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Trash pickup

Holiday trash pickup through Saturday, Jan. 5, is as follows:

City of Grosse Pointe: Monday's trash will be collected on Tuesday; Tuesday's trash will be collected on Thursday, and Wednesday's trash will be collected on Friday.

Recycling items on the Monday route will be picked up on Monday; Tuesday's items will be picked up on Wednesday, and Wednesday's items will be picked up on Thursday.

Grosse Pointe Farms: Monday's trash pickup will be collected by 11 p.m. Please have trash out by 7 a.m. Tuesday's trash will be collected on Wednesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday routes will remain unchanged.

Grosse Pointe Park: Monday's trash will be collected according to schedule. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday pickup will be delayed by one day.

Grosse Pointe Shores: Regularly scheduled Monday and Tuesday trash pickup will be collected on Thursday. Wednesday and Thursday trash pickup will be delayed one day.

Grosse Pointe Woods: Monday's trash will be collected according to schedule. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday pickup will be delayed by one day.

Harper Woods: Monday's trash will be collected according to schedule. All other trash pickup will be delayed one day.

Municipal offices

Municipal offices in the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods will be closed Monday, Dec. 31, and Tuesday, Jan. 1.

Deadlines

The deadline for news and feature items and letters to the editor for the Thursday, Jan. 3, issue of the Grosse Pointe News is Thursday, Dec. 27, at 5 p.m.

The Grosse Pointe News offices will be closed Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 31 and Jan. 1.

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Pointes begin paying taxes on parks

Lakefront park assessments and state and county taxes

City of Grosse Pointe	State Equalized Value	State & County Taxes
Neff Park		
1999	0	0
2000	0	0
2001	\$460	\$23
Grosse Pointe Farms		
Pier Park		
1999	0	0
2000	0	0
2001	\$25,000	\$957
Grosse Pointe Park		
Patterson Park		
1999	0	0
2000	0	0
2001	\$190,858	\$7,294
Windmill Pointe Park		
1999	0	0
2000	0	0
2001	\$63,189	\$2,419
Grosse Pointe Shores		
Osius Park & Ford Field		
1999	\$1,038,800	\$38,695
2000	0	0
2001	0	0

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

What is the taxable value of the Grosse Pointe lakefront parks?

Depending on the municipality, anywhere from \$1,038,800 to \$460.

That was the range listed on tax bills that were sent from the state to four of the five Grosse Pointe municipalities.

This is the first year the state has collected state and county taxes on the lakefront parks in the City, Farms, Park and Shores.

The question of the Pointe's resident-only parks being tax-exempt arose in 1999 when tax attorney Lawrence Van Til of Grosse Pointe Shores wrote the state tax commission in 1999.

In the letter, Van Til stated the Shores' municipal parks were not tax-exempt because they are not "open to the public generally," but rather to Shores residents only.

In a memorandum, the tax commission agreed and told the Shores the Pointes to assess and levy state and county taxes on their residents-only parks.

Grosse Pointe Woods is exempt as it pays a fee to St. Clair Shores for the use of its land at Lake Front Park.

Leading the pack with the highest tax bill was Grosse Pointe Shores, which recently paid its \$38,695 tax bills for Osius Park and Ford Field.

The Shores initially assessed its parks' values at zero. The state tax commission overturned the valuation to \$1,038,800.

"We did not have a chance to review it; our board of review did not have a chance to review it," said Shores village counsel Ralph Houghton. "The state tax commission has taken the stance that they should all be assessed at market value."

"The only reason we're paying that tax now is so that we'll avoid penalties." The Shores has paid the 1999 tax in protest in hopes it will receive all or part of the money plus interest on appeal, which could take several years.

The Shores board of review recently set the village's 1999 parks valuations back to zero.

"As you know, there are

several reasons for that, including the fact those parcels have reverter clauses that if we ever tried to sell those properties, they'd go back to the state of Michigan," Houghton said, explaining the village's and the board of review's main reason for setting the parks' values at zero dollars.

The Grosse Pointe Farms Pier Park has a similar deed restriction. Like Osius Park, it was constructed from fill dirt from the excavation of I-94 in the early 1960s.

The Farms had valued the park at zero dollars until this year when the tax commission ordered the city to place a taxable value on the property.

The Pier Park, originally assessed at \$896,000, was granted a taxable value of \$25,000 by the Farms board of review earlier this year.

The Farms recently paid \$947 in state and county taxes on the park for 2001.

In addition to the Pier Park's deed restriction, the park was already being taxed through the added value the park placed on homes in the city according to Farms assistant city manager Shane Reeside.

The City of Grosse Pointe and Grosse Pointe Parks also say their lakefront parks are valued and taxed so low because of the added value of homes in their communities.

The Park's Patterson Park was assessed at \$190,858 and taxed at \$7,294. Its Windmill Pointe Park was assessed at \$63,189 and taxed at \$2,419.

The City's Neff Park claimed the lowest taxable value of all the Pointe lakefront parks — \$460. Its 2001 state and county tax bill was \$23.

In defense of the tax disparity among Pointe lakefront parks, state tax commission information officer Terry Stanton said:

"Some of the other parks haven't come through the system or haven't been looked at because they haven't been considered exempt. Those situations will likely be addressed in the not-so-distant future so there won't be any disparities."

Even with a \$23 tax bill, City of Grosse Pointe city manager Mike Overton said, "I think it's a rip-off. We shouldn't be taxed at all."

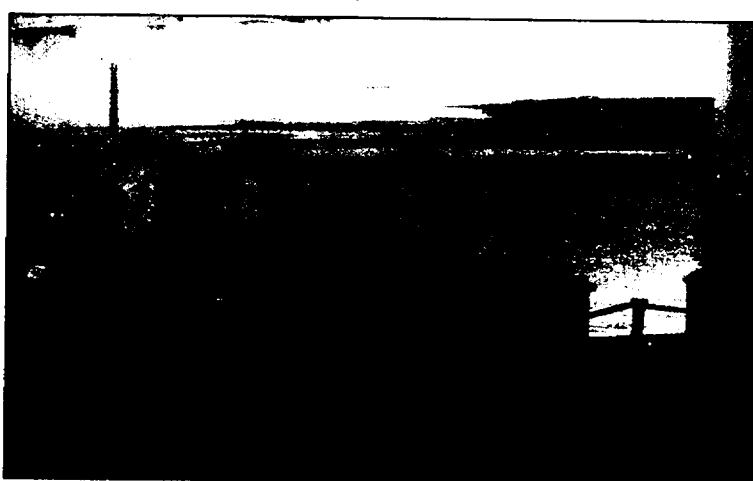


Photos by Madeleine Sosa

Dickens of a Christmas

Teachers and parent volunteers treated the students of the sixth-grade Herd Team at Brownell Middle School in Grosse Pointe Farms to a bountiful buffet of holiday goodies during a Victorian Christmas Carol Winter Solstice Breakfast, Friday, Dec. 21, at the Grosse Pointe Farms Pier Park. The gathering celebrated the dawn of the shortest day of the year and the group's completion of Charles Dickens' novel "A Christmas Carol." Pictured above are, from left, student Michael Sheehy of Grosse Pointe Farms, teachers Susan Dempsey, Bonnie Berschback-Moyer and Todd Whitefleet, student Natalie Recchia of Grosse Pointe Woods, and teacher Darlene Lovelace.

The Herd Team also shared the dawn of the shortest day of the year at the Grosse Pointe Farms Pier Park. Braving the cold in the Pier gazebo were, below from left, parent volunteer Cheryl Maniaci of Grosse Pointe Woods, her son Peter Maniaci and Chris Peters of Grosse Pointe Woods.



POWER OF INTEREST

John Surprenant

Home: Grosse Pointe Park
Family: Single
Occupation: Oncology service line administrator for St. John Health System and an ordained Catholic priest.

Quote: "Much of my life has been devoted to trying to understand the rising and dying that happens often in our lives. Part of that process often includes bereavement and loss, and cancer lends itself to that journey."

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yesterday's headlines

50 years ago this week

■ The "Cat" has been colared. Grosse Pointe Farms police dragged the notorious crook into jail on Christmas Eve.

The sneaky nighttime burglar of numerous Grosse Pointe homes during recent weeks has been caught — the result of a harried chase and hail of bullets in the area of Beaupre and Stephens in the Farms.

Officers made the arrest while investigating an attempted burglary in the 300 block of Touraine. Officers shot at the suspect as he tried to run a roadblock. Officers hit the suspect's car eight times before he ran off the road and stopped.

Officers arrested Ernest Morris, a 41-year-old Detroit man who Pointe police said they have known for a long time.

■ The busiest shopping season ever in the Village of the City of Grosse Pointe has shown city officials the importance of increased off-street parking.

■ A two-year-old girl from Grosse Pointe Farms is recovering after falling into a bathtub of scalding water. The girl is being treated at Cottage Hospital for burns all over her body.

25 years ago this week

■ The Grosse Pointe Board of Education has joined several other local governing bodies in formally supporting the movement to return the drinking age to 21 years old in Michigan.

The trustees' main concern, other than a sharp increase in juvenile traffic deaths involving drinking, is alcohol and accompanying discipline problems in the schools.

"We know that 18-year-olds in our high schools are buying liquor for their younger classmates," said trustee Joan Hanpeter.

■ Students at Grosse Pointe South High School say raising the drinking age from 18 to 21 years old won't do any good.

"There are enough places to buy booze where they don't care what age you are," said a student about to turn 18.

■ Beginning next June, all 10th grade students in the Grosse Pointe high schools must spend one semester in a new writing workshop in addition to the two semesters of ninth-grade English now required for graduation.

The change comes as watered down English curriculums have come under fire.

Many Grosse Pointe parents have complained about the district's large number of English elective courses (31 at South alone) as the cause for decline in English skills. Courses such as media, young viewpoints and art of the film, parents have said, often serve as easy outs for students who have not mastered basic English skills.

10 years ago this week

■ Little lots continue to cause big headaches in the City of Grosse Pointe.

Municipal officials have rejected a property homeowner's request to develop an undersized, 40-foot side yard in the 800 block of Rivard.

The decision leaves few options open to the land owner, other than selling the \$21,000 property to neighbors for expanded side yards.

■ C. Bradford Lundy Jr. has retired from the Grosse Pointe Shores village council after nearly three decades of public service.

"After 27 years and eight months on the council," Lundy said, "I felt that was enough. I'm going to hit 70 on Christmas Day. It was a good time to do it."

■ Grosse Pointe North High School's boys swimming team has wiped out records in the 800-yard freestyle relay and the 200-backstroke relay. The accomplishments were attained on the way to North winning the team championship in the six-team Notre Dame Relays.

5 years ago this week

■ Defer principal Sheila Turney is leaving her post in January to take a job with a statewide group operating charter schools. Turney has been with the district 21 years.

Her new job will be as principal of the New Directions Institute in Pontiac, a charter high school operated by the Lansing-based Leona Group.

■ A subcommittee of the Grosse Pointe Library board of directors is studying facility needs and options for the future. Topics have included expanding existing branches and constructing new facilities.

— Brad Lindberg

50 years ago this week



Farms police drag the Cat in

Grosse Pointe Farms police gave all Grosse Pointe residents a welcome Christmas present when they captured the "Cat" on Christmas Eve. Wearing a bandage where his skull was created by one of 10 bullets fired by officers manning a roadblock, Ernest J. "The Cat" Morris, 41, of Detroit, is surrounded by uniformed officers, from left, Joseph Miller, William Elworthy and Harold Beaupre. Missing from the picture is officer Guy Lyford, who helped in the capture. (Photo by Fred Runnells. From the Dec. 27, 1951 Grosse Pointe News.)

City gets 'clean' 2000-01 audit

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

The City of Grosse Pointe recently got a clean bill of health on its 2000-01 budget.

"The city is in excellent financial health," said Lance Brownworth of Plante & Moran, the City's auditing firm. "We've given the City of Grosse Pointe an unqualified report. We found the information given to be in accordance with accounting principles."

Last fiscal year's operating budget was \$6 million, with two-thirds of its revenue coming from local property tax and about half of its expenditures devoted to public safety.

The City had a \$1.4 million fund balance, equal to

about 20 percent of its operating budget.

Parking revenue had decreased from \$450,000 to \$420,000 in the past three years. Brownworth noted that the cash balance has improved over the past couple of years even though the cost of operations has increased.

City manager Mike Overton gave some insight into how accounting systems will change over the next few years.

The Government Accounting Standards Board has recommended new accounting procedures which, as Overton put it, "will revolutionize all the accounting we're doing."

"The government finan-

cial statements will look more like public sector statements. They'll include things like depreciation of equipment and earmarking revenues and expenditures for the departments that create the services. We'll also have to take inventory of all of our equipment and assets. Essentially, they want us to run our cities like businesses."

The City will not put the new GASB standards into place until 2003, but work is already starting on converting to the new accounting system.

"The parks and harbor budget has already turned into an enterprise fund," Overton said. "Parking will be soon to follow."

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Librarian Marilyn Galsterer helped more than 40 people who turned out Dec. 18 to make their own personalized wrapping paper at the Harper Woods library.

Besides the crafts, the pre-holiday festivities included refreshments, videos and stories for children and a chance to look over the new collection of DVDs the library recently received from the Friends of the Library.



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Specifications and Bid Forms will be available at a **MANDATORY pre-bid meeting** on Tuesday, January 8, 2002 at 9:00 a.m. eastern standard time. The mandatory pre-bid will take place at Ferry Elementary School, 748 Roslyn, Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan 48236. **The meeting will be in the receiving room of Ferry Elementary School.**

Sealed bids will be due Thursday, January 24, 2002 at 10:00 a.m. eastern standard time at the Administration Building of the Grosse Pointe Board of Education, 389 St. Clair Ave., Grosse Pointe, MI. 48230 at which time and place the bids will be opened and publicly read aloud. This project will not be funded by federal or state monies.

Please direct questions to Larry Yankauskas, Manager of Buildings and Grounds for the Grosse Pointe Public School System, 313-432-3082.

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City torn between historical preservation, zoning

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

Donna Rebidas thought constructing a mid-19th-century inspired barn style garage would be the perfect compliment to her 1850 farmhouse on St. Clair, one of the oldest homes in the Pointes.

The City of Grosse Pointe city council thinks so, too. But it's also concerned about upholding 21st century zoning ordinances.

The city council will take the next month to ponder the fate of Rebidas' proposed cedar-sided garage.

Rebidas approached the city council Monday, Dec. 17, to ask for two variances: one to extend the square-footage of the proposed garage by 98 square feet and another to extend the height of the garage from the City's 15-foot limit to 19.5 feet, which includes a five-foot cupola and weathervane.

The council, acting as the City's zoning board of appeals, denied the request for the 898-square-foot footprint for the proposed four-car garage, but asked to see proof that a lower roof line would call the architectural integrity of the garage in relation to the house into question.

"As far as the height, she has a period farmhouse and

that a steeper roof pitch and the higher appearance of the roof making it look more like a barn was the effect we were aiming for," said garage architect James Conway. "The addition to the historic Cadieux house at Notre Dame and Jefferson, which I designed a few years ago, has a higher roof pitch."

The garage of the Cadieux house was granted a variance at the time it was built.

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Elaine Hartmann, who assisted in the restoration of the Cadieux house, spoke in support of Rebidas' proposed garage.

"Donna's house is of the same period of the Cadieux house and she wants to have a barn that would fit with the ambiance and the look of the house she's in now," Hartmann said.

"We have, in the past, considered the appearance of the house for circumstances like this," said councilman Larry Dowers.

Councilman Stephen Sholty agreed with Dowers, but with hesitation.

"I drove by the house and I was impressed with it," Sholty said. "A lot of work is being put into it, but I'm concerned with precedent. In the past, the garage thing is something we've been

dealing with for a long time."

The City's planning consultant Brandon Rogers said, "We have considered that in the past, but whether we want to have another barn is another question. I'm concerned about precedent. I'm concerned about showing practical difficulty, but I think we're close to compliance."

Mayor Dale Scrace further advised the council: "In order to get a variance, the historic nature of the house certainly enters in the discussion, but once the issue's passed, it applies to any other home within that residential zoning district."

"I know you're talking about precedent, but this is one of the oldest surviving farmhouses in the City of Grosse Pointe," Rebidas said. "It's really important for me to have the right design."

Conway argued that lowering the roof pitch would make the building look more like a modern garage.

Rebidas' house does not have a historic designation and there are no historic districts in the City.

The City of Grosse Pointe city council will continue the discussion at its Jan. 21 meeting.



Photo by Bonnie Caprara
City of Grosse Pointe resident Donna Rebidas would like to build a garage to complement her 1850 farmhouse, but the City of Grosse Pointe city council is torn between protecting historical integrity and upholding 21st-century zoning regulations.

Park teens, both lifeguards, help in freeway car crash

Two Grosse Pointe teenagers went into lifeguard mode on dry land two weekends ago to aid a man and woman in a car wreck on I-94.

The pair, Dave Dennison, 17, and Chris Miller, 18, both Park residents and summer lifeguards, were heading home from a movie when a woman driving a Jeep Wrangler lost control on westbound I-94 near I-696 in the early evening of Saturday, Dec. 1.

Dennison pulled over. He and Miller ran to help. The Wrangler lay on the passenger side pointing backwards in the direction of oncoming traffic.

As Miller approached, he saw red liquid pooling on the roadway. It turned out to be transmission fluid, but it was still "creepy," Miller said. He called 9-1-1 while Dennison focused on the driver and passenger.

Fearing an explosion, Dennison and about a half-dozen other Good Samaritans tore off the Jeep's snap-down top. The driver, strapped in with seat belts, dangled in the driver's seat. Her passenger, a man secured by a belt in the front passenger seat, crawled out

of the vehicle and helped untether the woman. Dennison caught her as she spilled out.

Both teens helped walk her to the side of the expressway.

"She was upset but didn't seem to be hurt," Dennison said.

Miller was concerned the dazed woman may have suffered latent injuries.

"We're trained to make sure what to do if people go into shock," said Miller, a senior at Grosse Pointe South High School who worked last summer as a

lifeguard at Pier Park in the Farms.

Dennison, who spent last summer as a lifeguard in northern Michigan, was ready to give CPR if necessary. He carries a CPR mask in his car. The mask protects lifesavers from communicable disease while performing mouth-to-mouth resuscitation.

"We determined both were OK," Dennison said.

"We stayed until rescue vehicles arrived," said Miller, a senior at University of Detroit High School.

Park seeks backup power for city's sewers system

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Vern Ausherman isn't a civil engineer, but he has a handle on the design of municipal sanitary sewer systems.

"Basements are not a proper retention basin," said Ausherman, an often home-spun member of the Grosse Pointe Park city council.

Flushed into action by the recent mini-monsoon that flooded streets all over town, Ausherman and his colleagues are fishing for a backup diesel generator for the city's sewer pumping station.

The unit will click on if electricity is cut to the pumping complex.

"That's the way I'd run my house," said mayor Palmer

Heenan.

The Park's sewage pumping station has primary and backup electrical links to Detroit Edison. However, because both systems are rigged to the same power plant, the emergency diesel generator will provide downside risk protection in case the utility experiences a major disruption.

"If serviced failed, sewers would be backed up in every basement south of Jefferson," Heenan said.

Dale Krajniak, the Park city manager, has been eyeing a \$60,000 diesel generator. It can operate for 18 hours before being refueled. The city has already bought a \$275,000 replacement pump.

A couple of years ago, the

Park completed a comprehensive, \$22 million sewer separation project.

Construction took the strain off the sanitary sewer system by handling rain water separately.

Heavy rains the morning of Dec. 1 tested the system by dumping almost two inches on the community within two hours. Although streets were flooded everywhere, city officials said only about a dozen residents reported flooded basements.

Things would have been different if the sewage pumps had gone offline.

Park officials began thinking about a backup generator last summer to protect against the type of rolling blackouts that were plaguing California.

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Priest heeds calling in healing body, minds and souls

By Patti Theron
 Special Writer

John Surprenant has many passions in his life. His most recent passion has been the St. John Health System, where he was recruited three years ago from Pennsylvania to join the oncology program.

Since his arrival at St. John and a home in Grosse Pointe Park, Surprenant has devoted his time to developing the Van Elslander Cancer Center, which is located in Grosse Pointe Woods and opened in October.

"The center is unique and progressive. It is a state-of-the-art diagnostic, treatment and research facility," says Surprenant, oncology service line administrator for St. John Health System.

With a focus on total cancer care that treats the mind, body and spirit, the center is a reflection of Surprenant's personal interest and belief in the healing power of integrative oncology.

Surprenant is an ordained Catholic priest. For 10 years, he was pastor of a parish in Connecticut. He founded the parish and grew the Catholic community to 900 families in just two years.

It was during this time that the seeds of his passion for health care and oncology were sown. He earned a master of arts degree in gerontology and counseling in 1989 and moved from the parish setting to a clinical setting as an oncology counselor at St. Joseph Hospital in Pennsylvania.

"It was a smooth transition to oncology," says Surprenant. "I had both spiritual and clinical training. Much of my life has been devoted to trying to understand the rising and dying that happens often in our lives. Part of that process often includes bereavement and loss, and cancer lends itself to that journey."

While Surprenant was an oncology counselor, he became particularly interested in the concept of being "cured physically and healed emotionally."

"I remember working with two young women who had breast cancer and both had good prognoses," he recalls. "They had just about everything in common — socioeconomic, education, etc., but what I found most interesting is that one woman became a survivor and the other a victim."

Both women were cured physically, but both were not healed emotionally.

"So I looked further into the concept of integrated oncology and looked at the studies from psychiatrist Dr. Jammie Holland, who had an extensive background in the psychology of cancer. Dr. Holland did a great deal of research in the area of mind and body healing. The focus of her research is about the

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strength of the connection that she calls psycho-oncology and spirituality," says Surprenant. "Today we hear more and more about this concept. But there is research dating all the way back to the 1800s about spirituality and the effect it has on healing."

"The woman who became a 'survivor' attended a support group, engaged in prayer, and did a number of

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—John Surprenant

Elslander Cancer Center has a bar-coded card that includes the patient's vital information. A patient scans this information at the receptionist desk. This helps a patient avoid the tedious task of filling out duplicate paperwork when seeing several physicians during visits.

And for a patient having chemotherapy treatments, his/her blood can be drawn at the Center, rather than an outside lab.

"To establish a comfortable environment, we let the patient choose from any of our several waiting-room settings," says Surprenant. In our infusion center, we have private rooms, cubicles, and large areas for conversing. A patient can choose the setting that is most comfortable for them," adds Surprenant.

Today, the three-story, 69,000-square-foot, state-of-the-art facility is dedicated to providing a unique environment for integrative oncology. Some of the services for the mind and spirit include a positive appearance boutique, a meditation chapel, a "healing garden" including a labyrinth walk and healing arts center.

"This center is also very focused on preventive medicine. It helps others learn healthy lifestyles. We have wonderful nutrition, meditation, and massage classes that are open to the public," he adds.

St. John Health System has more than 6,000 oncology patients who are cared for at four cancer centers and 10 hospitals that are part of the health system.

"St. John Health System's oncology program cares for patients of all ages ranging from newborns to seniors," he adds.

And now that the Van Elslander Center is fully operational, Surprenant, whose office is located in an adjoining building to the center, says he walks through the center as often as possible.

"Since I have such a strong clinical background, I always make a point to 'stay in touch' with the patients," he says.

"It's important not to isolate myself by focusing on only the everyday details of being an administrator. I'm passionate about what we're doing at the health system for our patients."

What's next for the Van Elslander Cancer Center? In the future, St. John Health System hopes to add two more floors to the center. St. John Health System also plans to carry the same ideas of healing at the Van Elslander Cancer Center to other parts of the health system.

And Surprenant, in addition to his role as administrator at the center, was recently named president of the St. John Health System Foundation. To help him in his new role, Surprenant recently earned a certification in fundraising at Indiana University. He will also be chairing a national conference on fundraising in the new year.

Surprenant, who was born in Mystic, Conn., has only been in the Grosse Pointes for a few years but calls it home. He has found the Pointes "a warm and welcoming community."

"I grew up by the sea, and I love being by the water," says Surprenant. He recently joined the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club and the Grosse Pointe Rotary Club to become more involved in the community.

Community service and helping others has been a mainstay for Surprenant.

"I see what I'm doing now as a ministry," he says. "I truly believe this is where God wants me to be."

St. John's self-healing tips

- Be gentle with yourself.
- Find a quiet spot. Use it daily.
- Plan some idleness every day.
- Laugh and play.
- Read good books.
- Concentrate on the present.
- Develop a positive attitude.
- Put a premium on physical fitness.
- Do not be over-critical of yourself; you are the only one capable of defeating yourself.
- Do something that is pure fun once a week.
- Be yourself. Live your beliefs.
- Visualize positives not negatives.
- Sit Still.
- Learn yoga, reiki or tai chi.
- Meditate and/or pray regularly.
- Do deep breathing exercises.
- Walk more.
- Make inner peace a goal.
- Accept what you cannot change.
- Educate your mind. Arm yourself with knowledge.
- Look for the good in yourself, rather than the bad in others.
- Take a daily music break.
- Eliminate negative thinking.
- Minimize worrying.
- Set boundaries and limits.
- Interrupt stress by taking time out.
- Learn to eat well.

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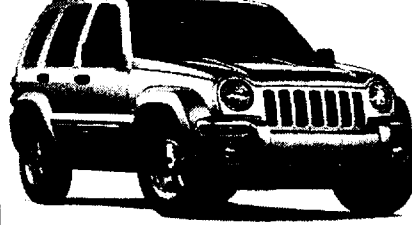
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Pointes quietly begin paying taxes on parks

Remember the Van Til Tax? That was the ridiculous idea that our municipal lake-front parks were not really public since they were for residents only and, therefore, not tax exempt. Remember our incredulous indignation at such a notion? And remember our shock that one of our own, Lawrence Van Til, a Grosse Pointe Shores attorney, would write the state tax commission and make such a claim? Remember our outrage that the tax commission actually agreed with Van Til? Well we have news for you, Grosse Pointe taxpayers: Van Til was right! Unknown to you, the taxpayers, is that the Grosse Pointes have quietly begun paying state and county taxes on our "private" municipal parks.

Well, not all the Pointes have been quiet about it, just the City, Farms

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and Park. The Shores is fuming because it had to pay a whopping \$38,695 in state and county taxes for its parks. Compare that with \$23 in taxes for the City's Neff Park. The Shores officials initially assessed their parks at \$0 because, they reasoned, they have no market value since the land cannot be sold and, should the Shores give up possession of the land, it would belong to the state. The tax commission disagreed and assessed the Shores' two parks at \$1.038 million, and the Shores received a winter tax bill of nearly \$39,000. The City assessed its park at only \$460, the reason being that the value of the park is already incorporated in the values of the City's homes and, hence, already taxed. If that's the case, then why not do as the Shores

did and put no taxable value at all on the park? The Farms' Pier Park was originally assessed at nearly \$900,000, but that city's board of review lowered the value to \$25,000 under the same reasoning as the City. Its tax bill for Pier Park recently was \$947. The Park assessed Windmill and Patterson parks at a total of \$250,047 and is paying a tax bill of \$9,709. Grosse Pointe Woods' Lake Front Park is actually in St. Clair Shores, where it has been paying a fee to that city in lieu of taxes. St. Clair Shores also has residents-only parks, but as of press time we had not learned what taxes that Macomb County community was paying for its "private" parks. What surprises us is that the Pointes have started paying the incongruous tax and for the most part have done so without a whimper. We think the cities have deter-

mined it is a fight they cannot win and, maybe, if they meekly submit to the tax, the state will accept their low-ball assessments and, consequently, a smaller tax. We'll see. Why is this a fight that we cannot win? Because the rest of the state of Michigan has decided it's a "Grosse Pointe" problem and takes delight in "sticking it to those rich folks." With all the political contributions this town makes (governors and presidents regularly dine here), you would think we would get more consideration. But apparently not. Remember that the next time the Republican and Democratic national committees come to you for donations. We are told the park taxes will not cause our city taxes to go up. Perhaps, but I'm sure there are other things we could have spent the money on, like our parks. But it appears Mr. Van Til was right all along, and we all owe him an apology. Be sure to thank him when you see him. (And we owe state Rep. Andrew Richner, R-Grosse Pointe Park, an apology. We have been assured he is doing all he can in a politically difficult situation.)

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The new 'Untouchables'

"Tourists are terrorists with cameras. Terrorists are tourists with guns." - Anonymous

By Doug Patton

The dilemma of a free society is to balance the rights of its citizens against the responsibility of government to fulfill its first duty, which is to defend the lives and freedoms of those citizens.

It is a delicate balance, especially in time of war, but it is important to remember that the U.S. Constitution is supposed to protect the life, liberty and property of American citizens, not those who would misuse the freedoms they enjoy here to destroy us and our way of life.

We understand very well how to fight a war outside our own borders. We have had a great deal of practice over the years in destroying other people's property and killing their citizens, which is the essence of warfare — to kill people and destroy property.

What we don't do well, because we have not had to do it in 200 years, is to fight a war against a foe encamped on our own soil.

With the war abroad proceeding better than most of us could have imagined, two problems face the Bush administration in fighting the war at home: porous borders and political correctness.

Both these problems were exacerbated by the criminal negligence of the previous administration, which was so preoccupied with its socialist domestic agenda, and with creating a defense for the unchecked libido of its predator-in-chief, that it failed miserably in protecting American citizens from enemies foreign and domestic.

In this post-Sept. 11 world in which we now live, the loony leftists and phony civil libertarians who populate the ACLU and the Democratic Party must face a sobering truth, and it is this:

There can be no real freedom or security for anyone in the United States unless and until those allied with the perpetrators of terror are rounded up and deported, incarcerated or executed.

Imagine Elliot Ness trying to fight the domestic side of this war on terror. What would he say? I think he would tell us that what he needs are the same tools he needed to fight the terror of Al Capone.

I can picture him coming before Congress to testify that if you want to find and punish lawless people who have no sense of civilized behavior, you must have the latitude to do what is necessary.

I think he would say in no uncertain terms that the United States of America is at war and that our avowed enemies are living and working among us.

I think he would remind us that all but 19 people who died on Sept. 11 were law abiding individuals who never went home to their loved ones because of the actions of our internal enemies, and that unless we want to see such carnage repeated again and again, we had better wake up to a few hard, cold realities.

And I think he would tell us that just as surely as we would steel our will to fight these enemies if they were assaulting our homes with guns and tanks, we must be willing to root them out in order to prevent another attack.

In short, he would testify that what is needed today is a new group of "Untouchables," courageous, honest law enforcement agents who can't be bought, bribed or intimidated, and who will pursue their objective to the bitter end.

This group could consist of agents from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Immigration and Naturalization Service and the Secret Service. They could be accountable to the attorney general or to the new Director of Homeland Security, Tom Ridge, who doesn't seem to be doing much else other than giving speeches and holding press conferences about "the need to do this" the "necessity of doing that."

It's time to stop talking about it, Tom, and start doing it.

I believe Elliot Ness would look at the misguided souls who whine about so-called "racial profiling" and tell them to get real. He would probably tell us he didn't care if the terrorists were black, white, green or blue, that if they align themselves with killers, they should be brought to justice by whatever means are available.

But he would also restate the obvious, that every single one of the terrorists who attacked our country was Arab, and to deny that little detail in the name of political correctness is the act of a fool.

Am I willing to see a few questionable Arab gentlemen roused in order to defend my nation from another attack? You bet I am, just as I would be willing to see blue-eyed Germans roused if the 19 hijackers had been blue-eyed Germans trained in the Rhineland. And I submit to you that most Americans agree with me.

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Letters

MDA Goodwill Ambassador gives strength

To the Editor:
As we start another year of this uncertain new millennium, it's easy to feel worried, scared and pessimistic. But instead I feel a great sense of hope. Why? Because I know and trust the spirit of ordinary Americans.

We here in this country don't like to be told we "can't." When life pushes us down, we push back and raise ourselves up. I can think of no better example of that than the Muscular Dystrophy Association's 2002 National Goodwill Ambassador, Mattie Stepanek.

Mattie's body is severely weakened by a neuromuscular disease, but his spirit is extraordinarily strong. He's written two books of inspirational poetry which have spent weeks on the best-seller lists.

Mattie would compel our hearts under any circumstances, but at this time of national crisis his message of peace and love has special resonance. He helps us realize the potential of every human being to give something of precious value to others.

It's imperative that we keep pushing back against the neuromuscular diseases that would rob us of people like Mattie. And during this holiday season, it's also important to heed Mattie's life philosophy:

"Remember to play after

every storm." Americans will weather this storm as we've weathered all others: By giving generously of ourselves, by fighting oppression in all its forms — and by pushing back against those forces that tell us we can't.

May God bless all of us with a wonderful new year.
Jerry Lewis
National Chairman
Muscular Dystrophy Association

Humane alternatives

To the Editor:
We write this letter to all the students who will be expected to dissect a frog, cat, fetal pig or some other animal at their school this coming year. We also write it to their biology teachers in the hope of persuading them to consider the advantages of using one or more of the excellent alternatives now available.

If you plan to dissect animals, we strongly urge you to reconsider. There are four good reasons why it is better not to dissect.

First, dissection is inhumane. Investigations suggest that most dissected cats were gassed, drowned or bled to death. Most dissected frogs were killed in alcohol, where it took them about 15 minutes to die. Other animals, including pigs, bats, minks, pigeons, sparrows, snakes, turtles, bony fish and sharks were killed in various ways, some brutally, many inhumanely.

Second, dissection is environmentally disruptive.

Several million frogs are removed from wetlands and killed for dissection every year. Frogs are an important part of wetland ecology. Their eggs and tadpoles are food for many creatures. Tadpoles who survive to become frogs help keep insect populations in balance. Spiny dogfish shark populations are threatened by over-fishing, yet some 100,000 of these small sharks are purchased each year for dissection. Formaldehyde, the chemical used to preserve dead animals for dissection, is an environmentally hazardous material that has been linked to cancer.

Third, dissection is a second-rate learning method. Sophisticated alternatives abound: The Digital Frog, Anatomy Revealed, Neo Tek Cat, Dissection Works, Inteltool, iWorx, and many others are available. While the poor frog can only be dissected once, the CD-ROM can be studied repeatedly. But like cats and frogs, traditions die hard. Despite all the problems with animal dissection, chances are your school still does it. If so, request an alternative.

If you care about animals, the environment, concern for others, and a good education, you can make a difference. Ask for an alternative. If your state lacks a student choice law, ask your state legislator to sponsor a student choice bill.

Peggy Carlson, MD
Chairman
The Scientific
Advisory Council
of the Humane Society
of the United States

Surprised by giving

Because of the generosity of a person whose name I may never know, I came to believe in Santa again for the first time since I was eight-years-old.

Lessons in giving

Since I was a little girl, my dad would offer me two pieces of advice during tough times.

On occasions when I felt betrayed by someone I cared about and trusted, my dad would first advise me, "Kitten, don't let people surprise you."

After a pause to gather my thoughts, I would tell him the sob story. My dad would listen as I expressed my hurt and disappointment. Listening was the best comfort Dad could give, and he listened well.

He would follow up the mini father-daughter therapy session with a single reminder. And as I got older, I learned to expect this counsel from Dad in winding

up our special talks.

He would say, "You have to remember that there are two kinds of people out there — givers and takers. Stay away from the takers."

But the takers seemed impossible to avoid, and I continued to be taken by surprise and taken by takers, despite Dad's warning.

The givers

Lately, however, I have fortunately been surprised by givers, some from right here in the Pointes. Over the past few months, strangers have stepped out of the shadows and made things brighter for me and my three young boys.

Their blessings have taken me by surprise because they came out of pure grace — from nothing I did to warrant direct gifts from them. These things were free, but very much appreciated, precious and never to be forgotten.

About a week before Christmas, I returned home rather late, after a long day at the office and hiking a distance to pick up my boys from the sitter. It was around 9 p.m., and I was



exhausted, stressed and feeling completely overwhelmed with laundry, bills and Christmas. I stepped out onto the porch to get the mail and plug in the Christmas lights when I saw quite a surprise.

On my porch was a large plastic bag full of toys. Attached was a note: "For Dec. 25."

I brought the bag weighty in gifts into the house, set it down, took a deep breath and uttered a soft, long "wow."

I began emptying the toys out of the bag in an attempt to find some kind of clue from the giver. Nothing. No note, card or clue.

It must have come from a secret Santa. But as I studied the gifts, I thought, "This person knows us and knew

what I was hoping to get the boys for Christmas morning."

This bag of magic had to have come from something out of this world, out of reality.

My curiosity was aroused, and the instinct for investigation kicked in. I went to the phone to begin the search for my Santa.

I called family, friends and neighbors to gather clues or confessions of being Santa's helper.

I told one friend, "It's strange, because these are perfect presents for the boys."

"It must be someone who knows you pretty well," he said.

"No, someone who read my mind," I said. "Perhaps."

I chuckled, "I think I believe in Santa Claus!"

A Santa spirit among people has affected me significantly over the past few months, having manifested itself in a ripple of kindnesses shown to my family.

However, for me, before Sept. 11 the spirit seemed to be struggling for breath under the weight of people being too busy and too assuming.

Before then, if someone would have asked me to name a person who exhibits pure grace — complete and unmerited love — I would have referred to Christ, and possibly the myth of Santa. I would have cited examples of good works performed by a few exceptional individuals I've known.

I might have said that Mother Teresa demonstrated it. And I would have mentioned the enigma of parental love — a love that causes parents to give all for their children and a commitment that causes them, without hesitation, to jump in harm's way to save their children.

But Mother Teresa died and so do our parents. Our

hurting world needs more than a few givers.

Although I might have been hard-pressed to think of modern American anecdotes of purely gracious giving before Sept. 11, since then, I have been warmed by the examples of unmerited love flowing all over our nation.

What happened to us? I think we feel smaller in the scheme of things, but we're reacting positively despite our fears. That's courage.

The brave among us, which I think are many, are the givers. Giving requires inconvenience and a purity in love that is presented without a safety net.

Indeed, givers can be taken by the takers of the world. But their deeds can also be seeds to be planted, cared for and nurtured into trees bearing fruit to benefit all of us.

To my secret Santa, I thank you. My boys will hear the story about this Christmas when they're older. I'll pray that it will convince them to believe in what the spirit of Santa is all about — grace.

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The Op-Ed Page



A Christmas message from God

fyi

by Ben Burns

First of two parts

Christmas has come and gone this year, my children on planet Earth, and I don't want you to think I have forgotten you.

You know I have a lot to do, considering there are billions of other galaxies and suns and habitable planets and lots of my other creations are out there. Now don't worry, I love you all, never lose faith.

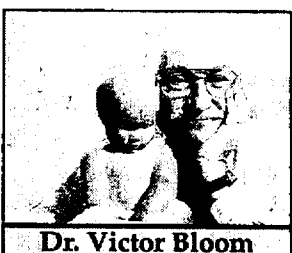
In truth, I tell that to all my people in the vast universe, and everybody knows I mean it. But I am very busy, I hope you will honor and respect that fact, in case you think I am not paying enough attention.

I can do all this because I am omniscient, which means I see everything and know everything (and that means everything, including your every thought, feeling and action), and omnipotent, which means I am all powerful and can do or make anything.

For example, I made this whole universe, and your Hubbell telescope is beginning to see the full extent of it. Actually, the universe I made goes on forever, and the number of my creatures is expanding at a great rate, but have no doubt, but that I keep up with all of it.

I want to review a few things with you so that you can focus your attention on what's important. That is a good thing to do Christmastime. I don't need to remind you that Christmas is the anniversary of the day I came down to Earth and became one of you.

It may be interesting to you how and why I did it



just the way I did. I thought it over and decided after a millennium that I might have been too hard on Adam and Eve in my Garden of Eden.

I made them a nice garden, after I made the sky and the sea and the dry land, and filled it with beautiful animals and fish and birds and flowers. Very nice.

And then I made Adam and then I made Eve, and I hoped they would get along and everybody would be happy. But no.

All I asked — it didn't seem much to ask at the time — is that they don't eat the fruit from the tree of knowledge of right and wrong. Was that too much to ask?

I have to admit, I gave them free will (I wanted to give them a mind of their own, freedom to choose), so they had a choice not to obey me. I can't imagine why they wouldn't obey me but, whatever, they wanted to exercise the intelligence and consciousness I gave them.

And so it happened they disobeyed me, and tried to lie their way out of it, but I see everything and know everything and I was not going to let them get away with it.

I have to admit it angered me, after all my work and all I gave them. Like

Shakespeare said, how it hurts like a bite from a serpent's tooth the ingratitude of a child. So even though I am omniscient and omnipotent and the creator of the universe, I threw a fit and cast them out of my beautiful garden and gave all their descendants work and shame and childbirth pain.

You are their descendants and you called it "original sin" and made a big deal out of it, but I was having a bad day and didn't realize you were so sensitive.

I made you so that you can cope with work and shame and childbirth pain and sure enough, you did. I gave you no burdens larger than you could bear.

Only, disobeying me and getting punished for it made you angry and rebellious and you became corrupt and had orgies and I had to smite you right and left, again and again.

Frankly, my children, my beloved children, I got tired of all this smiting and punishing and you talking about the wrath of God, and even though I am omniscient and omnipotent, I realized that maybe I made a mistake in my Garden of Eden and was too rough, expected too much.

All I wanted was for you to be good, but in my initial effort to make everything, a total and complete world, I had to make my dark side, the devil, something for you to cope with, to use your intelligence, creativity and free will. And you children were tempted by him and did all sorts of nasty things and blamed it on him. That's not quite what I had in mind, but I gave you free will and you used it.

So, like I said, I was tired of the smiting and the punishments and the loss of faith, so I decided to come down to Earth myself and preach my own gospel more effectively. But I still had all these other planets to think of and I was very busy.

So I came up with an ingenious plan, I must admit, to take care of the universe and still try to fix things on planet Earth.

To be continued

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Wonderful water

Grosse Pointe Realtors may want to develop a new sales pitch if they heed the advice of City of Grosse Pointe resident **Ted Coutilish**, Wayne State University executive director of marketing and publications.

It seems a few years back in 1995, while the long-time eastsider was working as publications director at O a k l a n d University, he and his then-girlfriend, **Mary Beth Langan**, also a life-long eastsider, began looking for housing for him closer to Auburn Hills so he wouldn't have so far to travel to work.

Mary Beth was unhappy with the prospect of visiting him in the far reaches of Auburn Hills, so the Coutilish home search started retreating south, according to Ted. First 28 Mile, then 26, 24, 20, 18 and 16. Ted lost track around 14 Mile, but finally with his now-fiance's blessing he purchased in Huntington Woods. It looked like the Grosse Pointes, but at 10 Mile and Woodward, it gave him easy access to I-75 and his daily journey north.

In 1996, the pair wed and Mary Beth moved into the Coutilish manse in Huntington Woods, but she was never particularly happy as a westsider. Her family and friends were all still a 25-minute car ride away.

In 1999, the couple decided to start a family. But they had no success. Last year, Ted accepted his post at WSU, and the pair found and purchased "the house of their dreams" in Grosse Pointe.

Three weeks after moving in, Mary Beth was pregnant and on Jan. 8, Elvis Presley's birthday, **Andrew Langan Coutilish** arrived. Ted makes a variety of suggestions on the minor miracle, ranging from "the water" to the stress level of being eastsiders on the west side.

But the pair's collective advice is if you are an eastsider, stay where your heart is, and for Ted and Mary Beth that is Grosse Pointe.

Ethical lateral

It is reported by a clergy member acquaintance that the Rev. **David Greer** at

Christ Church attended a football game at the University of Michigan stadium during the fall season. Sitting in the end zone, Greer reportedly watched as the players lined up to kick an extra point. The net-minders were slow, and the ball sailed over the netting into the hands of the Episcopal priest.

Mindful of the tradition that it is bad luck for the home team to throw the ball back on the field, the Rev. Greer was confronted with an ethical dilemma. If he kept the ball it would be theft. If he threw it back it might hurt the Wolverines.

So he reportedly quickly turned and threw the ball 10 rows further up the end zone, thus passing the ethical dilemma to a fan who might not have recognized the problem.

Kilbride pride

David Diedrich — who I featured some weeks ago after he closed his Arthur Victor painting business named for his grandfather and, took a Peace Corps assignment in Mali, Africa

— is the 47th grandchild of **Lillian Kilbride**.

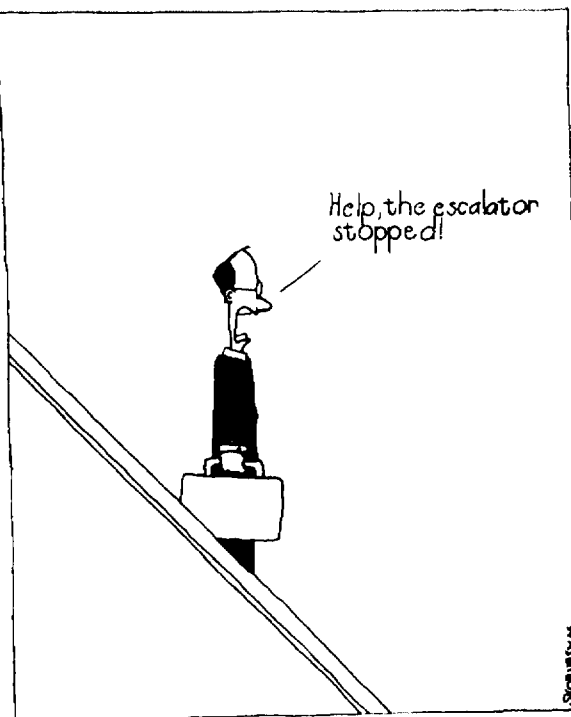
He was the last of 47 grandchildren of Mrs. Kilbride, who died about five years ago at age 99. The first of Her grandchildren is **Karen Zoufal**, who can be seen often at the family's Marathon station at the corner of Kercheval and Cadieux in the Village.

Mr. Kilbride not only had 47 grandchildren, she had 48 great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchild when she died. She lived in her own home and played cards once a week right up to the end, according to Karen.

"If you didn't get your nickel on the table, you were out of the game," Karen reports.

Her grandmother just decided she didn't want to be 100 and passed on peacefully, Karen said.

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Mary Catherine LaNier-Gesell
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Grosse Pointe Woods resident Mary Catherine LaNier-Gesell, 67, dear wife of Henry O. Gesell, died of breast cancer on Saturday, Dec. 15, 2001, at Harper Hospital in Detroit.

Born in Clarksburg, W. Va., Mrs. LaNier-Gesell earned a bachelor of arts in liberal studies from Florida International University in 1977. She began her multi-faceted career as a personal recruiter and flight attendant for Eastern Airlines, from 1951 to 1978. Between 1979 and 1982, she was the first administrator of the Flagler Center at Daytona Beach Community College. Mrs. LaNier-Gesell was a legislative aide to Sen. Edgar M. Dunn, Jr., from 1982 to 1983 and was later the president of the LaNier Associates from 1983 to 1993. Her community/professional interests included

serving as president for the Compassionate Friends of Ormond Beach, Fla., from 1990 to 1994 and memberships in the Eastern Airlines Silverliners and the Grosse Pointe Garden Club. In addition, she enjoyed gardening, Bible study and travel.

Mrs. LaNier-Gesell is also survived by her sons Douglas C. Traub, David T. Traub and Donald E. Traub; one grandchild, Catherine Elizabeth Traub and her brother, William "Bill" Childs of Hurricane, W. Va. She was predeceased by her son Daniel H. Traub.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, Dec. 29, at 2 p.m., at the Tomoka Christian Church in Ormond Beach, Fla.

Memorial gifts may be made to the Tomoka Christian Church, 1151 W. Granada, Ormond Beach, FL 32174.



Margaret L. Layson

After leaving Sanders, she served as the catering and house manager at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. In 1970, she joined a longtime friend and opened a gift and decoupage shop, Wick and Willow, first on Kercheval in Grosse

Pointe Park and later on Mack Avenue in Grosse Pointe Farms.

She was an avid golfer and a member of the Detroit Yacht Club Thursday morning golf group. She also enjoyed travel, needle pointing and caring for others.

Margaret was an active member of the Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church, Grosse Pointe Women of Wayne, Detroit Womens City Club, Salvation Army Auxiliary, Cottage Hospital Auxiliary and the Womens Republican Committee.

She is survived by a nephew, Dr. Michael (Sandy) Wilson; a niece, Patricia Wilson Rohlhoff; cousins Margaret (James) Fetrow and Martha (Kenneth) Cochrane and two great-nieces and nephews. In addition, she was the Godmother of Spencer (Becky) Perry and a surro-

gate aunt to the Kenneth (Karen) Hollidge and Gary (Wendy) Hollidge families. Margaret was predeceased by her brothers Robert Lemmon, Jack W. Lemmon and a sister Patricia Lemmon Wilson.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, Jan. 12, 2002, at 1 p.m., at the Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church, 211 Moross Road in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Contributions in her name may be made to the Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church Memorial Committee, 211 Moross Rd., Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

Howard R. Poppen

Howard R. Poppen, 94, died Sunday, Dec. 16, 2001, at Providence Hospital in Southfield.

Mr. Poppen was born on

May 8, 1907 and was a resident of Grosse Pointe for 50 years.

He enjoyed memberships in the Harper Woods Rotary Club, the Grosse Pointe Men's Garden Club, the Senior Men's Club of Grosse Pointe and the Grosse Pointe United Church. He was also a life member of the CLU.

Mr. Poppen is survived by his daughters Janet (Phillip) Carr, Judy (Charles) Hanneman and Joyce (Matthew) Quinn; six grandchildren; two great-grandchildren and a brother Robert Poppen. He was predeceased by his wife Grace. Arrangements were handled by the O'Brien/Sullivan Funeral Home in Novi. Interment is at Springdale Cemetery in Peoria, Ill.

Memorial gifts may be given to the Alzheimer's Association and Hospice of Michigan.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

Purse stolen

Someone made off with a purse taken from a car parked in a driveway in the 400 block of Manor between 6 and 7 a.m. Monday, Dec. 17.

The purse, valued at \$320, contained \$280 in cash, various credit cards, a checkbook and a wireless phone.

It is not certain whether the car was locked or unlocked at the time of the theft.

Harper Woods has been suspended from Parcels Middle School for reportedly putting a pair of scissors to the neck of a classmate and threatening, "I'm going to kill you."

She then told the 11-year-old Woods resident, "I was only joking," according to police.

Nevertheless, the Monday, Dec. 17, incident registered with the boy's parents, school administrators and police. An investigation, which included interviews with numerous witness, preceded the suspension. Criminal charges have not been filed at this time.

No payments, no car

Grosse Pointe Farms public safety detectives are trying to determine who purchased a 2002 Cadillac Escalade in Wisconsin using the name and Social Security number of a Farms man.

The Farms resident received a call from Wells Fargo Bank three weeks ago inquiring about payments on the automobile, which he never purchased or had possession of.

According to the bank, the person who made the purchase gave a Westland address.

Back to court

A 31-year-old Detroit man will soon be returning to the Grosse Pointe Shores Municipal Court on additional charges.

Before appearing before Judge Lynne Pierce, the man was advised of an outstanding warrant in another community. The man left the court and attempted to get away in a vehicle driven by a 31-year-old Detroit woman. The two were stopped before they were able to exit the back lot of the Shores municipal building.

The man and his female companion were arrested and posted bond. The woman was also arrested for an outstanding warrant for driving without obtaining a drivers license.

- Bonnie Caprara

Three amigos

Three Detroit women have been arrested for shoplifting in the 20400 block of Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods.

The trio, suspected of working as a team, were allegedly involved in the failed attempt to lift 13 cans of Similac formula worth a total of \$157.

Officers caught the women walking on westbound Hunt Club on Monday, Dec. 17, at about 10:45 p.m. The women were standing suspiciously near four packages of beef tenderloin worth nearly \$60 that had been discarded on a lawn.

The women ranged in age from 45 to 55. The oldest suspect had an outstanding warrant from 36th District Court for public order crimes.

- Brad Lindberg

Not my clubs!

A 2001 Chrysler Town & Country minivan was stolen from the driveway of a home in the 20200 block of Eastwood during the night of Wednesday, Dec. 19. A woman who lives in the house said she heard some noise at approximately 1:30 a.m. but did not investigate the problem at the time.

When she woke up the vehicle, along with a \$1,500 set of golf clubs, golf shoes and a cell phone had been taken. The clubs belonged to the woman's father.

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Scissor hands

An 11-year-old girl from

Traditional year-end rally a little late this year

Floor traders say that the last 15 days of December are often the best of the year, pricewise.

Even with the half-holidays on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve, this two-week period is usually a



By Joseph Mengden

action-packed. Many individuals make "gifts in kind" of appreciated stock shares at or near year-end to not only charities but also to children and grandchildren.

Charitable gifts are usually tax-deductible for the market value of the gift for taxpayers using long-form deductions, and no capital gain is attributed to the donor(s).

It is not unusual for the T-bond market to rally in price prior to year-end with a resultant lowering of yields. This would be bullish for stocks.

NASDAQ 100

Last week we alluded to the monumental changes in the composition of the NASDAQ 100 Index — the 100 largest stocks, based on market capitalization, of the 5,000-plus stocks traded on NASDAQ.

LTS couldn't then be more specific, because the changes had not been

released at our press time last week. Now it can be told.

The NASDAQ 100 Index has been around for many years, in competition with the S&P 500 Index.

But its exchange-traded fund — the NASDAQ 100 Trust Series I, which replicates the price movements of the Index itself — has only been available since March 1999.

The NASDAQ 100 Trust trades on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol, "QQQ" (nicknamed the "Cubes").

LTS first reviewed the QQQs on March 18, 1999, but featured a lengthy, somewhat technical article this past October (see LTS, Oct. 4 and 18).

On Oct. 5, the "Cubes" closed at 31.76. Recently, on Dec. 19 (the press deadline for this article), the QQQs were quoted at 40.51, up 27.6 percent in less than 11 weeks!

So how did the Cubes (QQQ) perform as compared to the Spiders (SPY), the tracking stock of the S&P 500 Index?

SPY closed Oct. 5 at 107.23, and closed at 114.98 on Dec. 19, for a 7.2 percent increase over the 11-week period.

Remember, the S&P 500 Index is the hallmark against which all money managers and mutual funds measure their performance.

From the above simple

Let's talk...STOCKS

price comparison, it is obvious that the QQQs — barometer of tech stocks — has won the gold medal, the Oscar, for stock performance this past fall!

Why are the "Cubes" popular? Trading last January totaled about 400 million shares monthly.

Since March, it has exceeded 500 million shares traded monthly, in spite of a price decline of 30 to 40 percent through the Sept. 11 catastrophe.

During this price decline, the trust's outstanding shares increased 41 percent. Many QQQ purchasers say they don't understand tech stocks but buy the "Cubes" for diversification.

Thus, the "Cubes" are attracting both day-traders and long-term investors. In November, trading volume totaled almost three times the shares outstanding. The current capitalization of QQQ is \$22.6 billion.

The annual rebalancing of the 100 component stocks was announced Dec. 17, effective Dec. 23.

Thirteen stocks got the boot, all down from 11 to 99 percent this year to date. Of the 13 replacement stocks, seven are up in price and six were down, so far this year.

None of the new stocks

are in "Who's Who" and many have names that are unpronounceable.

Among those exiting are many old-timers from CNBC financial news.

Do you remember these gonnors: Nowell, Real Networks, 3Com, Inktomi, CMGI, Broadvision, Palm, Ariba, Metromedia Fiber Networks and McLeodUSA?

The 'January Effect'

One of the biggest differences between individual and institutional investors is taxes.

In the United States, all individuals are subject to capital gains taxes.

But not so in all countries. Several do not impose capital gains taxes because such taxes are a confiscation of capital, which is a rare and most precious commodity in many parts of the world.

Stocks currently selling for less than their beginning-year price (a.k.a. "52-week lows") are often under additional selling pressure from individuals desirous of taking tax losses.

But institutions, the baracudas of the big cap markets, are mostly exempt from capital gains taxes and base their selling decisions on other strategies.

Who are these tax-exempt

Do you own these stocks?

Stock	12-14-01		52-Week	
	Close	High	Low	Low
UMS Energy	22.73	32.25	19.49	
Delphi Auto	13.07	17.50	9.60	
Ford Motor	16.10	31.42	14.70	
Kmart	5.78	13.55	4.75	
Kingjet	20.51	27.94	19.60	
Nwest Airlines	16.82	33.06	9.04	

Source: Mengden & Associates, Ltd.

Is a "January Effect" nearby?

investors that you and I compete against?

1) Ourselves, since our IRAs, 401(k)s, deferred compensation, defined benefit pension and profit-sharing plans are, at least, tax-deferred.

2) Corporate, state and municipal defined-benefit pension plans.

3) Charitable trusts and foundations.

4) Life insurance annuity portfolios.

5) Certain off-shore investors.

The selling pressure from individuals' tax-loss selling continues to drive prices lower until the selling stops at the close on Dec. 31.

In early January, the prices of many beaten-down stocks tend to uplift because of the lack of supply.

This is known as the "January Effect."

Some smart investors start to nibble at such stocks in late December, planning to sell them in mid-to-late January for a nice percentage gain, albeit, a short-term capital gain.

Merry Christmas! Happy New Year!

LTS wishes one and all the best of holiday greetings. 2002 should be a very interesting and profitable year!

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Local printer and MADD 'tie one on' for safe driving

The 15th annual "Tie One on for Safety — Red Ribbon Campaign" is once again being sponsored by the help of a partnership between Mothers Against Drunk Driving and American Speedy Printing Centers.

The campaign distributes red ribbons for drivers to "tie one on" their car antennas, mirrors and door handles as visual reminders for people not to drink and drive during the holiday season — or anytime.

"American Speedy's support of MADD is a natural extension of the program we sponsor on an ongoing basis," said Don Girodat of Grosse Pointe Park. Girodat owns two American Speedy Printing centers in St. Clair Shores and Eastpointe. He is also president of the Detroit Co-op of American

Speedy Printing Centers.

Girodat invited neighborhood associations, community organizations, businesses, schools and individuals to pick up red ribbons at one of the 40 American Speedy Printing Centers participating throughout metropolitan Detroit.

More than 500,000 red ribbons were distributed last year.

Alcohol is involved in nearly 40 percent of all traffic fatalities in Michigan, according to the state office of Highway Safety Planning. Last year, 515 people were killed in Michigan because of alcohol-related crashes. During the same period, 10,444 people were injured.

MADD's mission is to stop drunk driving, support victims of the crime, and prevent underage drinking.

HW helps ex-Lion with City Airport

Jason Sweeney
Staff Writer

As Detroit's City Airport sends out sketchy reports about courting a new national carrier, a group led by a Lion watches and waits in the tall grass.

Billy Sims, former running back (from the era when Detroit won football games) turned real estate developer, is that Lion.

An initial organizational meeting was attended by Harper Woods mayor Ken Poynter and city manager Jim Leidlein along with delegates from Wayne State, Detroit Public Schools and several community groups on Dec. 10 at Wayne County Community College's east campus.

The tone of the meeting was positive, but preliminary.

While Sims said that no plans have been set but the possible benefits are apparent.

Sims said he has been in ongoing contact with Jane Garvey of the FAA and said the administration was receptive to preliminary plans to erect a high school, housing and commercial district in place of the airfield.

Looking at how difficult it is to safeguard a small airport from possible crime and terrorist activities plays heavily in that equation. Also touched on was the benefits of reduced air traffic, noise and air pollution and fewer chances for accidents.

Harrison Young, president of Sims' developing firm Xanadu, described the group as people "dealing with an issue that truly does effect

the entire metro area."

Young said that these benefits would add up to a better quality of life for a large number of people.

These, said young, are benefits that could effect the entire region, not just the locale of Gratiot and Conner avenues.

The focus of the group through the next few months will be to obtain answers to the questions about the movement in a non-confrontational manner.

Leidlein and Poynter, invited along with the mayors of the Pointes to be a part of the process, helped guide the discussion towards a course of action.

Sims said that the group is in the embryonic stages, and the community of "good, simple folk" on the east side

will benefit from any expertise the suburbs can provide.

"The issue is explosive because it is an issue that could help all the area, not just Detroit," said Sims.

"But we can't do this alone," Sims said. "We need help."

The coming months, according to Young, will be used by the committee to gather information, inform the public and use the facilities of Wayne State to conduct environmental and urban planning studies.

Results will be used to further educate residents of communities throughout the east side about the potential benefits of the plan and prepare arguments for a forum with mayor-elect Kwame Kilpatrick and state legislators.

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Business People



Oakland Community College has honored Grosse Pointe Park resident **Vivian Anderson** as Outstanding Faculty of the Year.

Dr. Anderson is professor of biology at the Auburn Hills campus. She has been teaching for 30 years.

Anderson is a graduate of the University of Washington and Utah State University.

Robert Buydens, a shareholder in the Detroit-based law firm, Buydens & Anderson, has again been listed in the Employee Benefits Section of The Best Lawyers in America.

He has been listed consecutively in the publication since 1987.

Buydens is a resident of Grosse Pointe Shores.

The Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology in Grosse Pointe Park has appointed **Courtney Kezlarian** as program director of research.

Kezlarian will organize the institute's research programs, in particular, the annual research colloquium held each June.

Kezlarian worked previously for the DaimlerChrysler Corporation Fund where she helped design the fund's 1998 annual report. Kezlarian has a bachelor's degree in human resources from Michigan State University.

Robert A. Wright III has joined the Bloomfield Hills law firm of Dawda, Mann, Mulcahy & Sadler as an associate.

Wright, a resident of Grosse Pointe Farms, concentrates his practice in the areas of corporate law, real estate and taxation. Wright was formerly with the law firm of Stone, Biber & O'Toole.

A former trust officer for Comerica Bank, Wright graduated magna cum laude from the Michigan State University-Detroit College of Law. He also earned an LL.M. in taxation from the New York University School of Law.

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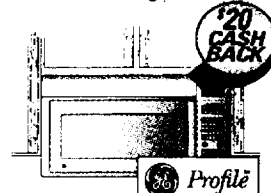
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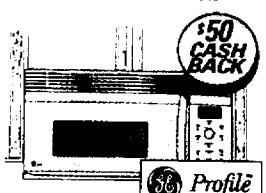
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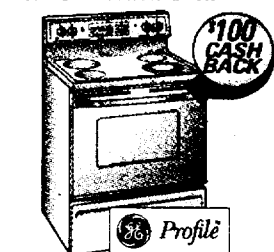
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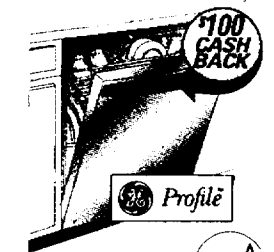
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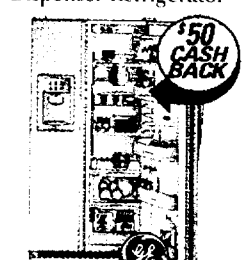
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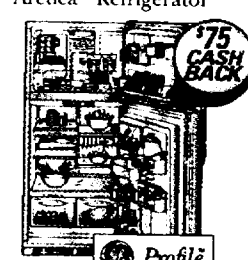
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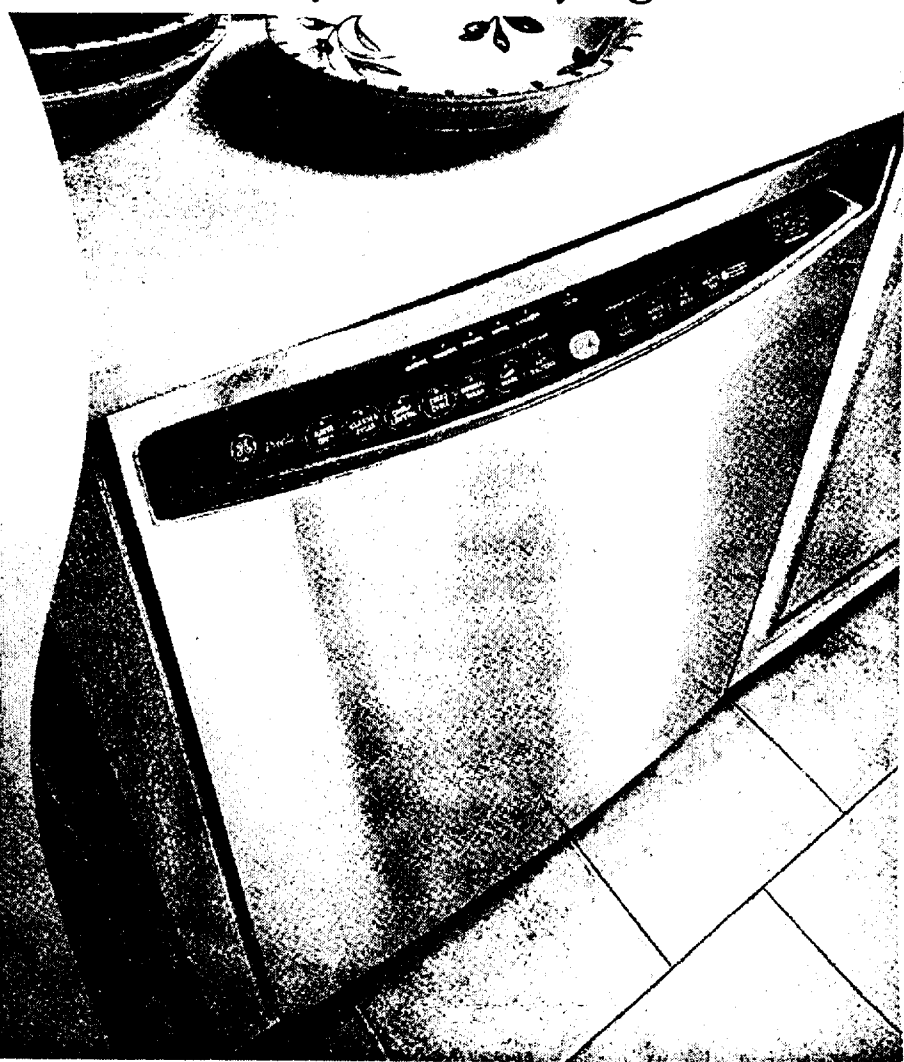
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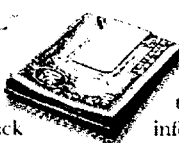
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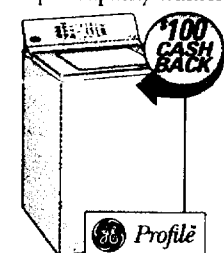


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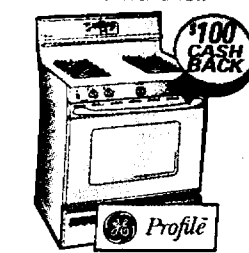
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Home for Christmas:

Jason Sweeney
Staff Writer

Tom Paquin, originally of Grosse Pointe Woods, and Heather Whitlon of Muskegon returned to the Grosse Pointes on Dec. 18 ending a five-month adventure just in time to be home for the holidays.

They had just completed hiking the length of the Appalachian Trail, a trip that began July 12.

The two were able to plan the extended trip because Paquin had just finished his service in Americorps near his old school, Michigan Tech, and Whitlon had received her master's from the University of Maryland that spring.

They knew there would never be a better time for hiking the trail, known for its scenic and rugged terrain as it cuts its way through the heart of what were once most of the original colonies and now parts of 14 states.

Starting in Maine and ending south of Washington, D.C., they climbed the highest elevations in the eastern half of the country and wove through some of the most undisturbed land known to anyone on this continent.

While happy to return to friends, family, flushing toilets, refrigerators stocked with food and other conveniences many take for granted, they came back to a subtly different world. Their own lives had also been forever changed, but not the same ways that every American's life has changed in this past year.

A trek of 2,168 miles has its own unique way of changing the way a person looks at life.

Some of the changes to Paquin and Whitlon are apparent in the couple's appearance.

Paquin now sports a full and bushy beard, a product of not shaving for the more than five months he was on the trail. He now wears size 12 boots when he started the trail wearing a size 10 1/2.

Both the hikers look tremendously trim and in peak condition, though they will likely gain a few pounds from the home cooking during the holiday season. Their metabolisms have gone into overdrive and their appetites are, as they described it, roughly triple what they once were.

Whitlon actually gained weight on the trail, most likely attributable to an increased bone density in her legs. This is a product of carrying a heavy pack day in and day out.

A bit subtler than these changes, both have a decidedly mature and practical look in their 25-year-old eyes. They have seen more than many may ever hope to.

Paquin explained the bright-eyed look in this way: "I've never had a five-month period of my life when I can remember every day."

He remembers every day on the trail. "Life on the trail is simple, but difficult,"



Tom Paquin, left, originally of Grosse Pointe Woods and Heather Whitlon of Muskegon on the Appalachian Trail near the end of their 2,168 mile trek. The five-month trip ended just in time to be home for the holidays

"You have to hike your own hike."

Anonymous hiker

said Paquin, a graduate of Grosse Pointe South.

"Here in the city," Whitlon finished, "life is complicated, but easy."

Simple and hard means rising at 5:30 a.m. and being packed and on the trail by the time the sun comes up in order to put in around 20 miles of hiking, seven days a week.

"If there was daylight," Paquin said, "you wanted to be hiking in it."

Simple-but-hard life also means carrying everything you need and very little you don't on your back.

Two down sleeping bags, two sleeping mats, a water purifier, one pot and cooking utensils, a stove, rain gear, little more than a single change of clothes, the trail guide, a journal and food were about everything worthy of note, according to Whitlon.

Their packs were lightened with the discarding of a second cook pot, a spice kit (which earned them a reputation for cooking great trail food but a sore back), Nalogen bottles (designer water storage gimmicks that weigh more than a Gatorade bottle), and a few other items.

"Anything to save ounces which add up to pounds," Paquin explained, but he said they now have a greater appreciation of simple luxuries.

"When you are denied luxuries, you real-

ize the value of things and enjoy them more when you do have them," Paquin said.

Whitlon said she now knows, "the one way to be a happier person is to remove yourself (from the luxuries of life) for a while."

"There is nothing like a cup of freshly brewed coffee," Paquin said to emphasize Whitlon's point as he sipped his own cup of java.

When not on the trail, the couple was in one of the small towns that dot the path of the winding course.

Trips to town were like mini-vacations, though they were filled with trail business.

Paquin and Whitlon would raid the grocery store for high calorie foods, fresh fruit and hard-to-come-by baked goods. They would also pick up the next food drop sent by Paquin's mother, comprised of 30 pounds of dried goods and boil-and-eat meals.

They'd do laundry, catch a shower and make sure to hit an all-you-can-eat buffet.

They'd find a computer to e-mail friends and update family on their progress and get the buzz of the local and national news from the locals.

That was how Paquin and Whitlon found out about the attacks on Sept. 11. They happened to be in town that morning and

saw the events unfold on live TV.

Paquin said he didn't know how they should react at first.

"How are you supposed to just go back to your hike when something like that happens?" he asked.

Taking heed of President Bush, the couple donated blood at a local hospital, then went on with their lives and didn't let fear deter them from finishing the hike.

The trip cannot be described accurately or even close to positively enough, according to Paquin.

The best way to explain it, said Whitlon, is the concept of "trail magic."

Trail magic, as defined by the hiker's guide, is "All of the wonderful, unexpected things that happen to thru-hikers during their hike."

Examples of this phenomenon are numerous. While trekking one of the most remote portions of the trail near the Maine trail head, Paquin's unseasoned knees began to seriously trouble him.

As if from nowhere, the two met a few Native Americans in the most inaccessible portion of wilderness on the trail.

One of the men offered Paquin a walking stick endowed with magic talismans for healing and strength and said he'd be honored to have it travel along the trail with the two.

The staff carried Paquin on that day and for nearly 450 miles of the trail after that before being sent home with a letter with a detailed story of the adventures with the man's invaluable gift.

The country has its own magic. The constantly shifting backdrop of woods is similar but never quite the same. Whitlon said that while it sometimes seemed to be the same forest passing by, there was something new and unique to see in each day's hike.

The bonds between the couple, who had been separated for two years by school and work commitments, are now stronger than ever. They are tempered by time, hardship, disagreement and compassion, forged in their worst hours along the trail which at times seemed endless.

But probably the thing that rings most true for both Paquin and Whitlon is the simple message found in a logbook at one of the hiker's shelters along the way, a quote left by some anonymous hiker from months or years before:

"You have to hike your own hike."

Whether it is taking the trail that goes up a ridge, around a mountain and 20 miles out of the way to see some of the most amazing scenery on God's earth or taking the shorter, flatter, easier but less interesting trail in order to make progress toward a greater goal it is a lesson that they will live by for the rest of their years.

In a way, Paquin and Whitlon agreed, it's every person's duty to do just that, hike their own hike.



Out of elements

When Tom Paquin and Heather Whitlon began their trek in July, both of them were enjoying the hike, but felt a little out of place on the top of a mountain, at left.

There is nothing that can prepare you for this kind of hike, said Paquin.

When the pair returned in December their attitudes had changed greatly and felt slightly out of their own in the Coffee Grinder on The Hill.

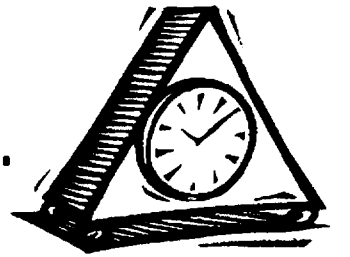
You miss the little things, Paquin said. "But that makes the luxuries even more enjoyable."





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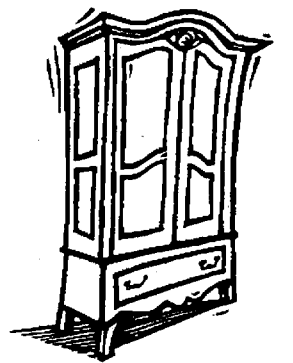
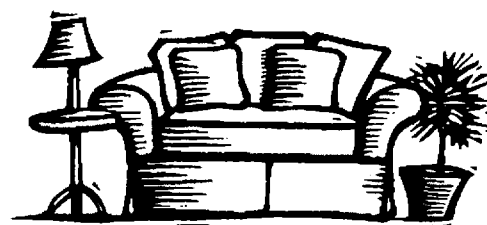
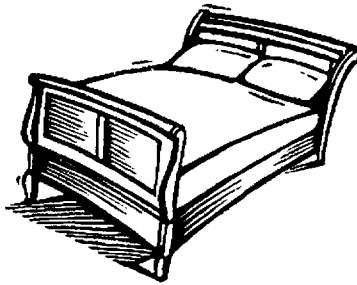
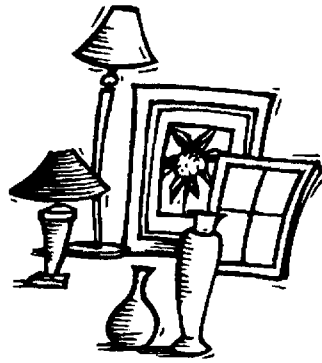


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SOC plans Ford House tour

As the New Year unfolds how about taking a step back in time. Services for Older Citizens (SOC) is heading to the Edsel and Eleanor Ford House on Thursday, Jan. 3, for a tour, lunch and trip down memory lane.

The Ford House has been a part of our community since 1927. It is the former private residence of Henry and Clara Ford's only child, Edsel, his wife, Eleanor and their children.

Through the generous foresight of Eleanor Ford it was opened to the public in 1978.

Her careful planning has allowed the home to be preserved and kept open to the public.

The home is a showcase for a unique collection of antiques and art that can be marveled at for hours.

Our trip to the Ford House will start with a 13-minute general overview video. The video offers insight into the Ford family's interests, philanthropic endeavors, roles in Ford Motor Co. and the creation of their home.

Next we will stroll through the holiday-decorated house for one last burst of Christmas spirit. The guided house tour is leisurely keeping in mind any special needs of our group.

Seniors with wheelchairs are welcome to attend as well as seniors with walkers and canes. Because of the

age of the house the second floor is not wheelchair accessible, but picture scrapbooks are available for browsing. After touring the house, you can explore the grounds and outer buildings.

After touring the home and grounds we will head to the tearoom for an exquisite lunch, which includes a buffet of deli sandwiches, salads, cookies, brownies and berry tarts.

Coffee, tea and iced tea accompanies these selections.

The bus will leave SOC at 9:30 a.m. and return at 2 p.m. The entire fun-filled day costs \$23, which includes transportation, the tour, lunch and a box lunch to take home.



Christmas tea

Members of the Friends of Wayne State University School of Medicine convened at the home of president Vesta Dajani in Grosse Pointe Park recently for a Christmas Tea. Past president Pauline Thomas, also of the Park, poured while other members enjoyed the conviviality of the holiday season. Some who attended the tea, standing from left: Mary Ellen Mooney of Grosse Pointe Farms, Gloria Krabbenhoff of Pleasant Ridge, Ann Boyle of the City of Grosse Pointe and Patty Mack of Bloomfield Hills. Pauline Thomas is seated.

Bon Secours Cottage offers meals for the homebound

Are there seniors you know recuperating from surgery or an illness and unable to cook for themselves? Or do you know an elderly individual who needs help with meals for a few weeks until other arrangements are made?

Celebrating its 25th year of providing "good help to those in need," the Bon Secours Cottage Meals for the Homebound Program is a community service project that assists recently discharged patients and elderly in the community during periods of recuperation or need.

The Bon Secours Cottage Meals Program is the only temporary meal service in the area, serving individuals for periods up to eight weeks.

The program is open to residents in the Grosse Pointes, Harper Woods, and Detroit area (ZIP Code 48224 only).

For more information, call Bon Secours Volunteer Services at (313) 343-1795.

Power Squadron offers boating safety course

The Grosse Pointe Power Squadron will offer a 10-week boating safety course from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. on Mondays beginning Jan. 7. Classes are held at Grosse Pointe North High School. Registration takes place before the first class at 7 p.m. outside room 312.

In 2001, there were four drownings in the metro Detroit area. The primary reason for drownings is lack of operator experience and/or boating knowledge. With the lower water levels there has also been a dramatic rise in damage claims caused when boats hit bottom. The underwater damage not only increases insurance costs, but it can also cause boaters to lose beautiful summer weeks or months while the damage is being repaired.

Boater education can make next year's boating season safer and more enjoyable. The metro Detroit area has the highest concentration of registered boats in the country.

With water levels being the lowest they have been in many years boaters are damaging their boats while using trusted routes. To both new boaters and "old salts" the risks are great. For these reasons the Grosse Pointe Power Squadron issues current Lake St. Clair charts to teach navigation and local water conditions to students in their safe boating courses.

The upcoming boating course will also help first time boat or PWC (personal watercraft) shoppers at the Detroit Boat Show make the right selections.

The Grosse Pointe Power Squadron (GPPS) is a local branch of the United States Power Squadron, a nonprofit

Boating Safety/Boating Education group.

The United States Power Squadron (USPS) came into being in 1912. It has grown to include 450 squadrons located in all 50 states with a sister organization in Canada. The GPPS offers boating safety courses to approximately 500 adults and teenagers each year including DNR certified youth boating courses. The cost to students is kept to a minimum because all courses are taught by volunteers.

The GPPS also offers 14 advanced courses for members including two sextant-based, celestial navigation courses. The GPPS is also a social organization and enjoys cruising together during the boating season. The squadron was formed in 1939 and has nearly 500 members. It is the largest in District 9, which consists of 22 squadrons in the lower peninsula of Michigan. GPPS is the fourth largest squadron in the United States and membership includes people interested in sail and power boats and the related courses.

Boat ownership is not a requirement for membership; many members do not own boats.

The USPS boating safety courses have been taken by more than 4 million people. In the Fall 2001 course, the GPPS had students from throughout the metro Detroit area.

The GPPS offers three 10-week courses each year and is the only squadron teaching navigation using official Lake St. Clair charts. The GPPS also offers a youth course (DNR certified) each year to local kids.

The cost for the course is \$38, which includes a USPS

student manual, folder, Lake St. Clair Chart #14580 and the exam fee. Additional family members can enroll for \$30, which includes a folder with homework pages only, the Lake St. Clair chart and exam fee. For more information about the Grosse Pointe Power Squadron call (313) 885-5005.

Peace Corps member will address AAUW on Jan. 8

The international meeting of the American Association of University Women, Grosse Pointe branch, will take place at First English Evangelical Lutheran Church at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 8, in the lounge.

The program will feature Peace Corps member Karen Alice Reed, a Michigan native who served in Cameroon, West Africa, and is now a medical student at Michigan State University. The University Women of Cameroon is the "sister" group of AAUW-Grosse Pointe. First English supports a missionary family, Rev. Paul Owens, wife Sandi and children, Andrew, John and Mary, in Garoua-Boulai, Cameroon.

Marti Miller, member of AAUW-GP and First English liaison between the Owens family and the church, will provide a synopsis of her involvement sponsoring the missionaries and the situation in Cameroon.

Cost of the event is \$5, payable to AAUW-GP, and sent to Melissa Ryan, 23009 Gaukler, St. Clair Shores, Mich. 48080 by Saturday, Jan. 5.

Contributions for the University Women of Cameroon project will be accepted during the evening and refreshments will be served.

President of AAUW-GP is Kay Mullaney of Grosse Pointe Farms. First English is located at 800 Vernier.

Camera Club meets at Brownell

The Grosse Pointe Camera Club meets from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 8, in Room C-11 at Brownell Middle School.

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The Pastor's Corner

Determining starting points

By the Rev. William C. DeVries
First Christian Reformed Church

First of all, permit me to wish you all a very happy and most blessed New Year. But I have to admit that I don't know if it is "new," that is. Frankly I can't see how anyone could determine when a year becomes "new." After all we designate as a year one rotation of the earth around the sun. This involves of course one full cycle of four seasons. At least it does in the northern half (and, I guess, the southern half) of the world. At the equator the seasons cannot be so carefully marked. But back to "us." The year by any account is a circle. And as we all know a circle has no beginning and no end. So, I'm not at all sure that what is just ahead is the "new" year.

Then again, to mark out special times we must count somehow. And the year that is coming is numbered in a unique and interesting way: a "2", two zeros, and another "2."

I don't think that means anything, but it is interesting. Of course, in other cultures the years not only start at a different point, they're numbered in different ways.

Now one thing I've heard is that some cultures don't mark the years by numbering them from some point. They count them by significant events; events of grief or joy, war or peace. And I suppose we really do that in a way, too. 1776, or 9-11-01 are not numbers of unusual significance on their own. The numbers serve to remind us of events which turned years and ages. It is the events which count the years.

We still use this kind of language, too. The year the first grandchild was born. The year of the big flood.

Now the really interesting thing is that the best years seem to develop out of our decisions. And the worst. Years of justice, hope, assistance, caring, friendship, or the opposites, are shaped into special years by our commitments and actions.

A year worth counting may be just ahead. And much of how it is counted rests on our promises, our trustworthiness and our ability to trust in the months ahead.

So once again permit me to wish us all a New Year flowing with joy and blessing. Happy New Year!

National Cathedral elects Park woman

The board of trustees of the National Cathedral Association (NCA) at Washington National Cathedral has appointed Elizabeth McCormick of Grosse Pointe Park as regional chair trustee for a three-year term.

McCormick, a member of Christ Church Grosse Pointe, has also served as NCA regional co-chair since 1999, representing Washington National Cathedral in the Eastern Michigan region. With her appointment to the board, McCormick will carry both

titles. The 32-member board of trustees is the governing body of the NCA and serves in an advisory capacity to the dean, and as a national voice and sounding board for the Cathedral.

Trustees' responsibilities include attending biannual meetings; serving on at least two committees of the board; actively participating in the NCA's membership development efforts; and serving as ambassadors for the NCA in their home regions.

The National Cathedral Association, headquartered on the grounds of Washington National Cathedral, is a nonprofit, membership-based organization for the friends of the Cathedral, with members in every state and the District of Columbia.

The Association was founded as an all-volunteer organization in 1899 when the first volunteer committees were formed to build a national cathedral on Mount Saint Alban in Washington, D.C. The NCA exists to communicate, extend and support the work of Washington National Cathedral.

As a national house of prayer for all people, the Cathedral seeks to encourage ecumenism and interfaith understanding. "We congratulate Mrs. McCormick on her election, and we look forward to working with her to take the Cathedral to people across the Eastern Michigan region," said Ray Foote, director of the 13,000-member association. "Elizabeth brings energy, skills, and dedication to this ministry of helping the Cathedral truly be a national house of prayer for all people."

Unitarians hosts lay speaker

The Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church welcomes Dr. Brent A. Smith of Grand Rapids, who will speak on Sunday, Dec. 30, at the church's lay service.

Dr. Smith is a Unitarian Universalist minister who has written and produced several adult education curricula especially designed for the unchurched.

A graduate of the Meadville/Lombard Theological School, he studied in the seminary works of Paul Tillich, Soren Kierkegaard, Mircea Eliade, and wrote his doctoral dissertation on pragmatism and the religious philosophy of William James.

Dr. Smith's topic will be "The Open Society at the



Dr. Brent A. Smith

Close of the Year." The Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church is located at 17150 Maumee in the City of Grosse Pointe. The public is welcome.

Red Cross needs blankets

The Red Cross has teamed up with presenting sponsor Meijer, WJBK-FOX2, AAA of Michigan, the Detroit Pistons, Palace Sports & Entertainment and longtime partner World Medical Relief to help reach a goal of collecting 10,000 blankets.

Blanket donations benefit homeless persons, domestic abuse victims and teenage runaways at shelters in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties, and those left temporarily homeless as a result of a residential fire or other local disaster.

The Red Cross 2001 Blanket Days for the Homeless campaign runs through Dec. 31. Nearly 100

neighborhood schools, churches and businesses are supporting the campaign by hosting blanket drives or participating as collection sites.

To find a participating Red Cross service center or one of the 23 public collection sites call (313) 494-2744 or visit our web site at www.semredcross.org/blanketdays.

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Coping with stress

By Dr. Michael Yacoub

Have you been feeling blue or tense or even fearful since the unprecedented events of Sept. 11? If so, you're not alone. The terrorist attacks shook our nation to its core, and made Americans painfully aware for the first time that our great country isn't immune to the unrest and subversive activity that frequently sends shockwaves throughout the rest of the world.

While facing this new reality has been unsettling for Americans overall, it's taken an even greater toll on some of us. Although national figures aren't available to indicate the number of people being treated for depression or anxiety disorders, a survey by Atlanta-based NDCHealth does show that since Sept. 11, the number of prescriptions for anti-depression medications and sleeping aids has increased significantly.

For example, the number of new prescriptions filled for alprazolam (an anti-anxiety medication) was up 9 percent from the previous year, while prescriptions for Ambien, a widely prescribed sleeping pill, were up 20 percent nationally during the week ending Sept. 28.

In my own practice, I'm writing more prescriptions for anti-anxiety medications than usual.

It's a good thing that Americans are willing to seek help from their physicians for anxiety-induced stress. Chronic stress has a devastating impact on almost every metabolic system in the body. It can make you feel tired and rundown, which can result in insomnia, recurrent colds and viral illnesses. It can also trigger ulcer flare-ups, cold sores and even shingles, a painful rash caused by a chicken pox-like virus.

Another insidious effect of chronic, unrelenting stress is its effect on the cardiovascular system. People who already have coronary artery disease may experience more frequent episodes of angina or ultimately may have a heart attack. Stress also can trigger strokes, contribute to poorly controlled blood pressure, or may lead to undesirable addictions to alcohol or drugs.

Interestingly, short-term stress actually can be good for you. Acute stress boosts your immune system over the short term, allowing you to deal with the stressor(s) without the added burden of illness. In addition, we all rely on short bursts of stress to boost our performance, such as on the playing field, in the classroom and in the boardroom. But chronic, persistent stress requires attention because its effects can be devastating.

The symptoms of anxiety-induced stress can be subtle and therefore can be easily missed. Some people experience an inability to concentrate. Others may have difficulty falling asleep and may have overwhelming feelings of helplessness or hopelessness. Some may experience a worsening of a preexisting chronic condition, such as angina or gastrointestinal problems. Or they may feel vaguely unsettled or fearful.

More severe symptoms of chronic stress may include chest pain, full-blown insomnia and panic attacks. Persistent fatigue also is a strong indicator of stress, which can be a problem since it can precipitate workplace accidents, automobile accidents and other mishaps.

At one time or another all of us experience these symptoms, so it can be difficult to know whether the problem is severe enough to require medical attention. So if you're uncertain, con-

sider the following questions: Are your symptoms new, more intense or worsening? Are they interfering with your ability to function in your daily life and on the job? If you answered yes to either of these questions, you should consider consulting a physician who can offer you support and prescriptions for medications that can help.

While a course of drug therapy is good for the short-term (perhaps one to two weeks), it's not the ultimate answer for decreasing stress levels brought on by anxiety. You also need a support system to help you compensate for the stresses that can adversely impact your life and health.

Medical doctors, counselors and psychotherapists are all trained to help you make appropriate lifestyle and behavioral modifications. If the condition is especially severe, you may require the assistance of a psychotherapist. You also shouldn't overlook the power of spiritual support. A number of studies suggest that people who attend religious services and pray regularly live longer and have healthier lifestyles.

Meditation is also thought to have a positive impact on mental health and well-being.

Finally, there are some other common sense things you can do to cope with and reduce your stress levels. Remember how your mother used to tell you to get enough sleep, eat right and talk about what's bothering you? These really are useful, successful strategies you can use every day. Coupled with the appropriate emotional and spiritual support, these techniques can make you happier and healthier in the long run.

Michael Yacoub, M.D., is an internist on staff at St. John Hospital and Medical Center.

Hangover headache: How to ease holiday overindulgence

The onset of the holiday season brings the usual invitations to parties and open houses. They offer a chance to visit with valued friends and share in the holiday spirit. They also provide the opportunity to eat more than usual and drink too much.

Probably one of the most dreaded aspects of the holiday season is the hangover headache, caused simply by excessive alcohol consumption. The discomfort of hangover headache is experienced the morning after because alcohol causes the blood vessels to swell or dilate which, in turn, triggers headache pain and may cause slight sweating. The alcohol also acts as a diuretic, which leads to dehydration.

To help avoid or lessen the suffering associated with the hangover headache that may accompany these annual festivities, the National Headache Foundation offers some common sense advice and a

headache-free drink recipe.

If you choose to drink alcohol, do so in moderation. Try to sip your drink slowly. Mixed drinks containing fruit or vegetable juices will probably have less effect than straight alcohol. Avoid red wine, which contains tyramine, a naturally occurring amino acid known to trigger headaches. Try a glass of white wine instead.

Eat some honey. Honey supplies fructose, a sugar that helps the body metabolize the alcohol ingested. It reduces any hangover symptoms. Honey on a cracker or piece of toast, before or after drinking, may prevent a hangover. Tomato juice, another good source of fructose, also helps burn alcohol faster.

Drink fluids containing minerals and salts. Liquids rich in minerals and salts offer relief from the dehydration caused by

alcohol consumption. A cup of broth or bouillon, for example, will replace fluid and will not cause nausea.

Drink a cup of coffee. Caffeine may provide some relief in helping the headache symptoms and decreasing the duration of pain. The caffeine acts as a vasoconstrictor and eases the dilated blood vessels.

The National Headache Foundation suggests the Champagne Fooler, a headache-free recipe, for this festive time of year.

Champagne Fooler
1 1/3 cups apple juice
1 teaspoon lemon juice
12 ounces club soda

Chill four glasses. Mix together apple juice and lemon juice. Add club soda and stir gently to blend. Pour into glasses and serve immediately. Yields four servings.

While a headache caused

by drinking too much may be particularly prevalent at this time of year, chronic headaches can be a problem at any time. Headaches are a legitimate biological disease which is treatable. If you are experiencing headache pain on a routine basis, make a specific appointment with your healthcare provider to discuss your headache problem and seek accurate diagnosis and treatment.

The National Headache Foundation (NHF), founded in 1970, is a nonprofit organization dedicated to serving headache sufferers, their families and the healthcare providers who treat them; promoting research into headache causes and treatments; and educating the public to the fact that headaches are a legitimate biological disease and sufferers should receive understanding and continuity of care. For information, visit www.headaches.org or call (888) NHF-5552.

Shellfish doesn't raise blood cholesterol levels

By Paul G. Donohue, M.D.

Q. I am confused about shellfish — shrimp, mussels, etc. What is their effect on cholesterol? Do they have any negative effect on arteries? — H.C.

A. A logical conclusion from looking at the cholesterol content of shellfish would be that they are bad for arteries since they do carry a hefty amount of cholesterol.

Shrimp and crayfish have twice the cholesterol content of meat.

Crabs, scallops, mussels, clams and lobster have less cholesterol than meat, but their cholesterol content is not a puny amount.

The reason why shellfish, including shrimp, don't raise blood cholesterol lies in their

very low content of saturated fat. This is an important point in choosing a diet that keeps cholesterol in the normal range. Saturated fat in foods raises blood cholesterol more than food with a high cholesterol count does. Saturated fats prod the liver into all-out production of

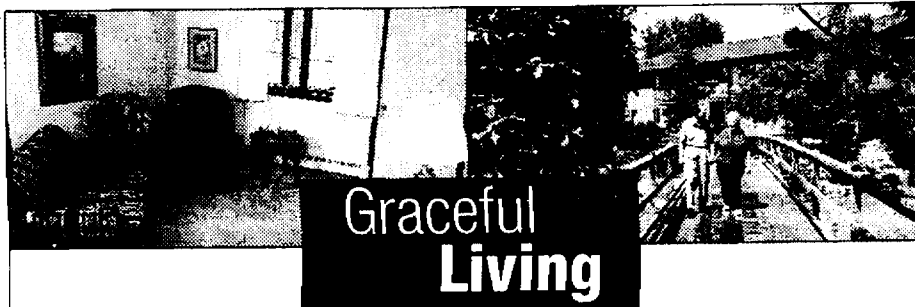
cholesterol. Saturated fats are the fats in and around meat, in dairy products and in shortenings that are solid at room temperature.

Another quirk in shrimp cholesterol is that it is not as well absorbed as is the cholesterol in meat.

Dunking lobster, for

instance, into butter can raise blood cholesterol if the amount of butter is substantial.

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Three recipes to start the new year off right. Each can be prepared a day in advance which will allow you to enjoy your New Year's morning.

Eggnog French toast with cranberry-apple compote and sausage links with apricot-mustard glaze will delight your family and friends as we welcome 2002.

Eggnog French Toast

4 cups purchased eggnog
4 large eggs
1 teaspoon ground nutmeg
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1 loaf coarse, hearty (thick sliced) white bread, slices halved
powdered sugar (for garnish)

In a large bowl combine the eggnog with the eggs, cinnamon and nutmeg. Set aside. Arrange the bread slices in two 9-by-13 glass baking dishes (in a single layer). Pour the egg mix-

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By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff



ture over the bread slices as evenly as possible. Cover and place in refrigerator for at least 6 hours or overnight.

To bake, preheat oven to 450 degrees and generously grease two baking sheets. Place the soaked bread slices on the sheets and bake at 450 for 10 to 12 minutes. Carefully flip the slices over and return to the oven for an additional 6 to 8 minutes.

The toast should be brown and crisp on the outside but soft on the inside. Remove from oven, arrange on serving plates, sprinkle with powdered sugar and serve with warm cranberry-apple compote.

The perfect sidecar, sausage links with apricot-mustard glaze.

Cranberry-Apple Compote

2 cups apple cider
6 tablespoons light corn syrup
2 tablespoons (packed) light brown sugar
1 stick butter, divided
3 golden delicious apples, peeled, cored, and cut into half-inch pieces

2 cups cranberries, fresh or frozen
1/2 cup sugar

In a large, heavy skillet whisk together the cider, corn syrup and brown

sugar. Bring to a boil and cook (at a medium to high boil) until the mixture reduces to 1 cup, 12 to 15 minutes.

Keep an eye on the skillet because you don't want your sauce to reduce too far. Remove from heat and stir in 1/2 stick of the butter and stir until butter is completely melted.

Transfer the cider syrup mixture to a small bowl and set aside. Return the skillet to a medium heat and melt the remaining butter. Add the chopped apple and saute for two minutes.

Add the cranberries and the sugar and continue to cook for a few more minutes, until the cranberries begin to burst. Return the cider syrup mixture to the skillet, bring to a medium boil and cook and stir until the mixture resembles a syrup consistency, about six minutes.

The compote can be made a day in advance, cover and store in the refrigerator. Reheat the compote over a low to medium heat until warmed through and transfer to a serving bowl.

Sausage Links with Apricot-Mustard Glaze

1/2 cup apricot preserves
1/4 cup honey-mustard
2 teaspoons chopped fresh rosemary
2 tablespoons vegetable oil
20 breakfast sausage links

Whisk the preserves in a medium saucepan over medium heat until melted and smooth, about one minute. Stir in the mustard and cook until the sauce

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We live in 'interesting times'

By Helen Gregory
Special Writer

"May you live in interesting times" is not a blessing. It's an ancient Chinese curse.

If anyone has any doubts about that, this year's events should clear that up.

Following are some of the stories that caught my attention in no order whatsoever.

You can check sources in our newspapers, magazines and in Proquest, our online index with full-text articles of more than 1,000 periodicals.

You can find it only in-house at the library, under Online Reference on our home page.

Well, at least there's a precedent

Osama bin Laden may be Time magazine's choice for Man of the Year.

If so, he'll be the most controversial choice since Hitler.

Birthday boy

Strom Thurmond's babysitter, age 109, died this December two days before the senator turned 99. South Carolina's favorite son doesn't think he'll run again.

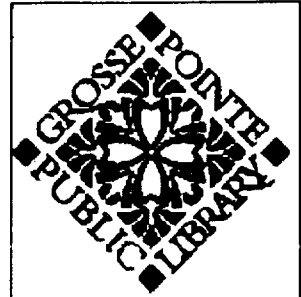
Touchy folk, those tyrants

Saddam Hussein wrote a best-selling novel—best selling, that is, in Iraq. The critics were unanimous in their praise.

Of course, anyone who disagreed ran the risk of having his tongue pulled out.

Nonetheless we may consider ourselves terrorized

Someone using a New Jersey post office may have attempted to terrorize the nation with a non-contagious disease, chiefly affecting cattle, that Louis Pasteur took care of in 1881. Or maybe he just wanted to get rid of a few politicians and news anchors.



The Book Return

What will Jay Leno do for material now?

The Lions broke their losing streak and actually won a game.
In related news, clams now can tap dance.

Would "inaccuracies" be inaccurate?

Sportscasters, commenting on coach George O'Leary's vita "inaccuracies," as he put it, and abrupt departure from Notre Dame, said it was "embarrassing for the Irish."

For non-sports fans: O'Leary claimed he had a master's degree from NYU and had lettered in football three years at New Hampshire.

As it was, he took two courses at NYU. He attended New Hampshire for only two years and never played.

"Embarrassing for the Irish?" Excuse me? They checked his credentials a little late, but they did check them and fired him within five days.

Seems to me Georgia Tech keeping him seven years, no questions asked, was teaching its students that it's OK to cheat as long as your record is 52-33 or better.

Inaccuracies? Try lies.

Fraudulent flips

When I finally wrote a serious article about a violin concerto, (Dec. 6) subconsciously no one believed

it, so the byline went in as Helen Leonard.

You remember Helen Leonard, now retired. She was the nice Helen at the library.

I'm still flattered when people confuse us. I'm not sure how she feels about it, though.

Girls just want to have fun

On Ted Koppel's Nightline we found out that teenage girls in the Arab community had crushes on Osama bin Laden.

Which merely confirms what we've always thought: teenagers go through a stage of certifiable lunacy.

The British Invasion (Reversed)

The White Stripes just went gold in the UK, made Rolling Stone magazine's Best of the Year and overall rocks.

This fast-rising pair is beginning to make Led Zeppelin look like slackers. Don't tell but they have a strong, strong tie in Grosse Pointe and at the library.

You can check out their CDs: "The White Stripes," "De Stijl" (Dutch for "The Style") and the latest, "White Blood Cells." Their web site is www.whitestripes.com.

Don't you just hate infomercials?

There was some debate over the translation of the infamous Osama "smoking gun" tape wherein over dinner he gleefully described listening with friends to radio reports of his mass murder and destruction.

When we saw the tape we were told that as the first tower fell he said, "So I said to them, 'be patient.'"

Actually, what he said was "But Wait! There's More!"

Th-th-th-that's all f-f-f-folks!!

Hope 2002 is a better year for you and me and all of us. Comments? Questions? Reach me online at hgregory@gp.lib.mi.us

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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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9:30 AM POSITIVELY POSITIVE Chris Clark & Johnny Williams Hosts Jennie McNeil and Liz Aiken - an uplifting half-hour of positive attitudes and ideas. (Repeated: M-Sun 11:30 PM, M/W/T/Sun 9:30 PM)	2:30 PM POINTERS WITH PROST Guests Anad Al-Kaib, Van Elstuder Cancer Center 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 Bonmarito, Butternut Squash Soup 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 Courtney Jo Dempsey & Mary Stephenson 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 SENIOR MEN'S CLUB Mark Weber, The Veterans Legacy Project (Repeated: M-Sun 12:30 AM, M/W/F/Sun 5:30 PM)	3:30 PM POINTS OF HORTICULTURE Guest Joe Smith, Flower Arranging Part I 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 Dr. William J. Martin, Bio-Health 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 Mary Weiss & Art Bodeau, Tax Assistance 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 DETROIT Renowned local artist Carol LaChusa 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 The Honorable Donald P. Greig 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 Gleaners Community Food Bank Host Julia Keim and guests highlight upcoming local, non-profit special events. (Repeated: M-Sun 3:00 AM, M/W/F/Sun 7:30 PM)	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 Guest Jim Dixon, Chinese Art Host Susan Hartz focuses on local interesting collections. (Repeated: M-Sun 3:30 AM, T/Th/Sat 8:00 PM)	

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by Madeleine Socia

Thursday, Dec. 27

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.

Monday, Dec. 31

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., at the United States Marine Corps Training Center (Brodhead Armory), 7600 E. Jefferson in Detroit. The race will begin at 3:30 p.m., at the mainland entrance of the Belle Isle Bridge and ends 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.

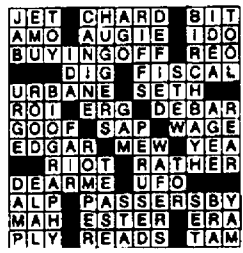
Friday, Jan. 4

Food & fellowship

Share good food and fellowship during the Men's Friday Ecumenical Breakfast, Friday, Jan. 4, at 7:30 a.m., at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Farms. Ms. Sydney Rooks of Open Door at Fort Street Presbyterian Church will be the featured speaker. The fee is \$5. Call (313) 882-5330.

Sunday, Jan. 6

Last week's puzzle solved



- ACROSS**
- 1 Makes a decision
 - 5 Scott's cap
 - 8 Colonial patriot
 - 12 Worm, often
 - 13 Anger
 - 14 Theater award
 - 15 Lollipop
 - 16 Idyllic
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 - 20 Pleasant-tasting
 - 21 Ford or Lincoln
 - 23 Cribbage scorer
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- 50 Rhoda's mom

Bach is back

The Brunch with Bach series returns to the Kresge Court of the Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward in Detroit, Sunday, Jan. 6, at 11 a.m., with a performance by the Peter Soave Sextet. 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.

Friday, Jan. 11

Celebrate success

Join the volunteers of the Assistance League of the Northeast Guidance Center at a Celebration Gala, Friday, Jan. 11, at 7:30 p.m., at the Country Club of Detroit, 220 Country Club Dr. in Grosse Pointe Farms, marking their 38th year of successfully supporting quality behavioral health-care and substance abuse treatment services for the east side of Detroit, the five Grosse Pointe municipalities and Harper Woods. The event is an ideal afterglow destination for those attending the Detroit Auto Dealers Association's North American International Auto Show Charity Preview on that same night. Tickets to this elegant, black tie optional, evening of dining and dancing are \$85. Reservations are required. Proceeds benefit Children's Services of the Northeast Guidance Center. Call (313) 884-8691.

All that jazz

Jazz guitarist Tim Bowman and his band will headline A Jazzy Afterglow benefiting Barat Child and Family Services, a division of Matrix Human Services, Friday, Jan. 11, at the International Banquet & Conference Center of the Athenaeum Suite Hotel, 400 Monroe in Detroit. Festivities include a 5 to 7 p.m. VIP hors d'oeuvres reception, 5 to 9:15 p.m. VIP Shuttle Service to the Detroit Auto Dealers Association's North American International Auto Show Charity Preview, dinner at 9:15 p.m. and entertainment commencing at 10:30 p.m. Tickets for this black tie affair are \$125 or \$175 per person. Reservations are required. Call (313) 963-3330.

Live & Learn

Enhance your mind, body and spirit by partaking in the courses and adventures offered at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe

Farms. Develop balance and flexibility with Yang Style Tai Chi, Mondays, Jan. 7 through Feb. 25, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., or Tuesdays, Jan. 8 through Feb. 26, from 7:35 to 8:35 p.m. The fees are \$60 or \$48 for seniors. Increase your stamina and strength with Hatha Yoga, Mondays, Jan. 7 through Feb. 25, from 8:30 to 10 a.m. or 7 to 8:30 p.m., for continuing students, or 10:15 to 11:45 a.m., for beginners. Classes will also be offered, Thursdays, Jan. 10 through Feb. 28, from 7:35 to 9:05 p.m., for beginners. The fee is \$70. Explore the traditional principles of drawing with Working From the Figure, Wednesdays, Jan. 9 through Feb. 27, from 1 to 4 p.m. The fee is \$90. Polish your posture with The Feldenkrais Method, Thursdays, Jan. 10 through Feb. 21, from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. or Fridays, Jan. 11 through Feb. 22, from 9 to 10 a.m. The fee is \$70. Preregister using your Master Card or Visa, via fax at (313) 884-6638, e-Mail: www.warmemorial.org, or call (313) 881-7511.

Art of learning

Take advantage of an exciting selection of free Drop-In Workshops at the Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward in Detroit. Design your own Bookmarks, Thursdays, Jan. 3 through Jan. 31, from noon to 3 p.m. Piece together creative Postcards, Fridays, Jan. 4 through Jan. 25, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Discover The Art of the Doodle, Sundays, Jan. 6 through Jan. 27, from noon to 4 p.m. Participate in the NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt, Sunday, Jan. 20, at 1 p.m. Sharpen your artistic skills with a Figure Drawing class for adults, Saturdays, Jan. 12 through Jan. 26, from 1 to 3 p.m. The fee is \$120 or \$96 for DIA members. Preregistration is required for the class. Call (313) 833-4249.

Educational opportunities

Take advantage of educational opportunities with Lifelong Learning classes at St. Peter the Apostle Elementary School, 19800 Anita in Harper Woods. Fashion your own greetings with a Card Making class, Mondays, Jan. 14 through Feb. 4, from noon to 2 p.m. The fee is \$75. Shape up with Exercise Classes for mature adults, Tuesdays and Thursdays, Jan. 15 through May 30, from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. or 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. The fees are \$90 for two days per week, \$45 for one day per week or \$3 for walk-ins. Harper Woods librarian Suzanne Kent will lead a free Book Review, Wednesday, Jan. 16, from 1 to 2 p.m., in St. Peter's Parish House. Those who have completed the Beginner Computer course can partake in an Introduction to Word, Mondays, Jan. 14 through Feb. 4, from 9 to 11 a.m. The fee is \$70. Computer classes for Beginners will be offered Wednesdays, Jan. 16 through Feb. 6, from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. or Thursdays, Jan. 17 through Feb. 7, from 9 to 11:30 a.m. The fee is \$90. Sign up for an Internet/E-Mail Course, Wednesdays, Jan. 16 through Jan. 30, from 9 to 11 a.m. The fee is \$75. Preregistration is requested. Call (586) 493-0917.

Pointe's past

Experience Grosse Pointe's past with a free, guided tour of the Grosse Pointe Historical Society's Provencal-Weir House, c. 1823, 376 Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Farms, Saturday, Jan. 12, 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," at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Shores. Tours will be offered on the hour, Tuesday through Sunday, from noon to 4 p.m., Monday, Jan. 7 through Sunday, March 31. The Ford House will be closed Monday, Jan. 21 through Monday, Feb. 4. The Tea Room will be closed until Sunday, March 31. 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. 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. The events of late 16th and 17th century England and the beauty of nature are reflected in the exhibition Garden Imagery in English Embroidery, open

through Sunday, March 10. America's oldest cultural traditions are celebrated in the exhibition 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

IMAX lifts viewers into an animated, enchanted world

By Melissa Walsh
Staff Writer

"Be our guest. Be our guest." rang the *Beauty and the Beast* hit from the six-story IMAX screen at Henry Ford Museum.

The gleeful singing of the animated furniture, as well as the roar of the beast's fury, powerfully resonates in vibrating surround sound. The impact forces viewers to tap their feet or sway to the beat.

Viewers will feel like another guest in the beast's enchanted castle as they are virtually absorbed into Disney's *Beauty and the Beast*, the only animated film ever to be nominated for the Best Picture Oscar.

The effect of the sharp audio, expansive screen and 3-D imaging lifts viewers into the action, so much so that children under five may shrink into their seats, protesting according to their well-founded perception that the beast is "scary." After the beast softens to Belle's warmth and purity, they will likely perk up, smile and announce that the beast really is "a nice guy."

Older children who have developed sense of distinguishing fantasy from reality will enjoy the effects of IMAX technology, which fully captures their focus into the drama of the story. Adults may find themselves carefully studying

Welcome 2002 at the The Detroit Symphony Orchestra's Home For the Holidays Gala at Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward in Detroit, Monday, Dec. 31, at 6:30 p.m.

This benefit black-tie evening, sponsored by Daimler Chrysler, includes cafe table seating for a concert of Viennese favorites conducted by Neeme Jarvi, dinner, dessert and post-concert dancing on stage to the big band jazz sounds of the Keith Saxton Band. Tickets are \$1,000 or \$1,500. Reservations are required. Call (313) 576-5100.

the animation at close range and becoming more deeply impressed by the talent, technique and precision of Disney animators. The detail is outstanding, down to Belle's manicured fingernails.

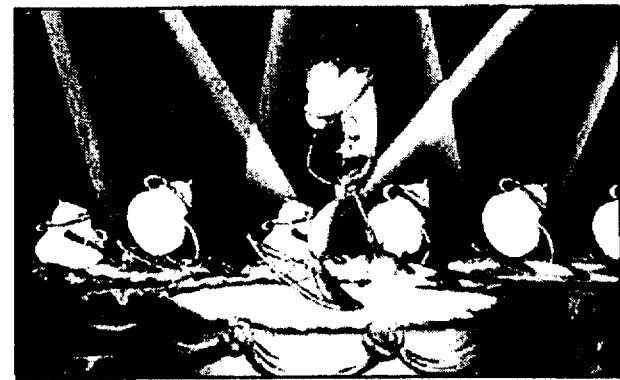
This year's re-release of the film is in celebration of the tenth anniversary of the work's debut. Added to the 2001 edition is the song "Human Again," written by the Academy Award-winning team of Howard Ashman and Alan Menken. The song's animation sequence was storyboarded for the 1991 original release, but not produced until recently. This is the first time Disney artists animated a new sequence for a previously released film.

The success of the museum's presentation of Disney's *Fantasia* in 2000 encouraged this year's showing of *Beauty and the Beast*. The museum also plans to offer *The Lion King* in 2003, according to the scheduled re-release of this modern Disney classic.

Beauty and the Beast will be showing exclusively at Henry Ford Museum's IMAX Theater beginning Jan. 1. Tickets can be purchased online at www.hfmg.org or by calling (313) 271-1570. A children's birthday "Museum & Movie Bash" package is offered. Call (313) 982-6001 to reserve.



IMAX Theater at Henry Ford Museum presents "Beauty and the Beast," one of Disney's most popular love stories.



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War Memorial for kids

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 January classes. Activities can be charged to your Master Card or Visa, via fax at (313) 884-6638 or phone at (313) 881-7511.

South information

Parents of eighth-grade students who plan to attend Grosse Pointe South High School in the Fall of 2002 are invited to explore the ninth-grade curriculum during an Information Night, Wednesday, Jan. 9, at 7 p.m., in the South Gymnasium, 11 Grosse Pointe Boulevard in Grosse Pointe Farms. Call (313) 432-3513.

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. Preschoolers can enjoy Mary-Kate and Ashley: The Case of the Sea World Adventure and Miss Nelson Has a Field Day, at 4 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 3, at the Grosse Pointe Woods Branch, 20600 Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods or at the Central Branch, 10 Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Farms. Grade school and middle school audiences can take in Snoopy Come Home, Wednesday, Jan. 2, at the Park Branch, 15430 Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Park. Call (313) 343-2074.

Artful opportunities

Aspiring artists, ages 5 to 8, accompanied by an adult, can indulge their talents with a full schedule of classes at the Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward in Detroit. Dragons, dinosaurs and lions are just a few of the Fantastic Animals and Fabulous Beasts you can fashion during a Clayworks class, Saturday, Jan. 12, from 10 a.m. to noon. Pinch it, Roll It, Coil it! during a Clayworks class, Saturday, Jan. 12, from 1 to 3 p.m. Explore a variety of techniques during a Printmaking class, Saturday, Jan. 19, from 10 a.m. to noon. Brush up on your skills during a Painting Class, Saturday, Jan. 19, from 1 to 3 p.m. Preregistration is required.

Call (313) 833-4249.

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 Beacon Elementary School, 19475 Beaconsfield in Harper Woods, or Wednesdays, from 9 to 11 a.m., at the Barnes Early Childhood Center, 20099 Morningside in Grosse Pointe Woods. The free sessions will run through April 2002. Call (313) 343-6711.

Super science

Tour the new, improved Detroit Science Center, 5020 John R in Detroit. Take a trip through the heavens in the Center's new Digital Dome Planetarium. Hands-on laboratory exhibits focus on motion, life sciences, matter and energy, waves and vibrations. Now showing in the Center's IMAX Theatre are Journey into Amazing Caves and Dolphins. Make plans now to see the award-winning Everest which returns to the IMAX Dome, Saturday, Jan. 5 and runs Saturdays and Sundays, at noon, 2 and 4 p.m., through Sunday, Jan. 27. The Museum is open Monday through Friday, from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is \$7 for adults, \$6 for seniors and \$5 for children. IMAX Theatre tickets are an additional \$2. Call (313) 577-8400.

Assumption Cultural Center

Assumption Cultural Center, 21800 Marter on the Grosse Pointe Woods/St. Clair Shores border, offers your children and teens enlightening opportunities. Bring those grades up with Kumon Math and Reading, Wednesdays, from 3:45 to 6:45 p.m. and Saturdays, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The fee is \$80 per month plus \$50 for registration. Register today for January classes including Preparing to Babysit, Golf and Pee Wee Karate. Preregistration is required. Call (586) 779-6111.

Zoo news

Experience the animals and more at the Detroit Zoo, at Ten Mile and Woodward in Royal Oak. Through

Thursday, Feb. 28, join in Wild Winter festivities including storytelling, tree decorating, ice carving and the sweet sounds of seasonal choirs. View members of the Henry Ford Community College Ice Carving Club at work, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., or take in free animal-themed documentaries in the Wildlife Interpretive Gallery, Saturday, Jan. 5. On Sunday, Jan. 6, September Productions presents Hits Off to Animals, an interactive storytelling experience, from 1 to 1:45 p.m. or 2 to 2:45 p.m. 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. Take a ride on the wild side and get an animals eye-view of life on the Wild Adventure Simulator. Tickets are \$4. 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 4 p.m. Zoo admission is \$8 for adults, \$6 for seniors and children, ages 2 to 12. Parking is \$4 for cars and vans. Call (248) 398-0903.

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. Opening on Saturday, Jan. 5 and running through Saturday, Jan. 26, will be the Russian folk tale Firebird. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$5 for children. Reservations are requested. Call (313) 961-7777.

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. 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.

History alive

Travel through the past 100 years via the special exhibit Your Place in Time: 20th Century America at The Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village, 20900 Oakwood in Dearborn. Patrons may also tour the museum's Communications, Lighting, Transportation and Domestic Arts exhibitions.

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.

Detroit's past

Stroll the Streets of Old

A la Annie

From page 8B and cook until the sauce begins to simmer, about one minute. Remove from heat, stir in the rosemary, and season with salt and pepper. The glaze can be made a day in advance and stored in the refrigerator (covered). Reheat glaze in a small saucepan over low to medium heat. To serve, heat the oil in a large, heavy skillet over medium-high heat. Add the sausages and cook until brown and heated through, about 10 minutes. Lower the heat, wait a few minutes (so the glaze doesn't burn) and pour the heated glaze over the sausages. Toss the sausages with the glaze for a minute or two and serve hot. The day-ahead preparation of this breakfast took me only one hour. I cooked

The Museum is open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Village is closed until Monday, April 1 when it will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 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, Who Dared? 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 1 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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turkey sausage patties in place of links. I served this New Year's Day breakfast to my husband and my brother, fresh off a West Coast "red-eye." They were both impressed. All of the flavors on the plate complement one another. From the cranberries to the eggno to the tangy glazed sausage. A colorful and delicious presentation. The perfect beginning to a new year. May it be safe and happy for us all.

Correction: Filet mignon with mushrooms and Maderia (Nov. 29, 2001). The beef broth should be added after the Madeira has been reduced. Again bring the mixture to a boil and reduce to 2/3 cup, about 6 minutes. Then proceed with adding the cream.

Eggno g French toast, with cranberry-apple compote and sausage links with apricot-mustard glaze, makes a great New Year's Day breakfast.



pointe counterpoints

by kathleen stevenson

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North's All-State golfers thrive with different approaches to the game

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Their games are different but Grosse Pointe North seniors Ryan Lenahan and Erik Schleicher wound up in the same place this year — the Division I All-State golf team.

"Erik is very strong and he can really pound the ball off the tee," said coach Darren Audia. "Ryan's tee shots aren't as long as Erik's but they're always right down the fairway. And he has such a solid short game with his irons and his putting."

Their demeanor on the course is different, too. Lenahan is the more con-

Baseball clinics at Michigan

The University of Michigan will hold winter baseball clinics for seventh through 12th graders next week at the school's Oosterbaan Fieldhouse.

A two-day pitching clinic will be held Dec. 29 and 30 from 1 to 5:30 p.m. Players must attend both sessions. The cost is \$150.

Hitting clinics will be also held from 1 to 5:30 p.m. on Dec. 29-30. The cost is \$75 per day.

Michigan players and coaches will be the instructors. Grosse Pointe resident Steve Merriman is one of the Wolverines' assistant coaches.

For more information, call (734) 647-4579.

servative of the two and the most consistent. Schleicher is aggressive and can be spectacular at times.

"Erik is the most confident kid I've ever coached," Audia said. "If he was going to play Tiger Woods, he'd go out expecting to beat him."

"He's very aggressive. He might miss a putt by six feet but he'll sink the next one coming back. It's not unusual for him to get six birdies in a row, but then he might double-bogey the next two holes."

Lenahan spends nearly every spare moment working on his golf game. Schleicher works on his game, too, but he also devotes some time to hockey.

Audia first met Schleicher when he was coaching the freshman baseball team.

"Ryan is so dedicated to improving his game," Audia said. "He wants to be successful and he works hard to get there. I don't think there's a day that goes by that he doesn't pick up a club. During the off-season he's always at the Detroit Country Club doing something with his game. It's not unusual for him to spend five hours at a range to make himself a better golfer."

The hard work paid off as Lenahan, who averaged about 76 for every 18 holes as a junior, averaged 72 this year.

"That's quite an accomplishment to improve by that much," Audia said.

Lenahan entered several

Amateur Junior Golf Association tournaments during the summer and did quite well. In one major event at Boyne Highlands, he was leading after two rounds, but slipped on the final day. He's ranked in the top 100 nationally among junior amateurs.

Schleicher also entered some junior tournaments but didn't fare quite as well as his teammate.

"Erik seems to play better when he's on a team," Audia said. "Maybe that's because he's played on so many baseball and hockey teams. He likes the team atmosphere better than playing individually."

Audia first met Schleicher when he was coaching the freshman baseball team.

"He was a good-looking pitcher and I figured he'd be one of my starters but one day he came up to me and said that he was quitting to concentrate on golf," Audia said. "Since I knew that I was going to be named the golf coach here, I told him, 'Fine, you do that.'"

Lenahan finished third among the individuals at the state meet this year. He had a 73 the first day and followed that with a 69, which was the best score of the second day of competition at the Forest Akers East course at Michigan State University.

Lenahan was the runner-up in two tournaments. He shot a 72 to place second at

the Evans-Gill Invitational and fired a two-under-par 70 to take second place at the Alma Invitational at Pine River Country Club.

Schleicher who had a 74 average for 18 holes this year finished ninth in the state meet. His top performance during the regular season came at the Bay City Western tournament where he took medalist honors with a two-under 70 at Bay Valley.

"They were very close all year," Audia said. "Ryan's average for nine holes was 37.5 and Erik's was 38.1."

Their play was instrumental in North winning its regional tournament and finishing fifth in the team standings at the state meet.

"I'm going to miss them both, along with the rest of our seniors, not because they are. They're great kids to be around."

Both Lenahan and Schleicher hope to continue their golf careers in college. Lenahan would like to play for an out-of-state Big Ten school. Schleicher will probably spend a year at the national golf academy in South Carolina, attending college there on a part-time basis. After that, he'll decide which school he wants to play for.

"I understand that 97 percent of the players who attend the academy get some sort of college scholarship," Audia said.



Grosse Pointe North golfers Ryan Lenahan, left, and Erik Schleicher were named to the Division I All-State golf team.

Huge 2nd half lifts BG past St. Agatha

By Bob St. John
Staff writer

It was a tale of two halves for Bishop Gallagher's boys basketball team in its home tilt with Redford St. Agatha last week.

"It was a story of two teams," head coach Ron Perfetto said. "The guys didn't come to play in the first half, but we had a chat at the half and they responded with a great second half."

The Lancers were drilled in the first half, trailing 44-29, but they outscored St. Agatha 55-31 in the final two quarters, winning 84-75.

"Offensively, we played well and were able to hit some shots, but defensively we were horrible," Perfetto said. "It's a win, but I'm not happy with our intensity."

Sophomore point guard Ron Hildreth scored 17

points, but fouled out early in the fourth quarter.

Have no fear because Antoine Terrell stepped in and helped the Lancers keep St. Agatha at bay.

"Antoine started and came through in the final quarter," Perfetto said. "He ran the offense and allowed our scorers to get some open looks."

Seniors Jacques Chestnut and Chris Economas (five triples) led the Lancers, scoring 23 and 21 points, respectively, while sophomore Brian Lloyd added 17.

St. Agatha was led by Dan Boulter, who scored 43 points.

"He was hitting from everywhere on the court," Perfetto said. "He scored far too many points, but at least we won the game."

Another bright note for Perfetto is transfer student

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Star soccer wins division, is runner-up in city tourney

Our Lady Star of the Sea's seventh and eighth grade boys soccer team concluded its most successful season with a runner-up finish in the city-wide Catholic Youth Organization tournament.

Star, which won the Eastside CYO championship, faced Westside champion Livonia St. Edith in the title game and St. Edith posted a 1-0 overtime victory.

The game, which was played at Madison Heights Bishop Foley, started under a threat of thunderstorms. Star controlled play for much of the first half but neither team was able to score.

Shortly after the second half started, lightning was sighted and the game was halted. A few minutes later the tornado sirens sounded and the contest was immediately postponed for two days.

The teams moved to University of Detroit Jesuit's artificial playing surface for the second half. St. Edith took advantage of a strong wind at its backs and dominated play. Star fullbacks Chris McAlpine and Matt Lombardi each cleared the ball off the goal line to preserve the scoreless tie.

Neither team scored during regulation or in the first sudden death overtime despite good chances by each squad.

Star finally got the wind at its back in the second overtime but early in the period, St. Edith executed a nice combination at midfield, dribbled through the defense and scored the only goal of the game.

Star's tournament run

started with a 3-1 victory over Warren St. Anne. Ryan Arsenault opened the scoring after running through the St. Anne trap to take a pass from Lenny Lappin.

Star again foiled the trap early in the second half with midfielders Ben Czerniawski and Peter Loy working the ball to Arsenault, who won another 1-on-1 battle with the St. Anne goalkeeper.

St. Anne made it 2-1 midway through the second half, but Fred Andary scored for Star to secure the win after taking a pass from Arsenault.

Star advanced to the championship game with a 3-1 win over Rochester Holy Family.

Andary opened the scoring during the first minute of the game. Star made it 2-0 when Arsenault sent a crossing pass to the far post and Sam Palazzolo's sliding shot eluded the goalie.

Arsenault capped the Star scoring with a goal on a play that was developed by midfielders Andrew Koester and Czerniawski. Holy Family spoiled the shutout bid with about 10 minutes remaining.

Star posted a 7-0-1 record in the division, winning the Eastside title for the first time since 1992. Star swept St. Clare (2-0 and 1-0), St. Thecla (2-0 and 5-0) and U-D Jesuit (1-0 and 3-1) and had a win (2-0) and a 1-1 tie with St. Paul. In a non-league game, Star beat the under-13 Grosse Pointe Soccer Association Hurricanes 3-1.

Star's defense was anchored by goalkeeper Patrick Leaman. He allowed only six goals during the

season. The defense included center fullbacks Chris McAlpine and Lombardi. Thomas D'Alleva and Paul McAlpine played the wing fullback positions and Matt Verysier provided help off the bench.

In addition to center midfielders Czerniawski and Loy, Andary, Koester, Dooner Curis, Stephen Schmidt and P.J. Veltri played wing midfield positions. Arsenault and Paul McAlpine occasionally played midfield.

Arsenault, Lappin, Palazzolo and Lambro Seremetis played striker.

Arsenault led the scoring with nine goals, Andary had four and Lappin, Paul McAlpine, Palazzolo and Seremetis added two apiece. Koester, Loy and Chris McAlpine each had one goal.

Lappin led the team with eight assists. Czerniawski had five, Arsenault and Koester each had four assists and Loy had two.

Arsenault, Czerniawski and Loy were the team captains. Star is coached by Grosse Pointe Farms resident Dennis Loy.



Our Lady Star of the Sea's seventh and eighth grade boys soccer team won the Catholic Youth Organization Eastside Division championship and finished second in the city-wide tournament. In front is goalie Patrick Leaman. In the first row, from left, are P.J. Veltri, Sam Palazzolo, Lambro Seremetis, Dooner Curis and Matt Verysier. In the middle row, from left, are Thomas D'Alleva, Andrew Koester, Stephen Schmidt, Lenny Lappin and Ben Czerniawski. In back, from left, are Fred Andary, Ryan Arsenault, Matt Lombardi, Chris McAlpine, Peter Loy, Paul McAlpine and coach Dennis Loy.

BG comes up empty on the road

By Bob St. John
Staff writer

Head coach Ron Perfetto knew his Bishop Gallagher boys basketball team was in

for a tough few days last week.

The Lancers had road games against Detroit Benedictine on Tuesday, a practice on Wednesday, and back again for a road game on Thursday against Riverview Gabriel Richard.

"I was hoping to get at least one win," Perfetto said. "Playing at Benedictine and Gabriel Richard aren't easy places to win."

Perfetto was right as his Lancers played hard, but came away with a 69-60 loss to Benedictine and a 43-33 loss to Gabriel Richard. "We took Benedictine to the wire and gained a lot of respect for our effort," Perfetto said. "Our kids played hard."

The Lancers led by three early in the fourth quarter, but found themselves down 13 with three minutes left.

Led by seniors Jacques Chestnut, Chris Economias and Vinnie Goodwill's three-

point shooting, Gallagher cut the deficit to three with a minute left.

"Our kids forced Benedictine into a few turnovers that they converted into three-point baskets," Perfetto said. "We just ran out of time."

The Ravens hit several free throws down the stretch to secure the win.

Chestnut led the Lancers with 20 points, while Goodwill added 16.

Sophomore Ron Hildreth scored 13 points in a 43-33 setback to Gabriel Richard.

"Our kids came out flat and never got into an offensive rhythm," Perfetto said. "Defensively they were great, but the shots didn't fall and hitting only 5-of-16 from the free-throw line won't get the job done."

The Bishop Gallagher basketball team dipped to 1-3 overall.

Coming up for the Lancers is an away game on Friday, Dec. 28, against Redford Bishop Borgess.

LE hoops stumbles

Lancers —

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Nate Paul will be eligible to play on Friday, Jan. 11, but Lonnie Pettway is lost for the season after having ACL surgery.

"Nate will help us in the backcourt, but losing Lonnie is a blow to our team," Perfetto said. "We hope he makes a full recovery and can play sports as soon as possible."

The Bishop Gallagher basketball team improved to 2-3 overall.

The Lancers were supposed to travel to Redford Bishop Borgess on Friday, Dec. 28, but the Spartans had too many games scheduled (21) and had to drop it.

"It would have been a difficult game for us since we would be missing several players who couldn't make the game," Perfetto said.

The Lancers' next game is now scheduled for Friday, Jan. 4, at Warren De La Salle.

By Bob St. John
Staff writer

Lutheran East's boys basketball team dropped to 2-2 last week, losing 49-45 at Marine City Cardinal Mooney.

"We had a couple of chances down the stretch to win the game, but came up empty," head coach Gary Gutenkunst said. "The key to the game was free-throw shooting."

"We missed ours (6-of-19) and Cardinal Mooney made its."

It was close throughout as the biggest lead during the four quarters was five points.

Senior Bobby Maynard and junior Chris Gibson each scored eight points to pace the Eagles.

Coming up for the Lutheran East basketball team is a home game on Friday, Jan. 4, against Warren Zoe Christian.



Bishop Gallagher senior Chris Economias, above, hit five three-pointers in the Lancers' 84-75 win over St. Agatha.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Committee on Ways and Means, Wayne County Commission will hold a public hearing on the following proposed ordinances:

- Proposed Articles in Incorporation of Metropolitan Arts and Culture Council; a proposed Resolution to adopt the Articles of Incorporation and a proposed Resolution Declaring Intent to Participate in the Formation of a Metropolitan Region Council.
- Proposed amendment to the 2001-2002 Appropriations Ordinance (Enrolled Ordinance No. 2001-630) in accordance with Budget Adjustment No. 02-35-011 and proposed amendment to Project Development Agreement dated 10/04/1996 (Contract 02-50-023), certifying additional revenue of \$18,000,000 in the Metropolitan Airport Fund (481); the CEO advises that the increased revenue results from revised projections in the Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport's Midfield Terminal Project; the additional funds will be used to cover the cost of various design and construction modifications and transition costs associated with the move of Northwest to the Midfield Terminal Building. (98, 50-065A)

The hearing will be held:

THURSDAY, JANUARY 3, 2002, 2:30 p.m.
Wayne County Building
Commission Chamber
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Window Replacement Administration Building

The Board of Education of The Grosse Pointe Public School System, Wayne County, Michigan, will receive sealed bids for a window project located in the City of Grosse Pointe, Michigan.

Specifications and Bid Forms will be available at a **MANDATORY pre-bid meeting** on Tuesday, January 8, 2002 at 11:30 a.m. eastern standard time. The mandatory pre-bid will take place at the Administration Building of the Grosse Pointe Public School System, 389 St. Clair, Grosse Pointe, Michigan 48230. The meeting will be in the receiving area of the Administration Building.

Sealed bids will be due Thursday, January 24, 2002 at 10:00 a.m. eastern standard time at the Administration Building of the Grosse Pointe Board of Education, 389 St. Clair Ave., Grosse Pointe, MI 48230 at which time and place the bids will be opened and publicly read aloud. This project will not be funded by federal or state monies.

Please direct questions to Larry Yankauskas, Manager of Buildings and Grounds for the Grosse Pointe Public School System, 313-432-3082.

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Window Replacement Barnes School

The Board of Education of The Grosse Pointe Public School System, Wayne County, Michigan, will receive sealed bids for a window project located in the City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan at Barnes School.

Specifications and Bid Forms will be available at a **MANDATORY pre-bid meeting** on Tuesday, January 8, 2002 at 10:15 a.m. eastern standard time. The mandatory pre-bid will take place at Barnes School, 20090 Morningside, Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan 48236. The meeting will be in the receiving room of Barnes School.

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City of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan

SPECIAL NOTICE HOLIDAY RUBBISH SCHEDULE for CHRISTMAS and NEW YEARS

Collection of rubbish routes scheduled for Monday, December 24, 2001 and Monday, December 31, 2001, will be collected by 11:00 a.m. Please have rubbish out by 7:00 a.m.

There will be no residential rubbish collection on Tuesday, December 25, 2001 and Tuesday, January 1, 2002. These rubbish routes will be one day late on Wednesday, December 26, 2001 and January 2, 2002.

All Wednesday, Thursday and Friday rubbish routes will be collected according to their normal schedule.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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GPHA 305s win in overtime

Brian Vens scored his second goal of the game eight minutes into overtime to give the Grosse Pointe Hockey Association 305s a 3-2 victory over the GPHA Penguins in the Pee Wee championship game of the Grosse Pointe Community Rink Thanksgiving tournament.

The Penguins, who had beaten the 305s 4-2 in the first game of the tournament, opened the final game scoring early in the first

period on a goal by Tom Schemanski.

Brian Vens tied the game late in the second period and Zack Ganesch quickly gave the 305s a 2-1 lead. The Penguins' Jarad Ambrozio tied the game in the third period.

Chris Vens, who had three assists, helped set up the winning goal, along with Mike McMillan. Alex Weiner also had an assist for the 305s.

Wingers James Dickinson

and Robert Hull, goalie Stephen Cotichio and defensemen Lee Baumgarten, Sam Hull, Austin Swancoat and Matt Peleman also contributed to the 305s' championship.

After dropping their first game to the Penguins, the 305s played a 2-2 tie with the Huskies, then beat the Coyotes 4-2.

The 305s are coached by Barry Hull, John Vens and Rene Peleman. Zeke Dickinson is the manager.



The Grosse Pointe Hockey Association 305s players and coaches celebrate after beating the Penguins 3-2 in overtime in the Pee Wee championship game at the Grosse Pointe Community Rink Thanksgiving tournament.

Parcells seventh graders nearly perfect

The Parcells Middle School seventh grade girls basketball team was nearly perfect this year.

As it was, the squad finished 11-1 and won its middle school division championship for the third straight

year under coach Bill Taylor.

After winning 11 in a row, the Panthers lost in the final seconds to Pierce Middle School.

Parcells split with Pierce and swept its two-game

series with Harper Woods, Jefferson, Kennedy, South Lake and Brownell.

Parcells averaged nearly 30 points per game while allowing its opponents to score in double figures only four times.



The Parcells Middle School seventh grade girls basketball team posted an 11-1 record and won its division championship for the third straight year. In front are co-captains Christina Schucker, left, and Carrie Kaufman. Kneeling, from left, are Emily Nelson, Alexandra Cheolas, Kristen Krawchuk, Melissa Theophanos, Natalie Tocco and Allyce Kulek. In back, from left, are Elise Arsenault, Sarah Gryniwicz, Martha Everett, Jaclyn Zarb, Jessica Anderson, Angie Bozelle, Amber Mach and coach Bill Taylor. Not pictured is Blair Colson.

New aerobics classes begin on Jan. 7

The Fitness Firm will begin a seven-week series of low impact aerobics classes on Monday, Jan. 7.

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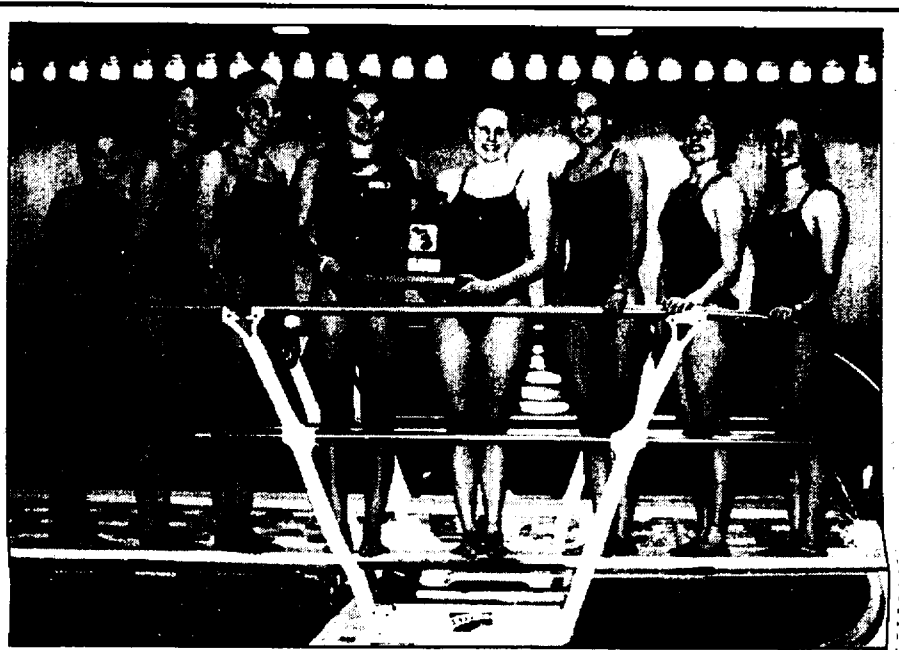
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Four straight

Our Lady Star of the Sea's eighth grade girls basketball team beat St. Paul 35-18 in the championship game of the St. Veronica Thanksgiving tournament. It was the fourth straight year that Star of the Sea has won the title at St. Veronica. Star overcame St. Paul's height advantage with balanced scoring and solid team defense. In its first two games, Star beat St. Angela and St. Germaine by a combined 82-34 score. In front are Kelly Rusko, left, and Jenna Benko. In the second row are Amanda Hanley, left, and Meghan Potthoff. In back, from left, are Christina Schucker, Noelle Navetta, Danielle Zahn, Alexa Bergamo, Elle Rewalt and Katy Houin. Not pictured is coach Scott Perez.



State qualifiers

Grosse Pointe North's girls swim team had eight of its members qualify for the Class A state meet and the Norsemen came in fourth in the team standings. From left are Christine Stevens, Kristen Sheldon, Cassy Miller, Kammy Miller, Stephanie Leaman, Lauren Reinhard, Melissa Jamerino and Carolyn Jacobs.

South gymnasts open with a close victory over Pioneer

Grosse Pointe South's gymnastics team opened its season with a victory over Ann Arbor Pioneer but it wasn't easy.

The Blue Devils, who are battling injuries and haven't been able to practice on the uneven parallel bars until they get replaced, edged the Pioneers 124.90-

124.55.

Margaret Batten had a

strong meet for the Blue Devils with second-place finishes on vault (8.3) and floor exercise (8.15), third on bars (7.8). She finished third in all-around with a combined score of 31.45.

Cristen Brophy was second on the balance beam with an 8.25.

Allison Bukowski was second on bars (8.0), third

on vault (8.25) and fourth on beam (8.0).

Melissa Lovely, who was third on floor exercise with an 8.10 score, was second in the all-around standings with a 31.75.

Others who competed for South were Kerry Jones on vault, Liz Davison in all-around and Jackie Madison on beam and floor exercise.

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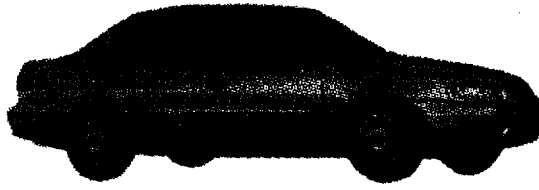
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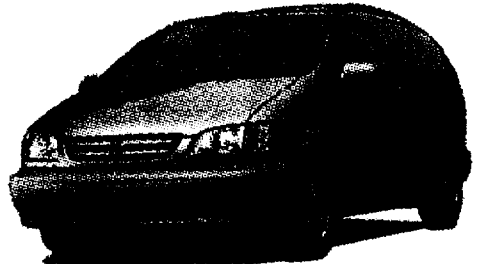
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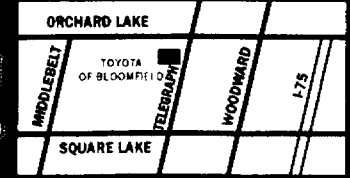
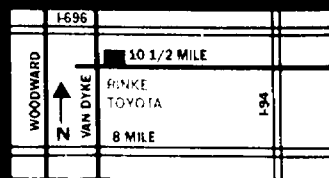
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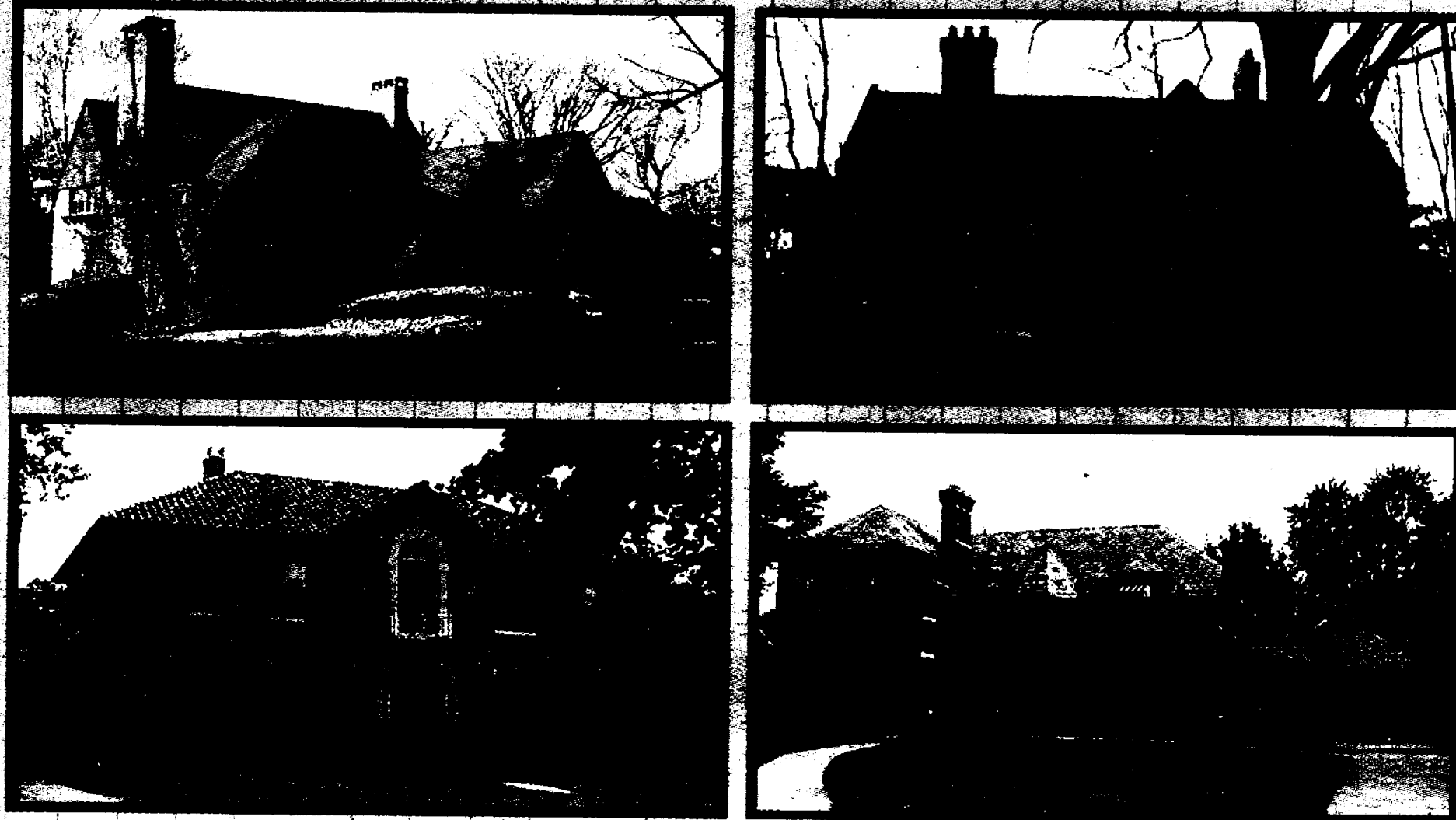
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Vacation precaution tips for the vacant home

Q. Mr. Hardware, our family is going on a two-week vacation at the end of this month. Uncle Joe is suggesting we turn off the water while we are gone. Is this a good idea, how about the hot-water heater? Is there a safe low temperature for the furnace? — *Betty S. of St. Clair Shores.*

A. Betty, the age and condition of your plumbing has a lot to do with whether or not I would recommend shutting off the water while you're gone. So does the temperature you are planning to set your thermostat.

Turning down the thermostat is more important for those who are gone for extended periods as opposed to short trippers. The cost savings from lowering the temperature of your house for two weeks is not enough to justify the damage a frozen pipe can cause.

Recommended low temperature is no lower than 55 degrees. Keep in mind a pipe that is near an exterior wall or in a crawl space might not freeze when the house is 70 degrees, but it could freeze if the house temperature was 55 degrees. Every house is different so this decision is up to you.

If your pipes freeze and break, the first call will be to the plumber to repair the leak. The next set of calls will be to the "water damage company," a carpenter, a flooring company, a painter and, of course, the insurance man. You may even have to move out of the house until the repairs are made. I do not recommend taking chances for such minimal savings.

Copper plumbing is not prone to leaking on its own. Unless you have some galvanized piping, or a mixture of copper and galvanized, you are not likely to spring a leak unless the heat fails. The biggest "loose end" is the hot water heater. Is it more than eight years old? They are prone to leaking on their own. They usually fail when one least expects it, usually at night, on a Sunday or holiday.

The old hot water tanks can last up to 20 years, but the new models are usually good for about eight years or so. When in doubt, turn off the water to the hot water tank with the valve right above the tank. Then set the "gas control valve" on the tank to "pilot." This will shut off the main burner to the tank but will leave the pilot on. This way when you return from



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vacation you don't have to relight the pilot light, just turn the "gas valve" back to "on."

You will remember to do this when you return from vacation and the first shower is only lukewarm. Yikes!

One precaution is to get a "Winter Watchman" device that turns on when the temperature drops below a set temperature. Plug it in near a front window and plug a lamp in to it. If the temperature drops below the setting on the Watchman, the lamp will come on. This way friends and relatives who are watching the house can keep an eye on the temperature without having to go inside.

Tip No. 515: Use a flasher in the lamp so if it does come on it will attract more attention if the temperature in the house falls below the setting.

Send your questions to Mr. Hardware c/o Gilbert's Pro Hardware at 21912 Harper in St. Clair Shores 48080; call (586) 776-9532, e-mail staff@mrhardware.com, or visit the new and improved www.mrhardware.com to retrieve past columns.



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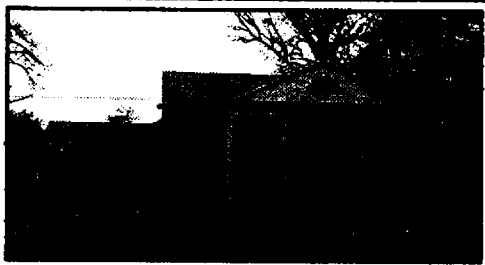
Slate roof English Colonial featuring newer kitchen with commercial appliances and granite countertops. All new baths, natural woodwork and detailed crown moldings throughout. Finished basement with wet bar and natural fireplace. Heated Florida room overlooks patio and large yard.

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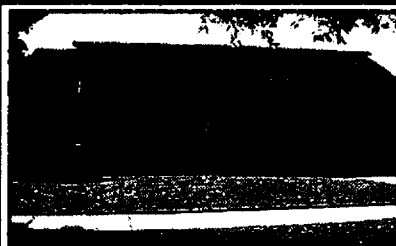
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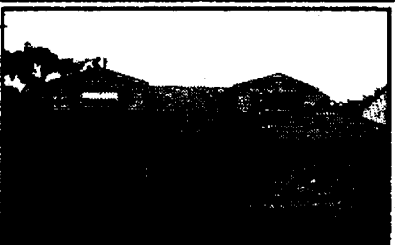
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\$225,000 THE BEST OF BOTH WORLDS, like a single family home with the benefits of condo living. Two bedrooms, one and one half baths, two car attached garage between neighbors, finished recreation room with lavatory. Two extra large walk-in closets with organizers.

21953 SHOREPOINTE
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\$225,000 FABULOUS, AND IN MINT CONDITION!!! Condo in the Shorepointe near Mack and Grosse Pointe Woods. Two bedrooms, two and one half baths, spacious living room with fireplace, large kitchen, carpeted recreation room with fireplace. Carefree living at it's best!!!

19212 ROLANDE
HARPER WOODS



\$125,000 VALUE!! Three bedrooms, one bath, spacious living room, kitchen and eating area. Two bedrooms on first floor, one bedroom upstairs. Fenced yard with deck. Newer features: furnace with central air, hot water heater, tear off roof, new garage door.

3885 BISHOP
DETROIT



\$120,000 WEST of Mack in East English Village. Large kitchen, dining room. Two bedrooms, one bathroom, brick paver patio, fireplace in living room. Expansion potential on second floor. Gas forced air furnace. New windows, hardwood floors.

1788 VERNIER
GROSSE POINTE WOODS



\$225,000 TWO STORY TOWNHOUSE CONDO in Berkshires with attached garage. First floor features: Living room, dining area, newer kitchen with appliances and lavatory. Second floor features two large bedrooms, two full baths plus study/den.

2048 FLEETWOOD
GROSSE POINTE WOODS



\$225,000 COLONIAL WITH THREE BEDROOMS, one full and two half baths. First floor laundry room. Large family room, dining room, and large kitchen opens to family room. Nice neighborhood.

21192 LANCASTER
HARPER WOODS



\$185,000 GROSSE POINTE SCHOOLS! Spacious, open floor plan. Three bedrooms, two full baths plus lavatory in finished basement. Fireplace in living room and carpeted recreation room. Exceptional natural woodwork, large kitchen with lots of counter space.

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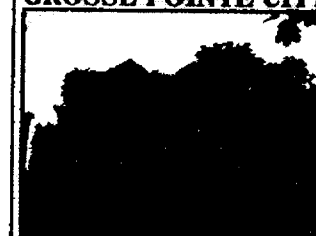




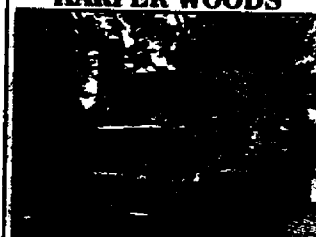
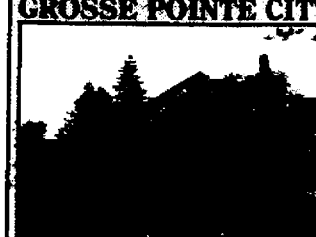



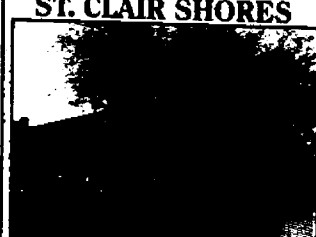
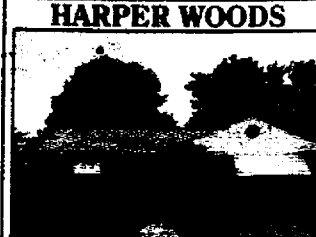
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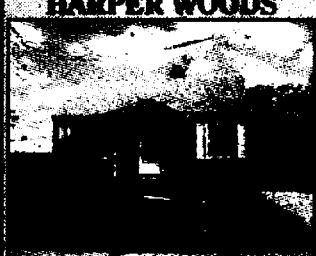
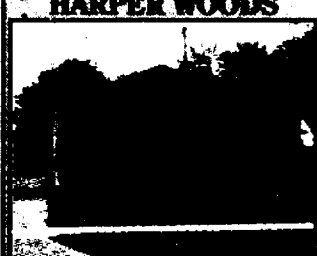





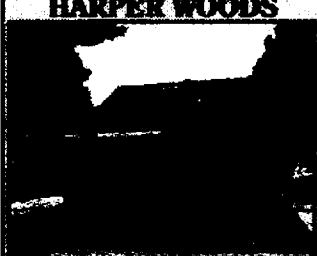
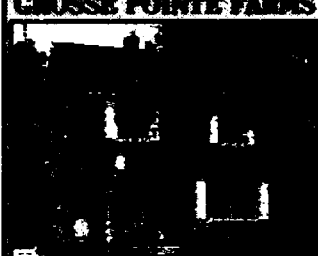
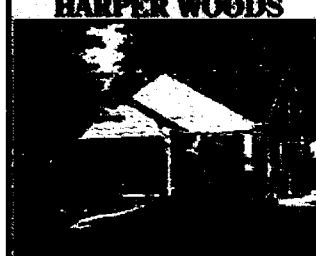








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<p>GROSSE POINTE FARMS</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FOUR BEDROOMS • FAMILY ROOM • GREAT LOCATION <p>227 EDWOOD COURT • \$299,900</p>	<p>HARPER WOODS</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GROSSE POINTE SCHOOLS • NUMEROUS UPDATES • GREAT STARTER HOME <p>20432 HOLLYWOOD • \$124,900</p>	<p>GROSSE POINTE FARMS</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WELL MAINTAINED • SITUATED ON DOUBLE LOT • VERY IMPRESSIVE <p>18790 HUNTINGTON • \$194,900</p>	<p>HARPER WOODS</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MASTER WITH FULL BATH • NEWER KITCHEN • TWO CAR GARAGE <p>20241 WOODMONT • \$144,900</p>	<p>GROSSE POINTE PARK</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BARE SIX UNIT INCOME • WELL MAINTAINED, NEWER ROOF • NEWER CUTTERS, BOILER, ELECTRICAL <p>1143 BEAUFIELD • \$329,000</p>	<p>GROSSE POINTE FARMS</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EIGHT BEDROOM FRENCH TUDOR • DARLING CARRIAGE HOUSE • ELEGANCE AND WARMTH <p>24 McKinley Place • \$875,000</p>
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• 20950 FLEETWOOD \$147,900 • 20863 BEAUFIT \$149,900 • 20845 PARKCREST \$149,900 • 19790 HUNTINGTON \$194,900 • 19305 ROSCOMMON \$79,900 • 18551 WOODCREST \$104,900

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Detecting counterfeit or reproduced Beatles' items

The recent death of George Harrison has left many deeply saddened, yet comfort may be found in authentic Beatles memorabilia.

Because the blending of all four Beatles' uniqueness existed together for a short time in an era of uncertainty, Beatles memorabilia has continued to be among the most highly collected items.

The weekend after Harrison's death, I found myself diligently searching various antiques and collectibles shops for an authentic Beatles item from the 1960s. When I told salespeople what I was looking for, they said a lot of people had been asking about Beatles items that day.

One store had a red, black and white Beatles scarf on display in a locked case. The slightly worn, triangle-cut scarf had long, thin end ties. Repeated line-drawn images of "early Beatles" faces were printed on its cotton fabric. It looked authentic. It was delicate, bearing a price tag of \$118.

The scarf was suitable for encasement and display. I liked it, but didn't buy it, even though I could picture my "flamboyant" sister Mary wearing a scarf like it back in the '60s.

Upon pondering, I realized what I was looking for — an item that exclusively personified the early Beatles.

Thinking that a Beatles button would do, what I found was a 20-by-28-inch 1964 London Palladium Poster at a westside antiques shop. The poster, covered by its original shrink wrap, was marked down from \$120 to \$75. After much consideration (such as the purchase would be made from a reputable antiques shop), I bought it.

At home, I turned to the Internet for more information on it. An illustrated listing on ebay had the original poster, in very good condition, priced at \$150. But then, The Beatles Collectors' Reference Center website at www.members.tripod.com informed the "real thing" has been bootlegged over the years with the bootleg featuring red lettering of "The Beatles" — the original is in black print. The bootleg poster is larger than the original, and the fine print at the bottom of the original reads: "Original Made in Great Britain, Litho by Louis F. Dow Co., U.S.A., Copyright, 1964 NEMS Enterprises LTD."



By Diane Morelli

Ebay's poster was an original, mine turned out to be an old bootleg! Its red lettering of "The Beatles" and missing litho information made that easy to detect. A return with explanation to the antiques shop proprietor brought a prompt refund.

If it was bought elsewhere, a refund may not have been granted.

The Beatles

Photo Courtesy of "Collecting The Beatles" Price Guide
Beatles tennis shoes with "early Beatles" printed faces.



Collectors' Reference Center website specializes in information on Beatles counterfeit items, unauthorized merchandise and other facts for collectors. The site tells that counterfeit buttons were manufactured since the breakup of the Beatles in 1970. Reproductions usually lack the manufacturer information on them and can be obtained at a low price.

The December issue of Rolling Stone magazine has a special edition of George Harrison. If you feel you haven't quite connected with your children or grandchildren



Photo Courtesy of ebay

This authentic poster of the Beatles, produced by NEMS Enterprises LTD in 1964 has become one of the earliest Beatles icons.

with this year's Christmas gifts, buy them a copy. I have two copies — one to read and one to keep for memorabilia and in excellent condition.

If you have something of interest to share with our readers regarding

antiques and collectibles, send a photo with description to: Diane Morelli, c/o Grosse Pointe News, at 96 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236; fax (313) 882-1585; e-mail dmorelli@grossepointenews.com.

Antiques and Collectibles

Prices for antiques are based on beauty, desirability, historic importance and appeal. Recently, an elephant-shaped inkwell was offered for sale at an auction. The black elephant with a gilt metal covering was made in the 19th century. This inkwell, which was on President Ulysses S. Grant's desk in the White House, might have inspired the Republican Party to choose an elephant as its symbol. The first time the elephant was seen as a symbol of the Republican Party was in an 1874 cartoon by Thomas Nast. The famous inkwell was auctioned recently for \$26,050.

Q. Have you ever heard of

"whale-end shelves"?

A. The term is not in common use among collectors. Whale-end shelves are book or display shelves with plain, straight shelves and tall, shapely ends. The end pieces holding the shelves look like the silhouette of a whale. The larger part of the end, which stands on the floor when the shelves are upright, is in the shape of a whale's head. The middle of the end is narrower, like a whale's tapering body. And the top of the end extends out, like a whale's tail.

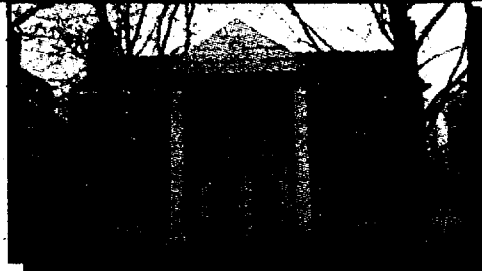
Whale-end shelves probably originated in New England coastal areas during the early 19th centu-

ry. You can find them in mahogany, walnut and painted poplar or pine. It's a good idea to place them against a wall. They can tip over easily.

Tip: Musty odors in trunks seem to be a constant problem. Try this system: Fill the trunk with wrinkled, crushed newspaper. Close the lid for a week, then remove and replace the papers. Repeat the process until the musty odor is gone. This system also helps with suitcases, car interiors (for tobacco odors) and with musty books, if they're kept in a closed paper bag.

— Ralph and Terry Kovel
 Cowles Syndicate

GROSSE POINTE CITY



Charming duplex in prime location near the Village. Both units are identical in size and feature newer kitchens and baths. Finished basements also have newer bathrooms. Brick patio and sprinkler system. \$419,000

GROSSE POINTE SHORES



Three fireplaces! You'll be warm, cozy and comfortable in this three bedroom, two full bath ranch. Large kitchen with eating space, finished basement, new tear off roof and an attached two car garage. \$399,000

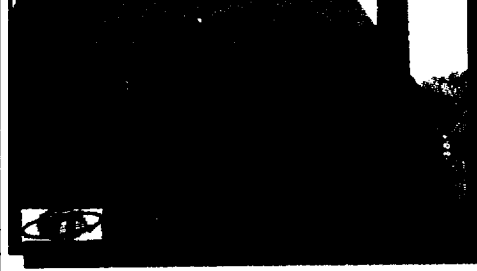
GROSSE POINTE PARK



In a lovely setting... three bedroom ranch with beautiful step-down living room with fireplace, dramatic dining room with hardwood floors, family room plus den and two full baths. \$475,000

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GROSSE POINTE WOODS



Look no further! Here is an attractive four bedroom, two bath bungalow with newer kitchen. Six panel doors, hardwood floors and neutral décor. \$259,000

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GROSSE POINTE WOODS



Easy to maintain this three bedroom, two full bath ranch. Newer carpeting, updated kitchen, family room, finished basement with kitchen facilities and half bath. Two and one half car garage. \$399,000

GROSSE POINTE TERRACE



Create a lifestyle of living! Unique English terrace offers a spacious kitchen with white cabinets, wet bar and desk. Bay window in living room and many recent updates. Price adjusted to \$379,000.

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GROSSE POINTE SHORES



All the most wanted features can be found in this renovated brick ranch. Beautiful hardwood floors, six panel solid core doors, custom kitchen with top-of-the-line appliances, two full baths. An attractive buy. \$485,000

GROSSE POINTE FARMS



Merriweather Colonial offers immediate occupancy and numerous features. Master bedroom with private bath and adjacent deck, family room, kitchen with Jenn-Aire and a new roof in 2000. \$334,900

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GROSSE POINTE WOODS



Very special three bedroom ranch with one and one half baths. Updates in 2000 include all new windows, waterproofing, aluminum trim, interior and exterior painting and hardwood floors. Immediate occupancy. \$279,000

GROSSE POINTE FARMS



Completely renovated three bedroom, two and one half bath Colonial with a new kitchen/family room addition including quality appliances, all hardwood floors, new carpeting in upstairs bedrooms and the wished for first floor laundry. \$259,000

GROSSE POINTE FARMS



Adorable farm house with a low maintenance exterior and an updated interior. Refinished oak floors, remodeled kitchen with eating area, adjacent family room with fireplace plus a den. Lower level recreation room. \$314,900

GROSSE POINTE FARMS



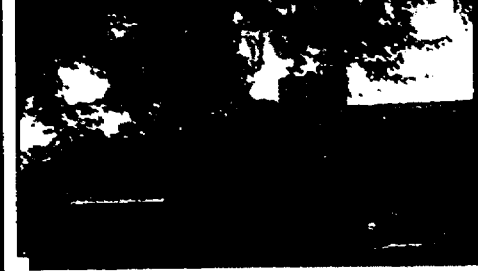
Charming English Tudor is loaded with potential and offers beautiful plaster moldings, hardwood floors, updated kitchen, cozy den and attached garage. Loaded with potential, call for additional details. \$275,000

LAKEPOINTE TOWERS



Fabulous! Seventh floor penthouse featuring two bedrooms, two and one half baths and a den. Gourmet kitchen with granite counters, breakfast room and formal dining room. View of the golf course from two balconies. \$369,900

GROSSE POINTE WOODS



You'll love its style! Professionally decorated three bedroom ranch. New furnace, central air, tear off roof and renovated Florida room. Recreation room with fireplace and wet bar. \$285,900

GROSSE POINTE FARMS



Nice to come home to. Family room with vaulted ceiling, den, Mutschler kitchen with Jenn-Aire and built-ins. Three bedrooms and one and one half baths. Immediate possession. \$279,000

N. RIVER ROAD, ST. CLAIR



View the St. Clair River from this picturesque sprawling ranch. Three bedrooms, two and one half baths, two great rooms and a detached guest room. Multi-tiered deck, inground pool and boat house. Price adjusted to \$639,000

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\$1,200,000 GROSSE POINTE PARK
Magnificent French Normandy designed By Wallace Frost. Ideally situated on an exclusive private lane. Exceptionally renovated to its original grandeur, but adapted to modern life style. Call for all the details.



\$1,150,000 ST. CLAIR SHORES
Custom lakefront home featuring four bedrooms, four baths and four car garage. Great views of lake. Redecorated and updated. Deck with spa, dock and boat hoist.



FIRST OFFERING
\$1,150,000 Grosse Pointe Shores
One of the most premier locations in Grosse Pointe. Lot Only. Condition of sale: House to be demolished at buyers expense.



\$950,000 GROSSE POINTE SHORES
Fantastic executive home remodeled for today's lifestyle. Professionally decorated. Large family room, kitchen designed by Mutschler, first floor laundry, master suite with marble bath. Finished basement.



\$845,000 GROSSE POINTE SHORES
Value in location and design. Five bedrooms, four full and two half baths. Spacious layout with library, family room with fireplace, three season garden room. Finished hardwood floors. Plumbing in heated garage.



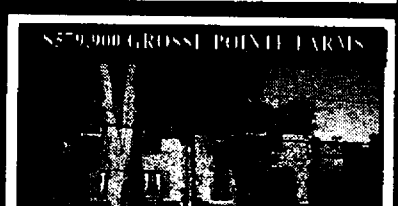
FIRST OFFERING
\$649,000 Grosse Pointe Farms
IMPRESSIVE CONTEMPORARY! Four bedrooms, two and one half baths and second floor laundry. Spectacular master suite. New kitchen features Granite, new appliances and ample storage. Family room with vaulted ceiling. Library. Full bath in recreation room.



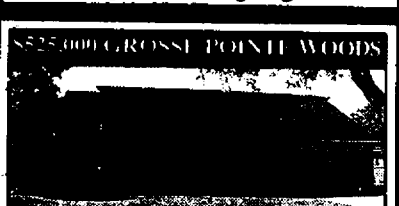
\$625,000 GROSSE POINTE WOODS
A Ranch with Pizzazz!! Completely renovated and updated. Three bedrooms, two and one half baths. Dining room, large family room with vaulted ceiling and fireplace. Library, first floor laundry. Finished recreation room with wet bar and lavatory. Master suite with deluxe bath/spa. Large walk in closet. All Granite countertops in kitchen and baths. Hardwood floors and a two car attached garage.



\$599,000 GROSSE POINTE FARMS
Award winning private gardens with three tiered deck and Koi pond. Sharp Contemporary with custom interior design. Second floor laundry, finished basement with recreation room and full bath.



\$579,000 GROSSE POINTE FARMS
This English Colonial features very spacious rooms. New Woodmode kitchen with all appliances. Large master suite with fireplace and new bath. Hardwood floors and plaster detail. Library with fireplace. Completely finished and divided basement with fireplace and wine cellar.



\$525,000 GROSSE POINTE WOODS
The best of everything! Highest quality in every detail. Four bedrooms, two and one half baths. Several walk in closets. Living room, dining room and family room. All new interior doors. Kitchen features: Bosch dishwasher, Granite countertops and solid Maple cabinets. New state of the art Pella windows. Hardwood floors and in-ground 33' X 14' pool.



\$425,000 GROSSE POINTE WOODS
High quality renovation completed last month. This Broker owned four bedroom Colonial features a "new" kitchen with custom cabinets, new appliances, ceramic accents, new furnace, central air, new carpeting, new patio, "double" great room style family room.



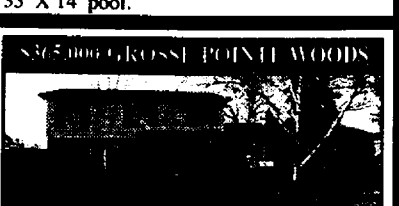
\$424,500 GROSSE POINTE SHORES
Three Bedroom, two bath, Cape Cod one block from Lakeshore. First floor bedroom with full bath.



\$379,000 ST. CLAIR SHORES
Outstanding Brownstone Condo, end unit with some lake views. Fantastic kitchen with Corian counters, top of the line appliances and bar. Custom Plantation shutters throughout. Master suite with Whirlpool tub and two walk-in closets.



FIRST OFFERING
\$375,000 Grosse Pointe park
Center entrance Colonial. Four bedrooms, two and one half bath, family room and large kitchen. Fireplaces in living room and recreation room. Two car garage.



\$365,000 GROSSE POINTE WOODS
GREAT BUY! Four bedrooms, two and one half baths. Family room with natural fireplace, kitchen with eating space. Master bedroom with private bath. Newer furnace, air and windows.



\$227,000 GROSSE POINTE SHORES
Rare opportunity in Grosse Pointe Shores. New: tear-off roof, air conditioning, hot water heater, Electrical, and refinished hardwood floors. Nice kitchen with eating space and bay window. Half bath in basement.



\$225,000 GROSSE POINTE WOODS
Colonial with three bedrooms, a full bath and two half baths. First floor laundry room. Large family room, dining room and large kitchen with eating area.



\$225,000 GROSSE POINTE WOODS
Two story Townhouse Condo in the Berkshires with attached garage. 1st floor includes living room, dining area, newer kitchen with appliances and lav. 2nd floor features two large bedrooms, two full baths, plus another room for office or library. Full basement.



FIRST OFFERING
\$225,000 St. Clair Shores
Fabulous and in mint condition! Two bedrooms, two and one half baths. Very spacious living room with fireplace. Large kitchen. Carpeted recreation room with fireplace. Monthly maintenance fee of \$302 includes heat, water, outdoor maintenance and insurance. Carefree living at its best!



FIRST OFFERING
\$225,000 Grosse Pointe Woods
The best of both worlds, like a single family home with the benefits of Condo living. Two bedroom, one and a half baths. Two car attached garage. Finished recreation room with lavatory. Monthly maintenance fee of \$100 includes lawn, snow removal, gutter and window cleaning.



\$169,900 ST. CLAIR SHORES
Rare opportunity for a great home in a great location. Many special features: Natural fireplace in living room. Vaulted ceiling and recessed lights in sharp updated kitchen next to family room with fireplace. Carpeted basement with lavatory. Additional views at: www.dianedennis.com



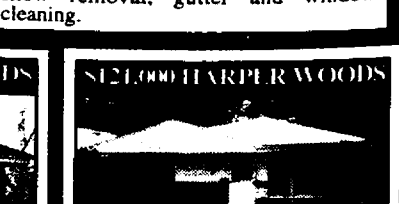
\$149,900 HARPER WOODS
Sharp three bedroom - two "full bath" Bungalow. Neutral decor. Fireplace. Bright and clean. New driveway and pavers to entrance. Nice landscaping in front. Large master has walk-in closet and private bath. A MUST SEE!!



\$139,900 GROSSE POINTE WOODS
Cute three bedroom Bungalow, fresh neutral decor, new Berber carpet, large master second floor. Copper plumbing. Two car garage. Finished basement with recreation room. Immediate possession.



FANTASTIC VALUE! Three bedroom, one bath. Nice kitchen with eating area. newer features: Furnace with central air, hot water heater in 1999, tear-off roof and garage door with opener in 2001. Some new windows and storms. Hardwood floors.



\$122,500 HARPER WOODS
Exceptionally cared for home. Kitchen new in 2000. Updated bathroom. Upstairs bedroom has alcoved sitting-office area, hardwood floors. Updated electrical and central air, one year new!



\$121,000 HARPER WOODS
Nicely located starter home with spacious kitchen featuring lots of storage and eat in space. Hardwood floors. Partial B-dry waterproofing. Newer hot water heater. Grosse Pointe Schools

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FIRST OFFERING



\$779,000 Grosse Pointe Farms
 Private, large lot. Stone facade. Two short blocks to lake St. Clair. Four bedrooms plus separate stairs to full service quarters with bath. Third floor studio. Central Air. Spacious contemporary kitchen. Family room with vaulted ceiling and skylight. Refinished hardwood floors.

\$750,000 GROSSE POINTE PARK



Elegant 3,200 sq. ft. Colonial on dramatically landscaped half acre. Two story foyer. High ceiling great room open to library, kitchen and beautiful terrace. Two natural fireplaces. Greenhouse with sitting area. Spectacular decor. Virtual tour at: <http://tours.ipixmedia.com/A384BBLB.htm>

\$725,000 GROSSE POINTE CITY



Classic style, very spacious rooms. Excellent floor plan. Designer kitchen includes all appliances. Master suite has dressing area. Three additional bedrooms. Fabulous yard with Gunite pool.

\$693,000 ST. CLAIR SHORES



Outstanding lakefront property. View of lake from most rooms. Four bedrooms, two and one half baths. 3,200 square feet, large lot with dock and boat hoist. Call 882-0087 for all details on this great lakefront home.

FIRST OFFERING



\$690,000 Grosse Pointe Farms
A HOME WITH SPARKLE! Newly remodeled family room with fireplace and skylight overlooks private yard with tennis court. Library with built-in bookshelves. Four bedrooms, two and one half baths. Carpeted recreation room with fireplace and lavatory. Gorgeous hardwood floors.

\$484,900 GROSSE POINTE FARMS



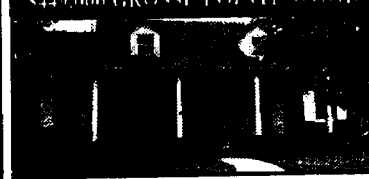
Exceptional home to love with inviting deep lot. Newer condition, outstanding floor plan. Three bedrooms, two and one half baths, close to corner store and lakefront park. For more views visit: www.dianedennis.com.

\$459,000 GROSSE POINTE WOODS




IT'S EVERYTHING YOU WANT IN A HOME! Five bedrooms with four walk-in closets, two and one half bath Colonial. Garden room, finished recreation room with lavatory, first floor laundry, newer kitchen, family room with fireplace and library/den.

\$449,000 GROSSE POINTE WOODS



A world of living in king sized brick Cape Cod with attached garage. Living room, family room open to brick patio, East of Grosse Pointe Hunt Club. www.dianedennis.com.

\$438,000 GROSSE POINTE PARK



Charming English Tudor, move in condition. Hardwood floors, living room with limestone fireplace. Updated kitchen with large eating area. Newer driveway and garage floor. Newer roof on garage. Master bedroom with sitting room. Finished basement with recreation room, wet bar and natural fireplace.

\$425,000 GROSSE POINTE CITY



Great family home with amazing appeal! Near South High School, the main library and elementary schools. Colonial with 4 bedrooms. Master suite with private bath. Gorgeous step-down living room. Family room with bay window and wet bar. Updated kitchen and baths. Hardwood floors.

\$359,900 GROSSE POINTE WOODS



Beautifully decorated throughout. New kitchen, windows, floors, siding, gutters and landscaping. Finished basement with fireplace. Great deck overlooking yard with custom shed. Very desirable location.

\$325,000 ST. CLAIR SHORES



Excellent value! Close to ULS middle school. Four bedroom, two and a half bath Colonial. Large bedrooms. Hardwood floors. Master suite with private bath. Second floor laundry. New updated kitchen.

\$319,000 GROSSE POINTE WOODS



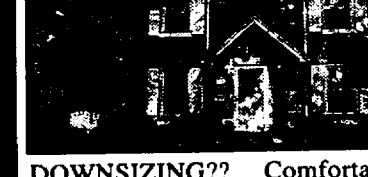
Check out new price! Great location five bedroom two bath home. New roof and newer furnace. Family room also library/office. Large lot. Three fireplaces.

\$284,500 GROSSE POINTE PARK



Spacious Cape Cod in Park. Two baths, large master bedroom, newer kitchen with all appliances included, new windows and central air, finished basement, newer deck and hot tub.

\$230,000 GROSSE POINTE



Downsizing?? Comfortably manageable. Great location near Mack. Brick Colonial, freshly painted. Three bedrooms, one bath, large rear yard. New furnace, windows and driveway. hardwood floors. Possession at closing.

FIRST OFFERING



\$220,000 Clinton Township
 Fabulous Ranch! completely decorated six months ago. Monthly fee is \$65. Great room with gas fireplace. Huge center island kitchen with all appliances included. Beautiful deck with natural gas grill off great room. Attached garage. Move right in.

\$219,900 HARRISON TOWNSHIP



Don't miss the wonderful Colonial, close to x-way, shopping, schools and water. First floor laundry and lavatory. Large open kitchen. Dining room with door wall overlooking wooded area. Extra large family/great room with multiple bay windows and natural fireplace. Master includes walk-in closets and full bath Jacuzzi. Three car attached garage.

\$214,900 GROSSE POINTE WOODS



Beautiful Townhouse Condo - feels like a single family home. Very spacious design. Big kitchen with all appliances. Living room with dining "L". Newly finished basement.

\$185,000 HARPER WOODS




Great value! Grosse Pointe Schools. Spacious, open floor plan with lots of storage. Three bedrooms two full baths plus lavatory in finished basement. Large kitchen with lots of counter space and cupboards.

\$172,900 GROSSE POINTE



Location, location! Convenient to shopping. This three bedroom one and one half bath Townhouse is just waiting to be updated. hardwood floors and appliances included.

\$120,000 DETROIT



Two blocks West of Mack in East English Village. Large kitchen. Two bedrooms and one bath. Fireplace in large living room. Expansion potential on second floor. New windows, hardwood floors and gas forced air furnace.

FIRST OFFERING
TOO NEW FOR PHOTO



\$120,000 Detroit
 Beautiful family home has been updated and decorated. Updates include fresh paint, new carpet, hardwood floors, ceramic tile and storm windows. This is a three bedroom, one and one half bath home ready for immediate occupancy.

FIRST OFFERING



\$82,000 St. Clair Shores
 Desirable first floor unit with two bedrooms. New since 2000: furnace, air conditioning, windows, kitchen appliances and hot water heater. Refinished hardwood floors. Move-in condition.

\$75,000 DETROIT



Classic two bedroom one bath brick Bungalow. Great architectural detail. Leaded glass windows and detailed plaster work.

\$72,900 GROSSE POINTE CITY



JUST LIKE NEW CONDO!
 New carpeting, freshly painted neutral interior. Newer stove and refrigerator. Roof and central air approx. two years old. One assigned parking space, private storage room. Assoc. Fee \$173/Mo.

\$64,000 DETROIT



Nice three bedroom Bungalow. This home has been redone. Updates include: tear-off roof with skylight, new siding, new kitchen, new carpet over hardwood floors, and fresh paint. Everything completed in August 2001. Keys at closing.

THE GONG RATE								
Mortgage Rates as of December 21, 2001								
	Phone Number	30 Yr. Fixed	Points	15 Yr. Fixed	Points	1 Yr. ARM	Points	Other Progs
Aabco Mortgage	(800) 731-0001	7.25	0	6.75	0	5.875	0	J/B/V/F
American Capital Services Inc.	(800) 321-7210	7	0	6.625	0	6.125	0	J/B/V/F
Ameripus Mortgage Corp.	(248) 740-2323	6.5	2	6	2	NR		J/B
Approved Mortgage Inc.	(734) 455-5584	7	0	6.5	0	4.875	0	J/B/F
Bay Pointe Mortgage Corp.	(888) LOAN-099	6.625	2	6	2	5.75	0	J/B/V
Capital Mortgage Funding	(248) LOW-RATE	NR		NR		NR		J/B/F
Chase Manhattan	(888) 267-3495	6.75	2	6.125	2	5.625	0	J/V/F
Comerica	(800) 292-1300	7	2	6.5	1.75	5.75	1	J/B/V/F
Countrywide Home Loans	(248) 380-2070	6.75	1.75	6.25	1.75	4.5	0.875	J/V/F
Dearborn Fed. Credit Union	(313) 322-8301	6.75	2	6.25	2	4.375	2	J/B
Detroit Mortgage Corp.	(810) 263-4600	7.125	0	6.625	0	5.625	0	J/B
East-West Mortgage Co.	(800) 844-1015	7.125	0.25	6.625	0	6	0	J/B/V
Fidelity National Mortgage	(800) 251-5104	7.5	0	7	0	6.25	1	J/B/V/F
Financial Services Golden Rule	(800) 784-1074	6.875	0	6.25	0	5.375	0	J/B/V/F
First Equity Residential Mort.	(800) 557-0270	6.75	1.875	6.25	1.875	NR		J/B/V
First International Inc.	(248) 258-1584	7	0	6.375	0	5.625	0	J/B
Franklin Mortgage Group	(313) 383-6000	7	0	6.625	0	5.5	0.5	J/B/V
Golden Rule Mortgage	(800) 785-4755	6.375	2.5	5.75	2.5	4.625	1.75	J/B/V/F
Group One Mortgage	(734) 953-4000	6.75	2	6.125	2	4.75	2	J/B/V/F
Home Federal Savings Bank	(313) 873-3310	6.5	2	6	2	NR		J
Horizon Financial Group	(248) 538-7887	6.75	1	6.25	1	NR		J
International Mortgage Inc.	(248) 540-7676	7	0	6.375	0	5.625	0	J/B
Kellum Mortgage	(800) 875-2593	6.875	2	6.375	2	5	2	J/B
Mackinac Savings Bank	(800) 629-9259	7.25	0	6.75	0	5.875	0	J/B/V/F
Manufacturers	(810) 777-1000	6.75	1	6.25	1	4.875	0	J/B
Modern Mortgage Corp.	(888) 237-5443	7	0	6.625	0	5.75	0	J/B
Mortgage Specialist Inc.	(248) 286-8886	6.75	2	6.25	2	NR		J/B
National City Bank	(616) 825-0825	6.75	2.25	6.25	2	4.625	2	J/B/V/F
National Future Mortgage	(800) 291-7900	6.25	3	5.625	3	6.25	3	J/B
North American Mortgage	(800) 700-0000	6.75	2	6.25	2	NR		J/B/V/F
Old Woodward Mortgage	(248) 865-0575	6.5	2	6.25	2	4	2	J/B/V/F
Paramount Bank	(800) 421-5488	6.625	2	6.125	2	NR		J/B/V/F
Pathway Financial LLC	(800) 726-2274	7	0	6.5	0	4.5	0	J/F
Planet Financial Inc.	(248) 203-0188	7	0	6.625	0	5.625	0	J/B
Realt Funding Mortgage Corp.	(248) 641-7111	7.125	0	6.5	0	5.75	0	J/B
Savings Mortgage	(800) 659-0984	7	0	6.5	0	5.125	0	J
Shore Mortgage	(800) 678-6663	6.5	3	6	3	4.375	2	J/V/F
St. James Mortgage Corp.	(800) 837-7025	6.75	2	6.25	2	5	0	B
Standard Federal Bank	(800) HOME-800	6.75	2	6.25	2	4.875	2	J/B/V/F
Steering Capital Group	(248) 421-4848	7.125	0	6.5	0	5.625	0	J/B/V/F
TCF Bank	(800) 993-4211	6.875	2	6.25	2	NR		J/B/V
Total Mortgage Corp.	(734) 421-0000	6.625	1.5	6.25	1.5	5.25	1.5	J/B/V/F
Universal Home Lending	(810) 771-3000	6.75	2	6.25	2	5.25	1	J/B/V/F
Wells Fargo Home Mortgage	(877) 399-5667	6.75	2	6.125	2	5	0	J/B/V/F
World Wide / Loan Giant	(800) CALL-ANDY	6.625	2	5.875	2	5	1	J/B
York Financial Inc.	(248) 425-9188	7	0	6.375	0	5.625	0	J/B
Average of Rates and Points		6.84	1.20	6.30	1.20	5.36	0.79	

Rates subject to change without notice. Rates and points based on a \$150,000 loan with 20% down.
 Key - NR = Not Reported / J = Jumbo / B = Balloon / V = VA Loan / F = FHA Loan / BI = Bi-weekly
 Source: Residential Mortgage Consultants based in Brighton - rmcreport.com

Keeping fast track of your financial papers

By David Uffington

Now that we're nearing year's end, it's a good time to take a look at those financial papers you have stashed somewhere and get them in order. There's a lot of security in knowing how — and where — those papers should be kept.

Here are some suggestions. Wills, trust documents, power of attorney, life-support directives and similar legal documents should be left in the care of your lawyer. Keep more than one copy of your will and other documents — one for your attorney and another with an estate trustee. This is especially the case in areas where disasters like earthquakes or tornadoes are prevalent. However, check with your attorney or financial planner, since not all states allow individuals to have more than one original copy of a will.

You should store the following items in a safe deposit box at a bank or in a fireproof box: birth certificates, naturalization papers, adoption papers and a parent's or partner's death certificate. Many people keep the deeds to their property in their safe deposit boxes, too, as well as the titles to their cars. Your household inventory, including a walk through video should also be stored in it.

These types of documents can be stored at home:

- Income-tax returns and supporting documents, which you should keep for three years after filing with the IRS or state in case you're audited.

- Documents that are used in determining the cost of an asset. Records of stock purchases are critical in determining the cost basis for taxes when you sell your shares. So are receipts for major home improvements, which add to the value of your house. These documents should be kept as long as you hold the assets.

- Next are papers you'll need to occasionally access, such as insurance policies or warranties. Keep them for as long as they are in force.

And then there are papers that you only need to hold on to for a while:

- Credit-card receipts and statements can be destroyed after you check them against your statement, unless you need them for tax purposes. Toss the statements after three to four months.

- ATM receipts and deposit slips can be thrown out after reconciling your bank statement at the end of the month. Hold on to your bank statement until tax time, and then pull out the canceled checks needed to prove deductions before disposing of the rest of them.

- Paid utility bills can be pitched quarterly.

- Once you get your W-2 statement, you can throw out your pay stubs.

Pick a cold Saturday afternoon, brew yourself a pot of coffee and get to work on putting your financial house in order. You'll be glad you did.

— King Features Syndicate

Tips on keeping holiday food safe

Whether you're preparing the holiday dinner or bringing a dish to pass, there are a few guidelines that should be followed to ensure a safe and wholesome holiday:

- Hot foods should be served hot (140 degrees Fahrenheit or higher) and cold foods should be served cold (40 degrees Fahrenheit or lower), not at room temperature.

- If you are bringing a dish to pass, think about your travel time. People traveling a long distance may want to bring nonperishable items such as bread, rolls or cookies. Those who are traveling about a half-hour or less can more safely bring foods containing meat, poultry, seafood or dairy products.

- When traveling with food, keep hot foods hot by carrying them in insulated containers or wrap them

in foil and then heavy towels. Place cold foods in a cooler with ice or freezer packs to help them maintain their temperature.

- Breads, rolls, cookies, cakes and pies that do not contain dairy or custards can travel safely without the worry of spoilage.

- Home-canned foods should be made according to the instructions in the U.S. Department of Agriculture's "Complete Guide to Home Canning and Preserving."

- All perishable foods should remain at room temperature for no more than two hours.

Always remember: When in doubt throw it out!

For more information, call the Macomb MSU Extension Food Safety Hotline at (586) 469-5060.



PROVENCAL ROAD
Exceptional private estate on more than 2 acres. Adjoining lot available.



COUNTRY CLUB DRIVE
Superb, spacious Colonial. Two bedrooms down, two up. Four baths.



BERKSHIRE ROAD
Over 4,000 square feet in this six bedroom stately English Tudor.



REGAL PLACE
Spacious four bedroom Tudor with fabulous features! Built in 1980.



NOTRE DAME
Charming four bedroom, two plus bath English. Only \$215,000!



PROVENCAL ROAD
Early American Colonial with lots of cozy nooks. Golf course views.



LOCHMOOR
Surprisingly large four bedroom home! Two first floor bedrooms.



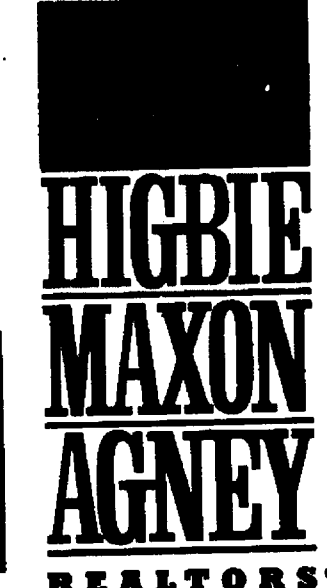
PROVENCAL ROAD
Tastefully decorated and updated five bedroom. Family Room, Library.



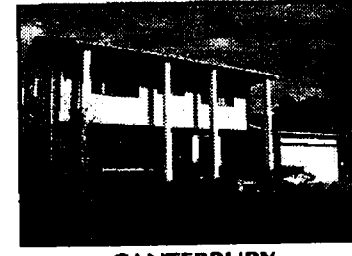
UNIVERSITY
Darling three bedroom, two bath Cape Cod. Sun Room. \$290,000



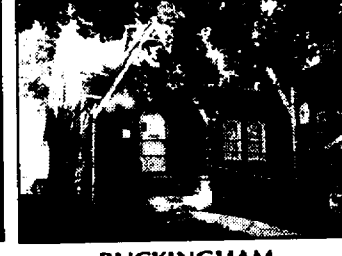
HALL PLACE
Attractive, updated three bedroom Cape Cod. Real value at \$299,000.



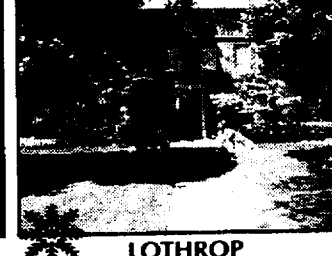
LAKE SHORE ROAD
Marvelous five bedroom French Colonial. First floor Master. \$995,000



CANTERBURY
Traditional four bedroom, two and one half bath Colonial. Family Room.



BUCKINGHAM
Great Detroit income property. Two bedrooms in each unit. \$84,900



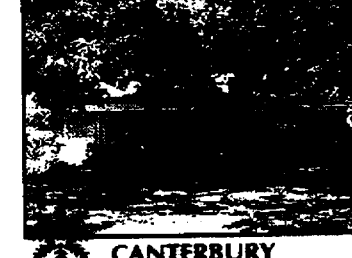
LOTHROP
Magnificent walled English Regency Estate. Exquisite detail.



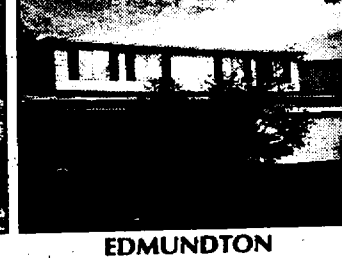
PROVENCAL ROAD
Elegant Georgian Colonial walled estate on private Farms drive.



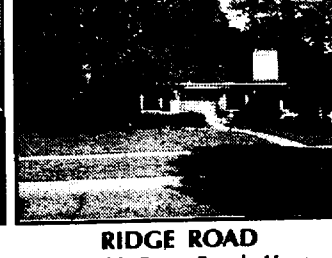
BELANGER
Attractive four bedroom, two bath Cape Cod. Warranty. \$189,900



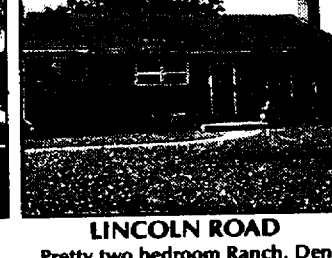
CANTERBURY
Spacious three bedroom, two bath Ranch. \$279,900!



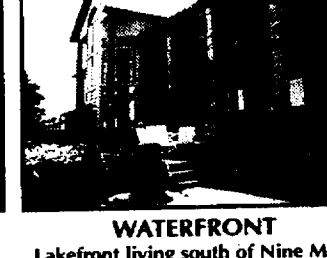
EDMUNDTON
Custom-built four bedroom, two plus bath Colonial. Family Room.



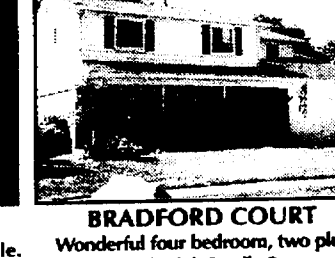
RIDGE ROAD
Desirable Farms Ranch. Huge Family Room. Private yard. \$635,000



LINCOLN ROAD
Pretty two bedroom Ranch. Den and Florida Room. Updated bath.



WATERFRONT
Lakefront living south of Nine Mile. Family Room, Den. Also on canal.



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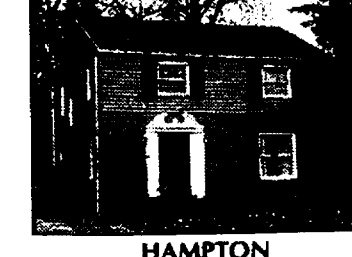
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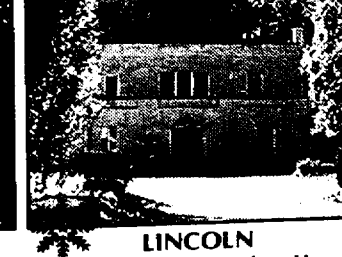
POINTE PARK CONDO
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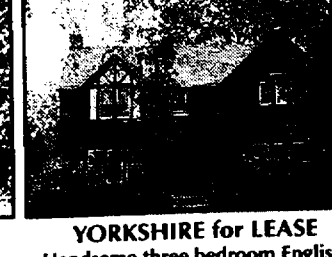
LAKESHORE LANE
Gorgeous home with two first floor bedrooms. Master suite. \$396,000



HAMPTON
Sharp Colonial with gourmet kitchen. Family Room. \$215,000



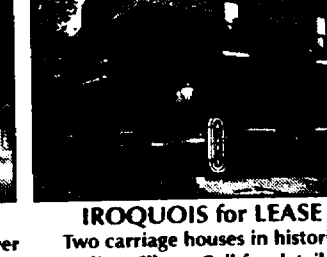
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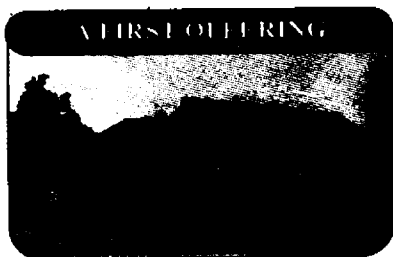
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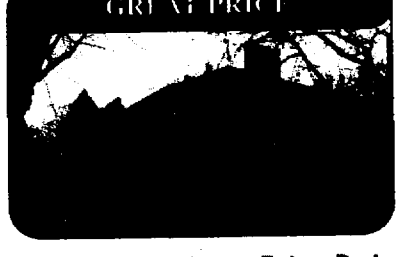
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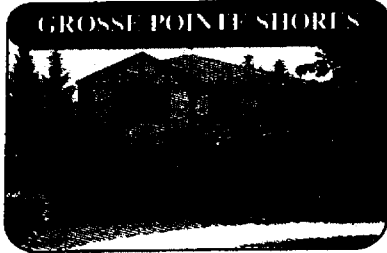
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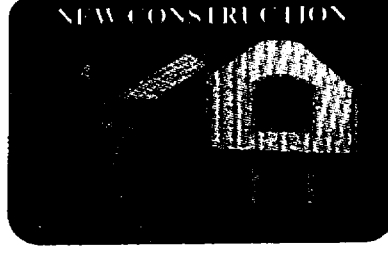
A SWEET LITTLE ART HOME
 19217 Raymond, Grosse Pointe Woods
 Beautiful Colonial in impeccable
 condition. New roof in (01), new
 kitchen in (01) with ceramic back-
 splash and loads of cabinets. Newer
 vinyl windows. Cathedral ceiling
 family room. Three spacious bed-
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GROSSE POINTE SHORES
 70 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Shores
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 1979. With many special features,
 first floor laundry room, family
 room, large kitchen, bi-level deck,
 circular driveway and profession-
 ally landscaped. Tastefully decorated.



GROSSE POINTE PARK
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 room, natural fireplace in living
 room, huge family room adjacent to
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 Two fabulous condominiums. First
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 rooms and two and one half baths
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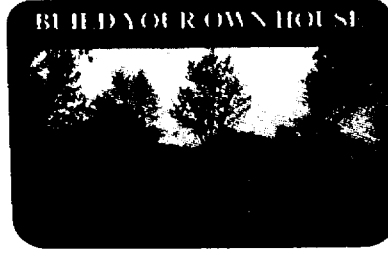
PRICE REDUCTION
 1404 Berkshire, Grosse Pointe Park
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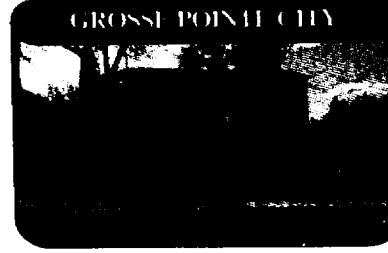
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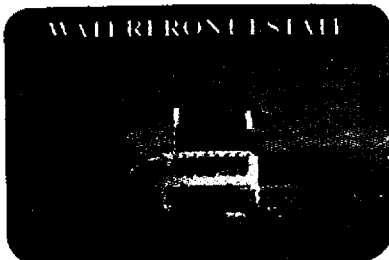


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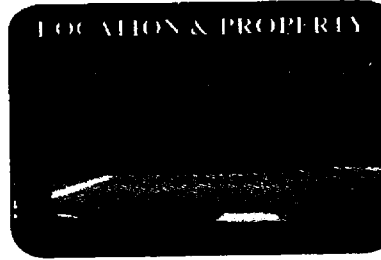
35666 Jefferson
 Remarkable new construction Contemporary house on Lake St. Clair. 42 foot high cathedral ceiling, family room with two natural fireplaces, 5,700 square feet. 200 x 823 lot. \$1,975,000.
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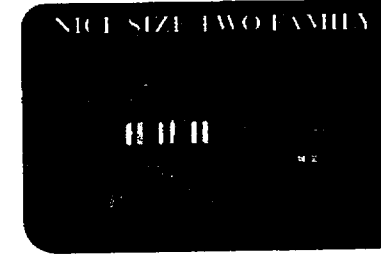
912 Balfour, Grosse Pointe Park
 Traditional floor plan in pristine condition. Newer kitchen, family room, library, all year round Florida room. Four bedrooms, three and one half baths, two master suites with private bath. Finished basement with wood floors.



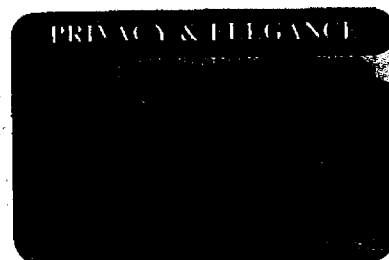
Grosse Pointe Woods
 Located on private drive. Four bedroom, two and one half baths. Two story grand foyer, first floor master suite, formal dining room, first floor laundry. Second floor three bedrooms with possible master suite.



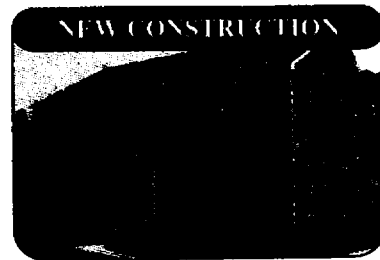
987 Sunningdale, Grosse Pointe Woods
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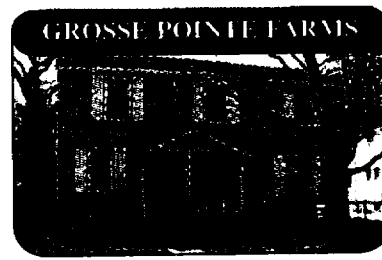
640 Neff, Grosse Pointe City
 Walk to the "Village" nice size two family, separate electrical units new in 2000. Two hot water tanks. This could be a great single family home.



17111 Jefferson, Grosse Pointe City
 Wonderful spacious apartment condominium. Library with wet bar, living room with gas log natural fireplace, formal dining room. Picture windows facing southwest. Walk-in closet, bright and cozy. Appliances included.
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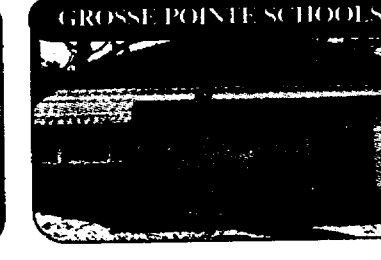
Grosse Pointe Woods
 Custom built homes. Located on private drive. Beautiful three bedroom, two and one half bath Colonial. 2,200 square feet of executive living.



91 Muir Rd., Grosse Pointe Farms
 New kitchens, new bathrooms and new carpeting. New aluminum siding and all new windows. Newer roof. (2) new garage doors. Separate furnaces, electric and water meters. A great investment property.



23336 Port, St. Clair Shores
 Beautiful three bedroom, one and one half bath Colonial located on desirable St. Clair Shores street. A few doors down from Memorial Park two and one half car garage, large lot, great price.



20684 Vernier, Harper Woods
 Very nice ranch in good condition. Living room with picture window and natural fireplace. Dining area, kitchen with oak cabinets and appliances. Two spacious bedrooms. Basement recreation room with full bath.
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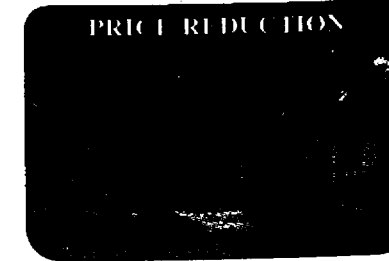
280 Oram Drive
 Custom built Victorian waterfront Colonial on the East shore of Boblo Island Resort Community. Country kitchen with Maytag appliances, huge master bedroom with adjoining 10' X 10' Jacuzzi bath, walk-in closet and octagonal veranda, 43' X 23' finished walk-out basement with fireplace and full bath, family room with fireplace, first floor laundry.

Sunday Open Houses

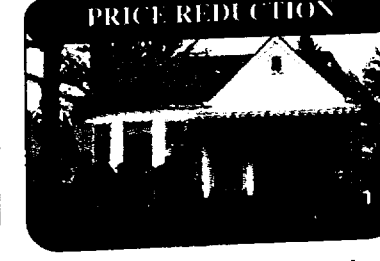
<p>1114 Vernier Ct., GPW 1112 Vernier Ct., GPW 1110 Vernier Ct., GPW</p>	<p>20646 Anita, HW 892 Neff (Unit A), GPC 892 Neff (Unit B), GPC 19952 Elkhart, HW</p>
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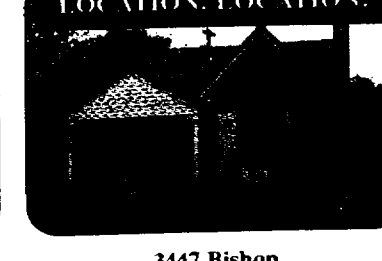
22429 Manor, St. Clair Shores
 Updated kitchen with ceramic floor, new ceramic backsplash and countertop and skylights. Sunken family room with fireplace and walk-out to deck. Living room with skylight. New carpet throughout, finished basement with bath. All appliances included. Newer vinyl windows. Private residence park on Lake St. Clair.



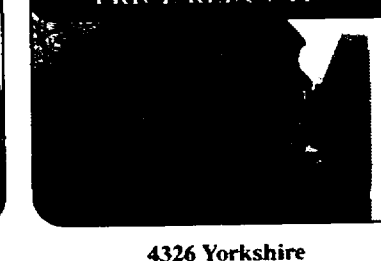
2075 Hollywood, Grosse Pointe Woods
 More than you imaged for less than you dreamed-three bedrooms-two full baths with Jacuzzi on second floor-newly updated kitchen-family room with natural fireplace, finished basement.



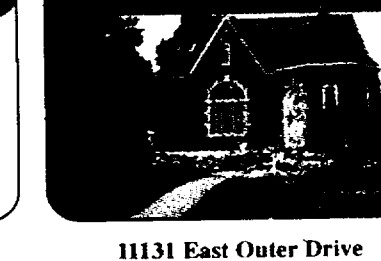
19952 Elkhart, Harper Woods
 Move in condition. Newer furnace, central air, glass block windows in basement. Large family room off back of home, hardwood floors, new vanity and tile flooring in bathroom. Lots of closet storage space, updated landscaping, natural fireplace.



3447 Bishop
 Home is currently being totally renovated... enjoy this three bedroom, two full bath bungalow just in time for Christmas! New roof, new central air, new windows, new kitchen, refinished floors, basement includes half bath.



4326 Yorkshire
 Charming brick Tudor, six bedrooms, two full baths, completely remodeled top to bottom, new windows, siding and gutters, two car garage and more.



11131 East Outer Drive
 Home features two full baths, new windows, new roof, new carpeting, living room with natural fireplace and central air. Finished basement with gas fireplace. Gorgeous double lot beautifully landscaped with a big wood deck overlooking backyard.

Good Housekeeping

Oyster-Corn Chowder

Serve this quintessential oyster soup as the prelude to your family's holiday feast.

PREP: 15 minutes
COOK: 15 minutes

1 pint shucked oysters (2 dozen), with their liquid

1 pound all-purpose potatoes (3 medium), peeled and cut into 1/4-inch pieces

2 bottles (8 ounces each) clam juice

1 cup half-and-half or light cream

1 can (15 to 16 ounces) whole-kernel corn, drained

2 cups milk

1/4 teaspoon coarsely ground black pepper

Chopped fresh chives or parsley

1 teaspoon salt

1. Drain oysters, reserving 2/3 cup oyster liquid. (If necessary, add enough water to equal 2/3 cup.)

2. In 4-quart saucepan, combine potatoes, clam juice and oyster liquid; heat to boiling over high heat. Reduce heat; cover and simmer until potatoes are tender, about 10 minutes. Remove from heat.

3. With slotted spoon, remove 1 cup potatoes. In blender, puree potatoes with half-and-half until smooth.

4. Return puree to saucepan; stir

in corn, milk and pepper. Heat mixture just to boiling over medium-high heat. Add oysters and cook, stirring frequently, until oyster edges curl and centers are firm, about five minutes. Sprinkle with chives or parsley. Taste for seasoning; add salt as needed. Makes about nine cups, or eight first-course servings.

• Each serving: About 194 calories, 10 grams protein, 23 grams carbohydrate, 7 grams total fat (4 grams saturated), 54 milligrams cholesterol, 616 milligrams sodium.

Know your oysters

Oysters are usually named for the location of their beds. Some of the most famous are Wellfleet, Chincoteague and Apalachicola on the East Coast and Westcott Bay, Tomales Bay and the tiny Olympia on the West Coast. They are best during the fall and winter months, because most species spawn in the summer. Since spawning leaves them tired and not as plump as usual, some oyster fans choose not to eat them in the months that don't have an "r" in their names (May, June, July and August).

Purchase oysters with undamaged, tightly closed shells. If you buy shucked oysters, the packing liquid should be clear, not cloudy. To clean fresh oysters, scrub them with a stiff brush under cold running water to remove any sand. Shuck oysters just before serving, discarding any whose shells are open or damaged.

Recipes and tips reprinted from "The All New Good Housekeeping Cookbook" (\$30, Hearst Books).

— Hearst Communications

Achieving unusual finishes with paints and glazes

(NAPSI) — Friend or faux? For many years, achieving the distinctive look of faux finishes on walls and furniture was a time-consuming, expensive task best left to the professionals. But thanks to new faux products, it has become a lot easier to give your home a dramatic look.

For example, McCloskey, a division of Valspar, makes a series of faux finishes, called Special Effects, and provides a collection of professional-quality brushes, sponges and tools to help create decorative finishes.

Here are some helpful hints on using these products to create the look you want — with the added satisfaction of doing it yourself:

• Crackling — Gives the wall surface an "antique," cracked finish. Start by applying a base coat of any color. Then apply a McCloskey weathered crackling glaze, and allow it to dry according to directions. Then brush or sponge a flat or satin top coat over the crackling medium. Within minutes, the top coat will crack, revealing the base coat. It is recommended that you finish the look with a clear protector. McCloskey also offers a porcelain crackling glaze, which produces much smaller cracks.

• Sponging — Create random patterns in multiple colors with the help of sponges and glaze. Start by applying a base coat and allowing it to dry thoroughly. Then rinse a sponge in clear water and wring it out. Dip the sponge lightly in a glaze. (Blot or wring out the sponge if it has picked up too much glaze.) Press the sponge onto the wall with a light, quick motion, rotating the sponge to create a random pattern. Use a smaller sponge or cut off a small piece of the larger sponge to use in corners. To create a granite effect, sponge on several colors of glaze. For a clouded effect, dab a




clean, damp sponge over the glaze before it dries.

• Dragging — Show your stripes with this inventive technique. First, fill in cracks in the wall, as dragging emphasizes surface flaws. Next, apply the base coat and let it dry thoroughly. Apply the glaze in one section, and drag or pull a wide brush (or wallpaper smoothing brush) down through the glaze, applying uniform pressure. To keep the stripes parallel, stand directly in front of the area you are dragging. Wipe the brush on a cotton rag after each pass and, as you work from section to section, overlap the sections slightly. It can help to work with a partner, one of you applying glaze, the other dragging through it.

These are just a few of the painting projects that are possible with the new Special Effects line of quality glazes and paints from McCloskey. The glazes come in translucent, opal and pearl colors, metallics, crackles and aging glazes. The manufacturer also offers a pair of textured paint collections — Suede Impressions and Sand Tones — and there's even a tintable line of latex base coats.

McCloskey paints and products, and helpful how-to literature, are available at major home improvement centers and specialty paint stores.

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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FIRST OFFERING



"MAST" BUILT COLONIAL in prime Windmill Pointe area. White kitchen with Subzero, Thermador range, Bosch dishwasher and Corian counters. Five bedrooms, three and one half baths, lovely den with built-ins and finished basement with fireplace. #11

FIRST OFFERING



STUNNING FIVE BEDROOM three full and two half bath home in prime Farms location. Elegant two story foyer with marble and cherry hardwood floors. Spacious white kitchen with top of the line appliances and eating area. Custom trim and moldings throughout. #12

\$259,900



PRIME FARMS RANCH. New kitchen with ceramic tile counters, brick hearth with wood burning stove, new furnace and central air, hardwood floors, crown moldings. #13

\$229,900



HUGE TWO FAMILY in Grosse Pointe Park has three bedrooms, upper has five bedrooms and expansion possibilities! Both have updated kitchens and baths. New tear off roof and more. #14

\$345,900



PRIME PARK LOCATION Tudor that is highly detailed. Leaded glass windows, Pewabic tile, natural fireplace in living room, ornate plaster, inlaid hardwood floors. Two full baths have been updated. Bedrooms have large walk-in closets. Large finished recreation room and two car garage. #15

\$299,000



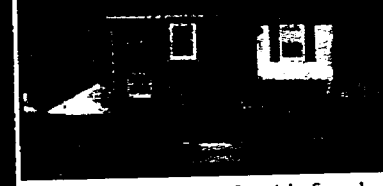
OUTSTANDING FOUR BEDROOM two and one half bath family home in the Woods. New two story addition with huge granite kitchen, family room and master suite. Beautiful rear paver patio. Dual furnace and central air. Too many updates to mention. #16

\$279,900



VERY NICE THREE BEDROOM, one and one half bath Park Colonial with attached garage and two family room areas, a natural fireplace, a very large lot and handsome décor. #17

\$389,900



WOODS COLONIAL with four bedrooms, two and one half baths, new roof, windows, kitchen and family room, second floor laundry, recreation room in basement. Master bedroom with walk-in closet and private bath. Large deck, two fireplaces, two car garage, central air. #18

\$297,000



NICE LOT, WONDERFUL LOCATION! Four bedrooms, two baths, two car garage. Newer large family room, kitchen, windows, roof, deck, brick paver patio and landscaping. #19

\$450,000



GROSSE POINTE SHORES. Location is the best! This lovely three bedroom, one and one half bath has a decorator's touch throughout. A wonderful lower level offers additional family living space. #20

\$349,900



GREAT THREE BEDROOM Colonial with huge master bath and dressing room. Newer family room has French doors overlooking multi-level deck and very nice backyard. #21

\$225,000



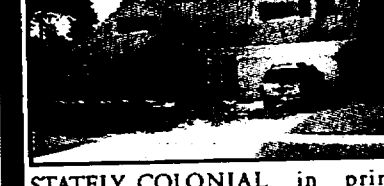
PRICED TO SELL! Cape Cod nestled on a charming cul-de-sac in the Woods. Oversized lot! Newer central air, roof, storms and screens. Hardwood floors. Fireplace, finished basement with half bath. Large screened porch. Sprinkler system. This home has potential! #22

\$795,000



IMMACULATE NEWER COLONIAL with dramatic entrance into a two story foyer. Highlights include a custom gourmet kitchen, fireplaces in the living room and the master suite which also features a Jacuzzi. #23

\$419,000



STATELY COLONIAL in prime Woods location that features a new kitchen with built-ins, family room with natural fireplace, new windows, new furnace and central air. #24
LARGE REDUCTION

\$289,900



SPACIOUS CENTER ENTRANCE COLONIAL on double lot. Three bedrooms, one and one half baths, family room, computer room, newer roof, newer kitchen, deck with Jacuzzi, finished basement, central air, two and one half car garage. #25

\$279,000



Great family home with four bedrooms, two full baths, large (19x16) great room, nicely finished basement, spacious yard, two car garage. #26 **LARGE REDUCTION**

\$269,000



IMPECCABLY MAINTAINED New England Colonial within walking distance to schools and Village shopping. Large bedrooms with generous closets, family room with natural fireplace, new kitchen, new furnace/air, new roof and first floor laundry. #27

\$268,000



LOADS OF CHARM. Move right in and enjoy! Everything is done for you. New copper plumbing, new bathroom, new hardwood floors, even a fabulous, two and one half car garage with second floor full attic. #28

\$298,000



FOUR BEDROOM BRICK COLONIAL with two full baths, family room, new cherry kitchen with parquet floor. Updates include roof, furnace, central air, finished basement, glass block windows, copper over bay. Freshly painted and new carpet throughout. #29

CONDO ON THE LAKE



MAGNIFICENT VIEWS of Lake St. Clair from all levels of this beautiful three bedroom, two and one half bath townhouse condo located in a prestigious gated community. #30

\$775,000



THIS MAGNIFICENT SETTING makes everyday a vacation. Traditional charm with a contemporary flair. Open floor plan, beautiful kitchen and baths. First floor master suite. A must see! #31

\$166,000



OUTSTANDING WOODS RANCH with new maple kitchen, customized natural fireplace, refinished hardwood floors and beautiful moldings throughout. Finished basement with separate utility room and wash room. #32

\$174,900



IMPECCABLE THREE BEDROOM brick Ranch. Second full bath in basement. Two car garage, newer roof, alarm system, central air. Home Warranty. All appliances remain. #33

\$389,000



CHARMING HOME located on one of Grosse Pointe's most desirable cul-de-sacs. It offers an open floor plan conducive to both family living and tasteful entertaining. Walk to the Lake, Farms Park, Hill and schools. #34

Instant coziness amidst the holiday's cheer

(NAPSI) — Few images are more evocative of holiday cheer than chestnuts roasting on an open fire.

The song is one of the first that carolers sing, yet the days when families actually gathered round the fire eating chestnuts have gone the way of many other wonderful traditions.

This season, why not revive the simple custom of roasting chestnuts with your loved ones? You can buy fresh, imported Italian chestnuts — the sweetest, most flavorful of the nuts — in the produce section of your supermarket all winter long. And preparing them is easy.

First, cut an X into the flat side of each nut with a sharp, pointy knife. Spread them out on a rimmed baking sheet and sprinkle lightly with water and roast at 400 degrees Fahrenheit for 15 to 20 minutes. Traditionalists with fireplaces can shake them over the crackling flames in an old-fashioned perforated roasting pan. Either way, be sure to breathe deeply as they roast, as their compelling, autumnal scent fills the air.

While peeling and eating freshly roasted chestnuts is one of the great pleasures of the winter season, leftover nuts are a delightful byproduct. Their gentle crunch and nutty sweetness adds a festive note to all kinds of recipes — everything from soup to desserts.

Chestnut and Apple Soup

Serves eight to 10

- 1/4 cup butter
- 1 red onion, chopped
- 1 carrot, chopped
- 1 stalk celery, chopped
- 1 Granny Smith apple, peeled and chopped
- 1 bay leaf
- 2 pounds chestnuts, roasted and peeled
- Salt and black pepper
- 1/4 cup brandy

2 quarts vegetable stock, plus additional (warmed) to thin the soup

1. Melt butter in a medium soup pot over medium-high heat. Add onion, carrot, celery, apple and bay leaf and cook, stirring, until very soft, about 20 minutes. Add chestnuts to pot and continue to saute for 15 minutes. Season with salt.

2. Add brandy and stir until liquid is absorbed. Add stock, bring to a simmer, and cook until chestnuts are very soft, about 25 to 30 minutes.

3. Remove bay leaf from the soup. Use an immersion blender to puree the soup (or, puree the soup in batches in a standing blender or food processor) and pass through a medium strainer into a pot or tureen for serving. Thin with additional warm stock if necessary.

Warm spiced cider

This holiday favorite makes a large batch for a crowd of holiday carolers or revelers.

Prep: 10 minutes

Cook: 30 minutes

1 large orange

2 whole cloves

1 lemon

6 cinnamon sticks (3 inches each)

1 gallon apple cider

1. Cut two 1/2-inch-thick slices from middle of orange. Insert 6 cloves into skin of each orange slice, spacing cloves evenly. Cut remaining orange into thin slices for garnish. With vegetable peeler, from lemon, remove 1-inch-wide continuous strip of peel. (Refrigerate lemon for another use.)

2. In nonreactive 5-quart sauce pot, combine clove-studded orange slices, lemon peel, cinnamon sticks and apple cider; heat to boiling over high heat. Reduce heat; cover and simmer 15 minutes.

3. Pour hot cider into 5-quart heatproof punch bowl. Float remaining orange slices in cider. Makes about 16 cups or 20 servings.

• Each serving: About 95 calories, 0 grams protein, 24 grams carbohydrate, 0 grams total fat, 0 grams cholesterol, 6 milligrams sodium.

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Chestnut and Sweet Potato Puree

Serves eight to 10 as a side dish

1 pound sweet potatoes, peeled and quartered

1 1/2 pounds chestnuts, roasted and peeled

2 tablespoons butter

Salt and black pepper

Freshly grated nutmeg

Heavy cream to taste

1. Place sweet potatoes in a large pot and cover with 1 inch of cold water. Salt water and bring to a boil, uncovered. Simmer for 10 minutes, reducing heat if necessary. Add chestnuts and continue to cook until chestnuts and potatoes are soft, about 25 minutes.

2. Drain and transfer to food processor or food mill. Add butter, salt, pepper, and nutmeg. Puree until smooth. Stir in cream and serve hot, or reheat in microwave.

Chestnut Chocolate Bark

2 cups roasted, peeled, chopped chestnuts

12 ounces bittersweet chocolate, chopped

3/4 cup golden raisins, dried tart cherries, or cubed dried apricots

1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees Fahrenheit. Line a 10- by 15-inch rimmed baking sheet with aluminum foil and set aside. Lay the chestnuts in a single layer on another rimmed baking sheet and toast, stirring once or twice, until golden and fragrant, about 10 to 15 minutes. Transfer to a wire rack to cool.

2. Meanwhile, place about two-thirds of the chocolate in the top of a double boiler or in a metal bowl. Place over (not in) a pot of simmering water (not boiling) and let the chocolate melt slowly while stirring. Transfer the double boiler top or bowl to a trivet and add remaining chocolate. Stir until melted.

3. In a large bowl, combine chocolate and chestnuts. Scrape mixture onto the foil-lined pan and spread evenly into a square that is slightly smaller than the pan. Sprinkle raisins or dried fruit over the top. Let cool until firm, at least four hours. Break bark into pieces and serve immediately or store in an airtight container for up to three weeks.

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