 15.4 percent);

• IBM (IBM, about 93, down 6.94, or 7.0 percent);

• Intel Corp. (INTC, about 37, lower by 8.94, or 19.5 percent) and

• Sun Microsystems (SUNW, about 89.19, off 23.88, or 21.3 percent).

Recently, LTS pointed out (See LTS, Oct. 26) that Dell sold 107 million put-option contracts on its own stock!

These options have created a monster \$2.4 billion liability to the company, which isn't even carried on the company's books, according to published reports.

The market seems to be reapplying Old Economy accounting rules to the New Economy stocks. Even price/earnings ratios are

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being compiled for Internet stocks. When will these lower prices be low enough to buy?

Cisco Systems (CSCO, about 50.06, off 6.69, or 11.8 percent) had a high last spring of 82.00 (adjusted for stock split). Isn't CSCO attractive at 50.06, down 39 percent from its high? But, at 50.06, CSCO still trades with a P/E above 100 times. Is that cheap?

Broadcom A is still a three-digit Internet stock (BRCM, about 166.25, tanked 56.13, or 25.2 percent), but also still trades with a P/E above 100 times.

Applied Micro Circuits traded as high as 109.75 last spring (AMCC, about 61.50, off 10.50, or 14.6 percent). It has no reported P/E, because it had a "loss in the most recent four quarters." But a few super-high-mul-

multiple stocks are still left standing, including BEA Systems (BEAS, about 69.38, off 11.56, or 14.3 percent) with a current P/E of 315 times and Veritas Software (VRTS, about 125.81, off 28.13, or 18.3 percent) still sporting a 220 times P/E, based on this year's earnings.

Is this the time to start "bottom-feeding" the better tech stocks? Or should one wait for confirmation that the tech market have made a bottom?

Kmart revisited

Grosse Pointers remember in the late 1950s and early 1960s the A&P grocery store and Kresge's 5 and 10 cent store located on the east side of Kercheval, north of St. Clair, about where Hickey-Walton Pierce and CVS Drugs are now.

Later, Kresge's went upscale and moved across the street to larger quarters and a new name, Kmart, on the northeast corner of Kercheval and St. Clair.

Shortly thereafter, Bill Kennedy, the local TV-movie commentator, erected a small radio shack on the corner in front of Kmart and hosted an on-air talk show for WGPR-FM (W-Grosse Pointe Radio).

Sadly, Grosse Pointe Radio never achieved profitability, and Bill Kennedy retired to Florida with his Rolls Royce.

Later, Grosse Pointers were excited hearing about the construction of a new Kmart Super Store at Harper and Nine Mile, which became Grosse Pointe's favorite discount store.

When was the last time you shopped at the

Harper/Nine Mile Kmart? About two years ago, one of LTS' daughters suggested that "Poppo" buy some kid-die toy for Christmas that was only available at Kmart.

What a disaster! The empty parking lot was a bad sign. Inside the store was deserted, with few shoppers and even fewer clerks. You had to step around the merchandise falling into the aisles.

LTS found the required toy, even though it had been opened and retaped twice. "Poppo" bought it for the grandchild.

If you want to measure the renaissance of the new Kmart, just drive out to Grosse Pointe's Meijer store, off I-94 at 13 Mile and Little Mack. Across 13 Mile to the east is a newly rebuilt "Super K" store.

You don't have to be a CPA to count the cars at Super K vs. Meijer's. It's about 2-1, or even 3-1, in favor of Meijer's on a typical night, or weekend.

If the Blue Light goes out, who would notice it?

Dutch auction

Saginaw-based Wolohan Lumber (WLHN, about 11.38 last Friday) announced last Thursday it would repurchase 1.5 million of its shares via a Dutch auction.

In the classic Dutch auction, the seller would offer the totality of items being sold at a fixed price, usually higher than he hoped to get.

If the entire lot was not bid for at the initial price, the offering price was successively lowered until a single bid was received for the entire lot on an all-or-none basis.

Note that this Dutch auction is the exact reverse of Du Mouchelle's, in which buyers bid at higher prices successively until further

bits stop. Wolohan's purchase offer appears to be patterned along the Dutch auction used recently by the U.S. Treasury in its bond repurchase program.

The 1.5 million share buy-back by Wolohan represents only 40 percent of the publicly held shares. The Wolohan family and insiders hold about 56 percent of the 6-million-plus shares outstanding.

Wolohan will pay one price per share, ranging from \$10 to \$12, in cash. Shareholders must submit their sale price before midnight Dec. 15.

Mathematically, every public shareholder cannot sell. WLHN will accept all offers starting at \$10 upwards until they receive 1.5 million shares, but not above \$12 per share. All selling shareholders will receive the same price. Shares offered at higher prices will be rejected.

Arbitrageurs entered the market last Friday, bidding the stock up to 11.38. Sometimes they make money, but occasionally they lose.

Certain New Yorkers are said to be talking up the 2004 election already, with Bill for N.Y. governor and Hillary for the White House! Hurry, it's later than you think. Only 39 shopping days until Christmas!

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Get rid of telemarketers

by Lori Z. Bahnmueller

Yesterday's pile of junk mail included two pre-approved credit card offers, four debt consolidation pitches and one mortgage solicitation.

After recycling the promotional literature, I found the answering machine swimming in salesmen — its red light flashing frantically as if gasping for more tape.

A perky voice addressing me by my first name marked the first of four sales pitches.

She congratulated me for being selected for a pre-approved mortgage deal. "Call back within 24 hours," she chirped, "else we can't guarantee this offer."

A pre-recorded message from a sports radio program followed. "We're giving away tickets — just listen and win," a fast-talking disc jockey invited.

Gone are the days when the answering machine repelled salesmen. Now it's just another sales tool, joining the ranks of paper and electronic mail.

How do today's consumers guard against unwanted solicitations? "Just say no," says the Federal Trade Commission (FTC).

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Further, personally inform the three major credit bureaus to refrain from sharing your consumer information with marketers or for other promotional purposes.

A sample letter and mailing addresses are available at the FTC Web site (<http://www.ftc.gov>).

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The Direct Marketing Association (DMA) offers the Mail and Telephone Preference Services, which allow you to reduce the amount of direct mail marketing and telemarketing you receive from national companies for five years.

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Keep in mind that your registration will not stop mailings or calls from organizations not registered with the DMA's Mail and Telephone Preference Services.

But you should notice a decrease in the number of solicitations you receive within two to three months of your registration.

Lori Z. Bahnmueller is vice president of association services for the Michigan Credit Union League.

Jacobson's launches 'Applause' program

Jacobson Stores Inc. has introduced a program called "Applause," giving shoppers an opportunity to receive a 20-percent discount during a day's shopping.

Shoppers qualify for the "Applause" program when they spend \$1500 or more on their Jacobson's charge card within a calendar year. They have approximately one month to use the 20-percent discount card toward purchases of regularly-priced

merchandise or services in any Jacobson's store on any one day.

After qualifying for the program, customers will receive an additional Applause card each time they spend an additional \$500 on their Jacobson's charge card. They can earn up to 12 Applause cards per year, one card per billing period.

The company's web site is www.Jacobsons.com.

Business People



Dr. Tymon Tote has attended the 2000 faculty enhancement program of the Pankey Institute for Advanced Dental Education, a post-graduate institution in Florida.

Tote has served as visiting faculty at Pankey since 1976. He assists in the development and implementation of the institute's educational programs.

Tote practices general restorative dentistry in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Jacquie Wetherholt of Harper Woods has been named chair of the St. John Health System Foundation.

Wetherholt will provide leadership in external relations, oversight for development of the foundation's strategic plan, and interact with community leaders to enhance the health system's presence as a community partner.

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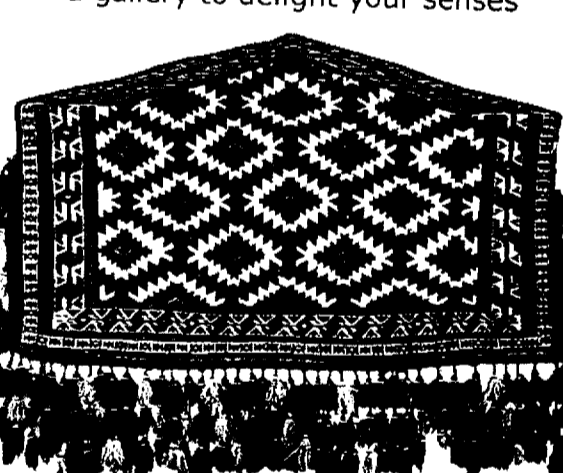
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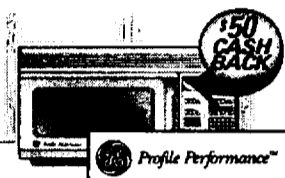
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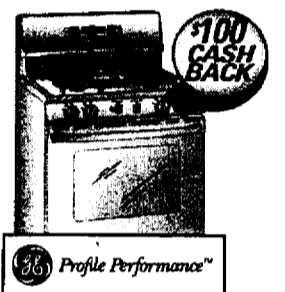
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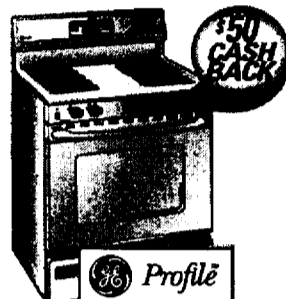
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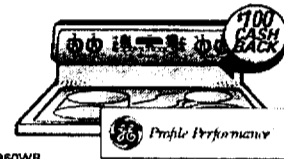
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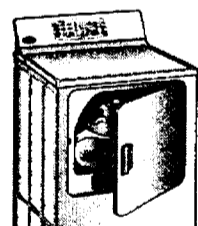
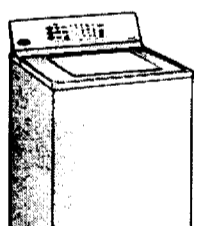


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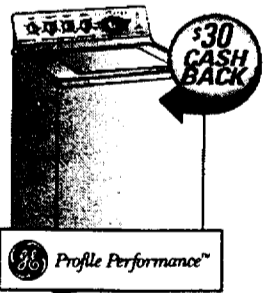
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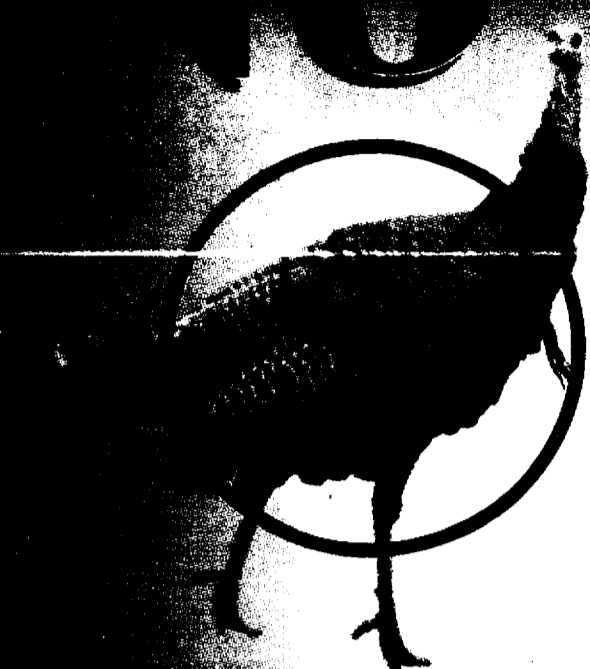
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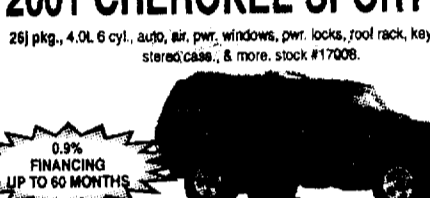
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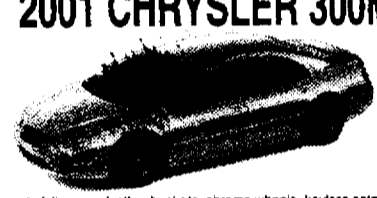
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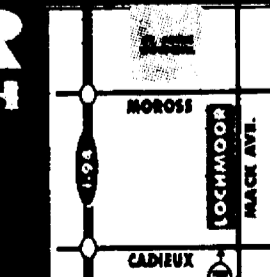


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Fire in the hole

That blinding flash... that deafening bang... that thud... is a policeman trying to save a life



Photos by Brad Lindberg
Lt. John Kretzschmar, above, takes aim during less-than-lethal firearm training in Grosse Pointe Park.

Below, Park public safety officers lower a pretend victim during a roof rescue during training.



By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

It's not like the movies. Police don't wake up in the morning hungry to blow away bad guys.

"It would make me physically sick to take a life," said Keith Anderson, a public safety officer in Grosse Pointe Park.

"Nobody wants to down a person — not me or the guys I work with," said Anderson. "But if the situation calls for it, that's what we have to do."

Protecting a life by taking another. It's the ultimate contradiction faced daily in the law enforcement community.

David Hiller, the Park deputy director of public safety, has worn a badge for 29 years.

"I've never had to shoot someone, thank God," he said. "But it's been close a couple of times."

Police departments nationwide are distancing themselves from using deadly force.

Officials say replacing traditional ammunition with rubber bullets and bean bags can end many troubling situations without ending the lives of troublemakers.

"When we use force, our goal is to use the minimum degree of force reasonable and necessary to control a situation," said Hiller. "We want to contain, de-escalate and resolve a matter as

quickly as possible resulting in the least amount of injury to anyone involved. The last thing we want to do is use lethal force."

Police have always had alternatives to firearms.

"In years past, officers carried wooden nightsticks," said Hiller. "Now we have pepper spray. We are always looking to improve."

As part of the trend, the Park has introduced less-than-lethal firepower. As a near-last resort, officers are taught to shoot lawbreakers in the legs with rubber bullets.

"It's a very serious thing used for very serious situations," said Park Lt. John Kretzschmar, "but not situations that would necessarily warrant killing someone."

Kretzschmar is one of the Park's firearms instructors and member of the department's tactical unit.

"This is for an on-the-fence situation, where if it goes one step higher, it's a lethal force situation," he explained. "It's for when you don't want to kill somebody, but may have to; when they're not directly threatening us, but could at any minute. We want to end it before it gets to that point."

Less-than-lethal ammunition is contained in shotgun shells, but fired at about 1/4 the velocity of a 9 mm bullet,



Photo by Brad Lindberg
Sgt. Jim Chopp directs a rescue team during a mock fire in Grosse Pointe Park.

which travels at about 1,200-feet-per-second.

One of the special rounds is called a "hornets nest." It contains nearly two-dozen small plastic pellets.

"It's for an unruly crowd," said Kretzschmar, "not just a 'please move down the street' crowd."

During a training session last week in the Park's public safety garage, officers fired rounds into a padded target hanging in front of a

metal locker. The rounds hit with a crack that dented the locker as if struck with a fast ball.

"You can imagine how these hurt," said Kretzschmar. "I'd think you'd stop throwing bottles and cans."

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Weddings

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Mr. and Mrs. Sam Alli

wore a black knit beaded dress and a white alstromeria corsage.

The bride was given away by her brother, John Wieferman. Scripture readers were Carrie O'Connor, Kimberly O'Connor and Alexandra Seger.

The bride graduated from Grosse Pointe South High School. She works for Maintenance Management in Sterling Heights.

The groom graduated from Highland Park High School and also works for Maintenance Management in Sterling Heights.

The couple honeymooned in Las Vegas. They live in Sterling Heights.

Wieferman-Alli

Nancy Catherine Wieferman of Clinton Township, formerly of Grosse Pointe Park, daughter of the late Edward and Bernice Wieferman and Leola Wieferman of St. Clair Shores, married Sam Alli of Sterling Heights, son of the late Mohammed and Nafie Alli, on Aug. 25, 2000, at St. Matthias Catholic Church.

The Rev. Richard Cyr officiated at the 4 p.m. ceremony, which was followed by a reception at Villa Penna in Sterling Heights.

The bride wore a white floor-length raw silk gown decorated with Alencon lace and pearl beads. Her chapel-length veil was accented with pearls and held in place by a pearl beaded headpiece. She carried a cascade of periwinkle roses and white alstromeria.

The matron of honor was the bride's sister, Patti Seger of Sterling Heights.

She wore a two-piece silk amethyst dress that featured a beaded neckline.

The best man was Ryan Deel of South Lyon.

The usher was Michael O'Connor of Clinton Township.

The bride's stepmother



Mr. and Mrs. Rogerio Gomes Xavier

Chudyk-Xavier

Holly Anne Chudyk, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Chudyk of Poland, Ohio, formerly of the City of Grosse Pointe, married Rogerio Gomes Xavier, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ozias Xavier Pinto of Sao Jose Dos Campos, Brazil, on Aug. 12, 2000, at the Presbiteriana Do Satelite Church in Sao Jose Dos Campos.

The matron of honor was the bride's sister, Susan DelSignore of Sao Jose Dos Campos.

Bridesmaids were Christina Donoso of Windsor, Ontario; and the groom's sister, Regiane

Xavier and Rosa Maria Xavier, both of Sao Jose Dos Campos.

The flower girl was Olivia DelSignore.

The best man was Richard DelSignore of Sao Jose Dos Campos.

Groomsman were Eric Donoso of Windsor, and Charles Douglas Santo and Almiro Xavier Pinto, both of Sao Jose Dos Campos.

The ring bearer was Annie DelSignore.

The bride is a teacher with the English Language School in Sao Jose Dos Campos.

The groom is employed by Delph International of Brazil.

The couple traveled to the island of Ilhavela. They live in Sao Jose Dos Campos.

Meade-Loughran

Merritt Catherine Meade, daughter of Jane W. Meade of Detroit and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth G. Meade of Grosse Pointe, married John Terence Loughran, son of James and Mary Loughran of Greenwich, Conn., on May 20, 2000, at Sacred Heart Chapel, Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles.

The Rev. Francis J. Moy of Stamford, Conn. officiated at the 4 p.m. ceremony, which was followed by a reception at the Ritz-Carlton, Marina del Rey.

The bride wore a gown of Swiss silk that featured a light floral embroidered overlay and a chapel-length train. She wore her grandmother's pearl and diamond bracelet and carried a bouquet of lilies of the valley.

Maids of honor were the bride's sisters, Shelby Meade of New York City and Kendall Meade of Brooklyn.

Bridesmaids were Eva Meade of Birmingham and Clare Loughran of Greenwich, Conn.; Heather

MacDonald of Manhattan Beach, Calif.; Wendy Blake of San Francisco; Laurie Evans Bond of Charlotte, N.C.; and Missy Gries of Salt Lake City.

Attendants wore floor-length purple silk douponi gowns and carried nosegays of hyacinth flowerettes, lavender cyclamen and red berries.

The best man was the groom's brother, Joseph Loughran of Easton, Mass.

Groomsman were the groom's brothers, James Loughran Jr. of Greenwich and Thomas Loughran of Stamford, Conn.; the bride's brother, Barron Meade of Birmingham; Edward Morris of Boston; Gregg Perry of Bozeman, Mont.; Carl Swan of Los Angeles; and Jeff Thompsen of Greenwich.

The mother of the bride wore a floor-length lavender skirt with a matching jacket accented with beads. She

carried a double gardenia nosegay.

The groom's mother wore a long gray satin crepe skirt and a matching beaded jacket. She also carried a gardenia nosegay.

Readers were Patricia Ann Hefler of Grosse Pointe



Mr. and Mrs. John Terence Loughran

and Anne Hyland Gallagher of Greenwich. The Prayer of the Faithful was read by Sister Mary Anne Powers of Waterbury, Conn. The presentation of gifts was performed by Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth L. MacDonald of Grosse Pointe and Mr. and Mrs. Mark Hyland of Rye, N.Y.

Soloist was Kristyn Elizabeth Secory of Port Huron. Program handlers were Kenneth L. MacDonald Jr. of San Francisco and Kenneth Rogers of Grosse Pointe.

The bride graduated from Mount Vernon College and is the marketing manager with Hard Candy Cosmetics in Los Angeles.

The groom earned a bachelor of arts degree in history from Loyola University. He is the head coach of men's and women's water polo and women's swimming at Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles.

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Engagements



Daniel Lombard Overdeck and Lauren Kimberlee Horton

Horton-Overdeck

Jay and Dayre Horton of Palm Beach Gardens, formerly of the City of Grosse Pointe, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Lauren Kimberlee Horton, to Daniel Lombard Overdeck, son of John Overdeck of Columbia, Md., and the late Betsey

Overdeck. A May wedding is planned.

The bride earned a bachelor of science degree in psychology from the University of Michigan and an MD degree from the Wayne State University School of Medicine. She is a physician at University of Michigan Hospitals, currently in her third year of radiology residency training.

Overdeck earned a bachelor of arts degree in chemistry from Northwestern University and an MD degree from Washington University in St. Louis School of Medicine. He is also a physician in his third year of radiology residency training at University of Michigan Hospitals.

Black-Roberts

James and Dorothy Black of Grosse Pointe Farms have announced the engagement of their daughter, Sara E. Black, to Thomas W. Roberts of Grosse Pointe Woods, son of J. David and Helen Roberts of Shelby Township.

A March wedding is planned.

Black earned bachelor of science degrees from Michigan State University in family and consumer resources and family and community services. She is a project coordinator with Carlson Marketing Group.

Roberts earned a bachelor of arts degree in theology from Southern Adventist University. He is a consultant with Accenture LLP.



Thomas W. Roberts and Sara E. Black

NEW ARRIVALS OF 2000

Grosse Pointe News and The Connection newspapers are planning their 6th annual special edition featuring the babies of the past year. We hope you (and the little one) will participate by supplying us with a photograph of your child (only 2000 babies, please) for publication in this section.

This tabloid will be published January 25, 2001. Your child's picture, along with other 2000 babies, will be the main attraction! News and advertising about clothing, feeding, educating and caring for your child will also be included. It will be very informative as well as a commemorative edition for you!

Please send a cute, clear photo (color or black & white, home or studio produced, not computer generated, preferably smaller than a 5x7) to Grosse Pointe News & The Connection, 96 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan 48236. Attention: Kim Mackey, Display Advertising. Complete the information slip with your child's full name, date of birth and hospital and return it with your photo. Please print the baby's name on the back of the photo so you can pick it up at our office after printing or include a self-addressed stamped envelope.

Your picture must be received in our office no later than Tuesday, December 19th, earlier would assist our production schedule. (Late November and December birth photos may be submitted until January 5, 2001.)

We look forward to producing our annual "Baby Edition" and are sure you want your little one included. A limited number of extra copies will be available for purchase to give to family and friends.

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DAYTIME PROGRAMMING FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 20 - 26

<p>9:00 AM VITALITY PLUS A half-hour aerobics exercise class. (Repeated: M-Sun 11:00 PM)</p> <p>9:30 AM POSITIVELY POSITIVE Topic: Acts of Kindness Hosts Jeanie McNeil and Liz Aiken - an uplifting half-hour of positive attitudes and ideas. (Repeated: M-Sun 11:30 PM, M/W/F/Sun 5:30 PM)</p> <p>10:00 AM WHO'S IN THE KITCHEN? Topic: Thanksgiving Recipes Host Chuck Kaess cooks with local celebrities. (Repeated: M-Sun midnight, T/Th/Sat 8:30 PM)</p> <p>10:30 AM SENIOR MEN'S CLUB Guest Maud Lyon of Detroit 300 Features the Club's guest speaker addressing timely business issues. (Repeated: M-Sun 12:30 AM, M/W/F/Sun 5:30 PM)</p> <p>11:00 AM OUT OF THE ORDINARY... INTO THE EXTRAORDINARY Guest Robert Fishman, M.D. Host Robert Taylor presents an extraordinary half-hour of people, places and ideas. (Repeated: M-Sun 1:00 AM, T/Th/Sat 9:00 PM)</p> <p>11:30 AM THE S.O.C. SHOW Guest Joan Thornton on Senior exercise Host Fran Schonenberg and her guests discuss topics and events of particular interest to senior citizens. (Repeated: M-Sun 1:30 AM, T/Th/Sat 6:00 PM)</p> <p>12:00 PM THE ECONOMIC CLUB OF DETROIT Guest Donald Peterson, Pres. and CEO of AVAYA, Inc. Features nationally known guest speakers discussing current topics in the business community. (Repeated: M-Sun 2:00 AM, T/Th/Sat 7:00 PM)</p> <p>1:00 PM THE EASTSIDE EXAMINER Guests Steven Sandabrac of Cottage Hospital also Gleaners Food Bank Host Julia Keim and guests highlight upcoming local, non-profit special events. (Repeated: M-Sun 3:00 AM, M/W/F/Sun 7:30 PM)</p> <p>1:30 PM CONVERSATIONS WITH COLLECTORS Guest George Dombi and his Tom Swift Collection Host Susan Hartz focuses on local interesting collections. (Repeated: M-Sun 3:30 AM, T/Th/Sat 8:00 PM)</p>	<p>2:00 PM THE LEGAL INSIDER Guest Circuit Court Judge-elect, Annette Berry Hosts local attorneys David Draper and Douglas Dempsey take an inside look at current legal issues. (Repeated: M-Sun 4:00 AM, M/W/F/Sun 5:30 PM)</p> <p>2:30 PM POINTERS WITH PROST Guests Dan Beck and Bob Kuchen of the Jingle Bell Run Host John Prost interviews local celebrities about timely topics. (Repeated: M-Sun 4:30 AM, M/W/F/Sun 7:00 PM)</p> <p>3:00 PM THINGS TO DO, PLACES TO GO, PEOPLE TO SEE Guest Frank Sladen and Don Schnaltz - Driver's Ed. Bunny Brooks hosts an informative look at what's happening at the War Memorial. (Repeated: M-Sun 5:00 AM, M/W/F/Sun 8:00 PM)</p> <p>3:30 PM POINTS OF HORTICULTURE Guest Shores resident Dr. Bob Brown's pond Host horticulturist Jim Farquhar shares tips, gives advice and interviews local authorities on gardening. (Repeated: M-Sun 5:30 AM, M/W/F/Sun 6:30 PM)</p> <p>4:00 PM YOUNG VIEW POINTS Upbeat youth show featuring students reporting on a variety of topics. (Repeated: M-Sun 6:00 AM, M/W/F/Sun 8:30 PM)</p> <p>4:30 PM WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP Renowned local artist Carol LaChiusa demonstrates watercolor techniques simple enough for beginners, yet challenging to the experienced artist. (Repeated: M-Sun 6:30 AM, M/W/F/Sun 9:00 PM)</p> <p>5:00 PM VITALITY PLUS A half-hour of body toning and step/kickboxing exercise class. M/W/F/Sun: Step/kickboxing; T/Th/Sat: Tone. (Repeated: M-Sun 7:00 AM)</p> <p>5:30 PM MUSICAL STORYTIME JAMBORÉE Hosts Miss Gloria from the Central Library and Miss Paula, the Merry Music Maker, offer a half-hour of stories and music for children. (T/Th/Sat 5:30 PM only)</p>
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Annual Festival of Trees will be Nov. 19-26 at Cobo

The 2000 Festival of Trees, Children's Hospital of Michigan's biggest annual fundraiser, will take place Sunday, Nov. 19 through Sunday, Nov. 26 at Cobo Convention Center.

All proceeds from the public display of more than 100 professionally designed holiday trees, vignettes, gingerbread houses and wreaths will go to CHM's pediatric research.

This year's event will also include entertainment, a gift shop, Santaland, children's activities, photos with Santa and a Secret Santa Shop for kids.

The festival opens at 10 a.m. each day, and closes at 6 p.m. Saturday and both Sundays; at 3 p.m. Monday and Thursday; at 5 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday; and at 8 p.m. Friday. Tickets are \$7 in advance for adults; \$8 at the gate; \$5 in advance for seniors; \$6 at the gate; \$3 in advance for children 2-12; \$4 at the gate. Children under 2 are admitted free.

The weeklong festival also includes:

- A black-tie Preview Party from 7 to 10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 18. The evening includes a live auction, entertainment, hors d'oeuvres, sweet tables and

a cash bar. Tickets range from \$150 to \$250.

- A Teddy Bear Brunch from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 25. Activities are for the whole family and Santa himself will attend. Tickets are \$10 for adults; \$8 for children 2-12 years old.

- A Swing Dance Party from 8 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Nov. 25. The Mark Phillips Orchestra will provide the music and a dance instructor will teach the latest swing steps. Also included — hors d'oeuvres, a cash bar and valet service. Reservations are required by Tuesday, Nov. 21. Tickets are \$35 a person.

Since its inception in 1985, the Festival of Trees has raised more than \$5 million for Children's Hospital.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call (313) 966-TREE. The web site is www.fot.org.

Craft show: The Bon Secours Cottage Employee Activities Committee will sponsor a holiday craft show from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 28, in the Connelly Auditorium at Bon Secours Hospital.

The public is invited. The

display will feature hand-made craft items such as Christmas ornaments, wreaths, jewelry, purses, bread and fruit baskets, candy, scrapbook items and more.

Donate a tree: The Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Shores, needs a few home-grown Christmas trees to put on display during the holiday season. So, if there's a 20-foot spruce in your yard that you want to remove, the Ford House will take them down at no charge in return for the donation.

"We need trees every year and we are able to help people who want theirs taken down," said Don Snodgrass, director of gardens and grounds at the Ford House.

Snodgrass surveys potential trees and if they're chosen, a crew returns the week of Thanksgiving to cut the trees at ground level and take them away.

Any spruce between 10 and 30 feet tall is eligible. Call Snodgrass at (313) 884-4222.

Holiday hours for tours of the house are Tuesday-Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Sunday from noon to 4

p.m. except for Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve, when the final tour begins at 3 p.m. Admission is \$6 for adults; \$5 for senior citizens 60 and older; \$4 for children 6-12. Children 5 and younger are admitted free. The Tea Room serves lunch daily and will be open during the holidays from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Tuesdays through Sundays. The Ford House will be closed Thanksgiving Day, Christmas and New Year's Day.

Salute: The Italian Heritage Society will hold a special tribute to Leonard Leone, director emeritus of Wayne State University's theater department on Friday, Nov. 17, at the Hilberry Theatre. The evening includes the opening night performance of "Six Characters in Search of an Author" by 19th century Italian writer Luigi Pirandello. Proceeds will benefit the Italian Heritage Society.

Members of the honorary committee include Grosse Pointers Mr. and Mrs. Arthur W. Bryant, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Cracchiolo, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Cracchiolo,



CCS benefit

The Center for Creative Studies-College of Art and Design hosted jewelry designer David Yurman Nov. 2 for a lecture about the future of jewelry design. At a reception after the lecture, jewelry was displayed, with a percentage of proceeds from purchases going to CCS. Among those who attended were Sandra and James Vandenberghe of Grosse Pointe Shores, at the right. At the left, is Yurman and CCS president Richard Rogers.

Mrs. Charles M. Endicott, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph N. Impastato, Dr. and Mrs. Kim K. Lie, Dr. Marco Nobili and Louise Jansson Nobili, and Mr. and Mrs. George Ceccarelli Vincent.

Volunteers needed: American Cancer Society

Discovery Shops are seeking volunteers to fill a variety of positions at their metropolitan Detroit locations.

Various days and times are available. For information, call (248) 557-5353 or (800) 925-2271.

— Margie Reins Smith

Farms resident in a festive mood for Festival of Trees

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

She hasn't even bought the turkey and fixings for Thanksgiving, but Laura Wysocki already has her Christmas tree done.

Not exactly her Christmas tree, but one of 110 trees that will be on display at the 2000 Festival of Trees that runs from Sunday, Nov. 19 through Sunday, Nov. 26, at Cobo Center.

Wysocki, a Grosse Pointe Farms resident and Festival of Trees tree sponsor chairperson, has decorated a four-foot artificial tree with a northern Michigan feel complete with snow flocked branches, red berries, bird nests, cardinals topped with skis and ski poles.

"The owner, Northpointe Insurance Co., requested a winter sports theme," said Wysocki.

While many trees at the Festival of Trees are already pre-sold, many will be available at auction at the festival's gala preview party on Saturday, Nov. 18.

In addition to the auction, there will be entertainment, hors d'oeuvres, sweet tables

Photo by Bonnie Caprara

Laura Wysocki of Grosse Pointe Farms has created an artificial tree with a northern Michigan theme for the 2000 Festival of Trees.

The Festival of Trees, a benefit for Children's Hospital of Michigan, runs from Nov. 19-26, in Cobo Center in downtown Detroit.



and a raffle for a 2001 PT Cruiser, a tropical trip for two and a \$1,500 shopping spree at Hudson's at Fairlane.

Other trees will be available for sale through the show.

Tickets to the gala preview party are \$250 benefactor, \$200 patron and \$150 friend.

Tickets for the Festival of Trees are \$8 for adults, \$6 for seniors and \$4 for children 2 to 12 years old. Advance purchase tickets are \$7 for adults, \$5 for seniors and \$3 for children. Proceeds benefit Children's Hospital of Michigan.

For more information, call (313) 966-TREE.



Soroptimists plan gift mart

Soroptimists International of Grosse Pointe will hold its annual gift mart, "Cornucopia of Shopping," from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 18, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. Proceeds from the event will support the club's annual scholarships and service projects at the Children's Home of Detroit, Positive Images Substance Abuse Rehabilitation Facility and Services for Older Citizens.

Seated, from left, are Jane Cukr, treasurer of the event, and Dena Cukr, president of the Grosse Pointe group. Standing, from left, are Sue Neilson, immediate past president, and Pat Casey.

Meetings

Windmill

Pointe Questers

The Windmill Pointe Questers will meet at 10 a.m. Monday, Nov. 20, at the Children's Home of Detroit. Sylvia Wilson will present a program on Bruce Catton, author and historian, titled "On the Road to Glory." The hostess will be Beulah Wells.

Neighborhood Open House

The monthly Neighborhood Open House luncheon and program will be held at 12:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 17, at Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church, 19950 Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods.

The speaker will be Julie Dawson, watercolor artist, who will show slides of her art and describe the countries where they were painted. The cost is \$6. For reser-

vations, call the church office at (313) 886-4301 or Kathy Kuehnel at (313) 881-8186.

NAMI-Eastside

NAMI-Eastside, a support group for families and friends of people with mental illnesses, will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 20, at 19840 Harper in Harper Woods. The program, "Ask the Psychiatrist," will feature Dr. Manuel Tancer, associate chairman of Wayne State University's Department of Psychiatry. Meetings are free. For more

information, call Jeannine at (313) 881-3906 or Carol at (313) 881-5429.

G.P. Audubon

The monthly meeting of Grosse Pointe Audubon will be at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 20, at the Neighborhood Club. Tom Powers, author of "Great Birding in the Great Lakes: A Guide to the 50 Best Birdwatching Sites in the Great Lakes States," will be the guest speaker. The public is invited. For more information, call (313) 882-6899.

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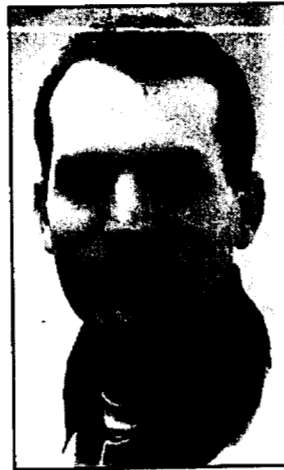
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Don't ignore aches and pains

By Joe Cimino, certified athletic trainer
Special Writer

The popular saying, "no pain, no gain," has some merit, but ignoring pain from athletic or activity-



Joe Cimino

related injuries can have devastating results.

It's normal to feel some muscle soreness after a workout, especially when trying a new activity or sport, but it should be just that — soreness.

Pain, swelling and other symptoms are your body's way of telling you something is wrong. These "red flags" often are ignored. In the long run, an ache or pain can develop into a much more serious problem, sometimes requiring surgery or extensive physical therapy. To stay in the game, seek medical advice early on and prevent long-term complications.

One of my patients was skiing in Colorado when she collided with a snowboarder and fell on her own outstretched arm. She immediately noticed some

shoulder pain, but it didn't worsen, so she continued to ski for the rest of the trip. After returning home, she waited a few days to see if the shoulder would get better.

It didn't. Days turned into weeks, and weeks into months. Six months passed with no improvement and continued stiffness. When she finally sought medical help, she had developed frozen shoulder and faced a long recovery process.

Seeking help right away would have resulted in a simple treatment regimen with rapid healing — and she would have avoided months of pain and stiffness.

The following signs and symptoms of activity-related injuries are indications that you should seek medical attention:

- Pain that persists for more than 24 to 48 hours without decreasing.

- Swelling that does not decrease within 24 to 48 hours.

- Pain that limits normal

function of a body part for more than 48 hours. Examples are limping, inability to write, and inability to move the head or neck.

Pain or swelling that decreases with rest but returns immediately when the activity level increases.

Always use the RICE principle when dealing with a minor injury, such as a sprain or strain. RICE stands for:

- Rest the injured area. You may be able to exercise other muscles to prevent deconditioning.

- Ice application with a cold pack, slush bath or a compression sleeve filled with cold water. Using ice is the best way to limit swelling after an injury, and it should be applied as soon as possible after the injury occurs.

- Compression is important as well. Use an elastic wrap or bandage, but don't wrap the area so tightly that you risk cutting off circulation.

- Elevation. Keeping the injured limb above heart level whenever possible may prevent or limit swelling.

When dealing with an activity-related problem, remember that it may take

up to several weeks before your body has healed enough so that you can safely resume your normal level of exertion. Rushing back to your favorite sport can delay the recovery process by days, weeks or months.

When you do return to your workout, do so gradually to decrease the chance of the injury returning or the possibility of causing another injury. If you've been away from the sport for even just a week or two, your body cannot function at the level it did before you were hurt.

Call the CHAMP Hotline

If your symptoms have not improved 24 to 48 hours after an injury or onset of pain, it is time to seek the advice of a professional. Because it is difficult to determine when an ache or pain is a passing annoyance and when it indicates a more serious problem requiring medical attention, Bon Secours Cottage Health Services, through the Cottage Hospital Athletic Medicine Program (CHAMP), established the CHAMP hotline. Call the hotline at (313) 640-2200, and you will reach a certified athletic

trainer who will listen to your symptoms, ask questions, and advise whether you should go directly to the emergency department, stay at home and apply ice or heat, or see your primary care physician or an orthopedist.

Through the CHAMP hotline, callers who need to see an orthopedic specialist can easily be referred to one. Several Bon Secours Cottage orthopedists have created a sports medicine advisory group specifically to treat patients referred to them through the hotline and appointments are available within one or two days.

If you experience a sports- or activity-related injury, the hotline is accessible from 10 a.m. until 7 p.m. Monday through Friday. If you are injured outside hotline hours or your injury seems urgent, always seek out your family physician or local emergency room for immediate care.

Joe Cimino is a certified athletic trainer who sees patients at the Bon Secours Cottage Hospital Athletic Medicine and Physical Therapy Center located on Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Farms.

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Diabetes may cause foot problems

Foot problems are a leading cause of hospitalization for the 16 million people in the nation who have diabetes (almost half of whom are unaware of their condition). It is estimated that 15 percent of all diabetics will develop a serious foot condition at some time in their lives.

Common problems include infections, ulcers and gangrene, which too often leads to amputation of toe, foot or even leg.

Causes of diabetic foot problems

- Ulceration, usually caused by excessive pres-

sure, or by trauma; a pre-existing foot deformity greatly increases risk.

- Poor circulation, which restricts adequate delivery of oxygen and nutrients, contributing to mobility reduction and the ability of wounds to heal properly.

- Neuropathy causes reduced sensation, leading to unnoticed symptoms and possible delays in treatment of infection, ulceration, and progressive foot deformities.
- Decreased resistance to infection due to white blood cell difficulties, especially problematic with the conditions listed above.

Foot Deformities

Foot deformities such as hammertoes, bunions and metatarsal disorders have special significance in the diabetic population. A deformity places the foot at increased risk for developing corns, calluses, blisters and ulcerations. Neuropathy may render symptoms relatively painless.

Special deformities can occur in persons with neuropathy regardless of circulatory conditions. A Charcot joint, resulting from trauma to the insensitive foot, causes the foot to collapse and widen. This destructive condition is often heralded by persistent swelling and redness, mild to moderate aching, and an inability to fit into shoes. If this occurs, it is important to stay off the foot and see a podiatric surgeon immediately.

If you or a loved one have a disability, follow these tips for fire safety.

First, take care of yourself and loved ones.

- Practice fire escape plans with a caregiver or building manager.
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Bring Out the Beauty of Your Skin

by Herman P. Houin, M.D.

Skin begins to lose its elasticity as years of sun exposure, frowning and environmental factors become etched in our faces, often adding years to our appearance.

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Dr. Houin is a plastic surgeon at Henry Ford Medical Center-Pierson. Patients should be careful to choose the right specialist to perform any procedure. Cosmetic surgeons at the Henry Ford Center for Cosmetic Surgery at Pierson provide complete care for all your cosmetic surgery and reconstructive needs. They are board certified in their specialty and have extensive training and years of experience.

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Local study indicates a need for information about menopause

In Michigan, more women are entering menopause than at any other time in history. Yet 40 percent of women over 40 — nearly one million — cannot recall discussing menopause treatments with their doctor, according to a recent survey. Further, 31 percent of women who acknowledge that they are in menopause cannot recall having discussed treatment options with their doctors.

The survey was conducted by Lansing-based polling firm EPIC/MRA and sponsored locally by William Beaumont Hospitals, Oakwood Healthcare System and St. John Health System as well as 14 other hospitals in Michigan.

Other findings from the statewide survey show that women are concerned about menopausal symptoms. For example, 80 percent indicated they are willing to take herbs or vitamin supplements as treatments for menopause. Also, 85 percent would be willing to change their diet and 86 percent would consider exercising to control the effects of menopause.

Yet 43 percent of women indicated they are not willing to consider hormone replacement therapy, a treatment designed to counter the declining levels of estrogen caused by menopause. These declining levels of estrogen raise a woman's risk of osteoporosis, heart disease and hypertension later in life. Raising the levels of estrogen and other female hormones with daily supplements can help reduce the risks of these diseases.

Sixty-eight percent of respondents over age 40 are

concerned about osteoporosis. Even more Michigan women indicate they are more worried about heart disease — 73 percent of women over 40 rated it their biggest health concern.

Depression is also a concern of 36 percent of over-40 women, while 26 percent are worried about a declining interest in sex.

More than half of Michigan women, 53 percent, rely primarily on TV, magazines, radio and newspapers for health information. Only 22 percent rely on their physicians as their primary source for this advice.

While news media and magazines provide general health information, some physicians worry that they don't give women the whole story. For example, survey results indicate 34 percent of women who are concerned about osteoporosis are not aware that a bone density test can determine their risk for the disease. Also, 65 percent of all menopausal women have not had this test performed, according to the survey.

Early intervention is critical because women who are not properly treated for menopausal symptoms run the risk of developing chronic painful disorders such as osteoporosis, heart disease, depression and sexual dysfunction.

Survey results indicate that race, education and income impact the likelihood that a woman has discussed menopause with her physician. Forty-six percent of minority women recall no discussion with their doctor about menopause, compared with 37 percent of white women.

Half of women earning

\$15,000-\$30,000 annually recall no discussion about menopause. That figure drops to 31 percent of women with incomes between \$45,000 and \$60,000 per year and goes down to 20 percent for women with a \$60,000-\$75,000 annual income.

Forty-five percent of women with a high school education or less did not discuss menopause with their health care providers, while only 34 percent of women with some post-high school education could not recall discussing menopause with their doctors.

The statewide survey of 1,240 adult women over 40 years of age had a 2 point margin of error. St. John, Oakwood and Beaumont and 14 other hospitals throughout the state sponsored the study to learn more about behaviors related to women's health in order to tailor services and programs to the needs of Michigan women. More information is available on the Midnet Web site at www.MIDNET.org.

Cardiac Research endowment

Michael Curis, president of the St. John Hospital and Medical Center Guild, seated at the right, signs a document establishing the St. John Guild Endowment for Cardiac Research.



The initial funding of \$275,000 represents proceeds from the guild's 42nd annual fundraising dinner.

Dr. Julius Gardin, chief of cardiology and director of the Cardiovascular Institute for St. John Health System is seated at the left.

Standing, from left, are Sister Jacqueline Wetherholt, chairman of the SJHS Foundation board, and Anthony Jones, president of SJH&MC.

Babies

Evan Robert Nicholas Theros

Patricia and Louis Theros of Grosse Pointe Farms are the parents of a son, Evan Robert Nicholas Theros, born Sept. 1, 2000. Maternal grandparents are Galene Kloster of Loudon, Tenn., and Robert Blenkle of Utica. Paternal grandparents are Barbara and Spero Theros. Great-grandmother is Lois Debolt of Leipsic, Ohio.

Cameron Kennedy Sine and Turner Langley Sine

Susan and Dean Sine of Grosse Pointe Shores are the parents of twin sons, Cameron Kennedy Sine and Turner Langley Sine, born Aug. 20, 2000.

Maternal grandparents are Judy and Bill Moore of Port Huron.

Paternal grandparents are Carole Sine of Grosse Pointe Farms and the late Thomas Sine.

Great-grandparents are Frances Moore, June Sine and June and Bob Albrecht.

Lillian Laurie Carlyle

Kelly and Alan Carlyle of the City of Grosse Pointe are the parents of a daughter, Lillian Laurie Carlyle, born

Nov. 1, 2000.

Maternal grandparents are Jack and Janie McAllister, formerly of Grosse Pointe Park.

Paternal grandparents are Jeannie Carlyle of Grosse Pointe Farms and the late Alastair Carlyle.

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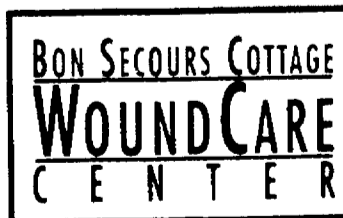
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The Pastor's Corner

Great applesauce

By The Rev. William C. DeVries
First Christian Reformed Church
They say often you don't appreciate how good it is until it's gone. I don't know who "they" are, but they're right.

When I was a boy growing up in the south end of Chicago, there was a large apple tree in our small backyard. It produced green apples. Not much for eating, but, oh, the applesauce my mother would make.

Quarts and quarts and quarts of mashed, oozing delight. The jars were stacked on basement shelves from floor to ceiling in a dark corner and all winter long we ate Mom's applesauce.

As I was growing up, I just assumed I could always have applesauce — great applesauce. It was a fact of life. It was a right of human existence, built into the structure of the cosmos. Applesauce — great applesauce — now and forever, amen.

Except the tree has been out of my life for many years. The hours of picking up apples and of mom and grandma peeling green apple skins in the kitchen are faint memories far away.

The canning jars and lids have been given away. Great applesauce is not a constant reality in every life and every age. What I had assumed as my right was actually a precious and all-too-temporary privilege.

We live in a place and a culture which has always produced, harvested and consumed rich and wonderful feasts of good things. We seem to assume that the harvest and consumption are rights, not privileges. We act as if these joys will always be at our fingertips, as if they are our private possessions.

Mom's applesauce will not last forever. It is a wondrous privilege to share in another harvest season in this magnificent land. Let's look carefully and taste humbly of the gifts that are all around us. Let's see the colors and smell the warm aromas of our lives. Let's share the bounty that is not our right, but our privilege to experience.

And let's remember those who have prepared the harvest for us. Let's look deeper for the hand of God that presents us with so many great and gorgeous gifts. And let's not wait to truly appreciate the wonders of our world until they — or we — are gone.



Quilt auction

St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, 375 Lothrop, will sponsor a Christmas walk and quilt auction from 2 to 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 10. The walk will include four local homes that have been decorated for the holidays, Grosse Pointe Florists, a display of nativities at the church, a quilt auction, seasonal music and refreshments. Tickets are \$15; \$12.50 for seniors.

Proceeds from the event will benefit the organ fund and the barrier free fund of St. Paul. For tickets, call (313) 881-6670.

Members of the Christmas Walk committee are shown with one of the quilts to be auctioned. From left, are Bea Grenzke, Bonnie Steketec, Claudia Jeannette, Beverly Henry, chairman Lois Rimbo, Peg Noble and Jill Cooper. Not shown are Judy Christian, Patty Coe, Nadine Hunt, Elaine Loeser, Eric Miller and Marie Zeller.

Jefferson Presbyterian to celebrate its Scottish origin

A celebration of the Scottish origin of the Presbyterian church will take place at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 19, at Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church, 8625 E. Jefferson in Detroit.

The worship liturgy will come from the 300-year-old "Scottish Book of Common Worship" and the Rev. Peter C. Smith, pastor, will preach.

Participants in the service include the St. Andrew's Honor Guard and Pipe Band; Graham's Company 42nd Royal Highland Regiment (The Black Watch); Robert Giles, president of the St. Andrew's Society; Grosse Pointe Randall Cain, past president of the St. Andrew's Society; members of the St. Andrew's Society; and the Order of Scottish Clans and Daughters of Scotia.

There will be a Ceilidh (a Scottish "happening") after the service, with entertainment and refreshments.

Child care will be available. For more information, call (313) 822-3456.

Catholic Alumni Club meets Nov. 18

The Catholic Alumni Club of Detroit, a non-profit organization of single Catholics 21 and older, will hold a pre-holiday season kick-off dance at 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 18, at the St. Blaise Parish Hall in Sterling Heights.

The cost is \$10; \$8 for members. Call Teresa at (248) 336-0391 or Carolyn at (810) 756-4189.

Blood drive will be Nov. 29

A Red Cross Blood Drive will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 29, at Grosse Pointe Baptist Church, 21336 Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods. For an appointment, call (313) 881-3343, ext. 10, but walk-ins will be accepted.

St. James Lutheran Church celebrates Thanksgiving Eve

St. James Lutheran Church, 170 McMillan, will celebrate a special Thanksgiving Eve liturgy of Twelve Hymns of Praise and Thanksgiving at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 22.

The Rev. Gustav Kopka Jr. will provide inspirational

commentaries and officiate at holy communion.

Erika Markou, minister of music, will accompany on the organ, piano and synthesizer.

Food offerings will be brought to the altar to be distributed to the needy.

Hospice helps people grieving during holidays

Holidays can be one of the most difficult times of the year for people who have experienced the death of a loved one. What once was a season of family togetherness and sharing can now echo with sadness, emptiness and loss.

Although there are no easy ways to cope with the heartache, the Hospice of Michigan grief support team offers these ideas to help people handle grief:

- Be patient with yourself. Reduce the undue pressure of holiday expectations. Do things that have meaning to you and your family. Try to get through one day at a time.

- Be with supportive, comforting people — friends and relatives who understand your sense of loss and who will allow you to talk about your feelings.

- Don't do too much. Feelings of loss can leave you fatigued. Respect what your body and mind are telling you. Lower your own expectations about what you can do at holiday time.

- Take care of yourself, exercise regularly, eat nutritious meals and get plenty of rest.

- Avoid isolating yourself, but do give yourself special time alone.

- Renew your resources for living. Look for joy in the

moment and, if you find it, don't feel guilty about feeling good.

- Be open to new traditions that allow you to meaningfully express your feelings and celebrate your memories.

The Hospice of Michigan grief support team offers information and support to anyone experiencing the loss of a loved one. Hope for the Holidays programs will take place across the state. The nearest program will be from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 29, at Lake Shore Presbyterian Church, 27801 Jefferson in St. Clair Shores. Call (248) 443-5894.

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Training

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a baton," said Kretzschmar. The most dramatic ordi- nance is the "bore thunder," which Kretzschmar calls a "flash-bang."

"Fire in the hole," called Kretzschmar, raising the shotgun. Officers covered their ears.

The "flash-bang" lived up to its name. Flames leaped from the barrel as a blast sounding like a Pilgrim's blunderbuss reverberated through the garage.

"It gets people's atten- tion," said Kretzschmar. "In a drug raid, for instance, it disorients people so you can make an entry and have the advantage."

Although rubber bullets and bean bags don't carry the weight or consequences of a lead bullet, Kretzschmar said the less-than-lethals have "oomph."

Officers take the new option seriously.

"This isn't something we're going to use haphaz- ardly. These are potentially lethal," said Kretzschmar, loading a shotgun with shell containing a wadded-up bean bag filled with little rubber pellets. When fired, the bag flattens to about two inches square.

It hits with a wallop — like the one Kretzschmar fired to nail PSO Mike Najm in the chest.

"That got my attention," said Najm, who volunteered to demonstrate the round's hitting power. He wore a bulletproof vest and riot hel- met.

"It knocked the wind out of me," said Najm. A half- minute later, he removed the protective vest. He lifted his shirt and poked his chest, surprised that the impact had caused nothing more than a growing red welt.

"I'll take your word for it," smiled Lt. Mark Maple, a fellow trainee. "I'm a trust- ing person."

Anniversary

Kujat

Grosse Pointers Helen and Louis Kujat celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Nov. 11 at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. They were married on Nov. 18, 1950, at St. Brigid Church. They celebrated the occasion with their children: Catherine, Mary Helen, John, Louis and Robert; grandchildren; and friends.



Helen and Louis Kujat



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The firearms training ses- sion was part of the Park's annual public safety recerti- fication program. The pro- gram simulates real-world emergencies. Scenarios involved fire fighting and medical rescue, duties Park officers have handled since the police and fire depart- ments combined into the public safety department in the 1980s.

"We believe in the public safety system," said Hiller, a

face," he said. "That's realis- tic."

Unknown to the firefigh- ters, Hiller threw them a curve. He arranged for a member of the attack team to fake an injury.

"That's the reality of life," smiled Hiller. "No fire is scripted. There's no fire you can take out of a textbook and say that's exactly how it is. Conditions can change in a second."

Lt. John Schulte, who was



Photo by Brad Lindberg

PSO Keith Andersen, who doubles as a medic for the Grosse Pointe Park Department of Public Safety, gears up for firefighter training.

cross-trained police and fire- fighter. "The only way the system can work is by con- tinual hands-on training."

While one set of officers practiced shooting rubber bullets, others suited up for simulated fire runs. Fire training took place in a vacant city-owned former automobile dealership next door to the Park city hall.

Officers maneuvered inside a blacked-out build- ing filled with gray smoke churned out by a special machine.

Crawling on hands and knees, communicating by muffled radio calls and grop- ing with hands covered by thick protective gloves, the men had to locate a pretend victim and extinguish a sim- ulated fire.

"Even though it's practice, it's amazing how intense the men get," said Hiller.

The men entered the building dressed in full gear, complete with face masks and air tanks. They carried axes and lugged pressurized water lines.

As the smoke machine churned, Hiller monitored the exercise.

"They won't be able to see their hand in front of their

also monitoring the exercise, said, "We want to make sure they can get in, protect their own lives and rescue a trapped victim."

Hiller said, "We want our men to be able to think on their feet, make decisions and move quickly. It's all tactics."

While firefighters trained, other officers shot less-than- lethal rounds in the public safety garage. Occasionally, the booming sound of a "flash-bang" emerged from the structure to echo off buildings nearby.

The blasts served to coun- terpoint the simulated res- cue effort, reminding every- one of the dual mission of a public safety officer.

Hiller said, "One of the questions we ask our prospective public safety candidates is, 'If a situation comes up where you had to take a life, could you do it?' We expect them to say yes, because it's part of the job. But we ask, 'How do you think you would feel?'"

He continued, "I don't know how I'd react to killing someone. I hope I never have to do it. I hope my guys never have to do it, either."



Photo by Rosh Sillars

Patriarchal dedication

His All Holiness Patriarch Bartholomew dedicated a grove of trees at Celebration Park in Detroit's Medical Center.

Members and friends of Assumption Church in St. Clair Shores/Grosse Pointe Woods were present at many of the events held during the three-day visit of the Edumanical Patriarch, Archbishop of Constantinople and New Rome. Grosse Pointer Costa Sirdenis, at the right, watched the ceremonial tree-planting.

Study finds night shift hard on hearts

Shift work not only can lead to errors and accidents at the workplace, but could explain the reason night shift workers have a higher risk of cardiovascular dis- ease, according to a study in a recent issue of "Circulation: Journal of the American Heart Association."

Nerve and chemical mes- sages that control the heart's activity seem to stick closely to a 24-hour pattern, regardless of changes in awake and asleep times.

"This resistance of the body's internal clock to change with work schedules indicates that people don't adapt as easily as we think to shift work, and could explain why shift workers are at higher risk," said Dr. Raffaello Furlan, professor at the University of Milan and senior registrar in internal medicine at Hospital L. Sacco in Milan, Italy.

Researchers showed that workers on the overnight shift also had alterations in the nerve systems that mod- ulate the heart beat. For example, plasma levels of cortisol — a stimulant hor- mone that drives the nerve systems that keep the heart rate, digestive system, breathing and other func- tions running at a quicker pace during the day — are generally lower at night. In the study, normal morning peak levels didn't shift with workers' night schedules.

"The heart rate is contin- uously changing on a beat-by- beat basis," Furlan said. "In this study we looked at two types of nerve systems that regulate the heart."

The nervous system plays a major role in adapting the human body to different physiological conditions and

environmental demands. The sympathetic nerves act like accelerators for bodily functions such as heart rate and digestion. The vagal nerves act as decelerators. As one nerve system increases its signals to the body's organs, the other decreases its activity. The sympathetic nerves are acti- vated when a person is standing up or is engaged in physical activity or mental stress, whereas the vagal nerves become more active when a person is lying down or at rest, Furlan said.

Accelerator nerves are more active during the day; decelerator nerves are more active in the evening, espe- cially overnight. Researchers measured the 24-hour changes of the nerve activity that controls the heart in workers rotated through three shifts.

Twenty-four hour electro- cardiogram recordings were

done after a two-day adapta- tion to the present shift and during a weekly rotation of men through all three shifts.

Furlan's team examined the nerve influences on the heartbeat throughout the day. Researchers found that nerve activity that acceler- ates the heart was lower during the overnight shift compared to morning or afternoon working periods.

Because of lower nerve activity at night, a person may be in poor biochemical condition and less able to perform mental and phys- ical tasks, Furlan said.

Researchers hypothesized that continually shifting the nerve influence on the heart, over years, might play a role in the excessive rate of car- diovascular and gastroin- testinal diseases, and of sleep disturbances described in habitual shift workers in previous studies.

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Hilberry Theatre

Steve Martin's "Picasso at the Lapin Agile" is playing at the Hilberry Theatre through Saturday, Dec. 9. The award-winning comedy features, from left, Sean Ramey (Einstein), Trisha Miller (Germaine) and Orestes Arcundi (Picasso). For tickets or more information, call Wayne State University's theater box office at (313) 577-2972.

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Smoked salmon makes a terrific breakfast dish

Smoked salmon has evolved from a delicacy to an item that can be found at the local grocery store. The salty pink stuff is available hot smoked, cold smoked and cured (lox). I'm excited about this week's recipe because I'm a lover of smoked salmon, any way it's served.

The following Alaskan-inspired breakfast dish is a snap to prepare and will be enjoyed as any meal during a day.

Smoked salmon breakfast bake pairs the salty flavor of the salmon with the richness of Monterey Jack and cream cheese.

Smoked Salmon Breakfast Bake

2 cups broccoli florets (about one bunch)
1 cup chopped scallions (about one bunch)
8 oz. smoked salmon, cut in 1/2 inch pieces (or pulled)
2 cups grated Monterey Jack cheese (8 oz.)
8 oz. chilled cream cheese, cut in 1/2 pieces
8 large eggs
2 cups milk (any variety)
1 cup Bisquick
1/4 teaspoon each salt and black pepper

Grease a 9- by 13-inch glass baking dish. Arrange the broccoli and half of the scallions in the baking dish. Sprinkle with the smoked salmon, both cheeses and the remaining scallions. The recipe at this point can be prepared one day ahead when stored (covered) in the refrigerator.

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Using a blender or electric mixer, combine the eggs, milk, Bisquick, salt and pepper. Mix until smooth and pour evenly over salmon mixture.

Bake at 375 degrees for 40 to 45 minutes, until the top of the dish begins to brown. Allow to cool for 10 minutes before serving.

This sinfully delicious main course dish will cut into clean slices making it ideal for a buffet brunch, or into smaller pieces to pass as an appetizer.

I've tried both smoked and lox style salmon when making this dish and I prefer the smoked for this recipe.

My gal pal Lisa Gresens is not a fan of smoked salmon, so she replaces the salmon with diced cooked chicken. Hot Italian sausage (cooked) would also be a great substitute.

The make-ahead option will allow you valuable time to prepare the rest of your meal. My total time, from start to finish, was less than 90 minutes.

This is a terrific choice for out-of-town holiday guests when you can no longer look at another piece of turkey.

Smoked salmon breakfast bake is a favorite of my friends at the Grosse Pointe News.

Farms residents perform new composition

"Three Meditations," a new composition for chorus, orchestra and soprano by Farms resident James Lentini, Wayne State University associate professor, will premiere on Tuesday, Nov. 21. The performance, the 34th annual "Salute to Downtown Detroit" concert, will begin at noon at Old St. Mary's Church in Greektown.

Admission is free, but donations will be accepted.

Lentini based the piece on biblical passages. Performers will include the Wayne State University Symphonic Chorus and Orchestra and soprano Dana Lentini of Grosse Pointe Farms.

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Admission to the Village ranges from \$8.50 to \$13.50. Children under the age of 5 and members are admitted free. Showing in the Museum's \$15 million IMAX Theatre are Cirque Du Soleil Journey of Man, Cyberworld 3-D, Wolves and opening Sunday, Nov. 19 and running through Sunday, Dec. 31, Fantasia/2000. Daily screenings will be offered, on a rotating basis, beginning at 9 a.m., on the hour in the morning and on the half-hour in the afternoon and evening. Tickets are \$10 for adults or \$8 for seniors and children 12 and under. Call (313) 271-1620.

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It's a perfect season for North's girls basketball team

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Perfect seasons aren't an everyday occurrence. So when Grosse Pointe North's girls basketball team put the finishing touches on a 20-0 regular season last week, there was cause for celebration. "I don't think anybody thought we'd be this good. Before the season started, I didn't think we'd be this good," said North coach Gary Bennett.

The (Detroit) Free Press has us fill out a questionnaire before every season. One of the questions is 'How do you compare this year's team to last year's?' And one of the answers is 'not quite

as good.' That's the one I checked. What Bennett had no way of knowing for sure was how the chemistry of the team would come together.

"There were two things that made this team as successful as it is," Bennett said. "One is that they hate to lose. The other is that they're so unselfish. The attitude of not wanting to lose has helped us win several games."

That might have been the case last Thursday in North's 31-19 win over Fraser in a Macomb Area Conference White Division game. The Ramblers were nearly as good as the Norsemen this season with

their only two defeats being administered by North.

"Our defense was awesome," Bennett said. "Everyone played with urgency. When the ball moved, we moved. There was the urgency to rotate and cover up for one another."

Fraser came out of the first quarter with a 10-9 lead but after that the points started coming harder for the Ramblers.

They hit a three-point shot in the first minute of the second quarter to go ahead 13-11, then didn't score again until the first minute of the third quarter. By that time, North had a 19-13 lead.

Once again the Norsemen tightened the clamps on defense and Fraser didn't score again until there was 6:06 left in the game and North had a 26-15 lead.

"I was pretty confident at that point," Bennett said. "I knew we weren't going to let them come back. I could tell they were getting tired, too. They had to work so hard for their shots because we pressured them so much."

Natalie Potthoff led North with eight points and Jaime Francis had six, but Francis' contributions didn't stop there.

She held Sandi McHenry, Fraser's leading scorer, to only two points. And that basket didn't come until the

fourth quarter when the game was pretty much decided.

"Jaime did a great job," Bennett said. "McHenry is one of the top players in the division and Jaime took her out of the game."

Bennett told his team not to worry about the outcome of the game.

"There was no pressure on us," he said. "Even if we lost, we had a tie for the championship. They're the ones who had the pressure on them. They had to beat us. I told the girls to just go out and have fun."

And fun for North is winning.

In addition to her fine defensive game in shutting

down McHenry, Francis collected six assists and four steals. Beth Bigham played her usual strong defensive game and dished out three assists and Kelly Harrell grabbed five rebounds.

Earlier, North assured itself of a share of the division title with a 50-31 win over Chippewa Valley.

"We played very well in that game, too," Bennett said. "These might have been two of our best games this season."

North led 20-15 at halftime, then Bigham made a key play to turn the game around. She stole the inbounds pass and went in

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Big Reds end South's run

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's accomplishments in football this season shouldn't be clouded by the Blue Devils' final game against Chippewa Valley last Friday.

Despite the 49-14 loss to the Big Reds in a state Division II regional game, this football season had a lot of firsts at South.

"The school has played in only six playoff games and three of them were this year," said coach Mike McLeod. "We've won three playoff games and two of those wins came this year. And this year's team scored more points than any other."

Just being in the regional playoff game was a plus for the Blue Devils, according to McLeod.

"Chippewa Valley was in

the playoffs last year and I thought they did a better job this season because of that," McLeod said.

"Now our kids know what it takes to get to the next level. That's not the same Chippewa team that was in the playoffs last year and we won't be the same team next year. The Ramblers were nearly as good as the Norsemen this season with

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That attitude went right up to the head man. Despite fighting bronchitis for several weeks and winding up in the hospital when he collapsed after South's playoff win against Sterling Heights, McLeod never missed a practice.

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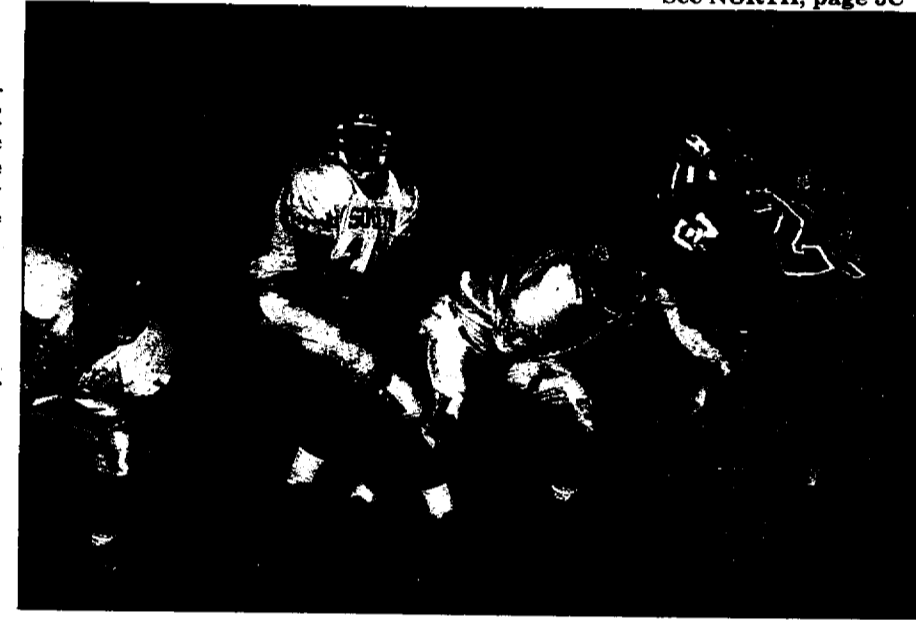


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Grosse Pointe South quarterback Andrew Vlasak takes a snap from center during the Blue Devils' state regional playoff game with Chippewa Valley.

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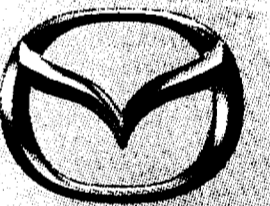


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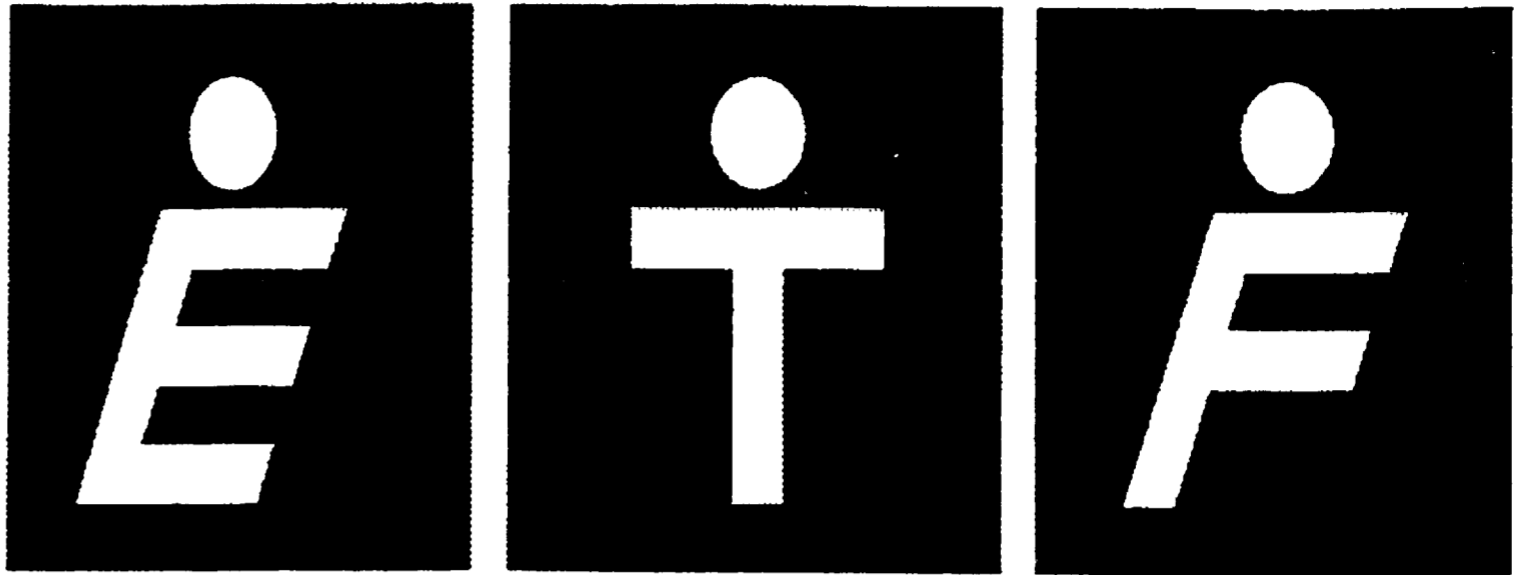
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North

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for a layup to give the Norsemen a seven-point advantage.

Jessica Westbrook then hit a three-point shot at the buzzer to send North into the final quarter with a 13-point lead.

Bigham posted some impressive all-around statistics. She led the Norsemen with 11 points and also had five assists and seven steals. She didn't commit a turnover.

Francis had 10 points, three assists and three steals and Meredith Farmer also scored 10 points. Jill Bramos had a team-high 12 rebounds and four steals. Potthoff had six rebounds, four of them offensive.



Grosse Pointe North's girls basketball team celebrates after completing a 20-0 regular season with a victory against Fraser last week. In front, from left, are Hilary Miller, Lindsey Koerber, Margaret McMann, Jessica Westbrook, Jaime Francis, Beth Bigham and Natalie Potthoff. In back, from left, are coach Gary Bennett, Meridith Farmer, Shelby Simmon, Jill Bramos and Stephanie Rose. Not pictured is Kelly Harrell.

Mustangs take second

The Pointe Girls Soccer Association Mustangs '89 wrapped up second place in the Michigan Youth Soccer League Premier Division with a 9-2 record.

With four games remaining, the Mustangs needed a win and a tie to secure second place and they quickly took care of the suspense with a pair of shutout victories.

They beat the Birmingham Blazers 3-0 and blanked the Royal Oak Cyclones 2-0. Amy Hathaway scored a pair of goals in the two games and Amanda Palffy created several scoring chances of her own.

The Mustangs wrapped up the home season with a 5-1 win over the Cyclones. Hathaway scored three

goals, while Kara Trowell and Allison Seeley added one apiece.

In the season opener, the Mustangs beat the MetroStars 3-1 on goals by Hathaway, Marian Schmidt and Emily Walton.

The next week, the Mustangs beat the Brandon Hawks 4-0 and crushed Birmingham 11-0. Trowell and Lindsay Krall scored hat tricks in that contest.

The defense was anchored by sweeper Elizabeth Carrier, fullbacks Becca Scholtes and Erin Hughes and stoppers Walton and Allison O'Connor.

The Mustangs beat the Grosse Pointe Soccer Association Dragons 2-0. Elizabeth Palmer scored

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Salvo holds on to first place in under-10 division of MYSL

The Grosse Pointe Soccer Association Salvo '91 won two of three recent games to maintain first place in the Michigan Youth Soccer League under-10 division.

In a contest shortened by severe weather, the Salvo beat the Rochester Thunder 4-2.

The Salvo controlled the tempo early and opened the scoring when Bobby Barrett connected after an excellent pass from Brett Reardon.

The Salvo continued the pressure and Reardon assisted again on a goal by Kyle Nadeau.

Adam Mitchell added the

Salvo's third goal of the first half with an assist from Ben Scarfone. The Thunder scored late in the first half to make it 3-1 at the break.

Rochester also scored early in the second half to cut the Salvo's margin to one. Goalie Andrew Doetsch made some good saves to

protect the one-goal lead until Nadeau scored from Steve Vanbeek. The game was called at the 16-minute mark of the second half.

Andrew Farley and Trevor Sattelmeyer played strong defense for the Salvo.

In an action-packed game played in sloppy conditions,

the Salvo beat the Sterling-Clinton Mustangs 9-4.

Barrett and Mitchell each scored three goals for the Salvo. Brian Auty, Jay Creech and Nadeau added one goal apiece.

Nadeau's goal was the highlight of the game as he scored on a header after a

corner kick by Barrett. Patrick Deters and Nadeau each had two assists. Chris Maynard, Eric Osaer, Reardon and Creech also had one assist apiece.

In its next game, the Salvo was upset by the Birmingham-Bloomfield Blazers.

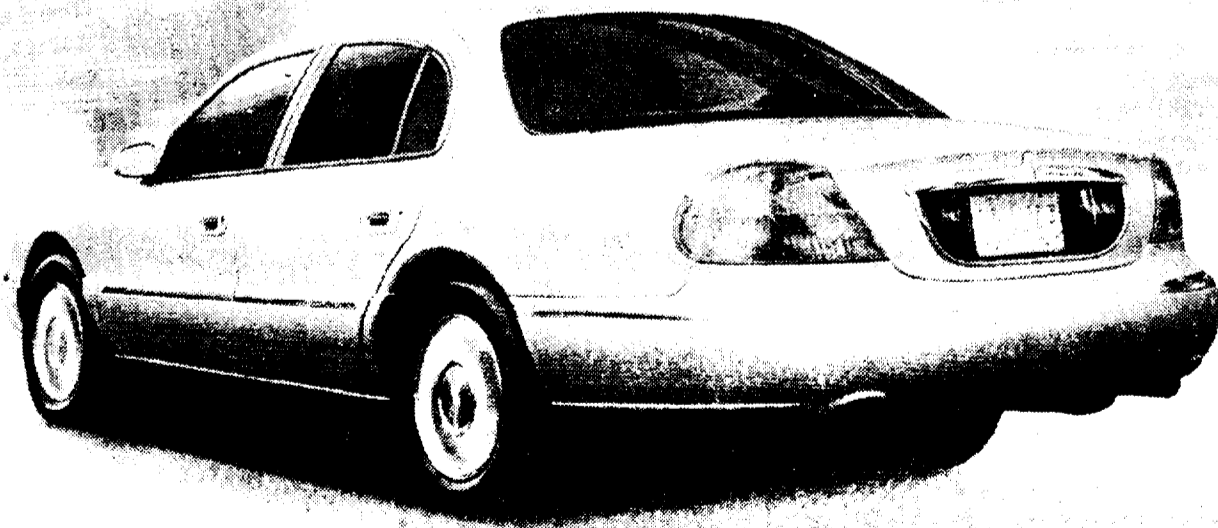
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Grosse Pointe South's boys cross country team qualified for the state Division I meet with a second-place finish in the regional. The Blue Devils won several invitational titles this season. In front are Andy Visger, left, and Pat Dantzer. In the middle are Nick Zerweck, left, and Nate Visger. In back, from left, are Nick Galac, Bob Hanrahan and Bob Bossler.

South boys have best state showing

Grosse Pointe South's boys cross country team never caught Sterling Heights this year, but coach Tom Wise credited the Stallions for helping his squad make its best showing at the state meet.

"I guess they were the better team this season, but because of them we finished

the highest ever in the finals," Wise said.

South finished 15th in the meet at Michigan International Speedway, only four points behind Sterling Heights, which was 14th.

South's Pat Dantzer broke the school record he had shared, lowering the stan-

dard to 16:07.5.

Bob Hanrahan had a 30-second drop from his previous best to 17:17.4.

"He's in a position to be a front runner for us next fall," Wise said.

Nick Zerweck (16:26) and Nate Visger (16:43) also had personal best. Nick Galac

ran a strong race with a 16:58.

"Andy Visger and Bob Bossler helped move the opposition back further at the finish," Wise said.

"We are losing four of our top eight but we're not feeling sorry for ourselves. We have the personnel to fill in the holes with some work."

South girls are close to their goals

Grosse Pointe South's girls cross country team had hoped for a top 15 finish in last week's state meet at Michigan International Speedway, but the Blue Devils finished a bit short of their goal.

"Our team came very close to our goals," said coach

Steve Zaranek. "We had hoped for a top 15 finish this year and we came up a little short. It was not for a lack of effort. Our girls ran their hearts out. We were very proud and excited to represent South in this final meet."

The highlight of the meet

for the Blue Devils, who wound up 21st, was the career-best performance of senior Elizabeth Osburn.

The four-year veteran and three-time state finalist had a time of 19:17, bettering her previous best by 15 seconds.

"Elizabeth was outstanding," Zaranek said.

Another impressive finish came from sophomore Hilary Zaranek, who broke the 20-minute barrier with a 19:44. She was followed by Mary Gibson at 20:05, Megan Zaranek at 20:22, Bridget Scallen at 20:59, Maureen Hoehn at 21:01 and Kate Finkenstaedt at 21:12.

Megan Zaranek, a freshman, ran a personal best in her first varsity race.

"With two seniors on our varsity seven, we have a great nucleus for next year and beyond," Steve Zaranek said.

A qualification for next year's final meet would be the Blue Devils' 22nd straight.

Earlier in the week, South was first at the Center Line freshman/sophomore invitational.

The Blue Devils were led by Megan Zaranek, Emily Meza, Ashley Petz, Blair Hanrahan, Meghan DeSantis, Emily Gordon and Jenny Gerow.

South had 17 runners post season-best times.

The Blue Devils finished the year with a 7-1 dual meet record and four invitational titles.

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early in the game and Schmidt tallied in the second half. The following day the Mustangs suffered their first defeat of the season to the Michigan Gators, who finished 12-0 and allowed only four goals all season.

In a rematch with the Gators, the Mustangs took a 1-0 lead on Walton's penalty kick but the Gators scored twice late in the second half to win 2-1.

The Mustangs bounced back with a 5-2 win over the Dragons and a 2-0 victory over the Hawks. Those games featured strong mid-field play from Katie Galea, Hillary Zimmerman, Elizabeth Lightbody, Amanda Marsh and Seeley. Trowell notched her second hat trick of the season against the Dragons.

Mustangs goalie Carreen Lewis posted six shutouts, including four on the road.

The Mustangs are coached by Dan Kelly and managed by John Walton.

David Dwaihy, a junior midfielder from Grosse Pointe North, was one of seven Kalamazoo College players named to the all-MIAA soccer first team. Dwaihy, a two-time selection to the squad, led the Hornets with nine assists. He also scored five goals.

Dwaihy honored

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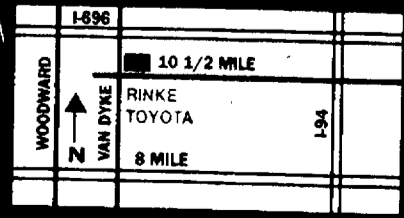
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The baffling battle between feathers and fur

On a daily basis at Wild Birds Unlimited, we hear about the abilities of squirrels to successfully turn bird feeders into squirrel feeders. Even though we advise customers as to the capabilities of squirrels, some insist that the squirrels won't be able to climb the feeder pole they are purchasing. We smile knowingly when they are back within days to admit that the little rascals easily shimmed up the pole and are monopolizing the seed.

Squirrels are members of the rodent family. The Latin word "rodere" means "to gnaw," as we can see in the damage these critters cause to our new feeders. Did you know that squirrels gnaw in order to keep their teeth sharp and short? If they didn't, their teeth would be an unruly length since they grow six inches per year.

While squirrels can cause frustrating damage to feeders, this does not have to be the case. There are many strategies that you can employ to keep squirrels away from feeders. Keeping them steadily supplied with their own seed is one way to win the war. Platform feeders keep the seed dry and make cleanup easier. If you choose to feed them, squirrels love sunflower seeds, peanuts and corn.

One of the seeds that squirrels are not interested in is safflower. The seed has a bitter taste and is not preferred by mammals, while songbirds enjoy its flavor. Cardinals, chickadees, house finches, Carolina wrens and mourning doves all come to safflower when I offer it in a feeder. When you have a feeder that can be accessed by squirrels, such as a window feeder, safflower would be the perfect solution.

Safflower does have one drawback — its price. Because it is grown primarily for human consumption in the form of oil, the cost can be prohibitive for some budgets. In that case, proper placement of the feeder with a baffle is the best way to keep the mischievous marauders away from the birds' food.

The acrobatic abilities of squirrels are legendary. Pound for pound, Olympic gymnasts can't compare. Since squirrels can jump up from the ground almost six feet and sideways a distance of eight feet, the location of a feeder within your yard is crucial to the success of feeding birds, not squirrels.



**For
the
Birds**

**By Rosann Kovalcik
Wild Birds Unlimited**

A feeder hung from a branch would need to be placed eight feet from the trunk, forcing the squirrel to approach from above since the sideways approach would not work. The baffle that is placed above a feeder should be substantially wider than the feeder itself which is why it is difficult to keep squirrels out of wooden feeders hung from trees.

At Wild Birds Unlimited, we find that the most successful baffle is one that was designed by an engineer who was fed up with the furry critters eating the seed he was offering the birds in his yard.

Both wooden feeders and tube shaped feeders can be mounted or hung from poles. Many people report that they have greased the pole with a variety of substances including cooking oil, WD40 or Vaseline.

While it can be entertaining to watch the squirrels slip down the pole, there are two problems with this approach. The first is that the substance needs to be reapplied as it wears off onto the squirrel. The second problem is that the matted fur of the squirrel causes its belly to be exposed to the elements, which can lead to hypothermia. Although many people profess a strong dislike for squirrels, not many want to see them die in such a manner.

Hot pepper additives to seed can be successful because the taste buds of a squirrel are different than those of birds. Squirrel Away adversely affects squirrels but birds cannot taste the difference. Two disadvantages of the powder are that great care needs to be used so as not to get the pepper in your eyes and the powder needs to be reapplied in the event that the seed gets wet.

By far the best way to keep squirrels away from the bird seed is to use the feeder that has a counterweighted bar, causing the seed port to close off when a squirrel

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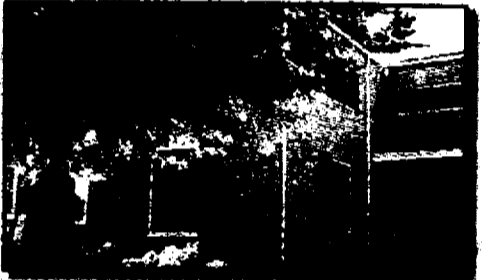
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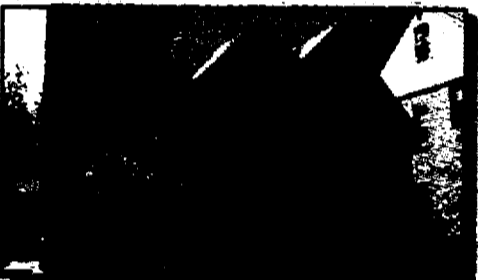
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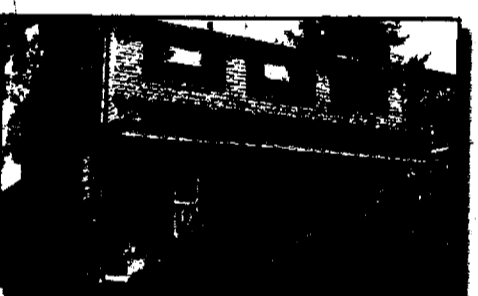
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American Capital Services Inc.	(800) 321-7210	7.5	0	7.25	0	6.75	0	JB/V/F
Apex Financial Group Inc.	(248) 273-4000	7.125	2	6.75	2	6.875	2	JB/V/F
Banco Mortgage Centre	(248) 258-2842	7.75	0	7.5	0	8	0	JB/V
Capital Mortgage Funding	(248) LOW-RATE	7.125	3	6.75	3	6.75	2	JB/F
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Citizens Bank	(800) 889-8849	7.375	1.75	7	2	6.75	1	J/V/F
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Coupon Corner

By Marge Svenson

Thanksgiving is such a busy time that it's hard to focus on the reason for the holiday — to reflect and to give thanks for what you have. Even if you're not cooking Thanksgiving dinner for a crowd, most people are either going to a different house for appetizers, the main feast or dessert.

So, the lesson from this week's column is — simplicity. Try to make things as easy as possible for yourself. Take some shortcuts. Get one or two major cooking chores out of the way ahead of time. Sit down. Relax. Watch the parade.

This week's offers

- Save 60 cents on any Stouffer's Heart Portions entree, such as roast turkey breast with dressing, gravy, mashed potatoes and vegetables. Expires Dec. 15.
- Swanson's offers a \$1 coupon on any three dinners, including traditional favorites like turkey breast, Salisbury steak and fried chicken. Expires Dec. 31.
- Save 75 cents on any variety of Carolina Turkey's Turkey Mignon with a pop-up timer in several varieties, including roasted garlic, barbecue and filets wrapped in bacon. Expires March 31, 2001.
- Idahoan has a 40-cents-off coupon on any of its instant potato products or a buy-two, get-one-free

offer on flavored mashed potatoes such as roasted garlic, four cheese, and butter and herb. Expires Jan. 27, 2001.

- Stove Top has a 25-cents-off coupon on any variety of its stuffing mixes. Expires Jan. 31, 2001.
- Uncle Ben's offers a 75-cents-off coupon on any package of Natural Select rice in flavors such as tomato and basil, roasted chicken, and garlic and butter.
- Save 55 cents on any two packages of McCormick's Country Gravy mix. Expires Dec. 31.
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- Save 40 cents on any Spice Islands spice or seasoning. Expires Jan. 31, 2001.
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Chimney cleaning a must for wood burners

Q. Mr. Hardware, we use our fireplace about five times a month during the winter months. How often should my chimney need cleaning? We have lived in this 50-year-old house for the past three years. Matt from Harper Woods.

A. Matt, your chimney inspection is way overdue. The Chimney Safety Institute of America and the National Fire Prevention Association both recommend a yearly chimney inspection to prevent fire hazards.

Bird nests and other obstructions can cause chimney fires and carbon monoxide poisoning. A visual inspection of the chimney flue may reveal cracks or other structural problems that should be addressed before the next fire.

Another problem in the flue could be a buildup of creosote. Creosote forms when wood does not burn completely. Natural chemicals in wood vaporize and drift up the chimney. These chemicals and water vapor from the burning wood condense on the walls of the flue. The more creosote collects on the flue, the greater the chance of a chimney fire.

According to Matthew Cherniawski, from Pointe Chimney Repair, there are three stages of creosote. First is the dusty or ash residue, then crusty like burnt molasses, then shiny hard like candy. The first two are easily cleaned with brushes. The third stage, shiny hard, requires chains or chemicals to clean the flue.

Ways to reduce the buildup of creosote begin with burning dry, seasoned wood. Wet or unseasoned wood provides moisture, adding to



Ask Mr. Hardware

By Blair Gilbert

adhesion and formation of creosote. Keep fires small; the greater amount of oxygen supplied to a fire, the better the wood is burned. Hence, a reduced amount of creosote deposited.

Using a woodstove or a fireplace insert can increase accumulation of creosote. Slowing down or smoldering a fire for extended periods also increases formation of creosote.

An open fireplace flue should be inspected yearly and cleaned about every three years. The flue for a woodstove or other device that allows the airflow to be restricted should be cleaned yearly if not more often.

Send your questions to; Mr. Hardware c/o Gilbert's Pro Hardware at 21912 Harper, St. Clair Shores, 48080; call (810) 776-9532; e-mail blair@mrhardware.com; or visit www.mrhardware.com to review some of my columns.

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Architectural antiques most popular are the Art Deco, Art Nouveau and Victorian-era pieces. The addition of antique objects can change the "feel" of a home from the outside, in. Adding a claw-foot bathtub, refurbished with a bit of shiny, gold paint; replacing windows with beveled, leaded glass can remake a bath into an invitingly comfortable room. The addition of a lit beeswax candle, held in an antique brass holder, has the power to relax the most uptight bather.

A homey rustic atmosphere can be found in the primitive country style of old barn wall planks; large, hued beams; thick wooden doors with wood doorknobs or cast iron latches; arched fireplace mantels; landscaping stones; or simply the addition of Shaker furniture.

For more information on obtaining architectural antiques, visit the web site www.oldhousejournal.com. The site posts bulletin boards, offers interesting chat rooms and gives links to other home improvement sites.

If you have the opportunity to live in an old, possibly historic home, take care when remodeling. Twice in my lifetime I've uncovered beautiful old flooring, unaware it existed, only to be immediately recovered again!

This first experience was in a rural 1896-built home my husband and I purchased. I watched in awe as the carpet layer took up the old carpeting in the entrance living room, uncovering a beautiful patterned oak floor with an unpatterned oak area fashioned for a rug. During the unveiling I pictured a somber-colored antique hooked rug set in its place among the patterned, old wood although new wall-to-wall carpeting had been chosen, cut and was ready to be laid.

That was a time to make a split-second decision; forget the new carpet so we can enjoy the ambience of the floor, or live with the new carpeting until it becomes timeworn. With spent dollar signs in mind, the decision was made to go ahead with the new carpeting and wait a few years, then the beautiful wood floor would see the light of day through the home's original, wavy-glass window panes.



Antique's Ambience

By Diane Morelli

That may have not been the best decision — six years later we sold the home. After making sure the buyers knew of its covered patterned, oak floor, we bought a 1937-built Cape Cod located in a larger school district.

The second uncovering episode came while recovering the Cape Cod's kitchen floor. Before placing the new floor-board, the installers took up the old vinyl and uncovered beautiful vintage linoleum — a stylish color of green! Though the linoleum looked to be of excellent condition I let the installers install the carefully purchased, new, pre-cut no-wax vinyl floor.

Adding or uncovering these architectural antique marvels can brighten up and add life to an otherwise ordinary home.

Send your questions about antiques and collectibles to; Diane Morelli c/o Grosse Pointe News at 96 Kercheval Ave., Grosse Pointe Farms 48236, fax (313) 882-1585; e-mail dmorelli@grossepointe-news.com.



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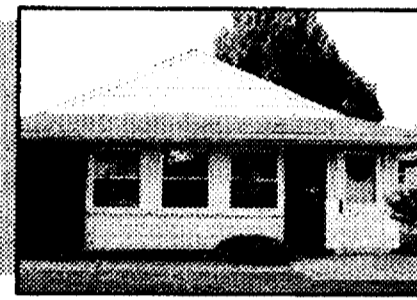
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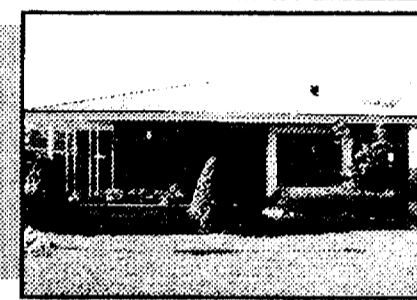
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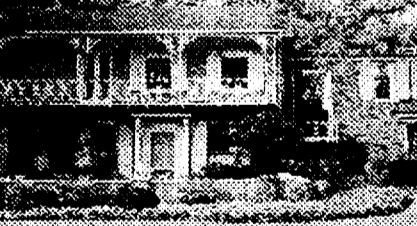
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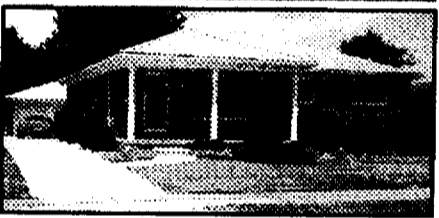
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Preserve wood furniture for generations to come

Whether it's your grandfather's cedar rocking chair or your mother's chestnut hope chest, enjoying family heirlooms means taking care of them over the years. Fighting the inevitable wear on older furniture or even on new furniture, may seem like a daunting task, but with a little bit of attention and care, you can help prevent wood age-lines.

These heirlooms can be preserved for future generations to enjoy.

Taking a few simple precautions and care when handling your furniture can help prevent needless damage. There are two main reasons wood surfaces begin to show age over time: environmental factors including light and moisture, and neglecting to clean and treat surfaces.

Enjoying your favorite rocking chair while a stream of sunlight shines through your window may be an ideal resting-place for you, but it may not be healthy for the chair. Light damage can cause bleaching and other forms of discoloration to wood surfaces.

Like sunlight, the amount of moisture in the air can have devastating effects on wood furniture over time. Changes in humidity can cause wood to shrink and swell as the content of water in the air changes. This movement slowly distorts parts of furniture and may lead to warping.

Storing furniture in damp places such as basements or sheds can cause this warping to occur at a faster pace. According to the Smithsonian Institution, keeping humidity at a stable level is best



achieved by using a dehumidifier in the summer and humidifying in the winter.

To prevent needless wear on your furniture and keep it looking great over time, Old English furniture experts offer the following tips:

- Approximately once a month, moisturize unsealed wood with an oil. This can help protect wood against dry-

ing and cracking. It also helps to preserve the genuine beauty of your wood.

- To clean, shine and protect finished wood surfaces, use a furniture polish such as Old English once a week. When used regularly, your furniture gets better protection with no residue build-up.

- Utilize a scratch cover in a color that closely matches your wood. This will help restore damaged wood surfaces and hide nicks and scratches.

- It is best to use leather or felt coasters under objects that will be standing for a long period of time, as well as under any liquid containers.

- If discoloration due to exposure to sunlight or dampness appears on the wood, apply a polish such as Old English as soon as possible. If the discoloration is left too long, you may have to sand the wood before reapplying oil and wax.

Maintaining the beauty of wood is a task that demands attention, but keeping family heirlooms and family heirlooms to-be in good condition, will be worth the effort now and in the future.

For more information, call (800) 228-4722.

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Home Tips

- If you lose the screw-top of your caulking tube, you can substitute a plastic wire nut (the kind used to connect electrical wiring). They fit very well. — James C., Frederick, Md.

- In response to your article "When Scrubbing Doesn't Work," try using White Wall tire cleaner (on a stained fiberglass shower floor). Just spray it on, let it stand a little, scrub with a green scratch

pad, wipe and rise. It's worked well for me for years. I tried everything else, so I decided, it works on tires, why not? You could see the buildup roll off. Give it a try! — Helen in N.Y.

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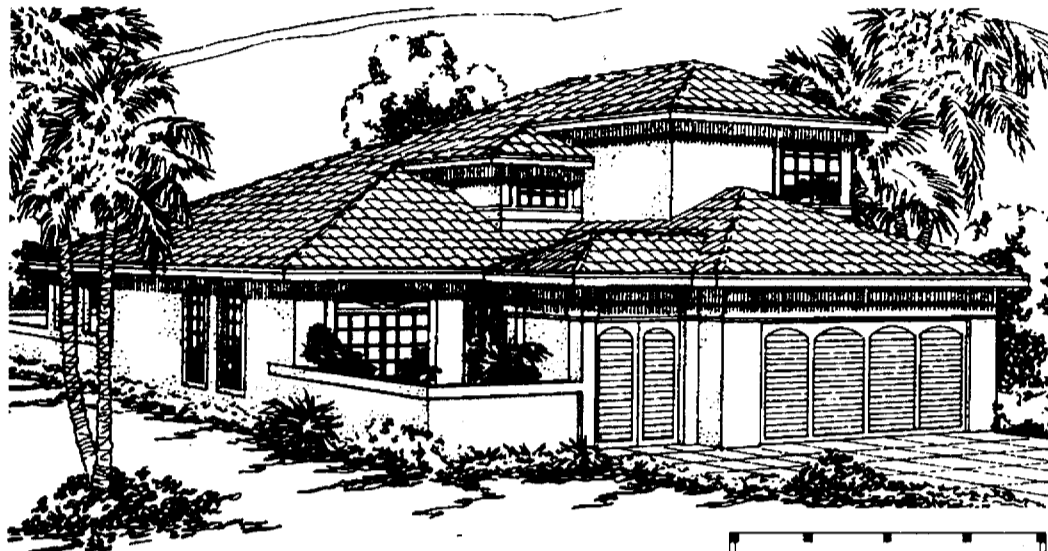
Cortez

The three-bedroom Cortez is a contemporary stucco home designed with a zero lot line concept in mind. It is only 38 feet wide and has no windows along the right side.

This design concept is brought into play when additional privacy is desired along one of the lot lines, or when a builder wants to construct two mirror-image units in a duplex configuration. This allows each of the units to have one wide side yard instead of two narrow ones.

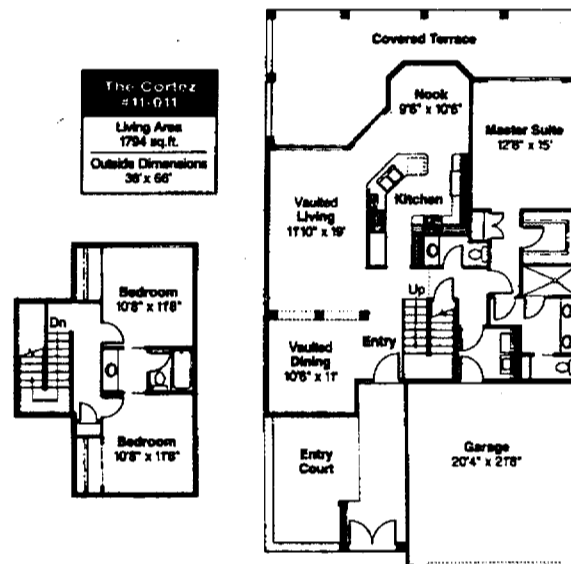
If these concerns aren't relevant, windows could be added, but the home is already richly glassed. The rear of the Cortez has more windows than walls, facing out across a covered terrace that could be screened. Sliding glass doors provide access from the kitchen/nook area and master suite.

And from the dining room, you gaze into an enclosed courtyard through wide windows, crowned by an arched transom. Inside, a columned archway echoes the graceful curves of the windows and defines the boundary between the dining room and the airy, vaulted living room.



Counter and storage spaces are plentiful in the kitchen. A powder room is centrally located, close to the front door and a pass-through utility room opens into the garage.

Amenities in the Cortez's generous master suite include a walk-in closet, linen storage, oversized shower, twin basins and an enclosed water closet. A small arched window brightens the stairwell leading upstairs to two more bedrooms that share a compartmentalized bathroom.



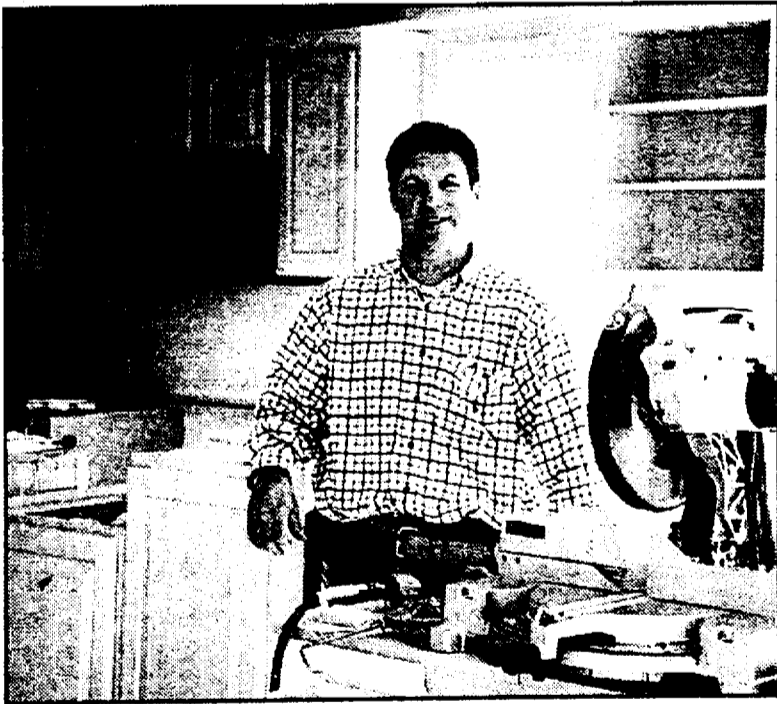
For a review plan, including scaled floor plans, elevations, section and artist's conception, send \$15 to Associated Designs, 1100 Jacobs Dr., Eugene, Ore. 97402. Specify the Cortez 11-011 and include a return address when ordering. A catalog featuring over 170 home plans is available for \$12. For more information, call (800) 634-0123.

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It's that time of year — a time of cold, damp days where rain, wind, snow and sleet take turns assailing us. You expect your home to be warm and watertight. And your roof is your home's first defense against the elements, especially moisture. Have you taken a look at it lately? Are the edges curling? Do the shingles look like they're beginning to crumble? Are you having any problems with leaks?

Perhaps it's time to consider installing a new roof. With the lifespan of the average asphalt roof hovering somewhere around 20 years, and many homes in Grosse Pointe well over that, roof replacement is a common local occurrence. J&J Roofing at 29522 Little Mack in Roseville has been replacing area roofs for the past eight years and has developed a reputation for excellence. The winter months are traditionally a slow period for roofers. If you are considering making the investment now, you can avoid the spring rush. And yes, it is possible to put on a new roof in the winter, if you put the job in the hands of a capable roofer.

"We try to be fair to all of our customers when pricing a job," says J&J owner Jimmy Pease. "We don't ask a potential client to not sign up with another company until they get our bid. And we don't believe in acquiring a job by undercutting the bid of a competitor because we think that puts the emphasis strictly on cost as a defining factor. Choosing a roofer strictly on the basis of price can ultimately be a costly mistake. A substandard roofing job can cause more headaches down the road than you might imagine."

Pease says it isn't difficult to identify a good roofing company if consumers pay careful attention to a few key elements. A company with a solid reputation in the neighborhood, a devotion to quality workmanship and a local office where you can go visit them (beware of anyone "roofing" out of a truck) are important considerations. J&J fulfills all of these qualifications, and has a leg up on the competition because they have established a reputation as a company which conducts business honestly with their customers. The eastside roofer has long believed that fair pricing and a job thoroughly done is the most effective way to cultivate their business.

So what is the first rule of thumb when choosing a roofing company? Getting estimates and comparing bids is an important aspect of the process. Look not only for a price in balance with labor and materials proposed, but for a company that is established and can prove that they will be available for follow-up appointments down the road. These are all common elements of a bid from J&J Roofing.



Pease has been in the construction industry for over 30 years, and his focus on asphalt roofing evolved as he realized that this was a market which he knew well and could service properly. That means handling each job completely instead of subcontracting out portions of it, pulling permits for his customers, and hauling away all debris in company owned dump trucks.

"Someone is on the ground at all times, and their only job is to clean up continuously," says office manager and Pease's daughter, Terrie Pease. "Our aim is to have the home looking at the end of the job like no one was ever there."

The Proof Is In the Installation

Many of the roofers employed by J&J have been with the company from the beginning, and are exclusively trained in proper roof installation. They are instructed to be thorough and exacting in their technique, and to treat each project as if it were their own home.



Replacing

So what's involved in a well executed roofing job?

Whether or not you opt to have the existing roof removed is an individual decision, but the literature from roofing associations is quick to point out that if leaks are a problem, simply covering them up with a new roof is not always the answer. Tearing off layers of the old roof and starting from scratch lays the groundwork for a more watertight end product, and gives you a much better chance of eradicating the leaks which can otherwise be tricky to locate. J&J crews tear off only as much as they know they can replace in one day.

The underlayment, applied next, is a weather resistant material which covers and protects the roof deck before shingles are nailed down. J&J uses a 15 lb. perforated felt which allows for better ventilation underneath the shingles. The number of nails (not staples) is as important as their placement: four per shingle, placed at the nail line indicated by the manufacturer. J&J automatically replaces all roof vents with "bird-free" vents, which are constructed to keep out both birds and squirrels. Both the felt and the vents are a critical part of the total job, since it is important that the roof not only keep moisture out but also provide a way for air to circulate freely from the attic.

J&J installs ice and water shields at a width of 36 inches around the perimeter of the roof line. This tar-like paper prevents ice build-up which can creep under the shingles and cause extensive damage. They also install a drip edge on all edges. Chimneys and other vertical projections are flashed carefully to prevent water from entering the joints.

What's In a Single Shingle?

Asphalt shingles have evolved in terms of durability, performance and appearance since they were first intro-

(Far Left) Before, the old roof is unsightly and barely adequate, with shingles curling on the dormer roof.

(Above Left) After, the deep variegated appearance of the new asphalt shingle roof installed by J&J makes the house look brand new. Looks, cost and most of all, performance, are important considerations when choosing roofing material.

J&J recently removed the old roof off of this home on Oxford in Grosse Pointe



Shores for owners Tim and Karen Mourad, and replaced it with this pewter grey one from Timberline. "This was a huge job," said Karen. "J&J was prompt and professional, and has sequently done many other homes on our block."



From the minute the J&J crews arrive on the job, their dump truck is positioned to catch all the debris removed from the roof — something which is even stipulated in the contract. The crews pride themselves on being conscientious in their work methods.

the Roof Over Your Head

By Margaret K. Fitzgerald

duced over 80 years ago. They are popular because they are durable and reasonably priced in comparison to cedar, clay tile and slate.

Asphalt is actually the sticky, tarry substance which holds together a variety of composite materials. The base can be made of either fiberglass (which makes up more than half of the asphalt roofs installed in the U.S.

today), felt or cellulose (known as "organic" shingles). Laminated shingles are those which consist of two or more layers fused together to create a three-dimensional appearance reminiscent of wood or slate. They are more expensive than their fiberglass or organic counterparts. Manufacturers warranties on the products run from 20 to 50 years.

J&J offers all of these shingle types, and can provide the homeowner with any brand on the market. To assist you in choosing

the perfect color for your new roof, J & J has compiled a list of over 2,100 jobs they have completed. You can choose to create a list either by a specific shingle product or by location on their web site. Then just take a quick drive by. This will give you a more accurate idea of how the color and product you are considering will look installed. J&J Sales Representatives also have this information available.

You're entitled to a roof which looks as good as it performs. After all, it's not simply a roof over your head, but an integral part of your home. And the staff at J&J knows what we all know, that your home is your most important investment. You should put its care in the most capable hands.

J&J Roofing, located in Roseville has added windows, doors and siding to their list of quality services.

J&J is a family run business that has worked hard to maintain a tradition of excellent customer service and workmanship. They have a well-trained staff of professionals to help you choose the right products and colors that will not only improve your home's appearance, but increase it's value. J&J has a roofing referral list of over 150 pages, so taking a look at previous jobs is extremely convenient.

You may also visit their web site at jjroofing.com to obtain a list of previous jobs. You can specify which you'd like to view—a list by specific shingle products, or by location. The site contains valuable information on warranties, choosing a contractor, and some basic roofing terminology. With a few clicks of the mouse, you can request your free estimate from J&J's site. There is also a coupon available that you can print right off your computer and a page that gives information about current specials and recent developments in the industry.

Be sure to discuss available payment methods with your Sales Representative. There are financing programs available through certain shingle manufacturers. J&J is also happy to accept your major credit cards.

Jim Pease, the company's owner offers a couple of words of advice to prospective clients. Be an educated consumer. Take advantage of resources available and ask questions.

Be sure you're comparing apples to apples when looking at competing proposals. Make sure that the materials and services being specified are the same.

Beware of "Cheap Charlie". If you choose a contractor that uses inferior material or poor business ethics, the job may wind up costing you more in the long run.

J&J's phones are manned 25 hours a day. It's a good idea to contact them now and avoid the end of the season rush.



J&J Roofing is located at 29522 Little Mack, in Roseville. Call 800-459-6455 or 810-445-6455 to arrange for a consultation. You may also visit their website at www.jjroofing.com to get your FREE estimate on-line.

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ROOFING PRODUCTS

Is your yard prepared for winter's fury?

Here is my landscape to do list so your yard is prepared for winter:

1. Start a compost pile. Now is the perfect time to start composting. Leaves, grass, weeds, vegetables and annuals can be recycled into valuable compost instead of being bagged and hauled away. A simple pile behind the garage can be your compost site. For those people who like things looking more orderly, there are plastic containers or wire bins made for composting.

Composting is not hard and it does not create bad smells or become a nuisance. Add material to your pile in layers of about 3 inches. Spread a layer of soil or compost between the layers of fresh materials. Your pile will compost faster if there is just enough moisture to keep it damp and every three to four weeks you could turn the material. You could have some beneficial compost by late spring for next year's garden.

2. Put the lawn to bed. Don't put the lawn mower away if the lawn is still growing. Michigan weather can be crazy, as we have seen this



By David Soulliere

year. The grass should be cut to about 2 inches in order to avoid winter lawn diseases. By cutting it shorter you will be increasing the airflow between the grass blades. Clean up any of those late-falling leaves and blowing debris too. Automatic sprinkler systems need to be winterized to prevent freeze damage. Turn off the water supply then blow out the water lines with compressed air.

3. Prep your perennials. Remove any weeds and trim back most of the perennials to 3 to 4 inches. There are a few plants, like grasses, that look nice against the winter snow. You may want to leave these plants standing. If you don't have shrubs planted with your

perennials you may want to add some winter interest in your garden next year. I leave the purple coneflowers in my yard standing because they attract finches that eat the seed heads all winter. A layer of mulch such as shredded bark, cocoa shell or peat moss will protect your plants from winter injury. Water the plants once a week if we do not get any rainfall.

4. Plant your spring flowering bulbs. Now is the time of year to plant flower bulbs to bloom next year. Tulips, narcissus, crocus and more are only available in the fall. Fertilize your bulb flower beds from this and previous years with bone meal to ensure strong growth next season. A layer of mulch about 2 to 3 inches thick will help protect your bulbs during the winter.

5. Care for the tender shrubs before winter. Holly, azaleas, rhododendron, boxwood and Alberta spruce are just some of the plants that would benefit from a layer of mulch around the plant. Mulching your plants helps keep the ground frozen during the winter. It is the freeze-thaw-freeze

cycles that do injury to these plants. Trim off any broken branches you may find on the plants. On the deciduous shrubs this will be a lot easier to find at this time of year. Cleaning out the beds of those fallen leaves will help reduce the spread of diseases next year.

Spray those tender plants with Wilt Pruf to reduce moisture loss during the winter. Many evergreens like rhododendrons and Alberta spruce lose a lot of moisture from their leaves or needles when exposed to the sun during the winter. This occurs when the sun warms the plant during the day and then it quickly gets cold at night. Wilt Pruf coats the plant leaves reducing the moisture loss during the day. You may want to put up a burlap barrier for plants severely exposed to wind and sun.

6. Set up your bird feeding stations for winter. It's fun to watch our feathered friends during the winter. Now is the time to clean out any dirty bird feeders or replace the broken ones with new. If you

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sears.com. In addition, customers can receive tips on becoming a new mom, learn how to get their entire home ready for a baby and obtain advice on a variety of topics from a BabyMe Advisor.

The Sears BabyMe Welcome Guide offers top brands such as Simmons, Graco, Carter's and

equipment for a working parent and buying video equipment to capture precious moments.

"Through research, we have learned that home appliances become increasingly important once a new baby arrives, and many expectant parents are looking to upgrade their household appliances or purchase them for the first time," says Jean Haley, director of Sears customer relationship marketing. "A microwave oven is a must-have for the modern parent who needs the fastest way to warm up a bottle for a crying baby who simply can't wait. Cordless phones, answering machines, home office supplies and electronic recording devices for capturing a baby's most special moments are also popular items on Sears BabyMe registry."

As the wish list for new parents grows, so does the demand for convenient ways to purchase these products. Fortunately, with the July 2000 introduction of the BabyMe Welcome Guide on sears.com, shopping for baby items and accessories is now easier.

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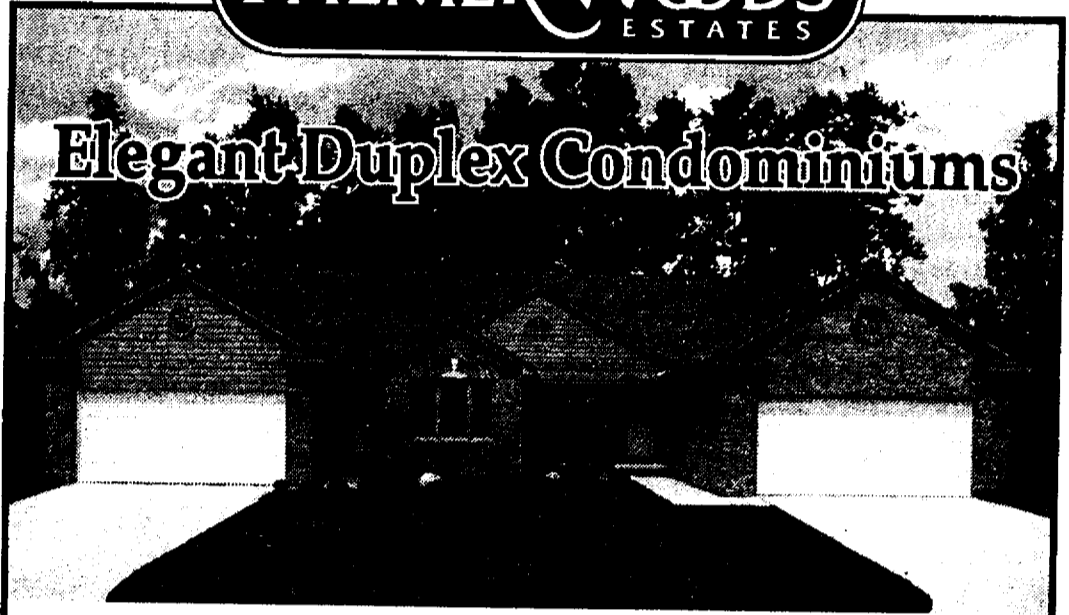
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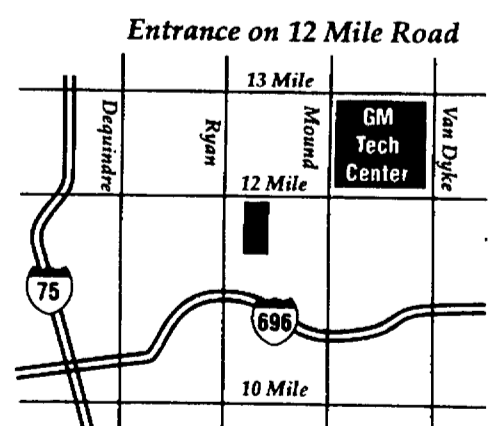
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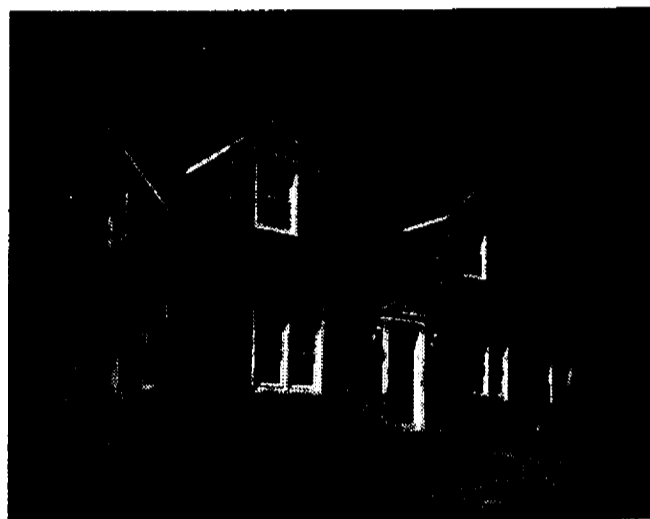
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Tour prices for all ages are \$12 per person in advance, \$15 on the day of the tour and \$10 for groups of 20 or more.

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Household Help

Q. There's a loose, squeaky floorboard in front of my kitchen sink that drives me mad every time I stand there to do dishes. Any way to fix it? — Felicity D., Carrollton, Ga.

A. Moisture, resulting from a leak in the kitchen plumbing, could be damaging the flooring. So, before spending time trying to fix the squeak, check underneath the sink (and underneath the house) for leaks and rule them out.

Once you've fixed any potential water problems, and if damage is minor (or nonexistent), address the floorboard.

Most minor squeaks in floors and stairs are caused by loose nails rubbing back and forth inside the holes they were driven into. The first thing you should do to fix the squeak is to grab your stethoscope. What, you don't have one? Then use a short length of garden hose instead. Hold one end to your ear and the other to the floor, and have someone step repeatedly on the noisy floorboard until you've pinpointed the loose area.

If you can access the area from the basement or crawl space, you can make a pretty solid repair. Take a wood shim shingle and apply carpenter's glue to the thin end. Place the thin end in the squeaky spot, between the floor joist (the crossbeam underneath

the flooring) and the wood floor, and tap the shingle into place with a hammer.

The floor can be repaired from the top if you don't have access to the underside. Many home repair specialists recommend driving a nail through the floorboard and into the joist, but a long construction screw may anchor the board better. Pinpoint the loose area, then drill a pilot hole through the floor (and the carpet and pad, if any) and the joist. Next, drive the screw through the pilot hole. If you're working on a hardwood floor, make sure to recess (counter-sink) the screw slightly and fill the area with wood putty.

Sometimes, even after reattaching the floorboard to the joist, the squeaks continue. This signals a shift or settling in the foundation. Settling can be minor, and squeaks can be controlled by inserting a shim shingle between the nearest floor beam and the top of the underpinning post. But if this doesn't stop the noise, or you notice warning signs like warped or deteriorating wood, get in touch with a contractor.

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want to attract specific species of birds there are special feeders made just for certain birds. Cardinals for example do not like to feed off a swinging bird feeder. Buying the better quality seed without a lot of millet or cracked corn will reduce the mess around your feeder as well as attract more species of birds. Don't forget the suet feeder and suet too.

Water in your garden attracts

many birds. There are birdbath heaters available for your bath or small ponds. If you have open water during the winter you will attract wildlife during the winter.

David Soulliere is a Michigan certified nurseryman at Soulliere Landscaping and Garden Center, 23919 Little Mack in St. Clair Shores, between Nine and 10 mile. Phone (810) 776-2811 or go to www.michigangardens.com on the Internet for further information. E-mail at soulliereg@cs.com.

Home Ownership workshop

If you have thought about owning a home, but aren't sure you can afford it or are confused by all the financing options, this workshop is for you.

Home Ownership — a two-part series — will be held on Mondays, Nov. 27 and Dec. 4, from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the Verkuilen Building, 21885 Dunham Road in Clinton Township.

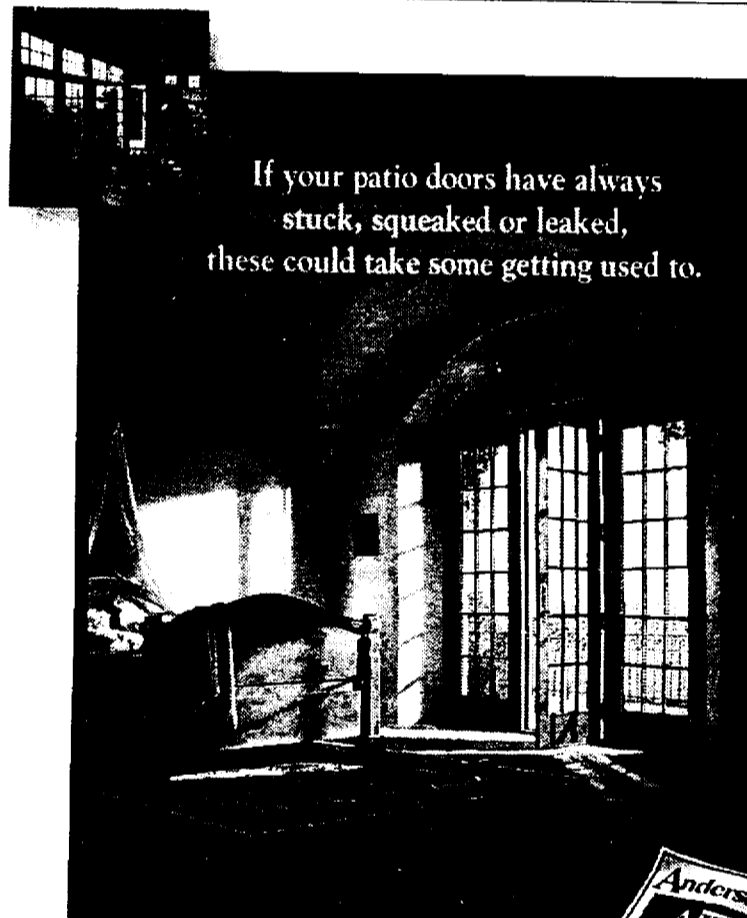
This workshop will be conducted by Michigan State University Extension-Macomb. The mysteries of buying a home — from qualifying for a mortgage to the closing process — will be explained.

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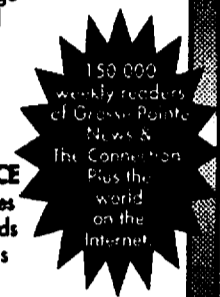
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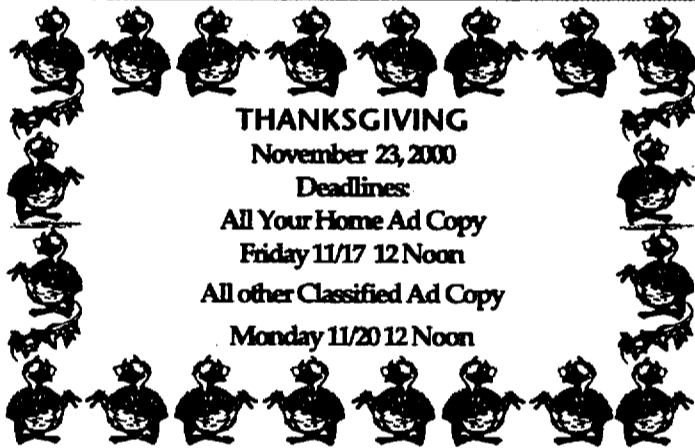
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November 23, 2000

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**700 APTS./FLATS/DUPLEX
 POINTE/HARPER WOODS**

1 bedroom apartment, \$525. Heat included. 313-881-4127 Pager 313-958-0800.

1 bedroom apartment-off street parking, very quiet, 810-772-4117 after 5pm

1 bedroom upper, 1974 Vernier, Grosse Pointe. Appliances, air, carpeting, blinds, garage, includes heat, lease. \$625. 313-886-0614, 313-882-3551

1064- 66 Wayburn- Outstanding 3 bedroom upper. Remodeled kitchen and bath, new carpeting, off street parking. Separate utilities. Exterior renovations in progress. Immediate occupancy. \$875. Lower available. Same size and updates. \$825. 313-590-7021

**700 APTS./FLATS/DUPLEX
 POINTE/HARPER WOODS**

1095 Beaconsfield. Upper 3 bedrooms, updated kitchen and bath, garage, 1 year lease. \$800. Available immediately. Goosen Realty Services. 810-773-7138

1240 Wayburn, very nice upper, 2 bedroom, air, newer carpeting, garage, lots of room. Lowered to \$650/ month. 313-881-2830

1272 Wayburn- Large 1st floor apartment. Living, dining room, 2 bedroom. Island kitchen, appliances included. Completely remodeled. Only 2 years old. \$750. 313-884-7044

2 bedroom livingroom, diningroom, fireplace. Nice deck \$600/ month. Call Bob, (313)824-4624

**700 APTS./FLATS/DUPLEX
 POINTE/HARPER WOODS**

2 bedroom lower flat. \$775/ month. Excellent condition. Brand new carpet. 1006 Lakepointe. (248)393-6946

2 bedroom lower, storage & laundry in basement. Walk to Village. \$725. (313)884-9806

2 bedroom upper-private parking. No pets. References. Security deposit. \$700. (313)822-5534

3 bedroom upper unit, 954 Beaconsfield. Living room, dining room, basement, off street parking, new kitchen and bathroom, all appliances 1000 sq. ft. \$800/ month. Available now. No pets. 313-345-0532

413 Neff- large 3 bedroom, 2 bath townhouse. Beautiful hardwood floors, fireplace, enclosed porch, garage. Central air, stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, washer/dryer and maintenance included. \$1,295 per month. 313-801-5537

774 Harcourt, 3 bedroom upper, fireplace, Florida room, central air \$1,100/ month. Please call 313-823-8261

**700 APTS./FLATS/DUPLEX
 POINTE/HARPER WOODS**

414 Neff, 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, central air, 2 car garage, full basement. \$1,400. Crane Realty, 313-884-6451, 313-418-2878

474 Neff, upper, 6 rooms, air, \$950/ month, security. (313)885-2808, after 6pm.

764 Harcourt. Spectacular second floor updated, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, all appliances, same floor laundry, fireplace, dining room, fully carpeted, central air, alarm, garage, window treatments. Finest rental in Pointes. No pets/ smoking. \$1,500/ month. 313-886-3146

827 Neff- 2 bedroom duplex, appliances, window treatments, carpet. 1 year lease. \$850/ month. (313)882-0245

AFFORDABLE Townhouse living in Grosse Pointe Woods. Meticulously maintained, full basement, new kitchen with appliances, central air, cable ready. No pets. 2 bedroom, \$825 or 3 bedroom, \$975. (248)848-1150.

**700 APTS./FLATS/DUPLEX
 POINTE/HARPER WOODS**

BEACONSFIELD, 1 bedroom, clean, adorable upper \$575 plus security. Includes heat, appliances, off street parking, No pets. (313)885-0059

BEACONSFIELD- \$700. Very nice 2 bedroom lower. Updated kitchen and bath. Must see. (313)821-1628

BEAUTIFULLY furnished and appointed 2 bedroom upper. Garage, storage, laundry. \$1650 includes utilities. 313-886-1924

EXECUTIVE LEASE Fully furnished townhouse, 3 bedroom, 1/2 bath, 2 stories, finished basement, 2 fireplaces, garage. Turn key unit. \$2,000. Tried Company. 313-331-6900

FARMS- Lothrop, furnished garage apartment. 2 bedrooms. Includes washer, dryer, kitchen appliances. Fabulous condition. Lease \$1,500 month. Call Sally Coe, Coldwell Banker Schweitzer, 313-885-5094

FURNISHED short term, 804 Neff, near Village. All furnishings, bedding, cable T.V., all utilities & phone included. Gorgeous unit from \$1,700 per month, 313-510-8835

**700 APTS./FLATS/DUPLEX
 POINTE/HARPER WOODS**

GROSSE Pointe 2 bedroom. Includes heat/water, appliances, coin laundry, parking. \$625. 313-886-2920

GROSSE Pointe City-Lakeland and Mack. 1 bedroom condo, includes washer/ dryer, refrigerator, stove, garbage disposal, heat and air, snow removal and lawn service. \$750/ month. Available December 1st. (313)640-8966

HARCOURT- 2 bedroom lower, all appliances, fireplace, Florida room, central air, garage. No pets/ smoking. \$1,100. (313)874-2427

KERCHEVAL/ BEACONSFIELD Small 1 bedroom apartment \$390/ month Appliances included Immediate occupancy Open House Saturday 11am- 1pm (248)626-4455

LAKEPOINTE, 1350. New construction. lower, carpeted, 2 bedroom, 2 bath with fireplace, laundry. Covered deck, garage. No smoking or pets. \$1,000/ month plus deposit, 313-331-3655

**700 APTS/FLATS/DUPLEX
POINTES/HARPER WOODS**

LARGE 1 bedroom upper. Hardwood floors throughout. Living/dining room. Kitchen with appliances. Basement with laundry. \$545/ includes water. 248-901-1260

LARGE spacious upper flat, 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, family room. \$1500 month. 313-884-7000.

NOTTINGHAM- 2 bedroom upper in 4 unit building. Appliances included. \$575 plus security. 734-462-1673

NOTTINGHAM- beautiful spacious upper. New carpet, fireplace, laundry. No pets/smoking. \$925 includes utilities. 313-331-8211

RIVARD. 2 bedrooms. Hardwood floors, fireplace, appliances, basement. \$850. plus utilities. 313-499-1694

SOMERSET, newer 2 bedroom split level. New carpet/paint. All appliances including washer, dryer, microwave, air, off street parking. \$825. 313-881-5391

SOMERSET, spacious 3 bedroom lower unit. Hardwood floors, separate basement with washer, dryer, off street parking. No pets. \$800/ month plus utilities. 313-822-1608

SPACIOUS, 1 bedroom on Beaconsfield. Hardwood floors, clean, updated. Includes heat & water, \$575/ month. Available immediately. 313-822-4965

VERNIER duplex- clean 2 bedroom, appliances, separate basement/ garage. No pets. \$800. (313)885-2909

VILLAGE- 779 St. Clair. Attractive 2 bedroom, new carpeting. Appointments. 313-343-8462, 313-882-4988



Grosse Pointe News
CONNECTION
(313)882-6900 ext. 3

**700 APTS/FLATS/DUPLEX
POINTES/HARPER WOODS**

FURNISHED-
730 TROMBLEY
Near Windmill Pointe, includes all furnishings, bedding, fully equipped new kitchen, TV, all utilities, phone, totally redone 2 bedroom.
2 month minimum at \$1,700
313-461-5022

**701 APTS/FLATS/DUPLEX
DETROIT/WAYNE COUNTY**

2 bedroom lower, Outer Drive/ Bedford area. \$500/ per month plus utilities, security deposit & credit check required. (313)882-8268

2 bedroom upper flat, \$450+ security deposit. 810-777-2645

APARTMENT, 1 bedroom, appliances, heat included. Laundry available. \$400/ \$425. Credit check. 313-640-1788

CHANDLER Park/ Whittier area. One bedroom upper \$485/ month. Two bedroom lower \$500/ month, appliances and garage. For appointment call (248)588-5796

CHATSWORTH/ Warren- clean, 2 bedroom upper, great location! \$450. 248-344-9904

CREEKSIDE area, large 3 bedroom upper. 348 Piper. Natural fireplace, front & rear porches, ceiling fan, hardwood floors, Satellite dish, large closets, garage with remote, driveway parking. Great neighborhood, safe. \$800. No Section 8. Open house 11- 19, 3p.m.- 5p.m.

CREEKSIDE- Vintage large 1- 3 bedroom flats, and single family homes. 780 square feet. Hardwood floors, secured parking on Detroit's Eastside. 313-331-6180

EASTLAND area- 1 bedroom, clean, basement, \$425/ month. (313)884-7404

MACK/ Cadieux area, large 1 bedroom apartment. Stove, refrigerator, heat & water included. \$475/ month. 810-726-0004

**702 APTS/FLATS/DUPLEX
S.C.S/MACOMB COUNTY**

KELLY/ Stephens- large, clean, 1 bedroom, second floor. Includes heat/ water. No smoking/ pets. \$525. 810-293-8636

ROSEVILLE- 12// Utica, large 2 bedroom upper, newly decorated, \$630/ month. 810-321-9279

**705 HOUSES FOR RENT
POINTES/HARPER WOODS**

\$1,300 Farms- 3 bedrooms, 2 baths. Air, fireplace. Near school, shopping. (313)881-9687

1914 Kenmore- 3 bedroom, 1 bath. Rent \$1,200. (313)884-4887

414 Neff, 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, central air, 2 car garage, full basement. \$1,400. Crane Realty, 313-884-6451, (313)-418-2878

890 Cadieux- 3 bedroom, 2 baths, 1,500 square feet, 2 car garage, appliances included. \$1,300. (313)884-4887

EXECUTIVE home in the heart of Grosse Pointe Woods. Prime location. Corner lot, 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, formal dining room, updated kitchen with eating area. Florida room, natural fireplace, finished basement, ADT security system. 2 car attached garage, fenced yard. \$1,800/month. Also available furnished. 810-792-3990.

**705 HOUSES FOR RENT
POINTES/HARPER WOODS**

GROSSE POINTE SHORES- Flexible lease terms available. Elegant four bedroom, three and half bath colonial in a lovely secluded setting just off Lakeshore. \$2,400 per month. No pets.
GROSSE POINTE WOODS- sparkling four bedroom colonial with a lovely newer white kitchen by Mutschler. Family room with fireplace and adjacent deck with hot tub. Small pet with extra deposit. Landlord prefers 2 year lease. Could be rented furnished. \$2,600.
LAKESHORE MANSION FOR LEASE- In a prime location in Grosse Pointe Farms, this fabulous home has a view of the lake from almost every room. Four bedrooms, three and one half baths, living room and library with fireplaces, gourmet kitchen with eating space. Master suite has marble bath and Jacuzzi and a huge dressing room. One year lease. \$11,500 per month plus 1 1/2 months security deposit.
Johnstone & Johnstone (313)884-0600

**705 HOUSES FOR RENT
POINTES/HARPER WOODS**

EXECUTIVE rental, short- long term. Farms, 482 Touraine. Tastefully decorated & furnished. Master bedroom suite & second bedroom. Gourmet kitchen. Everything plus cable included. \$1,750/ month. Call 313-885-8843 or 313-822-8660

GROSSE Pointe Farms- 3 bedroom completely remodeled. Air, fireplace, finished basement, garage, kitchen appliances. Immaculate. \$1500/ month. 810-776-2457

GROSSE Pointe Park, Wayburn. 1 bedroom rear cottage. Appliances, carpet, washer/dryer, air, no pets, credit check, lease. \$525, security \$625. 313-864-4666

GROSSE Pointe Woods- 3 bedroom, 3 bath, 1 1/2 garage, central air, porch, family room, security alarm, all appliances, laundry. \$1,100/ with option to buy. (810)779-3788

GROSSE Pointe Woods- Hollywood, off Mack. Clean 2 bedroom, brick ranch. Carpeted. Stove, refrigerator. References. No pets, Lease, \$1,000. (313)884-1340

GROSSE Pointe- 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, 2 car garage, appliances. \$1,500, no agents (519)253-9763

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POINTES/HARPER WOODS**

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GROSSE Pointe- 4 bedroom, bungalow. Air, all appliances. Basement, garage. Rental Pros, 810-773-Rent

HARPER Woods- Rent to own. 2 bedroom with family room. All appliances. (810)582-5302

**706 HOUSES FOR RENT
DETROIT/WAYNE COUNTY**

2 & 3 bedroom houses available immediately, great locations. \$650-\$700. 810-274-4870

3853 Cadieux- 3 bedroom home. All appliances. \$800/ month. Grosse Pointe boarder. 313-884-6789

DUCHESS- 3 bedroom brick bungalow, finished basement. Pets negotiable. \$650. Rental Pros, 313-882-Rent

I-94 & East Outer Drive, 3 bedroom, basement, \$675/ month. 810-293-8185

NEAR St. John Hospital. 3 bedroom, 1 bath, basement, 1 car garage. \$650/ month. Credit check. 248-589-1955

SMALL 1 bedroom- Neff/ Mack. Suitable for one. \$425/ month. 1 1/2 month security. Pets allowed. (313)884-9060

**707 HOUSES FOR RENT/
S.C.S/MACOMB COUNTY**

ST. Clair Shores, 9/ Jefferson, cozy 2 bedroom doll house. \$700/ month. 810-778-7087, 810-443-5170

ST. Clair Shores- 3 bedroom colonial, 1 1/2 bath, basement, all appliances included. No pets. \$825/ month. 810-786-9791.

ST. Clair Shores- 3 bedroom, garage. All appliances. Family room, pets negotiable. \$950. Rental Pros, 810-773-Rent

WARREN (south end). 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths. Eastpointe Schools. Rent with option. \$775/ \$110,000. 313-640-1788

**709 TOWNHOUSES/
CONDOS FOR RENT**

2 bedroom brick townhouse, newly decorated, stove, refrigerator, basement. New carpet in living room, \$550/ month. Security deposit, \$825. Move-in cost, \$1,375. Tenant pays water, gas & electric. Open house Saturday 12- 1:30. 18737 Moross.

BEAUTIFUL Shores Condo, 2 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, garage, storage, all appliances, \$850/ month, plus security. 810-856-7284

LAKESHORE Village 2 bedroom townhouse, newly decorated, new kitchen, no pets. \$800/ month plus security deposit. Available immediately. 313-881-8283 leave message.

LAKESHORE Village, St. Clair Shores, 1st floor, 2 bedroom, air, all appliances, community pool. Quality interior. \$685/ monthly plus deposit, firm. (313)886-3670

LAKESHORE Village/ Marter Road townhouse, 2 bedroom, 1 bath. New kitchen, floors, etc. \$925/ month. Call Denise 248-540-9002 ext. 214.

LARGE 1 bedroom, spacious living area, hardwood floors. Near St. John Hospital. Free use of washer & Dryer. \$595/ month. (313)881-1106

RIVIERA Terrace- Exceptional 2 bedroom, 2 bath mid-level condo. Impeccable, beautifully decorated and completely updated. \$950/ month, includes heat, cooling, swimming pool and clubhouse. (313)885-5652, (313)642-5333

ST. Clair Shores, large 1 bedroom, \$575 includes heat & water, quiet complex, 810-293-8185

TWO bedroom townhouse. \$725 includes heat and water. Amenities plus. Clinton Township. www.georgetowncommons.com (810)790-0474

711 GARAGES/MINI STORAGE FOR RENT

INDOOR heated, secured, insured, storage for your automobile, motorcycle for winter. (313)526-1300

STORAGE building available for rent, approximately 1,500 square feet. Phone (313)885-8326

712 GARAGES/MINI STORAGE WANTED

WANTED: garage space for old car for winter, Bob, 313-886-5860

714 LIVING QUARTERS TO SHARE

HARPER Woods female roommate to share clean, spacious home. \$350/ month includes utilities. (313)371-6116

NEED A ROOMMATE? All Ages, Occupations, Tastes, Backgrounds and lifestyles. "Our 20th Year" Home-Mate Specialists (248)644-6845

716 OFFICE/COMMERCIAL FOR RENT

20390 Harper, Harper Woods. Upper suite, 2 rooms, 22x12 total, \$295/ month lease. 313-884-7575

9 Mile- Jefferson "The Nautical Mile", 3 suites, 250- 900 square feet, modern, easy parking. From \$375/ month. (810)778-7307

716 OFFICE/COMMERCIAL FOR RENT

CHARMING eastside office building, 957 sq. ft. available. Call Barbara Eaton or Dennis Dilworth at Colliers International, 248-540-1000 for details.

FOR LEASE 15 MILE/ CLINTON TWP.

6,000 sq. ft. building Office, Medical or Fraternal Organization
5 Restrooms
1.3 Acres
Great Parking!
FOR LEASE HOOVER/ WARREN
4,000 sq. ft.
Prime
Medical/ Office Space
Plenty of parking
Rent includes Utilities & Maintenance
JIM BOMMARITO
Associate Broker
810-772-8000

GROSSE Pointe office space available on Mack Avenue starting at \$450. Off street, 4 hour metered parking available. (313)884-4887

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HARPER WOODS (at Vernier) suite of offices (1,600 sq. ft.) New- very nice! Easy access to I-94, 1st month RENT FREE. Mr. Stevens, 313-886-1763

KELLY NORTH OF 9 MILE

1st offering- professional office suites available- single offices or up to 1,000 square feet. Rent includes all utilities, janitorial, maintenance, etc. Professional building with class and great parking. Only minutes from I-94 & 9 Mile.
Jim Bommarito
Associate Broker
Century- 21 AAA
(810)772-8000

KENNEDY BUILDING

Opposite Eastland Shopping Center. City of Eastpointe. Near I-94 & I-696
Single suites-5,600 sq. ft. on main level.
By appointment
810-776-5440

MACK/ Woods- 1 or 2 private offices, all utilities included. (313)882-5200

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MACK AVE. LEASES
ADDRESS SQ. FT.
18424 Mack GPF 1600
22211 Mack SCS.....800
Sine & Monaghan
GMAC Real Estate
313-884-7000

ST. Clair Shores- Individual suite office space. 1 minute from I-94, I-696 interchange. Smoke free environment. (810)445-3700

WANTED- Mental health professional to share office space. 2 offices available in 3 office suite. Waiting room. Good parking. Full time or part time. Grosse Pointe Farms location. Call (313)884-3030

719 RENT WITH OPTION TO BUY

GROSSE Pointe Schools, newly decorated ranch, 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths. \$865/ month. 2 bedroom bungalow, full basement, \$805/ month. Appliances included. Excellent condition. (810)986-9670

721 VACATION RENTALS FLORIDA

SIESTA Key condos, 1/2 bedrooms, weekly/ monthly. 941-349-5726

LUXURY 3 bedroom private home- Gated neighborhood, private beach access. January through March. Sandestin, Florida. (334)456-4556

721 VACATION RENTALS FLORIDA

CLEARWATER condo- Beachfront with pools. 1 to 3 bedrooms. Fully equipped, 2 TV's, VCR. Close to golf courses. 1-800-237-9831, www.jackcollinsrealty.com

MARCO Island, Florida. 2 bedroom condo on beach from \$1,200/ week. 3 bedroom home with pool from \$1,200/ week. Harborview Rentals, 1-800-377-9299. www.harborview-rentals.com

MARCO Island- beach front. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Newly decorated. Available Thanksgiving week and April, 2001. (313)881-4199

NAPLES Florida- 7th floor efficiency condo on Vanderbilt Beach overlooking the Gulf. Beautiful view. Occupied: October, January February March. Special rates; November, April, May. 810-779-5618

SANIBEL/ Captiva Islands. Gulf front condos, private beach homes, golf. Sanibel accommodations. Toll-free 1-800-237-6004. Online bookings available @ www.sanibelaccom.com

723 VACATION RENTALS NORTHERN MICHIGAN

BOYNE Country, 4 bedroom family chalet, 30 minutes from all types skiing. By week or weekend. 248-477-9933

723 VACATION RENTALS NORTHERN MICHIGAN

COZY condo- Little Traverse Bay golf course. 4 bedrooms. 2 1/2 baths. (313)823-1251

HARBOR Springs- Charming home near slopes, sleeps 6, 2 baths. Reserve now for Christmas and other weeks/ weekends. 1-888-397-2595 or 231-526-3963

HARBOR Springs- Christmas. 2 units, 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Sleeps 6. (248)540-0991

HARBOR Springs- Harbor Cove luxury 3 bedroom condo, indoor pool, close to Boyne Highlands & Nubs Nob. Call (248)745-6823 for ski dates.

SLEEPING Bear Dunes. Glen Lake. Vacation homes. Ski specials. Christmas week available. Broker. 313-881-5693

WATERFRONT Port Sanilac, 6 bedrooms, 3 baths, Sandy beach. \$1,500/ week. 313-882-5070

724 VACATION RENTALS NORTHERN MICHIGAN RESORTS

CASEVILLE on Saginaw Bay. Private Lakefront homes. Booking now for fall, winter weekends/ summer weeks, 2001. 517-874-5181

MODERN RETAIL or SHOWROOM
3,600 sq. ft. Harper between 8 & 9 Mile
All Glass Frontage
(Close to Freeway & Grosse Pointes)
PROFESSIONAL SUITES
Office Park Environment
Great for Attorneys, CPAs, Others
(10 Mile, I94, I696 area)
810-775-7774

RELAX and RETREAT

MEXICO

PUERTO VALLARTA
www.casaheavenlydreams.com
313-575-4797
Beautiful Puerto Vallarta ocean front home. Located in the world famous Banderas Bay in Nayaryt, Mexico. Three spacious bedrooms all facing ocean

MICHIGAN

HARBOR SPRINGS/ TROUT CREEK CONDO
Ski, Golf. Next to Nubs and Boyne, Bay Harbor/ Petoskey. Shopping, etc. Loft, sleeps 8.
313-886-4580.

To advertise in this space call (313)882-6900 ext. 3. FAX (313)343-5569

FLORIDA

Surprise A Loved One!
BEAUTIFUL VERO BEACH OCEANFRONT YES, OCEANFRONT!
3 bedroom/ 2 bath. Fully furnished home, towels, sheets, washer, dryer, etc. Own private beach. Private community
313-881-3977

FLORIDA

NAPLES FLORIDA HUNTINGTON LAKES
Lakefront Coach home 3 bedroom, 2 bath 3 mo. min. Jan-March, \$3,000/ mo. Also avail. Dec., April, May, \$2,000+
(616)874-7036

NAPLES
Foxfire C.C., 2 bedroom condo. Golf/ Tennis.
CRYSTAL MOUNTAIN BEULAH, MI
Luxury 4 bedroom condo Jacuzzi/ Fireplace
(248)-348-6059

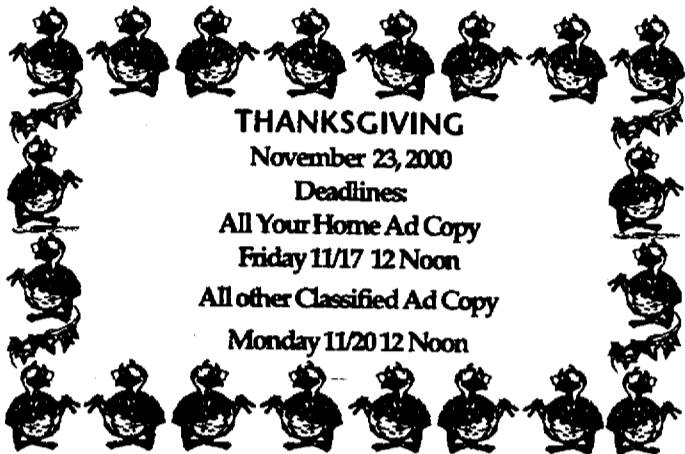
FLORIDA

NORTH NAPLES
2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Minutes from beach & golf courses. January- April, monthly. Call for video & details
(810)254-3978

MARCO ISLAND
Elegant Beachfront 2/2
SOUTH SEAS
Season \$1,495/ weekly All amenities
(352)694-6828

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800 HOUSES FOR SALE

538 St. Clair, Grosse Pointe City, 5 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, carport, guest house, reduced to \$449,000 www.forsalebyowner.com reference number 9998537. Call: 313-331-2009

Visa & Mastercard Accepted
Grosse Pointe News

800 HOUSES FOR SALE

FOR sale by owner- Detroit, Lanark between Cadieux and Morang. 3 bedroom aluminum bungalow. New furnace. New carpet, Pergo flooring. Basement. Detached garage. Clean. Immediate occupancy. Cash or new mortgage. \$66,900. Call J.C. (313)885-8687

800 HOUSES FOR SALE

BY owner- charming historical Grosse Pointe Park home. 4 bedrooms, 1.5 baths. 3 season enclosed porch, huge deck overlooking large back yard. 1,800 sq. ft. approximately. Lot 45x 180 approximately. Freshly painted, newer carpeting throughout, private 4 car off-street parking. Close to schools, churches, police. Many unique features, must see. Call for appointment, \$176,900. (313)886-0314. No agents.

CANAL home, St. Clair Shores, 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 3,400 square feet. 62' wide canal. \$549,000. 313-882-0729

800 HOUSES FOR SALE

GROSSE Pointe Woods. Just reduced. 1,900 sq. ft. brick colonial. 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths. Family room, formal dining room, finished basement. 2 1/2 car garage. New: windows, kitchen, roof, furnace, air. Spotless and beautifully decorated. \$269,900. Colleen Pruett, ReMax East, 810-792-8000

EAST ENGLISH VILLAGE

4867- 69 Kensington Well maintained, owner occupied 2 family home. 2 bedrooms up & down. Lower unit vacant & completely remodeled. Many new amenities. Must see to appreciate. \$159,900. 313-886-3267

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HARPER Woods- Beautiful, updated 3 bedroom, 1 bath ranch. Larger, remodeled kitchen with ceramic floor, built-in dishwasher. New carpet, exposed hardwood floors in bedrooms. 2.5 car garage, central air, neutral decor, appliances included. A must see. \$98,900. (313)372-6690 for appointment.

GROSSE Pointe Woods, Scott built, 5 bedroom colonial with 2 full and 2 half baths. Updated kitchen, finished basement, central air, first floor laundry, sprinkler system and much more. Move in condition. Call for appointment (313)882-5353.

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ST. CLAIR SHORES 4 bedroom brick ranch featuring new paint, carpet and oak kitchen cabinets. \$108,900. FHA/ VA ST. CLAIR SHORES 4 bedroom colonial with full basement, formal dining room & 2 car garage. \$114,900. Land Contract terms. ST. CLAIR SHORES 1,600 sq. ft. 4 bedroom cape cod, 2 1/2 baths, updated kitchen with island counter all on a huge double lot. \$129,900. ST. CLAIR SHORES 12 unit apartment building. \$795,000. Lee Real Estate Ask for Harvey 810-771-3954

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This charming clean 3 bedroom colonial offers a natural fireplace in living room, nice covered deck, formal dining room, new light oak kitchen, new roof, 2.5 car garage. Glass block windows in basement. 1 year warranty policy. Also has spectacular landscaping in front & back. \$199,900

Grosse Pointe Woods
1948 Allard

St. Clair Shores
21381 Frazho

Sharp, clean 3 bedroom brick, large, freshly painted upstairs, brand new carpet, bay window, formal dining room, new central air, semi-finished basement, work room off garage. Warranty policy. \$129,500

St. Clair Shores
716 Clairepointe

Lovely clean 2 bedroom Condo, central air, 2 full baths, laundry room off kitchen, attached garage, appliances. Warranty policy. \$109,900



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2050 KENMORE
GROSSE POINTE WOODS

NEW LISTING
Grosse Pointe Cape Cod. Updated kitchen with Corian counters and maple cupboards (all appliances included). New roof, furnace/central air/electrical. 50 gallon hot water heater, two car garage with electric, three bedrooms, one and one half bath, full basement. \$189,900

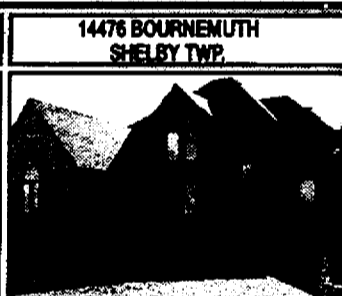
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2044 HAMPTON
GROSSE POINTE WOODS

NEW LISTING
Four bedroom, one and one half bath, two car garage, basement, brand new kitchen counter, cupboards, and wood floors. New bath ceramic and hardware. New paint. New central air. Shows like new. \$177,900
Open Sunday 3-5

800 HOUSES FOR SALE



14476 BOURNEMUTH
SHELBY TWP.

BUILT IN 1986
Four bedroom - split level ranch located on pond setting. Full basement with walkout, 2 tier deck, three car garage, first floor master bedroom and bath. \$469,900



22984 MALTER
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ST. CLAIR SHORES CONDO
Nicely decorated two bedroom condo in Lakeshore Village. Finished basement. New carpet. Repainted throughout. Updated kitchen, all appliances included.



27610 WISTERIA
HARRISON TWP.

NICE BUNGALOW
Three bedroom with awesome first floor bedroom doorwall to deck in backyard. All new windows & Barber carpet throughout. Updated kitchen. Convenient dead-end street.



2073 RIDGEMONT
GROSSE POINTE WOODS

WOODS BUNGALOW
Immaculate three bedroom bungalow. Large lot. Home features: New roof, windows, doors, updated kitchen, w/built-ins. Updated bath. First floor laundry and attached garage. \$133,900.
Open Sunday 1-3



819 BEACONSFIELD
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4 UNIT INCOME
South of Jefferson. Great location across from Trombley School. Four unit income property. Two bedrooms in each unit. Driveway. Many updates. New kitchens, baths, boilers, windows. \$288,900



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DETROIT- 3487 Buckingham. 3 bedroom bungalow, living room with fireplace, 1 1/2 baths, hardwood floors and remodeled kitchen, 1 1/2 car garage, full basement with new furnace. Must see to appreciate. \$89,900. (313)882-5886 for appointment. Immediate occupancy.

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HARPER Woods- Charming all brick 1500 sq. ft. colonial. Open floor plan to family room with fireplace, formal dining room, gorgeous kitchen including appliances, many updated features. Move in for the holidays. Jill LePage, Century 21 Kee, 810-779-7500, Pager 810-912-7470

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CENTERLINE Custom 3 bedroom brick ranch. Queen size kitchen, finished basement, new windows, natural fireplace. Lots of extras. \$129,900.

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DETROIT- Clean, well maintained ranch, 2 bedroom, 1 bath, basement. Freshly painted, near St. John Hospital. Home warranty. \$69,500. Agent, Johnny Baez (810)286-4600, (810)912-0436

EAST Outer Drive & I-94, 3 bedroom brick, basement, garage, large lot. Fenced, \$71,900. 810-293-8185

EASTPOINTE- 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, brick ranch. Finished basement, attached garage, family room, mint condition. Only \$109,900. Call Grace Wygal, Realtor (59MAR), (810)949-5590

GROSSE Pointe Schools- 1,350 sq. ft. 3 bedroom custom brick ranch, central air, 1.5 baths, hardwood floors, cook-top, built-in oven, major appliances, Florida room. 21205 Woodmont. \$159,900. 313-886-2004

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GROSSE Pointe- condo, 414 Neff. 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath. Central air, 2 car garage. \$250,000. Crane Realty. (313)884-6451, (313)418-2878

HARPER Woods- 2 bedroom, 1 bath, everything new from top to bottom: roof, window, siding, kitchen, much more. \$75,000 or best offer. (313)526-5360

HARPER Woods- near Grosse Pointe border. Immaculate 3 bedroom brick ranch, new kitchen & marble bath with Jacuzzi, 2 car garage, hardwood floors, natural fireplace, central air, basement. Grosse Pointe schools. Asking \$167,000. (313)647-9522

ST. Clair Shores 22141 Edmunton. Immediate possession, 4 bedrooms, 1 full & 2- 1/2 baths. Newer roof, furnace, windows. Approximately 1,700 square feet. Hardwood floors, central air. Basement with rec-room & fireplace. 2 car attached garage. Many extras, \$179,900. By appointment only. 810-776-5108. Agent owned, Kessler Real Estate, 810-771-2470. Open Sunday, 2- 4.

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44 FAIRFORD, GPS 3 bedroom brick ranch, library family room, first floor laundry. Finished basement, over 2,700 sq. ft. \$579,000

834 Hollywood, GPW Completely updated Cape cod. 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths. All new: windows, kitchen, roof. 2 car attached garage. Full finished basement. Over 1,800 sq. ft. Don't miss this one! \$319,000

22900 ENGLEHARDT SCS

3 bedroom brick ranch, completely updated with new: kitchen, bath, windows, roof. Finished basement with full bath; on a huge lot. \$158,900

95 Crestwood GPS Beautifully updated 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath. New kitchen, new roof, 2 family rooms, over 2,600 sq. ft. of pure splendor. \$479,900

20834 HAWTHORNE HARPER WOODS

Completely updated. 3 bedroom brick ranch. With 2 car attached garage. New kitchen, bath, family room. Full finished basement. \$154,900

1522 ALINE, GPW Beautiful 3 bedroom brick ranch, freshly painted, finished basement, many more updates! \$159,900

4884 BISHOP 1600 sq. ft. East English Village 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath new kitchen. All on double lot \$132,000

20904 MANCHESTER, Harper Woods

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23215 Edsel Ford Court, Lakeshore Village, St. Clair Shores- 1 bedroom first floor apartment/ condo. Conveniently located across from club house. \$65,000. Debbie: (313)886-4574

A beautiful 2 bedroom, 2 full bath condo directly on St. Clair Shores golf course. Attached garage, deck. Asking \$159,000. Call Kathy, 248-355-1234 days, evenings 248-626-5567. Broker.

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HARBOR Pointe, beautiful 2,500 square foot ranch condo on water, 2 bedroom, 2 full baths, den, 1st floor laundry, basement. attached garage. Call Diane, Coldwell Banker Schweitzer, pager, 810-704-6024

HARPER Woods- 8/ Beaconsfield, beautiful 2 bedroom co-op. Spacious rooms, central air, all appliances included. LC terms. Asking \$42,900. Home-Works Realty, 810-776-0000

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MUST see to appreciate. Lovely 2 bedroom condo. Prestigiously located. with heated pool & beautiful surroundings. (313)884-3456 or (810)778-3596

RIVERHOUSE co-op. 1 bedroom water view overlooking marina/ Belle Isle beach. 11th floor. Apt. 1118. Beautiful, \$29,000. Linda, 313-821-2700

ST. Clair Shores, just listed. 2 bedroom ranch style condo, 2 car attached garage, basement, 1 1/2 baths, newer furnace & air, door wall to patio & fenced yard. Freshly painted & carpeted, \$128,000. Colleen Pruett, ReMax East. 810-792-8000

ST. Clair Shores, Nautical Mile condo, Riviera Terrace, first level, 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, walk-in closet & step-in shower. Living room, kitchen & dinette. Prime location. \$90,000. 810-415-9364

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ST. Clair Shores- Nautical Mile condo. Windwood Pointe. 2nd floor unit, 2 bedrooms, 2 full baths, living room, library, walk-in closets, modern kitchen, recessed lighting, custom wood shutters, screened-in porch, and much more. Premium complex location. (810)775-0815

808 LAKE/RIVER HOMES

HARRISON Twp. Vacant lot, 45' on Clinton River with steel seawall, 3 boat wells with water & electric, ready to build. Land Contact terms, Colleen Pruett ReMax East, 810-792-8000

813 NORTHERN MICHIGAN HOMES

LAKE Michigan home. Four bedroom, 2 bath home, has 250 ft of sandy beach and 5 acres of wooded property. Fireplace, cathedral ceiling, large deck and much more. Located near Charlevoix. If you are looking for privacy and breathtaking sunsets call David Levy at Vacation Properties Network. 1-800-748-0535

813 NORTHERN MICHIGAN HOMES

LAKEFRONT home, Port Austin area. Visit website [forsale byowner](http://forsale.byowner.com) (reference 9209601)

814 NORTHERN MICHIGAN LOTS

80 acre farm on paved road, in the thumb, 6 miles from Lake Huron. Slightly rolling with small stream & some trees. Zoned agricultural/ residential. \$210,000. Coldwell Banker Schweitzer, Margaret, 810-871-5900, pager 248-235-1374

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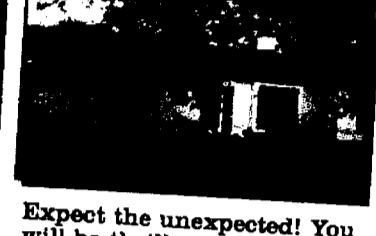
HARPER WOODS

Beaufort	\$119,500
Eastwood	\$119,900
Elkhart	\$97,500
Fleetwood	\$104,900
Kingsville	\$43,500
Old Homestead	\$139,900
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DETROIT

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Kensington	\$149,900
Marseilles	\$114,500
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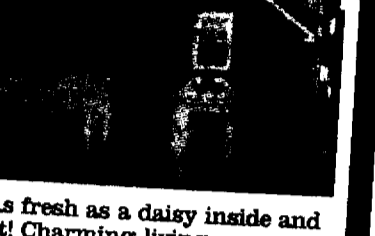
Expect the unexpected! You will be thrilled by the many exciting surprises this three bedroom, two and one half bath ranch style home has to offer. Just one and one half blocks from Lakeshore and priced below the competition!

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One of a kind absolutely charming English style home in a sought after location! Two first floor bedrooms with one currently being used as a cozy library. Two additional bedrooms on the second floor, multiple fireplaces and even further expansion potential! \$349,900.

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As fresh as a daisy inside and out! Charming living room with fireplace and bay window, spacious kitchen with eating space, hardwood floors, screened sun porch, two car attached garage and a long list of updated features.

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Dazzling three bedroom ranch on a huge, park-like lot with outstanding landscaping, brick patio and pergola. Family room with built-in entertainment center, first floor laundry room and a fabulous new kitchen.

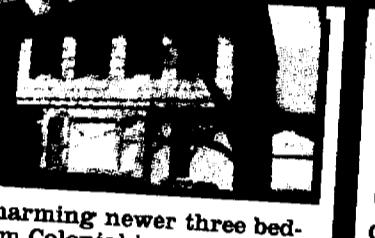
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Three bedroom Colonial on Moran just sparkles. Formal dining room, living room with fireplace, efficient kitchen, two and one-half baths and a very, very private rear garden. Early possession! \$204,000.

Grosse Pointe Farms



Charming newer three bedroom Colonial in move-in condition. New kitchen with bleached oak cabinets, Corian counters, oak floor and eating area. Furnace, windows, doors, garage door and oak staircase...all new! Great floor plan! \$279,900.

Grosse Pointe Farms



Charming center entrance three bedroom Colonial features master bedroom with private bath, wet plaster with coved ceilings, hardwood floors and fireplace. Recreation room and bar. \$216,900.

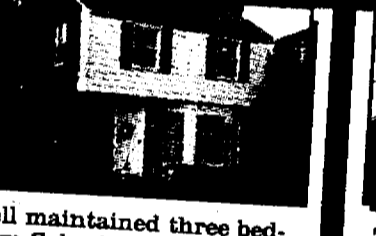
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Grosse Pointe



A unique opportunity is here for you to restore this fabulous property. Exceptional space throughout this six bedroom, four and one half bath home with both a family room and a den. Lovely Fewabic details and a spacious lot. \$425,000.

Grosse Pointe Woods



Well maintained three bedroom Colonial. Living room with bay window and natural fireplace, dining room, family room, large deck and finished basement. Central air conditioning and hardwood floors.

Grosse Pointe Park



This home is filled with fine architectural details. Gleaming wood floors, many leaded glass windows and lovely plaster work. Family room, updated kitchen and second floor computer/sitting room. New \$220,000.

Grosse Pointe Farms



Wow! Completely remodeled three bedroom home with a glamorous new kitchen, new windows, new roof, new furnace and central air and new copper plumbing! New recreation room, second floor expansion potential and the baths are remodeled too! \$199,900.

Grosse Pointe Woods



This home has everything and at a most affordable price! Four bedrooms, two and one half baths, a finished basement with a third full bath, a large family room and two decks. \$156,900.

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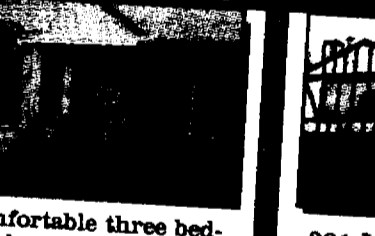
Sparkling three bedroom, one and one half bath brick ranch for the amazing price of \$149,900! Hardwood floors, updated kitchen, newer furnace and central air conditioning and the interior has all been freshly painted and is ready to move right into.

Grosse Pointe Woods



A rare find! Spacious two bedroom Colonial with one and one half baths! Living room with natural fireplace, private brick patio and a fenced garden, central air conditioning and quick possession possible. \$159,900.

Grosse Pointe Woods



Very comfortable three bedroom brick one and one half story in a great location east of Mack. Wet plaster, coved ceilings, natural fireplace, newer windows, furnace and central air. Add to all this a remodeled kitchen and bath, a deck and two car garage and this spells WINNER! \$165,000.

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201 Lac Ste. Claire. Stop by and see this charming two bedroom, two and one half bath townhouse condominium in a small lakefront complex offering a view of the water. Immediate occupancy. \$235,000.

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