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It could have been worse — snow!



Rains of seemingly Biblical proportions inundated the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods during rush hour last Friday. Flooded streets and stalled vehicles were common as most of the rain fell between 7 and 8:30 a.m. Some drivers made it though the storm, such as this driver in the 900 block of University in the City, but many didn't. Police were flooded with calls from stranded drivers.

Over 2 inches of rain flood Pointes; Harper Woods OK

By Brad Lindberg and Bonnie Caprara Staff Writers

Like a clueless house guest who drops in at the wrong time and overstays his welcome, storm clouds gave uninvited attention to Detroit's eastern suburbs during rush hour last Friday morning.

The intense downpour covered the communities with nearly as much rain in one day as the metropolitan area normally gets during the entire month of November.

Much of the rain came between 7 and 8:30 a.m., swamping streets and stopping traffic.

The rain launched a flood of calls to police from drivers left high and dry by flooded streets.

About a dozen residents of Grosse Pointe Park reported flooded basements.

"Two or three callers had concerns with sanitary lines," said Park city manager Dale Krajniak. "With the extensiveness of the storm, we were surprised we didn't have greater concerns."

In Grosse Pointe Woods, the public safety department was inundated by emergency calls.

"Platoon One was operating at minimum staff strength," according to Sgt. James DalDeppo. He logged "dozens of calls reporting flooded streets and disabled vehicles in the roadway, some being abandoned, while others were occupied with upset women with children."

The rain came just in time to delay many students from getting to school on time.

"The traffic was pretty bad, but we did OK," said Maire Elementary School principal Kathleen Satut. "Our building engineer had to come out and help cross Grosse Pointe Farms' new kids."

Flooding was a particular problem at Cadieux and Kercheval, just half a block from the school. Luckily, flooding did not impede the student drop-off area on Waterloo, where drainage was markedly clearer.

By midday last Friday, a few hours after the storm blew over, a rain gauge at Grosse Pointe Park city hall gave a 24-hour reading of 2.3 inches.

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WEEK AHEAD

Thursday, Dec. 6

Grosse Pointe North and South high schools will combine their talents to perform with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra in their annual Holiday Pops Concert at Orchestra Hall in Detroit through Sunday, Dec. 9.

Showtimes are 8 p.m. Dec. 6, 8:30 p.m. Dec. 7 and 8 and 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Dec. 9.

Tickets are available at the Orchestra Hall box office or through Ticketmaster.

For more information, call (313) 343-2140.

Friday, Dec. 7

The Notre Dame Fightin' Irish host the Grosse Pointe North Norsemen in basketball. The junior varsity teams hit the court at 6 p.m., and the varsity teams tip off at 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 8

The Grosse Pointe Theatre will be performing and spreading its holiday cheer at Eastland Center from noon to 4 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 10

The Grosse Pointe Park City Council will meet at the Park city hall at 7 p.m.

The Grosse Pointe Farms City Council will meet at the Farms city hall at 7:30 p.m.

The Grosse Pointe Board of Education will meet in the Wicking Library at Grosse Pointe South High School at 8 p.m.

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Lance Cpl. Casey Wakula, left, and Cpl. Terry Rogan and from Selfridge Air National Guard Base came to retrieve the toy donations from Kay-Bee Toys in Eastland Center.

Looking for 'a few good toys'

Jason Sweeney Staff Writer

If anyone has suffered more in the war on terrorism than others, it is probably children.

They now look forward to growing up in a world of security checkpoints and suspicion and must live in a world where people seem unsure about daily life, let alone Christmas.

Despite the aftermath of Sept. 11, the Marines are still putting forth their full energy to help save a few of those Christmas wishes with the Toys for Tots program.

One small hitch in this year's campaign has been the current state of war.

The collection site has had to be moved away from the Broadhead base on Jefferson in Detroit. According to Roxanna Lockridge, the move was for the safety and security of potential visitors and military personnel.

The local mall at Vernier and Kelly stepped up to offer an open door to the charitable drive when they learned Toys for Tots might be going homeless.

Linda Magyar, public relations manager for Eastland Center, said, "It has been great partnering with the Marines."

The vacant space left by the NBD bank which used to call the back end of Eastland Center home has become a warehouse for the annual stockpile of donations.

Both Lockridge and Sgt. Mark Wheeler, who was on hand at Eastland waiting to take in all the collections, said the arrangement has been a good one.

Wheeler said the location is easily found and centrally located. Lockridge said using Eastland Center as the main collection point for southeast Michigan has been a good opportunity for Marines from both Selfridge Air National Guard Base and Marines from the Broadhead base to participate.

Magyar took the mall's role a step further and was standing in Kay-Bee Toys, page 3A

POINTER OF INTEREST

Beverly Pack

Home: Grosse Pointe Farms

Age: 69

Family: widowed

Occupation: Retired research biochemist; current world traveler.

Quote: "They looked no more like flight attendants than my dogs."

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yesterday's headlines

50 years ago this week

Merchants on "Christmas Street," formerly Kercheval in the Village shopping district of the City of Grosse Pointe, have set aside Dec. 10 for the sixth annual Men's Night shopping festival. Only men will be allowed to make purchases.

It is the night when the Village goes strictly stag. Pointe men will have the complete run of some 30 establishments from 7 to 10 p.m. to do their Christmas shopping painlessly.

Grosse Pointe's infamous cat burglar continues to pounce into everything except police.

Known for his deft departures from burgled homes, the "Cat," as he has become known in local crime lore, had a bad run-in this week at a home in the 300 block of Lake Shore in Grosse Pointe Farms.

While escaping down a winding, second-story staircase with the homeowner on his tail, the Cat lost his bearings, bashed into an oil painting hanging on a wall and fell over a second-story staircase railing. He landed on a piano, smashing a fine china cup and saucer to bits.

The usually graceful thief then dashed into the dining room and plowed into a heavy armchair at the head of the table before scrambling out the pantry door to freedom.

25 years ago this week

A food and nutrition

program offered by Wayne County to senior citizens age 60 and above is off to an auspicious start. Last week, 99 seniors enjoyed a Thanksgiving dinner at the American Legion Hall, Grosse Pointe Post 303, in the 20900 block of Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods.

The chill winds of this unseasonably cold autumn have brought homeowners higher heating costs than ever before.

"When senior citizens are confronted with higher utility bills," said Irene Sutton, chairman of the Grosse Pointe Woods senior citizens commission, "the first thing they do is pay them and then cut their food budget. It seems the only way to get results (about demands for lower utility prices) is for people to protest."

The 25-year-old Sterling Heights man who ran off Lakeshore into Lake St. Clair last week while trying to escape Grosse Pointe Shores police faces legal problems.

He was arraigned in the Shores municipal court on a charge of reckless driving while under the influence of drugs.

10 years ago this week

The property owners in Grosse Pointe Shores whose septic systems are faulty have until Jan. 10 to eliminate sewage discharges into Lake St. Clair. In two of the cases, the only remedy available is to hook into the village sewer system.

One homeowner said he will sue before complying with an order from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. The order reaffirmed an October ruling by the Wayne County Health Department.

If the suburbs don't start paying more, the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation, which provides bus service to the Grosse Pointes and six counties, may fold by April.

Richard Berri, a senior forward of the University Liggett School soccer team, has been named to the Class C-D first team All-State roster.

5 years ago this week

Freshman state legislator Andrew Richner of Grosse Pointe Park has been elected to a leadership role in the Republican power structure.

Richner has been named the party's Republican Caucus vice chair for the

50 years ago this week



Wider Mack mushrooms

This picture shows but one stretch of the new, wider Mack, which now extends, except for two short bottlenecks, all the way from Moross to the Macomb County Line. The new highway is bordered by myriad new buildings containing new businesses which have located to serve the residents of the fastest growing section of the entire Grosse Pointe area. (Photo by Fred Runnells. From the Dec. 6, 1951 Grosse Pointe News.)

state House of Representatives.

Simply Delicious, a catering company, has been given a variance to open in the 21000 block of Mack in Grosse Pointe Shores. The

company specializes in French, Lebanese and American food.

Woods officials required the variance because city ordinances limit the number of carry-out restaurants.

The Grosse Pointe North High School boys hockey team has won the Grand Rapids Thanksgiving tournament with a pair of shutouts.

— Brad Lindberg

HW tree lighting a little early, a lot of fun

Jason Sweeney
Staff Writer

While Christmas seems to come earlier and earlier every year, the tree lighting ceremony in Harper Woods Nov. 15 was a festive and genuine celebration.

Getting a jump on the season fit in with the entire year of celebrations of the city's 50th anniversary. A crowd of over 300 people gathered with the mayor and city council on the lawn of the civic buildings to enjoy the comfortable 60 degree evening and the holiday display's debut.

"It's definitely the most fun part of my job from a kid's perspective," said Harper Woods DPW worker Dave Ciechanowski.

Ciechanowski, along with Don Kuczborski and Walt Dykstra, decorated the civic buildings and strung over 10,000 Christmas lights.

Ciechanowski's son, three-year-old Tyler, was finally old enough this year to have the honor of flipping the switch that lit all of his father's hard work.

"I had to miss the opening of hunting season, but being

here for Tyler to light the tree was a really good reason for it," Ciechanowski said.

Lights were not the only attraction of the evening however.

Cub Scout pack 273's seven-plus members and leaders took center stage and sang "I'm Gettin' Nothin for Christmas" and "Jingle Bells" for the crowd.

Not to be outdone, the four Brownie and Junior Girl Scout Troops took their turn and gave the crowd an earful of holiday music.

Opening and closing the evening was another musical ensemble.

Harper Woods high school band directors Rebecca Stevens and Shannon Cayce were joined by eighth-grade trumpet player John Snider, and three flutists, junior Stephanie Sturton, senior Tasha Dalstra and sophomore Rita Ciaravino.

With the lights burning and spirits high in Harper Woods already, all they need now is a little snow and Christmas will feel right at home even if it is a month or so early.



Photos by Jason Sweeney
Mayor Ken Poynter looks on as three-year-old Tyler Ciechanowski flips the magic switch that lit over 10,000 light bulbs and other decorations his father Dave worked to put up.



From left, Harper Woods band directors Rebecca Stevens and Shannon Cayce along with eighth-grader John Snider, junior Stephanie Sturton, senior Tasha Dalstra and sophomore Rita Ciaravino provided patriotic and holiday music for the festivities.

Free parking in Village Dec. 10 through Dec. 24

The stores have sales to lure Christmas shoppers, but the City of Grosse Pointe is enticing shoppers to the Village with free parking in its municipally-owned lots Dec. 10-24.

City, city manager Mike Overton said, "The council sees the Village as a vital community asset. Anything we can do to help them maintain their viability helps the community."

While the Christmas shopping season would be a prime revenue time for the

Metered parking spaces, however, will continue to be enforced.

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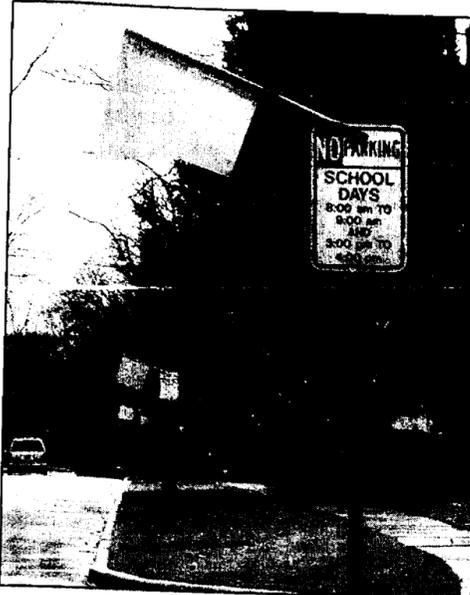
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Walk, don't ride, to Kerby school in Farms



Signs prohibiting parking, standing and stopping were erected two weeks ago on Charlevoix near Kerby Elementary School.

■ Public safety school-traffic study on agenda Monday night

By Melissa Walsh and Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writers

With less curbside parking available, Kerby Elementary School students may need to don their warmest parka and boots and hike their way to school this winter.

Two weeks ago, the Grosse Pointe Farms Public Safety Department erected no stopping/no standing/no parking signs along Charlevoix between Kerby and Touraine.

The signs went up after the Farms public safety department received a complaint about traffic safety in that area from a Vendome Court resident.

"We saw a traffic safety hazard and we reacted to it," said Farms public safety director Robert Ferber.

While Kerby drop-off/pick-up issues have been ongoing for years, Kerby principal Debbie Hubbell said she found out about the signs "when everyone else did."

"Parents have to drop off students several blocks away."

Kerby principal Debbie Hubbell

"We tried to reach her (Hubbell)," Ferber said, "but she was out."

"We have more people with a need to park than we have spaces for," Hubbell said. "Parents have to drop off students several blocks away."

Parents of Kerby's kindergartners have vehicle stickers that permit them to park on Beaufre and walk children to the kindergarten classroom.

Parents of first- through fifth-graders are supposed to use the curb cut in the front of the school, off of Kerby Road. Due to the high volume of traffic on Kerby, many parents found it more convenient to drop off and pick up students on Charlevoix or behind the school on Vendome or

rights." Burke compliments the efforts of Kerby principal Hubbell and the City of Grosse Pointe Farms to ensure the overall safety of Kerby students. Burke believes that the school and city are concerned foremost with protecting all Kerby kids and are much less concerned with making drop-off and pick-up easier for a few parents.

"Obviously, the safety of our kids is the most important thing, and our convenience is not the most important thing," Burke said.

Hubbell said people are not accustomed to bearing inclement weather to walk, as in earlier times, when families, at best, had one car per household.

The Kerby drop-off/pick-up parking situation, as well as results of a public safety department study, will be discussed at the Farms' city council meeting on Monday, Dec. 10.

Flooding

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work is designed to retain storm water on roadways, the theory being that water-covered streets are better than backed-up basements and combined sewage overflows into Lake St. Clair.

"We want water to remain in the streets and not overload the system," said Woods city administrator Ted Bidigare.

Last week's water back-ups could have been worse had the storm come earlier in the year before most fallen leaves had been raked and taken away.

"We already had a majority of the streets clean," Bidigare said.

During the storm and afterward, municipal workers slogged from street to street clearing drain openings.

"The DPW guys have been working their tails off," Bidigare said. "They're doing an excellent job."

"We were able to clear the streets in about an hour," said City of Grosse Pointe public service director Paul Weitzel. "It was good this didn't happen in the middle of the night. We had a full crew in at 7 a.m."

The City and the Farms each received about a half-dozen calls about flooded

basements. Grosse Pointe Shores had three calls about flooded basements.

However, Farms assistant city manager Shane Reeside said, "From initial inspection, the flooding appeared to be from downspouts not being disconnected and internal plumbing problems."

Public safety departments responded to dozens of calls from motorists stranded in their cars. The City public safety department used its Special Response Team step

van to transport about a dozen people from their homes or to their places of business.

Gregg Langone of Langone and DiMango Shell in the City said four cars were brought into his station with water damage.

"We're not sure what the damage is," Langone said. "You have to get into the motor to find out."

Langone advised people to drive slow, not fast, through puddles.

"The water sprays up into

the engine compartment and really does a job, especially in the fuel-injected cars," Langone said.

Things could have been worse. Bravender transferred recently to the Weather Service's Detroit office from Marquette, where he said 1 1/2 feet of snow remains from a 30-inch dumping.

In comparison to the Pointes, Harper Woods remained relatively high and dry, according to city officials.

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Toys

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Bee Toys with over \$800 in new Monsters Inc. goods and other popular toys on the morning of Nov. 29.

Magyar said she was excited that the toys that are donated will actually go to help children in Michigan, and that the mall felt it was especially important to donate this year in response to the rising number of unemployed.

Lockridge said in 2000, Toys for Tots gave out nearly 915,000 toys and we are hoping for a better year in 2001.

Lockridge said they will "shoot for the million mark, but we will be more likely to see an increase of 25,000 to 30,000."

Those interested in donating to the Toys for Tots program can drop off donations of new, unwrapped toys for children from infancy to 12 years old. The collection center is located in the old NBD building on the back side of the Eastland Mall near the east end. Hours of collection are Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. with a 45 minute lunch break at 1 p.m.; Saturday, noon to 6 p.m. and Sunday, noon to 3 p.m.

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Old Mother Nature's wild mood swings

This year Mother Nature has given most of Michigan a wonderful pre-Christmas gift: the best weather one can imagine for this time of the year.

The New York Times told us in its front-page weather box Tuesday morning: "Michigan: Mostly cloudy and mild with light showers possible. Highs ranging from the upper 40s in the northern areas to the upper 50s in southern sections."

The weather map added more good news for us in Michigan: "Patchy clouds will accompany a weak front in the Central Plains and the Great

Opinion

Lakes, with just a few light showers, mainly in Michigan."

True, our children will be sorry if it doesn't snow so that they can try their new sleds, skis and skates. But most of us older folks will be satisfied if the snow and cold come well after Christmas.

Born in Minnesota, I can well remember what those Minnesota snow storms looked like back then. In fact, I read last week about a terrific blizzard that covered Minnesota to a depth of more than two feet in many places.

But Michigan is known for its cloudy winters with snowfall seldom reaching the depths it did in my neck of the woods in Minnesota.

But winters in Minnesota are really made for youngsters so that they can ski, slide and skate to their hearts' content. But as an adult, I can remember the dangerous snow storms that piled the Minnesota streets so full of snow that motorists were warned to tie red handkerchiefs to their radio aerials.

I can recall tragedies of winter in Minnesota, too. One memorable

storm took the life of Tom Barnhard, my favorite journalism professor at the University of Minnesota, who died digging his car out of a snowdrift on a Minneapolis street.

That was long ago, but last week's huge snowfall in Minnesota showed that nature has not lost its ability to hammer the Gopher state in winter.

Of course, northern Michigan and especially the Upper Peninsula know all about big snowfalls and bad storms in the winter time. It is fitting that Michigan History magazine, in its November-December issue, pays tribute to the counties of the Upper Peninsula.

They are renowned for their beautiful landscapes, mines and forests, but also for their snow. Snow has its own appeal to many outdoorsmen and women in many parts of Michigan who are as familiar with their snowmobiles as they are with their automobiles.

— Wilbur Elston

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Of hearth and home

Did you ever notice how often we gravitate to the hearths of our fireplaces? Our fireplaces are like big outstretched arms offering unconditional hugs.

They are the centers of our most important rooms, the focal points around which we arrange ourselves for family portraits, decorate our mantels, display our cherished trophies and hang our treasured artwork.

We maneuver our seating in order to be closest to the fire. Our furniture is arranged around our fireplaces. Toasts are offered in front of a roaring fire and marshmallows roasted there.

Fireplaces often serve as the pulse of a room. They can be a status symbol, created from fine marble or carved wood, wonderful stone or exotic tiles. Our fireplaces tell a great deal about us.

Some of us use them daily and burn enormous fires that illuminate an entire room and fill the house with wondrous, pungent woody odors. Others want only to gaze at logs but not deal with the mess a fire might make. Some will only use birch wood for its beauty and fast, crackling burning, while others insist mixed hard woods make the best fires.

These are personal and passionate choices.

It is now possible to light a fireplace by remote control. Presto! The gas logs ignite with the flick of a button, instant atmosphere! One can also add color to the flame. A visit to a local fireplace emporium will amaze you with

options — faux, glow, glorious, gaudy. It's all there for a price. Even the fireplace tools can be customized.

My Dad was a fire nut and always had one burning. He believed in two tools, a good wrought iron basket or pair of "dogs" to support the logs and a long poker. We were admonished if we cleaned out the ashes more than once a month. "The logs need a good bed," he would tell us.

In our family, the mantel is always in use in a personal way. On the occasion of birthdays, the honoree's cards reside on the mantel for the week of the birthday, where they can be shared and reread. During holidays there is usually some item pertaining to the holiday above the fireplace.

Since I was a child, the creche has rested for the better part of three weeks at Christmas time in greenery and tiny lights, a tradition that continues.

How often have we subconsciously sought solace by simply staring into a fire? Who knows where our minds take us when we lose ourselves while reflecting in the mesmerizing flames that soothe us like waves on a beach.

And soon, very soon, that big guy in the red suit will once again stuff himself down our chimneys, where our stockings will await him and cookies and milk and apples will refuel him for his long night's journey.

Hope you've kept it clean and safe for him and that you enjoy your holidays around a happy healthy hearth.



Address comments to cartoonist Phil Hands at HANDSP@kenyon.edu

Letters

Heartfelt thanks

To the Editor:
On behalf of the Grosse Pointe Woman's Club, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the following businesses for their generous donations to our Annual Scholarship Luncheon and Fashion Show held Nov. 21.

Without donations from the following businesses and friends, we would not have been able to meet our scholarship goals for this year.

Each year we present, depending on the donations received from area business people and members, \$1,000 and more to two students from Grosse Pointe who have met the scholastic goals set forth by the Grosse Pointe Woman's Club.

Thank you's go out to the following: Auto Club of Michigan; Bedard Publications; Bette Prudden; Beverly Zimmermann — Mary Kay Cosmetics; Breadsmith; Joseph A. DiMaggio Jewelers; Dress Barn; Gibbs Wine Shop; Jan & Jim's Hallmark; George Koueiter & Sons Jewelers; Lori's Hair Affair; Maloof's; Merit Woods Drugs; Moehring Woods Flowers; A.H. Peters Funeral Home; Pat

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I would like to personally thank all the members who worked diligently with me to make this event a success. They gave of their time, talents and generosity.

Our event was a wonderful success. Again our heartfelt thanks to all who participated. A blessed and happy holiday to all.

Pamela Zimmer
Chairperson, Ways
& Means Committee
Grosse Pointe
Woman's Club

Respect

To the Editor:
I had the luxury and privilege of growing up in Grosse Pointe. I subscribe via e-mail to your newspaper because I love reading about what is happening back in my hometown.

I moved to Kalamazoo in 1993 for college and ended up meeting my husband and I now have a 5-month-old son.

sure — I always will.

If you don't like a certain piece of "art" in the Village, give it some time — it may grow on you. If it doesn't, be content that you have the Village to go to and enjoy the people shopping there.

If you don't like the fact that your neighborhood may become a parking lot on the Hill — so be it. You should be happy to know that you live in a house that has heat, love, food and laughter. It may not be great to live beside a parking lot, but you could live "in" that parking lot, and have bigger concerns.

If you don't like your councilman (woman), don't elect them again, but know that they are trying their best and have other issues in their lives besides you. They, too, also have a family and friends. You don't have to ridicule them in the newspaper. That's what is great about this country; free will. Vote for someone else or, hey, you could even run yourself — I bet you wouldn't though.

I just got done doing Meals on Wheels for my church. If I could show Grosse Pointe to some of the great people I helped, I bet they would die of how gorgeous it is. But then, if I showed them the letters you

all write and complain about little things in life, I think they may think differently of the city I call my "hometown."

It's a big world out there, folks. There is much sadness and hate. I have grown up with many of you and I know that you have more love and laughter than angry words and bitterness at petty things.

Next time you have a problem with someone/something, take it to them. Don't embarrass yourself and others in the newspaper that you know everyone reads.

Rory Kathleen
Sullivan-Richardson
Kalamazoo

Proud and dedicated
To the Editor:
I feel a great injustice was done to the men and women of the City of Grosse Pointe Department of Public Safety in the article, "City court, police to get separation," printed in the Nov. 29 issue of the Grosse Pointe News.

In the article, Mr. Overton, city manager, stated that "the skills needed in customer service are not the same to be a police officer or

a dispatcher." I regret to inform you, Mr. Overton, nothing is farther from the truth. While I agree that the move was necessary, I do not agree with the excuse that we lack customer service skills.

The men and women of this department strive to "serve and protect" the residents of this city and others and have always shown exemplary customer service skills. That is the job of public safety, and customer service skills are a primary skill needed to effectively serve the public.

In all my years I have never once seen an employee give anything but excellent service to all who have entered the station. To listen to only a few complaints from unhappy persons paying a ticket, does not justify the perception that was made by Mr. Overton.

Our job is a difficult one as it is, but it is only made harder when improper and negative stereotypes are reinforced by an individual who has a slanted view and did not properly investigate the matter.

Each day we strive to correct negative images of police misconduct by giving

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Quality time with cookies

This year the country is still healing as we draw ever closer to another nativity, another visit from the heavy-set elf in a red suit and another couple of days with the in-laws.

The president and other officials have told us to go back to life as usual.

Personally, I'd like to see people go a step further and strengthen the bonds in their family with what was a yearly ritual in my house. That ritual was sugar cookies.

Yes, sugar cookies.

As I was growing up my sister and I looked forward to the yearly ceremony of confectionery decoration.

We'd start at about 2:30, painstakingly decorating small canvases on a cookie sheet. Mom, my sister and I would compare color choices, designs and tactics for getting just the right amount of sugar and talked about everything going on in our lives.

We'd wrap up right about the time my father would get home and some years he'd even decorate a couple himself.

Things like this make kids enjoy being a part of getting ready for the holidays, (especially when they get to be creative and work up a sugar buzz).

Even if you don't have kids around, the sugar cook-

I Say

Jason Sweeney



ie experience can be both relaxing and enjoyable.

A good sugar cookie experience consists of a few key things.

Dough

Purists will take the time to mix the dough from scratch in a pre-holiday alchemy experiment.

Going to the store for a few tubes of the prefabricated stuff is fine, too. However, that leaves fewer scraps for

you and the kids to snack on.

Cookie Cutters

Round cookies are quick and easy but a little too assembly-line for our purposes. They limit creativity.

Simple, classic designs like the bell, star, tree and Christmas stocking are a great place to get your creative energies flowing.

For masters, I'd recommend the toy soldier, Santa

Claus, poinsettia, reindeer and angel. They offer a chance to show real flair.

Decorations

The rule of decoration material is to be creative.

Sugar is available in nearly any color you can imagine but don't let that limit you.

Cinnamon/sugar mixtures make a great brown and cocoa mix does too, when used sparingly.

Chocolate chips and red hot are perfect for buttons, eyes, and other touches and a trip to your local bake shop will reveal hundreds of possibilities.

If you want to be patriotic with red, white and blue, coarsely ground sugar is the answer to getting a good white color that doesn't melt away.

How-to

There is no hard and fast how-to, which is the beauty of the experience.

Allow yourself and your kids to be as creative as you want. Santa looks fashionable in green and blue as well as red, and purple reindeer taste just as good as brown ones.

Experiment with things—stripes, cross-hatching, swirls and other patterns.

They all taste good when they come back out of the oven whether you're more the Michelangelo or Picasso type.

If they come out well they make a great conversation piece that gives you some bragging rights. If they come out poorly, grandparents think anything their grandkids do is cute.

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The Op-Ed Page



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by Ben Burns

A poet's story

Mariela Griffor remembers another 9/11 filled with terror that changed thousands of lives. It was the day in 1973 when Augusto Pinochet decided to take over the government of Chile by attacking the presidential palace with rockets.



Ben Burns

The elected President Salvador Allende Gossens died during the bombing. He was "officially" a suicide. More than 3,000 others died in the days after the coup, according to the 40-year-old Grosse Pointe Park resident.

Griffor was 12 when the military dictatorship took over and the terror began.

Seven years later while a student at the University of Santiago, she met a young poet, a year older than she, Julio Santibanez Romero, and fell in love. Santibanez was killed by the secret police in 1985 and Griffor was advised to flee before she was arrested. She was pregnant with her oldest daughter, **Javiera**.

She wound up in a Swedish refugee camp. Four years later, she met and married **Ed Griffor**, a top theoretical mathematician who was from Grosse Pointe. The couple has a second daughter, **Elena**, and is host to a Youth for Understanding foreign exchange student from Germany, **Cora Graneist**.

Mariela Griffor's story was ably detailed in an October Hour Detroit Magazine article by Jack Lessenberry. Lessenberry is an instructor in the Wayne State journalism program where Griffor is a student.

Griffor's first book, "Sunspots," is now in print. It is a collection of poetry that will be part of a trilogy titled "From the Graves of Latin America."

Lessenberry is quoted on the cover: "The result is words and thoughts that are both sweetly fragrant and which yet burn themselves like acid into our sensibilities and our souls. This is an amazing book." Impressive praise from the former New York Times freelancer who was named the top columnist in an alternative newspaper a couple of years ago for his work in the Metro Times.

A couple of weeks ago Griffor had a book signing for "Sunspots" at the Scarab Club in Detroit. There was Griffor, the suburban mom, passing out canapes, cheese pits and glasses of red and white wine. Everyone was having a nice time. Most folks, however, were concerned. The books had not shown up. The author was not. She had lived through a worse than a book signing without books.

The Scarab Club was kind enough to schedule another signing from 6 to 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 7.

Griffor's book is dedicated to Santibanez, beginning with this: "I would have liked to offer you innocent verses, full of joy that would resemble your laughter, verses that would have been embroidered with the petals of those Chilean roses that I love so much. That has not been possible."

Perhaps there is symbolism in the delayed date for Griffor's book signing at the Scarab Club. That date should remind each of us of another day when terror struck America and changed our world — Dec. 7, 1941.

Turn on Avalon

Last year about 600 folks took advantage of the free Christmas concert directed by **Mel Stander** and his "Gentlemen of Swing" at the Assumption Cultural Center, 21800 Marter. This year the 88-year-old musician plans a repeat performance, but he's concerned that would-be concert-goers could get lost since Marter is closed at Jefferson.

So he called in with simple directions to the free, 3 to 4:30 p.m. concert this Sunday. If you know where Bonmarito's Market is on Greater Mack on the east side, north of Eight Mile, you are home free. If you are heading north, turn right on Avalon. If you are coming south, turn left. That will

take you straight into the Assumption parking lot. But get there early because parking is limited.

Stander puts on the free concert because Assumption is kind enough to let the group practice there during the year.

Stander who was in life insurance, pension and retirement plans before he retired in 1986 says that 14 members of the 18-person ensemble he has directed since 1993 are 70 or older. Seven are in their 80s. The group does have a young girl singer who pulls the average age down to 76, according to Stander. But we're not going to reveal the age of **Denise Stevens**, who is an assistant to Grosse Pointe superintendent of schools **Suzanne Klein**, is even if Stander told us.

Sad note

The "yoo-hoo girl" died in her sleep Friday, Nov. 16, at St. John Senior Community at age 99. **Helen Sarah Seurnyck** was given that nickname by the staff because of her consistently cheerful greeting to passers-by in the hall, according to The Detroit News obituary.

She was the mother of Detroit News columnist **Pete Waldmeir** of the Woods and grandmother of **Peter "Don't call me Pete" Waldmeir**, who has served on both the Farms

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A poem by W.H. Auden

Ever since the first cataclysm of the 21st century, among all the brilliant and not-so-brilliant rhetoric, a poem written 62 years ago, almost to the day, rose from obscurity to fame and infamy. It was discussed extensively in the New York Times and was the subject of letters to The Times Literary Supplement of London.

In a "Letter from New York," the writer said that "Auden's words are everywhere." The poem appeared in its entirety in at least a half-dozen major newspapers and was read on National Public Radio.

It was the subject of hundreds of chat-room discussions, and The Great Books Foundation and Chicago Tribune sponsored discussions of it in the Chicago area. In New York City, Stuyvesant High School, which is only four blocks from Ground Zero, produced a special issue of its school newspaper, which the New York Times distributed to its readership in the metropolitan area.

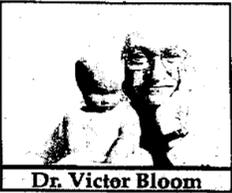
This last issue featured one of the poem's more familiar lines, "We must love one another or die."

What was so special about this poem that it has been banded about and discussed so widely? And why were the criticisms so harsh and the praise so ringing? What was all the controversy about, and why did Auden himself finally renounce the entire poem as "infected with an incurable dishonesty?"

For some reason he was bothered by just that line, "We must love one another or die," and erased the whole stanza which it ended. It was only after his death that his family had it reinstated.

Auden did not give an explanation for his judgment of "incurable dishonesty." Critics wondered whether he felt the poem was contaminated with needless sentimentality, preachiness or smugness.

The "Letter From New York" in the London Times brought on serious charges of moral and political failure. Another letter writer in this British journal called the poem, "a meretricious piece of work... that should be consigned to the scrap heap. The writer denounced



Dr. Victor Bloom

He ends the poem on this positive note, and I hope he was not referring to this final stanza as "infected with an incurable dishonesty." Did he say it and not believe it? And yet, in a better mood, he could have called it incurable hope.

the lines, "Those to whom evil is done/Do evil in return." He (or she) interpreted these lines at the time in the context of the rise of Hitler, as an explanation of Germany's hatred and militancy as due to the evils of the Treaty of Versailles.

Actually, many historians have traced the source of Germany's bitterness toward the Allies as coming from the ignominious terms in which Germany was punished for its part in the first world war. The Third Reich was a reaction to the state to which Germany was reduced after The Great War, and it meant to undo the damage and restore its former glory — which it almost succeeded in doing, as the allies were now isolationist, uncaring of the German state and busy healing its own wounds.

In September of 2001, people reading that poem could, and did, easily read into it that we were getting ours back from the harm we have caused, not only in the Middle East, but around the world; as in Asia, South and Central America, where the CIA had supported corrupt dictators and "banana republics," even working to

reverse a democratically-based election of a left-winger.

Left-wing critics did not buy the assumption that as bad as capitalism and free-enterprise was, communist hegemony was worse.

Most people see the world from ideologic prisms, but some of us are convinced we see things as they are, and we see ourselves as good and our enemies as evil.

Auden seemed to be saying, "as ye sow, so shall ye reap," and we made our bed... and we have to lie in it. And to some vocal few, especially in the universities and part of a free press media, we asked for Sept. 11 and we deserved it. The extreme left and the fundamentalist Moslem world are making that accusation as we speak.

But as a poetry lover and great admirer of Auden, I can see now that he was a tortured soul, because he could see both sides, and therefore the pain of the human condition. He calls it "The habit-forming pain/Mismanagement and grief/We must suffer them all again." Habit-forming?

But he ends the poem on this positive note, and I hope he was not referring to this final stanza as "infected with an incurable dishonesty." Did he say it and not believe it? And yet, in a better mood, he could have called it incurable hope.

"Defenseless under the night

Our world in stupor lies;
Yet, dotted everywhere,
Ironic points of light
Flash out whenever the
Just

Exchanges their messages;
May I, composed like them

Of Eros and dust,
Beleaguered by the same
Negation and despair,
Show an affirming flame"

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excellent customer service in all aspects of our jobs. Yet, all it takes is one article to eat away at our efforts at improving relations between the public safety department and the citizenry.

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It is a shame that in this day and age of newfound respect for the men and women who serve and protect, that a few people still don't appreciate what we do for others.

Shame on you Mr. Overton. You owe the men and women of the department an apology.

City of Grosse Pointe

Department of Public Safety Member

The jury's out

To the Editor:
Attorney General John Ashcroft, America's top law enforcement officer, plays a crucial and defining role in the Bush administration. The question is whether he'll leave a legacy of moderation or one of extremism.

Initial omens were favorable. Ashcroft lost a close Senate election to Jean Carrahan in Missouri, and his prompt, gracious concession stood in positive contrast to the Bush-Gore recount debacle.

Soon after, he sounded moderate and conciliatory in his congressional confirmation hearings, and his handling of events since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks has been balanced and sensitive to civil liberties.

Much more worrisome,

however, are his recent intrusions into states' rights (ironically, the mantra of his conservative soul mates) in the California medicinal marijuana and the Oregon assisted suicide issues.

Most troubling is his knee-jerk support for right-wing Federalist Society ideologues as judicial appointees to our national courts.

Who is the real John Ashcroft? One way or another, we'll know soon.

William D. Hodgman
Grosse Pointe Park

No excuse

To the Editor:
In an article, "Prosecution heats up in Hunt Club arson case," in the Nov. 15 issue of the Grosse Pointe News, Mark Bilkovic may "know what the Hunt Club means to the city," but he won't ever know what each of those horses meant to its respective owners, riders and admirers.

To have those animals killed in one of the worst ways imaginable, much less at the hands of a fellow human, is to say in the least, infuriating and devastating. Even worse is the fact that Stephen Fennell has shown little to no remorse.

The defense's battle cry of "He is just a kid" does not excuse the fact that their client has no common sense. I know 7-year-olds who show more respect for private property and animal life than Fennell has shown as a 23-year-old adult.

Rebecca Pierzchala
Detroit

Village waterfalls

To the Editor:

In reply to the poison-pen Letters to the Editor appearing in recent issues of the Grosse Pointe News and to Dan Shine's article "Font of Complaints" printed in the Saturday, Oct. 27, Detroit Free Press concerning the Grosse Pointe Village waterfalls, I would like to make the following rebuttal.

It is a shame that Mr. Shine did not take the time to contact any member of the Grosse Pointe Foundation of the City Council to get the real story as to why the water walls were built and designed in the form of waterfalls. He apparently talked to five or six people who gave him mixed reactions to the structure and then made up his own mind not to like it.

Unfortunately he picked one of the last days of October, blustery and cold, and at a time the falls were about to be turned off, to take his pictures. That is not good or fair journalism.

As to the letters by the

"ladies" I can only say that I was taught "if you can't say something nice about something or someone, don't say it."

The foundation trustees decided two years ago that they would like to make a meaningful contribution to the City of Grosse Pointe by adding to the aesthetics of the Village area. A fountain was first discussed. A landscape architect was retained to come up with suggested designs. Ultimately, it was decided that whatever was done needed to attract visitors and shoppers to the area. A series of cascading waterfalls was selected to be surrounded by plantings and benches that would allow people to sit, chat, rest, drink their coffee, eat their ice cream and get away from the hustle of the city.

The architect prepared a drawing of the waterfalls and a copy was sent to every resident of the City; a model was made and put on public display in the Village and at fund raisers; and an appearance was made on Grosse Pointe Television to discuss the project — not one criticism was forthcoming. Where were Mr. Shine and the naysayers when it counted and when changes could have been made?

The project cost \$340,000 and to date \$250,000 has been contributed by supporters of the project. No taxpayer dollars were used. I'm afraid that the letters in the Grosse Pointe News will make it very difficult to solicit the balance of the funds.

The foundation realized that not everyone would like the results. Sculpture and art are personal and, happily, not all of us like the same thing.

I can only say, give it a chance and wait until summer when the flowers and trees are in bloom, the water is flowing smoothly and the adults and children are enjoying the aesthetics and tranquility of the surroundings — I like it.

John L. King
Trustee
City of Grosse Pointe
Foundation

Poetic justice?

To the Editor:

Walls/Falls

John Denomme is not my enemy
But I must disagree
Anyone can see
The walls are horrific
The falls not terrific
Please, please take it down
Give us back our town

Peggy Daly
City of Grosse Pointe

Take up questions

To the Editor:

Thank you for your coverage in the Oct. 25 issue of the Grosse Pointe News, "Farms purchases 2 homes to raze for Hill parking," relating to the purchase of residential property on McKinley to expand Hill parking.

Questions that I hope residents of Grosse Pointe Farms will ask are:

1. Was the process fair to your neighbors on McKinley and Fisher?
2. Have viable alternatives, such as parking decks on existing parking facilities, been considered in open council hearings?
3. Should there not be a plan for parking that would take into account any long-term ramifications, rather than a rush to action without full exploration of alternatives?

Robert W. Helms
Grosse Pointe Park

Thanks Mason

To the Editor:

Girl Scout Troop 1189 from Mason School would like to thank the following people for their generous donations to our troop to help decorate the Neighborhood Club for the Make A Difference Day Breakfast on October 27th: Allemons Garden Center and Greenhouse Growers for the beautiful mums; Pete and Franks for the pumpkins and gourds; Nancy Szerlag for the table cover fabric; Ms. McDonalds' first-grade class; Mrs. Cole's a.m. & p.m. kindergarten classes; Ms. Cleland's second-grade class; and Mrs. McCulloch's third-grade class for the spooktacular decorations. The room looked great! Thank you all for your donations!

Nancy Mason
and Norma Haigh
Troop 1189

9-11-01

To the Editor:

They bombed our very beings that day
Searing our souls, scorching fear
Into our every fiber,
They rocked our foundations that day
Leaving tremulous limbs shaking like
Helpless skeletons waving in
The after wind,
Missiles of hate and envy ripped
Our skin, leaving us naked, torn
And stripped of innocence.
Tears of disbelief and

anguish
Streamed down charred faces,
An impotent, salty stream
Powerless against the putrid sky,
Our arms stretched upward, up
Like babes in the wilderness
To be held and to hold.
To find familiar fragments
Now buried in the life that was.

They ran like rats back to their holes.
They leveled our monuments
And turned them to ashes...but
In their blind rage,
They couldn't see our eyes
Our eyes still see our flag.
Our hands still build a future.

Our hearts uplift our friends...and
America stands forever.

Christine Watling-
Paddock
San Diego

Letters welcome

The Grosse Pointe News welcomes your Letters to the Editor. Letters will be edited for length and all letters are subject to editing for content. Include a daytime phone number for verification or questions.

The deadline for letters is 3 p.m. Monday. Send letters to Editor, Grosse Pointe News, 96 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, Mich. 48236; or fax them to (313) 882-1585. Letters may also be sent e-mail to: jminnis@grossepointenews.com

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and the City councils in recent years.

Seurynck's personality was developed in the crucible of the Great Depression, and she reared three children as a divorced mother. She never let adversity get her down. And she probably imparted the ability to deal directly and forthrightly with the truth to Pete, who has been the hard-bitten, columnist-consciousness watching Detroit city government for decades.

But underneath that tough Waldmeir exterior is a heart of gold. He visited his mother regularly and had breakfast with her that Friday morning before she passed peacefully on. That raises the question, have you given your mother a hug or a phone call recently or sent up a little prayer of Thanksgiving for the mother you had?

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F. Isabelle Andersen
F. Isabelle Andersen, 85, died Monday, Dec. 3, 2001, at Alterra Wynwood in Northville.

A Harper Woods resident, Mrs. Andersen was born in Gladwin.

She was a high school graduate and homemaker.

Mrs. Andersen is survived by her sons Richard (Sandra) Andersen and Charles (Pat) Andersen; six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held on Thursday, Dec. 6, at A. H. Peters Funeral Home, 20705 Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods. Interment will be at Cadillac Memorial Gardens East in Clinton Township.

and Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., died on Friday, Nov. 30, 2001, at her home in Southfield.

Mrs. Horvath was the beloved mother of Dr. James (Anna) Horvath, Thomas Horvath, William (Cheryl) Horvath and Vikki (Gary) Eller.

She was the dear grandmother of Melissa, Stephanie and Kara. She was also the dear sister of Gwendolen Ness, Betty Weiland and Mary Chappell.

Arrangements were handled by the Sawyer-Fuller Funeral Home of Berkley. A memorial service was held on Monday, Dec. 3, at the First Presbyterian Church of Birmingham. The Rev. Benjamin R. Bishop officiated.

Leola H. Horvath

Leola H. Horvath, 76, formerly of Grosse Pointe Park

Barbara J. Kimball

Barbara J. Kimball, 53, of St. Clair Shores, died of cancer on Sunday, Dec. 2, 2001, at St. John Hospital and Medical Center in Detroit.

Ms. Kimball was born on August 26, 1948, in Detroit's Jennings Hospital to Horton Duncan Kimball and Doris Ida Gallagher Kimball.

She graduated from Grosse Pointe South High School in June of 1966. Ms. Kimball received a bachelor's of art in secondary education, communication arts and sciences from Western Michigan University in April 1970 and earned a master's of arts in guidance and counseling from Oakland University in August 1977.

Ms. Kimball taught English at the high school level in the Lake Shore Public Schools from 1971 to 1981 and again from 1996 to 1998. She became a high school counselor in 1998. In addition, she worked for the Federal Reserve Bank,

Schweitzer Real Estate, and was employed in the C-E Communications Division of Campbell-Ewald. She was also the owner of the Desktop Connection, a desktop publishing service.

Ms. Kimball was affiliated with the Michigan Counseling Association, the Michigan Association for Specialists in Group Work, the Michigan School Counselors Association and the Macomb County Counseling Association. She was also an active member of Delta Zeta Sorority, the Founders Society of the Detroit Institute of Arts, Planned Parenthood, and the Turning Point, Inc.

Ms. Kimball is survived by her sister Karen L. Stuart; nephews Jon R. (Anna) Stuart and Mark R. Stuart; a great-nephew Jacob; great-nieces Arianna and Victoria and many loving friends and students.

A memorial service was held on Wednesday, Dec. 5, at A. H. Peters Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Woods. Interment is at Cadillac Memorial Gardens, East, in Clinton Township.

Memorial gifts may be made to the Turning Point, Inc., 117 Cass, Mt. Clemens, MI 48043 or the Eggleston Scholarship Foundation, c/o Lake Shore High School, 22980 Thirteen Mile Rd., St. Clair Shores, MI 48082.

Barbara Morrow Parres

Barb Parres, a longtime Grosse Pointe resident,

passed away Friday, Nov. 30, 2001, in her Harrison Township home. At her side were her husband Mike and their children John and Laurie.

Barb was born in Lansing, in 1940. In her teens, she lived in Grosse Pointe Farms and was graduated from Grosse Pointe High



Barbara Morrow Parres

School in 1958. On her first day of college at Michigan State University, she met her husband Mike. They were married in their senior year of school.

Barb was a member of Gamma Phi Beta sorority.

As a corporate wife, Barb settled the family in nine homes across the country.

Her daughter, Laurie, recalls, "Not only did Mom see to all the practical details of moving, she made it an adventure. She'd touch down in a new city not knowing a soul and have us out exploring the community immediately. We visited historic homes and natural wonders in the South and dairy farms, toy factories and amusement parks in the Midwest. She always had her eye out for ways to create fun and to show caring to the people she met. She's a generous and loving soul."

The family lived in the Pointes on three different occasions, where both children were graduated from Grosse Pointe South High School. The Parres' enjoyed their affiliation with the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club for many years and boating was the dominant family pastime.

Husband Mike affectionately describes Barb as a "firebrand," which accounts for her nickname, "barb-wire." He further describes her as "a person of great inner strength, tremendous integrity, and sound principles. She lived her life in a way that honored God's tenets. She greatly appreciated the gifts of life and was fearless of death."

Her parents, Pat and John Morrow predeceased Barb.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Michigan, 44720 Hayes, Suite 100, Clinton Township, MI 48038 or the Arthritis Foundation, 17117 W. Nine Mile Rd., Suite 950, Southfield, MI 48075.

Ethel S. Post

Ethel S. Post, 93, died on Monday, Nov. 26, 2001, at her Grosse Pointe Park home.

Born in Detroit, Mrs. Post was a homemaker who also assisted in the dental practice of her late husband Dr. Arthur A. Post.

She is survived by her son, Arthur J. (Susan) Post, D.D.S.; her daughter Barbara (Richard) Sadler; grandchildren Cathy LaMothe, Rick Sadler, Steve Sadler, Sarah Post and Adam Post and six great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were handled by the A. H. Peters Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Woods. A funeral Mass was celebrated on Thursday, Nov. 29, at St. Clare of Montefalco Church in Grosse Pointe Park.

Interment is at Resurrection Cemetery in Clinton Township.

Memorial gifts may be made to the Kresge Eye Institute for Macular Degeneration Research, 4717 St. Antoine, Detroit, MI 48201.

The patriotic spirit of Christmas

Megan O'Connell, left, was one of several Richard Elementary School Girl Scouts who helped decorate the Hill Christmas tree before the Hill Association tree-lighting which took place Sunday, Dec. 2.

Johnstone & Johnstone Real Estate donated red, white and blue beads for the Girl Scouts to make the American flag ornaments which adorn the tree.

Below, the Grosse Pointe United Church Children's Choir serenaded the group of about 60 revelers who came to see Grosse Pointe Farms mayor Ed Gaffney flip the switch on the Hill Christmas tree.

Photos by Bonnie Caprara

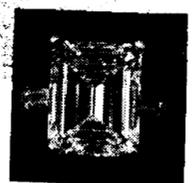


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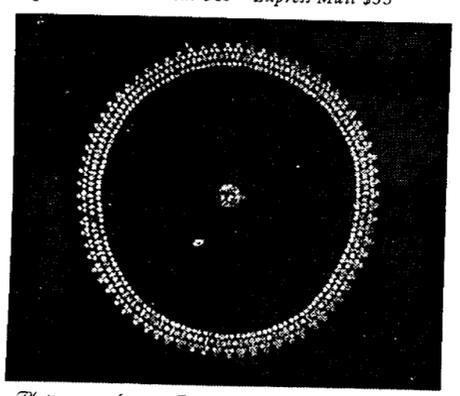
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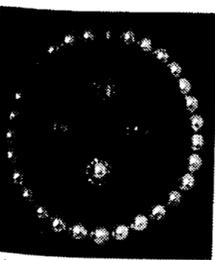


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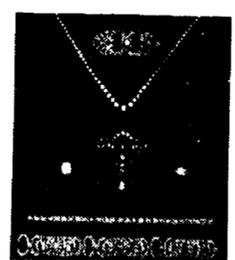


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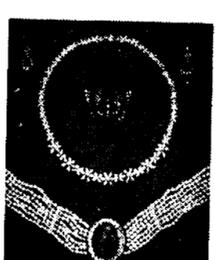
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American abroad on Sept. 11 is made to feel right at home

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Stories keep coming about the kindness shown Americans abroad on Sept. 11.

Beverly Pack was on the Swedish leg of a Scandinavian tour when terrorists crashed hijacked airliners into the World Trade Center and Pentagon.

It was about 3 p.m. in Stockholm. Pack, a resident of Grosse Pointe Farms, and nearly three dozen American sightseers were on a shopping spree when the first plane hit New York City.

"We came back to the hotel and the tour guide told us," she said.

A half world away from the flames and smoke billowing over lower Manhattan, Pack and the travelers caught a wave of emotion spreading around the civilized world.

"We were in a total state of disbelief," she said. Pack turned on CNN for a live feed as the attack continued.

"I saw the second plane hit," she said. More shock and disbelief.

Two days later, with the number of dead and missing countrymen dwarfing those killed at Pearl Harbor, Pack and the tourists headed down the east coast of Sweden. They arrived in Kalmar, a town of Nordic charm and, Pack would learn, grace.

"The Swedes were completely sympathetic. We were touched by their attitude," Pack said. Flags flew at half staff.

Leaders of a Lutheran church arranged a special memorial service. The Americans sat together and sang "God Bless America." The pastor spoke English.

The pastor, speaking in English that Pack said "was-

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n't all that great, expressed the sympathy of the Swedish people. He didn't give a sermon. He repeated a few psalms."

Kalmar's newspaper, the Barometern, covered the local memorial service under the easily translated headline, "Terrorattcken mot USA." Pack found herself in the center of a page-one photograph.

The next day, three days after the attack, the itinerary led south to Denmark. Copenhagen came to a halt as the Danes honored President George W. Bush's request for a silent tribute to the dead.

"Traffic stopped. People got out of their cars," Pack said. "It was heartwarming to see that sympathy."

The next night, mourners lit 900 candles at a vigil in Copenhagen's town square. In a repeat of the memorial service in Kalmar, the American tourists, clustered with Americans living in Denmark, sang "God Bless America."

Many Scandinavians joined in.

The tour guide led the group to the grounds of the U.S. Embassy. There was something he wanted them to see.

"All over the lawn were thousands, I mean thousands, of flowers," Pack said. "People were still stopping by and leaving flowers. Cars drove by slowly."

Pack's flight back to the United States was almost as memorable as the events that marked the trip.

At the airport in Amsterdam, Pack and other passengers funneled through three security checks before stepping onto the plane. All baggage was

X-rayed.

"Before boarding the plane, security officers interrogated every single passenger," she said. "We were not allowed to take anything sharp in the carry-on luggage."

Pack had to unload her knitting needles, tools of the trade for a veteran international traveler trying to pass the time while flying between continents.

Four male flight attendants set new standards for fashion and customer service in an industry reeling from terrorist hijackings.

"They were the biggest, burliest guys I'd ever seen in my life," Pack said. "I don't think they were really flight attendants. They had enormous shoulders. They looked no more like flight attendants than my dogs." (She has Doberman pinschers.)

When the plane landed on American soil, relieved passengers cheered in a big round of applause.

Opening her luggage at home, Pack made an unsettling discovery. Despite the security gauntlet before boarding the homebound airliner in Europe, she found razor blades packed absentmindedly in her carry-on luggage.

"If I could get through with that, what could somebody else get through?" she said.

Pack has traveled all over the world. With each trip, landscapes change but the people have more in common.

"Underneath it all," she said, "as different as they are, they have the same fears, likes and dislikes. They want the same thing

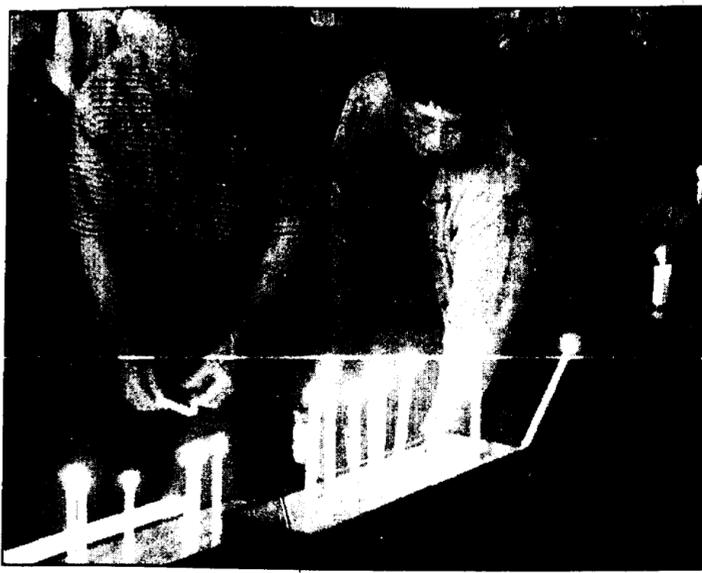


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While touring Kalmar, Sweden, Beverly Pack, at right, lights a memorial candle for victims of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

out of life. Most people want to be friends, have peace and be loved."

Her favorite country to visit is Great Britain, the land of her ancestors. China brings up the rear.

"I was in Red China only one day, a side trip out of Hong Kong," Pack said. Her tour group included a few Americans.

"The Red Chinese told us there was an irregularity in my passport," she said. "It turned out there were irregularities in all of the Americans' passports — no one else."

She was detained for more than 30 minutes.

"I was fuming. There was no irregularity," she said. "It was a peculiar coincidence. I thought, 'Fine, you've lost a visitor. I will never come back.'"

Pack is a retired research scientist who originally wanted to be a journalist. While an undergraduate at the University of Michigan,

she took an aptitude test and scored high in scientific reasoning.

"Maybe that's where I belong," she remembered thinking. "I got interested in the medical sciences because I worked at Henry Ford Hospital one summer."

Her research career has taken her to laboratories all over southeast Michigan.

She worked at U-M investigating multiple sclerosis. At the Kreige Eye Institute, she studied how ions and other substances move through chambers of the eye.

At the Michigan Cancer Foundation, she researched how different substances change metabolism and biosynthesis of the liver.

"Sometimes when you research a disease, you have to find what happened under normal circumstances before you can know what's going on in a cancer situation," Pack said.

Her big discovery came at

Wayne State University. It was the early 1970s.

"I found out what type of metabolism was necessary for pregnancy to occur," Pack said. "I remember the day I discovered sulfation of estrogen in the uterus."

It was one of those "eureka" moments.

"I was the first in the whole world to discover this," Pack said. "I have never been so excited in my life. You go for years before discovering something. This may not sound like much, but unless this happened you don't have a normal cycle and don't get pregnant."

Despite terrorist attacks and a general concern about airline safety, Pack won't turn the other cheek. She's planning another trip. In December, she'll take her grandson to the Galapagos Islands.

"I'm ready to go," she said. "Flying is probably safer now than ever."

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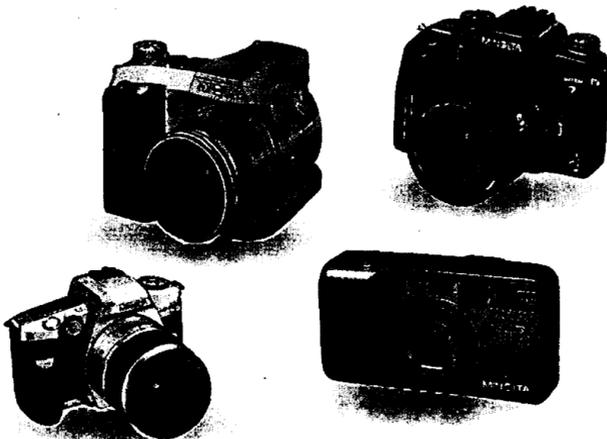
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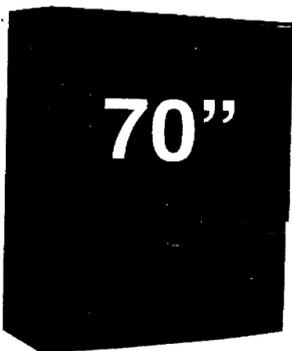
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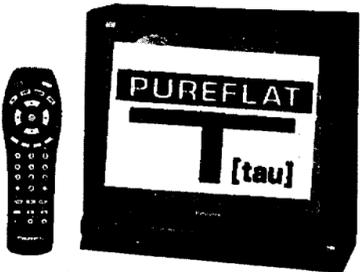
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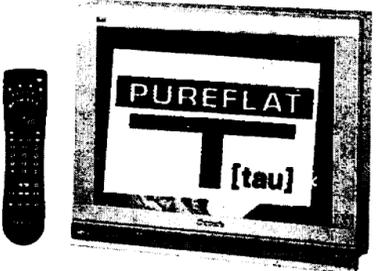
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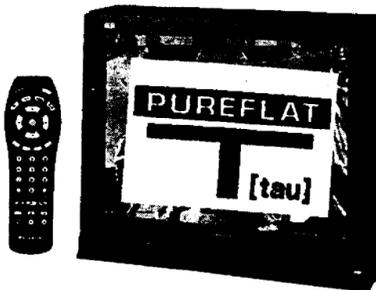


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Barnes offers intervention and opportunities

By Melissa Walsh
Staff Writer

By design, Barnes Early Childhood Center's purpose is to house special services and development opportunities for Grosse Pointe's youngest residents — newborn to age six.

Before it became an early childhood center, Barnes was originally built as an elementary school. The school was later closed, but the building was utilized as a facility for the Grosse Pointe Public School system's community education programs and activities.

Two years ago, the building was reopened as a school — Barnes Early Childhood Center. Barnes' young histo-

ry of housing various services and programs that were previously offered to Grosse Pointe's preschool children in scattered facilities throughout the district is continually evolving.

"We're still growing and going," said Barnes program supervisor Sue Banner.

"Three years ago, an early intervention and preschool team of education professionals was looking for a way to provide a more comprehensive kind of program," Banner explained.

"Up until two years ago, all of our programs were sort of out there in the district.

"The team took a proposal to the board to consider reopening Barnes as an



early childhood center and integrating some of the things that community ed does and some of the things that our preschool programs were doing. In that many of our preschool programs were servicing kids with special needs, we thought what a great opportunity to integrate the two."

The Grosse Pointe Board of Education decided to reopen Barnes for early intervention and special

Banner commented. Children and parents can come to one place for evaluation, intervention and recreational opportunities. Teachers, therapists and community education can work together and offer services together.

"We have the luxury of having community ed available, like the fine arts, KinderMusik and Gymboree programs," said Banner. The district subsidizes slots in these programs for children involved in Barnes' early intervention and special education programs. Barnes teachers can rotate children through the programs so that they have an opportunity to figure out what they excel in.

"Teachers do a lot of coordinating and planning to figure out where best these kids should have their opportunities," said Banner. "Now they really have some fine opportunities, so it's really hard to pick and choose. If they took advantage of all opportunities, they'd never be in class. We're very fortunate to be able to provide these opportunities."

During its first year, the KinderTalk program was Barnes' only general education program. The program offers intervention in speech and language development in the course of a regular kindergarten curriculum.

During its second year, Barnes opened an all-day kindergarten and invited Grosse Pointe North High School's early childhood development students and preschool over.

The Sunshine Street preschool also came to Barnes last year. Sunshine Street is a private co-op, half-day program conducted in the morning. This complements North's half-day afternoon program in enhancing preschool choice for parents.

Barnes' mission essentially is to efficiently and creatively provide choices for parents on a case-by-case basis. For example, if a parent of a five-year-old with needs in speech and language intervention is unable to enroll the child in KinderTalk, a half-day program, the district will offer another scenario for parents. One convenient way for parents who work a full day and cannot arrange for children to be transported to half-day programs is for the district to provide therapists at the

neighborhood schools. In some cases, Barnes can provide bus transportation within the district.

After January's preschool and kindergarten sign-up, Barnes staff and district committees made up of specialists in early childhood education and development will evaluate whether Barnes' current offerings, in tandem with neighborhood school services, will be appropriate for the anticipated needs of next year's preschoolers.

Banner cautions parents who suspect that their child may benefit from early intervention in development to contact Barnes immediately. Banner explained that frequently parents will wait until the end of the school year. Services begin with an assessment, which takes 30 school days. If the results of the assessment cannot be determined by the end of the year, children will have to wait until the fall to benefit from services.

"Because we are a public school system, therapists and teachers are off for the summer," said Banner. "As soon as you have a question about development, or something's not quite going the way you think it should be going, or your pediatrician says to you, 'you might want to look into a school assessment,' I would say hop on the phone. At the point the assessment is done, it becomes a team decision. Parents have the right to say, 'No, thank you right now.' If you wait until summer, you will have to wait until September."

Contact with someone at Barnes can be made in the summer, but an evaluation will not be done. The earlier a parent acts, the better, Banner stressed.

"All the research is indicating that early intervention is the best way to go," she said.

Barnes' pre-primary impaired (PPI) services offer intervention and classes for young children with autism, Down's Syndrome, emotional development issues, physical challenges and speech and language delays.

"Pre-primary impaired is a category where an assessment is sometimes still continuing," explained Banner. "You've got some language issues, maybe some learning issues, but you're not quite sure. Pre-primary care, under our state guidelines, allows us some flexibility. The kids can at least be getting some services while the assessment is going on."

Despite Barnes' three sessions of PPI, two sessions of its pre-primary autistic impaired program, its Play & Say program (pre-kindergarten speech and language intervention) and its early intervention program for infants, there are often cases where a child does not quite fit into any of them perfectly.

Banner said that, for the future, the district's early childhood specialists "will be looking at what like districts are doing and looking at cases that really don't fit current programs."

"We're looking at those things in the middle," Banner said.

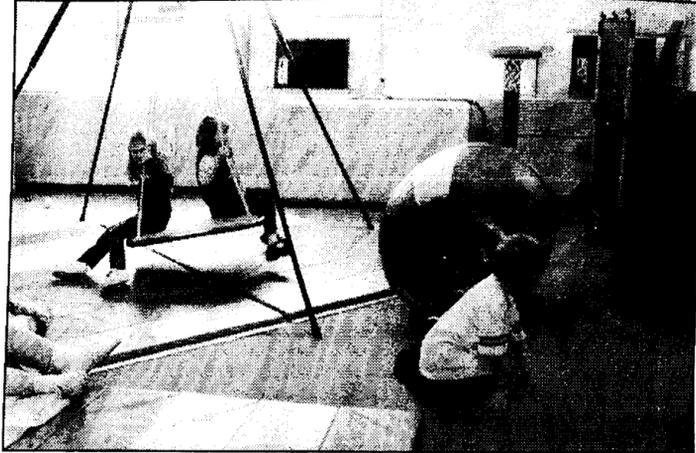


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education, while the building continued to house community education.

Previously, therapists had to travel all over the district and parents typically had to make several calls to find out where appropriate services for their child would come from. The new Barnes center provided a one-stop center for evaluation and services for children with special needs, as well as for extra recreational opportunities for youngsters and adults.

Special education teachers and developmental therapists were able to center themselves and travel between facilities less frequently. Their time could be devoted more efficiently to the task of early intervention for developmentally impaired children.

Now Barnes combines "the best of both worlds,"

What's at Barnes?

Grosse Pointe Community Education — oversees recreational programs for youth and parents in exercise, fine arts, driver education, gardening, humanities, etc.

Grosse Pointe Department of Student Services — oversees special education and kindergarten programs.

Grosse Pointe Special Education Services — provides services and programs for developmentally impaired infants, pre-primary developmentally impaired, autistic impaired, emotionally impaired, mentally impaired, visually impaired, hearing impaired, speech and language impaired and learning disabled. Related assistance includes therapy and programs within school social work and psychology services and occupational and physical therapy.

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In the on-site write-off competition, three Tower staff members were recognized for their performance. Senior Kathryn Behringer was awarded a superior rating in the review writing division. Junior John Lund received an honorable mention in the copy editing, headline and caption writing division. Junior Michael Wemhoff also received an honorable mention in the editorial writing competition.

The Tower newspaper is moderated by Jeff Nardone.



Photo by Lon Morawski

Booster Club breaks ground for Blue Devils Memorial Wall

The Blue Devils Memories Wall is part of the Blue Devils Plaza Millennium Paver Project. The wall will be a focal point for honoring those who dedicated themselves to excellence at Grosse Pointe South High School. It will eventually be flanked by three flagpoles and displays of personalized pavers. The paver project is part of an ongoing fundraising initiative spearheaded by alumni board member Doug Cordier. Proceeds from the sale of paver bricks will fund the construction of the Memories Wall and additional athletic programs. Personalized pavers cost \$100. Order forms are available at South's main office, athletic department or through the South Booster Club. Contact Doug Cordier at (313) 881-6699 for more information.

Pictured at the groundbreaking are: from left, bulldozer Rich Russell, South booster club president Chuck Maniaci, Mark Fragel, athletic director Tim Bearden and Doug Cordier.

HW dance team helps next year's hopefuls

Jason Sweeney
Staff Writer

The varsity dance team at Harper Woods High School is rapidly gaining popularity and exposure, due in no small part to its active involvement with future members.

The dance team, an alternative to traditional cheerleading with pompon, jazz and funk routines, is usually reserved for high school

audiences. However, this year a younger crowd is getting a chance to feel the beat.

Alison Race, eighth-grade teacher and coach of the two dance teams, said working with younger dancers has been a great experience for herself, her team and for the middle-schoolers.

"We started with 10 try-outs and eight girls on my team four years ago," Race

said. "This year we have two teams from over 50 try-outs."

Race said this program will only help that kind of growth.

Members of the varsity dance team are taking the responsibility to train eighth-grade girls to perform at the middle school basketball games.

"It gives the girls on my team a chance to take a

leadership position and be creative," Race said.

"And it gives them (middle school girls) a taste of both for when they want to try out (in high school). They can make an educated decision."

Eighth grader Kiara Deramo said she enjoys the dance lessons and, "I'll try out for both teams, but if I make them I'll choose dance."

Deramo's sentiments and enthusiasm seemed to be shared by most of the 10 girls who are taking part in the program. All of the girls said they're grateful for the experience and are having fun working with the older girls.

If their work with the middle-schoolers wasn't enough, Race and her team have a workshop planned for all Harper Woods students on Jan. 26 and 28 with a performance during halftime of the Jan. 29 junior varsity basketball game.

For information about the dance program, performance dates or the hours of the free dance clinic in January, call (313) 839-7400, ext. 225.



Photo by Jason Sweeney
Harper Woods varsity dance squad members are teaching the next generation of dancers some of their moves to spark interest in the team. From left to right, Megan Achs, Kelley Dwyer and Kristin Kidd led practice sessions for the pompon routine.

Tuition increase planned for all-day kindergarten

By Melissa Walsh
Staff Writer

Projected increases in classroom salaries, benefits and supplies have led to the request for school board approval of a 4.1 percent tuition increase for extended day kindergarten in Grosse Pointe public elementary schools.

The program would cost parents \$2,525 for the 2002-03 school year, a \$100 increase from 2001-02.

As extended day kindergarten is a break-even program, the district is not looking to profit from the

tuition increase. Nor does the increase incorporate indirect facility costs, such as heating and lighting.

Extended day kindergarten, as explained by director of student services Pam Lemerand, is an equal, first-come, first-serve opportunity for kindergartners requiring all-day care.

"Although we provide an extended day program, our obligation is a half day," said Lemerand.

Extended kindergarten is an extra service provided by the district that parents can

purchase. Enrollment is in January for the program, which is offered in Barnes Early Childhood Center and some of the district's elementary schools.

Lemerand cautioned parents not to assume that their kindergartner will have priority at an extended day program at their attending area elementary school. Parents need to enroll children early for placement in the district-wide program. Children can be placed in any one of the schools offering extended kindergarten sections.

South students score high in annual mathematics competition

Sixteen Grosse Pointe South High School students qualified for the second part of the 45th annual Michigan Mathematics Prize Competition, sponsored by the Michigan section of the Mathematical Association of America. Part two of the competition will be administered on Wed., Dec. 5, 2001.

Students who qualified for part two of the examination

are Mike Arrigo, Dennis Badaczewski, Paul Blain, Michael Dindoffer, Maria Dzul, Holly Edwards, Daniel Harris, Christi Jacovides, Samantha John, Katherine Kross, George Murphy, Luke Parchment, Mark Smith, Jillian Tietjen, Kirk Willmarth and Ralph Zade.

The 16 students were among the 996 students who

qualified for the more difficult part two. The students with the highest combined scores on parts one and two will be invited to a banquet in their honor next spring, and approximately the top 50 will receive college scholarships ranging in value from \$450 to \$2,400.

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Other than the tech stocks, the overall market has been going nowhere for several weeks.

For the boring week ended Friday, Nov. 30, the Dow lost 108 points, or 1.1 percent, closing at 9,851. Meanwhile, the NASDAQ Composite added 27 points in 5 trading days, to close at 1,930, a mere gain of 1.4 percent.

For the month of November, the DJI rallied 776 points, or 8.6 percent, while the NASDAQ spurted 240 points higher, or 14.2 percent.

But for the year-to-date (11 months), the Dow is only off 8.7 percent, while the NASDAQ is still down 21.9 percent.

The NASDAQ 100, the 100 top stars traded on the NASDAQ exchange, rose 18 points last week, or 1.1 percent, closing at 1,596.

But the big news is that this "little sister" to the bigger NASDAQ Composite Index has boomed 41.6 percent from its September lows. Little wonder that the tech stocks have so many

followers!

Whither Bonds?

While we have all been moaning about the disastrous decline in money market yields, few of us pay much attention to the trend in long term bonds, especially the yields of the 5-year and 10-year Treasury Notes.

On Nov. 8, LTS dutifully reported that the Treasury Department had canceled future issuance of additional 30-year T-bonds, which prompted a rally in long bond prices, and reduction in yields.

But LTS failed to report the later collapse of the long-term Treasury bond market, which headed south (pricewise) along with the whispers during the week of Veterans Day of a possible economic recovery beginning mid-2002. On those rumors, stocks went up and bonds went down.

The 10-year Treasury 5 percent note due Aug. 15, 2011, is now the "bellwether" of the bond market. On Friday, Nov. 9, it was offered at 105-15/32 to yield 4.31 percent. Two weeks later, on Nov. 23, it was offered at 99-30/32 to yield 5.01 percent.

Since all long-term interest rates are based off this 10-year T-note, the bond and mortgage markets took quite a jolt. Even though Treasury notes and Bonds trade in 32nds (a 32nd is 0.03125) and 64ths (a 64th is 0.015625), the 2-week

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price swing noted above was very painful.

The losses of the primary government-trading houses were enormous, since many typically carry overnight inventories in the multi-billion dollars. The two-week "mark-to-market" inventory adjustment, quoted above, is minus 5-17/32, or 5.53125, or \$55.3 million per \$1 billion inventory. Some government dealers said they lost their entire trading profits for the year-to-date.

Since short-term rates were unaffected, the real losers were mortgage refinancing applicants whose rates were not yet "fixed." Long-term real estate mortgage rates popped up one-half of 1 percent almost overnight.

Last week, the Treasury bond market recovered somewhat, with the 10-year note offered last Friday at 102, to yield 4.74 percent.

Wall Street is looking forward to the regular December meeting of the Federal Reserve Open Market Committee next Tuesday, Dec. 11.

At press time on Monday, Dec. 3, bond analysts are almost unanimous in betting for at least a 25 basis point (a basis point is 1/100 of 1 percent) cut in short-term interest rates, with

long odds for another one-half of 1 percent cut.

Wall Street Week

WTWS-Channel 56 again covered-over the "Wall Street Week with Louis Rukeyser" program last Friday. The tape-delayed rerun was aired last Sunday at 7:30 a.m. Hope you didn't miss it!

Subscriptions

Have you sent in your renewal check yet? Seems like some magazines send out renewal notices beginning six months prior to expiration of your subscription, and monthly thereafter. About 10 or 15 years ago, the National Geographic sent out a pathetic plea. Inflation was more than they had budgeted, and could you possibly, "Renew early so we won't run out of cash?"

It worked! Hundreds of thousands of members renewed three to six months early. But the additional cash this year meant less cash the following year. So they had to do the plea again, and again, and again. Other magazines watched, and soon the avalanche of renewal envelopes began.

Forbes magazine came up with this new pitch: "Renew early and get an additional 3

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| 6. Joe Muer's | Gratiot at Vernor |
| 7. Schweitzer's Grill | Hastings St., south of Jefferson |
| 8. Stouffer's (downtown) | Washington Blvd. |
| 9. Top of the Flame | MichCon's Gas Bldg. — Jefferson |
| 10. Ye Old Wayne Club | Wayne St., near Ponch Wine Cellars |

Answers to last week's quiz

months free!" That promotion at least gave you the feeling that you were getting something for your contribution.

Last week (in November), LTS received a "Last chance before cancellation" letter for a subscription that expires next February!

LTS subscribes to 17 newspapers and magazines (excluding those handled by Mrs. LTS), half of which provide research for these articles. And over the years, LTS has culled the list and allowed several to expire.

But, NO! They won't just expire. The magazines keep coming for another three to six months, along with addi-

tional "One more chance to renew" letters.

Oh, there's the doorbell. LTS will now sign off to help the mail person lift the bag of magazines and catalogs addressed to our house.

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Lisa Rennell stocks her G.P. Woods gift shop.

Savvy retailers don't rest on their laurels

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Retailers who have been singing the praises of a 10-year bull market are changing their tune.

The switch comes as the frigid economy and threat of terrorism cause shoppers to play their credit cards and wallets close to the vest.

"A lot of industry specialists are saying retailers are holding back. That's been the talk, more than what's in, what's not and what's trendy," said Lisa Rennell, who along with her husband owns Rennell & Company Creative Gift Design in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Rennell has adapted her product mix to reflect the times.

"We doubled the size of our brochure this year and adapted it to a broader range of prices for people who want to trim back, but not eliminate gift giving," she said.

The increased selection has paid off. Along with corporate clients who buy gift baskets for clients and employees, Rennell's customers are drawn to shelves, drawers and cubbyholes stuffed with assorted candies, fancy chocolates, home decorations and specialty items like model sloops, plush stuffed animals, and a polished aluminum shoe-horn fashioned like an elephant trunk.

"Fortunately for us, we're having a beautiful season," Rennell said. "We have more options to choose from."

"This highlights the strength of the small business owner," said Michael Rogers, vice president of communication for the Michigan Small Business

Association. "They are flexible with an ability to move fast on their feet."

Rennell found that a wider product mix has meshed with customers' tighter pocketbooks.

"You can do all kinds of wonderful things at different price ranges," Rennell said.

She's stocked her shop with Christmas ornaments costing less than \$10. Top-of-the-line gourmet gift baskets, which include a hand-blown wine glass, fetch more than \$350.

Rogers said, "It's difficult for a company the size of General Motors to turn around and adapt to trends that began this fall. They can institute zero-financing, but not adjust their product mix. Small businesses can do that. That's why they're still in business, even with competition from Wal-Mart and other large retailers."

Other trends Rennell has seen are a focus on the home and demand for more customer service.

"The retailers I've talked to have zeroed in on exactly those types of trends," agreed Rogers. He's seen a move toward family-oriented products and services.

"Because of concerns over the war on terrorism and anthrax, our small business retailers have a sense of people wanting to cocoon a little bit," he said.

"People are home and plan on being home for the holidays," Rennell said.

"They want gifts for the home that are warm, cozy and welcoming. When shopping, they want to be made welcome — that old-fashioned service like it used to be."

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Doubly duped

Two residents on University in the City of Grosse Pointe were duped in similar credit card scams.

The first University resident was called on Saturday, Nov. 24, about a \$3,000 charge for airline tickets for a Detroit to Philadelphia flight. The caller advised the resident to cancel the account and asked for her mother's maiden name, Social Security number and place of employment to verify the account.

The cardholder declined to give the requested information and called her bank the next day. Her bank told her that there was a recent \$400 charge on the account and a request to add a name, known to the bank as someone who has fraudulently used credit cards in the past, to the account.

The second University resident was contacted on Monday, Nov. 26, by someone that there had been an attempt to use her card to purchase \$3,000 in plane tickets from Detroit to Philadelphia. The resident gave her Social Security number and mother's maiden name to verify the account.

The cardholder called her credit card company, which confirmed there were recent multiple unauthorized charges on the account.

The City public safety department continues to

investigate the cases.

City office purse thefts

Two employees at a City of Grosse Pointe hospital reported wallets stolen from their desks.

One employee reported her Coach purse, containing \$120 cash and credit cards, was taken from her desk on Thursday, Nov. 29. She reported her cards missing to the appropriate banks and retailers, but the culprits managed to charge several thousand dollars to those accounts.

Another employee reported her wallet was taken out of her purse in her desk while she was at lunch on Friday, Nov. 30.

City public safety detectives continue to investigate the thefts.

Grinches steal Christmas

Someone cut several strings of lights and knocked down three light trees in the front yard of a house in the 100 block of Stephens in Grosse Pointe Farms sometime between 7:30 and 11:30 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 25.

In Grosse Pointe Shores, a resident on Lochmoor reported a decorative reindeer and toy soldier missing from the front lawn of a

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house on Saturday, Dec. 1. The decorations, valued at about \$100 each, were last seen the day before.

Wallets lifted

Two employees of a private school on Lakeshore reported wallets were taken from their purses sometime between 9 and 11 a.m. on Thursday, Nov. 29.

The purses were stored in a closet of an office on the second floor of the building.

One of the theft victims said she did not observe anyone in the area during the time they were last seen and found missing. The other theft victim was not in the area at that time.

The wallets were found the next day by an employee of a neighboring high school in a trash can in the school parking lot on Grosse Pointe Boulevard.

Tire slashings continue

An unknown tire slasher has struck another 10 cars in a four-block section of Lothrop and Stephens between Grosse Pointe Boulevard and Beaupre in Grosse Pointe Farms, bringing the total in that area to 15.

The most recent incidents took place Monday, Nov. 26

and Saturday, Dec. 1 between the hours of 5:30 and 11 p.m.

The Farms public safety department has stepped up patrols and encourages anyone who spots suspicious activity to call (313) 885-2100.

- Bonnie Caprara

Star of the Sea being patrolled

Police are on the watch for suspicious activity at Star of the Sea School. Grosse Pointe Woods officers received the assignment after a recent break-in at the school was followed by the late-night discovery of an open door.

Mike Makowski, the Woods director of public safety, has ordered members of the force's second and third platoons to "walk around the entire complex at least once each shift." The detail will last until Jan. 2, 2002.

The extra diligence paid off on Saturday, Dec. 1, at about 3:30 a.m., when officers found an open side door. An investigation determined that nothing was wrong.

A patrolman following up at about 9 p.m. discovered an open main door. Two additional officers helped search the school but found nothing. An officer stood by while a school official arrived to secure the facility.

Appliance truck stolen; truck recovered

An SUV and 26-foot delivery truck were reported stolen in separate incidents last week in Grosse Pointe Park.

A 1993 Pontiac Transport, was stolen from the area of Mack and Maryland between the hours of 4 and 9 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 28.

The truck, loaded with home appliances, was snatched from the street outside a home in the 1000 block of Yorkshire. The driver had left the keys in the ignition while making a delivery. The truck was recovered in Detroit. The appliances weren't.

- Brad Lindberg

Free parking on Mack Dec. 8 - Jan. 6

Business owners along Mack Avenue in Grosse Pointe Woods have laid down the law this holiday season.

"The Grinch isn't invited to Grosse Pointe Woods this year. We will have only happy shoppers on Mack Avenue," said Toni DiClemente, president of the Grosse Pointe Business & Professional Association of Mack Avenue.

To make sure shoppers have one less thing to worry

about this busy time of the year, DiClemente has announced there will be free metered parking along Mack from Dec. 8 through Jan. 6.

Free parking has come about through the efforts of the association, Woods officials, the Application Technologies Group, and the Brownies and Boy Scouts of Monteth School.

"We don't have to worry about meter maids giving tickets during these days," DiClemente said. "You may

want to thank your business owners in person when you are shopping at all the wonderful stores."

She said free holiday parking is an example of Mack Avenue's "small town atmosphere plus the personal service you can always count on."

She added, "The Grosse Pointe Business & Professional Association of Mack Avenue wishes everyone a happy and blessed holiday."

Court employee shot in robbery

A 13-year employee of the 40th District Court was shot in the stomach on Nov. 29 during an attempted robbery Eastpointe.

Larry Tomlinson was in a laundromat at Nine Mile and Kelly when two men came in and began talking to him. They said they were looking for the manager of the business. After he informed the two that he was not the manager and that his wallet was in the car, they forced him to go toward the bathroom, at the rear of the building. He was struck on the back of head with the gun while walking ahead of the two.

Tomlinson refused to go in and apparently grabbed the gun because he has severe gunpowder burns on one hand. The gun discharged, hitting him in the stomach, damaging both his large and small intestine. The bullet exited through his lower back.

Tomlinson, who is the interim court administrator, ran about 20 yards to Farmer Jack. Once there, an employee called police.

The pair allegedly stole his wallet and cell phone, which was also in the car.

Police are looking for the pair in connection with an earlier incident, also in Eastpointe. The pair allegedly followed a couple home and were forced to lie in the driveway. Both were robbed while lying on the ground.

The two are described as being African American. Both are 5-foot-10, weighing 160 pounds and were wearing dark clothing. One had a thin mustache and goatee.

Eastpointe police are working with St. Clair Shores police and the armed robbery division of the Detroit Police department.

Local police are urging people to be extra cautious during the holiday season when citizens may be carry-

ing extra cash. Look around, said St. Clair Shores Traffic lieutenant R.J. Hayden. Wait for strangers to leave the area. Before you turn into your driveway, check the rearview mirror.

"If you feel uncomfortable, don't go home. Go to a well lit area. If you have a cell phone, call the police and explain the situation," he said.

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Here's how cookies are supposed to crumble

A State Fair ribbon-winner shares her secrets

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

In Kathy Lucido's kitchen, everything this time of year is sugar and spice.

Flaky and buttery, too. It's no surprise the Christmas season is a busy time for the 22-time Michigan State Fair baked goods ribbon-winner from Harper Woods. Soon after Thanksgiving, she's already baking, freezing and sending her home-baked holiday treats for friends and family.

"I bake about 25 varieties of cookies," Lucido said. "I try to do a batch a day."

Lucido's cookie menu ranges from the amazingly simple: (Grosse Pointe-area cooking instructor Elaine Caulfield's butter cookies) to the complex: (her grandmother's recipe for springerle). And with 38 years of baking experience, she's learned when and when not to cut corners while creating prize-winning perfection.

The first secret, she said, is using fresh ingredients.

"It's just common sense,"

Lucido said. "When I first got married, I tried to be thrifty and hold on to things like baking powder and baking soda. But those things are so inexpensive. You should replace those things about once every three months."

Freshness is imperative for ingredients like butter and nuts, which Lucido buys on sale and freezes to keep fresh.

Lucido also said it pays to buy real flavorings, like

vanilla extract, and to use butter, preferably unsalted, instead of margarine or shortening.

Lucido is stringent about following recipe directions. However, doughs often need tweaking.

"If the dough sticks to the surface, it's too soft," Lucido said. "If it's too soft, add a tablespoon of flour at a time to the mixture. If it's too dry, add an egg yolk."

Dough temperature, particularly with rolled cookies, can influence workability and presentation.

"If you have to put a lot of pressure into rolling it, the dough is too cold," Lucido said. "Let it sit out a few minutes."

"If the dough sticks, then it's not cold enough. Also, if it's too warm, your cookies will spread more. The dough should be cool to the touch. And don't leave the remaining dough out until you're ready to work with it."

Refrigerator cookies, like pinwheel and checkerboard cookies which are sliced from a roll of dough, are best cut frozen.

"It's a great way to cut them and it helps to keep rolling the dough as you cut them," Lucido said.

"They're great to have on hand," she said. "You can take them out of the freezer, slice them and bake them before your company comes and it looks like you've worked hard all day on them."

For cut-out cookies, like the butter and the frosted pepparkakor, a spritz of cooking oil spray and a

light dusting of flour will help leave a nice imprint and release the dough from the cutter with ease.

Cookie molds and rollers, which leave imprints for springerle cookies, take a bit of practice, Lucido said. Part of the trick is making sure the dough isn't rolled too thin.

"You want to roll it out about a quarter-inch thick," Lucido said. "If the dough's too thin, you won't get a good imprint."

Like cookie cutters, dough molds need to be floured.

For those who can't get the knack of rolling out dough, Lucido said, "You can do the balls and flatten the dough with the mold to leave an imprint."

Lucido said that the technique doesn't work well for the springerle cookies, but it does for the butter cookies, especially with a no-roll butter cookie recipe she found in a Woman's Day magazine.

Lucido also sometimes flavors her plain butter cookies with a tablespoon of grated lemon peel or instant coffee for a new twist.

"And don't overlook your liquors," Lucido said. "You'd be surprised how far a

tablespoon of brandy or Cointreau goes. It makes for a different taste. Sometimes it's hard to put your finger on it, but you'll notice it."

Lucido is often just as creative with her finishing touches. One of her greatest finds was a baked-on icing,

which she uses on gingerbread cookies.

It takes out that step of having to wait for the cookies to cool before decorating them. Plus, they store well, too," she said.

Also, Lucido said she

sometimes replaces an egg glaze with a confectioner's sugar glaze. It's made with confectioner's sugar and water and put on the cookies before she bakes them, like she does with her cucidati (Italian fig bars).

If all else fails, there are always the cookie dough mixes.

"I'd never thought I'd do it," Lucido said. "But I use them because the kids like them and they make for a nice presentation."



Photo by Bonnie Caprara
A sampling of the 25 different cookies coming out of Kathy Lucido's kitchen this season include, clockwise from top, frosted pepparkakor, springerle, cucidati and gingerbread people with baked-on icing.

Kathy Lucido's favorites



Cucidati

(Italian Fig Cookies)

From "Celebrations of Italian Style" by Mary Ann Esposito

Dough

4 cups unbleached all-purpose flour
1 1/2 tablespoons baking powder
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup sugar
1 cup solid vegetable shortening
1 large egg
1/2 cup milk
1 tablespoon vanilla

Filling

2 cups dried figs
2 cups dried dates, pitted
1/2 cup raisins
1/2 cup honey
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1/2 cup orange marmalade
1 1/4 cups walnuts or almonds, coarsely crushed

Egg wash

1 egg white
1 tablespoon water

Colored sprinkles

Sift flour, baking powder and salt together in a large mixing bowl. Add the sugar and mix well. Cut in the shortening with a fork and work the mixture until it looks like coarse cornmeal.

In a bowl, beat the egg, milk and vanilla together until a rough dough forms. Turn the dough out into a floured surface and knead for 5 minutes or until smooth. The dough will be soft. Cut the dough into 4 pieces, wrap each piece in plastic wrap and chill for 45 minutes.

Meanwhile, preheat the oven to 375 degrees. Lightly grease 2 cookie sheets.

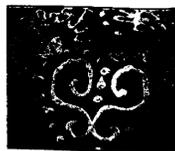
Grind the figs, dates and raisins in a meat grinder or food processor until coarse or coarsely chop with a large knife. Place the mixture in a bowl, add the remaining filling ingredients and mix well. The mixture will be thick. Set aside.

On a floured surface, roll out one piece of dough at a time into a 12-inch square. Cut the dough into 4-inch-by-3-inch rectangles. Spoon 2 tablespoons of the filling mixture down the center of the rectangle. Carefully fold the long edges of each rectangle over to meet in the center, then pinch the seam to close securely. Turn the cookie seam side down and seal the short ends by folding the dough under. Shape the cookies into crescents and place on the cookie sheet.

Make 2 or 3 diagonal slits in the top of each crescent with scissors. Brush with the egg wash and sprinkle on the colored sprinkles. Bake for 25 minutes or until golden brown.

Note: Wrap the crescents individually in plastic wrap and twist the ends with ribbon. They make a wonderful Christmas present. They can be made ahead and frozen.

*Kathy Lucido's notes: Use your food processor for the filling. Don't try the grinder — it sticks. You don't have to use any flour.



Frosted Pepparkakor

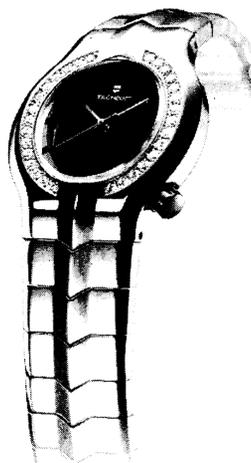
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Donations of wrapped or unwrapped toys, clothing, food, household and personal items will be delivered to the family by a NEGC staff member.

For information about how to adopt a family, call the NEGC at (313) 245-7000. Donations are needed by Wednesday, Dec. 19.

Randy Martinuzzi and the Martinuzzi family of Grosse Pointe Farms received the NEGC's Eli Z. Rubin Award in recognition of their outstanding volunteerism and support of the NEGC's Adopt-A-Family program.

Michael Mattei of the City of Grosse Pointe received the Heart of Service Award from NEGC in recognition for his years of dedication, leadership and volunteer service in support of the NEGC Assistance League's annual Art on the Pointe art fair.

Adopt a huggable bear: Vanessa R. Angel, a cuddly, lovable 12-inch teddy bear, is for sale at The Great Frame Up & Gallery of Grosse Pointe, 20655 Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods.

All proceeds from sales of the plush bear will go to either the Starlight Children's Foundation, an international non-profit organization dedicated to

improving the lives of seriously ill children and their families, or to local groups like the Children's Home of Detroit.

Purchasers may choose how much Vanessa will cost. Retail price is \$15. But if the buyer elects to "sponsor" Vanessa — that is, leave her with the Great Frame Up to find a permanent home with a child through Starlight or through a local children's organization — the cost is \$8.

For more information, call Tom Recht at (313) 884-0140.

Apply for a scholarship: The H.T. Ewald Foundation is accepting applications for its 2002 scholarship program. To be eligible one must be a graduating high school student living in metro Detroit and entering college full-time, in the fall.

Scholarship recipients are chosen for their overall scholarship record, leadership abilities, community

work, character and financial need.

To apply, send an official H.T. Ewald Foundation scholarship application, a photograph, a minimum 500-word autobiography and a complete high school transcript.

The H.T. Ewald Foundation was founded in 1928 with endowments made by the late H.T. Ewald, founder and president of the Campbell-Ewald Advertising Co. It supports charities and non-profit organizations, but its main focus is the scholarship program.

The deadline for applications is March 1. Scholarships are awarded in August and range from \$500 to \$3,000, based on the financial need of the recipient.

For an application or more information, call the H.T. Ewald Foundation office at (313) 821-1278.

— Margie Reins Smith



Nutcracker Luncheon

The Detroit Symphony Orchestra Volunteer Council's annual Nutcracker Luncheon was held Nov. 8 at the Troy Marriott. Guests were treated to luncheon and a chance to get started on their Christmas shopping at more than 30 specialty boutiques. They also enjoyed a fur fashion show and entertainment by a string quartet. Proceeds will benefit the DSO.

Grosse Pointers Adel Amerman, at the left, and Anne Lawson attended the benefit.

Meetings

Tri Delt

The Detroit-Grosse Pointe alumnae chapter of Delta Delta Delta national sorority will hold its 20th annual Christmas Auction on Thursday, Dec. 13. The event is open to all Tri Delta alumnae and their guests. The evening will begin with cocktails and refreshments at 6:30 p.m. The auction begins at 7:15 p.m. Alumnae should bring an appetizer or dessert and an auction item. RSVP to hostess Georgette Hogan at (313) 886-3398.

Windmill

The Windmill Pointe Questers will meet at 10

To your good health: Questions and answers

By Dr. Donohue
Q. My husband and I have been on a low-fat diet for a year. I would like to go on a no-fat diet. We're almost there now, but we have an occasional hamburger. My husband wants to hear from you before I adopt a no-fat diet.

Monounsaturated fats are also good guys. They lower bad cholesterol. Examples are olives and olive oils, avocados, canola oil and peanuts.

Trans fats are fats to which manufacturers have added hydrogen to prolong their shelf lives. Margarines (Benecol and Take Control are exceptions), shortenings and salad dressings are trans fats. They too are evil-doers. Some fats qualify as both saturated and trans.

If you're dieting for weight control, all fats provide the same number of calories, so it's a different issue altogether.

I'm sending you the Health Letter report on "Fats and Oils in Foods." Readers can obtain a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue — HL 32-2W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a self-addressed, stamped (57 cents), No. 10 envelope and a check or money order for \$3. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

Q. I was told that metals in antiperspirants can cause Alzheimer's disease. True or not?

— J.S.

A. At one time, many believed that aluminum found in antiperspirants and cooking utensils made its way to the brain and led to Alzheimer's disease. Fewer and fewer experts subscribe to this theory now. My answer? Not true.

Readers may write Dr. Donohue or request an order form of available health newsletters at P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

— North America Syndicate

A. Forget the no-fat diet. It's not a good idea. Fat is a source of energy. It constitutes about 80 percent of the body's stored energy. Fat insulates us in cold weather. It pads organs and bones. It's necessary for absorption of vitamins A, D, E and K.

Furthermore, you'd be hard-pressed to completely eliminate fat from the diet. Vegetables and fruits, while not having any cholesterol, do have some fat. An average-sized avocado has 15 grams.

Fat can make up 30 percent of the total calories of a healthy person's diet. It's not solely the total amount of fat eaten, but the kind of fat eaten that matters.

"Saturation" is a word that creeps into fat discussion. You don't have to worry. Saturation means a fat contains all the hydrogen atoms it can hold. Saturated fats, with few exceptions, are solid at room temperature.

Saturated fat is not healthy fat. It raises blood cholesterol levels, and it raises the most damaging kind of cholesterol, LDL cholesterol. Fat in and around meat, whole milk, butter, cheese and shortening are saturated fats. Fried foods and baked desserts like cakes and cookies harbor large amounts of saturated fat. Steer clear of these.

Polyunsaturated fat is good fat. It does not raise blood cholesterol. Corn, safflower, sunflower and soybean oils are examples.

Fox Creek Questers

Fox Creek Questers will hold its annual Christmas luncheon and meeting beginning at noon Thursday, Dec. 6, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. The program by Betty Reas is about Santa Claus. Helen Priest is hostess; Rita Brennan is co-hostess.

Women's Connection

The Women's Connection of Grosse Pointe will meet for dinner and a program on Thursday, Dec. 13, at a private club in Grosse Pointe. Eleanor Kaye, a retired school teacher, will present a lecture, "Are you Fun to be with? The Humorous Side of Life."

The Women's Connection is a women's support and networking group of working and retired professional women. For more information or to make a reservation, call Nancy Neat at (313) 882-1855 or Marcia Pikelek at (313) 884-4201 by Monday, Dec. 10.

Herb Society

The Grosse Pointe unit of the Herb Society of America will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 11, in Conference Room A at the Children's Home of Detroit, 900 Cook in Grosse Pointe Woods. The theme will be Holiday Sharing and the meeting includes a cookie exchange. For more information, call (313) 822-5381.

Diabetes education program is praised

The Bon Secours Cottage Adult Outpatient Diabetes Education Program was awarded education recognition by the American Diabetes Association and certification by the Michigan Department of Public Health. This award is given to education programs that demonstrate quality through a rigorous and detailed peer review process.

The outpatient diabetes education program is offered to non-pregnant adults who are referred by their physicians. The comprehensive program helps people with diabetes learn how to eat well while staying on individual meal plans, how to exercise for fun, how to prevent long-term problems, control and monitor blood

sugar, and recognize signs of high and low blood sugar.

An individual assessment by a nurse and dietitian, by appointment only, is required before the start of class. The fee is covered by many insurance plans.

Evening sessions are offered from 6 to 9 p.m. Dec. 6, 11 and 13. All classes take place in the Bon Brae Center Classroom, 22300 Bon Brae, St. Clair Shores (at 10-1/2 Mile and Jefferson).

For more information or to preregister, call Bon Secours Cottage Community Health Promotion at (586) 779-7900 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. weekdays. Visit Bon Secours Cottage Health Services on the Internet at www.bonsecourscottage.org.

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The Pastor's Corner

Would you like to skip Christmas this year?

By the Rev. Timothy A. Holzerland
Christ the King Lutheran Church

Recently, while browsing in a bookstore, a book title jumped out at me. The name of the book was "Skipping Christmas," by John Grisham.

I won't give the plot away, but the story is about an older couple about to spend their first Christmas without their only daughter. The father decides it's time to "skip" Christmas, and that's when the fun begins.

Many of us are involved in far too many Christmas activities that make little difference in people's lives. When I remember the faces of our members and guests who worshiped with us last Christmas Eve, I wonder if "skipping Christmas" might not be a good idea for the health and well-being of many of us.

Each December I observe people who try to participate in every ritual and trivial activity of the Christmas season and end up drained, depressed and in debt. Each year, I think, "There must be a better way to celebrate Christmas."

There is. If the events of Sept. 11 have taught us anything, it is that the compassion, care and commitment we demonstrate to others is far more important than the shopping, decorating and entertaining we feel driven to do.

Christmas is about people. In fact, it is about the one person who made a wondrous difference in this world. That one person is Jesus Christ. It is His birthday we celebrate.

Because Jesus, the Son of God, became a human being, He experienced all the emotions that humans experience: birth, joy, sorrow and death. His resurrection has changed the lives of all who believe in Him and, as changed people, we want to help others.

So instead of skipping Christmas this year, make a few changes so that your activities will help improve the lives of your family, friends, neighbors and even strangers.

This year, remove one activity from your Christmas schedule that does not help to improve or enrich the lives of others.

Instead, substitute one of the following activities: feeding the hungry, clothing the poor, visiting a nursing home, becoming a big brother or sister or caring for an aging neighbor. These Christmas activities will never fall out of fashion.

Start a new tradition this Christmas season. No matter how small the change, it will make a difference. Perhaps by Christmas Eve, you will have a smile on your face. I will be happy to see it.



Cookies for sale

The women of Grosse Pointe Methodist Church will hold their annual Christmas Cookie Mart from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8, at the church, 211 Moross in Grosse Pointe Farms. Shoppers may select their own cookies for \$7 a pound. Breads, candy and a light lunch will also be available for purchase. Chairmen of this year's event are Jean Buhler and Noelle Decker. For more information, call (313) 886-2363.

Neighborhood Open House to be held at Woods Presbyterian

The monthly Neighborhood Open House luncheon and program is slated for 12:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 21, at Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church, 19950 Mack. A buffet luncheon will be served at 12:30 p.m. The cost is \$7 a person. The Parcels Middle School music department will entertain guests after lunch with music for the holidays. Reservations are required. To make a reservation, call the church office at (313) 886-4301 or Kathy Kuehnel at (313) 881-8186.

Rabbi Wine to speak at GPUC

Rabbi Sherwin Wine will present the second of his series on the terrorist attacks on the United States at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 6, at the Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church. The topic will be "Trouble Spots in the Muslim World." The cost is \$10. Reservations are not necessary.

First English slates annual Music Sunday

First English Ev. Lutheran Church will present its annual Seasonal Music Sunday at the 11 a.m. service on Dec. 9.

The Good News Singers at First English will feature the Knox Presbyterian Choir and Brass in a performance of "Gloria," by John Rutter. Music director is Robert Foster.

Grace Fenton directs the Knox organization. A free will offering will be received and nursery service will be available for children 3 and younger.

The community is invited.

Engagements

Thomas-Van Rowe-Koch Raemdonck

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rowe of the City of Grosse Pointe have announced the engagement of their daughter, Sara Ann Rowe, to Terrance Patrick Koch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Koch of Copley, Ohio.

A February wedding is planned.

Thomas earned a bachelor's degree in business administration with a major in accounting from the University of Michigan. She is an assistant controller with Champion Enterprises Inc.

Van Raemdonck earned a bachelor of science degree in accounting with a major in finance from Central Michigan University. He is a manager with Price Waterhouse Coopers LLP.



Terrance Patrick Koch and Sara Ann Rowe



Craig T. Van Raemdonck and Laurie A. Thomas

Rowe earned a bachelor of arts degree from Miami University and a master's degree from Wayne State University.

She is a librarian with J. Walter Thompson.

Koch earned a bachelor of business administration degree from Ohio University. He is a manager with Deloitte & Touche.

St. Joan of Arc celebrates 75 years

St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church will begin its year-long celebration of its 75th anniversary by welcoming Archbishop Adam Cardinal Maida, who will celebrate the liturgy at a noon Mass on Sunday, Dec. 9, at the church.

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There will be a reception immediately afterward in the gymnasium.

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Cookies

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1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg

Icing

1 1/4 cups sifted powdered sugar
1 tablespoon meringue powder
2 tablespoons warm water
1/4 teaspoon cream of tartar

Combine brown sugar, butter and molasses in a large mixing bowl. Beat at medium speed, scraping bowl often until well-mixed (1-2 minutes). Cover, refrigerate until firm (at least 1 hour).

Heat oven to 375 degrees. Roll out dough on a lightly floured surface, one-half at a time (keeping remaining dough in the refrigerator) to 1/16-inch thickness. Cut with 2- to 2 1/2-inch heart-shaped cutters. Place 1 inch apart onto ungreased cookie sheets. Bake for 5-7 min-

utes or until set. Cool completely.

Meanwhile, combine all icing ingredients in a small mixing bowl. Beat at low speed until moistened. Beat, scraping bowl often, until stiff and glassy (2-4 minutes). If too stiff, add a dab of water. Decorate cooled cookies with icing.



Gingerbread People

From Ladies Home Journal, December 1998

4 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
2 teaspoons ginger
1 1/2 teaspoons cinnamon
1 1/2 teaspoons baking soda
1/2 teaspoon cloves

1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 cup butter, softened
1 cup packed brown sugar
1 large egg, slightly beaten
1/4 cup dark molasses
Baked-on Icing (see below)

Combine flour, ginger, cinnamon, baking soda, cloves, nutmeg and salt in a large bowl. Beat butter and sugar in a large mixer bowl until light and fluffy. Beat in egg and molasses.

At low speed, gradually beat in dry ingredients until blended. Divide the dough into quarters and flatten into disks. Wrap each disk in plastic wrap and refrigerate 4 hours or overnight.

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Lightly coat 2 large cookie sheets with vegetable cooking spray. On a lightly floured surface, roll disk 3/16-inch thick with floured rolling pin. Cut out cookies with a gingerbread cookie cutter. Transfer to prepared sheets. Decorate as desired with baked-on icing.

Bake 8-10 minutes until edges are slightly browned. Cool on wire racks.

Baked-on Icing

2/3 cup butter (no substitution)
2/3 cup all-purpose flour
1/4 cup confectioner's sugar
10 drops red food coloring
10 drops green food coloring

Beat butter, flour and sugar in bowl. Divide icing into 3 bowls. Tint 1 bowl red, 1 bowl green. Transfer to 3 pastry bags fitted with a No. 2 round tip.

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4 eggs
4 cups powdered sugar
20 drops anise oil
4 cups sifted flour
1 teaspoon baking soda

Beat eggs with mixer at high speed until light. Gradually add sugar, continue at high speed for about 5 minutes or until mixture is meringue-like. Add anise oil. Sift flour and soda, blend at low speed. Cover bowl with aluminum foil and let stand for about 15 minutes.

After standing, divide dough into 3 parts and roll 1/4-inch thick. Flour dough and mold, press and cut along outline. Place cookies on floured sheet and let stand overnight to dry the dough.

Place cookies on greased cookie sheet and bake at 300 degrees for 20 minutes or until set.

375 degrees for 10 to 12 minutes.

No-roll butter cookie

From Woman's Day, November 1995

1 stick (1/2 cup) unsalted butter
1 stick (1/2 cup) unsalted margarine
1/2 cup granulated sugar
1/2 cup confectioner's sugar
1 large egg
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
2 1/2 cups flour
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
1/2 teaspoon cream of tartar
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 cup red and green sprinkles

Heat oven to 375 degrees. Beat butter, margarine and both sugars in a large bowl with an electric mixer at low speed. Beat in remaining ingredients until just blended.

Roll one tablespoon of dough into 1-inch balls. Place 2 inches apart on ungreased cookie sheet. Dip bottom of water glass into water, then into sprinkles. Press glass on balls until flattened to 2-inch rounds.

Bake 10 minutes or until cookies are golden. Remove to a wire rack to cool.

Butter Cookies

From Grosse Pointe-area cooking instructor Elaine Caulfield

2 1/3 cups flour
1 cup confectioner's sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
2 sticks butter, melted
1 egg
1/2 teaspoon salt

Combine all ingredients and chill. Roll, cut out with cookie cutters and bake at

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This tabloid will be published January 24, 2002. Your child's picture, along with other 2001 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!

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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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What you should know about pneumonia

By Dr. Renu Pandit
Special Writer

You're just starting to feel better after a bout with influenza when suddenly your fever spikes up to 103 degrees, your cough produces unpleasant greenish phlegm, and your chest hurts when you take a deep breath. Are you simply having a setback in your recovery, or is it something more serious?

These are classic signs of pneumonia, an inflammation and infection of the lungs. Every year, more than 40,000 Americans die of pneumonia, which is particularly dangerous for older adults and those with chronic illnesses or compromised immune systems.

People who smoke or abuse alcohol or drugs are at greater risk for developing pneumonia, as are the elderly, very young children and individuals with AIDS, diabetes, emphysema or other chronic illnesses.

Even if you are young and healthy, pneumonia can strike.

There are several different types of pneumonia and each can mimic a cold or the flu. Symptoms vary widely from person to person. The most common types of pneumonia are:

Bacterial. This form often follows an upper-respiratory infection, cold or flu. Symptoms come on suddenly and include high fever, shaking, chills, sweating, chest pain and a cough that produces thick, rust-colored, greenish or yellow phlegm.

Viral. The same viruses that cause influenza are responsible for half of all cases of pneumonia. Viral pneumonia is common in the fall and winter and is

a serious health concern for people with cardiovascular or lung disease. Symptoms begin with a dry cough, headache, fever, muscle pain and fatigue.

As the disease progresses, sufferers may experience breathlessness and a productive cough. Unfortunately, those with viral pneumonia sometimes develop bacterial pneumonia as well.

Mycoplasmal. Mycoplasmas are tiny organisms that cause symptoms similar to bacterial and viral pneumonia, but they come on gradually and are usually milder. This form is sometimes called walking pneumonia because the sufferer may not feel sick enough to stay home in bed. It is easily spread and common in child care centers, among school children and in college dorms.

Diagnosis

If you think you may have pneumonia, see your physician right away. Your doctor will examine you and listen to your lungs with a stethoscope.

Bubbling, crackling and rumbling sounds signal the presence of thick liquid in the lungs. Chest X-rays may be ordered, which pinpoint the location of the infection and reveal how extensive it is. Sometimes a CT scan is needed if X-rays aren't clear.

Blood tests may be used to monitor white blood cell count and confirm whether certain viruses, bacteria or other organisms are present. A phlegm sample may also be needed to identify the specific organism causing the illness.

Treatment

Occasionally, a hospital stay is required, but for most people, pneumonia can be treated at home. If you have bacterial pneumonia, you will need to take antibiotics. Unfortunately, antibiotics are not effective at fighting viral pneumonia. Antiviral medication may be prescribed, but treatment for the viral form usually involves plenty of rest, fluids and time. It usually takes longer to recover from viral than bacterial pneumonia.

Your doctor may also suggest some over-the-counter medications to ease your symptoms. These include aspirin, Tylenol or Motrin to ease headache and chest pain. Cough medicine can be used if coughing is keeping you from sleeping, but generally, coughing helps clear the lungs by bringing up mucus.

It is equally important to drink plenty of fluids to loosen mucus in the lungs, get lots of rest and eat nutritious foods. It may take several weeks or months until you feel 100 percent again. Don't rush recovery — doing so can make you sicker.

Prevention

To prevent contracting pneumonia and many other illnesses, remember the following:

- Wash your hands often
- Don't smoke
- Avoid people who are sick
- Eat healthy foods
- Drink 6 to 8 glasses of water or clear, decaffeinated beverages daily
- Exercise
- Get adequate sleep

Pneumococcal vaccing

People at high risk for developing pneumonia or complications if they contract the disease should be vaccinated. The vaccine can be given at any time of the year, but is often provided in early or mid-autumn. Pneumococcal vaccine generally is given once to people age 65 or older. Adults who are vaccinated before age 65, or who have certain chronic conditions such as diabetes, may need to be re-vaccinated at least five years after their first dose.

If you think you should receive the pneumococcal vaccine, discuss it with your physician.

Pneumonia is a serious and potentially fatal infection. However, knowing how to prevent it and recognizing its symptoms gives you a fighting chance against the disease.

Dr. Pandit is a Bon Secours Cottage internal medicine physician. She sees patients at Bon Secours Cottage Internists, 25319 Little Mack in St. Clair Shores. For an appointment, call Bon Secours Cottage Physician Referral at (800) 303-7315.



From left, are Bon Secours Cottage award-winning volunteers Mary Simon, Sharon Sutton and Princess, and Joan Curto.

Local volunteers receive 'Thanks for Giving' awards

Three Bon Secours Cottage Health Services volunteers were selected to receive the Thanks for Giving Award. They are Joan Curto of Grosse Pointe Park, Cottage Hospital volunteer; Mary Simon of Grosse Pointe Park, Bon Secours Hospital volunteer; and Sharon Sutton and Princess of St. Clair Shores, Bon Secours Nursing Care Center volunteers.

Thanks for Giving is an annual, tri-county metropolitan Detroit volunteer recognition event established to honor health care volunteers. Bon Secours Cottage volunteers have been chosen for the award in past years. However, this is the first time that three volunteers — one each from Bon Secours Hospital, Cottage Hospital and the Bon Secours Nursing Care Center — have won in the same year. Only 10 volunteers in the Detroit area are chosen annually to receive the honor.

Judges select winners based on commitment, caring and positive attitude, innovative ideas, leadership qualities, dependability, loyalty, willingness to learn and team spirit.

Betty Corte and June Bayer of Clinton Township, both volunteers at the Bon Secours Nursing Care Center, also received honorable mentions. Recipients were formally recognized on Nov. 14, at a celebration at the Best Western Sterling Inn in Sterling Heights.

Joan Curto began volunteering at Cottage in 1993 following heart surgery. She wanted to give back to the staff for the excellent care they provided during her recovery. She has consistently given at least two days a week and a total of more than 3,000 quality, hard-working hours.

Mary Simon has been a volunteer since 1981. Annually, she donates an average of 650 to 700 volunteer hours. Simon began her service as a mealtime companion, assisting patients at bedside and giving comfort care and companionship. She has been involved for many years with the hospital's Meals for the Homebound program.

Sharon Sutton and Princess, her pet Shih Tzu, have volunteered for the past seven years. They bring joy to everyone who crosses their paths. They are excellent examples of conveying a positive, caring attitude toward the injured, disoriented and elderly. Patients give this little dog and her mistress their utmost attention and affection. Sutton has inspired a dying man to smile, a non-responsive stroke survivor to speak and a grief-stricken husband and father to confront and express his pain.

President George W. Bush has asked the Red Cross to stand ready to ship 10,000 units of blood anywhere, anytime, to support the men and women of our military.

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Two thumbs up: Thrills, chills and death-defying concerts

By Helen Leonard
Special Writer

The Warren Symphony Orchestra opened its season with Chinese violinist Hai Xin Wu giving a stellar performance of Tchaikovsky's Concerto in D.

According to the very thorough program notes, Tchaikovsky wrote this in the spring of 1878 for violin virtuoso and teacher Leopold Auer, who sat on it for years, then refused to play it, claiming it was "unviolinistic" and unplayable.

After his proclamation, others were reluctant to try the piece. After all, he was the master.

Luckily, Tchaikovsky heard it before he died. Adolph Brodsky premiered the impossible piece in December 1881.

Eventually Auer, the chosen one, played it. By then, Tchaikovsky was dead.

Wu's performance was stunning, with unbelievable variety and speed. He made it sound like fun, but even though I've never picked up a violin, I knew why Auer called this piece unplayable. The audience was electrified.

I heard something strange happen almost at the end of the first movement. During an incredible arpeggio, it sounded as if the violin went out of tune.

The audience didn't care. Even though it was clear they knew better than to applaud between movements, they couldn't control themselves. They burst into applause. I joined them, weird arpeggios notwithstanding. He was brilliant.

The break was unusual. Wu walked off the stage for a minute, then came back and tuned up. Aha!

He then played the second and third movements with no pause between. Later, I asked Gerda Bielitz about this. She's the former Central Library head of reference, currently in the violin section of the WSO. She said it's written without a break.

At any rate, Wu closed to a standing ovation.

After intermission, conductor David Daniels came out and spoke to the audi-

ence. It seems that at the end of the first movement Wu had sprained his thumb. He then re-tuned his violin, which had suffered in the skirmish, and finished the concerto superbly, even though it could not have felt good.

I'm not sure why I told you that story, except that it's a good story. But we are entering a season that is crammed with concerts: the great escapes, the perfect release from holiday pressures.

The Grosse Pointe News, Detroit News and Free Press, Macomb Daily, the Birmingham Eccentric and other local papers run columns on concerts and other entertainment around and about town. The library has subscriptions to papers you might otherwise miss. Most newspapers have websites. Check them online.

Many of the music groups have online websites you can check to keep current on performances. You can reach the Michigan Opera Theatre at www.michigan-opera.org, the Detroit Symphony Orchestra at www.detroitssymphony.com and the Grosse Pointe

Symphony at www.gpsymphony.org to name a few.

In our website at www.gp.lib.mi.us, you can go into the catalog, search under title and pull out contacts for Grosse Pointe Chamber Music and the Grosse Pointe Community Chorus. You can find the Tuesday Musicale and the Jazz Forum there, too.

The churches all hold musical events. We have listed many of the church contacts in our catalog's community information as well as in our Community Websites listings.

In case you want more information on Tchaikovsky or his violin concerto, try our book collection. The first and best source on classical music is "The New Grove Dictionary of Music and Musicians," a 29-volume encyclopedia in reference.

Grove has the facts but not the story of Tchaikovsky, Auer and Brodsky and the "unplayable" concerto.

For the story you need biographies. Just ask a librarian where the biographies are and look for Tchaikovsky. The biographies in every library I've



The Book Return

been in are filed by the last name of the person the book is about.

OK, enough about using the library. Find a concert that will carry you away from seasonal hysteria and into soul-deep celebration.

Even though it may be exciting, this is not auto racing. Odds are performers will come through alive with thumbs intact. Even so, you can have a great time and escape the chaos of the season if only for an hour or two.

Comments? Something to share about all this? Reach me on the web: hgregory@gp.lib.mi.us.

Jenny Lind Club to hold its annual dinner dance Dec. 14



Martha Barlow

Martha Barlow of Grosse Pointe Woods will portray Lucia, the Queen of Lights, at the Jenny Lind Club's annual dinner dance on Friday, Dec. 14.

The club's purpose is to encourage old Swedish traditions and Lucia, with her crown of candles, signifies the beginning of Christmas in Swedish homes.

Also participating are Grosse Pointers Kathryn Barlow, Taylor and Mallory Brown and Kendall and Samuel Effinger. The evening's festivities also include dancing to the Mike Woiberton Trio. Guests are welcome. Call (313) 278-6474 or (583) 293-3305.

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Elizabeth Joan Loeher

Chuck and Erin Loeher of Chicago are the parents of a daughter, Elizabeth Joan Loeher, born Aug. 13, 2001. Maternal grandparents are Patrick and Joan Brancheau of Bloomfield Hills. Paternal grandparents are Chuck and Betty Loeher of Grosse

Pointe Woods. Great-grandparents are Janavice and Kenneth Brancheau of Royal Oak, Margaret Mieczkowski of Punta Gorda, Fla., Max Brown of Ann Arbor and Chuck and Grace Loeher of Grosse Pointe Woods.

Andrew Richard Periard

Mark and Barbara Periard of East Grand Rapids are the parents of a son, Andrew Richard Periard, born Aug. 13, 2001. Maternal grandparents are Chuck and Betty Loeher of Grosse Pointe Woods. Paternal grandparents are Ron and Carol Periard of Springfield, Ill. Great-grandparents are Max Brown of Ann Arbor, Chuck and Grace Loeher of Grosse Pointe Woods and Arthur Periard of Mount Pleasant.

Jackson Garrett Jamieson

Amy and Jason Jamieson of Mason, Ohio, are the parents of a son, Jackson Garrett Jamieson, born Oct. 3, 2001. Maternal grandparents are Judi and Frank Zimmer of Grosse Pointe Woods. Paternal grandparents are Linda and Jerry Jamieson of Fairfax, Va. Great-grandmothers are Margaret Zimmer of the City of Grosse Pointe and Martha Jamieson of Wheaton, Ill.



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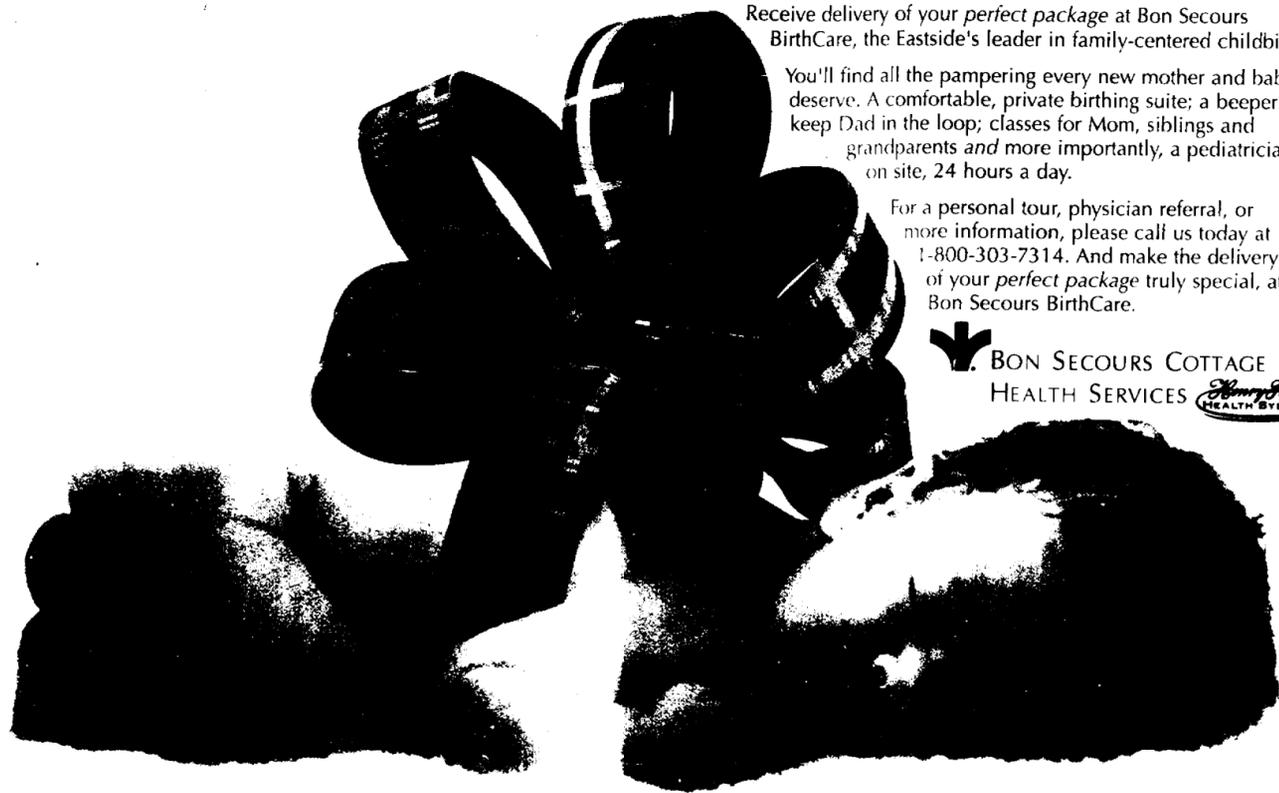
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Thanksgiving in Oregon

I flew to Oregon the day before Thanksgiving to spend the holiday with my son, daughter-in-law and three grandchildren.

Some of my friends thought I was brave to fly after all the terrible things that have happened involving planes, but I have become quite fatalistic about flying. Even before Sept. 11, I believed that flying was an act of faith — as I turn my life over to a pilot who might be tired, a plane that might be defective and who knows what crosswinds or storms that might be lurking along the way.

The fact is that flying is the only practical way to see all the wonderful sights in the world. Getting to Oregon any other way is almost impossible.

Staying in your home is not always safe. Look at the 94-year-old woman in rural Connecticut who died from inhaled anthrax. The only time she had left her home was to get her hair fixed and I assume get groceries.

Life is uncertain. The trip to and from Oregon went without any hitches other than having to walk at least a half mile in the Metro Detroit terminal as well as the ones in Minneapolis and Portland.

The visit with my family was lovely. As an added pleasure, Oregon may be one of the most beautiful states in the United States. It has everything: the Pacific coast, the Cascade Mountains chain, high desert, rain forest, and the Columbia River

Gorge.

This year we spent three days at the coast, my favorite. We stayed at Cannon Beach, next to Haystack Rock, the largest monolith in the nation. It rained the day we arrived but the sun came out for us the second and third day and we were able to walk on the beach.

At this northern point, the water is extremely cold. Even in summer, wet suits are a necessity if you plan to surf or swim.

My son tells me you never turn your back on the ocean here. Big logs are tossed onto the beach by the surf. The logs escape from logging camps. During the past 10 years an average of one person a year — always a tourist — is killed by a log tossed up from the churning ocean.

There are also "sneaker waves." These come at intermittent times and are strong enough to pull people into the ocean if they've gone out too far.

This all sounds like an unpleasant ocean. But if you respect it, you can see how beautiful and powerful it is.

The beach is also a wonderful place to fly a kite. As a child I could never get a kite into the air. But at the coast I flew a kite so high it was almost out of sight. I felt I had achieved a childhood goal.

Getting to the coast from Salem, where my son lives, is also exciting. You have to go through some of the smaller Cascade Mountains that rim the coast. The road is a two-lane one that twists and

Senior Scene



By Ruth Cain

winds. And as you get to the high point, there is frequently mist shrouding the dense Douglas firs that tower on each side of the road.

This is not a road you want to take at night if you've had a few drinks.

Back in Salem we went to see "Harry Potter." The kids loved it. It was the second time my 13-year-old granddaughter had seen it. Ten-year-old Robert told his father he wanted the video as soon as it became available. Fifteen-year-old Charles didn't want to see the movie, thinking it was too childish for him. But he said it was pretty good.

I thought it was enjoyable, but I'd heard and read more hype about it than any movie could have lived up to.

I'm still laughing about a story the daughter-in-law told me. They have three cats, one a recently acquired old, sick-looking cat that came to their back door. After listening to her piteous meows for a day, they fed her and that was it.

They took her to a vet and learned she had a heart murmur, was generally in poor health, and was not as old as she

looked. But because she looked so decrepit, they named her Grandma Cat.

She is now a member of the family, much to the disgust of Louis, a beautiful, huge cat that has lived with them some eight years.

One day, my family's backyard gate was left open and a neighboring dog came dashing in and began chasing Grandma Cat. Her panic gave her strength to climb up a backyard tree. She didn't have the strength to hold on, however, and she fell out of the tree.

There was great commotion in the yard — my son trying to get the dog out of the yard, the dog barking and the children screaming.

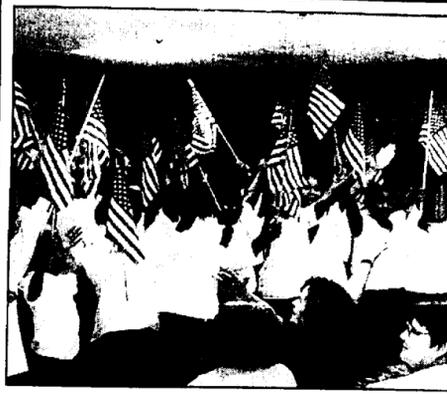
Robert was inside talking on the phone to a friend. He was giving his friend a blow-by-blow description of the backyard action. When he saw Grandma Cat fall out of the tree, he told his friend that Grandma was down and he had to go.

Of course the message got garbled and the little friend told his father that Robert's grandmother had fallen out of a tree.

When the man next saw my daughter-in-law, he told her, "I'm so sorry to hear about your mother. But tell me, what was she doing in a tree?"

When she finished laughing, she explained. Grandma Cat survived the incident, but in the process probably lost three or four of her nine cat lives.

All in all, it was a wonderful trip.



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Folic acid closes in on Alzheimer's

By Matilda Charles

There's been a great deal of publicity about adding folic acid to the diet of women of child-bearing age to reduce the risk of the fetus developing spina bifida or other tubal birth defects. Now there's some evidence that folic acid — which appears to prevent the shrinking of those regions of the brain involved in learning and reasoning — may also reduce the risk of people developing Alzheimer's disease.

The progression of Alzheimer's disease

Leah J. asks if I would reprint a list of symptoms showing the progression of Alzheimer's disease. She writes: "Some time ago you printed these symptoms and they were very helpful for my sister and me as we watched how (the disease) affected our mother at different stages. Now a friend is facing the same situation with her mother, and I thought the list would be helpful for her."

Indeed, I'm pleased to do so:

1. Mild cognitive impairment, such as complaints of forgetfulness in older people. According to the Mayo Clinic's Dr. Ronald Petersen and colleagues, some 15 percent of people with this diagnosis will progress to Alzheimer's each year.

2. Mild Alzheimer's:

the effectiveness of folic acid seem promising. This was borne out by the results of the "Nun Study" conducted with a group of nuns in the late 1990s by the University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center. The Sisters' diets typically included foods rich in folic acid, such as breads, cereals and green leafy vegetables.

Note: The RDA (Recommended Daily Allowance) of folic acid is at least 400 micrograms a day. If you want to be sure you're getting a full measure in your diet, ask your doctor if you can take a daily multivitamin capsule, which should

Problems develop with short-term memory and with complex activities such as cooking, shopping and handling money. It can last two years.

3. Moderate Alzheimer's: Behavioral changes, problems with complex activities, difficulty in picking out clothes or how to do familiar things. Duration: about 18 months.

4. Moderate/severe Alzheimer's: Major behavioral changes, e.g., aggression, agitation, delusions, verbal outbursts. Problems with tasks of daily living. Duration: two to two and one-half years.

5. Severe Alzheimer's: Speech problems. Some people stop talking altogether. Walking and other motor functions lost or compromised. Duration: About 7

include this recommended amount of the nutrient. The Nun Study also supports the importance of keeping the brain active to reduce the risk of developing Alzheimer's. All the women in the group keep their minds busy by reading, doing crossword puzzles, playing card games and tutoring children.

Note: If Alzheimer's runs in your family, consider being tested for the presence of the genes said to be linked to the disease. This doesn't mean you will develop it. However, if the possibility exists, you should know about it as soon as possible

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so that you can start making those lifestyle changes that may retard the onset of the condition or slow its progress if it does occur.

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followed by a short business meeting.

Former club members who live outside Grosse Pointe are welcome. For more information, call Ed Olsen at (313) 824-2827, Dick Kay at (313) 886-3567 or Dr. Paul Zavell at (313) 881-5592.

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The Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Farms, offers a full schedule of educational and social adventures for children. Register today for the Christmas Middle School Dance, Friday, Dec. 21, from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 and must be purchased in advance with a War Memorial identification card. Put your students, ages 14 and 8 months and up, one step closer to the open road with Segment II of Grosse Pointe Driving School, Monday, Dec. 17, Tuesday, Dec. 18 and Thursday, Dec. 20, from 4 to 6 p.m. The fee is \$35. Aspiring dancers, ages 5 and up, can perfect their skills with a Classical Ballet Workshop, Mondays, Dec. 10 to March 15, from 4 to 6:45 p.m. and Saturdays, Dec. 15 to March 16, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The fee is \$72 for one hour per week, \$117 for two hours per week or \$157 for three hours per week. Preregistration for activities can be charged to your Master Card or Visa, via fax at (313) 884-6638 or phone at (313) 881-7511.

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Dear Santa

The Detroit Symphony Orchestra is sponsoring a Best Letters to Santa Contest for children ages 12 and under. Winners will receive a DSO teddy bear and four tickets to a performance of the DSO's Yuletide Celebration where their letter will be read from the stage during the show. Submissions, which should include the sender's name, address, phone number and age, must be received by Saturday, Dec. 8. They should be forwarded to The Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Public Relations Department, 3663 Woodward Ave., Detroit, MI 48201. Winners will be announced on Tuesday, Dec. 11. Call (313) 576-5111.

Madrigal magic

Come all ye lords and ladies and partake in song, dance, theatrical renditions and sumptuous fare during the Grosse Pointe North Choirs Madrigal Dinner Theatre, Friday, Dec. 14

through Sunday, Dec. 16, at 3 p.m., at Grosse Pointe North's Grand Banquet Hall, 707 Vernier in Grosse Pointe Woods. Tickets, sold in advance only before Monday, Dec. 10, are \$35. Call (313) 881-8560.

Fun flicks

Junior cinema buffs can take in a wide variety of fun flicks during the Grosse Pointe Public Libraries' free Winter Film Festival, through Wednesday, Jan. 23. A Year Without Santa Claus, a feature for preschool age children, will be shown at 4 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 11, at the Grosse Pointe Woods Branch, 20600 Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods or Thursday, Dec. 13, at the Central Branch, 10 Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Farms. Grade school and middle school audiences can take in Jack Frost, Wednesday, Dec. 12, at the Park Branch, 15430 Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Park. Call (313) 343-2074.

Wrap session

Parents and children can learn to make their own holiday gift wrap during a free Family Night Program, Tuesday, Dec. 18, at 6:30 p.m., at the Harper Woods Public Library, 19601 Harper in Harper Woods. Call (313) 343-2575.

SAT/ACT prep

Prepare your student for two of the most challenging academic experiences of their lives when the Princeton Review offers a free Strategy Session Seminar, Wednesday, Dec. 19, from 7 to 8:30 p.m., at Grosse Pointe South High School, 11 Grosse Pointe Boulevard in Grosse Pointe Farms. Call (800) 2-REVIEW.

Indoor playtime

The Family Center invites area preschoolers and their parents to come out of the cold and enjoy indoor Playtime programs, Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 1 to 3 p.m., at Beacom Elementary School, 19475 Beaconsfield in Harper Woods, or Wednesdays, from 9 to 11 a.m., at the Barnes Early Childhood Center, 20090 Morningside in Grosse Pointe Woods. The free sessions will run through April 2002. Call (313) 343-6711.

CH.A.D.D. book night

Share information about your favorite volumes on Attention Deficit Disorder related issues during a Children and Adults with Attention Deficit Disorders Support Group Meeting and Book Night, Tuesday, Dec. 11, at 7 p.m., in the Resource Room of South Lake High School, 21900 E. Nine Mile in St. Clair Shores. Call (586) 447-2845.

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Zoo news

Experience the animals and more at the Detroit Zoo, at Ten Mile and Woodward in Royal Oak. Chill out with the polar bears, arctic foxes, seals and snowy owls at the Zoo's new 4.2 acre Arctic Ring of Life exhibit. Visitors can catch the underwater action with a trip through the Polar Passage, a unique 70-ft. long clear tunnel to catch all the exciting underwater action. In celebration of the new exhibit, the Zoo's Wildlife Interpretive Gallery will feature Under the Arctic Ice, a collection of 40 contemporary photographs by Norbert Wu. Along with visits to the other great animals, guests can see the spectacular \$6 million National Amphibian Conservation Center, dedicated to the conservation, preservation, exhibition and interpretation of amphibian life. Make your visit even better with a Zoo Clue 2001 Kit, featuring a camera, refreshments, sunscreen and an educational packet that will turn your youngster into a nature detective. The purchase of each \$12.50 kit benefits the creation of a hands-on Detroit Discovery Museum for children. They can be purchased by mail at: Detroit Discovery Museum, 19678 Harper Ave., Suite 101, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236. The Zoo is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Zoo admission is \$8 for adults, \$6 for seniors and children, ages 2 to 12. Call (248) 398-0903.

Cool cars

View the history of the auto racing world through the art of Gerald Freeman, now on display at the Automotive Hall of Fame, 21400 Oakwood in Dearborn, through Saturday, Dec. 15. Also view a collection representing three decades of automotive

design, including a 1904 Runabout, a 1933 Stutz Monte Carlo and a 1949 Buick Roadmaster Riviera, through Feb. 2002. The Hall of Fame is open daily, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The fee is \$6 for adults, \$5.50 for seniors ages 62 and up and \$3 for children ages 5 to 12. Call (313) 240-4000.

Strings attached

A marionette ballet version of Cinderella, will entertain children and adults alike through Monday, Dec. 31, at the Detroit Puppet Theatre, 25 E. Grand River in Detroit. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$5 for children. Reservations are requested. Call (313) 961-7777.

History alive

Celebrate the holidays at The Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village, 20900 Oakwood in Dearborn, through Tuesday, Jan. 1. Hop on the Holiday Express in the Museum where you can view a 640-square foot model train display, hear tall tales told by Holiday Time Travelers and even visit with Santa aboard the DT&I Caboose, Monday, Dec. 17 through Friday, Dec. 21 and Monday, Dec. 24. By day, Greenfield Village comes alive with the sights and sounds of an American Christmas. Visitors can experience Christmas customs of days gone by, tour a life-size gingerbread house and shop a turn-of-the-century market for holiday decorations and greens. During the 12 Nights of Christmas, through Saturday, Dec. 22, from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m., tour Greenfield Village by candlelight, visiting buildings decked out in Yuletide finery, caroling or catching a sleigh ride, weather permitting. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$8 for children. The Adventures of the Frog Prince will be the featured presentation at the Anderson Theater in Henry Ford Museum, Saturdays and Sundays, through Dec. 23 and Thursday, Dec. 27 through Sunday, Dec. 30, at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$6. Patrons can also travel through the past 100 years via the special exhibit Your Place in Time: 20th Century America and tour the museum's Communications, Lighting, Transportation and Domestic Arts exhibitions. The Museum is open daily, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Village is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., through Jan. 1. Admission to the Museum ranges from \$7.50 to \$12.50. Admission to the Village ranges from \$8.50 to \$14. Children under the age of 5 and members are admitted free. The Village and Museum will be closed on Christmas Day. Showing in the Museum's \$15 million IMAX Theatre are Mysteries of Egypt, 3-D Mania!—Encounter in the Third Dimension, Shackleton's Antarctic Adventure and Super Speedway. Disney's Beauty and the Beast debuts in the museum's big screen theatre on Tuesday, Jan. 1. 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 ages 12 and under. Call (313) 982-6001.

African-American experience

Explore the wonders of the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History, 315 E. Warren in Detroit. Trace the Motor City's musical history via the new exhibition Jazz in Detroit Before Motown: A Photographic History, running through Sunday, Jan. 13. The Museum's core exhibit, Of the People, celebrates Detroit's place in African American heritage and culture. The Museum is open Tuesday through Sunday, from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children over the age of five. Call (313) 494-5800.

Sailor art

Ships in Bottles, a collection of 30 whimsical works of nautical art, can be viewed through January 2002, at Belle Isle's Dossin Great Lakes Museum, accessible via the MacArthur Bridge at E. Jefferson and E. Grand Boulevard in Detroit. Members of the Detroit Lodge #7 of the International Shipmasters Association will join former members of the Ford Fleet to talk about Life on the Great Lakes during the Ford Fleet Festival, Wednesday, Dec. 26 through Friday, Dec. 28, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Children can also explore the hands-on exhibition Racing on the Wind: Sailing on the Great Lakes, along with permanent exhibitions featuring the doomed ship Edmund Fitzgerald and a freighter pilothouse. The museum is open Wednesday through Sunday, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children, ages 12 to 18. Call (313) 852-4051.

Detroit's past

Stroll the Streets of Old Detroit; trace more than 100 years of automotive history and travel from Frontiers to Factories through the permanent exhibitions of the Detroit Historical Museum, 5401 Woodward in Detroit. Enjoy a special, behind-the-scenes view of the Glancy Trains exhibit during a free Toy Train Family Workshop, for parents and children ages 5 to 11, Saturdays, Dec. 8 and Dec. 15, from 1 to 3 p.m. Take in the new exhibit The Polish Presence in Detroit, through Saturday, March 30. Experience the history of Detroit's original settlers through the exhibition, Land, Lives and Legends: Native Americans in Detroit. Detroit's 300th Birthday is the inspiration for the special exhibition 30 Who Dared, through December 2001. Youngsters can expand their knowledge of the toys, games, transportation, office materials and home life of the past through the hands-on experiences of the I Discover exhibit. The Museum is open Wednesday through Friday, from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The suggested admission is \$4.50 for adults or \$2.25 for seniors, children ages 12 and under enter free. Call (313) 833-1805.



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Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Dorrance Marchal

Blatt-Marchal

Lauren Elizabeth Blatt, daughter of Doug and Tracy Blatt of Grosse Pointe Farms, married Wesley Dorrance Marchal, son of Billy and Bebe Marchal of New Orleans, La., on Aug. 4, 2001, at St. James Lutheran Church.

The Rev. Gustav Kopka Jr. officiated at the 6 p.m. ceremony, which was followed by a reception at the Country Club of Detroit.

The bride wore a white organza gown decorated with Alencon lace that featured a scoop back and spaghetti straps. She carried a bouquet of white roses, calla lilies, stephanotis, nerine and green hydrangeas.

The maid of honor was the bride's sister, Callie Blatt of Grosse Pointe Farms.

Bridesmaids were Jamie Alle of Chicago, Tara Lewis Blake of the City of Grosse Pointe, Anne Billipp of Houston, Texas, Alexandra Blatt of Chicago, Julie Smith of New York City, Emarie DeMeulemeester of West Hollywood, Calif., Kelli Haarz of Royal Oak and Betsy Belenky Housey of the City of Grosse Pointe.

The flower girl was Scarlett Raven of Myakka, Fla.

Attendants wore two-piece kiwi green dresses and carried bouquets of green hydrangeas, pink nerine, cream-colored roses and ivy.

The best man was the groom's brother, Albert Marchal II of Chicago.

Groomsmen were the bride's brother, Brian Blatt of Grosse Pointe Farms; Jason Conway of New York City; Robert Kerrigan of Houston, Texas; Matthew Kohnke and Benjamin Prevost, both of New Orleans, La.; Jonathan Schenk of New York City; Gregg Snyder of Dallas; James Snyder of New Orleans; and Paxton White of New York City.

The mother of the bride wore a green silk strapless gown.

The groom's mother wore an olive green two-piece taffeta gown.

The accompanist was Erica Markou. The trumpeter was Jason Borngesser. Soloist was Valerie Ziebron. The

Montage String Quartet performed.

The bride earned a bachelor of arts degree in advertising from Southern Methodist University. She is a teacher's aide at Our Lady Star of the Sea School.

The groom earned a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering from Southern Methodist University. He is a project manager with J.M. Olson Co.

The newlyweds traveled to Bermuda. They live in Grosse Pointe Farms.



Mr. and Mrs. Brian Michael Leonard

Werthman-Leonard

Jean Marie Werthman, daughter of Robert and Dorothy Werthman of Grosse Pointe Woods, married Brian Michael Leonard, son of Thomas and Diane Leonard of Henderson, Nevada, on Sept. 29, 2001, at the Grosse Pointe Academy Chapel.

Monsignor John M. Quinn officiated at the ceremony, which was followed by a reception at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

The bride wore a white sheath gown with a short train and carried a natural-colored calla lily bouquet.

The matron of honor was the bride's sister, Debra Vandenbussche of the City of Grosse Pointe.

Bridesmaids were Jacqueline Hendricks of Clawson, Laura Werthman of Macomb and Olivia Vandenbussche of the City of Grosse Pointe.

Cecelia Vandenbussche of the City of Grosse Pointe was the flower girl.

Attendants wore champagne sheaths with beaded bodices. Each carried a single natural calla lily.

The best man was Stephen Cinnella of East Meadow, N.Y.

Groomsmen were Matthew Kurth of Birmingham, Michael Czopek of Eastpointe and Thomas Giovannini of Dearborn.

The ring bearer was Michael Werthman of Macomb.

The mother of the bride wore a champagne-colored dress decorated with beading and a cream-colored rose wrist corsage.

The groom's mother wore a copper sheath with a beaded top and a cream-colored rose corsage.

Scripture readers were Dennis Werthman, James Francis and Roger Vandenbussche.

The bride earned a bachelor of arts degree in communications and a master of arts degree in advertising from Michigan State University. She is a personal trainer.

The groom earned a bachelor of science degree in finance from Marquette University and a master's degree in business administration from Wayne State University. He is a manufacturer's representative.

The couple traveled to Aruba. They live in Royal Oak.



Dr. Carl and Alexandra Novina

Anglewicz-Novina

Alexandra Anglewicz, daughter of Anthony and Mary Ellen Anglewicz of the City of Grosse Pointe, married Carl Dore Novina, son of Dr. Philip Novina of Oceanside, Calif., and Ulla Novina of Harrington Park, N.J., on Sept. 15, 2001.

The outdoor afternoon ceremony followed by a reception took place at the Summer Mansion in Hartland, Vt.

The bride wore a gown of ivory silk organza trimmed with pearl beading along the hem and chapel-length train. She carried a bouquet of lisianthus, snow peas and white roses.

The matron of honor was Genevieve Hopkins of Grosse Pointe Farms.

Attendants were the groom's sister, Julia Novina of Silver Spring, Md.; Ruiko Tokunaga of New York City; and Betsy Lowenstein of Cambridge, Mass.

The flower girls were Sylvie and Tess Littledale of Putney, Vt.

The best man was Tarik Alkasab of Newton, Mass.

Groomsmen were the bride's brother, Philip A. Anglewicz of Washington, D.C.; Alan Crowley of

Oakland, Calif.; Daniel Frier of Denville, N.J.; and William Thomas Cote of Westborough, Mass.

The mother of the bride wore a magenta and red dupioni silk floor length dress and carried a bouquet of magenta freesia.

The groom's mother wore a silk steel gray floor-length dress and carried a bouquet of blue delphiniums.

Patrick Donaher, accompanied by Audrey Betsy Wright, presented an original composition, "Two Solitudes Unite," for the bride and groom.

The bride earned a bachelor of arts degree in literature and fine arts from the University of Iowa. She spent a year at the University of Edinburgh and received a certificate in architecture from Harvard University.

The groom earned a bachelor of arts degree from Rutgers University. He received a Ph.D. from Tufts University Sackler School of Biomedical Science and an MD degree from Columbia University. He is doing post-doctoral work in the field of genetic transcription at the Center for Cancer Research at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

The newlyweds live in Somerville, Mass.



Mr. and Mrs. David Matthew Ford

Garvey-Ford

Jill Kristine Garvey, daughter of Tom and Joan Garvey of Grosse Pointe Farms, married David Matthew Ford, son of George and Mary Ford of Rochester Hills, on June 29, 2001, at St. Paul Catholic Church.

The Rev. Jerome Singer officiated at the 5 p.m. ceremony, which was followed by a reception at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club.

The bride wore a strapless gown that featured a duchess silk satin skirt and a bodice decorated with English chantilly lace accented with Australian crystals. She wore her maternal grandmother's lavalier and carried a bou-

quet of white peonies, orchids, roses and stephanotis.

The maids of honor were the bride's sister, Annie Garvey of Grosse Pointe Farms, and Leslie Gerlach of the City of Grosse Pointe.

Bridesmaids were Kate Garvey of Marina del Rey, Calif., Annie Jagger of New York City and Sidney King of Chicago.

Flower girls were Emma Ford of Holly and Madison Skau of Grosse Pointe Farms.

Attendants wore medium pink colored silk satin dresses and carried nosegays of pink peonies, pink spray roses, Anna rose, delphinium and lavender scabiosa.

Thomas Rupp of Linden was the best man.

Groomsmen were the groom's brothers, Stephen Ford of Holly and Michael Ford of Seattle; Joshua Emerick of Troy; and Jeremy Linton of Kalamazoo. Ushers were Matthew and Christopher Biesak of Brentwood, Tenn.

The ring bearer was William Walker of the City of Grosse Pointe.

The mother of the bride wore a two-piece champagne-colored lace dress and carried a bouquet of pale pink blush and white roses.

The groom's mother wore a cafe-colored two-piece petal chiffon dress and carried a bouquet of pale pink, blush and white roses.

The soloist was Maria

Cimarelli. Trumpeter was Jeffrey Markwick. Organist was Larry Picard. Readers were Ellen Clark, Charles Petoskey and Anne Magnus.

The bride earned a bachelor of arts degree in accounting from Michigan State University. She is a CPA with Perisho, Tombor, Loomis and Ramirez in Campbell, Calif.

The groom earned a bachelor of science degree in zoology from Michigan State University and a master of science degree in computer science from Wayne State University. He is a system design engineer with Archway Digital Solutions in Mountain View, Calif.

The newlyweds traveled to Virgin Gorda in the British Virgin Islands. They live in Sunnyvale, Calif.

The Single Way to meet

The Single Way is a group of interdenominational Christian single adults.

The organization will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 15, for an evening of food, caroling, games and chocolate fondue. Teens and kids are welcome.

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PALACE

DSO's Baroque program puts harpsichordist at center stage

In a refreshing change of pace last weekend, the Detroit Symphony Orchestra presented an all-Baroque program that provided an enlightening overview of the development of Baroque forms through the successive efforts of that era's most productive and influential composers.

It was led by a contemporary scholar of the field, Rinaldo Alessandrini, who served as both conductor and harpsichord soloist.

Interestingly, Alessandrini chose not to present the six works on the program in chronological order. Instead, he chose an order that provided a welcome contrast in moods from work to work and concluded with one of the earliest in which the listener could discern its important influences on the development of Baroque styles which had been performed earlier on the program. It made for a highly edifying and enjoyable evening.

The concert opened with a piece that has been highly popular over the past two decades in a performance that revealed how much the popularized version depart-

ed from the original. Pachelbel's Canon was what they called a Passacaglia, in which a continuous series of musical ideas are played as counterpoint to a repeating bass line.

To the surprise of many, however, there are not just one, but two movements. The repetitive canon is followed by a Gigue dance form providing a lively addition to the piece. The DSO strings provided a beautiful, lush tone that greatly enhanced the serene and contemplative quality of this music with expressive phrasing that held the attention right up to the final retard.

Meanwhile the lively Gigue made you want to get up and dance.

A Concerto Grosso in F Major by George Friedrich Handel followed with a stately treatment of the music with which Handel entertained George III of England. Again, the ensemble playing was exceptional. The individual voices of the small orchestra of strings and harpsichord continuo were blended superbly and yet remained clearly articulated. A brisk tempo in the allegretto, combined with

that clarity, produced a truly sparkling effect.

The contrasting, slow Largo movement very successfully avoided the pitfall of becoming ponderous and made an easy transition into the charming allegro that opens with a fugal passage and unfolds with lovely solos by the lead string players to close the work.

Violinists Emmanuelle Boisvert and Geoffrey Applegate produced a bright singing tone that was perfect for their parts.

Moving from the podium to the harpsichord, Alessandrini then led the orchestra in Harpsichord Concerto No. 3 by Johann Sebastian Bach. It was evident that the stage hands moved the harpsichord to front and center stage with gingerly care to avoid jiggling it out of tune. Their efforts appeared to be successful.

It was very pleasing to hear the faint voice of that precursor of the piano. In the solo passages when it was not covered by the strings, there was a particularly convincing sense of

State of the Arts



By Alex Suczek

the calm of the Baroque era and the elegance of Bach's musical creation. It also reminded us once again that this somewhat fragile instrument was not made for a venue the size of Orchestra Hall. Only the hall's remarkable acoustic quality made it possible to enjoy this delicate music.

The string orchestra, on the other hand, even in its greatly reduced numbers of less than 20 musicians, sounded both rich and exceptionally clear in this outstandingly resonant space. It was a particularly impressive experience after hearing the thunderous output of the enlarged full orchestra the week before.

Under these conditions, one

could certainly derive a special satisfaction from hearing this concerto with harpsichord as Bach wrote and first performed it.

In the second movement adagio especially, the voice of the harpsichord balanced with the strings and aroused a sense of the dignity and delicacy of this music. The performance was impeccable and highly expressive.

Music by Vivaldi, who had a revolutionary impact on violin technique, came next and provided another opportunity for soloists Boisvert and Applegate to shine. Vivaldi's scoring calls for a thrilling string sound and they provided it.

The second movement contrapuntal duet by the two violins was exquisite and the last allegro was etched with brilliant clarity and vitality. It provided a wonderful illustration of the distinction of Vivaldi's music among the composers of his time and was a high point of the concert.

The very familiar strains of Bach's Brandenburg Concerto No. 3 provided

easy listening that was also inspiring. It is among the highest musical achievements of its era and received a vigorous but dignified treatment here.

To conclude the program, Alessandrini turned to one of the earliest and most influential composers of the era with the Concerto Grosso in D major by Archangelo Corelli. The music then made the point very forcefully that here was the source and inspiration for much of what we had just heard, with new touches and embellishments by Corelli's successors.

Each one, of course, had modified and developed Corelli's ideas in his own way. It was an impressive exploration of musical evolution masterfully crafted and conducted by a musician who has made it the study of his life.

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The Gardeners' Journal

Christmas traditions, legends include herbs

By Rosemary Bay
Special Writer

Celebrating the birth of Christ at Christmas by creating a nativity scene is a tradition throughout the Christian world. It is said that the first creche was set up by St. Francis of Assisi in 1224 when he arranged a representation of the birth of Christ in a grotto and held a celebratory midnight Mass.

Since that time, the creche has become a wonderful means of teaching and can become even more significant if in its making the folklore of herbs is used.

Thyme made the bed of Mary. This pungent herb, a member of the mint family, was collected from fields outside Bethlehem to make a soft bed for Mary during the birth of her child. This herb has antiseptic proper-

ties. English pennyroyal was said to have been placed in the manger on the night of the Christ child's birth. It burst into bloom the moment the child was born. It is reputed to have the power to drive away fleas.

Another biblical herb is rosemary, honored because this Mediterranean shrub kept quiet as the Holy Family fled from Egypt, while other branches crackled loudly. During Medieval times, mothers would place sprigs of rosemary in their babies' cradles just as Mary had done so that the baby would be safe from harm and have a pleasant sleep. Modern science has shown that rosemary has significant germ-killing power.

Bedstraw was one of the plants of Palestine that was

cut with hay and fed to animals. It was spread in stalls to protect animals from disease. On Christmas Eve it was heaped on the floor for the Holy Family to sleep on.

It is believed the Virgin Mary dried her newborn's swaddling clothes by spreading them on a bed of wild lavender. Dried lavender flowers, with their powerful, aromatic odor, act as a preventative to moths and other insects. It also keeps away mosquitoes and midges.

Use of these fragrant herbs in your nativity scene and knowing their legends and lore can make your holiday display an aromatic and meaningful celebration of Christ's birth.

All these herbs can still be harvested from our Zone 6 gardens and some can be purchased from local mar-

ket produce departments.

The following herbs, along with the manger herbs, can be used to create a meaningful Advent wreath:

Juniper represents life and hope. It protected the Holy Family when they were pursued by Herod's soldiers.

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Horehound, a Palestinian herb, offers a wish for good health.

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9:00 AM VITALITY PLUS A half-hour aerobics exercise class. (Repeated: M-Sun 11:00 PM)	2:00 PM THE LEGAL INSIDER Guest Tim Kohler, Zero Tolerance 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 6:00 PM)
9:30 AM POSITIVELY POSITIVE Guest Judge William J. Giovan, Mike Donahue, Joseph W. O'Brien & Andy Savel 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 9:30 PM)	2:30 PM POINTERS WITH PROST Guest Yolander Turner, Crossroads of Michigan Host John Prost interviews local celebrities about timely topics. (Repeated: M-Sun 4:30 AM, M/W/F/Sun 7:00 PM)
10:00 AM WHO'S IN THE KITCHEN? Guest Michelle Bonarito, Desserts Part II Host Chuck Kaess cooks with local celebrities. (Repeated: M-Sun midnight, T/Th/Sat 8:30 PM)	3:00 PM THINGS TO DO AT THE WAR MEMORIAL Removing the Stigma of Mental Illness 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)
10:30 AM INSIDE ART Detroit Institute of Arts (Repeated: M-Sun 12:30 AM, M/W/F/Sun 5:30 PM)	3:30 PM POINTS OF HORTICULTURE Pointsettias 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)
11:00 AM OUT OF THE ORDINARY... INTO THE EXTRAORDINARY Guest Swami Krishnapada, Life after 9-11-01 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)	4:00 PM YOUNG VIEW POINTS Upbeat youth show featuring students reporting on a variety of educational topics. (Repeated: M-Sun 6:00 AM, M/F/Sun 8:30 PM)
11:30 AM THE S.O.C. SHOW Guest Dr. Hareesh Mehta, Depression 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)	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)
12:00 PM THE ECONOMIC CLUB OF DETROIT Guest Philip M. Condit, The Boeing Company Features nationally known guest speakers discussing current topics in the business community. (Repeated: M-Sun 2:00 AM, T/Th/Sat 7:00 PM)	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)
1:00 PM THE EASTSIDE EXAMINER Grosse Pointe North 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)	5:30 PM MUSICAL STORYTIME JAMBOREE 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)
1:30 PM CONVERSATIONS WITH COLLECTORS Architecture of Grosse Pointe Homes #1 Host Susan Hartz focuses on local interesting collections. (Repeated: M-Sun 3:30 AM, T/Th/Sat 8:00 PM)	

* Schedule subject to change without notice. For further information call 313.881.7511.

AAUW hosts DIA speaker

The Grosse Pointe branch of the American Association of University Women will hold a luncheon beginning at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 15, at the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club. Mary Lee O'Brien, a Detroit Institute of Arts docent, will discuss "Angels for the Holiday Spirit." Member Elsie Onychuk, pianist, will lead a holiday music sing-along. The cost is \$25. For reservations, send a check to Melissa Ryan at 23009 Gaukler, St. Clair Shores, 48080, by Monday, Dec. 10.

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Grosse Pointe News CONNECTION

by Madeleine Socia

Thursday, Dec. 6 Light cruise

Cruise aboard land-bound ships through a whimsical world of illuminated holiday displays during the St. Clair Shores' Parade Council's sixth annual Nautical Nights of Lights, through Monday, Dec. 31, at Blossom Heath Park, 24800 Jefferson in St. Clair Shores. Don't miss the Grand Finale Fireworks on New Year's Eve. Hop aboard Sunday, Wednesday and Thursday, from 6 to 9 p.m. and Friday and Saturday, from 6 to 10 p.m. Tickets are \$2, children ages 3 and under enter free. Proceeds benefit the St. Clair Shores Memorial Day Parade. Call (586) 773-3624.

Bright gift idea

Honor a soldier, veteran, teacher, friend, family member or one of the thousands of victims of the Sept. 11 attack on America by purchasing a light on the Annual Tribute Tree at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Santa Claus will be on hand to light the Tribute Tree during a special ceremony featuring carols, cocoa and cookies, Thursday, Dec. 6, at 7 p.m. Tribute lights are available for a donation of \$10. An elegant Tribute Card will be sent to the honoree or their family. Call (313) 881-7511.

House beautiful

Discover great decorating ideas with a tour of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra Volunteer Council's 2001 Designer Showhouse, 2716 Turtle Ridge in Bloomfield Hills, through Sunday, Dec. 9. The 10,000 square foot French manor is a showcase for the works of more than 20 of the area's top design firms. Tours will be offered daily from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tickets are \$18 in advance or \$20 at the door. Call (313) 576-5154.

Friday, Dec. 7 Food & fellowship

Share good food and fellowship during the Men's Friday Ecumenical Breakfast, Friday, Dec. 7, at 7:30 a.m., at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church. The Rev.

Jeffrey Walden, base chaplain at Selfridge Air National Guard Base, will be the featured speaker. The fee is \$5. Call (313) 882-5330.

Saturday, Dec. 8 Applaud the season

Applaud a free holiday performance for the entire family offered by the Grosse Pointe Theatre and the Marvin L. Winans Academy Orchestra, Saturday, Dec. 8, from noon to 4 p.m., in the Grand Court of Eastland Center, at the intersection of Vernier and Kelly in Harper Woods. Call (313) 371-1501.

Cool cookies

Fill your festive table with homemade, fancy holiday cookies from the annual Cookie Mart at Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church, 211 Moross in Grosse Pointe Farms, Saturday, Dec. 8, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cookies can be purchased by the pound. Patrons can also indulge in delicious soups and snacks at the Mart's Cookie Cafe. Call (313) 886-2363.

Sunday, Dec. 9 Diamond jubilee

St. Joan of Arc Parish, 22412 Overlake in St. Clair Shores, will launch a year-long celebration of its 75th anniversary with a Mass celebrated by Adam Cardinal Maida, Sunday, Dec. 9, at noon. The service will be followed by a reception. Call (586) 775-3670.

Peaceful harmonies

Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church, 8625 E. Jefferson in Detroit, will echo with Songs of Peace, Peoples, Christ the Babe and Harmonie, during a free Holiday Concert by the Musicke Maykers and The Celtic Friends, Sunday, Dec. 9, at 4 p.m. Call (313) 822-3456.

Bells & quilts

St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, 375 Lothrop in Grosse Pointe Farms, will ring in the sacred season with a free Bell and Choir Concert, Sunday, Dec. 9, at 4 p.m. The doors will open at 3 p.m. to allow guests to bid on a collection of custom

designed quilts offered in a silent auction. Proceeds benefit the purchase of a new pipe organ for the church and the Dongobest Lutheran School in Tanzania. Call (313) 884-9453.

Holiday Swing

Get into the rhythm of the holidays by attending a free Gentlemen of Swing Christmas Concert, Sunday, Dec. 9, at 3 p.m., at the Assumption Cultural Center, 21800 Marter on the Grosse Pointe Woods/St. Clair Shores border. Call (586) 779-6111.

Chorus concert

The Grosse Pointe Community Chorus's 49th annual Holiday Concert will echo through First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier in Grosse Pointe Woods, Sunday, Dec. 9, at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$3 for children. They can be purchased in advance through the church office or at Moehring-Woods Flowers, 20923 Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods. Call (313) 882-2482.

Friday, Dec. 14 Sing-a-long

Get in tune with the holiday spirit during a free Community Christmas Sing-A-Long and reception at Heritage Presbyterian Church, 23415 Jefferson in St. Clair Shores. Call (586) 779-0730.

Saturday, Dec. 15 Eastland jazz

Famed jazz flautist Alexander Zojnic and his band will offer a free Holiday Concert, Saturday, Dec. 15, from 1 to 3 p.m., in the Grand Court of Eastland Center, at Vernier and Kelly in Harper Woods. Call (313) 371-1501.

Bach 'n' brass

Glittering brass and an elegant harp will accompany the Detroit Concert Choir as they present selections from Bach, Bernstein and Vaughan Williams during a Christmas Gloria! concert, Saturday, Dec. 15, at 8 p.m., at St. Clare of Montefalco Church, 1401 Whittier in Grosse Pointe Park. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$12 for seniors and students. Call (313) 882-0118.

Sunday, Dec. 16 Lessons by candlelight

Let your holiday spirit rise when the Choirs of Men, Girls and Boys lend their voices to The Candlelight Service of Nine Lessons and Carols for Christmas, Sunday, Dec. 16, at 4:30 p.m., at Christ Church Grosse Pointe. Call (313) 885-4841.

Mark Your Calendar...

New Year's run

Get a head-start on your New Year's celebration by registering for the 32nd annual Belle Isle New Year's Eve Family Fun Run/Walk, accessible via the MacArthur Bridge at Jefferson and East Grand Boulevard in Detroit, Monday, Dec. 31. Participants will gather at 3 p.m., and the race will start at 3:30 p.m., at the United States Marine Corps Training Center (Brodhead Armory), 7600 E. Jefferson in Detroit. The race will begin at the mainland entrance the Belle Isle Bridge and end at the Armory. Routes include a one-mile children's fun run/walk; an open one-mile walk; a four-mile run and a four-mile walk. Join in the fun of a post-race reception at the Armory featuring food, beverages, T-shirts and an awards ceremony. Early registration packets are available at the Armory Register on-line at

www.Active.com. The fees are \$12 for children, ages 12 and under, and \$20 for adults. Proceeds will benefit the American Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund and the Fireman and Police Family Funds. Call (313) 886-5560.

Live & Learn War Memorial Update

Enhance your mind, body and spirit by partaking in the courses and adventures offered at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. The Grosse Pointe Barbershop Chorus and the East Pointe Show Chorus of Sweet Adelines International will harmonize during a Christmas Dinner Concert, Thursday, Dec. 13, at 6:30 p.m. The fee is \$27 for the dinner and concert or \$12 for the concert only.

Discover how to store your work safely with Back It Up! CD Burners!, Thursday, Dec. 13, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. The fee is \$25. Learn to make special holiday treats when noted pastry chef Michelle Bommarito presents

a Christmas/Hanukkah Who Stole The Cookies From the Cookie Jar? class, Tuesday, Dec. 11, from 6 to 8 p.m. or Saturday, Dec. 15, from 10 a.m. to noon. Chef Bommarito will also offer a Traditional Holiday Cookies class, Tuesday, Dec. 18, from 6 to 8 p.m. The fees for both programs are \$35 for one adult and one child plus \$5 for supplies and \$5 for each additional child. Invest some time in your good health on Monday, Dec. 17. The Mobile Detection Unit of the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute will offer Mammograms, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The fee for women without health insurance is \$136. The Mobile DEXA Bone Density Detection Unit of the Bone Loss Prevention Centers will offer Osteoporosis Testing from 9:30 to 4 p.m. Fees vary. Applaud Christmas in the Country during a day trip to Cornwall's Dinner Theatre in historic Marshall, Michigan, Monday, Dec. 17, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Preregister using your Master Card or Visa, via fax at (313) 884-6638, e-Mail: www.warmemorial.org, or call (313) 881-7511.

Pointe's past

Experience Grosse Pointe's past with a free, guided tour of the Grosse Pointe Historical Society's Provençal-Weir House, c. 1823, 376 Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Farms, Saturday, Dec. 8, from 1 to 4 p.m. Guests can learn about 19th Century life in Grosse Pointe, view an exhibit of historic photographs and visit the newly renovated Log Cabin, c. 1840, on the property. In addition, they can purchase videos featuring Grosse Pointe history and related publications and products. Call (313) 884-7010.

Farmhouse museum

Step back into the daily life of a mid-19th century farm family living in Erin Township, now St. Clair Shores, with a tour of the Selinsky-Green Farmhouse Museum, located directly behind the St. Clair Shores Public Library. Listed in the Michigan State Register of Historic Sites, this farmhouse is owned by the City of St. Clair Shores and operated by the St. Clair Shores Historical Commission. The house is open for tours Wednesday and Saturday, from 1 to 4 p.m. Call (586) 771-9020.

Ford House experiences

Experience the grandeur of one of "America's Castles," all decked out for the Yuletide season during Holiday Tours at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House 1100 Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Shores. Tours will be offered on the hour, Tuesday

through Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., and Sunday, from noon to 4 p.m. Guests can share in an elegant repast during a Holiday Tea Tour scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 8, at 3 p.m. The fee is \$21. On Sundays, Dec. 9 and Dec. 16, at 5 p.m., delight in A Traditional Holiday Evening, featuring a tour, a sumptuous dinner and entertainment. The fee is \$40. Groups of 10 or more can partake in a Special Evening on Thursday, Dec. 13, at 4 p.m., that includes a tour, dinner and Sounds of the Season. The Tea Room is open for lunch, Tuesday through Saturday, from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tours are \$6 for adults, \$5 for seniors and \$4 for children. Grounds admission is \$5. Annual Passes are available for \$18. Call (313) 884-4222.

Assumption offerings

A full schedule of classes and events await you at The Assumption Cultural Center. Reach a new state of well-being and cardiovascular fitness by signing up for Kalosomatics exercise programs, which combine aerobics with walking, running, stretching, elements of yoga and kickboxing. The Winter Session will run from Wednesday, Jan. 2 through Saturday, March 2. Fees are \$52 for two-day sessions, \$74 for three-day sessions and \$94 for four-day sessions. There is a 25% discount for seniors.

Parents who sign up for a Kalo class can take advantage of free Kiddie Kalo/Baby Sitting, Monday through Thursday, from 9:30 to 10 a.m. Non-registered parents pay \$1 for Kiddie Kalo. The 17-station Nautilus weight training room is open Monday through Thursday, from 8 to 10:30 a.m. and 6 to 8:30 p.m. and Friday, from 8 to 10:30 a.m. The fee is \$50 for two days per week, \$70 for three days per week or \$4 for drop-in users.

Kalo Exercise/Nautilus combo weekly workouts are \$78 for two sessions, \$106 for three sessions or \$124 for four sessions. Free Blood Pressure Screenings will be offered on Thursday, Dec. 13 and Friday, Dec. 14, from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Register today for January classes including, Golf, Tae Kwon Do, Karate, Yoga, Tennis, Guitar, Adult Conversational Greek, Smart Women Finish First and Watercolors. Macomb County Community College offers a wide variety of ways to expand your horizons at their Assumption Cultural Center campus. To register for MCC programs, call (586) 498-4000. Preregistration is required for most Assumption courses. Call (586) 779-6111.

Exhibitions & Shows

At the DIA

From the old masters to the finest in modern art, discover the galleries and exhibitions of the Detroit Institute of Arts. The playthings of the baby boomer generation are the focus of photographer David Levinthal's vivid exhibition Small Wonder: Worlds in a Box, running through Sunday, Feb. 3. America's oldest cultural traditions are celebrated in the exhibi-

tion Dance of the Forest Spirits: A Set of Native American Masks, through May 2002. Museum hours are Wednesday through Friday, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Recommended admission is \$4 for adults and \$1 for children and students. Call (313) 833-7963.

Stage & Screen

DSO notes

The Detroit Symphony Orchestra's Holiday Festival continues at Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward in Detroit, when AT&T presents Christmas with the Canadian Brass, Tuesday, Dec. 18, at 8 p.m. Tickets range from \$19 to \$75. Indulge in a Holiday Romance with Michael Feinstein, Wednesday, Dec. 19 and Thursday, Dec. 20, at 8 p.m. Tickets range from \$25 to \$85. Peabo Bryson, Sheena Easton, Michael McDonald and Oleta Adams will combine their talents with the DSO to offer The Colors of Christmas, Friday, Dec. 21 and Saturday, Dec. 22, at 8 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 23, at 7 p.m. Tickets range from \$29 to \$88. Call (313) 576-5100.

Nutcracker magic

The Ballet Internationale and the Michigan Opera Theatre will bring the magic of Tchaikovsky's Nutcracker to the stage of the Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway in Detroit, Friday, Dec. 7 through Sunday, Dec. 16. Performances will be offered on Thursday and Fridays, at 8 p.m.; Saturdays at 2 and 8 p.m.; Sunday, Dec. 9, at 2 and 6 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 16, at 1 and 5 p.m. Tickets range from \$14 to \$60. Call (313) 237-SING.

Bach is back

The Brunch with Bach series returns to the Kresge Court of the Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward in Detroit, Sunday, Dec. 9, at 11 a.m., with a performance by the Wartenberg, Kashiwagi and Pashmakova Trio. Tickets for brunch and the concert are \$22 for adults and \$11 for children. Seating on the carpeted stairwell for the concert is \$5. Call (313) 833-4005.

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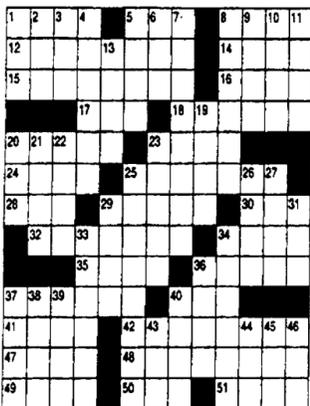
Moliere's Learned Ladies and Henrik Ibsen's A Doll's House and Alan Ayckbourn's Season's Greetings, now grace the stage of Wayne State University's Hilberry Theatre, 4743 Cass in Detroit. Performances will be offered in rotating repertory, Thursday through Saturday, at 8 p.m. and Wednesday and Saturday, at 2 p.m. Tickets range from \$17 to \$20. Call (313) 577-2972.

Shakespeare's dream

William Shakespeare's quintessential comedy A Midsummer Night's Dream opens at Wayne State University's Bonstelle Theatre, 3424 Woodward in Detroit, Friday, Dec. 7 and runs through Sunday, Dec. 16. Performances will be offered on Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$10 or \$8 for students and seniors. Call (313) 577-2960.

Last week's puzzle solved

ACROSS
1 Theater award
5 Actress Merkel
8 "Howzat again?"
12 Trumpet flourishes
14 Playbill listing
15 Half-circle window
16 Duel fool
17 Citric quaff
18 Wipes out
20 Jars some
23 Sitter's bane
24 Cookie-maker
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29 "Line is it anyway?"
30 Massage
32 Go over the antibiotic
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Here is a no-cook dip to do with vegetables

You've been asked to bring something to the annual holiday party. You don't like to cook.

You don't have to cook and you can make this delicious creamy cheesy dip that will forever change the way you present a vegetable platter. The recipe was given to me (written on a cocktail napkin) by Jackie Baumgart, the new proprietor of the reopened

Robusto's in Grosse Pointe Woods. I had sampled this dip at a recent wine tasting.

Creamy Cheese Dip

- 2 8-oz. blocks cream cheese
- 2 5 oz. jars Kraft Old English cheese spread
- 2 5 oz. jars Kraft Roka blue cheese spread
- 1 teaspoon paprika

- 1 teaspoon white vinegar
- 1 teaspoon garlic salt

Place the cream cheese in a large mixing bowl and allow it to sit for 30 minutes or until it begins to soften. Add all of the remaining ingredients and with a blender, whip until the mixture becomes smooth and fluffy. Scrape down the sides of the bowl

often. Spoon the dip into bowls for dipping and sprinkle with paprika. Serve with fresh vegetables or bread sticks. Perk up your veggie tray by adding blanched green beans and asparagus instead of the usual celery and broccoli. Put bread sticks in decorative glasses and place among the vegetables and dip. It will provide

height for your table presentation. I haven't had Kraft spreadable cheese since I was a little girl. After the cheese was gone, my mother turned the jars into juice glasses. This recipe makes lots of dip. Store leftover dip tightly covered in the refrigerator. Thanks Jackie for a simply terrific recipe and good luck.

A LA ANNIE

By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff



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calendar of events

- **Holiday Hours.** Thursday, December 6 through Tuesday, December 11, open 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday, December 9 from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday, December 12 through Saturday, December 15, open 9 a.m. to 10 p.m.
- **Lilly Pulitzer Focus Day.** Featuring dresses, casual wear, swimwear, petites, women's shoes, children's and home. Thursday, December 6 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. In Sportswear.
- **Santa Returns to Jacobson's.** Taking a well-deserved break from his busy activities at the North Pole, Santa returns for another visit to Jacobson's on Sunday, December 9 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. In Children's.
- **Diamond Tea Focus Day.** Find sophisticated comfort with this collection of pretty robes that combine elegant styles and luxurious fabrics. Saturday, December 8 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. In Intimate Apparel.
- **Trish McEvoy Artists on Location.** Saturday, December 8 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call for your appointment (313)882-7000, ext. 4179. In Beauty.
- **Barry Kronen Collection Show.** Come see this dazzling jewelry collection of colorful gemstones set in 18K gold. Wednesday, December 12, from noon to 7 p.m. In Fine Jewelry.

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Missed free throws sink Saddlelites in state quarterfinals

By Bob St. John
 Staff writer
BERKLEY — Regina's free-throw shooting has been a rock solid 75 percent this season.
 However, it failed the Saddlelites in their 55-53 Class A quarterfinal loss to West Bloomfield (15-10) last week at Berkley High.
 "We were hitting free throws at a 75 percent clip throughout the season until our regional final," head coach Diane Laffey said. "We hit only 54 percent, but won, and tonight we hit less than 50 percent."
 The Saddlelites hit 42.9 percent (6-of-14) to be exact, while West Bloomfield, which finished the regular season a modest 10-10, won its fifth straight by hitting 70 percent of its free throws.
 In fact, it was Veronica White's two free throws with 8.1 seconds left that were the winning points.
 "It was probably the scariest time of my life," White said of her free throws with a trip to the semifinals on the line.

The game was close throughout as the lead changed hands 22 times, including one final time in the Saddlelites' favor when senior Rachel Curtis hit a putback with two minutes left.
 West Bloomfield's Samantha Mahoney tied the game with a free throw and each squad missed shot attempts.
 Regina had its chance to win the game, but senior Lauren Gay's shot from the free-throw line missed and Curtis' tip-in was short.

White received a length of the court pass and was fouled while attempting a layup.
 The Saddlelites had one more chance to send the game to overtime, but senior Candace Shue's baseline jumper was short.
 "I told the girls to take the first available good shot and Lauren did just that," Laffey said. "She was wide open and just missed the shot."
 "This was a great high school basketball game, but unfortunately for the girls and the Regina fans, it wasn't a good outcome."
 Senior Alexis Terry and junior Kim Petrucci each scored two points to round out the Saddlelites' scoring.
 The Regina basketball team finished the season 19-7 overall.

Gallagher fizzes against Portland St. Patrick

By Bob St. John
 Staff writer
LAPEER — Bishop Gallagher's girls basketball team dropped its Class D state quarterfinal game last week, losing 52-33 to Portland St. Patrick.
 "We held our own for the first quarter, then St. Patrick just took off and built a big halftime lead," head coach Ron Biotti said. "They're a well-coached team that isn't a huge team, but they play very well as a team."
 St. Patrick, winners of five of the last seven Class D state titles, led 30-18 at the half.

"We played an even second half, but the halftime deficit was too much for us to make up against a team like St. Patrick," Biotti said.
 "We had to play our best game to win and we didn't." The Lancers were behind the eight ball early on as the bus was caught in a traffic jam on I-75 and arrived at Lapeer East High 20 minutes before tip-off and early in the first quarter senior Bridget Carpenter left the game with a knee injury.
 "St. Patrick's coach told us to take as much time as we would need, which was very nice on his part, but Bridget's injury really hurt our chances to win," Biotti said. "She has been such an integral part of the team and her absence was felt."
 At the time the Lancers led 7-4, but once Carpenter went out St. Patrick went on a 26-1 run.
 Senior Jena Jump paced the Lancers with 12 points,

eight rebounds and six assists, while senior Helen Pettway added 10 points, 11 rebounds, three steals and three assists.
 Senior Alicia Gore had three points and three rebounds, and junior Katie Masserang chipped in with three points and five rebounds.
 The other scorers were junior Ericka Canty (two blocks) and senior Jessica Smith with two points apiece, and senior Jeaniae Lawton with a point.
 The Bishop Gallagher basketball team finished the season 15-9 overall.
 "This group of seniors won three consecutive Catholic League A-East titles and three straight district titles, plus a regional crown," Biotti said.
 "They have brought a lot of success to this program and every one of my players should be proud of what they have contributed."

South girls win ULS hockey crown

Grosse Pointe South's girls hockey team had its toughest test of the season in the championship game of the University Liggett School Invitational, but the Blue Devils passed it by the narrowest of margins.
 South overcame injuries, a shaky defense and a couple of late penalties to hold off Cranbrook Kingswood 8-7.
 Freshman Sarah Parker scored a shorthanded goal with 3:19 left in the third period to break a 7-7 tie and improve the Blue Devils' record to 4-0.
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Senior Rachel Curtis, No. 20, scored 22 points, but it wasn't enough to prevent Regina from losing 55-53 to West Bloomfield in last week's Class A quarterfinal.

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The Grosse Pointe Hockey Association Pee Wee B Hawkeyes won their division championship at the recent Troy Turkey Tournament. In front, from left, are Evan Rutkofske, Matt Smutek, Mark Servais, Ryan Brandon, Michael Colosimo and Dean Ignagni. In the middle row, from left, are Michael Balke, Michael Walsh, Stanley Leverett, Brandon Budzyn, Michael Steiner, Jeffrey Johnston and Ethan Steiner. In back, from left, are coaches Bill Balke, Chris Budzyn, Steve Walsh and Brad Eickhorst. Not pictured are Tripp Kennedy and coach Craig Onderbeke.

Hawkeyes win Troy tourney

A hot goalie can win a tournament and that's what the Grosse Pointe Hockey Association Pee Wee B Hawkeyes had in the recent Troy Turkey Tournament.

Hawkeyes goalie Michael Colosimo stopped all six shots he faced during a shootout in the championship game to lead his team to a 2-1 victory over the Rochester Cobras.

The shootout victory gave the Hawkeyes the Division A title in the tournament at the Troy Sports Center.

The Cobras and Hawkeyes were both 3-0 going into the championship game and the Rochester squad had allowed only one goal in those three games.

Grosse Pointe had good jump early in the game and its tenacious forechecking resulted in a goal by Dean Ignagni midway through the first period.

Rochester finally beat Colosimo late in the second period, at which point the game turned into a defensive battle.

Both goaltenders played well in the third period and each made some key saves to preserve the 1-1 tie.

In the first sudden death overtime, Hawkeyes defenseman Michael Balke, Stanley Leverett, Brandon Budzyn and Michael Steiner did a good job of stopping any Rochester rush at the blue line.

Offensively, the Hawkeyes

got good pressure from Evan Rutkofske, Ryan Brandon and Michael Walsh but couldn't score.

The second overtime period saw Grosse Pointe threaten with good shots by Jeffrey Johnston, Matt Smutek and Mark Servais, but again they couldn't beat the Cobras' netminder. Colosimo also played well in stopping a Rochester attack that seemed to step up in the period.

The game then went to a shootout. Servais took the first shot for the Hawkeyes. He deked the goalie and slid the puck through his pads.

That was the only goal Grosse Pointe scored but it was all the Hawkeyes needed as Colosimo stood his ground. His efforts earned him the tournament's most valuable player award.

The Hawkeyes opened the tournament with a 4-3 win over the Livonia Predators. Brandon, Ignagni, Ethan Steiner and Rutkofske scored for Grosse Pointe. Walsh, Smutek, Budzyn, Servais and Johnston collected assists. Balke and Leverett led a strong defensive effort.

Walsh scored his third goal of the game on a high wrist shot in the final seconds of the third period to give the Hawkeyes a 4-3 win over the Farmington Hills Devils. Rutkofske assisted on the winning goal.

Grosse Pointe took a 2-0

lead in the second period on Walsh's first two goals, assisted by Brandon and Smutek, but the Devils came from behind to lead 3-2 early in the third period.

Servais tied the game with 1:44 remaining. Johnston got the assists. The Devils had several quality shots after Servais' goal, but couldn't beat Colosimo.

The Hawkeyes' first easy win came against the Plymouth Great White Sharks. Ethan Steiner scored four times in the 7-1 victory. Walsh, Rutkofske and Brandon also tallied for the Hawkeyes. Walsh, Ignagni, Smutek and Ethan Steiner collected assists.

The Hawkeyes are coached by Bill Balke, Brad Eickhorst, Steve Walsh, Chris Budzyn and Craig Onderbeke. Michele Balke is the team manager.

Frazier-Herdoiza team wins Midwest Mixed Doubles title

Touring pro Amy Frazier of Rochester Hills was in a familiar role last Sunday — accepting the championship trophy at the Midwest Open Mixed Doubles tennis tournament at the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club.

It was a record-tying fifth championship in the tournament for Frazier, who teamed with Steve Herdoiza to beat Susan Mascarin-Keane of Grosse Pointe and Steve Campbell of Detroit, 6-0, 6-2 in the final.

Frazier, who first played in the tournament as a nine-year-old in 1981, was making her 14th appearance. It was the third time that Frazier and Herdoiza have been the winning team. They also finished first in 1998-99.

Frazier's five wins tied the record shared by Ed Nagel and Carrie Cunningham. Mascarin-Keane, who has

advanced to the semifinal round five times, was making her first finals appearance after she and Campbell beat the defending champion team of Anne Miller and Nagel 6-2, 2-6, 6-4 in the semifinals.

In the other semifinal, Frazier and Herdoiza beat 1999 finalist Wendy Giles and Hunt Club tennis director Brian DeVirgilio, 6-2, 6-1.

Frazier and Herdoiza were dominant throughout the tournament as they lost only 10 games in their four matches.

Mascarin-Keane led a group of 16 Grosse Pointers who participated in the tournament. Blake Willmarth, a senior at Grosse Pointe South, and nationally-ranked Canadian junior Kara Delicata advanced to the round of 16, as did Erica Mainhardt, a member of the

pro staff at the Hunt Club and University Liggett School senior Alex Conti.

Former Hunt Club professionals Steffi Schulte and Gary Hoslet advanced to the third round.

Other teams with local ties were Kathryn Barlow and Brian Kean, Judy Servis and Brandon Still, Sharon Gill and Marius Mag, Vicky Seiter and Joe Valle, Kendall Swenson and Hunter Huth and Carolyn Gorski and Richard Marsh.

This year's event set attendance records on all five dates and had the largest purse in the 28-year history of the tournament. The tournament is expected to continue to expand with the three-year commitment of title-presenting sponsor Edmund T. Ahee Jewelers and associate sponsors Kirlin Company and Delphi Automotive.



Here are the four finalists in the 28th annual Midwest Open Mixed Doubles Tennis Championships which were held last weekend at the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club. From left are runners-up Susan Mascarin-Keane and Steve Campbell and champions Steve Herdoiza and Amy Frazier.

Lutheran East spikers are primed for strong run at Metro Conference crown

Winter preview

By Bob St. John
Staff writer

The Lutheran East girls volleyball team hasn't been this solid since it won conference championships in the late 1980s.

Third-year head coach Reay Zoellner has his Eagles primed and ready to not just challenge for a conference title, but a district championship as well.

"The girls are working hard and they have a successful 2000-01 season to look back on and build from," Zoellner said.

Zoellner has brought in a dedication to the sport that has driven the Eagles to new heights.

"The girls weren't consistent last year, but I know it was due to their youth, but now they are a year older and stronger volleyball players," Zoellner said. "We had a great summer camp, which I know will carry over to the regular season."

The Eagles finished 15-16-2 a year ago, but senior Emily Bellhorn hopes to exceed that and then some.

"Emily is one of our setters and she is our only senior," Zoellner said. "The rest of our squad is juniors and a sophomore."

Juniors Caitlin Gerds, Kelli Zoellner, Kristen Altenburg, Stacy Turgeon, Sherrie Wier, Michelle Windhorst and Anjani Mahabir, plus sophomore Brandi Dona, make up the rest of the varsity squad.

"Our hitting and net play will be just fine, but we need to pass the ball well in order to set up our offense," Zoellner said.

East is in a position to contend for a conference title after finishing 4-4 in

the Metro a year ago. University Liggett School and Macomb Lutheran North are two of the top teams to beat.

"We were the only team to beat Liggett in the regular season, which is something we can build on for this season," Zoellner said. "The talent is here, but the girls have to put it all together on the court."

East was the favorite heading into its district title match with Bishop Gallagher, but lost.

"The loss in the finals left a bad taste in our mouth that won't go away unless the girls are successful this year," Zoellner said.

The Eagles play non-league foes Southfield Christian, Warren Immaculate Conception, Bishop Gallagher, Warren Bethesda Christian and Huron Valley, in addition to competing in five tournaments.

"The girls will be busy and they will get a shot to play some good competition," Zoellner said. "We're aiming for a lot of success this season and anything less will be a disappointment."

The Lutheran East volleyball team opens its season on Saturday, Dec. 8, competing in the South Lake Tournament.

Basketball

It's going to be an interesting winter for head coach Gary Gutenkunst and his Lutheran East boys basketball team.

"We lost all five of our starters from a year ago (12-9 overall)," Gutenkunst said. "However, we have some young kids who have talent, but it's unproven at the varsity level."

Returners Bobby Maynard (senior), Matt Machermer (junior) and Robert Carlisle (sophomore) give the Eagles a solid trio to work around, while senior Josh Saunders, junior Chris Gibson, junior Neal Bellamy and sophomore Brandon Lostutter will get plenty of playing time in their first varsity season.

"We're getting there," Gutenkunst said. "It will take some time for everyone to gel, but once we do I think we can be a very competitive basketball team."

Can this young group contend for a Metro Conference title?

"Harper Woods is the team to beat, while Cranbrook Kingswood and Lutheran Westland will also be tough," Gutenkunst said. "I hope the youngsters can play well and give a great shot at finishing in the top half of our conference."

Gutenkunst's squad will get their feet wet on Friday

and Saturday, Dec. 7 and 8, during the Lutheran Tournament.

Their non-league schedule also consists of Detroit Urban Lutheran, Marine City Cardinal, Mooney, Warren Immaculate Conception, Warren Zoe Christian and Southfield Christian.

The Lutheran East basketball team opens its season with the Lutheran Tournament at Macomb Lutheran North.

Wrestling

John Widmer is back for his second season as Lutheran East's head wrestling coach.

The Eagles struggled to a 3-24 overall mark a year ago, but most of the losses were attributed to giving up voids.

Sophomore Chris Jurczak is the Eagles' most experi-

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EAGLES

South hockey team's first victory is a thriller

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Mike Hackett is Grosse Pointe South's "Mr. Clutch." It was Hackett who laid down the perfect squeeze bunt to drive in the winning run in the Blue Devils' 2-1 win over Grand Ledge in the state Division I baseball championship game last spring.

And it was Hackett who scored two of South's biggest goals of the young hockey season in last week's 4-3 win over Wyandotte Roosevelt in a Michigan Metro Hockey League game. His second of the game came with 29 seconds remaining and snapped a 3-3 tie to give South its first win of the season.

"It was a game we had to win," said Blue Devils coach Bob Bopp. "If you're 0-4, you wonder, 'Where do we go from here?'"

And that was a thought that certainly crossed Bopp's

mind after the first period when South left the ice trailing 2-0.

It was an even period and the Blue Devils had an excellent scoring opportunity early but the Bears' goalie slid across the crease to make a save on Rob Porter, who had been set up by Bobby Danforth. Moments later, Wyandotte scored on a 2-on-1 break.

To make matters worse, the Bears scored a short-handed goal with 29 seconds remaining in the period.

"Here was a must-win game and we were down 2-0," Bopp said. "But there's something I like about this team. They kept working and never let themselves get down."

It didn't take long for South to get back into the game. Danforth won a face-off and got the puck to Hackett, who cut the Wyandotte lead to 2-1.

But the Blue Devils

weren't home free just yet.

A Wyandotte player shot the puck off the boards toward the net and it hit a South defenseman on the shoulder and deflected into the net past goalie Andrew Scavone.

"It was a lucky goal and a lot of teams might have given up, but not this one," Bopp said.

A minute after the Bears' third goal, Scavone came up with an outstanding save on a breakaway.

"I think that turned the game around for us," Bopp said. "It certainly gave us a big lift."

South made it 3-2 at 6:18 of the second period when Rich Giffin found the top corner of the net, assisted by Avery Schmidt and Jordan Winfield. A little more than two minutes later, Danforth knocked in Giffin's rebound to tie the game at 3-3.

The Blue Devils continued to skate well in the third

period, but it looked like they'd have to settle for a tie until Hackett intercepted a pass and scored the winner.

"I think that when we look back on this season we'll point to this game as a turning point for us," Bopp said. "One thing that's become clear about this team is that win or lose, the players are going to give their best effort on every shift."

Another key against Roosevelt was South's domination in the faceoff circle.

"Our centers — Danforth, Hackett and Porter — were great on faceoffs," Bopp said. "They must have won eight out of every 10."

The victory against Wyandotte did have a carry-over into its next contest, a league game with Allen Park Cabrini that the Blue Devils won 5-1.

"We dominated from start to finish," Bopp said. "It was our best game of the year. The kids skated hard and

had a lot of scoring chances. We could have had at least nine goals if their goalie hadn't played so well."

South opened the scoring at 8:12 of the first period on a power-play goal by Giffin. He scored from the slot as a result of some good puck control by Porter and Schmidt, who collected assists.

Cabrini took advantage of a defensive mistake and scored on a 2-on-1 with 1:49 left in the first period.

"We have to work more on being a better defensive team," Bopp said. "We're getting caught too often."

South, which outshot the Monarchs 12-5 in the first period, continued its domination in the second with a 14-6 shot advantage.

This time the Blue Devils were able to beat the Cabrini netminder twice. Ryan Mischnick scored on a shot from the slot, assisted by Chase MacEachern and

Brian Gatliff. South got a power-play goal from Porter at 13:11. Giffin and Trey Shields had the assists.

Danforth scored a short-handed goal at 1:06 of the third period, assisted by Giffin. Tim Vandenberg capped the scoring with 11 seconds remaining in the game. Porter picked up his third assist of the contest.

South finished with a 40-12 shot advantage and Scavone recorded his second straight victory.

"Every player who dressed for the game played and played well," Bopp said.

South is idle until Friday when it plays University Liggett School in the semifinals of the ULS tournament at 7 p.m. The other semifinal pits Grosse Pointe North against Notre Dame at 5 p.m.

Friday's winners play at 2:15 p.m. on Saturday. The consolation game is scheduled for noon.

Muskegon trip brings out the best in Norsemen's ice squad

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's hockey team has won three of its four games this season but it wasn't until Saturday that coach Scott Lock really felt good about his team.

"We finally played like a North hockey team is supposed to play," Lock said after the Norsemen skated to a 5-1 victory over Muskegon Mona Shores.

"It was a good, all-around effort from everyone. We played hard and did the little things well. It was our best game so far."

That was important

because the Norsemen had to beat a hot goaltender in order to post the victory.

North outshot Mona Shores 17-2 in the first period but the game was scoreless. The Sailors got the game's first goal early in the second period but Eric Dloski put North on the board at 9:34. Andy Scarfone and Mike Mueller also got goals for the Norsemen to send them into the final period with a 3-1 lead.

Scarfone and Jon Thomas completed the North scoring with third-period goals.

"Andy is playing well," Lock said. "He has three

goals in the last two games. He's like our Tomas Holmstrom. He isn't afraid to go in front of the net and he'll stand there and take the pounding. His second goal (against Mona Shores) went in off his rear end."

Several other Norsemen also earned Lock's praise for their efforts against the Sailors, who won the Division II title in 2000.

"Jon Thomas played well defensively and had a couple of assists," Lock said. "Chris Barger had three assists and Erik Schleicher had a good game on defense. We moved him to defense before

the last game and he's looking more comfortable there. He also had a couple of assists."

North finished with a 45-15 advantage in shots but sophomore goalie Dan Vasquez came up with some key saves for the Norsemen.

"He wasn't tested a lot, but he had to make a couple of tough saves," Lock said.

Earlier, North held on for a 4-3 victory over Livonia Stevenson in a game that counted in the Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League standings.

After that contest, Lock was disappointed in his team's play.

"We played about 10 good minutes," he said. "This team is capable of playing better. And we have to or we're not going to win many games."

Colin Chase was in goal against Stevenson and he was outstanding.

"He saved us that night," Lock said. "We got outworked by Stevenson and that hasn't happened at North very often."

One of Chase's biggest

saves came during the first minute of the second period when he stopped Adam Miller on a breakaway to preserve a scoreless tie.

That seemed to light a spark under the Norsemen, who opened the scoring at 3:22. Roger Horrie sent a pass from behind to net to David Neveux, who jammed the puck past goalie Robbie Thomas.

Six seconds later, the Norsemen made it 2-0 on a goal by Scarfone, who was assisted by Barger and Neal Gram.

Neveux set up Mueller in front of the net for a power-play goal at 5:49 of the third period and Peter Barratta boosted the Norsemen's lead to 4-0 only 15 seconds later when he redirected Chris Ahee's pass from the edge of the crease. John Dallas also assisted.

It looked like an easy win for North, but the Norsemen got careless on defense in the last six minutes and took a couple of costly penalties.

Defensesman Matt Callus

ended Chase's shutout bid with a shot from the point during a power play at 8:45 and Josh Lutzman scored a power-play goal from a goal-mouth scramble at 11:20 to make it 4-2.

The Spartans pulled Thomas for an extra attacker in the final minute and Jonathan O'Neill cut North's lead to a single goal with 17 seconds remaining.

"I think our players have almost too much confidence in our goalies," Lock said. "It's like the Red Wings. They know that Chase or Vasquez are going to make the big saves so they get a little too careless on defense."

"That's what happened in the Stevenson game. Against Mona Shores we didn't let that happen. We took care of things much better in our zone."

North is idle until Friday at 5 p.m. when it plays Notre Dame in a semifinal game at the University Liggett School tournament. The championship game is scheduled for 2:15 p.m. on Saturday, following the consolation game at noon.



Photo by Dr. Richard Dunlap
Grosse Pointe South's four all-tournament selections show off the championship trophy from the University Liggett School Invitational girls hockey tournament. From left, are Sarah Parker, Phoebe Zimmerman, Nicki Brown and Heather Doughty.

South

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Libby Klein opened the scoring for South early in the first period, but Cranbrook tied the game a few minutes later. The Blue Devils regained the lead on Doughty's goal, which was set up by Julie Moore.

Cranbrook answered with two goals, the second coming with 40 seconds left in the period, to take a 3-2 lead. The Cranes' advantage didn't last long as Zimmerman won a faceoff, dodged several Cranbrook defenders and lifted the puck into the Cranes' net with 28 seconds remaining in the period.

Zimmerman got her second goal during the first minute of the second period when she came from behind the net and jammed it past the scrambling goalie.

Cranbrook again tied the game, despite a fine defensive play by South's Emele Williams. South got a four-minute roughing penalty at 11:30 but managed to kill it off without any damage.

Cassie Weaver converted a perfect centering pass from Zimmerman with 3:43 left in the second period to give the Blue Devils a 5-4 lead. Zimmerman then stole

the puck at center ice and completed her second hat trick in three games.

Cranbrook made it 6-5 in the final seconds of the second period and the Cranes tied the game again on a power play early in the third period.

Doughty's second goal of the game made it 7-6, but once again Cranbrook got the equalizer. Williams had to leave the game with an injury, leaving South short of defensemen, and the Cranes got a 5-on-3 power play late in the game.

While Cranbrook had the two-man advantage, Parker took the puck at the blue line, skated in and lifted a shot just under the crossbar. Parker had two earlier scoring opportunities but hit a goalpost and was victimized by a fine save by the Cranbrook goalie.

South advanced to the championship game with an 8-0 victory over ULS in the semifinals.

The Blue Devils led 2-0 after the first period on a pair of goals by Nicki Brown during a span of less than a minute. Weaver assisted on the first and the second was unassisted.

South dominated the sec-

ond period and got goals from Doughty, Weaver and Klein to make it 5-0 going into the final period.

Zimmerman, Doughty and Klein completed the scoring with third-period goals.

Caitlin Kefgen and Leah Schroeder combined for the shutout.

Brown, Doughty, Parker and Zimmerman made the all-tournament team. They were joined by Grosse Pointe North's Heather Flemion, Katherine McPharlin and Cristina Schroeder and Maggie Dillon and Stephanie McLroy of ULS.

Earlier, South rolled past Port Huron 14-1 in a Michigan Metro Girls Hockey League game.

Doughty and Zimmerman each scored three goals for South against the first-year team. Klein, Parker, Weaver and Emily Shefferly added two goals apiece.

South plays North on Saturday at 12:30 p.m. on the Norsemen's home ice at Great Lakes Arena in Fraser. The Blue Devils' next home game at City Arena is Wednesday, Dec. 12, against Livonia Ladywood.

North survives tough stretch

Grosse Pointe North's girls hockey team accomplished the first of several goals it set for the first month of the season when the Norsemen won two of its three games on consecutive nights last week.

North opened the grueling stretch with a 6-0 victory over Port Huron in a Michigan Metro Girls Hockey League game.

Jennifer Boutin led the way with a pair of goals. Kathryn Barlow, Sara VanRaemdonck, Alyssa Simon and Megan Irving had a goal apiece for North.

The Norsemen dropped a 4-0 decision to Cranbrook

Kingswood in the opening game of the University Liggett School Invitational.

"We played pretty well but made a couple of key mistakes," said coach Tim Van Eckoute. "Against a team like that, it costs you."

"Our kids were aggressive and skated well all night but in the end, Cranbrook's goal-tending proved to be too strong."

North bounced back with a 5-3 win over ULS in the consolation game of the tournament.

Heather Flemion led the Norsemen's offensive attack with two goals and three assists. Christina Schroder

had two goals and two assists. Simon notched North's other goal.

"We were very disappointed in our third-period play but overall, we were happy with the win," Van Eckoute said.

AAU tryouts

Harper Woods High is hosting tryouts for the Eastside Wizards, a girls 10-year-old AAU basketball team, on Sunday, Dec. 9, at 11 a.m.

Matt Joseph is the head coach. For more information, contact Harper Woods High at (313) 839-7400, ext. 214.

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ND wrestling to battle Catholic League elite

Winter preview

By Bob St. John
Staff writer

Head coach Gordie Fooks has his Notre Dame wrestling team in a position that hasn't been seen at the school since the mid-1980s — league and district title contenders.

"We're very enthusiastic about the upcoming season," Fooks said. "Our numbers are way up and the experience in the lineup is the best we have had in our three years with the program."

The Fightin' Irish are coming off a 19-7-1 2000-'01 season, which included a 34-33 loss to Warren Fitzgerald in a Division II team district semifinal match.

"We expect our kids to win and if they should happen to lose, we want them to give it their all," Fooks said. "That attitude has been dominant this season during the first few weeks of practice."

Fooks is looking for veterans Ian Naud (119-pound class), Dan Hughes (130 pounds), Joe Tironi (135 pounds), Mark Nemeckay (140 pounds), Chris Grey (152 pounds), Kyle Smith (171 pounds) and Victor Fields (275 pounds) to earn a ton of points for the team.

"We have a solid nucleus to build the team around," Fooks said. "Our newcomers will learn the sport and they will contribute to our success."

The Irish's schedule is loaded with tough competition from Lake Shore, Auburn Hills Avondale, Clintondale, Hazel Park, Lakeview, Birmingham Brother Rice, Redford Thurston, Dearborn Divine Child, L'Anse Creuse,

Dearborn Heights Annapolis, Dearborn Fordson, Orchard Lake St. Mary and Madison Heights Bishop Foley.

Notre Dame opened its season last week, beating Lake Shore 42-36 and host Auburn Hills Avondale 49-24.

"It was a great way to open the season," assistant coach Dan Fooks said. "Everyone worked hard for us to earn both wins."

Strong performances were turned in by Hughes, Grey, Smith, Sal Valgoi, Naud, Brian Shea and Jacob Vasquez.

The match with Lake Shore was tied at 36 heading into the final match, but Smith pinned Doug Brothers at 3:17 of the second period to lift the Irish.

"We had some outstanding matches that were won and lost," Fooks said.

Notre Dame also hosted the annual Toys for Tots Tournament last weekend, finishing third.

"We had a good tournament," Fooks said. "Our kids were really into it and the results showed."

Eastpointe East Detroit and Rochester finished ahead of Notre Dame.

The rest of the teams were Harper Woods, Warren Woods-Tower, Mount Clemens, Roseville, Grosse Pointe North, Warren Cousino, Saginaw, Jackson Western High and a squad composed of junior varsity kids.

The Notre Dame wrestling team is 2-0 overall.

Coming up for the Fightin' Irish is their tournament on Saturday, Dec. 8, followed by a home triangular match against Brother Rice and

Thurston on Wednesday, Dec. 12.

Basketball

The Notre Dame basketball team is heading down a new road under first-year head coach Don Sicko.

"I know Notre Dame has had some success in the past several years and I plan to continue that success under my system," Sicko said.

Sicko had a ton of success guiding Royal Oak Shrine to Catholic League supremacy in the 1970s, plus he was the head coach of the University of Detroit Titans in the mid-'80s.

"I've coached some fantastic young men during my days and I think coaching in the Catholic League will help me keep Notre Dame as one of the top programs around," Sicko said.

The Fightin' Irish finished at the .500 mark a year ago, despite winning their seventh district title in the past nine seasons.

Their season came to a crashing halt with an embarrassing home loss to Orchard Lake St. Mary in a Class B regional semifinal.

This year's nucleus consists of seniors Brian Biggs, Sean Rinke, Dan Marchese and Jamey Embree, plus juniors Dave Drwencke, John Pelak and Marvin Listenbee.

"We have some very talented players coming back and some that played a majority of last season on the junior varsity," Sicko said. "I love the attitude of the guys and they are anxious to play."

Biggs is one of the area's most explosive scorers, while Sicko will count on the toughness of Marchese to blend with the collectiveness of Rinke.

"We have some smart basketball players who don't get rattled," Sicko said.

Pelak is a solid guard, while Drwencke and Listenbee are both 6-foot-8. Listenbee was 6-2 last year, but grew six inches during the off-season.

"We will have a solid one-two punch in the low post," Sicko said. "We will count on both Dave and Marvin to provide defense and rebounding."

Can Sicko lead Notre Dame to a Central Division title in his first season? "DeLaSalle has all of its key players back from last

year's league championship team and U-D will be good," Sicko said. "I think we will need time to jell and for the guys to get used to my system, but I think we're in the same boat as Catholic Central and Brother Rice."

"I would like to see us contend for a division title, but I just want the kids to play hard and we will see what happens."

The Irish's non-league schedule consists of Grosse Pointe North, Grosse Pointe South, Romeo, Windsor Brennan, Madison Heights Bishop Foley and rival Pontiac Notre Dame Prep.

In addition, Notre Dame will host a holiday tournament on Thursday and Friday, Dec. 27 and 28.

"Our schedule is pretty demanding, but our kids don't mind playing some of the top teams in the area," Sicko said. "We will take them one at a time."

Sicko makes his Notre Dame head coaching debut on Friday, Dec. 7, at home against Grosse Pointe North.

Hockey

Can head coach Kevin McKay and his Notre Dame hockey team duplicate last year's 18-5 mark?

"We lost a ton of seniors, but the kids we have coming back are solid leaders," McKay said. "The kids are working very hard at becoming good hockey players."

Notre Dame also added a junior varsity squad that competes in Division 3, along with Grosse Pointe South, Waterford Kettering, North Branch, Royal Oak and U-D Jesuit.

The other schools with junior varsity programs are Brighton, Howell, Jackson Lumen Christi, Milford, Novi and Walled Lake Central in Division 1, plus Farmington Hills, Lakeland, Northville, Plymouth Canton-Salem and Clarkston in Division 2.

The "B" team will really help our program stay competitive," McKay said. "We have 10 kids playing hockey for Notre Dame High School."

McKay is counting on senior captains Joel Maltese, Padraic Timmons and Pat Lipa to lead the squad, while goalies David Murray (junior) and Chris Joswiak (sophomore) have the pressure put on them

being newcomers and playing the most important position on the ice.

"Our goalies have done a nice job so far," McKay said. "We have two juniors and two sophomores as our main defensive group, but everyone has the right attitude for us to quickly jell into a good team."

The Fightin' Irish won the Michigan Prep Hockey League (MPHL) West Division and went on to beat Marysville 3-2 in the MPHL title game.

U-D Jesuit might be the team to beat, but the Irish will contend.

The schedule is heavy with top teams like Lansing Catholic Central, Flint Powers, Allen Park Cabrini, Dearborn Divine Child, U-D Jesuit, Orchard Lake St. Mary and Birmingham Brother Rice.

McKay's squad has played five games to open the season, starting with a 6-4 victory over arch rival Warren DeLaSalle. Maltese had a hat trick, while Timmons recorded four assists.

The Irish won the Big Rapids Tournament, beating Riverview Gabriel Richard 3-1 in the semifinals and Big Rapids 4-1 in the title game. It was a 1-1 game after two periods, but the Irish scored in the first minute of the third and never looked back.

"We fought off five straight penalties after taking the one-goal lead," McKay said. "We had 10 penalties to Big Rapids' five, but we won."

The Irish also beat Lansing Catholic Central 6-1 and lost 5-4 to Flint Powers.

"We dominated Powers, outshooting them 47-21, but the puck didn't find the back of the net enough times for us to win," McKay said.

The Notre Dame hockey team is 4-1 overall.

Next for the Fightin' Irish is the University Liggett School Tournament on Friday and Saturday, Dec. 7 and 8, at ULS, followed by a home game on Wednesday, Dec. 12, against St. Mary.

Swimming

The Notre Dame swim team is also under new guidance this season — Rick Johnston.

"I've seen some of the best

coaches in Macomb County and I want to coach Notre Dame back to where it was in its best days," Johnston said.

Johnston, the president of the Macomb YMCA, along with assistant coach Patrick Johnston, a national level triathlete, has brought discipline and fun back to a program that has been below mediocrity in recent years.

"So far things are going very well," Johnston said. "Everyone is upbeat, which I know will carry over to the regular season."

Notre Dame has been run over due to a lack of low numbers, but this season 18 are on the squad, including four kids from Harper Woods High (three of which are girls in the co-ed program).

The top kids are senior Mike Vance, sophomore Derek Johnston and sophomore Kyle Williams.

"We want to build a winning program here at Notre Dame," Johnston said. "I think we can get the kids to really be committed to competing on a higher level than they're used to."

The Irish dropped powerhouses Detroit Catholic Central and Birmingham Brother Rice, but left U-D Jesuit and arch rival Warren DeLaSalle on the schedule.

"It was a mutual decision between CC, Brother Rice and ourselves to leave them off the schedule," Johnston said. "Losing by more than 100 points to them doesn't do anything positive for either us or them."

The Irish's other opponents are Auburn Hills Avondale, University Liggett School, Chippewa Valley, Sterling Heights Stevenson, Macomb Dakota, L'Anse Creuse and Roseville.

In addition, Johnston's team will compete in the Catholic League swimming and diving championship meet on Saturday, March 2, at Royal Oak Dondoro.

"The team lost eight seniors from a year ago, which leaves us with a mostly brand new squad," Johnston said. "Patrick and myself are dedicated to making our kids the best swimmers they can be."

The Notre Dame swim team opens its season with an away meet on Tuesday, Dec. 11, against Avondale.



Photo by Bob Bruce
Notre Dame's wrestling team is optimistic it can pin its way to a district title this season.

NOTRE DAME BOYS VARSITY BASKETBALL 2001-02

⊗ DENOTES LEAGUE GAME

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
12-07-01	GROSSE POINTE SOUTH	7:30PM	02/08/02	⊗ DELASALLE	7:30PM
12-11-01	⊗ GROSSE POINTE SOUTH	7:30PM	02/11/02	CATHOLIC LG. PLAYOFFS	TBA
12-14-01	⊗ ROMEO	7:30PM	02/20/02	CATHOLIC LG. SEMI-FINAL	7:30PM
12-21-01	WINDSOR BRENNAN	7:30PM	02/24/02	CATHOLIC LG. FINALS	TBA
12-27-01	NOTRE DAME TOURNAMENT	6 & 8PM	03/02/02	OPERATION FRIENDSHIP	TBA
12-28-01	NOTRE DAME TOURNAMENT	6 & 8PM	03/04/02	MHSAA DISTRICT	TBA
01-04-02	CATHOLIC CENTRAL	7:30PM	03/06/02	MHSAA DISTRICT	TBA
01/08/02	BISHOP FOLEY	7:30PM	03/08/02	MHSAA DISTRICT FINALS	7:30PM
01/11/02	⊗ BROTHER RICE	7:30PM	03/11/02	MHSAA REGIONAL SEMI	7:30PM
01/15/02	⊗ U OF D JESUIT	7:30PM	03/13/02	MHSAA REGIONAL SEMI	7:30PM
01/18/02	DELASALLE	7:30PM	03/15/02	MHSAA REGIONAL FINAL	7:30PM
01/25/02	⊗ CATHOLIC CENTRAL	7:30PM	03/19/02	MHSAA CTR. FINAL	TBA
01/29/02	⊗ NOTRE DAME PREP	7:30PM	03/22/02	MHSAA SEMI FINALS	TBA
02/01/02	BROTHER RICE	7:30PM	03/23/02	MHSAA FINALS	TBA
02/05/02	⊗ U OF D JESUIT	7:30PM			

FIGHTIN' IRISH

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Wayne County Commission Committee on Ways and Means will hold a public hearing on a proposed ordinance to implement Public Act No. 290 of 1995 to establish a Community Mental Health Services Program to divert persons with serious mental illness, serious emotional disturbances, or developmental disability from possible jail incarceration, when appropriate. (2001-68-008)

The hearing will be held:
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BG's winter teams ready for victories

Winter preview

By Bob St. John
Staff writer

Elvira Mihali has used

East

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enced wrestler and placed first in the Lutheran East Tournament last weekend, while junior Dexter Shorter earned a sixth-place medal.

East's other wrestlers are David Taping, Doug Maynard, Scott Sell, Matt Goetz, Steve Lyons, Brendan Kelso and Justin Sommers.

"We're not the biggest team, but we will work hard in every meet," Widmer said. "I'm confident our kids will put together a solid season."

Widmer's has increased East's schedule, which includes non-league matches against Detroit Holy Redeemer, Dryden, Pontiac Central, Algonac, South Lake, Royal Oak Kimball, Memphis and Allen Park Inter-City Baptist, along with five tournaments.

Lutheran East began its season last week, beating Detroit Holy Redeemer and losing to Pontiac Central.

The Lutheran East wrestling team is 1-1 overall.

Coming up for the Eagles is a meet tonight, Thursday, Dec. 6, against South Lake, Royal Oak Kimball and host Algonac.

patience and persistence to guide her Bishop Gallagher girls volleyball team.

Mihali's first season was a nightmare as the Lancers won only a couple of matches, but last year (her second) she guided her squad to a 12-17-5 record that included a Class D district championship.

"The girls have improved with time, which is what we expected," Mihali said prior to Gallagher's regional semifinal match a year ago. "Now we expect our girls to take the next step."

The Lancers lost to Agape Christian in the regional semifinal, but that might have set the table for what could be a very good season for Mihali and her squad.

The top underclassmen last season were Katesha Lee, Bridget Carpenter and Alicia Gore.

Carpenter suffered a knee injury in the Lancers' girls basketball quarterfinal game and her return is unknown.

However, the rest of Mihali's squad will be ready to battle its Catholic League A-East foes Center Line St. Clement, Waterford Lakes, Bloomfield Hills Sacred Heart Academy, Allen Park Cabrini and Royal Oak Shrine.

The Lancers need consistency in order to contend for a division title and gain a playoff berth.

Mihali scheduled more matches against University

Liggett School and Lutheran East, plus two tournaments.

The Bishop Gallagher volleyball team made its season debut yesterday, Wednesday, Dec. 5, at ULS; next on the schedule is an away match on Monday, Dec. 10, against

Lutheran East.

Basketball

Ron Perfetto is back for his second season at the

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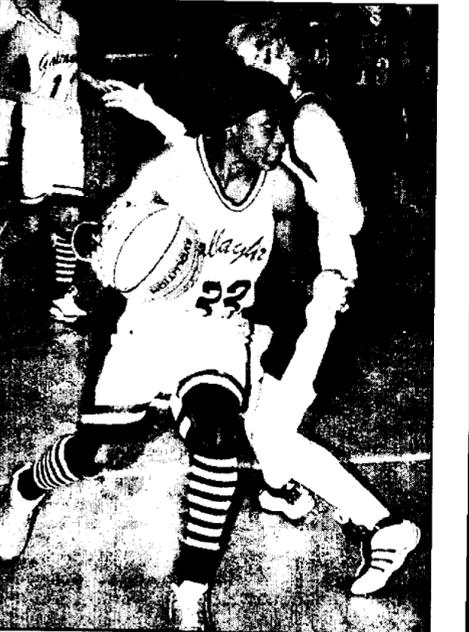


Photo by Bob Bruce
Bishop Gallagher senior Helen Pettway, with ball, scored 10 points and grabbed 11 rebounds in the Lancers' quarterfinal loss to Portland St. Patrick.

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GIRLS VARSITY VOLLEYBALL 2001-02

☉ DENOTES LEAGUE MATCH

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12-12-01	QUAD MATCH AT G.P. SOUTH	5:00PM	02-02-02	@ ANDOVER INVITATIONAL	TBA
12-15-01	@ ALLEN PARK INVITATIONAL	8:30AM	02-09-02	CHSL FIRST ROUND SEMIFINALS	TBA
01-08-02	@ MERCY ☉	6:30PM	02-14-02	CHSL FINALS AT MADONNA	TBA
01-10-02	@ NOTRE DAME PREP	7:00PM	02-16-02	@ CANSE CREUSE INVITATIONAL	8:00AM
01-12-02	@ TRUYN INVITATIONAL	8:00AM	02-18-02	OPERATION FRIENDSHIP	TBA
01-15-02	LADYWOOD ☉	6:30PM	02-23-02	@ U.M. DEARBORN TOURNEY	9:00AM
01-17-02	BP FOLEY	6:30PM	03-01-02	MHSAA DISTRICT	TBA
01-22-02	@ MARGAN ☉	6:30PM	03-02-02	MHSAA DISTRICT	TBA
01-24-02	MERCY ☉	6:30PM	03-08-02	MHSAA REGIONAL	TBA
01-26-02	@ WOODHAVEN INVITATIONAL	8:00AM	03-12-02	MHSAA QUARTERFINALS	TBA
01-29-02	@ LADYWOOD ☉	6:30PM	03-15-02	MHSAA SEMIFINALS	TBA
01-31-02	MARGAN ☉	6:30PM	03-16-02	MHSAA FINALS	TBA

SADDLELITES

MacDonald anxious to get Regina rolling

Winter preview

By Bob St. John
Staff writer

Second-year head coach Paul MacDonald is anxious for his Regina volleyball team to start its season.

"We have a great group of returning seniors and three juniors who were on the team last year," MacDonald said. "We had some success last season, but this year we want to turn the close losses and ties into wins."

The Saddlelites were 17-17-10 a year ago, losing in the districts.

This year seniors Courtney Bixman (middle hitter), Erin Kenney (outside hitter), Lauren Gay (middle hitter), Rose Pochmara (setter), Danielle

Newman (setter), Molly Shaheen (opposite hitter) and Erika Barnes (defense specialist) are out to turn the season into one that the basketball squad recently completed (which was make it to the Class A quarterfinals).

Juniors Shenna Maison (outside hitter), Michelle Bittner (outside hitter) and Megan Allen (middle hitter) are also returning letter winners.

"Our strength is our experience and middle hitters," MacDonald said. "We have set goals like making the Catholic League playoffs and getting to the regionals or farther."

MacDonald, along with assistant coach Mike

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BISHOP GALLAGHER

GIRLS VARSITY VOLLEYBALL 2001-02

☉ DENOTES LEAGUE GAME

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
12-05-01	U.L.S.	7:00PM	01-21-02	ST. CLEMENT ☉	7:00PM
12-10-01	@ LUTHERAN EAST	7:00PM	01-24-02	@ O.L. OF LAKES ☉	7:00PM
12-15-01	BB TOURNAMENT	7:00PM	01-26-02	@ LUTHERAN EAST	7:00PM
01-03-02	@ ST. CLEMENT ☉	7:00PM	01-28-02	@ SACRED HEART ACADEMY ☉	7:00PM
01-07-02	O.L. OF LAKES ☉	7:00PM	01-31-02	CABRINI ☉	7:00PM
01-10-02	SACRED HEART ACADEMY ☉	7:00PM	02-04-02	@ SHRINE ☉	7:00PM
01-14-02	@ CABRINI ☉	7:00PM	03-02-02	DISTRICTS	7:00PM
01-17-02	SHRINE ☉	7:00PM	03-03-02	DISTRICTS	7:00PM

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Lancers

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helm of the Bishop Gallagher boys basketball team.

"I had to learn the talent level of the players I was coaching and it took me a year to get on the same page with the nine kids who played our entire schedule," Peretto said. "We have some good kids who want to work hard and win."

Senior guards Jacques Chestnut, Chris Economeas and Vinnie Goodwill have improved from last year's 7-15 team and will spark the offense.

"We start with defense and last year our defense was horrible," Peretto said. "You win with defense and I guarantee this team will play tough defense."

Senior Damien Brown is back with the squad, as are sophomores Lonnie Pettway, Brian Lloyd and Ron Hildreth.

The Lancers finished 3-5 in the Catholic League A-East Division last season, but upset No. 1 seed Allen Park Cabrini in the first round of the playoffs.

They fell to Madison Heights Bishop Foley in the semifinals at Macomb Community College.

"We led Bishop Foley by 10 points entering the fourth quarter in the game in our gym, then missed sev-

eral free throws in the Catholic League playoff game in a close defeat," Peretto said.

Bishop Foley is once again the team to beat in the A-East, but Bishop Gallagher could challenge.

"We can get a division title if we focus on playing tough defense," Peretto said. "Our division will be tight from top to bottom, so every game counts."

The Lancers' non-league schedule will get the kids ready for the A-East as powerhouses Detroit St. Martin dePorres and Warren DeLaSalle come knocking during the first two weeks of the season.

"I want our kids to play some of the best because the competition will get them better," Peretto said. "I can't wait to see how the guys do against dePorres and DeLaSalle."

The Lancers also face Detroit Holy Redeemer, Detroit Benedictine, Riverview Gabriel Richard, Redford St. Agatha, Redford Bishop Borgess and Dearborn Divine Child in non-league action.

The Bishop Gallagher basketball team opened its season with a home game on Tuesday, Dec. 4, against DePorres; next on the slate is an away game on Friday, Dec. 7, against Holy Redeemer.

Mustangs finish first

The Pointe Girls Soccer Association under-11 Mustangs gold team won its Michigan Youth Soccer League division championship with a 1-0 victory over the BASC Fire.

The shutout was the seventh of the season for the Mustangs, who finished 8-1-1.

The Mustangs started the season with a tie, then won five straight before losing their only game to the Fraser Youth Soccer Club Fighters.

The Mustangs had the best defensive record in the league, allowing only six goals in 10 games. The solid defense was balanced by a strong offense that scored many key goals during the season.



The Pointe Girls Soccer Association under-11 Mustangs gold team won its Michigan Youth Soccer League Division championship with an 8-1-1 record. In front, from left, are Quinn Scillian, Catherine Vatsis, Katie D'Hondt, Ellen Switalski and Kate Fridholm. In the middle row, from left, are Bridgette Haas, Charlotte Park, Gina Valgoi, Victoria Grant, Gabriella Jones, Whitney Baubie and Danika Stone. In back, from left, are Susan Furest, Annie Bryk, Fred Haas, Sarah Mudry, Stuart Dow, Claire Jones and Abigail Boldt. Not pictured are Taylor Schweitzer and Morgan Bedan.

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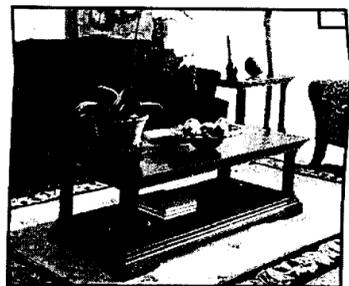
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HW's sports teams ready to make long playoff runs

Winter preview

By Bob St. John
Staff writer

Harper Woods' boys basketball team has been anticipating the season's opening tip since losing to state powerhouse Detroit St. Martin dePorres in last year's district playoffs.

"The guys are determined to go out and play well game-in and game-out," head coach Loren Ristovski said. "We have some very good basketball players who want to win."

The Pioneers' shining star is all-state shooting guard James Douglas, but it's their

Regina

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Collica, are ready to guide the Saddletes through a rigorous schedule that includes six tough league matches, plus non-league matches against Grosse Pointe South, Sterling Heights, University Liggett School, Pontiac Notre Dame Prep and Madison Heights Bishop Foley.

In addition, the Saddletes will compete in six tournaments.

Regina has a great shot to make it to the Catholic League playoffs, but arch rival Birmingham Marian (a quarterfinalist last year) is the team to beat.

"We want this to be as wonderful experience as the basketball team had this fall," MacDonald said. "We will work hard and have fun."

The Regina volleyball team begins its season on Wednesday, Dec. 12, competing in a quad match against Sterling Heights, ULS and host Grosse Pointe South.

"We have some high expectations this season," MacDonald said. "We want to go out winners."

role players who will either help the squad win or lose.

Sophomore point guard Bruce Mosley has a year of varsity hoops under his belt, while senior Darryl Gay has improved his play in the low post. In addition, seniors Mike Manning and Marcus Morrison add experience and toughness to the lineup.

Senior Gary Lilly saw limited playing time a year ago for the 14-7 Pioneers, but his role has increased, as has that of fellow seniors Adam Gonyeau, David Mahon and Peter Palm.

"We're bringing a winning tradition to Harper Woods that hasn't been here in decades," Ristovski said.

This is Ristovski's fifth year at the helm. He guided the Pioneers to a 4-17 mark his first season, but since then the squad has gone 18-6 (district champs), 13-9 and 14-6 a year ago.

The Pioneers are a deep, athletic team that will be able to press and run with the best of opponents.

"We will be a good basketball team," Ristovski said. "It will take some time for us to jell, but once we do I think we can go a long way this season."

Ristovski has once again strengthened the schedule, which includes games against Detroit City, Detroit Catholic Central, River Rouge, Detroit Benedictine and Birmingham Detroit Country Day.

The Pioneers finished second in the Metro Conference a year ago, losing to Lutheran Westland in the tournament title game.

They are the team to beat this season and the challengers look to be few and far between as Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood and maybe Lutheran Westland will give chase.

"We have some high expectations here at Harper Woods and we will see what

happens," Ristovski said. "Our veterans have to step up and lead this team for us to be successful."

The Harper Woods basketball team begins its season tonight, Thursday, Dec. 6, at home against Warren Immaculate Conception.

Volleyball

The Harper Woods girls volleyball program is building strength under the leadership of second-year head coach Liza Rogers.

"Our numbers are up and we have added a freshman team to our volleyball program," Rogers said.

As for the varsity squad, Rogers will rely on seniors Katie Rhodes, Kristin Vespa and Sarah Mazzone to lead the charge.

"We have some veterans who know what it takes to win," Rogers said. "We don't have any height."

Rogers is also counting on Jenny Hill, Lyndsay McDonough and Lindsay Vranesich to step in and play well as returning varsity players.

"I'm excited to get going, as are the girls," Rogers said. "They're ready to step onto the court and play, but we have to work out the kinks and get ready for a successful season."

The Pioneers are coming off a 13-9-3 record from last year.

The Metro Conference was tight from top to bottom last season, which should continue this year.

"Our conference is competitive, which will make for some outstanding matches," Rogers said. "Any team can beat anyone on any given night, which I like because our conference has no automatic wins."

Outside of the conference schedule, the Pioneers face Ferndale, Lakeview and Clintondale in non-league

matches, plus they will compete in three tournaments.

"Our schedule is busier than a year ago, which is good for our program," Rogers said. "It gives the girls a chance to face competition from around the tri-county area."

The Harper Woods volleyball team begins its season with the South Lake Tournament on Saturday, Dec. 8.

Wrestling

If head coach Adam Schihl can fill a full lineup, look out because the Harper Woods wrestling team is loaded and ready for another successful season.

"We have some good returning wrestlers, but our biggest question is can we fill the weight classes?" Schihl said. "We should be in good shape filling all of the weights, which will make us deeper than a year ago."

The Pioneers finished 18-9 overall and 4-2 in the Metro Conference.

The top returning wrestlers are senior Matt Tarmina (125-pound class), plus juniors Steve Orjada (215 pounds) and Mike Monahan (150 pounds), who qualified for the state finals last year.

Schihl's other returning kids are sophomores Bobby Monahan (112 pounds) and Adam DiGiovanni (171 pounds).

"We lost too many matches last year because of voids," Schihl said. "That won't happen this season if all our kids stay focused on being an integral part of the team."

The newcomers to the varsity lineup are senior Paul Reese (160 pounds), junior T.J. Marlin (140 pounds), sophomores Jesus Malendez

(189 pounds), Jeremy Myers

(275 pounds) and Frank Pietrangelo (130 pounds), plus freshmen Josh Kirsten (103 pounds), Andrew DiGiovanni (119 pounds), Josh Mowen (135 pounds) and Donte Holts (145 pounds).

"We will be a much better team during the second half of the season compared to the first half," Schihl said. "It will take some time for our newer wrestlers to get a feel for varsity wrestling, but once they do they will do well."

Harper Woods will contend for a Metro Conference title, as will Lutheran Westland, Livonia Clarenceville and Macomb Lutheran North.

"We have some solid goals this season and winning the conference dual meet and tournament titles are among them," Schihl said.

The Harper Woods wrestling team began its season last week, edging Clintondale 36-33 and

crushing Memphis 49-12.

"It was our first win over Clintondale in three years," Schihl said. "The guys wrestled well and it was a nice way to open the season."

In the triangular match, Marlin, Kevin Sparks, Bobby and Mike Monahan, plus Myers, were each 2-0, while DiGiovanni and Reese were 1-1.

Later in the week, Harper Woods finished in the middle of the pack in the annual Toys For Tots Tournament at Notre Dame.

"It's a great tournament for our kids so they can wrestle some very good opponents," Schihl said.

The Pioneers were paced by Tarmina, Mike Monahan, Orjada and Reese.

The Harper Woods wrestling team is 2-0 overall.

Coming up for the Pioneers is their annual team tournament on Saturday, Dec. 8. The opponents are Grosse Pointe South, Lake Shore, Hazel Park, Chippewa Valley and Southfield.

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PIONEERS

South continues string of All-State doubles teams

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

It's been said that opposites attract.

They also make a good doubles team in tennis. Grosse Pointe South's Richard Marsh and John Fodell are the perfect example.

"They're totally different in terms of how they play," said Grosse Pointe South boys tennis coach Tom Berschback in describing his Division I All-State No. 1 doubles team.

"John is 6-3 and a big server with an excellent forehand return. Richard is shorter with tremendously quick hands. He has great net skills and an outstanding backhand."

Together they formed a team that finished second in the first singles flight at the state championships and compiled an overall record of 21-4.

This was the third straight season that Marsh has reached the championship match in No. 1 doubles and he has done it with a different partner each year.

It's also the third time that Marsh has made the All-State team, joining a select group of South tennis players that numbers only Cory McMahon and John Berschback.

This is the first All-State honor for Fodell, who is also an excellent swimmer. He missed qualifying for that state meet by one-hundredth of a second.

Marsh and Fodell are difficult to play against because they can each neutralize another team's strengths.

"Richard can take them on at the net and if the other team has a long server, John can make those returns from the base line," Berschback said.

Marsh and Fodell were seeded fifth in the state

meet, which meant they had to play some higher-seeded teams on the way to the championship match.

One of the most exciting matches of the tournament came in the semifinals where Marsh and Fodell defeated Neel Agrawal and McKay Shih of Okemos, 6-7, 6-2, 7-6.

"That was the last match of the first day," Berschback said. "There was a huge crowd and a lot of cheering. It showed how exciting high school tennis can be."

The win against the Okemos team sent Marsh and Fodell against Midland Dow's Neil Forster and Mahir Verghese and once again, Marsh and Fodell were taken to three sets before winning 4-6, 6-3, 7-5.

The tough matches finally took a toll in the championship match as the Blue Devils' team lost 6-2, 6-2 to Redford Catholic Central's Mark Fleszar and David Atallah.

"Richard and John were in a lot of pressure matches," Berschback said. "Dr. Detroit (assistant coach Jeff Hodges) really helped them. He does such an outstanding job with the doubles teams. This is five years in a row that he's had a finalist in No. 1 doubles. Nobody else has done that."

There's something else that puts a smile on Berschback's face when he thinks about Marsh and Fodell.

"They'll both be back next year," he said.

Joining Marsh and Fodell on the All-State team is No. 1 singles player Blake Willmarth.

Willmarth overcame some tough times to post a 15-8 record. He suffered a knee injury during the summer of 2000 and he wasn't 100 percent when the season opened.

"At one point this season he was 8-7 and he won his

next seven matches," Berschback said. "His 15-8 record doesn't indicate how good a season he had. He played against the top players in the state despite not being right physically. He had trouble pushing off his leg and changing direction."

"Fortunately, the other coaches in the state (on the All-State panel) knew about him. He got better and better with every match. I really expect some good things from him next season."

Willmarth was the Most Valuable Player in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division the last two seasons.

"He's tremendous to coach and is a tremendous team player," Berschback said. "He has a great sense of humor and can turn his tribulations into a learning situation."

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Marsh Fodell



Blake Willmarth

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GRANDMOTHER will babysit, day time. Experienced, reliable. (313)884-7946

WILL babysit and do your laundry/ ironing! Evenings or days. \$12/ hour. (586)790-1045

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HOME care aid. 20 years experience. Grosse Pointe references. Reasonable. (810)412-4996

KELLY ASSISTED LIVING SERVICES 24 YEARS EXPERIENCE IN HOME HEALTH CARE Home Health Aides Live-in 24 hour coverage. 7 days per week 313-884-8461 Bonded / Insured

SENIOR care. Lady will provide in your home care for you or your loved one. Will also care for Alzheimer & Dementia patients. References, experience. Please call (586)463-6542

POINTE CARE SERVICES Full Part Time or Live-in Personal Care, Companionship, Insured-Bonded Marg Ghesquiere Grosse Pointe Resident 313-885-6944

A+ Live-ins Ltd. Companion Caregivers provide Personal Care, Cleaning, Cooking & Laundry Hourly & Daily Rates Insured & Bonded Dee Allen, Grosse Pointe Resident 881-8073

COMPETENT HOME CARE SERVICE Caregivers, housekeeping & laundry services. Licensed, Bonded, Family owned since 1984 810-772-0035

310 SITUATIONS WANTED ASSISTED LIVING
AFFORDABLE assisted living. St. Joseph's Home for the Aged, 4800 Cadieux, Detroit. (313)882-3800

303 SITUATIONS WANTED DRY CARE
ATTENTION: by MICHIGAN LAW DAY CARE FACILITIES (in-home & centers) must show their current license to your advertising representative when placing your ads. THANK YOU

DAY care openings. 10/12 Jefferson area, Monday-Thursday. 8-5. (810)779-5577

LITTLE People Big Minds Home Daycare- Eastpointe. Preschool program, nutritious meals, fun-loving educational environment, teaching background. (586)773-7975

304 SITUATIONS WANTED GENERAL
CHRISTMAS shopping, driving to appointments, your car. Occasional home help. (313)821-1674

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AMBITIOUS woman. House/ office cleaning. Great references. 20 years experience. Linda, (810)779-3454.

CLEANING & laundry services. Weekly or bi-weekly. Excellent Grosse Pointe references. (313)319-7657

CRISTAL Clean Cleaning Service- honest, dependable, reliable. For free estimate call (313)527-6157

EXPERIENCED home cleaning service. Please call Cecylia. (810)948-2973

FAMILY team look for house & office cleaning. Experience. References. (313)872-0260, (248)470-7529

HOUSE cleaning. Reliable, dependable. Please call, Stacy (586)755-3371

"MAID" From Heaven. Home & office cleaning. Christine, (810)773-2826

POLISH ladies available. Housecleaning & laundry. 7 years experience, in Grosse Pointe area. References. 313-875-5470, leave message.

POLISH lady available for house cleaning. Experienced. Excellent references. 313-893-9132, leave message.

POLISH lady looking for cleaning job, reliable. Own transportation, references. (313)873-0802

WOULD you like your house cleaned? With good references. (810)725-0178

EXPECT THE BEST BUSY SCHEDULE???
Leave the cleaning to us! We provide professional high quality housecleaning, laundry and ironing (focused on old world European techniques). Help with parties & Christmas decorations. We service all Pointes SINCE 1986 Bonded & Insured For Free In Home Estimate (313)984-0721

307 SITUATIONS WANTED NURSES AIDES
CAREGIVER for elderly and infirmed. Will help with cooking, shopping, bathing, housekeeping, administering medication, transportation, etc. Excellent references. (313)527-0139

CAREGIVER, experienced. \$75/ day. Prefer weekends, references. (313)368-9444

WILL do home health care for elderly. Experienced. Days, part-time. (586)773-4350

308 SITUATIONS WANTED OFFICE CLEANING
RELIABLE cleaning service available for offices. Bonded and insured. Free estimates. (313)393-0285

400 ANTIQUES/COLLECTIBLES
ANTIQUE carousel animals. Elephant, pig & horses. Must be seen. (586)751-8078

ARNOLD'S BOOKS 218 S. Water St. Marine City 810-765-1350 20,000+ Books/Maps Rare, Scarce,

400 ANTIQUES/COLLECTIBLES
ANTIQUE curved glass china cabinet, oak claw feet, excellent condition. \$2,000/ best offer. 313-821-1552

BE unique- buy an antique. Holiday sale now in progress. Lovejoy's Antiques, 720 E. 11 Mile, Royal Oak. (248)545-9060, for holiday hours.

FURNITURE refinished, repaired, stripped, any type of caning. Free estimates. 313-345-6258, 248-861-5520

HUDSON'S Santa-bears- all years, all types! \$40/ up. Mint condition. (810)468-1862

It has become necessary to charge for declined credit cards. The fee will be \$2.00 per ad. You'll be informed if it happens to your account. Thank you for your advertising and loyalty. Grosse Pointe News & The Connection, Classified Advertising

SLOT machine, 1929 Jennings' Dutch Boy and Girl. \$4,000. Immaculate condition. (313)886-1530

SPECIAL Christmas lay-away sales. Red Barn Antiques, 4950 King, China Twp. Friday, Saturday, Sunday, 10-4. (810)765-9453

TOWN Hall Antiques for the best selection of quality merchandise. Downtown Romeo. Open 7 days a week. 10-6. (810)752-5422.

DEL GIUDICE ANTIQUES We make house call! We are also looking to purchase: Fine China, Crystal, Silver, Oil Paintings, Furniture, Costume & Fine Jewelry.

MEMBER OF ISA WE ARE ALSO LOOKING TO PURCHASE: Fine China, Crystal, Silver, Oil Paintings, Furniture, Costume & Fine Jewelry.

YOU'VE SEEN THE ROAD SHOW If You Have Unusual Items That You Feel Would Appeal To A WIDER AUDIENCE WE'LL RESEARCH, PHOTO AND SELL YOUR ITEMS FOR YOU THROUGH THE INTERNET. Please Call For More Information: 515 S. Lafayette Royal Oak Monday-Saturday 11-6 248-399-2608

401 APPLIANCES
ELECTRIC stove, \$60. Gas stove, \$95. Refrigerator, \$120. Washer, \$110. Dryer, \$100. Delivery. (810)293-2749.

G.E. upright freezer, Kenmore 80 series heavy duty super capacity plus washer & gas dryer. (313)882-9389

402 ARTS & CRAFTS
GREAT Christmas gift! Handmade American Girl dresses or made to order. (810)776-8920

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John K. King Books OPEN SUNDAYS 12-4 til Dec. 30 Michigan's Largest Used & Rare Bookstore 901 W. Lafayette Blvd. Detroit, MI 48226 Daily 9:30-5:30

To Advertise in this space- Call: 313-882-6900 ext. 560 Angie Hart Grosse Pointe News CONNECTION

406 ESTATE SALES
29380 Grandview, Harrison Township. Off Old North River Road. Friday/ Saturday, 10am-5pm. Lots of old books, figurines, china, plus furniture, appliances, miscellaneous house-hold.

BOOKS WANTED
John King 313-961-0622
"Clip & Save This Ad"
FREE antique & collectible show. Thursdays, 8am- 2pm. Delicious lunch- Knights of Columbus, 870 N. Main, Clawson, 14 1/2 Mile Rd. Information, Al, (248)541-8037. (Eastern Market- Sundays).

BOUGHT & SOLD LIBRARY BOOKSTORE 248-545-4300 In Home Buying Available. M. Scarpino

ESTATE SOLUTIONS Estate & Household Sales Certified appraisers 25 yrs. experience 386-268-8602 or E-mail: eliza@estate.com Michigan and other States, Judy Landino

ESTATE SALE 3940 Guilford one block off Mack Ave. near Shopping store SATURDAY, DEC. 8TH 10:30AM- 3:00PM Entire contents of home must go!

407 FIREWOOD
FIREWOOD for sale- all seasoned hard woods. \$75 face cord delivered. Pioneer Tree Service. (810)463-3363

FIREWOOD, Northern Michigan's finest. Guaranteed to be the absolute best seasoned firewood that you have ever burned, or your money back and you keep the lumber. 810-777-9082

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408 FURNITURE
A bed- mattress set queen size, orthopedic, with box. Brand new, in plastic, with warranty. List \$399, sell \$145. (810)215-3318.

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A bed-queen pillow top mattress set never used, still in plastic, with warranty. Suggested list \$499, must sell, \$199. (810)215-3318

A brand new pillow top mattress set, Queen size. \$229. Please call (810)463-9017

A dining room set- Cherry solid wood set including 92" double pedestal table, 6 Chippendale chairs, lighted hutch, buffet, side server. New in box, \$12,000 value, sacrifice \$2,995. (248)789-5815

A solid cherry wood set with bed, chest, dresser, mirror, 2 nightstands. Unused in box. \$5,000 value sacrifice \$1,750 (313)477-0979

BACCARRAT crystal chandelier. \$5,000. Call (313)884-8891

BEAUTIFUL traditional cherry wood china cabinet, round table & 4 chairs \$2800. Mahogany carved Chippendale breakfast table, 8 claw & ball chairs \$5800. Fabulous hand carved sleigh king size bed, triple dresser, mirror, armoire & night stand \$7500. Mahogany Chippendale 3X5 partner's desk \$1850. 1940's china cabinet \$595. Old mahogany secretary desk \$675. French carved armoire \$2200. 1930's pie crest table, hand painted Bombay chest, sofa table, console tables, mirrors, Tiffany style lamps, stain glassed windows. Gifts, accessories & lots more. Wholesale to the public. AR Interiors, 607 South Washington, downtown Royal Oak. Open everyday, 248-582-9646 or 810-634-1561

BED, a cherry sleigh, still boxed, never used. \$249. (810)463-9017

BELLINI baby furniture, armoire, changing table/3 drawers, hutch, crib/ matching shelf. \$600. (313)886-2337, (313)885-8851

CHERRY wood table with leaves & chairs, buffet & lighted hutch. Never used, \$975. (810)463-9017

COUCH, 90", dark green floral chintz, 6 cushions, great shape, quality construction. \$195. (313)881-6842

DINETTE set-table, 2 chairs, china deck, \$100. (313)884-8507

DINING set-glass table top with six wrought iron chairs bought at Michigan Design Center with baker's hut server \$1,000/ best. Coffee table \$100, sofa table \$100, side table \$50. (810)663-4424

GIRL'S off white rattan bedroom set. Dresser, night stand, chair, double bed. \$400 (313)885-9154

MAHOGANY INTERIORS (Fine Furniture & Antique Shop) 506 S. Washington Royal Oak, MI Banquet & traditional size dining room tables (includes round 48" dia. with 3 leaves, oval style table with band of inlay with 3 leaves). Mahogany kneehole desks (executive to student sizes). Mahogany breakfronts, china cabinets & bookcases (large & small). Mahogany sideboards on legs, buffets & servers. Bachelor chests, bedroom chests. King to twin size beds & headboards (includes 4 poster beds). Living room sofas, loveseats, wing chairs (need reupholstering). Oil paintings & special porcelain lamps. Large oriental rugs.
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BEIGE laquer head-board/ night stands, \$250. Dryer, \$95. Electric stove, \$65. Refrigerator, \$65. 313-690-0195, 313-642-0362

MAHOGANY dining room table/ 4 chairs, china cabinet, sofa, matching love seat mauve/ rose, mauve area rug, pie crust edge table- harp base, modified upright piano. Best offer. (313)331-0654

ALL leather a 100% grade A premium select full-grain Italian leather sofa, love chair, ottoman by Mantelassi, leather in Italy. Never used, still in wrapper. Cost \$5,000 sacrifice \$1,950. (313)477-0979

MOVING blonde floral quilted sofa, loveseat, Queen Anne end table, mahogany end table, Stiffel lamps, mahogany secretary, fruitwood dining set, 6 cane chairs, matching buffet, assorted table cloths. (313)885-7928

MOVING blonde mahogany bedroom set, twin beds, dresser, mirror, chest, \$350. Woodard creme wrought iron loveseat glider, chair, ottoman with cushions, \$250. G.E. double oven electric stove, \$90. All negotiable. (313)882-4089

NEAR perfect solid pine dining set. Table with 4 side, 2 end chairs and server. Must sell! \$1,100 (313)884-0818

ORIENTAL rug, hand knotted/ hand woven/ machine made, purchased from International Home Furnishing Show in Highpoint North Carolina. Over 80 to choose from. No reasonable offer refused. 248-789-5815

ROCKER glider with ottoman, 3 years old in perfect condition, \$150. (586)774-5639

SOFA and loveseat, excellent condition. Dinette set. Queen bed. Twin bed. Entertainment center. Miscellaneous items. (586)776-4930

THOMASVILLE wall unit bedroom set, good condition. \$500/ best offer. (313)886-2465

409 GARAGE/YARD/ BASEMENT SALE

LOTS of miscellaneous, toys, dolls, Barbie dolls, collectibles. 453 Cloverly, Grosse Pointe Farms. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday 9am-4pm. (313)881-7252

412 MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES

2 antique doors & screens from Upper Crust Building on Kercheval. \$695. (313)881-7252

6 piece antique cherry dining set, \$400. Vintage Art Deco solid blonde mahogany bedroom set, \$400. Kenmore heavy duty washer, dryer, \$300. (313)885-7532

ALBUMS 'Sgt. Pepper's', \$1,000/ firm. 'The Beatles Again', best offer. Other misc. albums, Marilyn Monroe's 1st & 2nd movie, \$500. Marilyn Monroe's original 1950's USA tour photo, \$300. Serious inquiries only. Ask for John. (313)824-5292

BRASS plated queen size head board, excellent condition, \$175. 12 silver plated punch cups, excellent condition, \$75. 16' extension ladder, \$30. 1992 Santa Bear, \$200. Set of 6 polly chromed beer mugs, pint size, \$100. Madam Alexander ballerina, 14", \$200. (313)886-6353

ALL brand new mattress sets, purchased directly from Sealy/ Sterns & Foster, all sizes available, no reasonable offer refused. Everything must go. Call Sean, (313)-477-0979

CADENCE Treadmill, \$150. Washer, electric dryer, \$50 each. Health Rider, \$150. Klim, \$45. Rainbow sweeper system, \$250. (313)822-8982

CLARY prints- Start and Stripes and Regina. Professionally framed. (586)566-4073

CURIO cabinet, oak with glass shelves. Madame Alexander dolls. (313)884-5739

DREAM Cast game system with controller, 3 games included, \$80. 13" Admiral color TV, \$45. Boys GT BUMP bike, \$100. Boys Dyno NITRO bike, \$100. (313)881-0097

KIDNEY shaped desk \$700, 4 piece birch bedroom set, \$900, full length beaver coat, \$600. Prices negotiable. (313)886-9717

MOUNTAIN King Christmas Tree, 7 1/2 ft. Blue Spruce identical tree today costs over \$200, first \$100 takes! 313-682-9400, Grosse Pointe Shores.

POOL table. Gorgeous 8' with solid wood, 1" slate, leather pockets, decorative legs. New, never used. Cost \$4,200, sell \$1,980. Can deliver, set up. (810)465-6492

ROLEX Submariner Date, \$2,800. 313-881-5353

WHEELCHAIR, excellent condition, like new, will negotiate for best offer. Please call (313)885-6489, ask for Kalrina or Don.

413 MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

ABBEY PIANO CO. ROYAL OAK 248-541-6116
USED PIANOS
Used Consoles \$795 up. Baby Grands \$1,695 up. Used Steinway Grand PIANOS WANTED TOP CASH PAID

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KARAOKE machines and software. Largest selection in area. Jerry Luck Studios, (586)775-7758

RENT a piano, \$25.00 month. This weeks special, free delivery! Call for details. Michigan Piano, (248)548-2200. www.mipiano.com

ROLAND spinet piano "digital", many functions, never used. Asking \$1,200, paid \$3,000 (313)885-9154

STEINWAY Studio Piano. Black ebony, completely restored. Warranty, tuning, delivery included. \$12,000. (810)777-6870

VIOLIN; "Stradivarius", with bow and case, Germany. Great condition, musician. \$800/ negotiable. (810)775-6086

WANTED- Guitars, Banjos, Mandolins and Ukles. Local collector paying top cash! 313-886-4522.

414 OFFICE/BUSINESS EQUIPMENT

OFFICE desk with matching typewriter table; 2 electric typewriters; excellent condition. (313)882-9285

415 WANTED TO BUY

1950'S - 60's dolls, (especially Barbie). Collector pays cash. (313)886-4392

ALWAYS buying fine china dishes, porcelain, pottery, and more. Box of dishes in your basement? Call Melissa, 810-790-3616

BUYING old furniture, glassware, china, and other interesting items. John, 313-882-5842.

CARS wanted dead or alive! Titles only. Instant \$\$\$ cash! (313)417-2249, (313)903-0284

FINE china dinnerware, sterling silver flatware and antiques. Call Jan/ Herb. (810)731-8139

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LIONEL Trains. Any condition. Local collector buying 1 piece/ entire collection. (313)885-9777

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AIRDYNE exercise bike with computer, like new; \$300. Schwinn LeTour 27" mens 12 speed bike, excellent condition; \$95. (313)885-0757

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FOUND male 8 years old. Front declawed, neutered, mostly black with some tan and white chin. (313)642-1832

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ADOPT a retired racing greyhound. Make a fast friend! 1-800-398-4dog. Michigan Greyhound Connection

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AKC Weimaraner dog; house trained, all shots up to date. Neutered. Needs loving home. (586)598-2385

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ON THE CORNER OF ST. PAUL
Fabulous whole house estate sale features carefully chosen and cared for fine quality furnishings from the 1930's featuring one Widdicomb and two Irwin bedroom suites with handpainted motif in mahogany and satinwood. Sheraton style loveseat, drop-front mahogany desk, charming mahogany china cabinet, large Irwin Jacobean buffet, ten drawer antique oak map cabinet, antique oak file cabinet, curved front 1920's oak dresser and chest of drawers, mahogany kneehole desk and nest of tables, Damask sofa, and numerous pieces of practical 1920's and 1930's furniture.
Decorative items include brass art deco magazine stand with dog motif, dozens of framed oil paintings and empty antique lacy frames, set of 12 gold rimmed German service plates, 1920's brass floor lamps, Ansonia figurat dock, c. 1880, Royal Doulton Good King Wenceslas, set of Noritake Carlton china, Alpine Peasantware set of china, old pressed glass, handpainted china, Italian pottery, Royal Doulton Robert Burns plate, blue & white plates, Blue Danube candlesticks, new Snowbabies, old games, marble lamps, marble lamps, two pair of buffet lamps, collection of around the world dolls, costume jewelry, old paisley shawls, velvet curtains, and much more.
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Using plastic dryer vent pipe is dangerous

Q. Mr. Hardware, we just purchased an older home in St. Clair Shores. In the process of installing the clothes dryer I used the existing plastic vent pipe abandoned by the previous owners. My wife will not do the laundry until I change this pipe to metal. What should I do about the turns I'll have to make going around the steel beam with the new vent? — *Tony P.*

A. Hurrah for your wife, Tony, at least someone in your household is reading warnings about the dangers of flexible vinyl vent pipe used on dryers. The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) estimates that 15,500 fires associated with clothes dryers occur annually. These fires can be caused by insufficient airflow because of improper installation. Lack of maintenance is the leading cause of dryer fires, and LINT is the leading material to ignite.

"The movement of air through the dryer to the outside is of the utmost importance to a long-lasting dryer," writes Joe Gagnon, The Appliance Doctor, in his book, "Words & Wisdom of the Appliance Doctor." "The vent line should be solid aluminum — do not use a plastic vent line. Seventy percent of service calls for dryers are related to vent lines."

Flexible plastic tubing slows the flow of air much more than smooth metal pipe. Over time, the ridges in the flexible pipe tend to accumulate lint, thus providing fuel for combustion. Add the possibility of a malfunctioning limit switch and you could have a fire.

In most basement installations we recommend starting at the dryer with a 4-inch aluminum elbow. Use rigid metal pipe with the fewest bends possible to vent the exhausting air outside.

You should be able to make your bends with two or three adjustable elbows to get around the I-beam. Use clamps or foil faced duct tape to secure the pipe and elbows together. Do not use screws because over time they will attract lint and cause problems.

The International Mechanical Code article 504.6 stipulates the maximum length for a dryer duct to be 25-feet. The 25-foot run should be reduced by 2½ feet for each 45-degree bend and 5 feet for each 90-degree bend. The duct should be 4 inches in diameter and shall have a smooth interior finish.

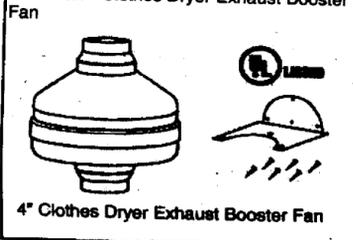


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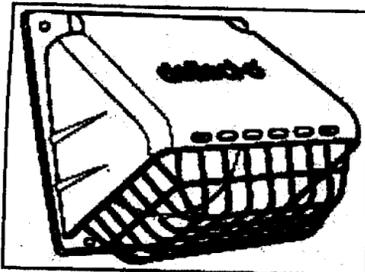
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If you are crossing a basement in excess of the 25 feet, you may need to add a clothes dryer booster fan to insure proper airflow. Check local codes and appliance manufacturer's recommendations before installing a product like this.

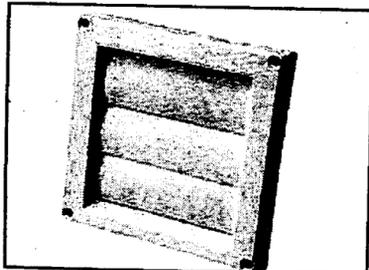
Tube Fan - Clothes Dryer Exhaust Booster Fan



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Dryer vent hood.

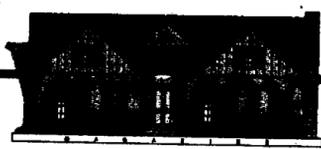


Louvered vent.

Whenever possible, always take the shortest route and eliminate extra mechanical aids in your projects.

To finish this project, use a dryer vent hood that protrudes 4-inches,

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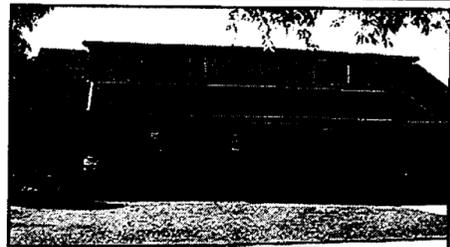
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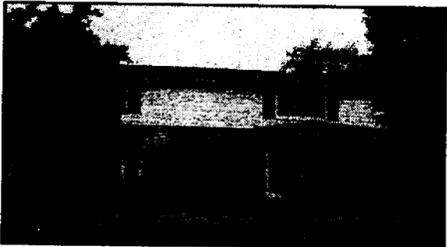
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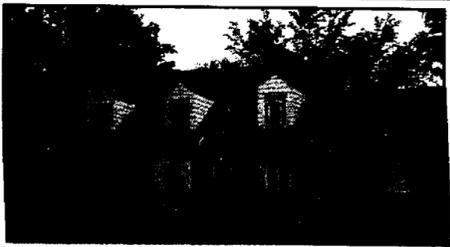
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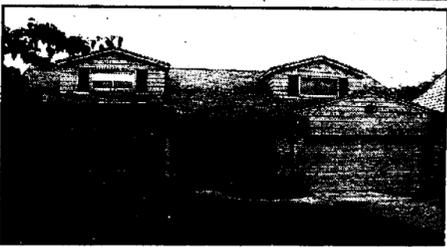
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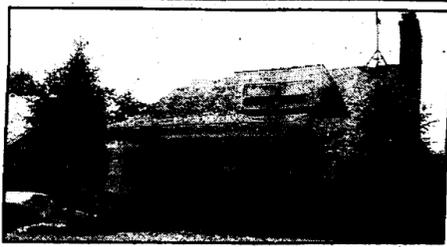
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The Woodworking Show will be held Friday, Dec. 7 through Sunday, Dec. 9, from noon to 7 p.m., Friday; 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday; and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday at the Novi Expo Center, main hall at 43700 Expo Center Dr. in Novi.

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(NAPSI) — Looking for a gift that will arrive in mint condition? The U.S. Mint is literally minting presents to cover a variety of gift-giving occasions.

Among those gifts are the 50 State Quarters Proof Sets. These are limited editions of the widely popular quarters currently collected by more than 125 million Americans.

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Mr. Hardware

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Jewel Quest

How to buy jewelry for your wife

By Miss Bijoux

Q. I want to surprise my wife at Christmas with a piece of jewelry? I do not have a large budget. What should I be looking for? — S.B., Atlanta.

A. How thoughtful of you! Women love to be surprised, but not disappointed. I don't know your wife or her tastes, and certainly there is no generic jewelry for a wife, but let Miss Bijoux give you a guaranteed formula that will accomplish three goals of yours: 1) she will be surprised; 2) she will love what you select; and 3) the gift will be within your budget.

The formula is to tell your wife to visit your local jewelry store and select three items that she would like, seriously like, to receive — meaning that she will understand that you have to be able to afford them. Tell her to write down the particulars and give them to you, and that you will later go to the store and select one item for her gift.

Wait, before you get the idea that this won't be a surprise, it will! She will not know which piece you will select, and she will certainly learn something about you and how you see her by the choice you make.

If you don't know a local jeweler, introduce yourself to one with a good reputation in your community and tell the salesperson your plan, or just send your wife in on her own. If you live in a community without a local jeweler, try the same approach with one of her favorite catalogs that includes moderately priced items. (You do not want to make a significant financial commitment on a piece of jewelry without inspecting it.) Be sure to let me know how this formula works for you. It has made birthdays, anniversaries and Christmases sublime for Miss Bijoux.

And, ladies, the suggestion can come from you. If you dread another gift-opening that will let you down, tell hubby that you are going to the jewelry store to pick three items, etc.

Q. I have saved \$200 to spend on my boyfriend for Christmas. What do you suggest? — J.S., Newton, Mass.

A. I suggest that he has a generous girlfriend who cares enough to get him something that he can enjoy for years. Miss Bijoux does not like jeweled men — call it

selfishness or traditionalism, but that's the way she sees it.

You can buy him a vintage watch made in the United States, but only if he is interested in a manual watch with a leather band and only if he is willing to take care of it. It will be base metal with gold plating, but some of those old shapes from the 1940s are divine and resemble the shaped rectangle faces that cost thousands.

Another suggestion, don't cringe, is a money clip. You will be buying gold plating again, but you should have enough left over to clip in a \$50 bill. Miss Bijoux loves to see men count money.

Another thought is cuff links. You will not be buying karat-gold, but you can find some stunning and interesting enamel sets that are gold-plated. A set of plated studs and cuff links set with black onyx really help a guy who either owns or doesn't mind renting a tuxedo.

A fine pen counts as an adornment, and you can buy a first-rate pen for your budget. Did you know that there is a Porsche pen, for example, made out of the same metal as the car's engine? You get the drift. However, no pens for guys who lose things.

Holiday Season Tip: Dress up your Christmas tree with large, gaudy old rhinestone brooches hung by red satin ribbons.

Miss Bijoux is a professional gemologist and not affiliated with any business involving jewelry or gems. Send questions to Miss Bijoux c/o King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475, or e-mail her at letters.kfws@hearstsc.com.

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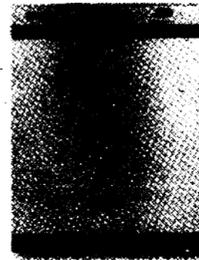
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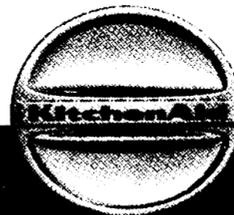
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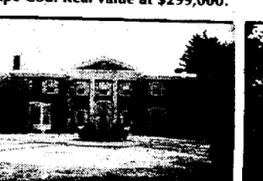
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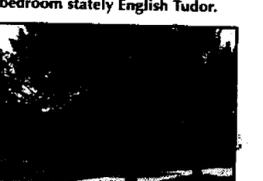
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Home holiday decorating safety lessons

(NAPSI) — Most people tend to think big for the holiday season: more decorations hanging throughout the home, more presents stacked beneath the tree, more people gathered indoors, more frantic holiday food preparation — all leading to more opportunities for home injuries, especially if there are young children in the home or visiting.

To help keep festive spirits high and mishaps low, pare down your usual home decorating approach this holiday season by featuring less rather than more.

"This year, before Americans become overwhelmed with holiday spirit and decking the halls, families need to realize that more decorations around the home could lead to more potential home hazards," says David Oliver, executive director of Lowe's Home Safety Council. "The 'less is more' decorating concept not only looks better visually, but it can also decrease home injury risks."

Oliver offers the following home safety lessons to help families trim unsafe decorating clutter along with the tree:

String few strands

A Lowe's Home Safety Council survey reveals that 57 percent of people who decorate with lights string more than three strands together. Multiple strands of lights on a tree may be pretty but more than three strands joined together can overheat the wires and extension cords and possibly cause a fire. When hanging lights, check each set, new or old, for broken, unraveled or loose connections, and throw out damaged sets.

Keep candles to a minimum

Though lit candles create a nice holiday ambiance, having too many flames is flirting with danger. Keep decorative burning candles to a minimum and keep them away from fans, children, trees and cords to reduce the chances of a possible fire. The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) reports that there is twice the number of home candle fires in December than in an average month, and that candles have been responsible for 43 percent of home decoration fires each year.

Turn out lights

Be sure to turn off holiday lights before going to sleep at night. Not only are you preventing a possible fire, you could also lessen your energy bill.

Keep kitchens safe

Although everyone may offer to help with food preparation and cooking, more people in the kitchen can be hazardous, especially when ovens and stoves are hot. The majority of household injuries, including fires, burns and poisonings, occur in the kitchen. Also, make sure that your home has a working — and properly installed — smoke alarm. About 30 percent of people surveyed claim to have disabled their smoke alarm while cooking.

Use fewer figurines

Cluttering your hallways and rooms with too many ornaments can be overwhelming to the eye, not to mention unsafe for small children racing about the house. Eighty-three percent of families with small children decorate with small figurines and miniature ornaments during the holidays,

increasing the chances of choking incidents or injuries with fallen or broken objects. Minimize the clutter and danger by making your home's holiday atmosphere less chaotic and focusing on essential out-of-reach decorative pieces that children won't easily trip over or choke on.

Don't overload outlets

Many holiday decorations need to be plugged in, but it's important not to overload outlets. Use surge protectors if multiple outlets are needed, and make sure extension cords are substantial enough to carry the intended load. Generally, the thicker the cord, the greater the load it should be able to carry without overheating, but check the instructions. Make sure the extension cord has been tested by a lab, such as Underwriters Laboratories (UL).

Incorporating less rather than more this holiday season will keep mishaps low and smiles brighter than the twinkle lights on the tree. "No matter which holiday you observe this year, make sure it's a safe one for you, your family, friends and guests," says Oliver.



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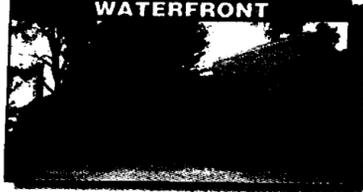
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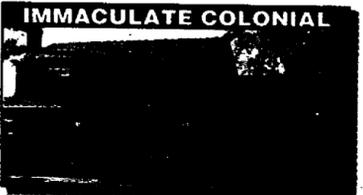
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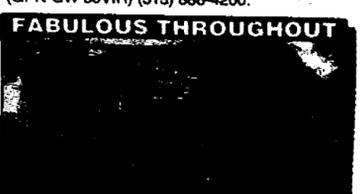
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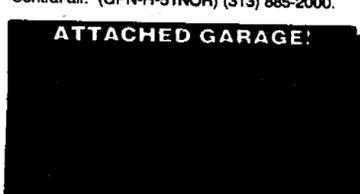
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Fall pruning allows for better shaping

Q. I have a few overgrown trees in my yard and I would like to trim them. Can I trim them now? Is there anything special I need to do to trim these trees?

A. Fall is a great time to prune your trees. Without the leaves it is easy to see the branch structure of the trees. Pruning in the fall allows you to shape an asymmetrical tree and allows all the new spring growth to be directed to better shape your tree. You will also find that your grass will grow much better under the trees once you allow more sunlight and air circulation in.

First you need to remove any dead, damaged or diseased branches from your tree, then remove any rubbing branches. As you trim the tree you want to achieve a symmetrical overall shape to the tree. Next you can thin the tree, remove any branches that may be too low or remove branches that may be hitting the house.

There are a few simple guidelines to trimming you should remember. On small branches you always want to cut about 1/2-inch above the bud or small branch. When you cut branches over 1 1/2



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inches, you need to use the three-cut method to avoid damage to the tree.

First cut the underside of the tree branch about a third the way through that you wish to remove. Mark this cut about a foot outside the finished trim line. This will prevent the branch from falling away when pruned and tearing away the bark from the tree. Now you are ready to remove the branch. Cut through the branch just outside the first cut you made below the branch. Now that you have removed the branch you can remove the short branch by cutting just outside the branch collar. The collar is the swollen area around the branch where it begins from the trunk. Never cut flush with the tree trunk since this will make it

take much longer for the scar to heal.

As you trim, step back every so often and look at the tree from different sides. You will be able to see which side of the tree to trim in order to balance it out.

Keep the lawn mower going to avoid snow mold

Get your lawn ready for winter. It's that time of year again, time to put the lawn to bed for the winter and get ready for the snow to start arriving.

We can't do much about the amount of snow we receive, but we can make sure the grass enters winter to avoid unnecessary risk. You shouldn't put the lawn mower away while the grass is still growing.

Long grass and leaves left on the lawn create lack of air circulation around the grass blades that can cause problems the following spring. 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 and reduce the chance of late winter lawn diseases like snow mold which favors damp areas. Increased snowfall compounds the amount of disease, and areas where snow is piled high and shady are more susceptible to disease. This past spring many lawns had snow mold.

Fortunately, most affected areas will grow back in time.

Don't forget to blow out automatic sprinkler systems to prevent freeze damage to the system. Winterize your system by turning off the water supply, then blow out the water lines with compressed air. If you do not have access to a compressor, hire a sprinkler company to do the job.

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Inspiring, stylish trends in bathroom cabinetry

Q. Is there anything special I should look for in bathroom cabinetry?

A. Bathrooms are quickly becoming extensions of homeowners' tastes, just as other parts of the house. Master bathrooms, family bathrooms and the powder room for guests are becoming unique entities, each with its own special needs and styles. But the one thing that ties all types of bathrooms together is the homeowner's desire for storage, enabling them to keep countertops clear of the usual bathroom clutter. And bathroom cabinetry is the solution.

From large linen closets to cabinet style vanities, furniture style cabinetry is the newest trend in bathrooms, be they large master baths or small guest lavatories. And the cabinet industry has responded to the demand, with products designed especially for bathrooms.

One of the most interesting trends is in bathroom vanities, or sink enclosures. Now homeowners can select vanities that resemble mission-style dressers, Victorian wicker tables or high tech steel or wrought iron pieces.



Innovation in bathroom sinks, including ornate bowls that complement any cabinet style from quaint old world style porcelains to cutting-edge stainless steel allow homeowners to bring their own sense of style to the bathroom.

Family bathrooms demand lots of storage space, which can be achieved through the use of large vanities, as well as additional cabinets. Several cabinet manufacturers specialize in heavy-duty cabinetry that will hold up to years of use by everyone from toddler to teenagers, while providing lots of storage space for bath toys, hair dryers, curling irons and towels.

Master bathrooms have become retreats, featuring whirlpool tubs, washers and dryers and even saunas. Cabinetry in the master

bath often resembles furniture from the master bedroom, again with the emphasis on storage to allow a clean, uncluttered appearance. New trends for master baths call for two separate "his and her" vanities, rather than one large double sink style, and homeowners opting for the still-popular pedestal style sinks use armoire-style cabinetry for storage.

Even small half baths are gaining their own styles. Special vanities for corner-style sinks and narrow cabinets are just some of the newer features for this one utility-

style room.

Remember that what makes a bathroom makeover fun is that this is the one room where a homeowner's imagination has free rein. And those reluctant to be innovative in the kitchen because it's usually such a large room can experiment in a bathroom on both a smaller scale and smaller budget.

Send your questions to The Kitchen Contractor c/o Fremont Design Inc. at 21444 Harper Ave. in St. Clair Shores, MI 48080; call (586) 775-9917; e-mail at fremontd@flash.net.

Protecting cherished keepsakes

(NAPSI) — When it comes to holiday decorations, the more the merrier — but what do you do with those decorations when the holidays are over?

Protecting holiday collectibles from discoloration, tarnish and dulling may be easier with some tips from Steve Stanton, a storage design expert and president of The Ultimate Christmas Storage Collection:

- Choose boxes with acid-free, heavy duty chipboard construction

throughout. The acid in carton boxes and newsprint typically used to store ornaments can cause colors to dull.

- Choose acid-free (archival) packaging supplies such as shredded bond paper, tissue paper and use Desi-Pac to reduce humidity, which is very damaging to hand-painted glass ornaments. Humidity indicators are also available to place inside each storage

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Collecting Pincushion Dolls

By Diane Morelli

Pat Tapper from Grosse Pointe Farms has been collecting half dolls, commonly called pincushion dolls, for over 20 years. She calls a few within her collection "my prize possessions." Those prized are showcased here.

Tapper explains there is very little information found on half dolls or pincushion dolls. They were made in Germany by European potters. These dolls were fashionable in Europe before reaching the United States, where they could be found plentiful in the '20s and '30s. Half dolls are hard to find now — their decline came during World War II.

Tapper says half dolls were made to enhance powder boxes, soap dishes, pincushions, brushes, cologne bottles, teapots, whisk brooms, or lamps. They are usually made of china, but the finer are made of bisque. A voluminous skirt made of fabric could be stitched to the body through the small holes for thread found at their base. The oldest half doll documented can be traced to 1765; it adorns a walking stick in a German museum.

Hundreds of different models exist — from the quaint to very outlandish. The potter modeled half dolls from portraits, engravings, legends and classical theater. They are usually stamped with country of origin, numbers and markings. Markings include companies' initials or symbols, and artists' marks or initials. The dolls were occasionally sold as nudes to be used by companies to dress up or use in various promotions. Victorian ladies

In 1981 Tapper's sister presented her with her first half doll — the flapper — as a gift which sparked the beginning of her interest in collecting. Since then her collection grew from auctions, local antique dealers, to antique shops in Sweden, Florida, the Antique Emporium of New York, to purchases from private collections.

Value

A doll's value increases when there is detailing on the body or by the smoothness and fine detail produced. The price should reflect the imperfection of a figure with good detail but of a grainy, uneven finish.

There are French and Japanese versions of the dolls, but German-made dolls are the most coveted. Flapper half dolls are very rare, therefore yield a premium price.

Any doll with an original gown is very valuable. The reference book, "A Price Guide To Pincushion Dolls," by Susan Endo, explains that if one is dressing a pincushion doll, be sure to use old material and a style that reflects the period of the doll. Otherwise, dressing a pincushion doll may not necessarily increase the value of the doll.

Though sizes vary, the average height is 3.5 inches. Frequently, the largest size yields the highest price, because the larger the model the finer the detail.

Tapper seeks half dolls that are German made, possess markings, have a fineness and smooth feel of porcelain, and are detailed, especially with delicate arms positioned away from the body.

The book, "China Half-Figures Called Pincushion Dolls," by Freida Marion, depicts the marks, far bottom right, commonly found on half dolls. Tapper says the Goebel pincushion doll marks of 1935 are the same as those appearing on Hummel figurines made back then.

Kovels' Internet price guide lists a "Woman," Brush Strokes in Gray Hair, Parted Lips, Holding Fan, 4-inch at \$400 (1997 price). Also listed is a pincushion doll "Strapless Camisole," Goebel — \$195 (1996 price).

The German bisque gray hair, green dress and hair band half doll, depicted above, is Tapper's most recent purchase. Her research on this piece has only begun, yet it's one of her prized possessions. No doubt through experience and knowledge she's acquired an uncanny perception that benefits in adding great value and charm to this remarkable collection.

This 4.5-inch tall half doll (nude), right, was made in Germany and known as a very popular model. It was found in a Paris warehouse and imported at one time by the Mary Merritt Museum.

Pat Tapper bought the little girl half doll, upper right corner, in Stockholm, Sweden, in 1982, for \$12 to \$18. Most little girl half dolls were modeled with bows in their hair, and many with flowers ornamenting their clothes or held in their hands. Kovels' Internet price guide lists the price of a "Dutch Girl" Holding Flower, Dressel & Kister, 2-inch at \$225 (1997 price).

The half doll, above, top, marked 4417, is described as German bisque, having delicate arms and body, gray hair, green hair band, green dress, lace collar and lace sleeves.

The "flapper," above, right, 4.5-inch porcelain half doll poses in the mod dress of the late 1920s: V-neck, gloves and cloche hat. Incised on its base is "Made in Germany, 14506." Purchased in 1981 for \$32, its value today is estimated at \$160. Kovels' Internet price guide lists the price of a "Flapper," Arms Away From Body, Painted Eyes & Bobbed Hair, 3 3/4-inch at \$120 (1998 price).

Pat Tapper's complete half doll collection is stylishly displayed in her elegant Grosse Pointe Farms home.



"The Letter," left, is one of Pat Tapper's favorites because it is adorned with a beautiful skirt set on the original pincushion. MW-507-551 are the markings found on this piece's fine German bisque.

MW-618-402 — This model, left, was inspired by a self portrait by Marie Ann Elizabeth Vigee-Lebrun (1755-1842), who was Marie Antoinette's favorite painter.

MARKINGS

A and B, Marks painted in blue underglaze, very blurred;

C, F, D, J and H, Incised;

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Antiques and Collectibles

Looking for a bargain-priced piece of majolica? Majolica is the name for a special type of pottery. It was made with a tin glaze that created a brightly colored surface.

Most 19th-century majolica was made with a smooth glazed surface or a rough finish. Collectors have concentrated on the smooth-finish pieces and now pay high prices for them.

Recently the Jones Museum of Glass and Ceramics in Sebago, Maine, had an exhibit featuring the less well-known sanded majolica. It was made from 1850 to 1900. The "sand" used as a background is really small pieces of clay applied to create a textured surface. The "sand" was made in different colors. Applied, raised decorations, usually flowers, were often added. So was gold trim. Some pieces were made with a sanded section and a smooth glazed sec-

tion. The same type of sanded surface was used on mocha ware, lusterware, Satsuma and other porcelains.

Q. My father kept my two battery-operated tin toys from the 1950s in very good shape. What kind of battery did they take? Is it a kind I can still buy?

A. Toys that moved with the help of tiny electric motors powered by batteries were invented by Japanese toy makers after World War II. Throughout the early years of production, the toys used the large D batteries, the same size that operates standard-size flashlights. If your father has run the toys periodically, they might still work with new D batteries. If not, try a lightweight spray lubrication on the mechanism, and be sure the contacts for the batteries are clean.

— Ralph and Terry Kovel, Cowles Syndicate

Tip: Try to keep your paper collectibles out of the light. If you frame and display some pieces, keep them on the dark side of the room, away from sunlight and direct lamp light.

Invite wildlife into your yard this holiday

Winter can be a tough time of the year for many wildlife with less food and fewer daylight hours to look for it. The National Wildlife Federation (NWF) offers nature lovers and garden enthusiasts a variety of fun ways to help wildlife by inviting them into their yards for the holidays.

NWF's Backyard Wildlife Habitat program was founded in 1973 by the National Wildlife Federation and encourages people to plan their landscape with the needs of wildlife in mind by providing the four essential elements for survival: food, water, shelter and a

place to raise young. By replacing traditional landscapes with a variety of native plants, individuals can create a wonderful haven for people and wildlife.

With over 29,000 certified sites in the program, including 1,055 in Michigan, the National Wildlife Federation provides information and assistance not only to homeowners, but also to schools, businesses, and community groups that are interested in creating wildlife and environmentally-friendly landscapes. For more information, visit the website www.nwf.org/habitats.

Keepsakes

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box.

• Removable trays make it easier to organize your collection.

"Collectors are paying top dollar for intricately hand painted ornaments to display and eventually pass on to their children. They understand the importance of protecting these heirlooms under the right conditions," says Stanton.

The Ultimate Christmas Storage Collection, a division of I Was Framed, features antique styling and romance through the use of decorative fabric patterns that date back to the 1800s. Fabrics come in a variety of festive solids and holiday prints, with five Christmas designs and options for the storage of Easter and Halloween collectibles.

Great holiday parties need good preparation

(NAPSI) — Make sure gravy and red wine don't become permanent decorations in your home this holiday season. Before entertaining, prepare your house for the possibility of spills and stains.

The following tips are offered by the carpet care experts at Bissell and 3M:

- Un-clutter your house — Clear table tops of knickknacks to give guests a place to put their plates and glasses.

- Use floor mats at all entrances/exits — Place a heavy-duty mat outside the door that encourages guests to wipe their shoes before entering the house. Place a carpet runner inside the door that absorbs wetness from shoes within the first few steps before walking on the carpet.

- Clean and protect carpet before the party with a do-it-yourself deep cleaning system like the

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- Serve finger food — Try to build your menu around bite-sized food that can be eaten without utensils: finger sandwiches vs. pasta, cheese and crackers vs. soup, tortes vs. slices of pie. The fewer utensils, the less your guests have to juggle.

- When the party is over, spot clean any spills right away. If you have a carpet deep cleaner, like the

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Personalize your holiday home decor with paint

(NAPSI) — The holiday spirit really comes to life with the addition of festive decorations in the home. The good news is that decorations don't have to cost a lot of money to be beautiful.

Why not think "outside the gift box" this year and take a new look at objects you already own? With a little inspiration and the right supplies, anyone can quickly and affordably turn their home into an inviting holiday haven.

Craft, hardware and home supply stores offer a large collection of spray paint products in a variety of vibrant seasonal colors, from rich metallics to brilliant greens, deep blues and cheery reds that can be used to easily refresh and revive everyday items for the holiday season. From wreaths, trays, vases, planters, baskets, cookie tins, pine cones, pine boughs and light fixtures, the possibilities are endless.

According to Jan Healy, Rust-Oleum brand manager and avid do-it-yourselfer, it's fun and affordable to get creative with holiday decorations. "Adding your own personal touches to holiday accents lends a special spirit to the season," said Healy. "It's a great way to exercise your imagination, have fun and delight friends and family with your creations."

Fun decorating ideas

- Gather a group of mismatched picture frames and paint with spe-

cialty colors to display festive holiday photos.

- Turn old clay pots into sparkling centerpieces by spray painting them. Tie bows around the top of the pots and fill with a collection of evergreen and eucalyptus branches, or fill with old-fashioned colored glass ornaments.

- Decorate old glass jars with Rust-Oleum Specialty Frosted Glass spray paint. Line with blue, red or green tissue paper or cellophane wrap and stack homemade cookies inside. Place another sheet of tissue paper over lid and tie with coordinated ribbon (perfect for last-minute hostess gifts).

- Spray pine cones, acorns and pine boughs with American Accents Silver or Gold spray paint. Arrange on a table with tea lights

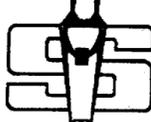
or votive candles (being careful to keep them away from live greens) for a dazzling table setting.

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There's a 'handywoman' in the house

(ARA) — Move over aerobics, shopping and cooking; a new Home Depot/Yankelovich Partners study reveals that home improvement is the new "trendy" leisure time activity for women.

Of the 1,012 survey respondents, 37 percent of women said they would prefer to spend their weekend leisure time working on a home improvement project, such as gardening or painting, rather than shopping in a mall (28 percent) or cooking/baking (25 percent). Another survey by the American Hardware Manufacturers Association said women accounted for nearly 38 percent of all do-it-yourself product purchases last year.

And, with more single women becoming homeowners, the trend seems destined to continue. So just what projects are most appealing to women?

The list is long and sometimes surprising.

1. Painting — In the study, painting was tied with gardening for the top spot. Gone are the days when the paintbrush and roller were the only tools of the painter. Today's techniques call for bold, colorful designs with faux finishes often using sponges and stencils.

Many women are now looking at painting as a form of expression and look at their walls as their canvas. Workshops held at home centers and paint dealers are teaching women to paint like pros.

Painting is also one of the easiest projects to take on in a home and one that can be accomplished at a relatively low cost. Painting a room is also one way to make a dramatic difference — quickly — and color can really open up the living space or give a ho-hum room character.

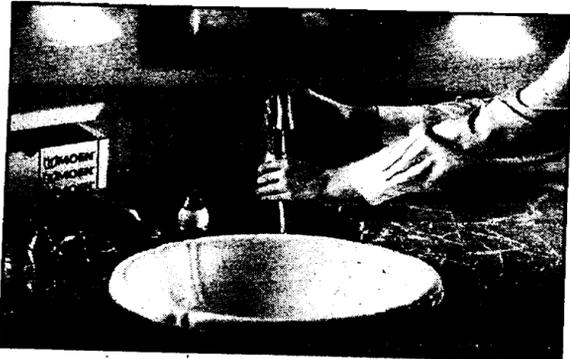
2. Gardening/landscaping — Gardening and landscaping provide a perfect excuse to be outdoors

— and get something accomplished at the same time. In addition, the results of these efforts produce

beautiful flowers, foliage, shrubbery and plants that can be enjoyed all season. For a woman looking to make an impact, home centers and greenhouses offer a multitude of options that allow a do-it-yourselfer to spruce up her own yard by adding mulch, new shrubbery or flowers.

3. Wallpapering — Many of today's wallpapers are pre-pasted, which means the woman do-it-yourselfer only has to wet the roll in water and position it on the wall. Even if a room is already painted, a decorative border can add just the right touch of style and color. These borders are popping up on all areas of the wall — not just near the ceiling. Try a waist-level, chair-rail border or even something at eye level to break up the room. Another option is to put a border around a window to give it a "framed" look.

4. Installing a new kitchen faucet — Creating a functional workspace in the kitchen is a must for most women and changing and upgrading faucets are increasingly popular kitchen do-it-yourself projects. Often, they opt for a pullout faucet that offers the ability to easily fill up large pots, water plants or clean all areas of the kitchen sink. Not only are these pullout



faucets functional, they are stylish as well. Moen's extensa pullout offers elegance and a host of finish options to complement

any kitchen decor, including today's hottest stainless looks. There are also pullouts available that offer the ability to filter water, such as the PureTouch filtering faucet.

5. Putting in a new floor — Carpet and vinyl are becoming a bit passe. Women are opting for new tile options that not only look great, but clean up well too. An inexhaustible range of patterns, colors and textures make tile a great way to enhance a room and add a little self-expression, plus, tile is easy to install. Once a pattern has been established, simply add adhesive to the back, position it properly on the floor and tap the tile with a rubber mallet to set it in place. Hardwood is also making a comeback as a popular flooring choice. New parquet floors are installed in much the same way as tile and are much easier to work with than older-style hardwood strip flooring.

6. Upgrading lighting fixtures or ceiling fans — Since outdated fixtures give away the age of your home, many women are upgrading their lighting. Relatively inexpensive and easy to install, changing out existing lighting fixtures can make a world of difference to brighten up a home. Another option is to change the look of an older ceiling fan by simply changing to new blades.

7. Adding new window treatments — Women can easily add some warmth and beauty to their walls with new window treatments. Once thought of only for function, window treatments are now a focal point in most rooms.

Women are integrating their room's design elements by having the pattern of their furniture complement or even match that of the window treatments. And, so many styles are now available to fit individual preferences — maybe a simple valance in the kitchen or a

swag positioned on a brushed nickel decorative rod. Many of the new styles only require material that is simply draped over a rod for positioning.

8. Turning a bathroom into a suite — Rather than live with a bathroom featuring mismatched fixtures and accessories, women are turning their bathroom into a suite with coordinated and integrated products. These suites provide a continuity of style and color throughout the entire room. Catching on to this trend, manufacturers are now offering a full assortment of products that allow consumers to produce this full suite look without having to go from store to store looking for just the right products. For example, Moen now offers faucets, tub/showering products, and accessories such as towel bars and toothbrush holders, all available in the same style and finish. Its M-Pact valve system even allows for easy upgrades once the fixtures are installed so that changes can be made without going under the sink deck or behind the shower wall. These quick changes allow any woman to create a whole different look in the bath.

9. Improving the home's exterior — Aside from gardening and landscaping, there are some other items that a woman can do to the exterior of her home to make the most out of it. Changing the color of the shutters is something that is very affordable and doesn't take much effort — just some paint. Women may even want to paint the front door to match the color of the shutters, add a decorative kick plate or perhaps change out the doorbell.

10. Refinishing kitchen cabinets — Many women might not be able to completely replace their kitchen cabinetry — but refinishing is definitely a job most women can accomplish. With refinishing, cabinets can be sanded, stained or repainted. It is amazing what this simple facelift will do for the look of a kitchen — a dark kitchen can suddenly see the light of day with white paint or a light oak stain on the cabinets. Even changing out the handle hardware is an inexpensive way to create a new look.

So the next time you are looking for a gift for that important woman in your life, maybe she'd like a hammer, some nails, a paintbrush or a faucet. These are the gifts today's woman homeowner can truly use, but you might want to check with her first!

EASTPOINTE

Spacious 1200 square foot brick ranch in a very nice area of Eastpointe. Features include natural fireplace, hardwood floors, natural woodwork throughout, sunroom with breakfast bar and possible two extra bedrooms in basement. Newer furnace and water heater. (10049598)



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1054 Maryland, spacious 2 bedroom upper, hardwood floors, garage. \$750. (313)331-7554

**700 APTS./FLATS/DUPLEX
POINTE/HARPER WOODS**

1167 Beaconsfield. Beautiful lower 3 bedroom. Updated kitchen and bath. Very spacious. \$850/month. Kathy Lenz, Johnstone & Johnstone, 313-813-5802

1300 Maryland, in the Park. Spacious, 2 bedroom apartment, new appliances, laundry facility, lighted parking, ample storage, includes heat and water. \$650 Open House Sundays 1-3 (586)739-2049

14933 Hampton/ Maryland. 1 bedroom, hardwood floors, new kitchen- appliances, laundry. Includes heat, water. No pets. \$550. (313)331-7554

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2 bedroom upper flat, 1369 Beaconsfield, balconies front & back, ample off-street parking. \$750/ month, references necessary. (313)331-7557

2 bedroom- 1,100 sq. ft. Washer, dryer. Cable modem, 400 channels included. Wood floors. \$800/ month. (313)821-3335, leave message.

2 lovely lower flats, 1- \$750, 1- \$1,100. (313)885-6475

21417 Kingsville. 1 bedroom upper, carpeting, appliances, newly decorated, carport. No pets. \$550 month. (313)881-9313

3 bedroom, 1 bath upper, Grosse Pointe Park, garage access, new windows, \$675/ month. Call (248)592-9261

3 room apartment, newly decorated. \$525 plus deposit. (586)772-4134

**700 APTS./FLATS/DUPLEX
POINTE/HARPER WOODS**

335 Moross. Rare Grosse Pointe Farms 2 bedroom upper. New paint, hardwood floors. Non smoking. 1 year lease. 1 1/2 month deposit. \$850 month (313)881-7878

336 Neff- 2 story condo, 2 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath Central air, appliances, carport, basement. No pets. \$1,150/ month. (313)884-8134

394 Neff- upper, completely redecorated, 2 bedroom. Deck, sun-room, 1 car garage. \$1,200/ month. No pets. Michael, 313-506-3742.

411 Neff- large 3 bedroom, 2 bath townhouse. Beautiful hardwood floors, fireplace, enclosed porch, garage, central air, stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, washer/ dryer and maintenance included. \$1,195/ month. (313)801-5537

**700 APTS./FLATS/DUPLEX
POINTE/HARPER WOODS**

582 St. Clair, close to Village. Recently renovated 5 room upper. All appliances. \$800. (313)886-5843

620 Neff- Hard to find, beautifully renovated. 1,500 sq. ft. Flat in the "Village"; kitchen/ great room; large living room with natural fireplace, master bedroom with walk-in closet; Jacuzzi tub. Must see. \$1,600/ month. 313-885-3553.

707 Harcourt. Lower unit for lease, 2 bedrooms, 2 full baths. Appliances included, \$1,200/ month. Immediate occupancy. Bolton-Johnston Associates, (313)884-6400

899 Neff upper front 2 bedroom apartment. Appliances, carport. \$675 month plus utilities. (313)881-1864

963 Harcourt. Spacious lower 2 bedroom flat. Hardwoods. \$800 month plus utilities. No pets, non smoking. Available January 1st. (313)886-1723

BEACONSFIELD- 3 bedroom lower & upper. Washer/ dryer, garage, hardwood floors. \$850/ month plus deposit. Brushwood Corporation, (313)331-8800

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AVAILABLE immediately- 617/ 619 Neff. Spacious upper and lower flats. Open floor plan; 2 bedrooms; 4-season Florida room; washer/ dryer available; perfect "Village" location. \$1,150/ month. 313-885-3553.

BEACONSFIELD Cute 2 bedroom upper. Clean, no pets. \$650 month. (313)823-4071

BEACONSFIELD south of Jefferson. 3 bedroom upper. Clean, refinished hardwood floors. Generous storage, all appliances, off street parking. No pets/ smoking. \$800/ month plus security. (313)882-6064

BEACONSFIELD south of Jefferson. 2 bedroom lower, excellent condition. \$600 month (248)344-9904

BEACONSFIELD- 2 bedroom upper, freshly painted, newer carpeting, newer appliances, new windows, off-street parking, \$700/ month, includes heat. Non-smoking, no pets. (313)882-8448

GROSSE Pointe newly decorated 5 room upper, appliances. \$675 includes heat. (313)343-0255

**700 APTS./FLATS/ DUPLEX
POINTES/HARPER WOODS**

BEACONSFIELD- updated studio apartment, hardwood floors, \$475/ month plus security. 313-822-6366

EXECUTIVE fully furnished 2 bedroom, short term, includes all utilities, phone, cable T.V. Central air & heat, very sharp. \$1,800/ month. (313)319-8050

FURNISHED- short term, 2 bedroom, includes all utilities, cable T.V., phone, air conditioning. Rivard. \$1,800/ month. (313)510-8835

GROSSE Pointe City- deluxe condo. Neff/ St. Paul 2,000 sq. ft., 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, fireplace, attached garage. \$1,600/ month (810)412-9000

GROSSE Pointe City. Lakeland/ Mack. 1 bedroom condo includes all appliances, washer, dryer, heat, air. Located near the Village. \$700/ month. (313)640-8966

GROSSE Pointe Park beautiful, 2 bedroom ranch. Large rooms, newly carpeted, air conditioned, appliances. Village shopping area- south of Kercheval. Ideal for seniors. \$1,200/ month (313)882-0599

GROSSE Pointe Park, 817 Beaconsfield, spacious upper 2 bedroom, hardwood floors, storage available. \$600/ month. 313-567-4144

GROSSE Pointe Park, Somerset, lower. 2 bedrooms, den, hardwoods, basement, washer, dryer, dishwasher, 1 car garage. Available mid December. \$925. Upper available, \$800 (248)723-9926

GROSSE Pointe Park- large attractive 2 bedroom, 2 bath lower on Windmill Pointe. 2 car garage, master bedroom, all appliances, fireplace, central air, basement, \$1,400. No smoking, no pets. (586)573-3098

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POINTES/HARPER WOODS**

GROSSE Pointe upper. 1 bedroom, all utilities. No pets, non smoking. (313)881-5577

HARCOURT, 952, upper. 1,400 sq. ft. Two bedrooms, fireplace, sunporch, new carpeting. Garage, separate basement. Water included. No pets, no smoking. \$1,050. (313)331-3923

HARCOURT, lower unit, new carpeting, air, 2 bedroom. \$1,000/ month. Monday- Friday (313)331-0330, weekends (313)530-9566

HARCOURT- lower unit, sharp, air, 2 bedroom, appliances, laundry, sun room, separate basement, fireplace, garage, snow removal, lawn maintenance, \$1,000/ month. No pets/ smoking, 313-319-8050

HARPER Woods- 2 bedrooms, basement, \$700/ month. Call 10am- 7pm. (810)293-8185

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LAKEPOINTE 1077. Must see & compare! Large/ open immaculate 2 bedroom upper, freshly painted, sun porch & pantry, new furnace & central air, separate utilities, basement, all appliances, concerned landlord. \$875/ month plus deposit. Available immediately. (313)549-7683

**700 APTS./FLATS/ DUPLEX
POINTES/HARPER WOODS**

LAKEPOINTE spacious 2 bedroom lower unit with bonus studio in lower level & extra full bath. Completely remodeled inside & out. New kitchen with dishwasher, new tiled bath & hardwood floors, \$895/ month. Call 313-882-7558

LARGE 2 bedroom lower flat. Porch. Very nice. Wayburn/ St. Paul. (313)882-1001

MARYLAND- Charming lower 2 bedroom flat. Kitchen with refrigerator stove, dishwasher. Window air. Garage parking. Available immediately. \$750/ month. References. 1st month and security. (313)823-2.50

NEFF Lane apartments- 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Close to Village, 1 carport, available immediately. \$750/ month. Lease. (313)882-9972

NEFF, 2 bedroom, 1 bath, charming lower unit, fireplace, central heat, air, newer appliances, washer, dryer, garage, near the Village and lake. (313)640-8991

NEFF- 821. 2 bedroom, very sharp, 2 story. New kitchen & decor, private basement, central air, garage. \$975. 313-510-8835

NEW Beaconsfield upper- 2 bedrooms, garage with remote. Air, all new appliances. Includes lawn care. \$800. (313)882-3222

NOTTINGHAM south of Jefferson, 3 bedroom, 2 story, completely updated, all appliances, snow & lawn service, air. Available January 1st. \$1225. per month, (313)884-2526

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SHARP! Brand new 2 bedroom upper, all new appliances, washer/ dryer. Must see! \$750/ month. (313)882-3222

**700 APTS./FLATS/ DUPLEX
POINTES/HARPER WOODS**

OUTSTANDING duplex in prime location. Close to Village. Excellent condition, 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, fireplace, hardwood floors. Available January 1st. \$1,400/ month. (313)343-9061

SOMERSET- 6 room upper, freshly painted, hardwood floors, natural fireplace, front porch, garage, separate basement, no pets. \$750 plus utilities and security. (313)881-3027

SPACIOUS upper, 500 block of Neff. Large rooms, natural fireplace, updated kitchen. Very clean. \$1,200/ month. Call RE/MAX, John Cotzias, (313)881-9020

ST. Clair- upper farmhouse flat, 2 bedroom, bath, living, kitchen/ all new appliances, dining, sun room, laundry room, washer/ dryer included. 2 blocks from Lake & Village, off- street parking. \$1050/ month, 313-881-8732

TROMBLEY Rd.- Pointe Park. Spacious upper apartment, 1,400 sq. ft. 2 large bedrooms, completely equipped kitchen, central air, fireplace, enclosed rear porch, basement, washer/ dryer, garage space, Park privileges. No pets. \$970 plus security deposit. Singles or couples only. Available immediately. (313)824-4131

TROMBLEY, 794. 2 bedroom + 3rd bedroom or TV room. Newly decorated, carpeted. Air conditioning. Garage. (313)331-6882

TROMBLEY- 2 bedroom upper, living room, dining room, library, porch, appliances. \$850/ month. (313)884-5469

TROMBLEY- lower, 3 bedroom. \$1,380. No pets. (313)822-4709

**701 APTS./FLATS/ DUPLEX
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1 & 2 bedroom remodeled units. \$350 & \$450 per month. (313)885-3410

**701 APTS./FLATS/ DUPLEX
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2 bedroom, all appliances, no pets, \$650. (313)824-1439

20026 Waitham, 8 Mile/ Schoenherr. 3 bedroom lower, \$600/ security. (586)296-0924 after 7pm

3660 Devonshire- 2 bedroom upper & lower, dining/ living room. \$530/ \$550. month. (586)296-9420

4812 Buckingham. Beautiful 2 bedroom lower flat, stove, refrigerator included, garage, security doors. \$600/ month, \$600 security deposit. Immediate occupancy. (313)881-4358

5050 Three Mile Drive, East Warren/ Outer Drive. 2 bedroom lower. Heat, \$600/ security. (586)296-0924 after 7pm

5097 Grayton. 2 bedroom upper. New carpet, water included. \$625 month (313)885-4205

5411 Mc Dougall. 3 bedroom large upper flat above barber shop. \$850 month plus security. Includes all utilities and phone. (313)521-5125

ALTER/ Charlevoix, Grosse Pointe side. 1 bedroom, \$350. Includes heat, appliances. (313)885-0031

APARTMENT 1 bedroom, heat/ water included, air, laundry available. \$395- \$525 (313)882-4132

BEDFORD 3 bedrooms, garage. \$600 month plus security. (313)882-4245

CADIEUX/ Mack- beautiful 1 bedroom upper flat. \$385 month. (313)881-9651

CHALMERS/ Mack- 2 bedroom, decorated. Secure, quiet. \$450. Security deposit. (313)882-4469, 313-506-3003

EAST English Village lower flat. 1,300 square feet, loaded, must see. \$700 month. Available January 1st. (313)882-6076

**701 APTS./FLATS/ DUPLEX
DETROIT/WAYNE COUNTY**

EAST English Village, 2 bedroom upper. No pets. \$650 heat included. (810)790-6544

EAST English Village, 2 bedroom apartment, appliances. \$650. No pets. (313)881-5012

EAST English Village. 2 bedroom lower. Hardwood, new furnace, appliances. \$700. 313-882-0033

EXECUTIVE 1 bedroom upper located in Windmill Pointe subdivision. Large bedroom, garage, immediate occupancy. All appliances included. \$500 month plus security. Single only (313)822-5651

GRAYTON outstanding 2 bedroom upper. Appliances, dishwasher, secure garage. \$700 includes heat! (313)886-1924

194/ Moross area. Clean 2 bedroom duplex. Appliances. \$650 plus \$650 security. (313)884-3312

INDIAN Village area- 2 bedroom upper flat to rent. \$700/ month (313)331-3680

RECENTLY remodeled duplex- \$600 upper, \$600 lower, 3 bedrooms each unit or \$1,150 for both. Accepting Section 8. (313)885-3410

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SPACIOUS 1 bedroom lower apartment with living room, dining room, kitchen with appliances, walk out sun deck, large closets, includes shared use of basement and garage \$440/ month includes heat and water. No pets, excellent area (810)775-7164.

WHITTIER/ I-94. 1 bedroom, appliances, redecorated, air, balcony, laundry. \$500 month, first, last, security. Section 8 OK. (313)882-7897

**702 APTS/FLATS/DUPEX
S.C.S./MACOMB COUNTY**

1 bedroom apartment Roseville- all appliances, no pets. (248)543-3940 between 7am- 4pm.

1 bedroom spacious townhouse, basement. Eastpointe, 9/ Gratiot. Air, appliances. \$545. 313-885-8300. Senior discounts.

11 Mile/ Harper- Remodeled 1 bedroom, excellent condition. Heat included. \$560. (248)882-5700

11/ Jefferson. 3 bedroom, 2 bath Cape Cod. \$995 month. (810)773-7755

21700 9 Mile. Spacious 1 bedroom, quiet building. Includes appliances, parking, laundry. Heat water included. No pets. \$525. (313)331-7554

A-1 location, 10 1/2 & Jefferson. 1 bedroom, carpeted, appliances, walk-in closet, window treatments. \$560, heat/ water included. (810)757-6309

EASTPOINTE- Kelly/ Stephens, 1 bedroom, 2nd floor, includes heat/ water. \$530/ month. (586)293-8636

JEFFERSON/ Masonic, 1 bedroom, 1st floor, includes heat/ water. Across from lake & park. \$540/ month. (586)293-8636

LARGE one bedroom, newly decorated. Air. Appliances. No pets. \$480. (810)468-1693

MT. Clemens flat- Quite 2 bedroom, includes heat/ water. \$570. (810)294-4992

NAUTICAL Mile must see 2 bedroom, garage, newly updated. (586)779-2756

ROSEVILLE- 18620 Common Road, 1 bedroom upper, \$500/ month. 1 bedroom lower, \$600/ month. Includes water, heat, appliances. Security deposit & references required. (810)704-7057

**705 HOUSES FOR RENT
POINTES/HARPER WOODS**

\$1,300 Farms- 3 bedroom, 3 bath, all appliances, air, fireplace, redecorated. (313)881-9687

1221 Fairholme in the heart of Grosse Pointe Woods. Prime location, corner lot. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths. Formal dining room, large kitchen with eating area. TV room, recreation room, natural fireplace, finished basement. Central air. ADT security system. 2 car attached garage, fenced yard. \$2,200 month. Also available furnished. (810)792-3990

20040 8 Mile. Grosse Pointe Schools. For rent \$800. For sale \$82,900. 2 bedroom, lots of updates. Investment or starter. (313)882-8161

2057 Fleetwood, Grosse Pointe Woods, available immediately. 3 bedroom colonial, 1 1/2 baths, 2 car garage, fireplace, finished basement. Neutral updated decorating, 1,350/ month. Must pass credit inspection. (248)613-9493

3 bedroom bungalow, Grosse Pointe area. Newly remodeled. \$1,050. Immediate occupancy. Willing to sell. 810-776-2444

4 bedroom 2 bath brick in The Woods, newer carpeting, freshly painted. Includes all appliances, 2 car garage, central air, finished basement. 1 year lease. \$1,325/ month. (313)886-2965

408 Fisher- Farms. Colonial, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, finished basement, Florida room. \$1,550/ month. Available immediately. (313)882-5054

CLEAN colonial, 325 Moross. 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, appliances, fireplace, 2 car garage, central air. \$1300. Available first week of January. (312)336-2937, (313)574-9561

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GROSSE Pointe Park beautiful, newly carpeted 2 bedroom ranch. Large rooms, air, Village shopping area. South of Kercheval. Ideal for seniors. \$1,200 month (313)882-0599

GROSSE Pointe Park- 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath brick colonial, fireplace, dining room, and Florida room. 2 car garage. Central air. \$1,300. (313)821-8760

GROSSE Pointe Schools- 3 bedroom bungalow, fireplace, very clean. \$900/ month 20849 Hawthorne (313)886-1467

GROSSE Pointe Woods 3 bedroom, 2 bath, fenced, \$900. (248)613-3079

GROSSE Pointe Woods- 3 bedrooms, new carpeting, washer, dryer, fireplace, garage. \$850. Available immediately. (313)963-6223

GROSSE Pointe Woods- 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, immaculate, great neighborhood. \$2,100/ month. (313)886-7370

HARPER Woods, Grosse Pointe schools. 3 bedroom, 1 bath, all appliances, near expressway. Credit check. \$700 month. (313)881-1880

HARPER Woods, rent to buy. 19935 Daman. (313)527-1468

HOLLYWOOD, 2 bedroom. \$800/ month. Days & evenings (734)992-2118, weekdays (810)776-2060

LARGE upper ranch duplex, 2,500 sq. ft. 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, all appliances, updated kitchen, new carpeting. 1 block from Lake St. Clair, lawn/ snow removal included. No pets. \$1,750/ month. Kessler and Company (248)643-9099

PEMBERTON- lovely Tudor. 4 bedrooms, newer gourmet kitchen, family room, fireplace, 2 car garage, finished basement, walk-up attic. \$2,100/ month. (810)482-4178

**705 HOUSES FOR RENT
POINTES/HARPER WOODS**

LOCHMOOR, Harper Woods, 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 bath. 1,200 square feet, 2 car attached garage. Updated kitchen & bath. All newer appliances, \$1,250/ month. Non-smoking. (313)343-0940

OUTSTANDING Grosse Pointe Woods 3 bedroom ranch. Immediate occupancy. Family room, hardwood floors, new kitchen, 1 car attached garage, large fenced yard. Will consider pets. \$1,495 month. (313)882-1521

RENT TO OWN Land Contract Harper Woods 3 bedroom ranch, finished basement. **Ralph Roberts Real Estate (586)582-5302**

**706 HOUSES FOR RENT
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2 & 3 bedrooms. Decorated, clean, fenced. \$550- \$695. Daily showings. (313)882-4132

5 bedroom, completely rebuilt house. 1 year lease. \$1,000 month. 1 1/2 security. 4001 Neff. (313)881-7878

FARMBROOK/ near Outer Drive, 3 bedroom bungalow, 2 baths, finished basement. Pets OK. Easy move in. Reasonable rent. (248)399-4216, Smart Move.

HAYES/ Outer Drive. Single home. 2 bedrooms, garage. \$600 month plus security. (313)882-4245

NEAR Eastland, 2 & 3 bedroom homes. Section 8 OK. Call for details. (248)399-4216, Smart Move.

RENO/ 8 Mile, large 4 bedroom. Reasonable rent. Section 8 welcome. Nice, updated home. (248)399-4216, Smart Move.

**707 HOUSES FOR RENT/
S.C.S./MACOMB COUNTY**

ADORABLE St. Clair Shores, 2 bedroom cottage. All appliances. 2 car garage. Must see. Danielle, (586)212-9933

**707 HOUSES FOR RENT/
S.C.S./MACOMB COUNTY**

10 1/2 & Jefferson. Spotless. 2/ 3 bedroom. Completely remodeled, garage, appliances. \$900/ month. (586)775-6504

BEAUTIFUL, spacious, 2 bedroom. Between 8 & 9, Mack and Jefferson. \$785. (248)559-2982

EASTPOINTE beautiful 3 bedroom, totally remodeled. Available immediately. \$875/ month. (313)824-5450

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ST. Clair Shores, 3 bedroom ranch, central air, appliances, garage. South Lake Schools. Immediate. \$925/ month. (313)885-0197

ST. Clair Shores- Mack/ 9 Mile. Brick 3 bedroom, basement, garage. \$1,100/ month. Lease option to buy. (810)294-4992

ST. Clair Shores. 2 bedroom, garage, appliances, updated, appealing block. \$1,000 month. (810)322-8171

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CONDOS FOR RENT**

2 bedroom condo located on Nautical Mile. \$700/ month includes heat. (810)415-0035

22980 Marter Road- Lakeshore Village, 2 bedroom, completely redone. Must pass credit check. \$895/ month. Available immediately. Call Denise (248)613-9493

9 Mile/ Harper, 1 bedroom, heat & carpet included. \$625. 810-350-5966

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TO SHARE**

FEMALE to share spacious home. Harper Woods. \$350/ month, includes utilities. (313)371-6116

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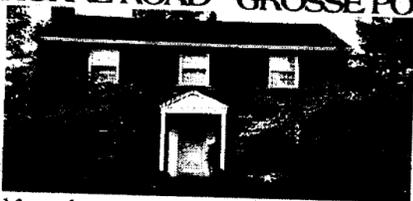
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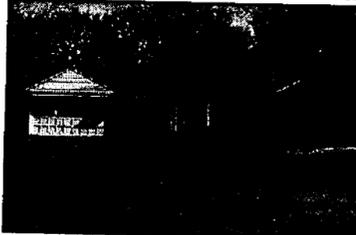
Charming three bedroom brick bungalow in Harper Woods with Grosse Pointe Schools, east of I-94. Spacious kitchen with eating space, new carpet and freshly painted throughout. Large living room, good size bedrooms and hardwood floors. Finished basement with glass block windows and half bath. Occupancy could be sooner!

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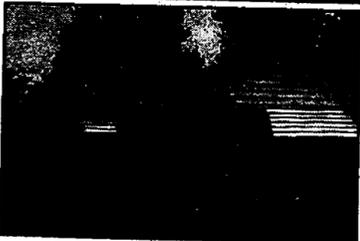
Priced to sell! Fantastic three bedroom, one and one half bath Ranch with family room, large eat in kitchen and two car attached garage. Open floor plan with large living room with natural fireplace and open dining room. Close to schools and shopping on quiet Farms street. Immediate occupancy.

Grosse Pointe Park



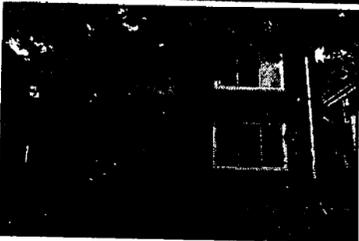
Five bedroom, two full bath Colonial in move in condition. New roof, new windows, new plumbing... move in condition. Too many updates to list them all... call for a list of improvements!

Harper Woods



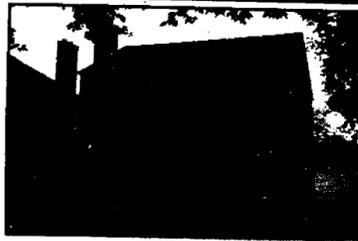
Nice three bedroom brick Ranch in Harper Woods, east of I-94. Large updated kitchen with eating space, newer furnace, all new copper plumbing and natural fireplace.

Grosse Pointe Park



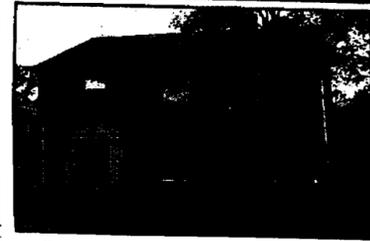
Newer brick Colonial two-family in Grosse Pointe Park. Upper and lower units consisting of: two bedrooms, living room, dining room and kitchen. Great income property.

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Meticulous three bedroom brick Colonial on desirable Farms street. Newer kitchen, new roof and central air, refinished hardwood floors, library and finished basement. Close to The Hill and schools. Move in condition.

Grosse Pointe Farms



Classic three bedroom brick Colonial on favorite Grosse Pointe Farms street. Newer tear-off roof, central air and landscape. Large updated kitchen with eating space and wet bar, generous room sizes, circular floor plan, cove ceilings and hardwood floors throughout. Finished basement with recreation room, a perfect home for the holidays!

Grosse Pointe Farms



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Grosse Pointe Farms



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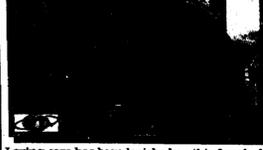
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<p>FIRST OFFERING</p>  <p>Farmbrook, Detroit Cute and cozy two bedroom bungalow is located close to St. John Hospital and Baldtuck Park. Freshly painted throughout. The carpet, windows, glass block windows, copper plumbing and kitchen floor are all new in 2001. \$244,000</p>	<p>FIRST OFFERING</p>  <p>Crawford Lane, Grosse Pointe Charming duplex in prime location near the Village. Both units are identical in size and feature newer kitchens and baths. Finished basement also has newer bedrooms. Brick patio and sprinkler system. \$419,000</p>	<p>GROSSE POINTE WOODS</p>  <p>Delightfully pleasant bungalow has three bedrooms and one and one half baths and is located on a great street. Updated kitchen with breakfast nook, newer roof and furnace. \$164,900</p>	<p>GROSSE POINTE TERRACE</p>  <p>Create a lifestyle of living! Unique English terrace offers spacious kitchen with white cabinets, wet bar and desk. Bay window in living room and many recent updates. \$399,900 http://www.1stxmedia.com/ARFST1201.htm</p>
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