



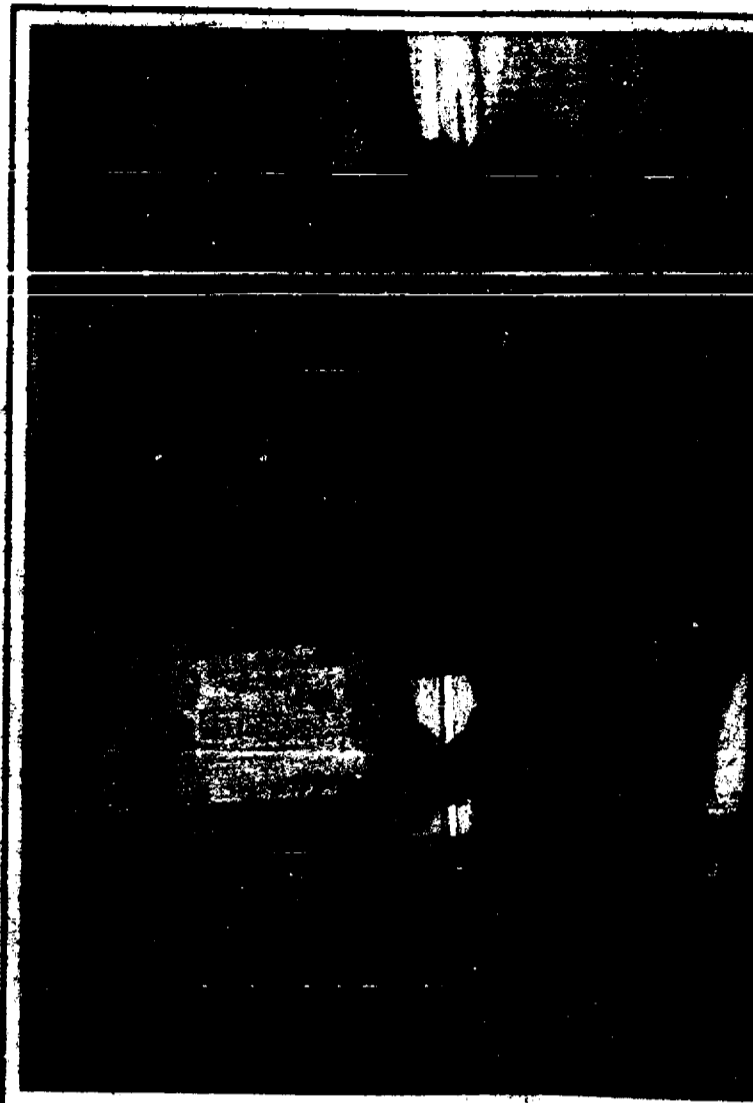
Two men will face trial in Wayne County Circuit Court for the Dec. 1-2 statutory rape of two 15-year-old Grosse Pointe-area girls. See the story on page 3A.

Representative Andrew Richner, do upon leaving office at the end of the year? Story starts on page 3A.

Harper Woods schools have opted into a new state program designed to bring extra money into the classroom. For details on the potential windfall, turn to page 18A.

Reuniting the Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods into a single congressional district could give the east side communities added political clout. See story on page 18A.

Thousands of visitors arrived to tour the new terminal at Detroit Metropolitan Airport during an open house last weekend. Story starts on page 16A.



Level-headed

Adam Marshall received a certificate of achievement from Sgt. Robert Phillips of the Harper Woods fire department, honoring the 8-year-old for having a level head under pressure. Marshall called 911 and gave the dispatcher information about a traffic accident while his mother checked on the driver, who had been trapped behind the wheel. They helped to save the man's life.

More power outages hit Harper Woods

A new group of Detroit Edison customers as well as a portion of the customers that had been diverted to that circuit were left with no power or reduced voltage. City offices were closed for the holiday Monday, averting some problems, but police and fire officers operated on limited electricity through the day.

Harper Woods police lieutenant Dennis Krzynski said the department was at full strength, with computers and lights operating. Only the building's heating was compromised. Fire Harper Woods. The wire went down at approximately 11:30 a.m. Saturday.

Kessler said that during the first outage, most customers didn't suffer from prolonged outages. "We put the customers on other circuits," Kessler said, in order to restore power to them as quickly as possible.

Detroit Edison line crews worked on the original site through the evening hours and on Sunday, but a second problem complicated the already makeshift power grid.

A second line, at Old Homestead and Beaconsfield went down.

Ruggiero attempts to win second gold

The women's Olympic hockey team, with Harper Woods defenseman Angela Ruggiero, will make a bid to continue its dynasty of gold Thursday, Feb. 21, at 3 p.m. Detroit time.

Being part of the 1998 Nagano team, which claimed the first ever women's hockey gold medal, Ruggiero and her teammates have made an impressive run in Salt Lake City, proving they are one of the best teams in the world. A win in today's contest would reaffirm their dominance and keep the honor title of Olympic women's hockey gold medalists an exclusive by American distinction.

The team's romp through the preliminary round was aided by three assists and a goal from Ruggiero.

She gained the first two assists in the 10-0 rout of the Germans and notched a goal as part of the 12-1 defeat of China. She marked her other assist in the 5-0 victory over Finland, the team's hardest test so far.

Tuesday, the American ladies played their semifinal match against Sweden, winning their way to the gold medal match, where Team USA faces a familiar challenge across the ice. The Canadians defeated Finland 7-3 in the semifinals with a five-goal rally in the third period. The US and Canadian teams have competed against each other more than any others.

Team USA coaches and players said they are striving to remain serious and focused on the small details of the game, but a winning streak of eight games versus the Canadians and a 35-game unbeaten tally for Ruggiero and her teammates can be distracting.

Tune in to watch the puck drop tonight at 7 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 23

Grosse Pointe Farms Mayor Ed Gaffney will hold office hours from 8 to 9:30 a.m. at the Farms city hall.

Curiosity seekers can get a sneak peek at the 2002 Junior League at Detroit's Designer Showhouse at 41 Provençal in Grosse Pointe Farms. The showhouse is open to the public by 30 area designers and artisans. Showhouse hours are from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Sunday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tickets are \$5 each and are available at the door. For more information, call (313) 881-0040.

Monday, Feb. 25

The Board of Trustees of the Grosse Pointe Public Library will meet at the Neighborhood Club at 7 p.m.

The City of Grosse Pointe City Council meets at 7:30 p.m. in the City council chambers.

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

Tuesday, Feb. 26

The Senior Men's Club of Grosse Pointe will host a meeting and lunch at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial at 11 a.m.

Van E. Jolissaint, a member of the National Association for Business Economics and the Society of Automobile Analysts, will speak on the economic future of the auto industry at 1 p.m.

For more information, call (313) 824-2827, (313) 886-3567 or (313) 881-5592.

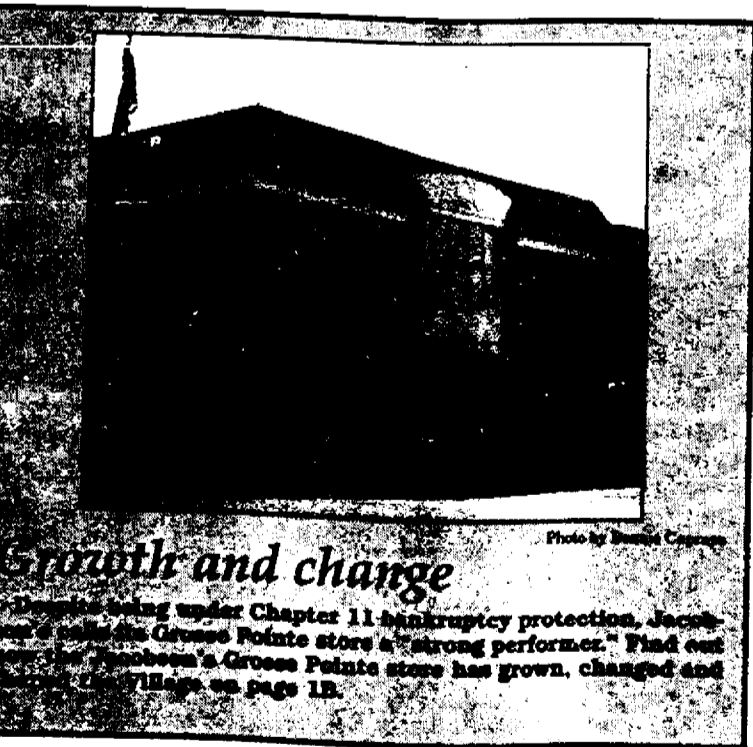
Late-night drive-through plans stalled by Farms

Mack restaurant hours until midnight would fall in line with the operational standards and advertising campaign of its other Detroit-area stores, whose drive-through hours extend until midnight.

However, when asked about public safety concerns, Farms Public Safety Director Robert Ferber said: "It's the site of an armed robbery this year and we've had a problem with employee theft."

On speculation, Ferber also commented: "After 10, 11 or 12 o'clock, you have people who think they can steal."

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Growth and change

Operating under Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection, Mack's Grosse Pointe drive-through store has grown, changed and thrived on page 1B.

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POINTER OF INTEREST

Bill Mogk

Home: Grosse Pointe Shores

Age: 70

Family: Wife, Lynne; six children; 10 grandchildren

Claim to fame: Inducted into the Michigan Hall of Honor; retired Grosse Pointe Public School System teacher, administrator and counselor

Quote: "Education was my career, but baseball is my life."

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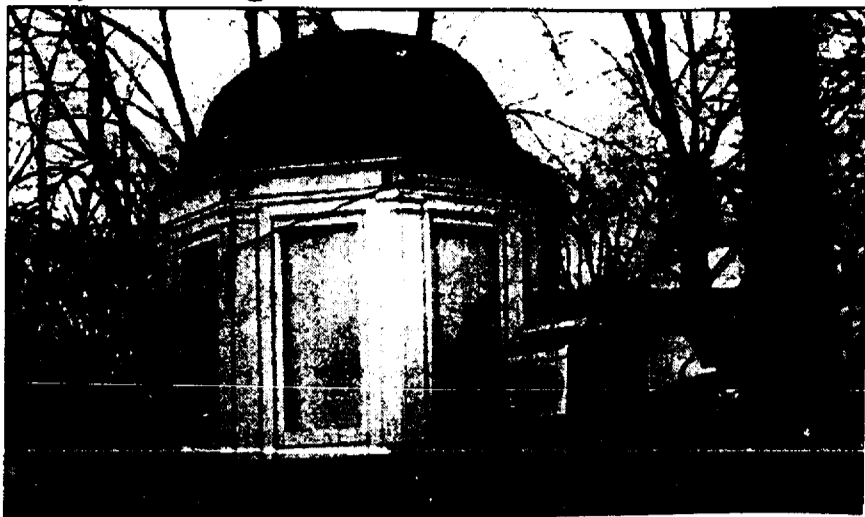
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Honor Roll shrine ready for move

The structure that once contained the names of all Pointers who served in the armed services during World War II is about to make its final journey. Dismantled and ready for loading, the shrine is being taken from the War Memorial Grounds to the Sigma Gamma Hospital near Mount Clemens. It will become a playhouse for crippled children being treated there. A copy of a Christopher Wren garden shelter, the shrine was first erected on the corner of Fisher Road and Maumee on the campus of Grosse Pointe High School. Later, when a memorial was planned for the corner of Fisher and Kercheval, the shrine was moved to that site. When the Alger House property on Lakeshore became the Memorial Center, the shrine was moved to the lakefront property. The erection of bronze tablets inside the center listing the names of Grosse Pointe WWII veterans have made the shrine obsolete. (Photo by Fred Runnells. From the Feb. 21, 1952 Grosse Pointe News.)

yesterday's headlines

50 years ago this week

Officials of the City of Grosse Pointe have proposed buying fire protection from their neighbors in the Park and Farms.

The idea, which has gone through various incarnations, was proposed because the City finds itself financially strapped with no increase in tax revenues.

Similar proposals emanating from the City have included pooling fire fighting resources with the Park, or having all the Pointes protected under a single, community-wide fire agency.

The Grosse Pointe Property Owners Association has asked three of the Grosse Pointes to join together in fighting Dutch elm disease.

The request is the first step in having all five Pointes act in concert against the plague, thereby easing the financial burden of each municipality where the disease has either spread or is heading.

Grosse Pointe Park officials have announced they will not issue building permits for an undeveloped field on the south side of Jefferson and Pemberton.

The land is being reserved for possible development as a civic center.

25 years ago this week

A massive street reorganization plan that would turn the Grosse Pointes into a community of culs-de-sac is being considered by officials in the Park, City and Woods.

According to the originator of the idea, local Realtor John Brink, the elimination of many residential through streets in favor of a system of 250 culs-de-sac would provide the Pointes lasting insurance against loss of property values.

Besides the advantage of having less traffic, Brink said, "culs-de-sac are a deterrent to crime because burglars don't like going into places where they can be easily trapped."

A state fact-finder report on the Grosse Pointe teachers contract is expected to be released within a few days, despite an attempt this week by the teachers union to reopen the hearings.

Police in Grosse Pointe Farms have joined their counterparts in the Woods

in buying a tranquilizer gun to be used for animal control.

10 years ago this week

March 27 is the last day SMART is expected to operate before parking its buses for good.

All of the Grosse Pointe city councils have discussed the bus system's financial problems, but none have taken action. No one is sure what action, if any, to take.

Andrew Scavone was director for a day as part of a grand tour of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

Scavone and the rest of the students from Nancy Swartz' second-grade class at Richard Elementary School learned about the history and significance of the community center.

Under an amended municipal ordinance, the Grosse Pointe Woods city council can no longer grant a hardship business license without first holding a public hearing.

5 years ago this week

Officials of the Grosse Pointe public school system are ready to launch another three-year strategic plan.

The planning team will examine topics including learning standards and assessments, personalized educational goals for all students and establishing a climate of trust, cooperation and communication.

When the final piece of Grosse Pointe Park's anti-flood construction is completed in the next few weeks, it will be up to the federal government to decide whether residents in the city's flood plain will have to purchase special flood insurance.


Joe Dwaihy and Zach Meyers are in a class by themselves in Grosse Pointe South High School's wrestling record book.

Both students broke the Blue Devils' career victory record last week as they won medals at the Division I district tournament.

Dwaihy has 90 victories in the 130-pound class. Meyers has 180 victories in the 180-pound class.

— Brad Lindberg

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Farms Public Safety Department honors its best employees

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

Seventeen members of the Grosse Pointe Farms Public Safety Department were recently awarded with four director's citations, 15 department awards and six lifesaving awards for their efforts in 2001.

According to Farms Director of Public Safety Robert Ferber, the departmental awards are given by the director for specific accomplishments.

Lt. Brian Bilinski was awarded a director's citation for receiving a master's degree with honors from Eastern Michigan University.

Public safety officer Stephen Puckett was awarded a director's citation for his work in his first year as traffic safety officer.

Puckett maintained and expanded department programs involving traffic safety, crime reduction and fire prevention. His performance was complemented by schoolchildren, parents, teachers and administrators.

Public safety officers Kathleen Leikert, fire inspector, and James McMahon, deputy fire inspector, were awarded director's citations for completing a multiple-year project involving in-depth pre-fire surveys for 50 institutions, businesses and structures which were identified as high fire or hazardous material threats.

Among the nine public safety employees awarded departmental citations, public safety officer Lawrence Wideman was awarded four for his work in 2001.

On Jan. 5, 2001, at approximately 4 p.m., Wideman, who was off duty, witnessed a Grosse Pointe Woods officer at a bank in the Woods struck by a fleeing suspect in an automobile involved in an attempt to cash a stolen check. Wideman rendered aid to the injured officer, assisted in getting him into an ambulance and gathered statements from numerous witnesses while securing the crime scene.

On March 16, 2001, at approximately 1:15 a.m., Wideman responded to a call of a possible shooting at a bar located on Mack in Detroit.

Wideman assisted Detroit police officers, who were handling the chaotic scene of fleeing patrons and traffic control, helped apprehend the subject on Guilford in Detroit and brought him into custody.

On Sept. 22, 2001, at 4:30 a.m., Wideman responded to the call of a possible prowler in the City of Grosse Pointe. He observed the suspect and assisted in the apprehension and recovered stolen tools from the scene.

Wideman, along with Lt. Jason Osborne and Lt. John Hutchins were awarded a departmental citation for the apprehension of four suspects wanted for attempted auto theft and the recovery of a handgun on June 2, 2001.

Public safety officer Frank Zielinski was awarded three departmental citations.

Zielinski apprehended one of three males with shopping carts full of goods behind a grocery store on Mack around 3:30 a.m. on March 25, 2001. Upon further investigation, it was learned the apprehended suspect was a former employee who had a door key which allowed him to enter the store at his convenience.

The arrest led to the recovery of over \$2,000 in

goods and the end of what appeared to have been an ongoing activity.

On May 1, 2001, Zielinski stopped a vehicle, which had been driving erratically the wrong way on a one-way street at 3:14 a.m. Upon making the traffic stop, he noticed the driver was covered in blood and had the wallet and pants of a Hill businessman he had left beaten and slashed in his office.

He was awarded a departmental citation for the arrest of the attempted murder suspect and a lifesaving citation for his role in quickly locating the victim.

Zielinski was awarded another departmental citation for responding to an area broadcast of a strong-arm robbery and purse snatching in St. Clair Shores. He positioned himself on Mack, spotted the getaway vehicle, stopped the vehicle and arrested the driver.

While on patrol on May 9, 2001, at 6:31 p.m., public safety officer Christopher Fontaine was stopped by a citizen reporting a suspicious person on Mount Vernon.

While waiting for back up, he located the suspect and made an arrest. Upon investigation, it was discovered that the suspect had a long record of home invasions in the Grosse Pointes and other cities.

The teamwork of Det. Rick Good, and public safety officers John Bruno, Thomas Shimko, Puckett and Collin Lince helped apprehend a suspect and recover stolen money from a robbery of a bank on Mack in Detroit on Nov. 1, 2001.

Good observed the suspect walking on Lanoo and Bruno and Shimko arrested the suspect.

During a yard search, Shimko was able to locate the stolen money.

According to Ferber, the departmental citations are issued by committee in response to peer recommendations.

Quick response and advance life support equipment helped Lt. Jack Patterson, public service officers, John Mikesell, Fontaine and Michael Buckley and medics Cheryl Wojciechowski and Brian Frederiksen save the life of a Farms man and earned the six public safety employees a lifesaving award.

On Dec. 9, 2001, at 9:15 p.m., the officers and medics responded to a 911 man choking in a Farms restaurant. Upon arrival at the scene, the officers started CPR, hooked the man to the department AED and transported him to a local hospital where he was attended to in the intensive care unit.

"They've all made some outstanding accomplishments in the best interest of public safety service," Ferber said.

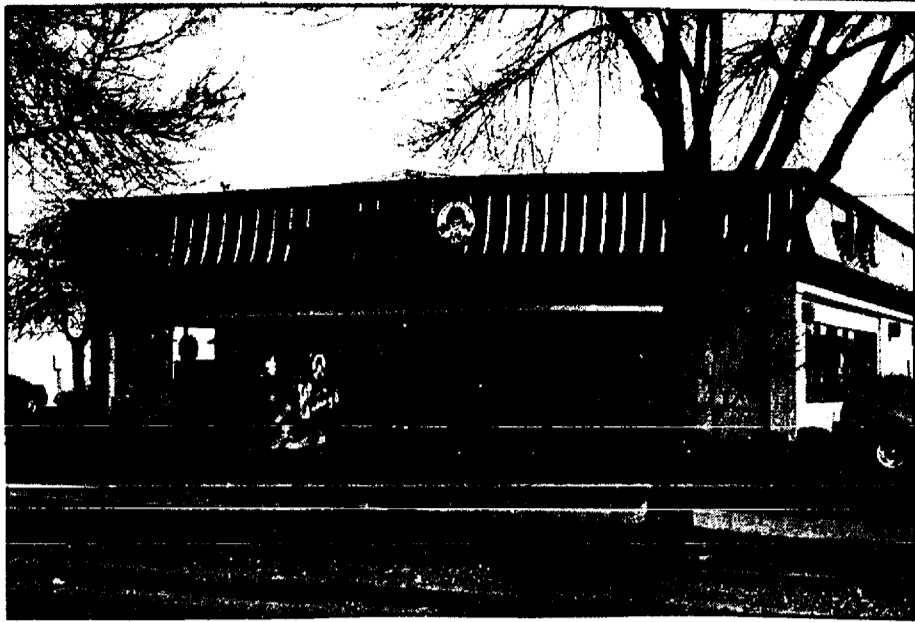


Photo by Bonnie Caprara

Wendy's franchisee, Robert J. Watson, recently asked the Grosse Pointe Farms City Council to extend its drive-through hours until midnight. The council tabled the request until more information could be furnished.

Drive

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sober up by eating at places like Wendy's. Also, noise, especially in the summer, could be a concern."

Since there are no homeowners within 300 feet of the restaurant, none had been contacted about Wendy's request.

While several council members took Ferber's comments into consideration, councilman Terry Davis said, "If you want to find

food anywhere after 10 p.m., you can't. This would be a convenience. However, I would like to propose a 30-day trial period that can be reviewed by the council."

Councilman Louis Theros felt he did not have enough information to make a decision. Mayor Ed Gaffney asked that the request be tabled until the franchisee is able to meet with the council personally.

The Mack restaurant and

its drive-through widow are currently open until 10 p.m. in accordance with its 1996 site plan approval. A previous request to extend Wendy's drive-through hours until 11 p.m. was turned down by the council in 1999.

Schorrak said only one other Detroit-area Wendy's, in the Detroit Medical Center, does not have drive-through hours until midnight.

Men face trial for statutory rape

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

Richard Schott and William Tyree will face trial for the statutory rapes of two 15-year-old Grosse Pointe-area girls.

Schott, 19, of Hazel Park and a Grosse Pointe South High School graduate, will face five counts of third-degree sexual conduct, which includes an additional charge brought forth at his preliminary examination held Thursday, Feb. 14, in the City of Grosse Pointe Municipal Court.

Tyree, 18, of Grosse Pointe Park and a South senior, waived his right to a preliminary examination. Tyree faces one count of third-degree sexual conduct.

The two men are accused of having sex with the girls at an unsupervised house party hosted by Schott's 15-year-old sister at Schott's mother's and stepfather's house in the 600 block of Lincoln in the City on Dec. 1 and 2. Schott's mother and stepfather were vacationing in Cancun at the time of the party.

In her testimony in court, a 15-year-old Grosse Pointe South High School student said she met Schott for the party around 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1.

Around 11:30 p.m. on Dec. 1, the South student said Scott offered her a tour of the house which ended in his bedroom where the two began kissing.

She said while they were kissing he asked how old she was. When she told him she was 15, he said, "That might be a problem," but continued kissing, which resulted in sexual activity.



Richard Schott

A 15-year-old Grosse Pointe North High School student testified that she also had sexual contact with Schott on Dec. 2.

The North student said she met Schott after she had sex with Tyree on the living room couch around midnight.

Under cross-examination, the North student also admitted to having sex with another male before having sex with Tyree and Schott, which she did not disclose in earlier statements with police and the prosecutor.

Upon binding Schott and Tyree over for trial, City Municipal Judge Russel Ethridge said of the North student's testimony, "I have trouble with the witness' testimony, which seems to change under circumstances depending upon explaining conduct to the police or what their needs are."

The question of the credibility of the witness, under the matter of People vs. King, is for the court to decide. My decision here is



William Tyree

under a probable cause basis, it is not to determine whether or not she is believable under a reasonable doubt. It's a matter of the finder of fact and the jury."

Ethridge also ordered STD testing for the complainants and the defendants.

Schott and Tyree are scheduled for trial in Wayne County Circuit Court on Thursday, Feb. 28.

Richner is cagey about his future

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

LANSING — The governor had just ended his final State of the State address with an impromptu farewell to a joint session of the Michigan Legislature, and, giving an ovation from the floor, Rep. Andrew Richner was feeling nostalgic.

"I'm going to miss this place," said Richner, standing beside the paneled desk and leather-backed chair which since 1996 has been his base of operations in the Michigan House of Representatives.

Richner, the Grosse Pointes' and Harper Woods' three-term Republican state representative, will step down at the end of the year due to mandatory term limits.

Term limits have become the most talked-about double-edged sword among capital incumbents. Championed by Republicans in the 1990s, Michigan voters backed the policy which limited state-elected officials to three consecutive terms. The movement ousted many senior lawmakers who critics regarded as entrenched roadblocks on the state's path to the 21st-century.

Yet, the policy that helped Republicans take over Lansing has begun to sound last call on the careers of younger repeat office holders who are entering the prime of their public service careers.

"My views on term limits are changing the closer I get to being term-limited," said Richner, who is in his sixth and final year in the House.

Richner, an attorney who began his political career on the Grosse Pointe Park city council and served on the Wayne County Board of Commissioners before winning a seat in the House, won't say much about life beyond the legislature.

"I have various options," he said. "I've been approached to consider running again for county commissioner. Some people have suggested I look at the state senate. Some political watchers said Richner, who has been campaigning for Lt. Gov. Dick Posthumus' bid to succeed Engler, is a candidate for a political appointment."

"It would be premature for me to make an announcement," Richner said.

Author speaks at endowment dinner



John Maxtone-Graham

Maritime author/historian John Maxtone-Graham will be the featured speaker Tuesday, March 19, at the annual St. Clair Shores Library Endowment dinner at Blossom Heath Inn.

Maxtone-Graham will discuss the romance and luxury of transatlantic travel aboard ocean liners from the Mauretania to Queen Elizabeth 2.

He will also touch on the largest luxury liner ever to sail, the Queen Mary 2, which will debut in 2004.

Born in 1929, Maxtone-Graham wrote his first book, "The Only Way to Cross," in 1968 on the history of

North Atlantic liners. The book is still in print and will be on sale during the evening.

He will be available to autograph it.

The evening will begin at 6 p.m. with cocktails, and dinner will be served at 7 p.m. The presentation, which includes slides, starts at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$25 for the dinner and program.

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Shores man rounds the bases with baseball and academics

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

For Grosse Pointe South Blue Devil assistant baseball coach Bill Mogk, June 16, 2001, was like *deja vu*.

The Blue Devils were in their final game of the state championship tournament in Battle Creek. The team had made glaring base-running errors. The score was tied in the last inning and all that was needed to secure the win was three outs. It wasn't until Chris Getz struck the last batter out before they could call themselves Class A state champions.

It was very much like the game he played in Omaha, Neb., 48 years ago on that same date. Mogk caught a ground ball at first base, securing the 1953 NCAA championship baseball title for the University of Michigan Wolverines.

"The games were almost a carbon copy of each other," Mogk said. "The two teams were very similar. Neither team had an absolute superstar. The whole team was able to contribute and both teams understood the significance of everyone's contributions. You never knew who was going to make the big play."

"To have this happen on the same date was so odd. It was as if everything came full circle."

Things indeed have come full circle for Mogk, whose love for baseball and dedication to the children of the Grosse Pointe public schools have been intertwined for most of his life.

Mogk grew up on Detroit's lower east side during World War II when "there were no vacations, you didn't go anywhere." Baseball became his

life.

"Baseball was the only thing I did," Mogk said. "I lived across the street from a baseball field. I played morning, noon and night. The guys in my neighborhood were two to three years older than I was. I had to earn my way to play."

Mogk went on to play for sandlot leagues and Southeastern High School, where he made the all-city team. He was also picked to represent the Detroit Times in the Hearst Newspapers All-Stars in New York City and was recruited by U-M as a student-athlete.

Mogk said he could have gone on to play Class A professional baseball, but when he asked the advice of a Detroit Tigers' scout, he said he was told to go to U-M.

"He said it was the same as playing Class A ball," Mogk said.

As a student-athlete, Mogk wasn't eligible to play baseball his freshman year. Between his freshmen and sophomore years, the Korean War broke out.

"That put all ideas about signing out of my head," Mogk said. "By the time I got out of school, the Korean War was winding down and it was past the optimal time for signing."

But success followed Mogk at U-M. He played second base and right field in 1951. In 1952, upon a suggestion from his coach that he play first base, he set the team record for fielding for an error-free season. He was also team captain and part of the Big 10 championship team that year and in 1953, the year the Wolverines became the first Big 10 school to capture the NCAA baseball title.

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It was also at U-M where he met a man who would eventually cast his professional fate, not in baseball, but in education.

"I met Charles Leavitt, who was the first principal at Pierce Junior High," Mogk said. "He encouraged me to apply. He said if he had an opening, he would hire me."

Leavitt hired Mogk as a social studies teacher in 1954. Through his teaching years, Mogk continued to play amateur baseball, winning several championships for the Detroit Sandlot organization.

Upon Leavitt's retirement in 1960, Mogk was chosen to succeed him as principal.

Retired social studies teacher Doris Cook, who came on board at Pierce a year before Mogk, said, "He was very cooperative and very nice. He liked his work as a teacher, principal and counselor. His background in athletics was of interest to the kids. They saw that he had accomplished something outside of what he did at school."

Like when he was the team captain at U-M, Cook said, "At Pierce, we all worked well together. He was a great leader."

"Everything I communicated with my faculty was a baseball analogy and everything they said was a baseball analogy," Mogk said. "Education was my career, but baseball is my life."

While at Pierce, Mogk said he felt most proud of developing the middle school concept in 1969.

"Our middle school planning committee went out to 8 to 10 middle schools all over the country to see what they had. Collectively we looked at all of the components and put together our list. It was exciting. We put our schools into a team-teaching house plan and made flexible scheduling. Our teachers made it work." A failed millage in 1970 put an end to the middle school concept for several years in the Grosse Pointe public schools.

Mogk went on to become principal at Grosse Pointe South High School from 1978 to 1980, then counselor at Brownell Middle school from 1980 to 1996, from where he retired at the age of 62.

Mogk retired from his job, but not from his interest in kids. He and his wife, Lynne, a life skills teacher at Brownell, continued to follow the successes of some of their former students, like the Nashville Predator's David Legwand and Chris Fox, a member of the U-M national championship hockey team.

"That's the kind of thing that made me volunteer for the South baseball team," Mogk said.

"I saw (Blue Devil's baseball coach) Dan Griesbaum and asked him if I could come by and hit some ground balls and help the kids with skills and understanding the game," Mogk said.

"He adds so much to the game," Griesbaum said. "He knows so many of the finer points of the game the kids don't think about or understand yet."

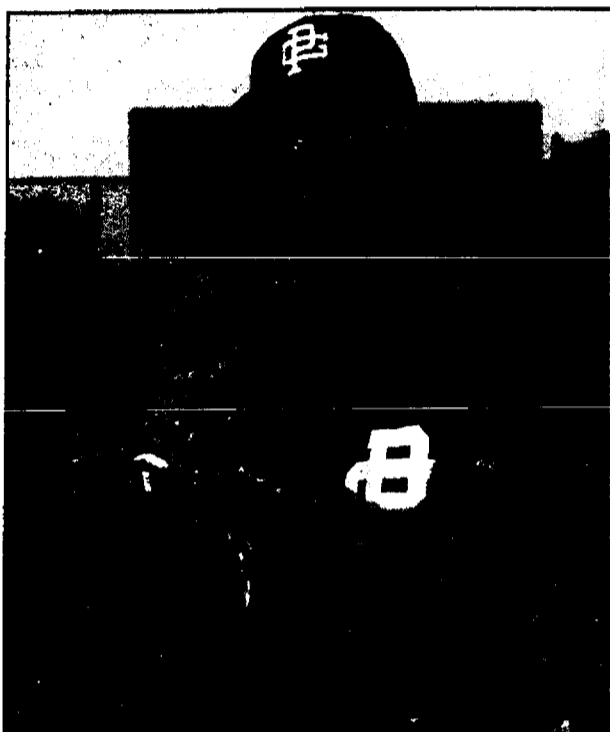
"He works so well with the kids. He's even-tempered and never loses his cool, even when he disagrees with an umpire. He'll handle it very respectfully."

"He and Lynne come to the events. They know he's out there watching and cares about what they do. He gets a lot of respect for that."

"It's so exciting to see these kids learn something they didn't know before," Mogk said.

Things have come full circle for Mogk in other ways.

In 1980, Mogk was inducted into the Michigan Amateur Sports Hall of Fame. Earlier this month, he was inducted into the U-M Hall of Honor, a credit he shares among 140 former U-M student-athletes including the likes of Bob Ufer, Anthony Carter and former United States President Gerald Ford.



Bill Mogk, above, as the first baseman and team captain of the 1953 University of Michigan Wolverine NCAA championship baseball team and below, as assistant coach of the 2001 Class A state championship Grosse Pointe South High School Blue Devil baseball team. "Education was my career, but baseball is my life," Mogk said.

"It was just a dream," all-American, I didn't have the individual statistics, but I did have certain credentials." Mogk said. "It was something I never thought would happen to me. I wasn't an

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2001 fruitful for Pointe area lawmaker

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

A year-end report by the Grosse Pointes' representative in Lansing featured six pieces of legislation that made it into law.

The bills included general-interest issues such as consumer

protection and family law, but also addressed what Andrew Richner acknowledged were dry but important concerns dealing with property insurance and interest penalties.

"I've developed an expertise in esoteric and somewhat obscure areas of the law," laughed Richner, a three-term Republican state representative from Grosse Pointe Park. "I tend to get involved in these issues."

The first of Richner's bills

to be signed into law last year will help homeowners whose property has been damaged repeatedly by bouts of bad weather. The bill grew from problems some of Richner's constituents reported in the years following a severe windstorm in 1999.

"Under current law," Richner explained, "if you have three claims within three years exceeding \$1,000 — or \$1,500 for weather damage — on your

insurance policy for property and casualty, your insurance policy is subject to non-renewal."

Richner's bill doubled the claim thresholds and adjusted them to grow with inflation.

"You shouldn't penalize somebody for legitimate claims," Richner said. The measure also gave insurance carriers more flexibility in handling long-term policy holders.

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Little or no risk from slant drilling

By Michael LaFalve

A vote is nearing in the Michigan Senate on whether to ban the extraction of oil and natural gas from beneath the Great Lakes. Fear of a spill or other potential contamination has largely driven the debate.

But sound policy demands facts. And while there may be aesthetic reasons to support a prohibition against onshore drilling, insurance data confirm that the actual environmental risks are negligible.

The proposed ban would apply to so-called directional drilling, which enables oil and gas deposits beneath the lakes to be tapped from a distance. As currently regulated, a rig is located 1,500 feet or more inland from the shore, where a vertical bore is drilled to a depth of some 1,000 feet. The hole is then deviated at an angle toward the bedrock underlying the lake until it reaches oil or gas deposits some 4,900 feet beneath the



water's surface.

The state House voted on Jan. 29 to ban directional drilling as a precaution of sorts. But the environment will not be protected if lawmakers and regulators, however well-intentioned, misconstrue risk. Focusing attention on phantom threats diverts attention from the real source of actual dangers. Nor is legislative accountability possible if we allow political motives to substitute for science.

Insurance data provide a dependable assessment of risk, which is reflected in the cost of coverage. Premium rates essentially transmit information about hazards and safety. In this instance, underwriters are willing to insure slant drilling operations at an affordable cost — proof positive that such excavation methods are not fraught with environmental peril.

Indeed, according to insurance industry data, only 12 claims nation-

wide involving drilling to depths of 5,000 feet have been recorded between 1981 and 2000 — and none in Michigan. (The Mackinac Center for Public Policy was granted access to the database by Marsh Inc., a global insurance firm.) In fact, control-of-well insurance, which covers environmental damages, is available in Michigan for as little as \$33 per year per well, depending on the number of wells being covered. This reflects the fact that more than 3,600 directional well bores have been drilled in Michigan without incident, including 13 beneath the Great Lakes. Moreover, Canadian firms have safely drilled 2,200 wells under Lake Erie since 1913, and two pipelines have carried oil and natural gas beneath the Mackinac Bridge for more than three decades.

The Michigan Environmental Science Board likewise concluded in 1997 that "there is little to no risk of

contamination to the Great Lakes bottom or waters through releases directly above the bottom hole portion of directionally drilled wells..." The one small risk identified by the board was contamination at the well head, far from the water's edge.

The far greater threat to environmental quality comes from oil tankers crisscrossing the oceans to deliver foreign oil to American shores. To the extent the United States develops domestic sources of fossil fuels, such risks may be diminished.

In addition, lakes experts largely agree that the gravest environmental threat to the lakes is biological in nature, not industrial. The invasion of non-native exotic species such as the zebra mussel is disrupting the lakes' ecological balance.

Lawmakers' desire to protect our beloved Great Lakes is certainly understandable. But lakes policy is only as good as the facts upon which it is based. In reality, directional drilling represents only a remote risk to the environment, and the Legislature would do well to devote its time and taxpayers' hard-earned dollars to rectifying real problems.

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Newsman starts out right

Second in a series
By Wilbur Elston

After my grandfather's general store burned to the ground about 85 years ago, our family moved to Grampa's farm about 15 miles south of the store's location at Rich Valley, Minn.

When we had just begun to get acquainted on the new farm, I suddenly and unexpectedly acquired a cousin and playmate, Bernita Anderson.

She was my mother's niece and my cousin, whose mother had died unexpectedly and whose father was unable to care for his three children.

The three children were distributed among different relatives, and we got Bernita.

She was only six months younger than I was and we quickly became good friends. We learned to read together and I remember well our ramble through the Bobbsey Twin books.

In fact, we often fantasized that we were one pair of the Bobbsey Twins ourselves.

When it was time to start school at District 61 in Dakota County, we both began the first grade. At that time, there was no kindergarten and the school was a one-room building about five miles from home. We usually got rides to school either in a horse and buggy or even in a sleigh in the winter when snow was too deep.

It was at District 6 that I began to pick up the rudiments of baseball. I

quickly discovered I lacked a good arm for pitching and had to rely on playing shortstop or in the outfield.

I wasn't much of a hitter, either, but occasionally I would get a good pitch to hit to the outfield where it was not often caught so I learned to run the bases and occasionally score runs.

Aside from baseball, I recall that life itself was often quite boring. I quickly learned my first day that I was not a left-handed writer and hitter, as my father was.

The teacher told me the very first day that everyone in that class wrote right-handed and I should follow suit. I made no vocal protest, even though my father was a left-handed too, but I quickly complied with the teacher's order.

So I am a right-handed to this day, even though I would kick a football left-footed, if I were good enough to play football.

Years later, when I attended the University of Minnesota, I inquired of an English teacher about being left-handed. Her response was that, in truth, that view no longer was held by responsible teachers. She said that shifting from left-handed to right or vice versa led to stuttering.

To be continued
Wilbur Elston of Grosse Pointe Farms is the former editorial page editor for the Grosse Pointe News and, before that, The Detroit News. He hails from Minnesota, where he was news editor of the Minneapolis Star Tribune.

The asset approach

Giving kids what they need to succeed

The Search Institute (www.search-institute.org) has identified 40 building blocks (or assets) that help young people grow up healthy, caring and responsible. Each week the Grosse Pointe News will highlight one "asset" and provide several ideas to help parents and young people support that asset in their home, school, and community.

Positive family communication — Young person and his/her parent(s) communicate positively, and young person is willing to seek advice and counsel from parent(s).

Ideas for Parent(s):

When your kids talk, really listen. Accept the fact that you won't agree on everything.

Ask your kids every day about what they are doing and thinking. Tell them about your day, too. Form the habit of frequent conversation.

Spend at least one hour a week with each child individually. Whenever possible, spend a whole day together. Your kids will cherish these special times.

Ask your child's opinion or advice about something important.

The fewer topics you declare "off limits," the more your kids will talk to you.

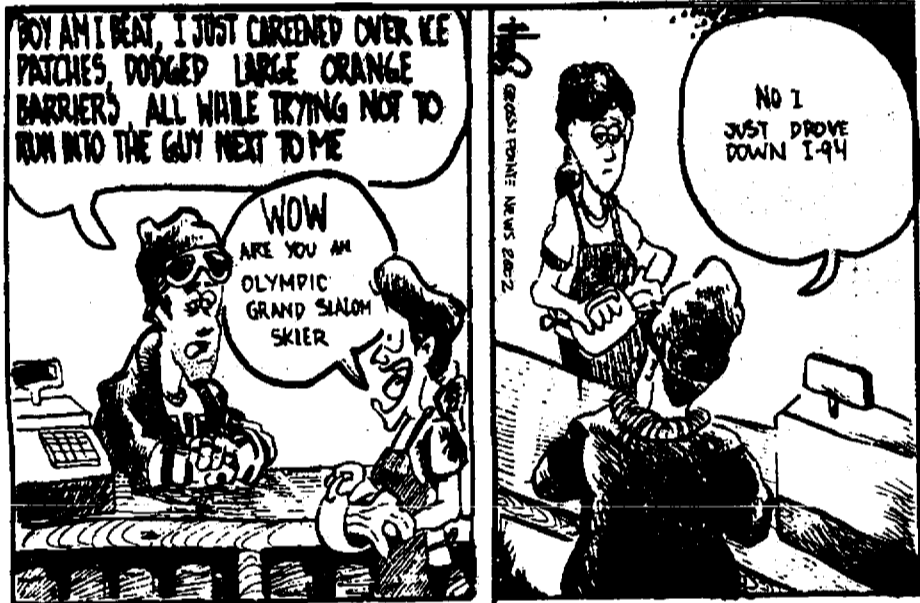
Ideas for Young People:

Talk to your parent(s) every day. Make a point of telling them about one interesting, funny, sad, frustrating or strange thing that happened to you. Even if you do not feel like it, come out of your room and have a 10-minute conversation with your parent(s) each night. Try this for a week and see if it makes a difference!

Talk to your parent(s) about their growing-up years. Ask a lot of questions. This can be fun and you will certainly understand your parent(s) a little more after learning about the joys and struggles of their youth.

Choose your time wisely. Do not try to start a serious conversation when your parent(s) are obviously cranky, stressed out, busy doing something else or asleep.

When you approach your parent(s) with a problem, be respectful, keep your voice down, watch your body language, and come prepared with some positive suggestions.



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Letters

Creative recognition

To the Editor:

Before moving to sunny Florida, we had the pleasure of living across the street from the creative Sullivan family, of whom John (Jan. 31 Grosse Pointe News Pointer of Interest) is a member.

Not only was this charming, young man a delightful neighbor, his siblings were also highly original and their parents encouraged their great expression.

We miss them all but were happy to note that the Grosse Pointe News recognized John's talents and gave him some publicity.

Meeky and Jim
Connolly
Naples, Fla.

Grateful for support

To the Editor:

Our daughter, Sarah, is home after having a heart transplant and spending nearly six months in the hospital.

It is absolutely delightful as we walk around our house at night and see each of our three daughters in their respective rooms, all under one roof, all sleeping soundly.

As you can imagine, it has been a very long, frightening six months. We know Sarah

has a way to go yet — radiation treatments; months of out-patient physical, occupational and recreational therapy to help get her back to her prior activity level. However, for today, we are celebrating Sarah's improved health and the opportunities we have to resume life together.

As we look back on the last six months, it has been an absolute roller coaster of emotions. We are very grateful for the donor family and the tremendous support we received from family, friends, neighbors, churches and medical staff during this time.

We are especially grateful for the very strong support we received from our community. The support was fantastic and we appreciate it.

Please keep Sarah in your prayers.

Jim and Dianne
McPharlin
Grosse Pointe Woods

Litter problem

To the Editor:

On Jan. 31 there was a letter in the Grosse Pointe News regarding litter ("Curb litter"). Seems the writer had a problem with it. Well so do I, and I was so glad to see someone else feels as I do.

I lived in Grosse Pointe Park for 47 years. In the later years, myself and a couple of neighbors would go

down the alley and "clean it up." Not only alleys were the problem. When I would walk to the mail box on Jefferson there was always a good selection of "litter" to be picked up on my way home. It got so that I used to take a plastic grocery bag to put it in!

I was brought up not to throw litter down anywhere, and, really, there is no excuse for it here — there is always a litter receptacle around to put it in. I would not throw so much as a gum wrapper on the ground.

I wonder why young people are not taught in schools about this "habit." I was taught not to do it by my parents, but today, I suppose, the parents don't have time!

Like the writer of that letter said "The Grosse Pointes have always been maintained beautifully and it really is up to everyone to keep it that way."

When I moved out here, it wasn't long before I was "at it" again. I clean up the parking lot regularly. It is really amazing the stuff that is thrown down (bottles, Styrofoam cups, etc.), and there is a trash container right there to put the trash in!

I think to myself, these Americans are a dirty lot! It's everywhere you go. So come on, let's shape up, or ship out!

Ruth King
St. Clair Shores

Packing a power vacation

6:30 Thursday evening. We're rushing around, ironing, packing, cleaning golf clubs, loading the car, getting ready to hit the road right after work Friday for our annual mid-water Florida trip.

Terry is ironing, I'm getting in her way, and the power goes out.

That's OK. Don't get excited. It'll come right back on. I always do.

It comes back, but not full force. It's a brownout. The bulbs radiate a dull, brownish glow, less candlepower than a, uh, candle.

With remarkable calm, I go downstairs, get the flashlight and unscrew the fuses for the refrigerators and the furnace. I'm good.

Then I decide it's as good a time as any to take the Town & Country up to the car wash for a good vacuuming

and exterior wash so we can hit the road in style.

(I wasn't going to do this, but Terry doesn't have to know that.)

Surely after getting the minivan cleaned, the power will be back on. Terry says she's not going to sit around in a dark house by herself. She's coming too.

Dang.

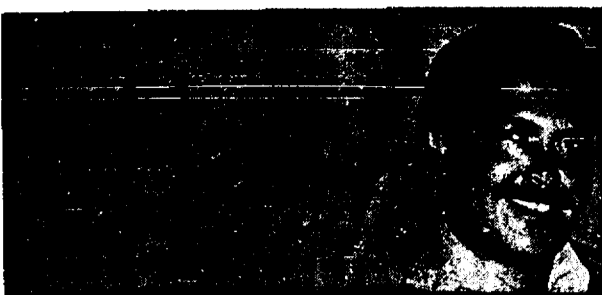
I'd prefer she didn't come along on these manly chores. They always take longer when she's there. What do you mean you want me to remove all the mats first? You want me to bring along the Windex, the Armorrall and some rags?

This is turning out to be a lot more work than I had planned.

But the van sure does look great! So we go back home, only to discover the power is still out. What to do now?

We decide that since the gas tank is only half full, filling it up would be in order. So off to the gas station it is.

We decide not to go to the closest one. A wave of thrifty consumerism hits us. (What the heck, we're killin' time.) We determine to drive a distance to get a good price on



gas. We go to Costco.

I take my time opening the fuel door on the minivan, digging through my wallet for my Costco card and then my American Express. I deliberate a while over what grade of fuel I want.

I always get regular. The manufacturer even recommends regular. But this time I'm debating whether premium is the way to go. (What the heck, we have time.)

But in the end, I concede to Chrysler's wisdom and select regular.

Now what? The windows are clean — the whole van's clean — so no since using the squeegee thing. So I let my thoughts wander while the gas tank is filling. What

is the meaning of life, or my life, for the matter?

Thankfully, the tank was only half empty and the snap of the gas nozzle breaks off this dangerous line of thought.

With a full tank of gas, no half-pack of cigarettes (we don't smoke) and not wearing sunglasses, we return home.

No power. Now we're getting upset.

Now what?

We haven't eaten and, I realize with a start, it's St. Valentine's Day. A stroke of brilliance hits me. I'll take Terry out for dinner for Valentine's Day! (This would cover up for the fact that I didn't get around to getting her a card or sending flowers to her office for the other

women's benefit.)

I realize that by taking her to dinner, I will redeem myself after all. I'm good.

"How 'bout I take you to dinner for Valentine's Day!" I blurt out.

My chivalry falls flat, unappreciated. "Where do you want to eat?" is all she says.

Good question. Before my romantic spasm, I hadn't thought about how crowded all the good restaurants would be on Valentine's night.

OK, I reasoned, if all the good restaurants are full, how about the bad ones? So I say, "How about that Chinese restaurant?"

"OK." (Terry is often this talkative when she's pleased with me.)

I'm a genius. The Chinese restaurant, as I expected, was nearly empty. No line, no wait, perfect.

Actually, the almond chicken was delicious. We splurged on two glasses (apiece) of chablis blanc (what the heck, we have time) and Terry seemed to be warming up.

I paid the bill, left a good tip and headed home sated, mellow and optimistic. Surely the power is back by now.

We were ecstatic when we saw the first block of our neighborhood had power. All's well that ends well.

Then we got to our block — no street lights, no porch lights, no TVs, just pretty candles in windows.

Dang!

Now we're angry. These things never seemed to bother us so much when we were younger.

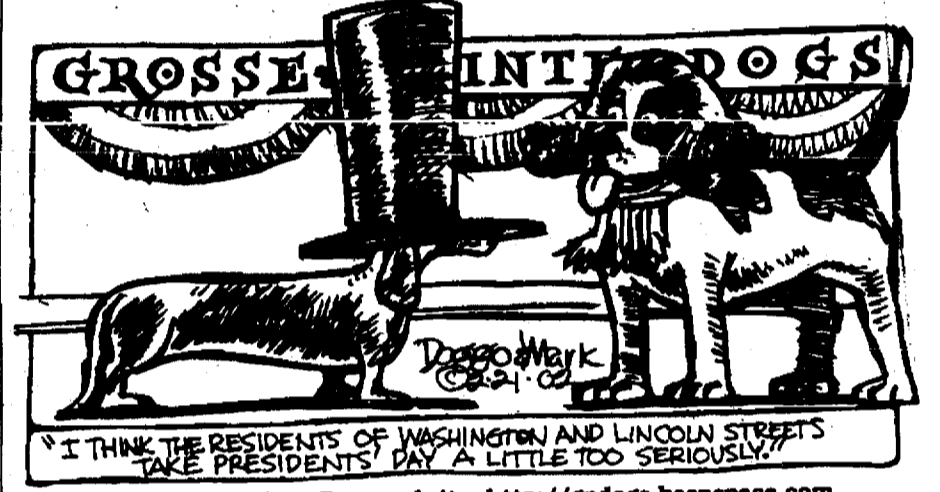
Well, in a dark house on Valentine's Day what else is there to do but go to bed and snuggle, right?

But all did not go as planned. The gnawing and gnashing of teeth (not mine) somehow damped the Valentine enthusiasm.

The power finally did come on, at 1:45 a.m. The grinding stopped long enough for Terry to tell me to get downstairs and screw in fuses, pack the suitcases, fill the dog's bowls, mop the floor, clean the bathroom, wash the dishes....

See ya in a week. We're outa here!

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A free lunch

People say there's no such thing as a free lunch. I always believed it because I consider myself a rationalist, a pragmatist and in tune with objective reality. But my specialty is the subjective, the underlying motivations, and sometimes you have to throw caution to the winds and realize there's something magical going on.

Maybe it's Sept. 11, all of us disquieted because of what happened, grumpy at security lines in the airport, worried about the economy, security, jobs, tensely waiting for the other shoe to drop — what? Bioterror? Chemical? Nuclear? We don't want to think of those things, even in spite of the recurrent warnings that something bad is going to happen. All this is the downside of the terrorist attack.

But I've noticed an "up" side. Have you noticed that people are nicer to each other? Not everyone, everywhere, but in lots of places. I'm going to document my "free lunches" and invite readers to write in theirs.

It all started when our '89 Mercedes developed an instrument panel that wouldn't get off zero. Probably a fuse somewhere. I go to my mechanic and he didn't know where to look. He sent me to a foreign car repair shop on Nine Mile near Gratiot. I call for an appointment, but Chris says to come anytime.

I find it right away and ask for Chris and he says Hi, Dr. Bloom, where did you park? I tell him and he asks for the key. I follow him and he pulls the car up. He reaches under the dash, comes up with a card on a panel with small printing and says, "Oh, No. 5." He goes to a drawer, gets out a glass fuse and bends down under the dash and puts No. 5 where it is supposed to go. He says it will be fine. He looks at the dash and sure enough, I will know how fast I am going and whether there's gas in the tank.

That's why I had to get it fixed.

How much? He says to forget it, just come back if you need us. It was hard to believe because repairs to a Mercedes-Benz are very expensive. OK, he wants future business, he is going to get it. I think of it cynically as a clever and effective advertising-public-relations gimmick, but the man was really friendly and apparently sincere. This was like a free lunch.

Next I go to Henry's cleaners on Mack with a load of laundry and some clothes to be altered. I ask the lady if I bring in the shirt I am wearing to be laundered, will they sew in a button in my right cuff. She says, "Let me see." I show her. She says, "I do it now." I ask, "Now?" She said sure, wait here. She comes back with needle, thread and a button and sews it on while I stand there at the counter. She was very adept with needle and thread. It would have taken me a half hour, but it took her less than three minutes. No charge, another free lunch.

Friendly, accommodating, her skill and my need. I thanked her and she said it was no problem. That made my day, because I remembered my mother used to do that, sew a button on something I was wearing. She always made me put a thread in my mouth, otherwise she would sew away my wits — one of her superstitions. It was a funny sensation to feel like a kid again. She was sewing a button on me. I resisted asking her for a thread.

The next day I decided to take care of that slow leak in my left front tire. Tires Galore was gone from Jefferson, so I made a beeline for Belle Tire on Mack, an establishment I pass many times on my way to Moross. I called for an appointment but was told they could fix it while I waited. They were not busy.



When I got there it was pretty busy, but the man said they would jump on it in only a few minutes. He asked for the key. In five minutes another man came and drove the car around to the back where there was a recently vacated stall. I was invited to wait where there was a TV and some free coffee. The coffee, as expected, was pretty bad, but it was free and it was something to do while I waited.

After a half hour they said the job was done, the tire was OK, it was just a leaky rim. They said it had to be cleaned, resealed and rebalanced. They put in a new valve stem too. I asked how much. It never occurred to me there wouldn't be a charge. The man hands me my keys and says have a nice day. I thought he didn't hear me. He repeated — have a nice day! Like come see us sometime when you really have trouble with a tire. Belle Tire is going to get my business.

If this is what happens when there is a downturn in the economy, or when we realize we are all in the same boat, I realize there's an upside as well as a downside to every tragedy. Sometimes there is a free lunch! I guess you just have to let it happen and make it happen, by giving someone else a free lunch sometime.

Dr. Bloom is clinical associate professor of psychiatry, Wayne State University School of Medicine. He is a member of the American Academy of Psychoanalysis and on the editorial board of the Wayne County Medical Society. He welcomes comments at his e-mail address at vbloom@compuserve.com, and visits to his website at www.factotem.com/vbloom.

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Chief's Son

One of the top alternative dispute mediators in Wisconsin is a fellow named John Teetaert of Appleton. His colleagues say his greatest strength is that he relates well to average citizens, but maintains an air of authority in his assignments.

Jack Teetaert's dad, Andrew, now deceased, was in dispute resolution too in the City of Grosse Pointe — he was chief of police for decades and he and wife Florence lived on St. Clair for generations. She still lives there.

One time an influential City resident was throwing her weight around and telling the officers how the city should work from her experience as a life-long resident. The elder Teetaert reportedly took her to the door of the station on Maumee and pointed across the street to where the Unitarian Church now stands and said: "Madam, I was born there 60 years ago." She left without further comment.

Jack Teetaert attended Wisconsin on a swimming scholarship in 1963 after graduating from Grosse Pointe High School. He stayed on and went to Wisconsin law school and has been practicing in Appleton for more than 30 years. He is with the firm of Menn, Teetaert and Beisenstein. In 1997 he was named a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers. His elder brother, Tom, an assistant principal at Grosse Pointe North High School, graduated in 1959 and attended Michigan State University.

Woods buys new copier

Among routine office matters in the public safety department in Grosse Pointe Woods, officials have ordered a copy machine at a price slightly lower than expected. Administrators were given permission this week to buy a \$14,802 Konica digital copier and had set aside \$15,000 for the equipment. The machine will be bought from Albion Business Centers, a company in Farmington Hills that submitted the lowest of 10 bids.

Happy Birthday

George Coury, who went to Trombley School when it was a two-story affair at the corner of Jefferson and Beaconsfield in the Park, will celebrate his 85th birthday Friday. For the past year or so George has had to deal with the fact that he is married to a woman who is related to a saint. His wife Lily's great-great uncle was canonized at the turn of the century by the Russian Orthodox Church as St. Raphael. Lily says she has tried hard to clean up her act since there is a sainted member of the extended Coury family. But it is hard being related to a saint.

George and son, Christopher, who coaches in the Red Wings organization and has two players in the Olympics, and daughter Melissa, who teaches in the Ann Arbor/Brighton area and raises show horses, haven't allowed their mom's

new claim to fame to affect them much.

George, who played both ways on the football team, got a Mother's Club scholarship in 1934 which enabled him to attend Wayne State University after he graduated from "The High School." And just think, the Mother's Club is still helping send bright young men and women off to college each year.

George loves baseball and other sports and still watches 10-year-old MSU basketball games on TV when there is no current sports event to view. George spent a career with the U.S. Department of Defense as an accountant in the days when accountants worked with real numbers and retired as a Lieutenant Colonel.

What does Lily plan to do for George's birthday? "I don't know. We've been married 60 years and we knew each other three years before that so I'm running out of ideas," she said. "Probably a family dinner. But a mention in the FYI column would be nice." So here it is. "HAPPY BIRTHDAY, GEORGE COURY."

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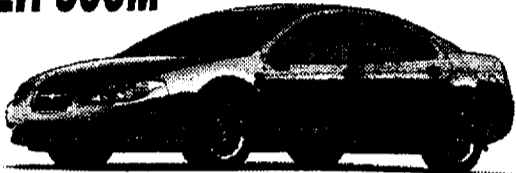
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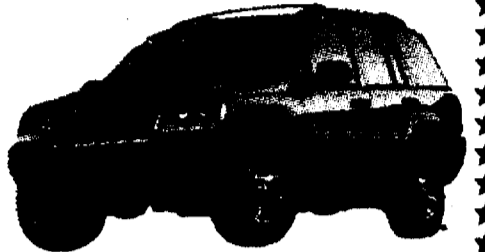


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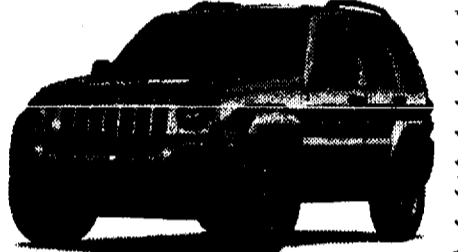
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James D. Beyster

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James D. Beyster, 79, loving husband for 57 years to Barbara B. Beyster, died on Tuesday, Feb. 12, 2002, in St. Petersburg, Fla.

A former resident of Grosse Pointe Woods, Mr. Beyster was born May 12, 1922, in Detroit. He graduated in 1941 from Grosse Pointe Country Day School and attended the University of Michigan. He also served in the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

Mr. Beyster was the Director of Buildings for Wayne County. Following his retirement in 1983, he moved to Fort Myers Beach, Fla. The consummate engineer, he made many friends while helping to fix gizmos and gadgets. He also performed his civic duty admirably as the local weather reporter for the Fort Myers WINK television station.

Mr. Beyster spent many summers at the Old Club on Harsens Island where his love for boating and water began. In addition, he was a former member of the Grosse Pointe Club and the Lochmoor Club.

He is also survived by his son, Ed (Sharon) Beyster; his daughter, Barbara B. (James) Bierbusse and two grandchildren.

A memorial service was held on Feb. 16, at the Chapel By The Sea in Fort Myers Beach, Fla. Mr. Beyster was cremated and his ashes will be scattered at sea.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association or the American Diabetes Association.

Joseph Cehula

Grosse Pointe Park resident Joseph Cehula, 72, died of congestive heart failure, on Friday, Feb. 15, 2002, at the Select Specialty Hospital in Mount Clemens.

He was born to Sophia and Joseph Cehula, in Wilmore, Pa. and graduated from Wilmore High School. As a Sergeant during the Korean War he was stationed in Texas and Alaska.

Mr. Cehula was retired from the Machine Repairment division of General Motors Corp.

His hobbies included fishing, hunting, boating, playing cards, working crossword puzzles and investing in the stock market.

He is survived by his son, Jim; his daughters, Suzy and Julie; his grandchildren, Steven, Sam, Bobby, Caroline and Kierstyn and his sister, Ann Coppers. He was preceded in death by his wife, Barbara and his sisters, Margaret and Helen.

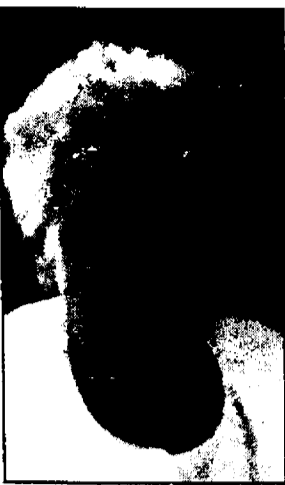
A funeral service was held on Sunday, Feb. 17, at the Verheyden Funeral Home of Grosse Pointe Park.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Foundation for Exceptional Children, 16 Lakeshore Rd., Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

Angela M. Fowler

Longtime Grosse Pointe Public School teacher Angela M. Fowler, 102, died on Sunday, Feb. 17, 2002, in Harper Woods.

Miss Fowler entered this world in the late 19th Century. She celebrated the arrival of the 21st Century on Jan. 1, 2001, with one of her former students. Another student called her from Australia, where he



Angela M. Fowler

now resides as a minister. She led a good life and a full life, and did a great deal of good for others along the way.

Miss Fowler was born on a farm in what is now the city of Bloomfield Hills on June 5, 1899. Her father, Frederick Fowler, then newly arrived from Gloucester, England, had stopped by the farm years before as he walked from Detroit toward Pontiac looking for a job. Her mother, Catherine Kickham, was from London, Ontario, Canada. The Fowlers had three sons and a daughter, Angela, but no grandchildren. She was the last survivor of this family. She never married.

In the early 1900s, Miss Fowler walked to Woodward Avenue and rode a streetcar north to Pontiac to attend the only Catholic schools in the area. As her education progressed, so did her desire to become a teacher herself. She graduated from the State Teachers College in Ypsilanti, now Eastern Michigan University, then taught in Detroit and later, in Grosse Pointe.

When Lewis E. Maire Elementary School opened in 1938, she joined the faculty, teaching the third and fourth grades. She taught not only reading, penmanship and arithmetic, but also good manners and an honest interest in all peoples from all lands and backgrounds.

After the bombing of Pearl Harbor on Sunday, Dec. 7, 1941, she helped arrange for her third-graders to hear President Roosevelt deliver his Day of Infamy speech to Congress on Monday, Dec. 8, 1941. Later, as wounded servicemen began returning to U. S. hospitals, Miss Fowler set aside part of each class day for her class to do its part. She taught knitting to both boys and girls, no exceptions. They would knit woolen squares to be assembled into comforters and woolen slippers for the wounded servicemen.

Always trying to improve herself and better educate her charges, Miss Fowler earned a master's degree from the University of Michigan. After formal retirement, she served as a volunteer teacher and administrator, primarily for Catholic schools, and in any other way in which she could be helpful. In 1983, she was honored for her services to the Retired Senior Volunteer Program of the United States, but, her services continued until she was into her 90s.

A broken hip in 1993 caused Miss Fowler to forgo independent living for residence at the Henry Ford Belmont Continuing Care Center in Harper Woods. She not only participated in the activities there but also embarked on the last great phase of her life, philanthropy.

Miss Fowler never earned much as a teacher, but she lived conservatively. She also had several excellent and caring stockbrokers who helped her manage her income progressively and carefully. In 1994, having concluded that she had more than enough to keep her, Angela gave substantial sums to worthy causes. These gifts included establishing the Angela M. Fowler Scholarship Fund at University of Detroit-Mercy, a gift to the Leader Dogs for the Blind Sponsorship

Program and establishing a private trust at Merrill Lynch Trust Bank to provide for the education of three talented, blind students at outstanding universities. In addition, she provided that after her death, the remainder of her estate will be distributed to those and other charities.

Miss Fowler will lie in state on Friday, Feb. 22, at St. Ambrose Church, 15020 Hampton in Grosse Pointe Park, from 9 a.m. until the funeral Mass at 10 a.m. A private interment will be held at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield.

Memorial gifts may be made to the Angela M. Fowler Scholarship Fund, University of Detroit-Mercy, P. O. Box 19900, Detroit, MI 48219-0900 or Leader Dogs for the Blind, Sponsorship Program, P. O. Box 5000, Rochester, MI 48308-5000.

Robert C. Greider

Longtime resident of the City of Grosse Pointe, Robert C. Greider, 76, died of respiratory failure at St. John Riverview Hospital in Detroit on Saturday, Feb. 2, 2002, as the result of complications from a stroke that he suffered last year.

He was born to Marion Lorena Lambdin and Luther W. Greider, in Detroit, on Aug. 17, 1925, and grew up on Mark Twain St. He graduated from Cooley High School in Detroit before joining the United States Army in 1943.

He took further training as a combat engineer in England, and experienced German V-1 attacks in London before landing in France on Omaha Beach shortly after D-Day. He worked in supply throughout the European Theater including working in Rotterdam and then Antwerp where he again experienced V-1 and V-2 attacks. He then went through the Rhineland Campaign as a combat engineer. After the end of World War II, he served in the occupation of Germany in Wiesbaden.

Coincidentally, both of his daughters were stationed with the U. S. Army in Wiesbaden during the 1980s. His son worked as a federal civilian employee for the Air Force in Wiesbaden for 10 years. All three of his grandchildren were born at the Air Force hospital in Wiesbaden.

Before returning home to the States with an honorable discharge in 1946, he attended the Brantley American University in France.

Using his benefits under the GI Bill, he attended Grinnell College in Iowa, graduating in 1950 with a degree in English and business and a minor in art. He also made many life-long friends there. After returning to Detroit, he attended the Cranbrook Academy of Art. He then left Detroit to explore the country and took classes at the Art Center School in Los Angeles. Upon his return to Detroit, he took courses at Wayne State University in writing and photography and at the Sales Analysis Institute before launching a career in the automotive industry.

His first job was working for his father at L. W. Greider Interior Decorations during the Depression and again, during the 1950s. His automotive industry related experience included working for the Jam Handy Organization in 1950s, for Mopar and Chrysler through the 1960s and for Wilding, Inc. which became Maritz Inc., through the 1970s and 1980s. He enjoyed his work as a writer/editor, putting all of his education and experience to work writing dealer's facts books, driving all makes of cars for vehicle comparisons, and even doing his own artwork on free-lance projects.

After retiring in the 1990s, he kept himself busy with a variety of activities including spending more time on his painting which

he started in France after the war. He enjoyed mall walking, biking and brunching daily with friends. He was active for many years as the 1950 Class Representative for Grinnell College. In addition, he was a member of Alcoholics Anonymous for 24 years and was active in helping to organize AA meetings in the Grosse Pointe area.

He is survived by his son, Robert; his daughters, Susan and Linda; his grandchildren Rachel, Joseph and David; his brother Luther and his sister Virginia. He was predeceased by his wife of 39 years, Joan Kraszewski, who died in 1998.

Mr. Greider was cremated. Funeral arrangements are private.



Virginia S. Jeffries

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Noted Grosse Pointe commercial Realtor and broker Virginia S. Jeffries, 81, died after a prolonged illness on Sunday, Feb. 17, 2002, at St. John Hospital and Medical Center in Detroit.

A resident of Grosse Pointe Farms, Mrs. Jeffries was born in Detroit to Virginia M. Straith and Dr. Claire L. Straith, on April 11, 1920. She was a graduate of Kingswood-Cranbrook School in Bloomfield Hills and Denison University.

On May 13, 1942, she

married prominent Grosse Pointe psychiatrist Dr. Benjamin Jeffries. Among her recollections of the early years of their marriage were the spirited political discussions she shared with her husband's uncle, former Detroit Mayor Edward J. Jeffries.

During her long and varied career, Mrs. Jeffries was the former owner/manager of the Norge Village Cleaners in St. Clair Shores. As the former owner/manager of a 182-acre dairy farm, she served as a member of the Lapeer County Dairy Herd Improvement Association. In addition, she was the owner/manager of several commercial buildings in the Grosse Pointe area.

Mrs. Jeffries was inducted into the Detroit Metro Commercial Investment Division Hall of Fame for her distinguished service to her profession and was named Man of the Year by that organization during the 1990s. Upon receiving this honor, she refused to have the wording on the plaque changed to woman of the year saying, "That's my competition, I compete with men all the time."

Mrs. Jeffries enjoyed bridge and was a former member of the Lochmoor Club, the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club and the Renaissance Club.

She is survived by her son Dr. Edward S. (Lisbeth Carson) Jeffries of Grosse Pointe; her daughters Grace Jeffries (Wilhelm) Quitzow of Berlin, Germany and Susan Jeffries (George) Fitzgerald of Alameda, Calif.; her grandchildren Christopher and Sunny Jeffries, Alexis Davis and Leslie and Rainer Quitzow; her great-grandchild Munay Quitzow; her brothers Dr. Richard E. Straith and William M. Straith and her sister Jean S. Diefenbach. She was predeceased by her husband, Dr. Benjamin Jeffries.

Arrangements are being handled by the Verheyden Funeral Home of Grosse Pointe Park. Visitation will be held on Thursday, Feb. 21, from 4 to 8 p.m. A funeral service will be held on Friday, Feb. 22, at 11 a.m., at Christ Episcopal Church, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd. in Grosse Pointe Farms. Interment will be at Woodlawn Cemetery in Detroit.



Beverly F. Kennedy

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Beverly F. Kennedy, 79, of the City of Grosse Pointe, died on Tuesday, Feb. 12, 2002, at Bon Secours Hospital in Grosse Pointe.

Mrs. Kennedy was born in Cambridge, Mass., at the same hospital in which she later trained to be a registered nurse. She was an enthusiastic athlete in her youth, enjoying a variety of sports and becoming quite an accomplished diver. She was involved in Scouting throughout her life and was one of the last Girl Scouts to be awarded the Eaglet. She was also quite active in her church, where, as a teen, she taught Sunday School for several years. A cartoon that immortalized this endeavor, drawn by the father of one of her pupils, was published in the Boston Herald.

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Mrs. Kennedy completed her nurse's training at Mount Auburn Hospital and enlisted in the U.S. Army Nurse Corps. She served in Normandy during World War II where she met Capt. Lawrence Kennedy, her future husband.

After returning to the United States following the War, the couple migrated to Ann Arbor where they gambled on the purchase of a large rooming house. Beverly managed the house while Larry completed his degree programs. She ran this home for 20 male students like a veteran, although she wasn't much older than many of the tenants. Rules were observed, rents were collected, nocturnal visitors were discovered and expelled and troubled young men got caring support and empathy. Neighbors, also running rooming houses, were suitably impressed with her managerial skills as well as her ability to raise a family, as the couple had four children before leaving Ann Arbor.

During her husband's teaching career, Mrs. Kennedy was active with the faculty wives and a wide variety of volunteer efforts. She was a member of the United Methodist Women, worked with the American Red Cross as a blood bank organizer, set up a local American Cancer Society office at Cottage Hospital, was involved in Indian Guides, Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, Little League and Babe Ruth. She was also active in PTA and Mothers' Club throughout her children's tenure in the Grosse Pointe schools.

When her youngest child went to school, she returned to her nursing career, working part-time at Cottage Hospital. She especially enjoyed her days working in labor and delivery.

Though she never had formal artistic training, her creativity found expression in a wide variety of areas including poetry, crafts, china painting, cake decorating, sewing and needlework. She was especially proficient when it came time to create decorations for

proms and Mothers' Club teas. In recent years, she volunteered her time and talents to the Cottage Hospital Auxiliary, creating gift items for the Boutique.

Mrs. Kennedy is survived by her sons, Lawrence F. Kennedy, Jr., William P. Kennedy and A. Bruce Kennedy; her daughters Susan Stangland and Alice Maun; 15 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband of 53 years, Lawrence Kennedy.

A memorial service was held at Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church on Feb. 16. Mrs. Kennedy's ashes were inhumed, together with her husband's, in the Memorial Garden at the church.

Memorial gifts may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.



Virginia Delbridge Little

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Virginia Delbridge Little, 90, died on Wednesday, Jan. 23, 2002, in Atlanta, Ga., where she had resided for 20 years.

Mrs. Little was born in Detroit and lived for many years in Grosse Pointe Farms. She was the wife of the late Thomas J. Little III, an advertising executive for Time-Life.

Mrs. Little graduated from the Liggett School in 1929 and Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, N.Y. She made her debut in 1932.

She was very active in her community and served as president of the Junior League of Detroit from 1936

through 1938. She was also a trustee of the Liggett School, curator assistant at the Detroit Institute of Arts, founder of IBEX and an officer of the Tau Beta Association.

In addition, she was a member of The High Museum of Art in Atlanta, The Atlanta History Center and a former member of the Farmington Country Club of Charlottesville, Va., the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, Founders Society of the Detroit Institute of Arts, the Grosse Pointe Human Relations Council, the Country Club of Detroit and the University Club.

Mrs. Little was always active in her church. She was a member of Christ Episcopal Church in Grosse Pointe Farms. She later joined Grosse Pointe Memorial Presbyterian Church in Grosse Pointe Farms where she became one of the first two women Elders, Clerk of Session and a Sunday School teacher. She also organized the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church archives.

The Delbridge family lived from 1912 until 1919 in a house on Jefferson Avenue, still standing but much enlarged, across from the end of Neff Road as there was no Woodland Place at the time. In 1929, the Delbridges moved to Hendrie Lane. After her marriage, she designed and built three homes, on Meadow Lane, Tonnacour Place and Fisher Road.

She was predeceased by her parents, Charles Fisher and Florence Emma More Delbridge; two brothers Charles F. Delbridge, Jr. and William More Delbridge and her mother-in-law, Marguerite Grant Little, all of Grosse Pointe.

Mrs. Little is survived by her sons, Thomas J. Little IV of Concord, Mass. and John D. Little of Detroit; her daughter Letitia "Tish" (Russ) Millette of Atlanta, Ga.; her grandchildren, Dr. Virginia R. (Tony Godfrey) Little, Thomas J. Little V, Justice C. Little, Germaine Pollack, Adam B. Little, Jacqueline "Kelly" Grimes and B. W. "Liam" Grimes, Jr.; three great-grandchildren and her sister-in-law Virginia (William) Delbridge of Grosse Pointe Park.

A memorial service was held on Feb. 4 at Druid Hills Presbyterian Church in Atlanta, Ga. A memorial service at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church will be held in the spring on a date to be announced later.

Contributions in her memory may be made to Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236; Hospice Atlanta, 1244 Park Vista Dr., Atlanta, GA 30319 or the charity of your choice.

Arthur Sandt, Jr.

Former Grosse Pointe Park resident Arthur "Ralph" Sandt, Jr., 78, beloved soulmate of Evette, died on Sunday, Feb. 10, 2002, at St. Joseph's Mercy Hospital in Clinton Township.

Born on July 15, 1923, in Mitchell, S.D., Mr. Sandt graduated in 1947 from the University of Michigan where he was a member of Phi Kappa Psi. He served in World War II as a Naval Aviator, Lt. j.g./02.

Mr. Sandt, who relocated to Harrison Township, was retired from Kmart Corp. and was most recently working for Home Depot.

He was active with Boy Scout Troop 96 of Grosse Pointe Memorial Church and Grosse Pointe Park Little League. In addition, Mr. Sandt enjoyed golf and photography.

According to his family, these words, framed and hung on the wall of his home, capture Mr. Sandt's philosophy of life. "I am standing upon the seashore. A ship at my side spreads her white sails to the morning breeze and starts for the blue ocean. She is an object of beauty and strength, and I stand and watch her until

at length she hangs like a speck of white cloud just where the sea and sky come down to mingle with each other. Then someone at my side says, 'There! She's gone.'

"Gone Where? Gone from my sight...that is all. She is just as large in mast and hull and spar as she was when she left my side, and just as able to bear her load of living freight to the place of Destination. Her diminished size is in me, not in her; and just at the moment when someone at my side says, 'There! She's gone,' there are other eyes watching her coming, and other voices ready to take up the glad shout, 'There she comes!'

"And that is life!" Mr. Sandt is also survived by his sons, Sandy Sandt, Steve Sandt and Jim Sandt and was the beloved grandfather of Zooter.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Special Olympics, 124 Washington Square, 2570 Boulevard of the Generals, Norristown, PA 19403.

The Sandt family urges you to discuss the subject of advanced medical directives and organ donation with your family and loved ones.



Elizabeth Smith

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Former Grosse Pointe Shores resident Elizabeth Smith, 79, of Frankfort and Naples, Fla., died on Sunday, Feb. 17, 2002, in Naples, Fla.

Mrs. Smith was a volunteer at the Bon Secours Hospital Gift Shop and a member of the Conservancy of Southwest Florida, the Periwinkle Garden Club of Frankfort and the Quiddlers Art Group of the Detroit Institute of Arts.

An avid golfer, Mrs. Smith won a tournament at the age of 77, just one week before her first stroke. For 20 years, she was a champion bowler at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club and also enjoyed tai chi.

Mrs. Smith is survived by her husband of 55 years, Roger K. Smith; her sons Douglas L. Smith of Ann Arbor, Gregory R. (Michele) Smith of Hickory Corners and Clayton K. (Julie) Smith of Bloomfield Hills; her grandchildren Jessica, Colin, Cassie, Shelby, Aaron, Andre, Kyle and Alora; her brothers Walter (Betty) Merna of Delray Beach, Fla.; her aunts Rita Kowal of Warren and Anastasia Kowal of Royal Oak and many cousins, nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, Feb. 22, 2002, at 11 a.m., at A. H. Peters Funeral Home, 20705 Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Periwinkle Garden Club of Frankfort or the Detroit Institute of Arts.

Dr. Robert H. Snyder

Former Grosse Pointe resident Dr. Robert H. Snyder, 83, an expert in the tire and rubber industry, died on Sunday, Jan. 27, 2002, at the home of his daughter in Sudbury, Mass.

Born Oct. 11, 1918 in Great Falls, Mont., Dr. Snyder was the son of the late Harvey and Helen Johnson Snyder. For 56 years, he was the husband of Evelyn Kuivnen Snyder of

Wayland, Mass.

Dr. Snyder was a veteran of more than 50 years in rubber and tire development. He was a 1940 graduate of the University of Michigan where he earned his bachelor of science degree in chemistry. After two years as a junior chemist with Hoffman-LaRoche, he was employed by the United States Rubber Co. in the General Laboratory in Passaic, N.J. He continued his work with the company for 45 years except for a three-year leave of absence during which time he studied at the University of Chicago, earning his Ph.D. in organic chemistry in 1948. He then returned to the United States Rubber Co. General Laboratories and led the research teams in organic chemical synthesis and vinyl polymerization. He became director of Synthetic Rubber Research before transferring to the company's Tire Division in Detroit as Director of Materials Research. Dr. Snyder retired from the company in 1987.

Dr. Snyder wrote more than 20 published papers and held 36 patents. He was active in many technical organizations within his industry, including the directorship in the rubber division of the American Chemical Society and, for 10 years, was the chairman of the Highway Tire Committee of the Society of Automotive Engineers.

After retirement, Dr. Snyder pursued an interest in tire recycling which he had held for many years. He was often a speaker and consultant at recycling symposia. In 1997, he was the recipient of the International Tire and Rubber Association Industry Pioneer Award for his innovative contributions to scrap tire recycling. He was the author of the highly regarded book, *Scrap Tires—Disposal and Reuse*, which was published in hard copy in 1998. From 1987 until his death, Dr. Snyder was the President of the Tire Technology, Inc., a company he founded in Grosse Pointe.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his daughters Lucinda Lagasse of Sudbury, Mass., Cornelia Snyder of Denver, Colo., and Christine Gross of Tucson, Ariz. and three grandchildren. He was also the father of the late William D. Snyder.

Arrangements are under the care of the Duckett - J. S. Waterman and Sons Funeral Home of Sudbury, Mass. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, Feb. 23, at 4 p.m., at Christ Episcopal Church, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd. in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Contributions in memory of Dr. Snyder should be directed to the Development Office, University of Chicago, 5801 S. Ellis, Chicago, IL 60637 or the Children's Home of Detroit, 900 Cook Rd., Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236.



Charles M. Thomas

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Grosse Pointe Woods resident Charles M. Thomas, 55, founder and publisher of the Used Car News, died Thursday, Feb. 14, 2002, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital West in Clinton Township after a two-month battle with esophageal cancer.

In early 1995, Mr. Thomas founded the Used Car News, a bimonthly international business newspaper that covers the \$16-billion used car industry. At his death, the Used Car News, headquarters in St. Clair Shores, had grown to employ 20 people and had a circulation in excess of 60,000.

Mr. Thomas began his journalism career as a reporter at the now-defunct Utica Sentinel. In 1971, he moved to the Macomb Daily, where he was a beat reporter, columnist, copy editor and news editor during his nearly two decades with the paper. While at the Macomb Daily, he was nominated for the Pulitzer Prize, journalism's highest honor, and won numerous awards for his reporting and writing.

Mr. Thomas met his wife Lynda when they were both Macomb Daily reporters. "Our first real date was take-out tacos in the newsroom, when I was working afternoons," she said. "It was interrupted by a tornado that touched down in New Haven and we were sent out to cover it."

The pair won his-and-hers news writing awards from the Associated Press for that assignment.

Mr. Thomas earned his bachelor's degree in English literature and language from Eastern Michigan University in Ypsilanti, and was a 1965 graduate of Lake Shore High School in St. Clair Shores.

A dedicated martial artist, he earned his brown belt in Hap Ki Do in October and was awarded a black belt in Tae Kwon Do earlier this month by Master Brian Pontillo.

Mr. Thomas was a member of the Society of Professional Journalists, the National Auto Auction Association and the United Tae Kwon Do Society.

In addition to his wife Lynda, his daughters Kathryn, Melanie and Elizabeth survive him. Other survivors include his sister, Mary Dempsey of Tacoma, Wash.; his brothers John Thomas of Tacoma, Wash. and United States Air Force Tech. Sgt. Paul Thomas of Spokane, Wash.; his aunt Helen Thomas of Detroit; his uncle Grant Eastman of Saginaw; a nephew and six nieces. His parents Catherine and Sylvan Thomas of St. Clair Shores predeceased him.

Arrangements were handled by the A. H. Peters Funeral Home of Grosse Pointe Woods. A funeral service was held on Feb. 18, at Christ the King Lutheran Church in Grosse Pointe Woods, with Pastors Boelter and Holzerland officiating. Interment is at Cadillac Memorial Gardens in Clinton Township.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be made to Christ the King Lutheran Church, 20338 Mack Ave., Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236; The Charles M. Thomas Esophageal Cancer Research Fund or to Hospice of Michigan.

Virginia Gale VanderZee

Virginia Gale VanderZee died on Friday, Feb. 15, 2002, at her Grosse Pointe Woods home.

She was the daughter of a former vice president of the Chrysler Corp. and a graduate of the Grosse Pointe Country Day School and Chevy Chase College in Washington, D.C.

Ms. VanderZee was a secretary at Ross Roy Advertising, Inc. and the United Foundation.

She was a member of the Humane Society of Michigan and the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C.

Ms. VanderZee was a "wonderful, generous person," said her sister, Joan Towar.

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Technology integration continues in G.P. schools

By Jennie Miller
Special Writer
Grosse Pointe schools are soaring ahead in the attempt to integrate technology and computers into curricula.

At the Feb. 11 school board meeting, technology specialist Grace Smith shared her technology update, a thorough account of the progress of the integration in elementary, middle and high schools throughout Grosse Pointe. Her presentation also followed the improvements of a website that includes 17,000 links and 3,600 images on the 1,500 pages. The website, which can be accessed through the dis-

trict's home page, offers information on the technology integration as well as tools for teachers to use when incorporating technology into their lesson plans.

"This is a very extensive website and we are very proud of it," Smith said.

Steps toward integration thus far have included coaching teachers on computer proficiency, use of software programs, and modeling lesson plans that utilize technology.

Teachers have attended training seminars throughout the school year during staff meetings, at after-school classes, and during the school day with rotating sessions.

Elementary school art teachers are learning how to use Image Editing and Powerpoint.

Fine arts teachers are learning how to design their own web pages through Front Page Express.

Special education teachers are learning how to use and operate adaptive equipment, laptop scanner systems and speaking devices like DynaVox Speech Output System.

Smith was enthusiastic about the number of teachers who have participated in the training sessions.

Since Sept. 9, a total of 69 workshops drew 674 attendees.

Students are experiencing

the integration in their classrooms as well.

Sixth-graders have been taking two six-week sessions where they work with Microsoft Office.

Some middle school students at Brownell worked on a lesson titled "Shakespeare Meets the Internet," which allows students to search for web resources while reading "A Midsummer Night's Dream."

Other software programs have been introduced to students, such as Inspiration and Kidspiration, Cornerstone Math/L.A., Geography Search, Star Reading, and Music Ace.

In the future, Smith said, she hopes to see third-

graders taking keyboarding classes.

Studies have shown that third and fourth-graders have the dexterity and cognition to begin typing.

An optional pilot was held last spring, and Smith said those students who took the course performed better in later classes.

Her goal is to see fifth-graders with the ability to type 20 w.p.m. with 90 percent accuracy.

Smith expects to acquire new software programs within the next few years such as Microsoft Office 2002, Outlook and Windows XP.

The district is in need of more programs for second

grade math, middle school science, and special education.

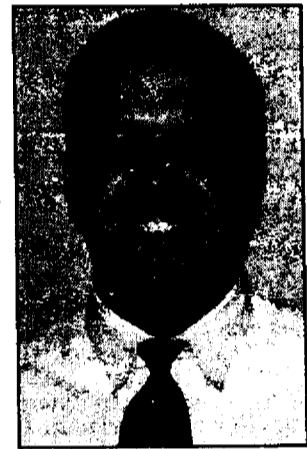
She concluded her technology update with an uncertainty about how budget cuts will affect this integration.

Grosse Pointe Public Schools Superintendent Dr. Suzanne Klein thanked Smith for her outstanding work in bringing an extraordinary resource to the district.

School Board President Jack Ryan shared his enthusiasm for seeing more teachers excited about technology and for seeing smiles on the faces of special education students and parents.

Hartley to head ULS Upper School

Christopher T. Hartley will assume the role of Head of Upper School at University Liggett School on July 1.



Christopher T. Hartley

A graduate of Cornell University, Hartley earned his master of education degree at the University of Massachusetts. His professional career has been spent at two highly competitive independent schools: Stevenson School in Pebble Beach, Calif., and Greenhill School in Dallas, where he most recently served as the dean of students.

"When I decided to look for a new position at a new school, I really only had one unbreakable rule: the school and I needed to be a good match," Hartley said. "I wanted a place where I would fit. I wanted my talents to match the school's needs and I wanted the atmosphere at the school to match my personality and philosophies. I cannot wait to begin my work at ULS."

Having played football and lacrosse in high school and lacrosse at Cornell, Hartley is a talented athlete. Additionally, he has significant interests in theater, music and the piano.

"What was it that so attracted parents, faculty, administrators and students to Chris? In every response to every question, there was

3 South students are essay winners

Grosse Pointe South High School juniors Katie White and Katie Caretti and senior Meredith Mengel are among the winners of Comcast Cablevision's 2001 American Writers - A New Generation essay-writing contest.

The competition, done in cooperation with Cable in the Classroom, the Michigan PTA, Borders and C-SPAN, was created to motivate students about learning and writing. It parallels C-SPAN's latest historical series, American Writers: A Journey Through History, which recounts the lives and works of more than 45 selected American writers who have chronicled, reflected upon or influenced the course of our nation's history.

Winners were chosen from more than 120 entries. With works by Thomas Jefferson, Henry David Thoreau, Frederick Douglass and Betty Friedan as a guide, students created original essays, with the most common topic being the Sept. 11 attacks. White's essay was about George Orwell's "1984." Caretti's topic was teen alcoholism and Mengel wrote about choosing a college.

Comcast conducted the competition for high school, middle school and elementary school students. Five entrants at each of the three levels will receive a \$100 gift card from Border's and each winner's representative PTA chapter will also receive a gift card.

3 North students among tops in math

Three Grosse Pointe North students have placed in the top 100 in the state at the 45th Annual Michigan Mathematics Prize Competition.

John Hawksley, a sophomore, James Van Loon, a junior, and Erik Green, a senior, were among the 997 students from 14,095 who took part in Part I of the competition on Oct. 10. On Dec. 5 they competed in Part II, which consisted of five challenging problems to

January's Students of the Month named

The following elementary school children have been named "Students of the Month" for January 2002 by the Grosse Pointe Public School System:

Safety
Emily Trexler, Defer; Alex Ballew and Drew Tech, Ferry; Duncan McDonald and Kyle Safran, Kerby; Chris Hancock and David Krueger, Maire; David MacKool, Mason; Rachel Neuenfeldt and Christopher Kudialis, Monteith; Nick Pavle, Trombly.

Library
Katie Riddle and Andrew Steiber, Defer; Matt Locricchio and Louis Michael, Ferry; Julianna Love and Elizabeth Ann Kennedy, Maire; Sarah Sherer and Dean Butts, Monteith; Evelyn Hartman, Trombly.

Safety Patrol students are on duty at intersections near schools to help students cross streets safely. They are at their posts every school day, before and after classes, in all kinds of weather.

Service
Sean Foley, Defer; Cristin Mason, Ferry; Caitlin McNitt and Elizabeth Caputo, Kerby; Julia Schneider and Alex Karpowich, Maire; Michael Van Tiem, Mason; Bridget McCrackin and Alexa Lucchese, Monteith; Hunter Hughes, Madeline Whims.

Lynda Hendershott, Chelsea Semmler and Rose Pawlowski, Richard; Steven Haberkorn, Trombly. Service Squad students help with safety rules inside school buildings and perform other tasks as needed, e.g., helping in the school office.

Library Squad students assist the school librarian before class, e.g., by shelving books and distributing audiovisual materials to teachers.

Students of the Month are those students with excellent attendance and dedication to their volunteer jobs.

Pierce students win local essay contest

Three students from Pierce Middle School in Grosse Pointe Park are the local winners in the 33rd annual America & Me Essay Contest, sponsored by Farm Bureau Insurance.

The three students who earned awards for their school are Whitney Cahill, first place, Geneva Danko, second place, and Pearce Pavle, third place. All three received award certificates for their achievements.

As the school's first place winner, Whitney's name will also be engraved on a plaque for permanent display in the school.

Her first-place essay now advances to the state level competition, from which the top 10 essays in Michigan will be selected. The top 10 statewide winners, who will be announced in April, will receive plaques, cash, and U.S. savings bonds valued from \$500 to \$1,000. In addition, the top 10 essayists will be honored at a banquet in Lansing, meet with Michigan's top governmental leaders and be the fea-

tured guests at a Lansing Lugnuts minor league baseball game dedicated in their honor.

A team of finalist judges that includes a top Michigan government official and the sponsoring teachers of last year's top two statewide winners will determine the ranking of the top 10 statewide winners this year.

Several thousand eighth-grade students from approximately 525 Michigan schools participated in the 2001-2002 America & Me Essay Contest, which was conducted with the help of Farm Bureau insurance agents across the state. The topic of the 2001-2002 contest was "Why I Am Grateful to America's Veterans."

Started in 1968 and open to all Michigan eighth-grade students, the contest encourages Michigan youngsters to explore their roles in America's future. As sponsor of the contest, Farm Bureau insurance has earned 11 national awards from the Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge, Pa.

Osborn High School seeks alumni

Osborn High School is looking for alumni from the classes of 1960-63 for a combined 35-year reunion.

No date has been set. Call Kathy Hellic at (248) 746-3305 for more information.

Southeastern looking for class of 1952

Southeastern High School is seeking alumni from the class of 1952 for a 50-year reunion planned for Sept. 28. Call Mary Lou at (313) 886-0748 or Iris at (586) 791-0331 or send an email to iolmin@msn.com for more information.

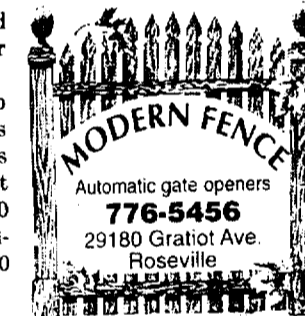


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Wednesday, March 6th
St. Clair Shores Public Library
22500 Eleven Mile Road
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HW starts America's Schools affiliation

Jason Sweeney
Staff Writer

A constant debate centered on the overwhelming commercialization of our children has taken a logical if much-debated step forward, and Harper Woods has elected to jump on the bandwagon.

The America's Schools corporation, nearing its fifth year in existence, was rolled out in Michigan last fall.

The company, headed by the minds that created a licensing company for the Olympic symbol of the five rings, has applied the same idea to education.

Companies interested in taking part in the program pledge blocks of money on

the local, state or national level, to be divided between the member schools in the designated area. In return, companies have bought the right to use the America's Schools symbol on their products or tags.

So far the uses have ranged from soup cans to apparel.

Schools such as Harper Woods that join the program are not obligated to outlay any money or promote a specific brand of merchandise. Instead, they promote the logo of America's Schools, a red, white and blue star.

The idea behind the program is to cultivate a "buy American" attitude. Buying products made by companies

which have purchased the right to use the logo, whether they make cola or capri pants will eventually come back to help the school.

The main reservation of the Harper Woods school board, which delayed a decision on the matter by a month to gather information, was what criteria a company must meet to be accepted.

Superintendent Dan Danosky reported to the board that there is a rigorous process in place to screen prospective companies, designed to keep those who use child labor or promote products that such as alcohol and tobacco from benefiting from publicity

gained through the schools.

With that assurance, the board passed the measure to subscribe to the program 7-0 during the Feb. 12 meeting.

How much benefit can the district expect to see from the program? Not much, at least in the first few years.

There are as yet few sponsors for the program in Michigan and none on a national level. School districts are joining the program at a rate of one per day.

However, as Danosky said, "it's a win-win situation," and that it would be against the district's best interests to not take money offered to them.

Merit scholarships increase in Michigan

The number of high school students qualifying for Michigan Merit awards increased substantially in 2001, according to state treasurer Douglas B. Roberts.

Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) summary reports released today show a record number of students in the graduating class of 2001 earned Merit Award scholarships of \$2,500.

The students can use

those scholarships at any approved post-secondary educational institution.

In all, 43,760 Michigan students earned Merit awards, up from 43,068 for the graduating class of 2000.

"More than half of the public school students who took the MEAP test qualified for a Michigan Merit award, compared to 45 percent for the graduating class of 2000," said deputy treasurer Michael Boulus.

MEAP tests, administered since the early 1970s, provide a common measure of how well our students are doing and ensure that all Michigan public school students' skills and knowledge are measured consistently and at the same time.

"We're very pleased with the increased level of participation in the 2000-01 school year and the significant improvement in high school

MEAP scores on the math, reading, science and writing tests," said Boulus.

Summary reports for each of the state's public school districts and both public and nonpublic high schools have been posted on the Michigan Department of Treasury website at

www.michigan.gov/treasury and the Merit Award site at www.meritaward.state.mi.us.

ACT registration deadline March 1 for April 6 test

Registration ends March 1 for college-bound high school students taking the ACT Assessment on April 6, the next nationwide test date. The registration postmark deadline is March 1. (The late registration postmark deadline, which requires an additional fee, is March 15.)

ACT scores are accepted by virtually all colleges and universities in the nation, including all Ivy League schools. The test fee is \$24 (\$27 in Florida). Colleges use ACT scores, along with a student's high school grade point average, the type of college-prep courses taken and other information to help determine admissions and the appropriate course placement for new students.

The ACT Assessment is an achievement test in English, reading, math and science. It measures what students have learned in high school, and the skills required for success in college. It is not an

aptitude test. Some students find it more comfortable than an aptitude test because it reflects their high school curriculum. The ACT was taken by students nearly 2 million times last year.

Important tips
Students who have already taken the ACT can take it again and try for a higher score. Juniors can use their scores to examine academic weaknesses, take courses to correct those weaknesses and retake the exam as seniors. Students who take the exam more than once can report only their highest composite score to prospective colleges if they choose.

For more information, including registration forms and test locations, contact your high school guidance counselor or register online on ACT's website: www.act.org. The website also has helpful information, sample tests and the opportunity to order test prep materials.

Telephoto lens helps capture celebrities

By Monte Nagler
Special Writer

Ever wanted to try your hand at photographing celebrities? It's easier than you might think. With the proper lens, right film, some basic photographic skills and a little assertiveness, you'll be able to bring home good photographs to preserve the memories.

Where can you find celebrities? Concerts, sporting events and political rallies for starters. They'll all present you with good opportunities.

A telephoto lens is a must in order to bring your subject in close. Depending on what you're photographing and where you've positioned yourself, a focal length in the range of 135mm to 300mm will do the trick. Try to get as close as possible by purchasing seats up close or by working your way to the front of the crowd.

The pro golfer at the peak of his swing, the basketball star slam-dunking the ball, the rock singer bathed in colorful spotlights all can reward you with exciting pictures.

You'll need a shutter speed of at least 1/125 second (faster with sporting events) to eliminate any movement. Determine exposure in advance so you can concentrate on your shot. Compose carefully and capture the peak of the action



Moving in close, a short telephoto and a flash enabled Monte Nagler to add Andy Warhol to his collection of celebrity portraits.

as the batter swings at the ball or the singer is holding onto the last note of a song.

What film to use? Fast film. For color, use Kodachrome 400 or Ektachrome 400. For black and white photos, users will find T-Max 400 a good choice. Be prepared to take a number of shots in order to get the one that's just right.

If you can get within about 30 feet, consider using

a flash. Don't be fooled by flash units going off in the back of the audience. The light emitted from a flash carries only a short distance and unless you can get in fairly close, leave your flash at home.

Another place for photographing celebrities is at book signings. Many years ago, I heard that Andy Warhol was coming to town to sign copies of his new pho-

tography book. This could be a great opportunity, I thought. And it all worked out!

By moving in to about 10 feet and using a short telephoto and flash, I was able to capture the picture shown here. Furthermore, I was able to meet the "pop" artist, and yes, I have a copy of the book on my shelves.

Gender, education to be discussed at Academy lecture

Dr. Anne Chapman, the Grosse Pointe Academy's 2002 McMillan Lecturer, will speak about "Gender and Education: The Difference It Makes" at the Academy at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 6.

Dr. Chapman is a consultant and author of "A Great Balancing Act: Equitable Education for Girls and Boys," published by the National Association of Independent Schools.

The lecture, which is open to the public, will take place in the Tracy Fieldhouse on the Academy campus at 171 Lake Shore Road in Grosse



Dr. Anne Chapman

Pointe Farms. Admission is free. For more information, please call (313) 886-1221.

Court rule means prompt payment

A new rule set by the state Supreme Court has changed the way in which offenders can expect to pay, literally, for their crimes.

Michigan Court Rule 1.110, which went into effect Jan. 1, provides that "fines, costs and other financial obligations must be paid at the time of assessment, except when the court allows otherwise for good cause shown."

This language, simply put, means those assessed with charges and fees will have to pay out as soon as they can.

The goal of the new court rule is to keep delinquent payments down to a minimum, funneling more dollars back into municipalities and keeping collection fees and administrative work hours down.

"In many cases," said Judge Roger LaRose of Harper Woods District Court 32A, "people who owe court fines are not paying, even though they can afford to do so."

"The result, unfortunately, is that our state courts spend too much time and money pursuing payment while a significant amount of money goes uncollected."

Court rule 2.002 states that judges have alternatives to forcing payment up front.

First among the alternatives, those who cannot pay up-front are capable of setting a schedule of installment payments to the court over time.

As a second alternative, penalties of money can be commuted to hours of community service, thus benefit-

ing the libraries, parks and other municipal services that are being deprived of dollars.

There are problems with this lenient rule, however, said Judge C. Joseph Schwedler, one of the trial judges who piloted the new program.

"If you give people the opportunity to postpone compliance with the court's order, most of them will," Schwedler said. "Under the new rule, instead of processing many payments from each defendant, you will only have to deal with one."

Under the new rule the sentenced individual must prove they are incapable of making payment to the judge for these alternatives to be considered.

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Pointers play part in Autorama's 50th anniversary

Car show delights in a rich heritage and growth in popularity

The Pointes will be well represented at this year's Murray's Discount Auto Stores Detroit Autorama, one of the world's largest custom car shows. Pointers will have five cars in the show Friday, Feb. 22, through Sunday, Feb. 24, at Cobo Center.

Richard Bondy, of Grosse Pointe, will show his '72 Chevrolet Chevelle muscle car.

Daniel Keros, also of Grosse Pointe, will show his '70 Chevrolet Corvette with custom fender flares and molded rear spoiler. Power is a 454 full-race V-8. It is finished in Viper Red enamel.

Jim Sansoterra, of Grosse Pointe Woods, has entered his '32 Ford chopped, fenderless, louvered roadster, a contender for the Ridler Award. It is powered by a '49 Mercury flathead V-8 with a GMC 4/53 blower.

Keith Crain, of Grosse Pointe, owner of Crain Communications, publisher of Automotive News and AutoWeek magazine, will

show two new cars, a customized '40 Ford sedan and '51 Ford.

This is the 50th anniversary of the Detroit Autorama, which was started in 1953 by a bunch of young hot rodders trying to raise money for a drag strip. It has grown into the biggest annual show at Cobo Center on a daily attendance basis.

The show has changed a lot over the years, maturing into a major commercial event. This year the show is named Murray's Discount Auto Stores Detroit Autorama. A few years ago, it was the Kmart Autorama.

This year's event marks the 50th anniversary of both the show and the sponsoring Michigan Hot Rod Association.

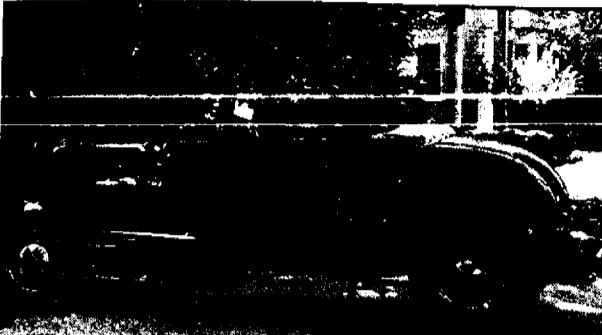
To mark these milestones, more than 1,000 of the greatest hot rod and custom vehicles and their creators will gather at Cobo Center for a once-in-a-lifetime reunion. In addition to a record number of vehicles on display, a full weekend of special activities are planned, including:

The 50th Anniversary Detroit Autorama Historical Display, presented by Ford Racing, a tribute to the finest and the wildest vehi-



Autos

By Richard Wright



This '32 Ford chopped, fenderless, louvered roadster, a contender for the Ridler Award, is owned by Jim Sansoterra of Grosse Pointe Woods. It is powered by a '49 Mercury flathead V-8 with a GMC 4/53 blower.

cles ever to appear in Autorama, including Frank Mack's Roadster (winner of Best In Show at the first Autorama), Carl Casper's Popcorn Wagon, Ernie Seles's Goldbrick, the Red Baron and the Zingers.

Ridler Award winners: The Ridler Award is presented each year to the outstanding custom vehicle making its first public showing. On display will be many of the outstanding vehicles that have won the Ridler Award since its inception at Autorama in 1964, including that first-year winner, the Deora, and last year's winner, a customized '49 Chevrolet coupe.

A Tribute to the Alexander Brothers of Detroit, who operated one of the most important custom car shops of the '60s. In just over a decade, Mike and Larry Alexander built approxi-

mately 60 cars that stand as true works of custom automotive art. Many of these vehicles will be shown.

Nostalgic Nights presented by GM Restoration Parts: This kick-off celebration offers an evening of nostalgia at 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 22.

Circle of Champions presented by Heart International: A Saturday morning brunch at 11 a.m. on Feb. 23 will introduce current members of the Circle of Champions and features speakers Grosse Pointer Keith Crain, of Crain Communications, and Vic Edelbrock, of Edelbrock Equipment. The Circle of Champions, started five years ago, honors outstanding participants in the car customization hobby nationally.

Fiftieth Anniversary Autorama/MHRA Celebration presented by

GM Performance Parts: In honor of 50 years of Autorama and the Michigan Hot Rod Association, hot rodders will dress up in period garb and celebrate the history, cars, and people that made it all possible. Reception at 6 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m., and presentation at 8 p.m.

Autorama Silent Auction: Attendees may bid on selected memorabilia from previous Detroit Autoramas, with proceeds going to benefit the Special Olympics.

At 50 years old, Detroit Autorama is not only enjoying a rich heritage but is growing in popularity with the younger crowd everyday. This is demonstrated by some of the new custom cars to be shown off at the 50th Anniversary Detroit Autorama, including:

The Fast and the Furious Extreme Racer, star car from last summer's sleeper hit movie from Universal, "The Fast and the Furious."

This is a modern custom car Hollywood-style, a fourth-generation green Mitsubishi Eclipse that has been extensively modified both cosmetically and mechanically. Souped-up and modified small import cars define the new and growing crop of hot rodders. Chad Lindberg, "Jesse" from the movie, will meet and greet fans and sign autographs on Sunday, Feb. 24 from noon till 4 p.m.

The Batmobile from the movie "Batman Returns."

The TV series Batmobile. Batman's Adam West will meet and greet fans and sign autographs on Friday, Feb. 22 from 7-9 p.m. and Saturday, Feb. 23 from 1 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 10 p.m.

The TV series favorite "Dukes of Hazzard" General Lee car. James Best and Sonny Schroyer, who played the sheriffs on the popular television series, will meet and greet fans and sign autographs on Saturday Feb. 23, 1-4 p.m. and 7-9 p.m.

Twin Mill, the dream Hot Wheels model car come to life. In the 1960s, Twin Mill was the first custom designed specifically as a die-cast Mattel Hot Wheels model. Up until then, all Hot Wheels models were miniaturized versions of real cars. Imagination becomes reality with a full-sized Twin Mill, radically modified, space age, candy-apple red street machine, based on the Hot Wheels model and featuring two Chevy 502 Big Block engines sitting side by side.

Show hours are Friday, Feb. 22, noon to 11 p.m.; Saturday, Feb. 23, 10 a.m. to 11 p.m.; Sunday, Feb. 24, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Admission is \$15 at the gate, \$5 for children under 12. Discount advance tickets are available for \$13 for adults and \$4 for children under 12.



This 1970 Chevrolet Corvette, owned by Daniel Keros, of Grosse Pointe, has custom fender flares and molded rear spoiler. Power is a 454 full race V-8. Finish is Viper Red enamel.



Like other cars, Batmobiles change through the years. This "modernized" Batmobile, featured in the movie "Batman Returns," will be among the custom cars at the 50th anniversary Murray's Discount Auto Stores Detroit Autorama.

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Fake found out

A young woman who used an assumed identity to mask her bad driving record finally fessed up last week under questioning by Grosse Pointe Woods police.

The suspect, 17, of Detroit, "had been using the name of her (24-year-old) sister to avoid arrest for driving with a suspended license," said an officer.

Woods police had stopped the suspect on Saturday, Feb. 16, at 4:45 p.m. for a routine traffic violation. After lying to police for nearly four hours, she failed to convince officers of her alias. She posted \$100 bond and was released at 10:30 p.m.

Overrun with animals

Police will follow up on a menagerie of 11 sick animals, mainly cats, convalescing at a home in the 1600 block of Broadstone in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Two public safety officers who entered the dwelling on the afternoon of Wednesday, Feb. 13 described a possible health risk.

"The smell of urine and feces came through very strong," said an officer. The odor was so bad the policeman had to interview the female resident outdoors.

Officers told the woman she had 10 days to have her animals licensed and vaccinated.

Store B&E

An employee of a Grosse Pointe Woods store arrived for work the morning of Thursday, Feb. 14, to find

Richner

From page 4A
"It's a pro-consumer bill," Richner said.

Another bill removed incentives for wayward parents to abduct their children during custody battles. Part of the Uniform Child Custody Act, the bill extended Michigan jurisdiction to cases where parents shuttle their offspring from state to state, hoping to find more favorable custody rights.

"I wouldn't call it kidnapping, but there had been a problem where parents tried to evade Michigan's laws," Richner said.

Another bill insulated law enforcement officials from lawsuits while on duty at private sporting and concert events. The bill doesn't apply to officers moonlighting.

"It's part of their job to control crowds and handle security issues," Richner said, "especially after Sept. 11."

Gas prices took a dip

According to AAA Michigan's Fuel Gauge survey, average prices for no-lead, self-serve gasoline were down 3.6 cents per gallon in Michigan and 3.2 cents in the metro Detroit area from the week of Feb. 4 to Feb. 11 averages.

Prices statewide in Michigan average \$1.129 per gallon, with a range from 99.9 cents to \$1.299. In metro Detroit, the average is \$1.115, with a range from \$1.039 to \$1.199.

The statewide average is 34.5 cents below the same week of Feb. 11 in 2001, and the metro Detroit average is down 33.3 cents from a year ago.

AAA Michigan surveys 300 stations statewide weekly. The charts, depicted above, are from AAA Michigan's Fuel Gauge Report.

Important dates in gas-price history

Persian Gulf War
August 1990 through January 1991. Gas prices

someone had forced open the front door and stolen a selection of outerwear.

Police said the theft, which took place in the 19400 block of Mack sometime during the night before, resulted in a \$3,000 loss.

G.P. Woods helps Harper Woods

On Tuesday, Feb. 12, at 3:19 a.m., a Grosse Pointe Woods patrolman captured a 42-year-old Detroit man who was being sought by Harper Woods authorities.

The man was a suspect in an alleged assault that had reportedly taken place moments before at a business on Harper and Vernier.

The Grosse Pointe Woods patrolman spotted the suspect driving on Mack south of Vernier.

Upon investigation, the man appeared "agitated with aggressive body language," according to the Grosse Pointe Woods officer.

"His pants were unzipped and falling off. (He) kept saying he 'did not do it.'"

— Brad Lindberg

Cause of explosion unknown

After an investigation by the Grosse Pointe Shores fire inspector, an insurance company and Mich Con, Shores fire inspector William Nicholson said all parties involved were unable to determine the cause of an explosion which set a fire to two houses on

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Sunningdale on Saturday evening, Feb. 9.

The explosion in an attached garage led to a fire that leveled the house and caused serious damage to the next-door neighbor's house.

Art theft

Four paintings, a cast iron sculpture, 25 brushes and one paperweight were stolen from an artist's studio attached to a garage in the 500 block of St. Clair in the city of Grosse Pointe sometime between Friday, Feb. 8, and 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 12.

In the dark

Three employees of a Grosse Pointe Farms hospital are in the dark after giving over \$90 for candle orders to a 30-year-old Detroit woman, who no longer works for the hospital.

The three employees, who placed their orders in November 2001 with the woman for candles from a direct sales company, had not received their merchandise as of Thursday, Feb. 14.

Snow job

A 22-year-old Detroit man, who was stopped for pulling a snowblower across the road at Mack and Canyon, did not tell a Grosse Pointe Farms officer

the truth when he said the snowblower was his.

The Detroit man was stopped Friday, Feb. 15, at 10:35 p.m. and explained to the officer that he got into an argument with his friend, who was driving and let him and his belongings out of the car. Since the man could not show proof of ownership, the officer held the snowblower at the station.

The Farms public safety department received a call the next day from a resident in the 400 block of McMillan, who reported his snowblower stolen sometime between 7 and 10:15 p.m. the night before. The serial number of his snowblower matched the snowblower held by the department.

The Farms public safety department is seeking charges against the Detroit man.

Car hits wall

An 18-year-old Grosse Pointe Park man, who lost control of his 1997 Jeep Cherokee on a patch of ice, hit and knocked out a 20-foot section of a brick wall on Grosse Pointe Boulevard near Cloverly on Saturday, Feb. 16, at 11:16 p.m.

Neither the driver nor the passenger was hurt in the accident.

— Bonnie Caprara

Age rage

A 21-year-old Harper Woods woman became upset

after being denied the sale of alcohol, Jan. 15. Although she had identification, the owner of the party store in the 23000 block of Harper said he believed her to be too young.

The woman reportedly stormed out of the building and threw open the door of a car, driven by a friend. The 1995 Honda Accord's door smashed through one of the store's front panes of glass.

Thinking the young woman and her friends planned on fleeing, the owner ran from the store, started shouting and kicked the car more than once, causing damage to the vehicle.

Harper Woods police responded to the scene and mediated an agreement between the car's owner and the store owner.

Very bad driver

A Harper Woods police cruiser on routine traffic duty spotted a speeding scofflaw on I-94 at 9:30 a.m. Feb. 17.

After stopping the man, who had been driving 80 in a 55 m.p.h. zone, the officer realized that he had stopped no ordinary commuter late for the office.

The driver had 16 individual license suspensions and two outstanding bench warrants against him, totaling \$500. The man was arrested, taken to the Harper Woods police department on the warrants and was issued tickets driving 80 in a 55 m.p.h. zone, driving without a license and insurance and not

wearing a safety belt.

Intruder

A woman who lives in one of the houses in the 19700 block of Washtenaw walked in on a burglar, Saturday, Feb. 16.

When the woman entered the house she heard the thief moving around the house, hit the panic button on her alarm, and left the building. Harper Woods police responded to the alarm, but were unable to locate the culprit, who had made off with more than \$600 worth of jewelry, a \$350 camcorder and approximately \$200 in cash.

The woman stated that the home is equipped with an alarm but it was not set because her mother, who had been the last person home, does not know how to arm the system.

Audio felon

A Grosse Pointe Woods man returned to find more than \$1,000 worth of music and equipment missing from his car Sunday, Feb. 17.

The man, who had been shopping in an electronics store in the 20500 block of Kelly found his locks had been punched and his steering column, dashboard and the wiring for his stereo had all been damaged.

A \$350 stereo and \$750 worth of CDs had been taken from the 1989 Chevy Caprice. Police took a report and inspected the vehicle for clues.

— Jason Sweeney

Redistricting topped Richner's agenda

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

LANSING — Of the 31 bills and resolutions sponsored last year by the Grosse Pointes' state representative, none has more potential to benefit the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods than an act returning Detroit's eastside suburbs into a single congressional district.

The measure, introduced in June by Rep. Andrew Richner, R-Grosse Pointe Park, and signed into law three months later by Gov. John Engler, erased a 10-year-old line that had separated the five like-minded Pointes into two districts.

Critics charged the boundary was a gerrymandering scheme by the then-state Democratic majority. The objective, critics said, was a partisan plan to divide and conquer the conservative suburbs' collective

Republican voice in Washington, D.C. Richner said the 2001 redistricting bill reflected population changes revealed in the 2000 Census, which confirmed another decade of declining Detroit population. The decline contributed to Michigan losing a seat in Congress.

Uniting the Pointes in an updated congressional district, Richner said, "should make us more competitive than our current seats."

Richer, who in the era of term limits is a legislative elder halfway through his third and final term, chaired the Michigan House caucus committee on redistricting. In addition to dealing with congressional seats, the caucus redrew state House and Senate districts.

"This was the big issue of the year," Richner said. In 1992, when 1990 Census data resulted in

redistricting nationwide, nearly every state faced legal challenges regarding reapportionment. Last year in Michigan, however, the measure rolled through Lansing. Only a couple of challenges have been filed in court.

"People expected redistricting was going to be a bloody battle," Richner said. "It turned out to be relatively amicable. We came up with a good, fair, legally valid plan. There was some griping, but no more than one would expect."

The Pointes' new congressional district, No. 13, remains overwhelmingly Democratic. It contains nearly half of Detroit and all of Ecorse, but extends downriver into River Rouge, Lincoln Park and Wyandotte. Downriver voters have been likened to the Reagan Democrats who have made Macomb County

coveted territory for national candidates of both major political parties.

"The (revised) district is basically (Democratic Rep. Carolyn Cheeks) Kilpatrick's present district (No. 15)," Richner said, "but it brings in all the Grosse Pointes, where half of the Pointes had been part of (Democratic Rep. John) Conyers' district (No. 14)."

As for representation in the state senate, the Grosse Pointes' and Harper Woods' district has also been altered.

"It runs from Grosse Pointe and northeast Detroit to include Hamtramck and Highland Park, which are not in our current state senate seat," Richner said.

The state house district made it through the process virtually unchanged.

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Tech stock balloon continues to let out hot air

For the DJI, last week was two "up" days (+141 and +126) and one "down" day (-99), for a net gain of 159 points, or 1.6 percent, closing last Friday at 9,903, prior to the three-day holiday weekend.

But the Dow did top the magic 10,000 level again for a day last Thursday, only to be taken down again on Friday by IBM's 5-point bath, which was attributed to a NY Times article asserting that Big Blue had padded its 4th-quarter earnings by including a \$300 million non-recurring gain on the sale of a subsidiary. Naughty! Naughty!

The NASDAQ composite came up short last week with two "up" days vs. three "down" days, for a net skid of 14 points, or 0.8 percent. Friday's 38-point loss was disappointing.

As expected, the NASDAQ 100 drifted 15 points lower to close at 1,437, down 1.1 percent.

In the tech area, the telecom sector was especially hard-hit with Global Crossings' bankruptcy and Qwest's bond rating downgrade.

Financial services stocks continued under pressure last week. JP Morgan (JPM, about 30.05, off 1.07 last week) admitted billions of dollars of loans outstanding to Kmart (KM, about 99 cents); Enron (delisted) and Global Crossings (delisted) - all in Chapter 11 bankruptcy.

Another holiday The stock markets were closed again last Monday, Feb. 18, to observe President's Day.

Not much observance was noted, but this "minor" holiday shut down most banking, plus all the post offices

and courts. The three-day weekend was a bonanza for the travel and entertainment industries, but created havoc with industrial production.

February, with only 28 calendar days, normally would have only 20 work days.

Thus, this paid holiday reduces factory output by 5 percent.

The other nonproductive "minor" holidays include Martin Luther King Day, Good Friday and Veteran's Day. The Irish, of course, would include St. Patrick's Day!

'Enronitis,' continued

The Congressional Hearings in Washington aired on TV every day last week. The officials didn't do much "hearing," since they were "grandstanding" most of the time.

To a politician, the only thing that matters is to be "on-air" with CNN, or one of the big networks. After all, anything is better than C-SPAN.

Too bad that "Senator Claghorn" is gone. Do you remember when he (Kenny Delmar, the actor) was an occasional guest on the Fred Allen radio show in the early 1940s? The Senator's catch line was, "That's a joke, son."

It seems to LTS that the Enron secrets were not so secret at all.

The Marlin and Osprey Limited Partnerships involved a cast of hundreds, including the auditors (Arthur Anderson); the commercial bankers (JP Morgan, Chase Manhattan and Citibank); the investment bankers (Citi group, Credit Suisse First Boston and Deutsche Bank Alex Brown); and the law firms (Vinson & Elkins in Houston and several prominent Wall Street firms).

The concept of off-balance sheet partnerships was not invented by Enron. Such partnerships had been com-

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mon for years in certain industries, especially entertainment and wildcatting for oil and gas.

But the real "players" were a tight-knit group of creative investment bankers, known as "structured finance."

In the late 1990s, Enron and several other companies pioneered the concept of pledging their own common stock as a "back-up guarantee" for the partnership bonds, which were then sold as "private placements" to institutional investors.

Such "private placements" do not require registration with the SEC, and can be marketed without the "full disclosure" of a "Prospectus."

But even the knowledgeable, sophisticated institutional investors were hesitant to purchase the partnership bonds, including the stock "kicker," without a "bond-rating" from the rating agencies.

To satisfy the credit rating agencies, the stock "kicker" was structured to require additional shares of stock to be deposited, under a formula which involved two "triggers":

- (1) the future downgrading of the bonds' credit rating to a below-investment grade ("junk" bonds), and
- (2) the stock price to have dropped 30 percent from the time of bond issuance.

With an investment-grade bond rating in hand, the investment bankers marketed \$4 billion in bonds, at a handsome placement fee. And yes, the "triggers" were "triggered" in Dec. 2001, when the bankruptcy papers were filed. Many of these partnership bonds are still held by many mutual fund bond funds (not money market funds).

Was Enron really a secret? Maybe it was like LTS' friend said, "I can keep a secret. It was just the person

I told it to, who couldn't keep the secret!"

Derivatives

The most common "Derivatives" available to individual investors are Option Contracts and Futures Contracts. Both trade in fast-moving markets dominated by professionals.

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to the specified time. The seller of a Put hopes the stock price will hold above the "strike price," enabling him to pocket the premium received when the Put was sold, without having to buy in the underlying stock.

The above option terms are courtesy of Barron's (Feb. 18).

The Center for Derivatives Research, in Washington, DC, reports that exchange-traded Derivatives' volume in 2001 was \$19.5 trillion.

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By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer
The futuristic fountain in the Edward H. McNamara-

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Susan Neilson of Grosse Pointe Woods has been nominated by President George W. Bush to the 6th Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals.

Neilson is a Wayne County Circuit Court Judge. Before joining the bench, she worked for the law firm of Dickinson, Wright, Moon, Van Dusen & Freeman. She practiced in civil litigation, including defense of product liability claims, defense of general negligence claims, medical malpractice defense, insurance defense, and commercial litigation.

A graduate of the Wayne State University Law School, Neilson belongs to the Federalist Society and the Eastside Republican Club. She is past president of the local chapter of Soroptimist International and coordinates volunteer activities at the Children's Home of Detroit.

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Jacobson's: Store sees growth and change in the Village



Above, the Jacobson's Grosse Pointe store today remains the anchor of the Village and one of the company's strong producing stores, according to company officials.

Below, in 1950, Jacobson's had expanded its operations, moving into neighboring buildings next to its original location in the former Tuttle and Clark jewelry store at the corner of Kercheval and St. Clair.



By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

In 1939, Cincinnati retailer Nathan Rosenfeld and his brother, Zola, purchased a small group of women's specialty stores with the vision of expanding its selection of fine products and attentive service throughout areas in Michigan outside of Jackson, Battle Creek and Ann Arbor. They looked for areas that represented growth, such as East Lansing, Grand Rapids and Birmingham.

In 1944, the Rosenfelds opened their ninth Jacobson's store in the Village in the City of Grosse Pointe. And through the years, along with Jacobson's growth, came the growth and development of the Village and the surrounding community.

Despite the limitations of wartime economy and construction, the Rosenfelds happened upon the recently constructed and vacant Tuttle and Clark jewelry store on the corner of Kercheval and St. Clair.

As a young girl who used to shop with her mother in the Village, Grosse Pointe Historical Society curator Jean Dodenhoff remembered the early days of Jacobson's and its expansion in the Village.

"There was Mrs. Peppert's which was a linen store," Dodenhoff recalled. "Then there was Proper's, which was a men's store, which may have moved into Mrs. Peppert's. Then there was the Treasure Chest. Jacobson's moved into those stores. There was a big to-do about it. The company wanted the front to look like Tuttle's and there were people who thought it should not be changed."

Eventually, the clean, crisp alabaster facade of the old Tuttle and Clark building took over two-thirds of the block, which housed the expanding Jacobson's store. During that time, Jacobson's also acquired buildings for its fabric and home stores

across the street.

In the early 1970s, Jacobson's acquired the remaining buildings on the block of its main store and tied it all together with a Williamsburg facade, which reflected the style and the tone of the surrounding community.

According to Jacobson's spokesman Frederick Marx, acquiring property was just as much a key to Jacobson's growing its business as was its focus on merchandise and service.

"The Rosenfelds had a financial as well as a retail background," Marx said. "They understood real estate and neighborhoods. They would buy property for the long-term investment. They were more than just merchants."

Along with ownership came being a member of the community. In the early 1970s, Jacobson's helped the City acquire land behind its main store to construct a three-level parking garage, which opened in 1974.

Bill Huntington, owner of Hickey's/Walton-Pierce, remembered the influence Jacobson's had on its neighboring retailers, including his grandmother's Walton-Pierce salon, which opened a location in the Village in 1947.

"They set a standard that was pretty high for specialty stores like ourselves that had the same kind of individually-based client store," Huntington said. "It's what people came to expect when they came to shop in the Village."

As Jacobson's worked hand-in-hand with city government, they did so with their merchant neighbors.

"They worked along with us in our bridal and fur departments," Huntington said. "They actually used our services until about seven years ago when we had a milliner who made one-of-a-kind bridal veils. From time-to-time they would sug-

gest our businesses locate near them. In 1970, when they opened their first Florida store in St. Armand Circle, they suggested we open a store there, too, to make it a viable shopping center.

"I don't think one was dependent on the other. We complimented each other and Jacobson's had the ability to advertise, promote and influence," Clarence Wascher, the Jacobson's Grosse Pointe store general manager from 1966 to 1986, added. "The key was service to the customer and the commitment to working with other merchants to making the Village viable."

Before, during and after his tenure as general manager, Wascher attributed much of Jacobson's growth and success to its service, its associates and its buyers.

"It was about what the clients wanted and buying according to what their needs were," Wascher said.

Marx added one of Jacobson's strengths has always been micro-merchandizing and paying attention to trends at individual stores.

"Eighty-five to 90 percent of the merchandise in all the stores is the same," Marx said. "But the Grosse Pointe store is more traditional and the customers like more personalized items."

Wascher added: "And the shopping experience was very gratifying. You felt good. You felt elegant. You felt pampered."

Marx further elaborated that many of Jacobson's associates are full-time employees who specialize in personal trade (or personal shopping) for all of its customers and not just the big spenders.

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Tired? Sleep apnea may be disrupting your rest

By Dr. Haranath Policherla
Special Writer

Sleep apnea, a disorder in which breathing stops and starts during sleep, does more than disrupt a good night's rest. It is a potentially dangerous condition that can cause severe daytime sleepiness. It can also cause an increase in blood pressure, raising the risk for heart attack, heart failure and stroke. In addition, sudden death during sleep can occur.

There are two types of sleep apnea — obstructive and central.



Dr. Haranath Policherla

Obstructive, the more common variety, occurs when the muscles in the walls of the throat relax and collapse on themselves, obstructing the flow of air. After 10 to 30 seconds with no air, the sufferer enters a lighter level of sleep, the muscles return to their normal "tense" state, and breathing resumes.

This is often accompanied by snoring or gasping, and can occur 10 times or more an hour, all night long. However, many indi-

viduals are so used to these episodes occurring over and over throughout the night that they don't remember waking and believe they slept well.

Central sleep apnea sufferers are more likely to remember waking. This condition involves failure of the brain to send signals to the muscles that control breathing. The level of carbon dioxide in the blood rises and the person awakens.

Common symptoms of sleep apnea include:

- Excessive daytime sleepiness
- Loud snoring, although some people with sleep apnea don't snore at all
- Observed episodes of discontinued breathing during sleep
- Headaches, especially in the morning

Most people with sleep apnea are over 40 years old and it affects men more often than women. Other risk factors include:

- Being overweight
- Enlarged tonsils or adenoids
- A family history of sleep apnea
- Use of alcohol, sedatives or tranquilizers
- Hypothyroidism (low thyroid)

If you suspect you may have sleep apnea, the first step toward diagnosis is a visit to your family physician or internist. At Bon Secours Cottage Health Services, many physicians refer their patients to the Sleep Center at Cottage Hospital for a sleep study. In fact, sleep apnea is the most prevalent problem the Sleep Center encounters.

A sleep study involves coming to Cottage at 8 p.m. for an overnight stay. Technicians attach monitors and EEG equipment to the patient and he or she goes to bed in a private room, which is comfortable and much like a hotel room. After a night's sleep, which is monitored and recorded, they wake and are served breakfast.

That morning, additional data is collected through a sequence of four naps, and patients go home in the early afternoon.

If the diagnosis is sleep apnea, a CPAP, or continuous positive airway pressure device, can be prescribed. This machine delivers air at a pressure slightly higher than that of the surrounding air through a mask placed over the nose. The pressure keeps upper airway passages open, allowing free breathing through the night. It also prevents snoring.

Patients often return to the Sleep Center for another night's sleep. Technicians adjust the CPAP machine so that just the right amount of air is delivered to the individual. For most patients with moderate-to-severe sleep apnea, use of the CPAP relieves their symptoms.

Therapy for mild sleep apnea can involve a dental device that brings the jaw forward and opens the throat. For those with physical blockages in the air passages, surgery is an alternative.

There are a few simple steps sufferers can take on their own to deal with obstructive sleep apnea. These include losing weight and avoiding alcohol and medications like sleeping pills. In addition, sleeping on one's side or stomach instead of the back, which causes the tongue to rest against the throat and block the airway, can improve symptoms.

If you wake often snorting and gasping for air and find yourself drowsy and sleepy during the day — even after a "good" night's sleep — see your physician. Sleep apnea rarely goes away on its own but is highly treatable once diagnosed.

You'll be sure to enjoy your days to their fullest when your nights consist of uninterrupted, dream-filled sleep.

Dr. Policherla is a Bon Secours Cottage neurologist and medical director of the Sleep Center. For referral to a Bon Secours Cottage physician or for more information about the Sleep Center, call Bon Secours Cottage Physician Referral at (800) 303-7315.

Treatment can curb cycle of crime, substance abuse among inmates

In America, crime and substance abuse are tightly enmeshed.

Research by the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia University (CASA) and the U.S. Department of Justice shows that 80 percent of the 2 million men and women behind bars today — some 1.6 million individuals — are "seriously involved with drug and alcohol abuse."

Not surprisingly, 80 percent of all inmates are incarcerated for drug-related offenses (i.e., either the offender was using alcohol or other drugs at the time of the offense, was committing the crime to buy drugs, or the crime directly involved the sale or distribution of illegal drugs).

Despite the well-documented link between substance abuse and crime, few inmates receive any help at all for their addictive and criminal behaviors.

"There is a profound lack of treatment opportunities for inmates, and that problem has worsened significantly in the last decade," said Susan Turner, PhD, associate director of the criminal justice system at RAND in Santa Monica, Calif.

According to the Department of Justice, at most 20 percent of inmates

with a substance abuse problem have received treatment, and only 40 percent of correctional facilities offer substance abuse treatment.

"If you understand how people behave, it simply makes no sense to just push inmates out the door without the resources to function in society," Turner said. "From a cost-benefit view, if not a compassionate standpoint, treatment makes sense. It's just very expensive to incarcerate people."

How expensive? Costs vary among states, but on average, they fall between \$20,000 and \$25,000 per inmate per year — for an annual total of \$40 billion. The CASA report estimates that providing alcohol/drug treatment and vocational and treatment aftercare would add approximately \$6,500 per inmate to that amount. The savings gained for society as a result of successful treatment, however, far exceeds these costs. If only 10 percent of inmates with substance abuse problems were successfully treated, the economic benefit (in reduced crime; reduced arrest, prosecution, and incarceration costs; reduced health care costs; and more) in the first year after release alone would be slightly more than \$8 billion. That total is more than the \$7.8 billion it

would cost to provide treatment to the entire 80 percent of inmates with alcohol/drug problems.

And for each year that treated inmates remain sober and employed, the economic benefits soar into the tens of billions of dollars — a return on investment to capture the imagination of any businessperson.

But can treatment for criminal and addictive behavior work with this difficult population? After analyzing more than 700 research papers on this topic, Paul Gendreau and Claire Goggin, researchers at the Centre for Criminal Justice Studies at the University of New Brunswick in Canada, found that "effective treatment programs" — those which are behavioral/highly structured in nature and target the criminal attitudes, values, and behaviors of high risk offenders — lowered re-offense rates by 30 percent. These programs did not necessarily address drug/alcohol problems; had they done so, Gendreau and Goggin believe treatment results would have been even more impressive.

"From a clinical and policy perspective, the usefulness of (effective programs) is far from trivial," Gendreau and Goggin conclude. "The old myth propagated by 'nothing works' devotees — that offenders are of such a peculiar psychobiological nature that they are beyond responding positively to interventions designed to reduce criminal behavior — has finally been put to rest."

The approach Gendreau and Goggin found most successful — known as cognitive-behavioral — focuses on clients' thoughts and beliefs and how they affect behavior and on the clients' practice of new behaviors. That focus is right in line with the efforts of Hazelden and the Minnesota Department of Corrections, which have collaborated to develop a new program that treats both addiction and criminal behavior with cog-

nitive behavioral techniques. This comprehensive program will help inmates build the skills and support needed to live a sober, productive life outside prison.

If a key goal of our criminal justice system is to reduce crime and rehabilitate inmates to become productive citizens, then for many substance-abusing and addicted inmates a prison sentence alone is simply not enough.

"The need for more effective treatment is unequivocal," says Jeff Washington, deputy executive director of the American Correctional Association. "Providing prison populations with access to effective treatment programs that address the disorders of criminal thinking and substance abuse concurrently makes great sense and offers an excellent opportunity to give more inmates the help they need."

This chemical health column is provided by Hazelden, a nonprofit agency based in Center City, Minn., that offers a wide range of information and services relating to addiction and recovery. For more resources on substance abuse, call Hazelden at (800) 257-7800 or check its Web site at www.hazelden.org.

Neurologist slated to speak to Parkinson's support group

Dr. Peter A. LeWitt will speak to the Eastside Parkinson's Support Group meeting at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 28, at St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 20475 Sunningdale in Grosse Pointe Woods. People with Parkinson's disease, their families and friends are invited.

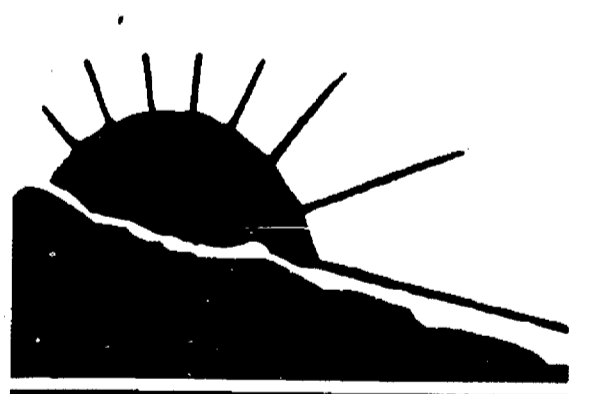
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Notre Dame hockey beats Country Day; captures another MPHL championship

By Bob St. John
Staff writer

Notre Dame's hockey team won its second straight Michigan Prep Hockey League championship last week, blasting Birmingham Country Day 6-2.

"We changed up the lines a bit after Evan (Topor) hurt himself earlier in the week," head coach Kevin McKay said. "Everyone stepped up and played well."

Junior Dave Murray lost his bid for a shutout in the third period, but earned the win, while seniors Patrick Timmons and Joel Maltese scored two goals apiece.

Senior Pat Lipa and sophomore Chris Small also

tallied for the Fightin' Irish. The Irish led 1-0 after the first period and 4-0 after the second. They had a 3-0 advantage before Country Day scored twice in the final few minutes.

"We played a strong team game and beat a pretty solid Country Day squad," McKay said. "We weren't predicted to win our division, yet along play for a championship, but our guys prevailed."

Defensively, junior Steve Simon, sophomore Chris Hentrich, sophomore John Van Oenen and junior Mike Mlynarek were standouts. Earlier in the week, Notre Dame lost a meaningless 4-1

decision to U-D Jesuit. The game didn't mean anything in the standings because the Irish already clinched the division title.

The Notre Dame hockey team finished the regular season 8-1-2 in the Michigan Prep Hockey League and 16-4-3 overall.

Coming up for the Fightin' Irish is a Division III regional first-round game at 7:45 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 26, against Waterford Lakes at Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood.

If the Irish win, they face University Liggett School in a 7:45 p.m. semifinal on Thursday, Feb. 28.

The regional champi-

onship game is at 1:45 p.m. on Saturday, March 2.

Regional preview

Head coach Kevin McKay has his Notre Dame hockey team in a solid position to contend for a Division III regional championship.

The Fightin' Irish haven't won a regional title since they brought back hockey in the early 1990s, but this season might be different.

"All of our kids have gelled to create a true team," McKay said. "We have no egos and all of our

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North skaters tame Wolves for 4-2 win

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North hockey coach Scott Lock was delighted with senior forward Neal Gram's play when he wasn't scoring goals.

So imagine how pleased Lock was when Gram scored twice in the Norsemen's 4-2 victory over Clarkston last week in a game that counted in the Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League standings.

"It was good to see him get some goals," Lock said. "He's been playing some great hockey for us. He just hadn't been putting the puck in the net."

The teams traded first-period goals. Gram opened

the scoring when he one-timed a pass from David Neveux after Mike Mueller forced a turnover by the Wolves.

A North turnover at the blue line resulted in a goal by Clarkston that tied the game at 1-1 later in the period.

"We played great right off the bat, which is something we've done lately," Lock said. "We put a lot of pressure on their goalie and he made some tough saves. Our puck control and zone time was good."

Clarkston took the lead early in the third period on a strange goal. The puck came off the boards behind the net, hit goalie Collin Chase in the back of the head and

fell into the crease. Before Chase realized where the puck was, a Clarkston player tipped it into the net.

Gram tied the game at 2-2 with a power-play goal and Chris Ahee put the Norsemen ahead when he chipped in a pass from Trevor Mallon. Mueller capped the North scoring with a power-play goal.

Neveux finished with three assists and Mallon collected two.

"We played with a lot of intensity and emotion in the third period, especially," Lock said.

The line of Ahee, Patrick Hogan and Ryan Dloski played well for North.

During a 10-day layoff, Lock put together a line of

seniors Chris Barger, Roger Horrie and Andy Scarfone and the trio collected 10 points in a 5-1 victory over Muskegon Mona Shores.

"We were looking for some leadership from the seniors," Lock said. "And with the playoffs coming up, we wanted to give different line combinations a look. That way if we run into injuries, people will be comfortable playing with different line mates."

The Norsemen came out strong and built a 2-0 lead before Mona Shores scored its only goal of the game.

North then answered with three more goals.

Barger led the way with

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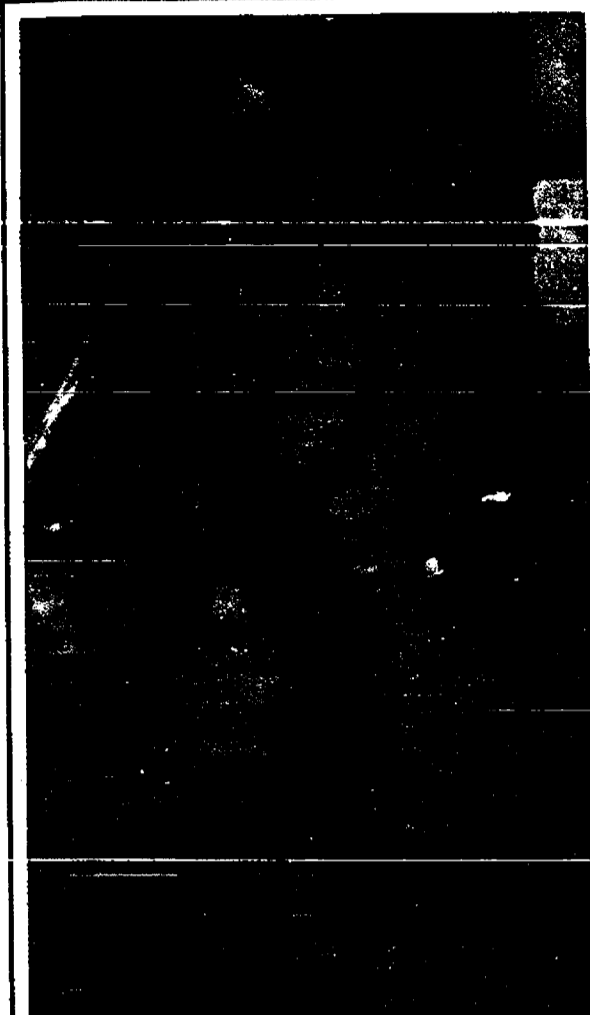


Photo by Ross Sillars

It's a hit

Grosse Pointe North's volleyball team stayed unbeaten in the Macomb Area Conference White Division last week with a 15-7, 15-13 victory over Grosse Pointe South. The Norsemen, who clinched a tie for the division title, will visit second-place Anchor Bay on Feb. 27. A win by North will give it the outright title.

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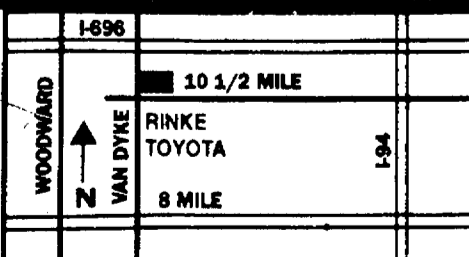
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