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■ The Grosse Pointe Board of Education is asking voters to approve a \$62 million bond on Sept. 24, of which, \$11 million will be used for fine arts improvements. Page 15A.

■ Tom Neil, a counselor at Grosse Pointe North High School and former science teacher at Brownell Middle School, is retiring from his work in the district. Page 14A.

■ The Grosse Pointe Board of Education agreed to continue its declaration of a Study Warning for international student trips during the 2002-03 school year. Page 14A.

■ The Grosse Pointe South 13-year-old Babe Ruth All Star team won all three of its games in the state tournament at Kerby Field. South defeated Grosse Pointe Woods-Shores 10-0 in the championship game. Page 1C.

WEEK AHEAD

Saturday, Aug. 17

The 2002 Summer Show Choir Workshop will hold its Grand Finale Concert at Grosse Pointe South High School at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for students and seniors. For more information, call (313) 343-2133.

Sunday, Aug. 18

The last concert of the season at Grosse Pointe Farms Pier Park will feature the group Serieux, which has played at the Greentown and Windsor casinos. The 2 1/2-hour concert starts at 4:30 p.m. and is open to Farms residents and their guests.

Monday, Aug. 19

Meet Rep. Andrew Richner in the main floor conference room of the Grosse Pointe Farms City Offices from 9 to 10 a.m.

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

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

Tuesday, Aug. 20

The Grosse Pointe Shores Village Council meets in the Shores municipal building at 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 21

Find out how "Volunteering is Rewarding" in part of the Services for Older Citizens' luncheon lecture series at SOC's Neighborhood Club offices at 11:15 a.m.

For more information, call (313) 882-9600.

Ann Compton of ABC News will speak in the first of a two-part lecture series, Coping in an Uncertain World, sponsored by the Wayne County Community College District, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial from 7:30-9:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$30 or \$50 for the series, which includes a lecture by John J. Nance, pilot and aircraft safety analyst, on Tuesday, Sept. 24.

For more information, call (313) 884-7958.

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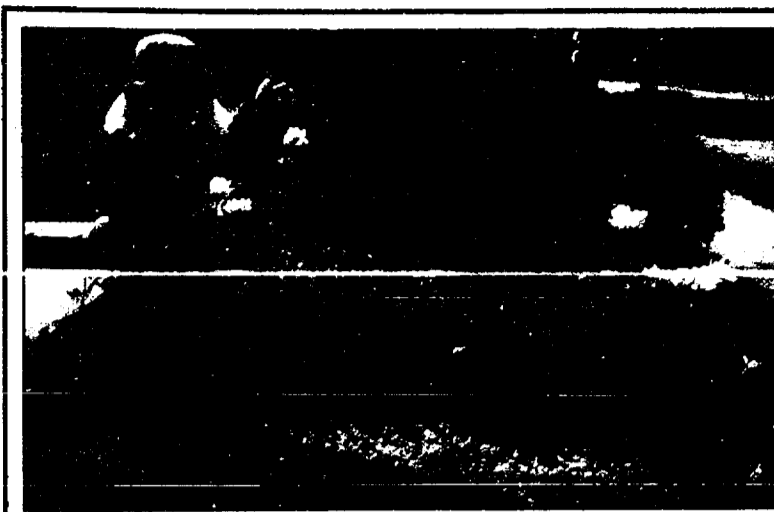


Photo by Will Harnah

Victory garden

Patriotism did not go out of style following World War II. Since 9/11, gardeners in the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods have been showing their true-blue colors. A good red, white and blue garden is this one at Morningside Drive and Heather Lane in Grosse Pointe Woods.

M-DOT: Moross bridge project a no-go for 2002

By Jason Sweeney
Staff Writer

While it won't speed up the completion of any of the other projects, M-DOT has decided that the Moross bridges will not come down this year. "We've officially decided that we're going to pull the Moross Bridge on the current project," said M-DOT spokesman Rob Morosi.

"The reasons behind it are twofold," he said. The first reason lies in the timetable for work a mile north of the proposed bridge work. Planned for a mid-September finishing date, completion of the Vernier bridges was one of the conditions for starting work on Moross.

"We don't want to leave a bridge down all winter without being able to work on it," Morosi said, especially because of the heavy traffic volume and the possible detrimental effect to response time at St. John Hospital.

The second reason, according to Morosi, is one value. When the two-year bridge project from Vernier to I-96 was formulated in 1999, the plan had been to repair the substructure of the two spans.

Morosi said that further investigation has shown the best route to fixing the Moross bridges is to completely raze them and put in new structures.

"We are planning to relet bids for both Moross structures next spring," Morosi said, though he was unsure as to what amount the bid would be for.

While the work at Moross has been canceled, the bridge and resurfacing efforts from 12 Mile to Conner are continuing full-steam.

"We don't want to leave a bridge down all winter. We are planning to relet bids for both Moross structures next spring."

Rob Morosi,
MDOT spokesman

The resurfacing, barring house-keeping punch list items and possible adjustments of drainage, is complete from I-96 to Vernier, and from I-696 to Masonic, Morosi reported. He said contractors are on schedule to have the center portion from I-696 to Vernier completed by Labor Day.

Also promised by Labor Day are the pedestrian bridges in Harper Woods, which serve school children crossing I-94 to reach their classrooms.

"Post Labor Day," Morosi said, "you're looking at the wrapup of mainline and turnaround bridges from 8 Mile to 12 Mile."

The Stephens, Nine Mile, 10 Mile and 12 Mile crews are all on a full schedule.

"What that really leaves for next year is that 90 percent of the work on the roads will take place from 12 Mile to Metro Parkway," Morosi said.

The only vehicle bridge that will be being worked upon west of 12 Mile in 2003 will be the rescheduled Moross bridges.

Voter-approved proposals to cost taxpayers plenty

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

The cost of living in Wayne County is going up—again.

Voters in the county passed millage increases for SMART and special education, which will add 1.77 mills to the winter tax bill.

On a home with a taxable value of \$250,000, the new millages will result in a \$457 increase.

Voters also elected to continue a .9432 jail millage, which will result in the continuation of a \$235 tax bill for that same homeowner.

Overall, voters in the Pointes and Harper Woods rejected Proposal K, a new 1.5 mill increase for Wayne County RESA, which will relieve its general budget of special education funding, by 6,098 to 6,958 votes.

However, municipalities were mixed in the acceptance of the millage. Voters in the City of Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Park and Harper Woods passed it while voters in Grosse Pointe Farms, Grosse Pointe Township and Grosse Pointe Woods rejected it.

The state's intermediate school districts were charged with administering special education services after the Michigan Department of Education dropped its mandates on special education programs last year.

Dr. Pamela Lemerand, director of student services of the Grosse Pointe Public School System, was somewhat surprised by the local vote.

"As much as I know people in the area value education, the vote did surprise me," Lemerand said. "As a Wayne County taxpayer, I saw it as important that every student is entitled to every service. If Proposal A limits the power of the local community, then I believe the responsibility lies with the greater population."

According to Lemerand, the millage will mean the local school district won't have to pull \$600,000 out of its general fund to educate special education students. Yet, the \$600,000 is far less than the \$4.4 million that

area taxpayers will be forwarding to Wayne County RESA.

"We've been in the courts with the state about this for 20 years," said Rose Bogaert, chairman of the Wayne County Taxpayers Association. "If we keep picking up the ball with additional taxes every time a state agency misappropriates the money, they'll think we're a bottomless pit."

The cost of Proposal K to the owner of a home with a taxable value of \$250,000 will be an additional \$357.

Voters in the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods followed suit with the rest of voters in Wayne County in their acceptance of Proposal S—the SMART millage. The proposal renews an existing .33 mill and adds a .27 mill increase to keep the transit system running "as is." Voters in the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods favored the proposal by 6,638 to 6,661 votes.

The passage of the SMART tax proposal thrilled Karen Kendrick-Hands, Park resident and president of Transportation Riders United (TRU).

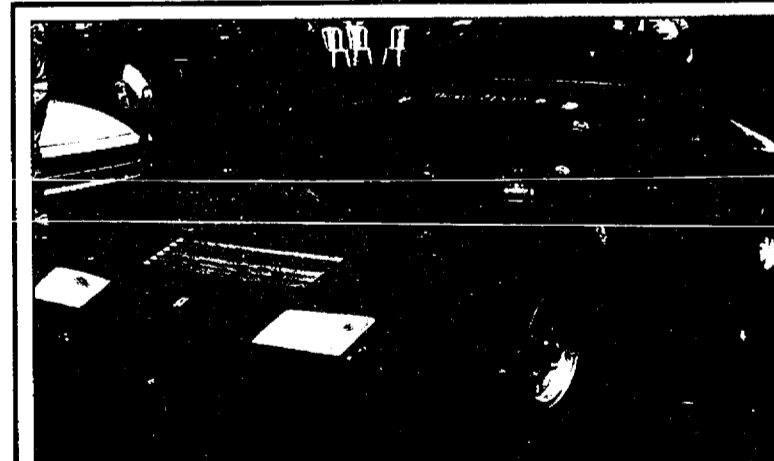
"Members of my family use it, my husband rides the bus four to five days a week, and my housekeeper takes the bus to get here," Kendrick-Hands said. "A lot of people rely on it for services in and out of Grosse Pointe."

But is the \$82 tax increase for the owner of a home with a taxable value of \$250,000 worth it to Kendrick-Hands? "Absolutely," Kendrick-Hands said. "The first time your car breaks down, how much is a loaner? Thirty dollars a day?"

Kendrick-Hands also claimed the millage renewal and increase was necessary since SMART revenue sharing has declined over the years.

Bogaert disagreed. On average, Bogaert said, "From 1990 to 2001, the increase in inflation has been 35 percent. Revenue sharing has gone up 51 percent."

Neither Kendrick-Hands nor Bogaert is alone in their views. See TAXES, page 2A



Love of cars — Italian style

The "Concours Italian Style" Saturday, Aug. 3, was a surprisingly excellent show for a first effort and the beautiful Edsel & Eleanor Ford House grounds were filled with a wide selection of the best of Italian engineering, design and spirit, including this bright red Ferrari 365 GTBB/4 that was shown by Dr. Larry Stephenson of Grosse Pointe Farms. See story in the Automotive section.

POINTER OF INTEREST

Terry Lloyd

Home: Grosse Pointe Park

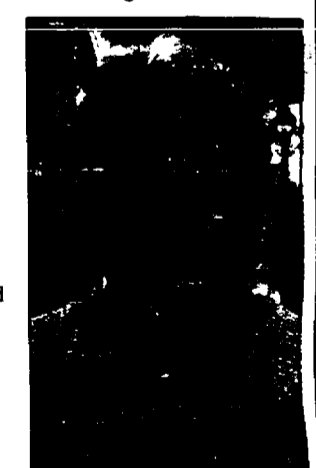
Age: 58

Family: Husband Seth, 55, sons Seth, 23, and David, 20

Occupation: 27-year counselor at Grosse Pointe South High School, recently retired

Quote: "I don't know exactly what I want to do, but I want to do something that is fulfilling."

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Terry Lloyd

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yesterday's headlines

50 years ago this week

■ The conduct of U.S. Army anti-aircraft personnel stationed at the foot of Three Mile Drive is "unbearable," according to residents living nearby.

Neighbors have counter-attacked with a petition to have the military site shut down within 30 days.

■ U.S. Marine Corps Capt. George Schreck of Grosse Pointe Park has been cited for outstanding leadership in the Korean War.

"His aggressiveness and skillful leadership enabled (his) unit to achieve objectives with a minimum of casualties," according to a military citation.

■ Grosse Pointe Park police have confiscated a horse and wagon driven by a 68-year-old Detroit man charged with drunken driving. The man was weaving the cart slowly down Jefferson.

The man asked leniency for the horse saying he, not the animal, had been drinking, and that he — the man — had been unable to guide him properly.

Patrolman Harry Sinkutch, who made the arrest and rode the horse back to the police station, has been dubbed "Hopalong Harry."

25 years ago this week

■ A 55-gallon drum of tar fell off the truck of a roofing company, creating a considerable mess at the intersection of Williams and Stephens roads in Grosse Pointe Farms.

■ Dedication of Grosse Pointe Woods "Veterans Memorial Parkway," in the Vernier median between Mack and the Harper Woods city limit, has been scheduled for this fall.

■ An arbitration ruling is expected this week on the City of Grosse Pointe's controversial plan to consolidate police and fire departments into a unified public safety department.

10 years ago this week

■ Voters in Grosse Pointe Woods have rejected a proposal to increase funding for the city's advanced emergency medical service.

The proposal would have allowed the city to levy up to .8 mills instead of the current .5 mills taxpayers have been paying since 1982, when voters authorized the city to switch from basic to advanced life support protection.

■ Wayne County Community College lost its bid last week to collect a 1-

mill tax for 10 years. School administrators, however, said they will try again in November.

The measure won supported in Detroit but was rejected overwhelmingly in the suburbs. Pointe voters turned it down by almost 3:1.

■ Arnold Palmer was just a kid of 17 when Palmer Heenan won his first golf championship at the Country Club of Detroit.

Arnie's game has slipped some since 1946, but the 70-year-old Heenan is still going strong.

Now mayor of Grosse Pointe Park, Heenan won his fourth club championship in the last six decades.

5 years ago this week

■ A technology consultant to the Grosse Pointe Public School System has recommended "voice mail" be installed in the district.

"It can be very difficult getting in touch with teachers," said consultant James Frantz. "The old pink message slips just don't buy it anymore."

■ The new public high school attendance policy in Grosse Pointe made its debut with a raucous student protest last September. Since then, things have settled down and the tougher truancy policy will continue in the coming academic year.

"We certainly are not going to back off," said Marjorie Parsons, assistant superintendent for curriculum and evaluation.

The policy limits students to 10 absences per semester, or 20 absences per class for the school year.

■ A home in the 1100 block of Maryland in Grosse Pointe Park burned down.

— Brad Lindberg

50 years ago this week



Gubernatorial race all-Pointe affair

This picture was taken in November 1948 when G. Mennen Williams, left, had just been elected to his first term as governor of Michigan, and Frederick M. Alger had been voted back to office as Secretary of State. As candidates of the Democratic and Republican parties, respectively, these two Grosse Pointers will battle it out for the governorship at the general election in November. (From the Aug. 14, 1952 Grosse Pointe News. Photo by Paul Gach.)

City pool open to all Pointes

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

To reciprocate in a neighboring way, the City of Grosse Pointe is extending pool privileges to all Grosse Pointe-area residents Monday, Aug. 19, through Thursday, Aug. 29.

Park Director Diane Zedan said the gesture is a thank you to the Farms, Park, Shores and Woods, which extended pool privileges to City residents while the Neff Park pool and bath-

house was under construction.

The new Neff Park pool and bathhouse opened to City residents on July 3. Zedan said attendance at the new pool has been high.

"They love the three-meter diving board and the wading pool with all of its splash toys," Zedan said.

Park passes are required for admittance into Neff Park. Pool hours are from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Municipal Judge Pierce revs up circuit court campaign

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Lynn Pierce's primary election drive for circuit judge clicked on all cylinders in the Motor City.

Pierce, a municipal judge in two of the Grosse Pointes, beat her rivals in Detroit precincts. Her second-place overall showing qualified her for the November runoff.

The Detroit victory, plus a sweep of the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods, thrust Pierce into the November election against Chris Dingell of western Wayne County.

Countywide, Dingell received the most votes, 99,187, to Pierce's 77,573. Audrey J. Monaghan's third-place finish eliminated her

from the general election.

"I've been working in Detroit for more than a year to set up a foundation. It's paid off," she said. "I will continue a good, positive campaign. All you have is your honesty and integrity."

She's most proud of her overwhelming, 7,478 to 2,199 win over Dingell in the eastside suburbs.

"High voting for me was an endorsement from my community," said Pierce, municipal judge in her hometown of Grosse Pointe Woods and neighboring Grosse Pointe Shores.

"It was the most important endorsement I could get," she said. "It came from people who know me and my reputation. I really appreciate their support."

Pierce has practiced law for 23 years and served 10 years on the bench. She presides as a guest judge in 12 courts on a regular basis.

Dingell, a term-limited Democratic state Senator from Trenton, is an attorney with no judicial experience.

"There's no question that I'm the most qualified candidate," Pierce said, "(especially) when you start getting term-limited senators looking for work who have no experience in the legal profession and whose outlook is partisan."



Judge Lynn Pierce

She hopes to overcome Dingell by attracting Monaghan's backers.

"I'm looking to pick up her support in Livonia, Canton Township, Northville and Plymouth," Pierce said. "I need to make my name a household name throughout the county."

Pierce advocates an independent judiciary.

"I'm not a partisan candidate," she said. "You don't allow anyone to influence you. The judiciary is the third branch of government that tempers what the legislative and executive branches do."

Thank You!

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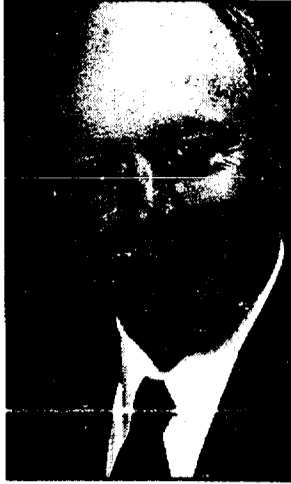
way the county has used jail funds in the past.

"When they first passed the millage, part of it was supposed to be used for a new youth facility, but the money was diverted to recreation funds," Bogaert said. "They put it up late in the third year."

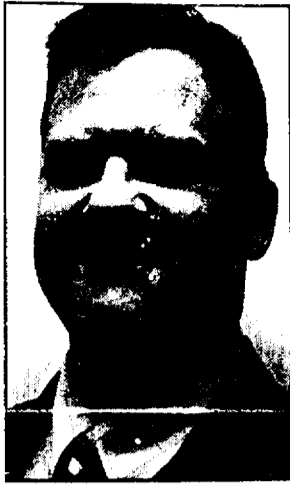
Bogaert said the taxpayers association lobbied against all three millage proposals.

"We said to vote 'no' on all three based on the way they were presented, the amounts they were asking for and the way they've used funds in the past," Bogaert said. "The suburbs will be assuming the greatest risk for services they don't use. It's going to be very expensive. It's sad more people didn't come out to vote."

Bogaert took issue to the



Edward Gaffney



David Putrycus

Primary sets tone for hot GOP/Dem race in November

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

Highly-contested governor and county executive races led to a high and highly-Democratic turnout in the Aug. 6 primary election.

In the Pointes and Harper Woods, voter turnout ranged from 30.2 percent in Harper Woods to 41.1 percent in Grosse Pointe Township — well above the record-setting 27 percent turnout statewide for a gubernatorial primary election.

"We had a 38 percent turnout, which is pretty high for a primary," said Shane Reeside, Grosse Pointe Farms city clerk. "It was about a 50 percent increase from the last gubernatorial primary in 1998."

Even more surprising was the heavily Democratic turnout in the traditionally Republican district, most notably in the First District House of Representative race.

Democratic candidate David Putrycus led the House race with 5,489 votes in the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods and 6,603 votes in the district. He led the Republican winner, Farms Mayor Edward Gaffney, who came in with the second-highest number of votes — 3,458 in the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods and 3,520 in the district.

"The high Democratic turnout could have been because of the governor and county executive races and the straight party ballot," said Tom McCleary, president of the Eastside Republican Club. "But on the Republican side, we had a hot race for the House of Representative seat."

"I highly suspected there might have been a strong

crossover vote," said Harry Kalogerakos, president of the Grosse Pointe Democratic Club.

The Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods followed suit with the state and Wayne County in their choices for governor and county executive in the straight ticket race.

Democrat state Attorney General Jennifer Granholm got 4,773 votes out of the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods, with U.S. Rep. David Bonior trailing behind with 2,495 votes and former governor James Blanchard with 1,727 votes. Republican Lt. Gov. Dick Posthumus had 5,352 votes out of the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods and Sen. John Joe Schwarz pulled up the rear with 1,752 votes.

Wayne County Sheriff Robert Ficano brought up the Democratic lead in the Wayne County executive race with 5,976 votes in the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods and 208,294 votes countywide. Richard Frederick was the top vote-getter in the Republican Wayne County executive race with 1,739 votes in the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods and 13,567 votes countywide.

"I have a hard time believing their (Gaffney, Steiner and Stempfle) followers would jump ship just to support Bob Ficano," Putrycus said. "This area is ready for a change. There are more independent and informed voters than ever before. I don't think a split ticket will have a profound effect, but we will have a challenge."

"It's time for all the Republicans to gather together," Gaffney said. "If I worked as hard as I did to beat Mary Ellen (Stempfle),

Primary election results 2002

	GPC	GPF	GPP	GPTwp.	GPW	HW	Total
Convention							
Republican							
Dick Posthumus	508	1,215	827	431	1,662	709	5,352
John Joe Schwarz	226	489	323	113	440	161	1,752
Democrat							
James Blanchard	163	197	308	69	471	519	1,727
David Bonior	217	301	519	88	656	714	2,495
Jennifer Granholm	548	763	1,109	153	1,265	935	4,773
County Exec							
Republican							
Clifford Brookins II	51	90	81	22	95	93	432
Willie Cambell	40	68	69	22	80	39	318
Richard Frederick	129	377	257	164	590	222	1,739
C. Edward Gordon	134	255	167	74	295	136	1,061
Democrat							
Robert Ficano	626	800	1,289	198	1,619	1,444	5,976
Norman Wadel	7	8	12	4	23	35	89
Benny Napoleon	67	135	209	21	229	312	973
Dean Pigott	4	1	7	2	8	8	30
Ricardo Solomon	32	32	63	11	51	79	268
David Williams	3	11	10	1	7	19	51
Joe Young	27	27	37	6	46	57	200
Bernard Youngblood	61	109	91	22	144	107	534
First District House of Representatives							
Republican							
Edward Gaffney	334	933	574	298	806	439	3,458
Eric Steiner	109	109	80	38	338	68	781
Mary Ellen Stempfle	284	663	460	187	693	339	2,914
Democrat							
Ronald Diebel	159	214	297	43	382	518	3,007
David Putrycus	440	541	797	137	1,168	946	5,489
Proposal J - Wayne Co. Jail Millage Renewal							
Yes	945	1,541	1,718	384	2,332	1,536	8,456
No	642	1,165	1,143	422	1,808	1,193	6,373
Proposal K - Special Ed.							
Yes	831	1,212	1,493	252	1,744	1,456	6,988
No	783	1,541	1,421	520	2,543	1,291	8,099
Proposal S - Wayne Co. Transit Authority Millage							
Yes	964	1,514	1,811	324	2,234	1,791	8,638
No	652	1,272	1,140	452	2,095	1,050	6,661
State Senate District 2							
Republican							
Jeffrey Schroder	237	532	385	200	756	317	2,427
Democrat							
Martha G. Scott	156	205	328	34	381	420	1,524
County Commissioner							
Republican							
Patrick Pez	532	1,096	743	370	1,408	575	4,734
Democrat							
Christopher Cavanagh	452	637	956	145	1,199	1,260	4,649
Judge of the 3rd Circuit Court							
Republican							
Lynn A. Pierce	668	1,350	1,287	535	2,249	689	7,478
Chris Dingell	221	378	447	72	492	589	2,199
Democrat							
Audrey J. Monaghan	330	420	543	98	492	595	2,478
Detroit Out-county Total							
Chris Dingell	36,208			62,979			99,187
Lynn A. Pierce	42,195			35,378			77,573
Audrey J. Monaghan	20,628			31,249			51,877

Results are unofficial • Highest Votes = Bold

I can beat him (Putrycus). He's a worthy adversary. He's strong, but inexperienced."

"That's stronger than any Democrat has done in any recent state representative election," McCleary said. "Things are shaping up for some pretty competitive races in November."

"I think we have reason to be optimistic for the fall even though voters get to cross party lines," Kalogerakos said. "I think having Jennifer Granholm at the top of the ticket will help Putrycus and if Jennifer Granholm will be successful, she'll have to have a Democratic legislature helping her out."

"He (Putrycus) has a real shot for November," said Putrycus' Democratic counterpart, Ronald Diebel, who brought in 3,007 votes in the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods and 4,277 across the district.

Diebel said he is offering

his support to Putrycus in the November election.

Republican runners-up Eric Steiner and Mary Ellen Stempfle brought in 781 and 2,914 votes in the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods and 807 and 2,990 votes across the district respectively.

"Some people are looking for a change and some people are looking at the Democratic party," Steiner said. "Everyone thinks this is a Republican seat, but with the strong numbers that came out, that may change. Both candidates who made it into the election will have a major battle."

Steiner declined to say whether or not he would lend his support to Gaffney, but said, "I'm honored I had the chance to run and I look forward to serving the people of Grosse Pointe Woods as mayor pro tem."

Stempfle had no comment regarding the election.

Little Lake Twp. gets big GOP vote

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

Every vote counts. Ask James Velt. Thirteen votes got Velt in as Lake Township treasurer in the Aug. 6 primary.

While the number of voters was small, 22 people — 38.6 percent of township voters — came out for the Aug. 6 primary, a percentage well above the state's record-breaking turnout of 27 percent of voters for a gubernatorial primary election.

In other races, every vote counted as well, but unlike the rest of the Pointes, the votes were strongly Republican in Lake Township.

Governor

Dick Posthumus-R: 12
John Joe Schwarz-R: 6
Jennifer Granholm-D: 4

James Blanchard-D: 0
David Bonior-D: 0

U.S. Senator

Andrew Raczkowski-R: 15

Carl Levin-D: 4

12th District U.S. House of Representatives

Harvey R. Dean-R: 10
Jamie Morgan-R: 4
Charles Frangle-R: 0
Sander Levin-D: 3
William Callahan-D: 1
Mario Nesr Fundarski-D: 1

Ninth District State Senate

Cecelia Stevens-R: 14
Dennis Olshove-D: 4

24th District State House of Representatives

Yes: 9
No: 11

Jack Brandenburg-R: 11

William Nearon-R: 4
Frank Benson-D: 3
Thomas Cornfield-D: 1
Yann Iannucci-D: 0

23rd District Macomb County Commissioner

Robert Fraschetti-R: 14
Robert Sawicki-D: 3
Jarrod Fleming-D: 1

16th Circuit Court (Non-incumbent 6-year term)

Diana Druzinski: 7
George Constance: 2
Fred Gibson: 2
John Russi: 1
David Portuesi: 0
Joe Tola: 0

16th Circuit Court (2 new judgeships; one 6-year term & one 8-year term)

Kay Schwarzberg: 8
Matthew Switalski: 4
Tony Viviano: 4
Michael Osaer: 3
Albert Markowski: 1

Probate Judge

Kathryn George: 4
Donald Housey: 3
Patricia Patterson: 2
John Temrowski: 1
Nick Ciamitaro: 0
Paul Platt: 0

State Proposal 02-1

Yes: 13
No: 7

State Proposal 02-2

Yes: 9
No: 9

Macomb County Transportation Millage Proposal

Yes: 9
No: 11

Bricks to beautify Jefferson sidewalks

Brick pavers will replace concrete sidewalks on both sides of lower Jefferson from the Grosse Pointe Park city hall to the Detroit border.

Pavers will match those used at a pocket park on the corner of Jefferson and Pemberton across from the municipal complex.

"The pavers will continue the theme of brickwork," said city manager Dale Krajniak.

The \$63,675 project will be paid from a federal block

grant. "Money was allocated a year ago," Krajniak said. City officials risked having to forgo the grant if the money wasn't spent.

Work has been assigned to WCI Contractors. The company did the brickwork on the pocket park, including a clock tower, and 15 years ago laid pavers in the lower Kercheval business district.

"We've had good experience with them," Krajniak said.

Freep marathon route 'water under bridge'

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

The shoreline along Lake St. Clair will be quieter than anticipated Oct. 6.

Organizers of the Detroit Free Press/Flagstar Bank International Marathon abandoned plans Monday to run part of its 26-mile course through Grosse Pointe Park, the City of the Grosse Pointe and Grosse Pointe Farms.

In a letter dated Monday, Aug. 12, marathon technical director Doug Kurtis said the route will be split between Detroit and Windsor, beginning at Comerica Park and ending at Ford Field.

Because of security concerns after 9/11, Kurtis considered running the course through the Pointes along Jefferson and Lakeshore to Kerby, instead of Windsor, after a 17-year hiatus.

The City of Grosse Pointe City Council granted marathon organizers permission to run the race through the City last month. The Grosse Pointe Park City Council granted its permission last week. The Grosse Pointe Farms City Council

"I loved the old course; I thought it was a wonderful course. But with the fact that they're able to go back to Windsor after the 9/11 incident, I can see how they'd like to have that international flavor."

Keith Hanson, co-owner of Hanson's Running Shop in Grosse Pointe Woods

was scheduled to consider the organizers' request at its Aug. 12 meeting.

"I loved the old course; I thought it was a wonderful course," said Keith Hanson, co-owner of Hanson's Running Shop in Grosse Pointe Woods, who ran in the 1978 and 1998 marathons. "But with the fact that they're able to go back to Windsor after the 9/11 incident, I can see how they'd like to have that international flavor."

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Retired counselor returns to help former students

By Christine Budal
Special Writer

For the first time in a long time, guidance counselor Terry Lloyd will not return to Grosse Pointe South High School this fall as a staff member. After 27 years of service and advice, Lloyd has retired — but not really. “I told my seniors I would come back and work with them,” Lloyd said. “I wanted to help them finish up, and many have already started to contact me.”

This is just one example of her exemplary commitment to people. Friend and fellow counselor Fran Carnaghi said Lloyd has helped more people at South than she may realize, taking care of the faculty as well as the students.

“Our jobs are stressful and she was always there for other people when they needed to vent or debrief,” Carnaghi said. “I think people were sorry to see her go. Losing experienced faculty makes a difference in the school.”

Even though Lloyd officially retired at the end of the 2001-2002 school year, she said she still has plans to see students she began helping three years ago to make some life-altering decisions, ones she herself is facing currently, such as what to do, and where to go. “I don’t know exactly what I want to do,” she said. “I want to do something that is fulfilling.”

Some of her ideas so far, she said, are going into private counseling, helping advise students and families with college decisions. This, she said, is much

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like what counselors tried to do at South; however, private counseling would allow her to give even more help, branching out to working on resumes, life and career goals, and more one-on-one time with students and their families.

“Some families feel they need or want more time planning for college,” Lloyd said, “and people have often asked me if I would do some counseling on the side.”

By no means a definite decision, Lloyd said there are many different things she would like to do, and the difficult part is not filling her free time, but deciding with what.

“I don’t think she is going to be a person to take a ladies lunches out all the time,” Carnaghi said. “I think she will find her niche, and make a difference.”

Always having been interested in politics, Lloyd said she may consider working on a political campaign, and so it will be particularly interesting to her to see how the primaries turn out.

“She (Lloyd) is very creative. Whether it is her needle point, her cooking or her dealing with people, that creativity always comes through,” Carnaghi said.

Lloyd said she loves to observe events happening, and was fortunate to get passes to the Watergate hearings. They were fascinating, she said, and times like those were what made her particularly enjoy Washington, D.C., where

she lived before she moved to Grosse Pointe about 30 years ago.

“There is something about Washington,” she said. “You would have neighbors making headlines. Community affairs in Washington are national affairs.”

Living in Washington put her in contact with many different kinds of people.

“I have always had an interest in people,” Lloyd said.

It was this interest in people that helped her to choose counseling over teaching, she said.

Lloyd said she chose counseling over teaching because she enjoyed working one on one with students, however, Lloyd said some of her most valuable lessons were taught to her from teaching.

“Teaching was the hardest work I ever did,” she said. “A good teacher is wonderful.”

Prior to counseling at South, Lloyd taught for a short amount of time in Alexandria, Va.

“I worked in a school that was considered an inner city school,” she said. “That was a real eye-opener for me, to see how the students came to school lacking so much, many of the things that I had grown up thinking everyone had.”

Seeing how much some people and schools lack has helped Lloyd be incredibly grateful for the wealth of resources Grosse Pointe Schools have, including the parent and community involvement.

“I think I learned the importance of good volunteers and the difference they make. Not only does it make the kids and staff feel valued, but it provides oversight that makes people work harder,” Lloyd said.

Unlike many other communities, people are always coming back to Grosse Pointe, so she has had the opportunity to see many of her students after they have left South.

“I love to see how they grow up,” she said. “That is one great thing about this community: People do not move away.”

Some of her finest memories, she said, are of the students whom so many people gave up on, but who went on to completely turn their lives around. Lloyd said past students often write or come and visit, showing her how they have changed for the better.

It is her experience and knowledge of working with students and situations of all kinds that helped to make her such a wonderful asset to the school, Carnaghi said.

“In addition to her dedication, care and concern, I would say she is absolutely unafraid to advocate for her students on any issue she feels strongly about, and with the kind of aggressive-

ness that makes people stop and listen to her points of view,” Carnaghi said. “That is not something everyone is willing to do.”

Anne Mabley, a long time friend of Lloyd’s, is also a counselor at South. Mabley said Lloyd’s experience and prior knowledge helped many students make decisions.

“She (Lloyd) has more than 27 years of background and experience,” Mabley said.

“Situations turn around and improve — and she has seen the positive outcomes from working through difficult situations.”

She is an expert, Mabley said, at helping students find a school that is the right fit for them.

“What will be missed is her deep understanding of colleges, which has helped so many students,” Mabley said. “She has a wealth of information on colleges, and she can really direct kids in the right direction.”

Mabley said Lloyd also helped give her direction, when she first decided to go into counseling. Lloyd was her mentor at South she said, and taught her many of the things classes could not.

“I don’t think they (classes) fully address the frustration you will experience with

running out of time,” Lloyd said. “They don’t prepare you for the lack of time or the amount of paper work and clerical work you have to do.”

Lloyd said she never anticipated working this long. Originally, she said, she thought she would work until she had a family. However, after her sons were born, she wanted to go back, and realized how much she enjoyed her job.

Together with her husband, Seth, Lloyd has two sons: Seth, 23, who recently graduated from Princeton University, and David, 20, a junior at Cornell University. “You can’t counsel your own kids well,” Lloyd said. “But, I think being a parent and a counselor at the same time helped me appreciate the role of the parent.”

Currently, Lloyd is doing several of the things she enjoys most, spending time with her family.

Traveling has taken her all over the world. Places of interest to her include Nepal, India, Japan and Thailand. This week, Lloyd is touring Europe with her family.

“I like to see what I read about in the papers,” she said. “I love to travel, and it makes me sad that right now there are areas of the world that I can’t go to.”

She loves to learn, and is an avid reader. One of the things she has enjoyed most since retiring is having enough time to sit down and read the entire newspaper, she said.

Lloyd lives in Grosse Pointe Park with her husband.

“I don’t think she is going to be a ladies lunches out all the time. I think she will find her niche, and make a difference.”

Fran Carnaghi,
counselor

Sewer case ripend

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Nearly seven weeks after backed-up sanitary sewers flooded more than 100 basements in Grosse Pointe Woods, the prospect looms of a class-action lawsuit by homeowners.

Residents had 45 days to file claims against the city, but the deadline for legal action has not expired.

“Once a claim is filed, you can file suit anytime up to three years,” said attorney Phillip Bozzo of Macuga & Liddle. Bozzo has been exploring legal action on the part of affect-

ed homeowners.

Bozzo said the issue has entered the “adjustment phase.”

He said claims adjusters have been investigating homes damaged when a pump house on Torrey road quit working during a heavy rain June 21.

Woods officials, citing the prospect of legal action, have not commented on why the pumps failed.

If adjusters resolve matters to the satisfaction of residents, the issue will be over.

“If not,” Bozzo said, “we shall file a civil claim.”

Shores gets fire grant

The Grosse Pointe Shores Department of Public Safety has received a fire equipment grant from the 2002 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program.

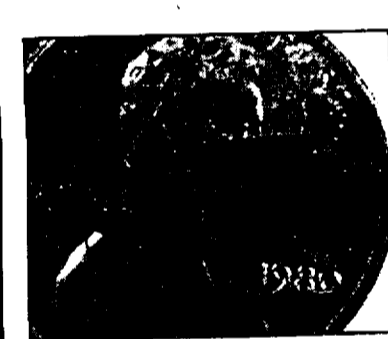
The \$27,104 grant will be used to purchase fire turnout equipment for all of the 21 members of the department. Turnout equipment includes coats, bunker pants, boots and gloves. The equipment that is being replaced is over 15 years old.

The grant program is designed as an opportunity for the U.S. Congress to work with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to enhance basic fire service delivery.

Over 5,000 departments will receive over \$360 million to support fire protection, EMS delivery, vehicle purchases and prevention programs.

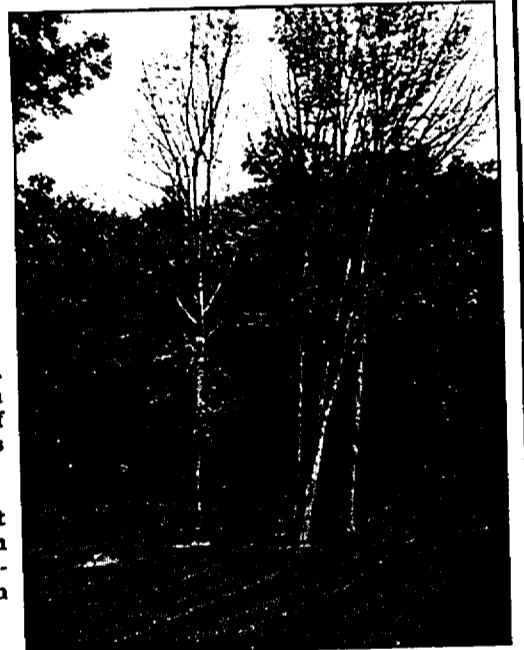
The Shores was one of over 19,000 departments that applied for grant awards this year.

Emerald ash borer: beetles potential killers, infestation puts local trees at risk



These ash trees have been infested with the emerald ash borer, a beetle native to Asia. If infested and untreated, ash trees will die in two to three years.

The emerald ash borer is bright green and about 3/8- to 5/8-inch long. A sign of infestation is a D-shaped exit hole in the bark of an ash tree.



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Louise S. Warnke
City Clerk

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Woods to plant more than 150 trees

A surprisingly low bid from a landscape nursery means Grosse Pointe Woods planners can increase their annual planting program by nearly 40 trees.

“With this low bid from Tom’s Landscape and Nursery on Callery pears, we will be able to plant 120 pear trees,” said Joseph Ahee, director of public works.

Tom’s low bid of \$182 per pear tree beat two competitors, including a top bid of \$275 per specimen.

Ahee had expected the department’s \$25,000 planting budget would accommodate only 82 pear trees. The 2002 fall tree program will include 12 dawn redwoods at \$255 each.

Woods officials bought trees from Tom’s last year.

“They planted beautiful trees in a very efficient manner,” Ahee said.

— Brad Lindberg



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Best story of the year in Pointes

The best story of the year was printed in the Grosse Pointe News recently. It was the story about the Carroll family. It appeared Aug. 1 on Page 2B and was written by staff writer Bonnie Caprara. The Carrolls are not generations-long Grosse Pointers. They are not lifelong Pointers. They are strangers here. But their story is one of which all of Grosse Pointe should be proud. Early last spring, newlyweds Margie and Rand Carroll moved to Grosse Pointe Farms. They bought a fixer-upper on Merriweather. They knew no one here. Rand was from New Mexico. Margie grew up in New York. Their road to Grosse Pointe began when Rand, who was employed by the Internal Revenue Service, began considering a transfer to Detroit. He "researched" the area by taking

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a subscription to the Grosse Pointe News. He so liked what he read and learned about our community that he told his wife, "If we're going to do this right, we're moving to Grosse Pointe." They had only been in their home 3 1/2 months with a 17-month-old daughter when unimaginable tragedy struck — Rand was killed in a motorcycle accident while visiting back home in New Mexico. Suddenly, Margie Carroll found herself alone in a strange town, far from family, and left to raise an infant daughter as a single mother. But the story has a happier ending. Unsure whether to stay here or move back home, Margie took her daughter, Kathleen, to New York in late June and early July for a 3 1/2-week visit. On the way back to Grosse Pointe,

Margie spend a night in Ohio. She did not want to return to an empty house. She didn't. When she got back to her Farms home, she discovered neighbors and strangers had spent some time there. In fact, they re-landscaped, built a playhouse and a slide in the backyard, put in a new kitchen floor and had fresh flowers. Margie Carroll's sad story was spread by neighbor Cyndee Harrison. She sent e-mails out to friends. Before long, she had a score of volunteers and four landscaping companies donating materials and labor. Harrison thought at the time, "Wouldn't it be nice if she came back to find her house smiling back at her?" The most remarkable thing is that most of the Good Samaritans did not

know the Carrolls. But they pitched in because of the type of people they are. They're a community; they're Grosse Pointers. "It cheered me up," said Margie Carroll. "It made me feel that everything would work out. My family wants me to come back to New York, but I love my house, and my neighbors are so wonderful." We hope the Carrolls remain part of the Grosse Pointe family. But even if they cannot, they will certainly remain loyal ambassadors, thanks to the kindness they found here. What makes this story so important is the uncertainty and lack of integrity we live with today. Everywhere we look, we see stories of corporate and individual corruption and greed. We seem to be living at a time when people blame others for their own shortcomings rather than taking personal responsibility. Too often we see a lack of respect for authority. We blame the teacher, the principal, the pastor or the policeman rather than ourselves or our children. But the Carrolls' story is one of pure selflessness. No one had anything to gain, yet they helped people they didn't know. That is why this is the best story of the year.

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Restrooms should be open!

To the Editor:
 Since 1954 when Bennie Nikolich founded the Harper Woods Little League until now, the city of Harper Woods has been known as a baseball city. During this time we have had some great teams come out of this program, even won some state championships. It goes without saying that the Little League is the glue that keeps this city together; every summer, family, friends and neighbors all meet up at Johnston Park to watch their kids play ball. It's good knowing that the children of Harper Woods have a place and a program to go every summer. Most parents wonder where their children are during the summer months, but here in Harper Woods, all you have to do is go to the park and our kids are there. Some of them are playing ball, some of them are watching their friends play ball and some are just up there while their brothers or sisters play ball. It's a safe and friendly place to be. Everyone knows

everyone, and we all watch out for our kids. Even the police come up on their lunch break to grab a hot dog and pop while they patrol the city. Johnston Park for some reason is being used less and less each year. During the month of April when our kids practice up at the park, neither restrooms are open, making it hard on the parents, who come to watch and who bring younger siblings, as well as the players who are there practicing. The parks and recreation people say they can't afford an employee there to keep the restrooms open. During baseball season, the restrooms are open as long as there is a game going on, but once the game is over, everything closes up. So if you go up to the park after 6 p.m. on a Saturday with your family for a picnic or to play on the playground equipment and you or your children have to use the restroom, you are out of luck. I feel that a park is a place to go and have fun with your friends and family and that once you get there you shouldn't have to worry about the restrooms being locked. Most other cities

keep their restrooms open during the summertime. From Memorial Day through Labor Day, the park should be open to the public. Johnston Park isn't. Why? Also, once the Little League season is over, the baseball diamonds are no longer available for use. Parks and Rec will not let you on a diamond; as a matter of fact, they have all the diamonds locked from the end of July through the month of August. The kids would still like to play ball. Just because Little League is over doesn't mean baseball is done; baseball is a summer sport. The park is for the people to be used by the people. I would rather have my kids up at the park instead of them being down on Kelly or roaming Eastland Center. Parks and Rec say they have a policy. All you have to do is call and reserve a picnic or use of the park, but when you call, they tell you they won't open the restrooms or diamonds for just one party. These are public facilities and should always be open for one as well as 101. With a budget of \$550,000 plus income from a number of sources — e.g., Little



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League, Regina, Lutheran East, St. Peter, Notre Dame, women's softball, floor hockey, basketball and the family fun nights — you would think keeping the park open during the summer from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. would not be a problem. Harper Woods has a beautiful park. Let's be able to use it, not only for baseball, but for whatever might be the case.

Sal Cilluffo
 St. Clair Shores
Editor's note: The letter writer has a child living in Harper Woods.

Near this hazardous scene a young boy sat on his bike, intrigued by the sight. Seeing this reminded me of an incident several years ago when a young boy rode his bicycle over a fallen electrical wire on a public sidewalk. Miraculously, he was thrown from the bike and able to get up and run home. I often wonder about his state of health after his "brush with death." I reported the unguarded danger on Cook Road to the public safety department. A couple of hours later, the area was still unguarded and a section of the caution tape was removed near the driveway adjoining the residence, and a vehicle was parked in the driveway directly near the sparking electrical wire. I wonder if the passenger(s) of the vehicle stepped over the wire to enter the residence. Also, a large section of the caution tape was lying on the ground and could have misled a child rushing to play on the toys at the school's playground into thinking there was not a hazard in that location. When it comes to public safety, frustration over such convoluted priorities is enough to cause anyone with common and safety sense to get heated with anger and desire a cold drink, the kind you could buy for a quarter from a kid's lemonade stand!

Rosalind McHale
 Grosse Pointe Woods

al in all she endeavors to do, so it did not surprise me or the children that she would be so giving to the children in Africa. By going on this trip, Ms. Ryan was able to demonstrate to the children of Kerby and put into action the importance of caring for others. It was disheartening to learn that as a result of this trip, Ms. Ryan was not going to be allowed to return to Kerby in the fall. Although many parents have signed petitions, attended school board meetings and protested this transfer, the school has not responded favorably by reinstating Ms. Ryan to her class at Kerby. Hopefully, after reading Jennie Miller's wonderful article, the school will reconsider their position, and welcome Ms. Ryan back.

Betsy Mellos
 Grosse Pointe Farms

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.

Asset No. 26: caring — young person places high value on helping other people.

Ideas for parent(s):
 Regularly spend family time helping others. It is tremendously inspiring for kids to see their parents helping others and to know that they can make a difference too.

Instead of spending money on holiday gifts for each other, identify a family in need. Work together as a family to compile a list of gifts and necessities and shop for them together.

Establish an atmosphere of mutual caring and helpfulness in your home. Work closely with your community to identify opportunities for young people to serve others. Invite youth to brainstorm service ideas.

Ideas for young people:
 Show that you care in simple, everyday ways. Do small acts of kindness for your friends, classmates and teachers. Say something nice. Leave a small gift, or a thoughtful note in a friend's locker or on a teacher's desk. Get to know people who are different from you and learn about their lives. Be a friend to a handicapped or lonely child in your school. Try to make your home a place where people care about and help each other. Volunteer with a national helping organization such as Habit for Humanity or the American Red Cross.

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Smoldering

To the Editor:
 It was reported in the July 18 Grosse Pointe News that a Grosse Pointe Woods public safety officer recently removed and destroyed a child's advertisement for a lemonade stand posted on public property because it violated city code. Reading this, I recalled an incident when a public safety officer came to my residence several years ago to return a similar sign that my young entrepreneurial son and his friend had taped to a telephone pole. On the same day that I read about the lemonade-sign lawbreaker, I noticed a fallen electrical wire smoldering on the public sidewalk near the back entrance of a residence located on Cook and Holiday roads and very near the playground at Montieith Elementary School. The area was taped off with yellow caution tape, but nowhere in sight was there a public safety officer to protect innocent children who frequent the playground or residents who may have exited the nearby house unaware of the haz-

ard. Near this hazardous scene a young boy sat on his bike, intrigued by the sight. Seeing this reminded me of an incident several years ago when a young boy rode his bicycle over a fallen electrical wire on a public sidewalk. Miraculously, he was thrown from the bike and able to get up and run home. I often wonder about his state of health after his "brush with death." I reported the unguarded danger on Cook Road to the public safety department. A couple of hours later, the area was still unguarded and a section of the caution tape was removed near the driveway adjoining the residence, and a vehicle was parked in the driveway directly near the sparking electrical wire. I wonder if the passenger(s) of the vehicle stepped over the wire to enter the residence. Also, a large section of the caution tape was lying on the ground and could have misled a child rushing to play on the toys at the school's playground into thinking there was not a hazard in that location. When it comes to public safety, frustration over such convoluted priorities is enough to cause anyone with common and safety sense to get heated with anger and desire a cold drink, the kind you could buy for a quarter from a kid's lemonade stand!

Rosalind McHale
 Grosse Pointe Woods

Out of Africa

To the Editor:
 My children, Carly and Christian, had Ms. Laura Ryan as a teacher for second grade at Kerby School. Ms. Ryan is a one-of-a-kind teacher. She is kind, smart, giving and mostly exception-

Thanks for support

To the Editor:
 A huge thanks to the Grosse Pointe Rotary Club for financing "Just Kids," a summer program of educational, therapeutic and recreational activities for special-needs children, hosted at the Neighborhood Club. This summer 38 children each received 40 hours of instruction. We are grateful for Rotary's kindness and incredible financial support. We couldn't have done it without you. Special thanks to the Neighborhood Club for opening their doors again to the kids who need it most. We appreciate your belief that all kids count.

Jeanne M. Lizza
 Volunteer Coordinator
 Just Kids

Is cigarette smuggling to Michigan funding terrorism?

By James A. Damask

You may have seen the ads from the Office of National Drug Control Policy: "Drug Money Supports Terror." In the ads, teenagers fictitiously describe how their drug habit caused drug-related murder and mayhem.

Finally, as one teenager confesses, "I didn't really kill these people. I just kinda helped." The claim that drug trafficking funds terrorism has always been tenuous. But today there is another claim that has far more credibility and evidence: Sky-high cigarette taxes fund terror.

On July 21, 2000, 13 months before the World Trade Center attack, FBI agents raided a house in Charlotte, N.C., in an action dubbed "Operation Smokescreen." Inside they found cash, weapons (including shotguns, rifles and an AK-47), documents

written in Arabic — and cigarettes. Lots of cigarettes. It appears that the North Carolina safehouse was used as a base for smuggling cigarettes. The smuggling operation exploited the tax differential between North Carolina, which has low cigarette taxes at 5 cents a pack, and Michigan, with high taxes at 75 cents a pack.

Allegedly, the smugglers would drive the 680 miles from Charlotte to Detroit in a rented van with 800 to 1,500 cartons of cigarettes purchased with cash in North Carolina. The cigarettes would then be sold to Arab-owned convenience stores in Detroit, which sold them to customers. According to the U.S. Attorney, each trip — which required absolutely no special skills for the 13-hour drive — would net \$3,000 to \$10,000. The profits would

then be shuttled back to Charlotte.

And here's where the pipeline to terrorism comes in: The homeowner and recipient of the profits was none other than Mohamad Youssef Hammoud, an individual with alleged links to Hezbollah in Lebanon.

Of course you know Hezbollah (which means "Army of God" in Arabic) from news reports as one of those groups the U.S. State Department has designated as a "foreign terrorist organization." This is the group responsible for the 1983 bombing of the Marine barracks in Beirut that killed 241 U.S. servicemen

Hezbollah has connections with Osama bin Laden's Al-Qaeda organization, which masterminded the Sept. 11 operation, and the Al-Aqsa Martyrs Brigades, which carried out many of the recent homicide bombings in

Israel. Together, they've declared "jihad" or, "holy war" on the United States.

Those \$10,000 trips added up. In just one year, Hammoud deposited \$737,318 in one bank account, while paying for houses, luxury cars and other goods with cash. It's likely that millions of dollars were made on the smuggling operation between 1995 and 1999.

But Hammoud was not the only one with connections to Hezbollah. He arranged for weekly meetings with other Hezbollah members in the Charlotte area, including Mohamad Harb, a Lebanese-born, naturalized U.S. citizen. Harb pleaded guilty on Feb. 25 of this year to conspiring to funnel cash, weapons and supplies to Hezbollah.

Here's the list of what the U.S. Justice Department claims Harb purchased and sent to Hezbollah: night-

vision goggles, cameras and scopes, surveying equipment, global positioning systems, mine and metal detection equipment, video equipment, advanced aircraft analysis and design software, laptop computers, stun guns, radios, mining, drilling and blasting equipment, radars, ultrasonic dog repellers and laser range finders.

Government agents suspect that all of these supplies were bought with profits from smuggling cigarettes. It is estimated that fully one-fourth of all cigarettes sold worldwide are now smuggled from low-tax areas to high-tax areas to reap the criminal's reward for government intervention in matters best left to the private sector.

Michigan recently increased Michigan's cigarette tax to \$1.25 a pack. Such an increase makes smuggling and smuggler

profits far more lucrative.

European officials have charged that the Russian mafia, Hezbollah and even Saddam Hussein have profited from cigarette smuggling, an activity some call more profitable than narcotics trafficking. Richard Fox, an agent with the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, told CNN following the North Carolina raid that cigarette smuggling is "a crime of national significance."

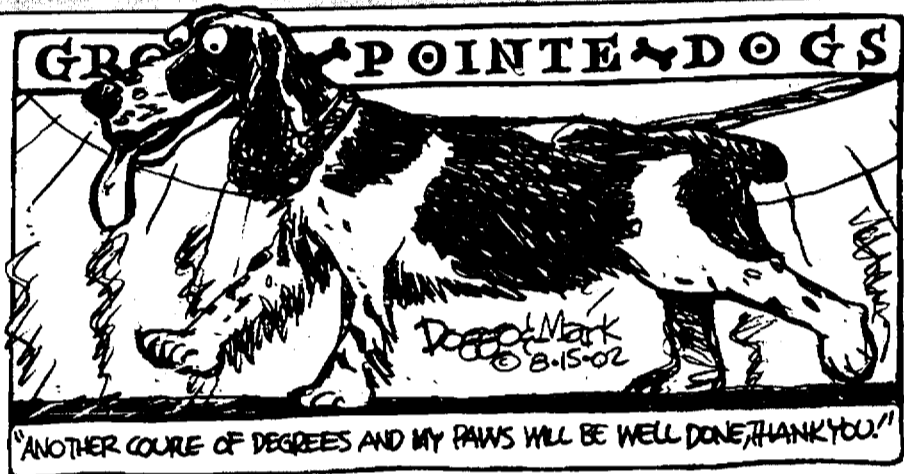
We can't know for certain whether increased cigarette taxes in Michigan will contribute to more terrorism. But, as the ads say, we may rightfully wonder if they would "just kinda help."

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Streetwise

Question of the Week:

What is one fun thing you have done with your family that you would recommend other families doing together?



Helene Davis

"The last few weeks we have been going bowling together and having a great time — from our college student to our youngest!" — Helene Davis, Grosse Pointe Park.



Dr. Kim Lee

"The Detroit Science Center. My kids are 6, 4 and 3 and they have a hands-on section for younger kids that we just loved! Today, we had a picnic and read a book together under a tree. Sometimes it's just the simple things." — Deborah Minano, Grosse Pointe Farms.

"We all used to go to the War Memorial Wednesday concerts together. That's a nice family event. We really enjoyed that." — Dr. Kim Lee, Grosse Pointe Park (father of 10).



Alison Cory

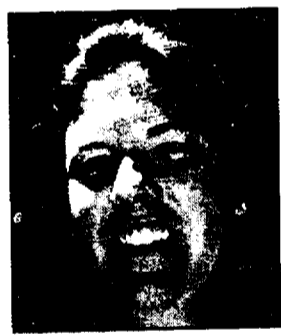
"Going tubing on the Elora Gorge in Ontario, near Kitchner. You tube down the gorge for about an hour and a half." — Robert Hodges, Grosse Pointe Park.

"Going to Chicago with my family — especially the Navy Pier." — Alison Cory, Grosse Pointe Park.

"I saved up for two years and took my two boys to Great Britain to live for two months. We got to know each other without distractions." — Helen Gregory, St. Clair Shores.



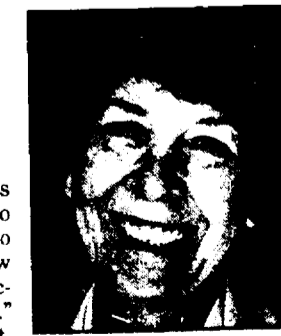
By Suzy Berschback



Deborah Minano



Robert Hodges



Helen Gregory

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by Ben Burns

Where in the world is 'Hill Man'?

The first time the "Hill Man" disappeared from a crowded bar at the The Hill Steak and Seafood Restaurant, he showed up again the following Monday. No one asked questions.

Ben Burns

The second time he disappeared from the same bar, he didn't come back.

Instead, restaurant co-owner David Pendy started receiving postcards from various sites, with tiny Polaroid pictures of the Hill Man being held hostage in various settings.

At first they were close to home — Old St. Mary's Church in Greektown and on Belle Isle.

Then the Hill Man began to show up farther afield — Washington D.C., and Sharpsburg, Md., the Antietam National Battlefield and Gettysburg, Pa.

And most recently he returned to the Detroit area with cards picturing him coming from Casino Windsor, Cranbrook, and the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House.

But there has never been a ransom note, just the postcards addressed to "DMP" (Pendy's initials and the staff shorthand for the boss).

The Hill Man is one of three wooden figurines that have graced the bar area of the popular Farms restaurant since Pendy's father-in-law, Bill Petrocy, brought them back from China. About 14 inches tall, carved from mahogany-looking

wood, the Hill Man depicts an ancient Chinese traveler carrying his possessions and bowed by the weight of them.

There are no real clues to the thief or the author of the postcards, other than that the culprit knows Pendy's nickname. The first two cards had American-flag stamps and the rest have had Snoopy of "Peanuts" fame stamps. The one from Canada had sufficient postage, but one of the others showed up postage due for some inexplicable reason even though it had a 33-cent stamp on it.

Three cards showed up in one day recently, but that is probably not a clue; it is more likely a commentary on the U.S. Postal Service.

Pendy expects that one day the strange case of the disappearing Hill Man will be broken, and he'll return home. In the meantime, he's collecting the postcards in an album, probably gathering evidence. He hasn't posted a reward or informed the Farms police. Perhaps he feels virtue is its own reward.

Second closing

Kim Zook, the Jacobson's manager who is supervising the closing of the Village store, has had some experience at that unpleasant task. She was the happy manager of the Columbus, Ohio, Jacobson's until it became an early victim of the 134-year-old firm's financial troubles and closed in February. Zook transferred to the Grosse Pointes and leased a home.

Now she faces looking for a new post, but she has decided she likes Michigan so much she might stay in the Winter Water Wonderland.

Asked if she had heard the rumor that a department store like Dillard's might be interested in the property, she said, "No, but if any of them are, I hope they move fast before this wonderful work force — about 120 full- and part-timers — scatters."

Sales associate Maureen "Moe" McKittrick, a 26-year veteran, sounded a similar theme after testifying to how much easier Zook's management and concern was making the going-out-of-business sale.

"I see the sales associates like dandelions after they have bloomed. You blow on all the seeds and they scatter to the winds to plant themselves elsewhere," McKittrick said. "We will take what we learned here out into the community and do other good things."

Outreach

Ann Compton, who has covered seven presidents for ABC News, will lead off an outreach series on "Coping in an Uncertain World" at the War Memorial on Lakeshore on Wednesday, Aug. 21, at 7:30 p.m.

Compton was the only broadcast reporter who was with President Bush on board Air Force One on Sept. 11. She will be followed by author John J. Nance, the aviation editor for "Good Morning America" on Sept. 24. Nance will speak on terrorism's impact on aviation. The series is part of the Wayne County Community College District's Outreach Programs.

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PET POINTER OF INTEREST

Jake Gay

Hometown: Grosse Pointe Park.

Born: In January, 2001.

History: A gift from Al Jewell, a friend at the Polish Yacht Club in Hamtramck — where Jake was freeloaded for several months.

Breed: Mystery mix.

Family: Jane and Ike Gay.

Guardians: Ann and Mike MacDonald of Grosse Pointe Farms.

Goal: Get control over Ike.

Future plans: How to access the basement and select what I could use in the back yard.

Hobbies: Swiping Marge Kotarski's feather duster, playing with Evan Feringa's football, and tossing my toys, or anything available, around the house and yard.

Favorite activity: Taking Ike for a walk.

Favorite words: Ike's home.

Least favorite words: We will be back.



Jake Gay

If you would like to submit your "Pet Pointer of Interest," deliver or mail a typed outline and photograph to the Grosse Pointe News, 96 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236; or e-mail to postmaster@grossepointenews.com (photos must be high resolution).

Suzy Berschback is a freelance photographer in Grosse Pointe Farms and co-author of "Grosse Pointe 1880-1930." She welcomes suggestions for questions to her e-mail address at Berschback@aol.com.

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By Staff Writer
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Fire, vandalism

A vacant house on Preston Place was the target of vandals for the second time in three weeks.

The Grosse Pointe Farms Department of Public Safety was called to the site on Wednesday, Aug. 7, at 3:35 p.m. to put out a fire of a lawn mower, which was destroyed by the blaze.

While at the house, officers discovered three 15- to 20-foot trees chopped down at the base, the bark of a 60-foot tree sheared off on one side, string wound around trees on the property and an 8- by 4-foot sign that was reported stolen from Grosse Pointe Woods. Officers also found a broken ax blade in a shed.

A neighbor said she noticed smoke coming from the garage when she returned home at 3 p.m. and heard the sounds of youths laughing in the 400 block of Lakeshore. She also said a neighbor had seen youths placing a large sign in front of the house three weeks ago.

Lawn mower lifted

A 2002 Lawn Boy mulching lawn mower was discovered missing from a detached garage in the 200 block of Chalfonte on Wednesday, Aug. 7, at 3:35 p.m.

The lawn mower was last seen by the homeowner's son Monday, Aug. 5.

Bikes stolen

Two bikes were reported stolen in Grosse Pointe Farms over the past week.

A purple 21-speed Schwinn mountain bike left near a garage in the 400 block of Manor was stolen between 4:30 and 8:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 6.

A 22 1/2-inch navy Trek men's mountain bike was stolen from a shed in the 200 block of Cloverly between 6:30 and 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 7.

Both bikes had Grosse Pointe Farms bicycle licenses.

Rack wreck

A 45-year-old Sterling Heights woman ran into a bike rack that was placed in the middle of Grosse Pointe Boulevard near Mapleton on Thursday, Aug. 8, at 11 p.m.

Both the car, a 2002 purple Audi TT coupe, and the bike rack were damaged.

The Grosse Pointe Farms Department of Public Safety reports it was the third incident of bike racks from a nearby school that have been placed on Grosse Pointe Boulevard in recent days.

No pass on OUIL arrest

A 49-year-old Grosse Pointe Farms man expressed his displeasure at being arrested for drunken driving on Friday, Aug. 9.

A Farms officer first spotted the man when he made a left turn from westbound

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Mack onto southbound Moross without stopping for a red light at 1:30 a.m. When the officer pulled him over at Chalfonte and Kerby, he "presented with a flushed face, glassy eyes, a strong odor of intoxicants and an inability to follow simple commands." The man was arrested after performing poorly on a series of field sobriety tests and recording a blood alcohol level of .14 percent on a PBT.

During processing at the station, the man refused to provide his place of birth and Social Security number and told officers to "figure it out yourselves." After being denied a request to be driven home, the man demanded the officers call the department's deputy director, but was told because of the hour, the deputy director would not be disturbed. The man was allowed to make some phone calls, but expressed displeasure with having to make collect calls. He "believed that because of his position in the community, he should be allowed to use a department phone." After one more attempt to talk an officer into driving him home, the Farms man sped expletives and spent time in a holding cell until he sobered up.

Roofing accident

A Clinton Township man

is in fair condition after falling 30 feet from the roof of a house in the 300 block of Provençal in Grosse Pointe Farms on Saturday, Aug. 10, at 8:50 a.m.

The 21-year-old roofer said he lost his balance on a ladder. He suffered a compound fracture of his right elbow and complained of pain in his head and legs before being taken to an area hospital.

Call for help

A resident on Blairmoor alerted the Grosse Pointe Shores Department of Public Safety of a woman knocking on doors and screaming for help on Sunday, Aug. 11, at 4:47 a.m.

Officers found the woman, a 26-year-old from Lansing, who left a party in the 900 block of Lakeshore after becoming combative with friends. She also had glass shards in her foot. The glass came from a door which was discovered kicked in later that day.

Because of her intoxicated state — a blood alcohol level of .21 percent — officers arranged for her to be picked up by her husband.

— Bonnie Caprara

Well-done

On Tuesday, Aug. 6, at 5 p.m., a gas line supplying a barbecue grill failed, caus-

ing a fire in the 1200 block of Yorkshire. All Grosse Pointe Park fire units responded. Flames were put out with a CO-2 extinguisher.

House thief

Thieves broke into a home in the 1400 block of Bedford on Thursday, Aug. 8 and stole a Gateway laptop computer, video games and a large amount of coins in five-gallon pails. Police said the crime took place sometime between 5:30 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Bike found

On the morning of Friday, Aug. 9, a partially disassembled purple, 21-speed Pacific bicycle was found near the Vernier fence line at Mason Elementary School in Grosse Pointe Woods. Police put the bike in storage.

Speed watch

Traffic enforcement units in Grosse Pointe Woods will add Moorland to their list of target areas. Officers have received complaints of speeders in the area.

Hot shots

Grosse Pointe Woods police confiscated a BB gun that four male teenagers were shooting last week on school property in the 1000 block of Cook.

On Thursday, Aug. 8, at about 8:45 p.m., officers took the gun from an 18-year-old

Park resident. He was accompanied by an 18-year-old Woods man and two Park residents, both 17.

Oops

On Tuesday, Aug. 6, at about 3 p.m., a worker reportedly sparked a fire while installing a satellite dish on a house in the 1900 block of West Emory Court.

The man was drilling through the home's brick exterior when the bit struck a ground wire on the electrical box. A spark ignited insulation.

Police said the homeowner put out the fire.

Wanted man

Wayne County deputies were glad last week when Grosse Pointe Woods police pulled over a 41-year-old Detroit man.

The man was wanted on multiple warrants totaling more than \$7,800 for contempt of court and nonsupport.

On the morning of Sunday, Aug. 4, Woods police caught the man speeding 44 mph in a 25 mph construction zone on westbound Vernier near the city limits.

The man's license plate didn't match his car. His driver's license had expired. His license was suspended. He had no vehicle registration. He also had a \$100 warrant from Detroit for an alcohol violation.

Woods police detained the man for pickup by county officials.

— Brad Lindberg

Petz-Cavanagh county commissioner campaigns get going

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Palmer Heenan prefers to read about his elected representatives in the political section of the newspaper, not the crime page.

That's why Heenan, more than ever, is urging voters to back the Republican candidate for Wayne County Commissioner.

Heenan, mayor of Grosse Pointe Park and a local GOP backer credited with helping numerous candidates win office, is going full-bore in the county race for Patrick Petz.

"Patrick would give the Grosse Pointes, Harper Woods and Detroit a chance to upgrade their representation," said Heenan, staunch Republican and mayor of Grosse Pointe Park.

Squaring off

Petz, a fifth-generation eastsider and 12-year councilman in the City of Grosse Pointe, will face incumbent Christopher Cavanagh in the November election.

Cavanagh comes from a noted Democratic family that includes his late father,

mayor of Detroit during most of the 1960s, and a brother who also serves on the county commission.

Cavanagh's notoriety these days has less to do with bloodlines than behavior. He was cited days before the Democratic primary, which he won handily, for allegedly soliciting a street-walker in a red-light district of west Detroit.

"Oh, my heavens," said a 69-year-old retired school-teacher and Democratic supporter from Grosse Pointe Farms who asked that her name be withheld. "He is representing me? This is scary."

Other Grosse Pointers, equally shy about going on the record, saw Cavanagh's purported actions in a different context.

"Is he married?" one asked. No. "Then what's the harm?"

Cavanagh did not respond to interview requests.

Petz ran unopposed in the GOP primary. His 4,724 votes among suburbanites beat Cavanagh's 4,649.

But Democratic voters were split between three candidates. Had all

Democratic ballots been cast for Cavanagh, his suburban support would have reached 6,475.

When Detroit votes were tallied two days after the polls closed, Cavanagh surged.

In Detroit, Cavanagh beat Petz 2,732 to 148 for an overall total of 7,381 to 4,871.

Republican underdogs?

Petz said a November victory depends on a heavy local voter turnout and strong results in Detroit.

"There will be pockets of Detroit where I can grab votes," Petz said. "We're going to hit East English Village hard and go into Indian Village. We have to come out of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods with a big lead."

"It's a winnable race," said Tom McCleary, head of the Eastside Republican Club and resident of Grosse Pointe Farms. "The Dems have control in Wayne County, but (Republican) Andrew Richner won that seat twice."

"I remember the days when Andrew Richner was representative of the Grosse

Pointes, Harper Woods and Detroit in the commission district," Heenan said. Heenan has supported Richner from his days on the Park city council through three terms as state representative.

"I've been proud to have people of his caliber to represent our district," Heenan said. "Mr. Cavanagh has been a very ordinary and generally ineffective representative."

Petz wants to offer voters a "choice." He said, "Now you have a guy who will represent the east side."

Adolph Mongo, a Detroit-area political consultant to members of both political parties, said the commission seat is wide open.

"With the problems Cavanagh has, Republicans have a good opportunity," Mongo said. "Cavanagh has not been a really strong candidate, anyway. He benefited a couple years ago from the presidential election between Bush and Gore. People were voting straight-party tickets. All (Petz) needs to do is campaign."

Voice of experience

"To carry it off, you have

to do well in the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods and fair in Detroit. You can't afford to lose any of the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods," McCleary said.

That's correct," said Richner, who has never lost an election. "The Republican candidate is the underdog. I takes hard work, perseverance, the help of a lot of people and dedication to the ultimate goal of winning the election."

Richner campaigned heavily in Detroit, knocking on thousands of doors throughout the district.

"I did not ignore Detroit," he said. "I went to community group meetings and

developed relationships with leaders on Detroit's northwest side to put together a coalition of people who identified with the message I was conveying and wanted to support my candidacy."

"I would hope we could get a more representative person from Grosse Pointe that Cavanagh," said Heenan, "someone with better credentials who would set a better example."

"It's going to be an uphill battle," Petz said. "It's a Democratic seat."

McCleary said, "No one's going to win this race unless they work hard."

Woods man accused of drug smuggling

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

A federal raid last Friday morning capped an eight-week undercover investigation into alleged drug smuggling by Grosse Pointe Woods resident Thomas Leto III.

United States Customs agents said they have evidence Leto's frequent trips across the Canadian border involved the transportation and delivery of Ecstasy, an illegal narcotic.

In June, under questioning by members of the Oakland County Narcotics Enforcement Team, one of Leto's alleged conspirators claimed Leto — who she knew as Tommy Knox — smuggled 1,200 Ecstasy pills into Michigan from Canada.

He reportedly hid the drugs inside the speakers of his car. Customs agents said Leto, alias Tommy Knox, owns a 1996 Pontiac Grand Am with the vanity license plate "TKNOXX."

"Leto's vehicles have frequent international crossings," according to an affidavit by Brian Manns, a special field agent with the customs service.

On Friday, Aug. 9, at about 9 a.m., customs agents, U.S. Drug Enforcement officers and members of the Michigan State Police criminal investigation division captured Leto in his home at 2089 Anita.

Two other suspects, a man

and the woman who informed officials about Leto hiding drugs in his car speakers, were arrested in Ferndale.

A week before the raids, Manns said agents tailed Leto to a parcel company in Grosse Pointe Farms.

"He was seen mailing an envelope to (a man in) Indianapolis," according to the affidavit. "(The envelope) contained 500 pills which tested positive for Ecstasy."

The man to whom the envelope was addressed "admitted purchasing Ecstasy from Tommy Knox (a.k.a. Leto) in this manner on three prior occasions," Manns said.

Leto, who federal officials said was in his 20s, was arrested Friday, Aug. 9.

According to Gina Balaya, spokeswoman for the U.S. Attorney's office in Detroit, Leto has been arraigned on charges of possessing with the intent to distribute Ecstasy, plus conspiracy to distribute the drug.

Leto and his alleged conspirators were released on bond. Leto's bond was \$10,000. Their preliminary examinations are scheduled for Thursday, Aug. 29.

The arrests were based in part on surveillance work by the state police MINT squad, or Michigan Intelligence Network Team. "We're a support organization that gather intelligence for federal, state and local agencies — super spy stuff," said a team member.

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Harper Woods dodges disastrous state revenue cuts

By Jason Sweeney
Staff Writer

Losing 11 percent of its operating budget to a state that is attempting to stop the flow of red ink could have meant deep cuts in Harper Woods.

When the first round of state-shared revenue cuts were handed down, officials in the 2.6 square mile suburb were confident there would still be enough to go around.

The loss of approximately \$200,000 could be covered by prudent spending and the use of reserves. At the Monday, July 15 city council meeting, the city was looking healthy to auditors.

However, Governor Engler's veto and the second round of state cuts amount to nearly \$1 million, a sum that had municipalities across the state and City Manager James Leidlein seriously worried about the continuing health of thier home towns.

Combined cuts of \$1.2 million, said Leidlein, "translate from an operational standpoint to a reduction in staff. It's a major loss of revenue."

The city's \$10 million general fund budget for 2003 had expected \$2.2 million in shared revenue from the state, which was earmarked largely for the salaries of the city's employees.

"This would have been nearly a 50% reduction in revenue sharing," Leidlein explained, saying it would mean making hard decisions.

Leidlein said cuts would have had to be made in police, fire, public works, and parks and recreation — every operating department.

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 - Parks & Recreation programs will not be cancelled.
 - Exploration of a community center will go forward with increased confidence and energy.

The sting of the reductions was avoided, however, by the state house's overruling Engler's veto.

"We'll still be able to provide the services," he said, "that it would have been very hard to continue doing if that kind of budget reduction had passed."

One effect the projected cuts have already had on the city include the issue of the vacant fire chief position.

Contact information was given out for Rep. Joe Young Jr. (D-Harper Woods) and Senator Andrew

Richener (R-Grosse Pointe) with Poynter saying, "The message is simple, nothing short of a veto will suffice."

"It was a very hot, busy and successful day," said Leidlein when he returned from Lansing Tuesday, Aug. 12.

"There were about 3,000 people from across the state," he said. "I think the public employees of this state are all to be highly commended for a very effective effort for public employees."

"Their presence there was key and sent a very strong message today," Leidlein said that the decision will allow him and the rest of the hard-working employees of the city of Harper Woods to get back to business as usual.

City Council Briefs

Revenue discussion

Mayor Ken Poynter and City Manager James Leidlein spoke to the audience about the possible effect of the pending state revenue sharing cuts. For more information on this issue, see the story at the top of the page.

Lot split

The proposed lot split of 20381 Hollywood first discussed at the Monday, July 15 meeting was addressed by the council, with all parties involved in the action present to answer questions. Council members voted unanimously to approve the redrawing of lot lines and the parcel of land is scheduled to go on the market soon.

MML trustee

City Manager James Leidlein was one of seven trustees named by the Michigan Municipal League to serve on the Worker's Compensation Fund. A unanimous approval of the selections which included other officials from DeWitt, the Village of Clinton and other municipalities confirmed Leidlein's appointment.

Pool ordinance

The first reading of an amendment to the city code regarding swimming, wading and other pools was passed by the council. Members of the audience and Councilman Hugh Marshall noted that in their current language the amendments are vague and possibly problematic to those who are not creating an eyesore or safety hazard. Mayor Poynter and the board said they would review the specifics of the language before second reading at the Wednesday, Sept. 4 council meeting.

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Block grant

A public hearing has been scheduled for the Wednesday, Sept. 4 city council meeting to discuss and meet the eligibility requirements to receive moneys from the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Program. The details of what the money could potentially be used for and other issues will be discussed at that time.

Parks & Rec issues

A group of more than 40 residents came before the council to address their questions and complaints about insufficient or impolite service by members of the Parks and Recreation Department. Led by Bob Gatzke, the group secured a meeting with the parks board. Next week's Grosse Pointe News will examine the claims of the group in greater detail.

Warehouse offers a 'small world'

By Jason Sweeney
Staff Writer

Whether you're daffy about Donald or can't live without a plush Pooh, the AMS Character Warehouse has something for you.

Located next to the Honey Baked Ham store at the east end of Eastland Center, the temporary shop is stuffed full of merchandise discounted from 25 to 80 percent.

Tables and shelves in the discount display are stocked with surplus goods directly from the California and Florida amusement parks that had to be cleared to make way for fresh supplies.

Plush animals are evident in abundance, as are sweat-shirts, T-shirts and baby clothing. Notebooks, stationery, key chains and toys fill other bins, all with the familiar front of a Disney character or logo.

For the more discriminating collector, there are displays of jewelry, alternate-themed dolls like the surfboard-riding Donald Duck and cowboy hats that come complete with mouse ears.

Household decorations including wooden boxes with quotes from the numerous Disney films, and even cooking seasoning and supplies with a Disney theme are up for grabs.

Workers said that there is more than enough stock to last them until the warehouse sale closes Sept. 22,

and that they will be restocking the racks on a near daily basis. However, certain items are in very limited supply and will not be replaced.

Rumors of the outlet being a short-term test market for a Disney store could not be confirmed by the marketing team at the mall, and AMS clearly states in their paper work that they are not affiliated with Disney or any of the company's subsidiaries.

The warehouse is open from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m. Sundays through its final day of business in September.

Photo by Jason Sweeney

This huge Minnie doll isn't for sale, but she stays busy grabbing attention and keeping watch over this table of jewelry and toys.



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Police briefs

Checked out

Harper Woods police are investigating a case of possible theft or fraud after a resident of the 19700 block of Elkhart reported his disability check missing on Friday, Aug. 9. The man told police the check should have arrived the last day of July, but instead was shown to have been cashed at a bank in Warren.

Idle hands busy police

Harper Woods Police, with the help of Eastland Center security officers, apprehended a woman who left a department store in the 18000 block of Vernier with a \$50 Nautica jacket without paying for the merchandise.

She, along with the more than a dozen other failed shoplifters turned in last week, will face charges for the crime, including fines of up to 10 times the value of the merchandise stolen.

26 strikes

When police pulled over a Detroit man for what he believed to be a routine stop to investigate an unreadable license tab, Friday, Aug. 9, they caught a man who had no business behind the wheel. Arrested shortly after 2 p.m., the driver had 26 suspensions of his license, improper tabs, and warrants from Southfield. He was transported to the Harper Woods lockup on more than \$1,500 combined

bond, and his 1992 GMC was impounded.

Cracked

Not clearing up a small traffic matter turned out to be a very bad idea for a 52-year-old Harper Woods man. When pulled over on northbound Harper at 2:46 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 10, he was found to have another warrant outstanding. The charge from Wayne County was possession of cocaine.

After verifying the warrant, police took the man into custody.

Stogie bogie

Approximately \$77 worth of cigars were stolen by and then recovered from a thief fleeing from the manager of a drugstore in the 19800 block of Kelly.

The manager told police the young man took the cigars and when confronted, put up a fight before dropping the merchandise and fleeing down Kelly on a blue bicycle around 3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 10.

Vehicle vandalism

The first of three cases of punched door locks and ignitions reported to Harper Woods Police on Friday, Aug. 9 was a 1996 Dodge Caravan parked in the 20000 block of Kenosha. The vehicle's owner told police he heard something outside, and when he investigated he found the damage.

In the 19100 block of

Washtenaw, the owner of a 1989 Chrysler was the victim. Police suspect thieves intended to use the car for a joyride.

A 1997 Thunderbird was targeted in the 18500 block of Huntington in the early morning hours of Friday, Aug. 9. The punched locks and ignition amounted to more than \$300 worth of damage.

Sometime between the hours of 1 and 11 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 11, the passen-

ger window was smashed and the stereo and seven CDs were stolen from a 1999 Toyota Camry parked in the 19600 block of Fleetwood.

More than \$200 worth of damage was done to a 2002 Dodge before police scared off three vehicles full of suspects from the intersection of Landsdowne and Woodside at 2 a.m. Monday, Aug. 12. Police suspect the three late model Chryslers used by the suspects were also stolen.

School registration

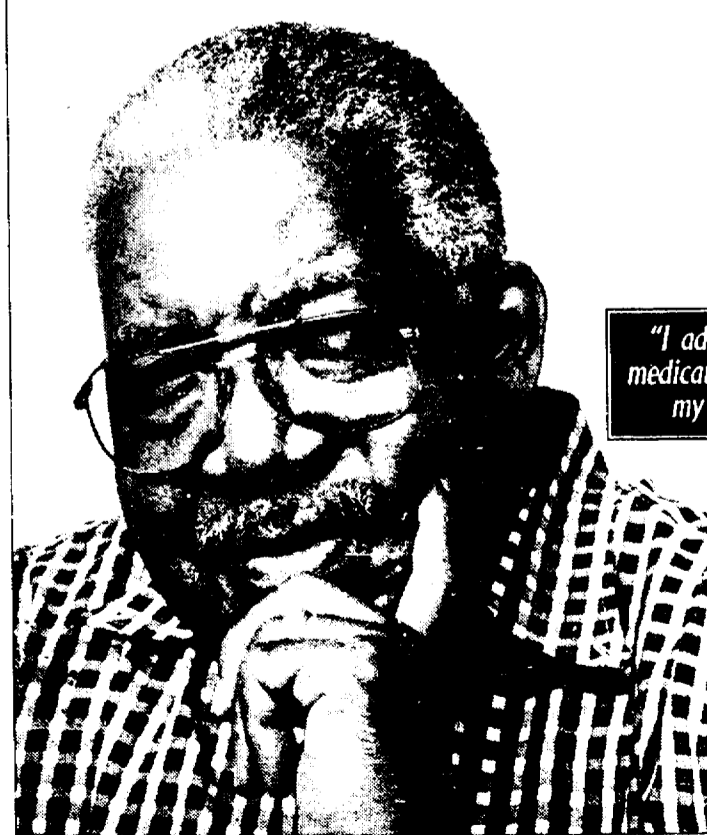
It is time for open registration for all students from grades K-12 in the School District of Harper Woods.

Regardless of grade-level, all students will register at Harper Wood Secondary School, 20225 Reaconsfield. Parents are required to bring proof of residency, the child's birth certificate, social security card, immunization record and a copy of the child's last report card in order to complete the enrollment process.

Registration will be open from 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 to 3 p.m. August 20, 21, 22, 27, 28 and 29.

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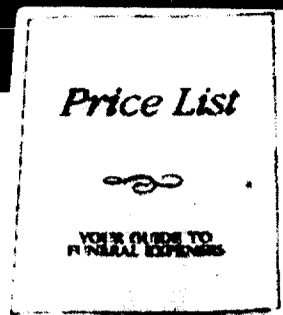
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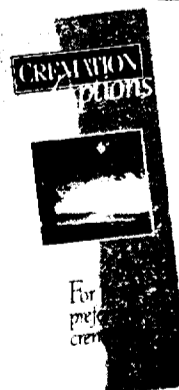
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District loses counselor, former teacher to retirement

By Jennie Miller Staff Writer
A fixture of the Grosse Pointe Public School System for the past 36 years, Tom Neil has decided to end his tenure in the district.
Former science teacher at Brownell Middle School and counselor at Grosse Pointe North High School, Neil has spent his lifetime educating himself and others.

He received his bachelor's of science degree from Wayne State University; attended the Detroit College of Law for two years; received his master's degree in administration from the University of Michigan; and his master's degree in guidance at Oakland University.
Neil began his career in the district at Ferry Elementary School. After a year, he transferred to Brownell, where he taught

science and served as advisor to the student government for 16 years.

He spent nearly 20 years at North, being appointed to counseling department chair, working with the high school, Parcels Middle School and partly with Brownell Middle School.

"I've always worked well with kids," Neil said. "I've been in a job that has offered me many rewards."

After a few years at Brownell, Neil had the opportunity to accept a position with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, but passed up the offer, due to his love of teaching.

He said the opportunity to work with the FBI was not appealing to him because of the many rewards he gets from teaching.

Throughout his years, Neil has never had a discipline problem with any of his students.



Tom Neil

"I try to look for the good in each student," he said. "I set up situations in which they can always succeed."

As a science instructor, Neil enjoys the hands-on learning that students can experience. He said the subject provides an array of activities and experiments

that allow students to come up with their own solutions. "Some students would come in with no interest in science," he said. "But they'd leave with a lot of enthusiasm (for the subject)."

Making the change to counseling was a decision Neil made because he enjoyed the interaction with students in teaching, and counseling was more of a one-on-one experience.

"It's a lot more concentration on the individual," he said, stressing the importance of preparing a student for the future. "Counseling is a process of teaching and developing a student."

Neil said he found a lot of joy in the time he spent teaching and counseling. A student of his from 25 years ago recently visited him and remembered what an impact he had on her.

"There are things you may never know, like how much you made a difference in someone's life — it is so rewarding," he said.

Neil's decision to retire was a difficult one, and he admits to questioning whether it was the right one to make.

"I made the decision on the last day of school," he said. "There's a part of me that is really not ready. It'll be hard, come September."

His colleagues were disappointed with the news of Neil's retirement.

"He retired at the top of his game," said Troy Glasser, a former counselor at North who was transferred to South this year.

"(He will be remembered for) his dedication to the community, his dedication to the profession, his fairness to the students and staff, his

strong work ethic and his intelligence."

Retirement was something Neil wanted to enjoy and not take for granted.

"I'm in good health," he said, which is important considering his numerous hobbies such as scuba diving, golf and fishing.

"I also want to get back into boating and skiing," he added.

Neil plans on doing some traveling with members of his family. He and his wife of 32 years, Joanne, have two children. Their son, Thomas is studying at Oakland University with the intent of becoming a teacher.

His daughter, Jennifer O'Donovan, a teacher in L'Anse Creuse, recently married a gentleman from Australia. The country is one of the top places on Neil's list of places to visit.

Board extends Study Warning

By Jennie Miller Staff Writer
The Grosse Pointe Board of Education agreed to continue its declaration of a Study Warning for international student trips during the 2002-03 school year at its meeting on Monday, Aug. 12.

The declaration was first made by the school board in November 2001.

An ad hoc advisory committee composed of parents, teachers, administrators, safety experts and travel experts met in October 2001 to review the world situation following the terrorist attacks in New York City and Washington, D.C.

The board approved the Study Warning in light of the U.S. State Department issuing a Worldwide Caution for Americans traveling abroad.

The State Department

issued a second Worldwide Caution on July 1, 2002 to remain in effect until October of this year.

The school board will consider removing the Study Warning if the State Department lifts its Worldwide Caution in October.

The option of declaring a Study Warning was created by the school board in July of 1991, which places a temporary restriction on student trips.

It reads, "At times when political conditions are unstable in certain areas, or when liability insurance is not available, the board may choose to place a 'Study Warning' into effect for a specified period of time until conditions return to normal."

The board made a few exceptions for certain trips taken by students over the

past year.
In May of 2002, students from both Grosse Pointe North and South high schools were granted the opportunity to participate in a rowing regatta in St. Catherine's, Ontario.

A few other groups were able to travel outside the United States, including many band and orchestra members on a trip to Toronto and students going to Stratford.

According to Marjorie Parsons, assistant superintendent for evaluation and assessment, it is a difficult decision to defend sending students to a foreign territory given a caution by the national government.

If there are changes in the world situation, the board will consider the removal of the Study Warning, according to Superintendent Dr. Suzanne Klein.

SCHOOL NOTES

Class of 1997

The Grosse Pointe South Class of 1997 will celebrate its five-year reunion on Friday, Nov. 29 at 8 p.m. at the Center Street Pub in Detroit.

G.P. student attends summit

Rebecca Dennis, of Grosse Pointe Woods, participated in the recent People to People Student Ambassador Programs Leadership Summit 2002: "Making a Difference in Today's World."

The summit was held from June 28 to July 7 on the Colorado State University campus in Fort Collins, to foster leadership abilities among young achievers and promote peace through understanding.

Dennis was nominated and accepted for the honor based on outstanding scholastic merit, civic involvement and leadership potential.

She joined more than 300 students from across the nation to participate in small-group workshops, discussions and community projects related to such topics as cultural and ethnic diversity, overcoming cynicism and resolving differences peacefully.

Each participant, or student ambassador, developed an individual action plan for making a difference in the 21st century and had the opportunity to earn school credit.

Nativity High
Detroit Nativity High

School Classes of 1952 and 1953 will hold its 50th year class reunion on Friday, Sept. 20 at Fern Hill Country Club.

Alumni of other classes are also welcome to attend.

Contact Jerry Bonanno at (586) 790-6107, Betty Kane at (313) 882-3016 or Marilyn Garling at (313) 885-4064.

Detroit Eastern

Detroit Eastern High School will hold its annual Alumni Dinner-Dance on Sunday, Oct. 6 at the Ukrainian Cultural Center in Warren.

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Denby High
Class of 1962

Denby High School Class of 1962 is planning a reunion on Saturday, Nov. 30. To obtain further information, call Peggy (Schubert) Monaghan at (313) 882-5994, send an email to Nanapm4@aol.com or to Tom.Phipps@csileasing.com

Music educator honored

Linda Mackool, of Grosse Pointe Woods, has been selected as a member of the Kindermusik International Maestro Program.

It is an exclusive membership that annually recognizes licensed educators who have demonstrated

superlative performance based on program size, outreach to underserved populations of children, or mastery in teaching.

Kindermusik is the world's largest music and movement program for children newborn through seven years old.

Mackool was selected as a Kindermusik Maestro as a result of her program's growth to one of the company's largest in terms of children served.

She offers classes through the Grosse Pointe Community Education Department, at Barnes School in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Scholarship winners

The St. Paul Parish Scholarship Committee has announced the recipients of the 2002 scholarship competition.

Laura Bodien has been chosen to receive the Monsignor Francis X. Canfield Scholarship and Kathleen Reaume will receive the Couzens Family Scholarship.

Bodien is the daughter of Dave and Patty Bodien and will attend Mercy High School in the fall.

She is involved in soccer, volleyball, basketball, softball, choir, forensics and is an altar server.

Reaume is the daughter of Tim and Bonnie Reaume and will also attend Mercy in the fall.

Her activities include soccer, ballet, track, art club, choir and is an altar server.

Runners-up in this year's competition include Christian Conroy, Matthew Iwanski and Katie Murray.

The Monsignor Canfield Scholarship is named after the former pastor of St. Paul's Parish from 1971 to 1991. Monsignor Canfield passed away in 1998.

The Couzens Family Scholarship is named for longtime St. Paul parishioners.

Funds for the parish scholarships come from the St. Paul Educational Trust.

Correction

In the Aug. 8, 2002 article "South Loses an Irreplaceable Science Teacher," Grosse Pointe South science teacher James Adams was misquoted as saying, "He is the best teacher South has ever had." It should have read, "He is one of the best teachers South has ever had."

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Bond approval will provide \$11 million for fine arts

By Jennie Miller
Staff Writer

The Grosse Pointe Board of Education is hoping that students in the performing arts will no longer have to rehearse their productions in school hallways.

If voters to approve a \$62 million bond on Sept. 24, \$11 million will be available for improvements in the fine arts facilities.

Proponents say this is necessary in a school system whose high school choirs have won state and national competitions, whose instrumental music program is recognized at festivals across the country, whose drama and dance programs are ever-expanding, and whose visual arts programs have been continually honored.

"The arts provide every student with such a rich background and depth of opportunity," said Margaret Steele, the district's fine arts director. "If the bond passes on Sept. 24, students will find greater and improved access to the district's facilities and materials so that their creative energy can be better utilized."

Currently, the facilities at many of the schools are "horrendous," according to

Ellen Bowen, chair of the Building Committee and vocal music instructor at Grosse Pointe South High School.

Due to limitations of facilities in the district for fine arts activities, groups have been forced to seek alternative space to gather and rehearse.

According to Bowen, the South Show Choir, which won national championships in 1997, 1998 and 1999, organized their production in the basement of a Presbyterian church in Detroit.

Both high schools rent space in the basement of Eastland Mall to store sets and props.

Groups have practiced in hallways and in the background of National Honors Society ceremonies and athletic awards.

A boat for the production, "Anything Goes" was constructed in the choir room at South. Bowen had no choice but to hold her music appreciation class on top of the set.

Depending on the locations of rehearsals and performances, students who wish to participate in performing arts must be trans-

ported back and forth across the community.

"Enrollment goes down if a parent cannot take their kid to rehearsal," Bowen said.

The board of education hopes to construct multipurpose rooms at South and North high schools and Brownell and Parcels middle schools.

A multipurpose room is a large facility that could be used by the entire community for classroom instruction, performance rehearsals, luncheons and meetings, workshops and summer camps.

"It will give students a meaningful space for the arts," Steele said.

South's multipurpose room could be located on top of the old tennis courts, designed with a brick to match the 1928 neo-Georgian look of the school.

Its location above the television studio could be an added resource for music technology and sound engineering programs as well as provide a facility to hold the annual telethon.

North's multipurpose room could be located between the B and C buildings of the school, parallel to

one of the breezeways.

"It will open up so many more possibilities for all schools to be able to use the Performing Arts Center," Steele said. "The schedule there is so tight."

Brownell and Parcels will also gain multipurpose rooms.

"Students need a space in their own building where they can rehearse," said Meaghan Dunham, member of the district's Fine Arts Committee and English and drama teacher at South. "It will also be easier on the parents," who have to transport their children all over the district.

The bond also includes plans to renovate three of the district's four auditoriums in the district.

Ideally, according to Steele, the auditoriums at Parcels, South and the Performing Arts Center would be designated according to the types of performances for which they are suited.

Studies show that the natural acoustics in the auditorium at Parcels makes it a perfect venue to use as a concert hall.

"It has an outstanding stage to do musical theater,"

Steele said. "It is a great place for choral and instrumental concerts."

It is also an ideal location for community groups such as the Grosse Pointe Symphony, the Grosse Pointe Community Chorus and the Grosse Pointe Barbershoppers.

If the bond passes, the stage will be deepened to the point where it is large enough to hold a full sized orchestra.

Renovation of South's auditorium will include opening and expanding the balcony.

Currently, only 260 individuals can comfortably be seated in the auditorium. Expansion would allow an entire class of students to convene.

Other improvements include lighting, sound and new seating.

According to Bowen, South is an appropriate venue for vocal jazz, jazz band, solo ensembles, small drama performances, the Detroit Symphony Orchestra String Quartet, and other small productions.

The Performing Arts Center would be available for large performances that require sets, props and draw the largest audience.

Renovations would include lighting and sound improvements as well as electrical upgrades.

Other ideas for improvements in the fine arts include replacing instruments and providing locker room storage for instruments at both high schools.

Elementary art rooms need sufficient upgrades with sinks and ventilation.

The darkrooms at South are "dangerously hot," according to Steele, and require air conditioning.

"We are an old school district and we should be very proud of that," Steele said. "But we need to take a forward step and look out for our students' needs and provide them with the facilities that they deserve in order to flourish in the arts."

Note: This is the fourth in a series of articles detailing the bond issue. Other stories ran on June 27, July 18 and August 1. There will be at least two more articles published before the vote on Sept. 24.

Additional copies of these issues can be purchased for \$1 at the Grosse Pointe News offices, located on Kercheval in The Hill.

Local teens attend National Civil Air Patrol program

Two Grosse Pointe Park teens were Michigan representatives for a prestigious Civil Air Patrol national event held in Oshkosh, Wisconsin from Wednesday, July 17 until Tuesday, July 30.

James Dorset and Theo Moran, both 16, were part of the National Blue Beret program, an intensive two-week program that teaches advanced emergency search-and-rescue techniques.

After a week of boot-camp-style training, the Civil Air Patrol cadets spent the second week as flight line staff at the Experimental Aviation Association's "Airventure 2002" fly-in and air show, the world's largest civilian air gathering, attended by more than 800,000 people.

National Blue Beret participants guided taxiing aircraft, served as security to safeguard some exhibits, and assisted EAA show organizers in a number of ways.

To attend the program, Dorset and Moran had to pass a Michigan Wing board of review, be selected as the Wing's top choices to attend and compete with other applicants at the national level.

The cadets were chosen based on their Civil Air Patrol knowledge, participation and leadership abilities.

Both are members of the Selfridge Cadet Squadron, which meets weekly at Selfridge Air National Guard Base.

They are students at Grosse Pointe South High School and became involved

with the Civil Air Patrol while attending Pierce Middle School.

Dorset holds the grade of Cadet Senior Airman; Moran holds the grade of Cadet 2nd Lieutenant.

As part of their Civil Air Patrol experiences, each has learned to fly light aircraft in a number of flight orientation sessions and have performed community service by supporting both civilian and military events such as parades, open houses and air shows.

The Civil Air Patrol is the national auxiliary of the United States Air Force. Its missions include emergency services, aerospace education and cadet programs.

The organization, which includes both adult and youth members, performs the majority of searches for missing or overdue aircraft in U.S. territory and can be called out to assist in case of natural disasters or other emergencies.

Civil Air Patrol planes were the only civilian aircraft authorized to fly immediately following the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on New York and Washington, D.C., and it was a Civil Air Patrol photographer who brought the first aerial images of devastation at the World Trade Center site to aid federal officials in the recovery efforts.

For more information on the Civil Air Patrol, visit www.caphq.gov.

For more information on the Selfridge Cadet Squadron, visit www.backyardwings.com/cap.



James Dorset and Theo Moran, both 16, were Michigan representatives for a Civil Air Patrol national event in Wisconsin last month.

Both are residents of Grosse Pointe Park, attend Grosse Pointe South High School and are members of the Selfridge Cadet Squadron.

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Watch the bouncing ball: Market volatility is up

The Dow's four up-days far surpassed its one down-day, so last week, it posted a sharp 432-point gain, or 5.2 percent, to close at 8,745, back to where it began August.

The NASDAQ Composite rallied up 58 points, or 4.7 percent, closing at 1,306.

The financial bailout of Brazil by the International Monetary Fund's \$30 billion loan package was a direct gift to the multinational banks with huge loan exposure there.

Citigroup (C, about 34.31, up 3.43, or 11.1 percent last week) and J.P. Morgan Chase (JPM, about 26.35, up 2.50, or 10.5 percent) are both members of the DJI.

Remember, with the Dow divisor currently at 0.14445222, each 1 point price increase in any DJI stock kicks the index up 6.9 points. So last week's price gains for Citigroup & Morgan accounted for 40.9 points of the DJI's rise.

Fed met Tuesday

The Open Market Committee of the Federal Reserve met Tuesday, Aug. 13.

At LTS' press deadline last Monday, the consensus on Wall Street was that Chairman Alan Greenspan would announce another "stand pat" regarding short-term interest rates.

But earlier last week two prominent dissenters, Lehman Brothers and Morgan Stanley, called loudly

for a reduction in rates at this week's meeting. But the hint of lower rates worked — stocks took off to the upside again!

But others said convincingly that lower rates would confirm that the economy is headed back down again toward a double dip.

So an anonymous representative at the Federal Reserve cast doubt on an imminent rate cut. Wonder who these "unnamed Fed sources" really are?

Round trip, cont'd.

Last week, LTS promised an update on our "stock" travelers who forgot to get off the transport "at the top" and rode the market back down a third of the way.

The following Monday was another downer, but LTS is happy to report three big up-days later last week.

The market (transport) closed last Friday back at the top again. Traders had many opportunities to take their profits back home for a happy end to this story.

Hedge funds: To be or not to be?

When you hear "hedge funds," you probably think first of George Soros' \$20 billion Quantum Fund, which, during the European crisis of 1991-93, "broke" the Bank of England by anticipating its forced devaluation of the pound.

No, the British Central Bank did not go "bust," but Soros' shorting the pound eventually caused its official devaluation, after which Soros' hedge fund made billions covering its shorts.

Or you might have remembered the ill-fated Long-Term Capital

Let's talk...STOCKS

Management (LTCM) hedge fund, created by John Meriwether (of Salomon Brothers' "Liars Poker" fame) in 1994.

Meriwether started with nine additional individual general partners, each contributing \$100 million each, plus \$1.1 billion from institutional limited partners. In 1995, another \$2 billion was raised.

From 1994 through 1997, LTCM produced fabulous returns. At year-end 1997, each original partner's \$100 million was reported to have become \$1.5 billion.

LTCM's brain trust consisted of Meriwether, two Nobel Prize-winning economists (Myron Scholes and Robert Merton) and former Fed Vice Chairman Daniel Mullins.

The brain trust's computer-driven "black box" specialized in bond strategies, currency spreads, take-over arbitrage, junk bonds, mortgage-backed securities — all interlaced with derivatives of every kind.

So how did LTCM get into trouble? It had \$4.8 billion capital and was able to leverage up to 20-to-1, or over \$100 billion, plus hundreds of billions more in off-balance-sheet derivatives.

the 14 brokerages and banks for the floundering hedge fund, which was judged "too big to fail."

No tax-supported monies were involved in this bailout!

So what are hedge funds doing these days?

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Many hedge funds utilize program trading to effect a timely execution of some of their trading strategies.

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Barron's also reports (Aug. 12) NYSE program trading volume on a one-week delayed basis.

For the week ended Aug. 2, program trading accounted for 38.7 percent of shares traded, or 695 million shares.

You can "see" program

Stock Market at a Glance	
Friday Close, 8/9/02	
Dow Jones Ind.	8,745
NASDAQ Comp.	1,306
S&P 500 Index	909
\$ in EUROS	0.9830
Crude Oil (Bbl.)	26.86
Gold (Oz.)	314.50
3-Mo. T-Bills	1.61%
30-Yr. T-Bonds	5.12%

trading on CNBC (Channel 38 in Grosse Pointe).

The best time on a busy, volatile day is about 3:45 p.m. Watch for the "DOW" box in lower right corner and "see" the price move up every 10 seconds in a rising market, or vice-versa.

LTS hears the beginnings of an anti-hedge fund campaign to possibly restrict some of the free-wheeling by the gorillas, which is perceived, by some, to be detrimental to the "orderliness" of the market.

Joseph Mengden is a resident of the City of Grosse Pointe and former chairman of First of Michigan. "Let's Talk Stocks" is sponsored by the following Grosse Pointe investment-related firms: John M. Rickel, CPA, P.C.; Rickel & Baun P.C.; Investment Counsel Inc. and A. G. Edwards & Sons Inc.



By Joseph Mengden

An international flight of capital ensued, causing long-term Treasuries to trade up sharply in price. Both sides of that hedge suffered severe losses.

LTCM's losses in August and September devoured most of its capital, with remaining "open" contracts totaling a reported \$1 trillion or more.

On Sunday, Sept. 20, 1998, Greenspan called an emergency meeting in his Wall Street office of leading brokerages and commercial banks.

By midweek, Greenspan's committee structured a \$3.6 billion rescue lifeline from

the 14 brokerages and banks for the floundering hedge fund, which was judged "too big to fail."

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Ahee Jewelers heirloom pieces chosen for International Diamond Exhibit

Edmund T. Ahee Jewelers has been chosen to exhibit heirloom pieces from the Ahee private jewelry collection in "The Nature of Diamonds" exhibition.

The exhibition promises to be the most comprehensive show about diamonds.

The show is currently running at Midland Center for the Arts through Nov. 3.

The show examines the many facets of diamond from its geological origins to its place in history, art, adornment, literature and its numerous uses in modern technology and research.

Ahee, located in Grosse Pointe Woods, will display 1920s art deco jewelry from the estate of Matilda Dodge Wilson, wife of the founder of Dodge Brothers Motor Cars.

John Ahee, vice president, said, "My father, Edmund T. Ahee, always had an appreciation for historical jewelry. He was happy to have had the opportunity to put together a collection of Matilda Dodge Wilson heirlooms."

The exhibit is produced by Arts Midland: Galleries and School, Midland County Historical Society and the Hall of Ideas in collaboration with the American Museum of Natural History.

Ahee's display will consist of:

- Matilda Dodge Wilson's signed Cartier diamond engagement ring from lumber broker Alfred G. Wilson.
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H. William Burdett Jr. and **Dana Mehrer** are among new associate attorneys at the Detroit office of Butzel Long.

Burdett, a resident of the City of Grosse Pointe, practices in the areas of media and intellectual property.

He is a graduate of the University of Michigan Law School, where he was editor-in-chief of the Michigan Telecommunications and Technology Law Review.

Mehrer practices in the area of business litigation with a focus on business disputes, construction law disputes and tort defense.

A resident of Grosse Pointe Farms, Mehrer graduated from the Washington University School of Law, where she was articles and notes editor for the Journal of Law and Policy.



Burdett Jr.
Mehrer

Return nesters, more college grads heading home

By Lori Z. Bahnmueller
More than half my college friends swiftly moved back in with their parents after graduation. I didn't. I took a job in California, amassed debt — and moved back home. That was more than a decade ago, before the phenomenon of the "return nester" had grown to eclipse parental anxiety surrounding the empty nest. In search of financial and emotional security, more and more young adults are moving back home with mom and dad. And while many parents

may welcome a reunion, such temporary arrangements could become a long-term drain on your finances, warns the Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants (MACPA). The MACPA encourages parents to establish firm financial ground rules with their little boomerangs before the first box is unpacked. **Clear expectations** Parents and children should work together to negotiate a cost-sharing

arrangement that takes into account the needs and expectations of both parties. Determine from the start the approximate length of stay and what contributions, financial and otherwise, the young adult will be expected to make. Resist the temptation to offer your adult child a free ride. **No free anything** Most financial experts recommend that you charge your child at least a nominal amount for room and board. Establish a figure in proportion to how much your child

earns. You might offer to later refund a portion to your child to help meet the security deposit or first month's rent on a new place to live. **An ounce of protection** Most health insurance policies discontinue coverage when the dependent is no longer a full-time student or reaches the age of 23 or 25. After that, your adult child may qualify to remain on your policy under COBRA benefits, but the premiums can be costly. One option may be an individual short-term policy, most of which are renewable for up to a year. As long as your adult child is healthy, he or she can save money by selecting a high deductible of \$1,000 or more. If you plan to give your child money, be sure that you both understand whether it's a loan or a gift. When offering a loan, you may want to make it official by drawing up an agreement that outlines the details, including repayment terms. Credit card debt is a common problem for recent college grads. However, rather than bailing out your adult child, help him or her set up a budget and work out a repayment plan.

and paid more than half the cost of maintaining a home where you live with your unmarried child, you may be able to file as head of household rather than as a single taxpayer. This gets you a bigger standard deduction and lower tax rate. *Lori Z. Bahnmueller is vice president of association services for the Michigan Credit Union League.*

State Senate race pits out-of-towners

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer
Martha G. Scott wiped out her Democratic competition in the primary for state Senate. Scott, an incumbent senator from Highland Park, beat four challengers, including heavily-endorsed Rep. LaMar Lemmons III, D-Detroit. In November, Scott will face Republican Jeffrey Schroder of Hamtramck. Both are vying for the newly-drawn Senate District 2. The diverse district stretches from the affluent Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods west through Detroit to Hamtramck and cash-strapped Highland Park.



Scott

Schroder's 2,427 votes from east side suburbs accounted for nearly all of his 2,683 total votes. Conversely, of Smith's 12,215 votes from throughout the district, only 1,524 came from the Pointes and Harper Woods. She dominated Detroit precincts 8,084 to Schroder's 150. Scott's showing bolstered her confidence for the general election. "Just like they voted for me in the primary, they will continue to vote for me," she said. Schroder said his prospects are "looking good. I have a weak opponent who doesn't really represent this district." Scott has been a senator, state representative, mayor and city council member of Highland Park. "I've been out here for 30 years," she said. "People know what I stand for and believe in." "Her biggest interest in Lansing is bailing out Highland Park with state tax dollars," Schroder said. Scott will approach the November campaign issue-by-issue. "As people bring issues to me, I will deal with them," she said. "Everybody in District 2 is special to me. We'll be working together."

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Obits

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A funeral service will be held on Friday, Aug. 23 at 3:30 p.m. at Christ Church in Grosse Pointe. Interment is at Christ Church Columbarium. Memorial contributions may be sent to Christ Church 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236, or the Detroit Rehabilitation Institute of Michigan, 261 Mack Blvd., Detroit, MI 48201.

an answer to this debilitating chronic pain disease but were discouraged with what we found. Matt lived every day to its fullest as best he could. He was courageous and faced this disease with dignity and grace." Born in San Francisco, Calif., Mr. Weber was a graduate of Grand Rapids Catholic Central, Michigan State University and the Mid Michigan Police Academy. He was a retired Public Safety Officer in Grosse Pointe Farms and owner of Weber Construction Inc. Mr. Weber was a member of St. Philomena Parish, Phi Gamma Delta fraternity, Ducks Unlimited, NAHB and NARI. He loved nothing more than his family, having enjoyed "family movie nights" every week, watching his three children play GPSA house and travel soccer, boating with his family on Lake St. Clair and duck hunting. Mr. Weber is survived by his wife, Mary Frances Weber (Lareau); his parents, Carole and Joe Weber; his daughters, Emily Katherine, 12, and Frances June, 6; his son, Frederick, 9; and his sister, Katherine (Steve) Kenyon. A funeral Mass was celebrated on Aug. 8 at St. Philomena Church. Arrangements were made by A.H. Peters Funeral Home of Grosse Pointe Woods. Memorial contributions may be made to the Weber Children Memorial Fund, 87 Ridge Rd., Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.



MaryAnn Weskel

dent MaryAnn Weskel, 76, passed away on Friday, Aug. 9, 2002. She was born in Detroit in 1926 to Michael and Mary Purgaric. She enjoyed cooking, traveling, shopping, church and collecting photographs of family. Mrs. Weskel is survived by her husband, Francis John Weskel; her daughters, Clarice Weskel Dowdle, Jacqueline Mielnicki and Geri Lynne Williams; her son, Francis John Weskel Jr.; six grandchildren, Francis, Jeffrey, Alec, Brady, Christina and Bo; and her brother, John. She was predeceased by her brother, Michael. A funeral Mass was celebrated on Monday, Aug. 12 at St. Paul Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe Farms. Interment is at St. Paul. Funeral arrangements were made by A.H. Peters Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Woods.



Matthew J. Weber

Matthew J. Weber
Grosse Pointe Farms resident Matthew J. Weber, 39, took his life on Monday, Aug. 5, 2002, after suffering for four years from chronic pain disease after fracturing his tailbone. "Not a day went by that he didn't suffer tremendously," said his wife, Mary. "No amount of pain medication or state-of-the-art pain control procedure could relieve him of this pain. We had searched the world over for

an answer to this debilitating chronic pain disease but were discouraged with what we found. Matt lived every day to its fullest as best he could. He was courageous and faced this disease with dignity and grace." Born in San Francisco, Calif., Mr. Weber was a graduate of Grand Rapids Catholic Central, Michigan State University and the Mid Michigan Police Academy. He was a retired Public Safety Officer in Grosse Pointe Farms and owner of Weber Construction Inc. Mr. Weber was a member of St. Philomena Parish, Phi Gamma Delta fraternity, Ducks Unlimited, NAHB and NARI. He loved nothing more than his family, having enjoyed "family movie nights" every week, watching his three children play GPSA house and travel soccer, boating with his family on Lake St. Clair and duck hunting. Mr. Weber is survived by his wife, Mary Frances Weber (Lareau); his parents, Carole and Joe Weber; his daughters, Emily Katherine, 12, and Frances June, 6; his son, Frederick, 9; and his sister, Katherine (Steve) Kenyon. A funeral Mass was celebrated on Aug. 8 at St. Philomena Church. Arrangements were made by A.H. Peters Funeral Home of Grosse Pointe Woods. Memorial contributions may be made to the Weber Children Memorial Fund, 87 Ridge Rd., Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

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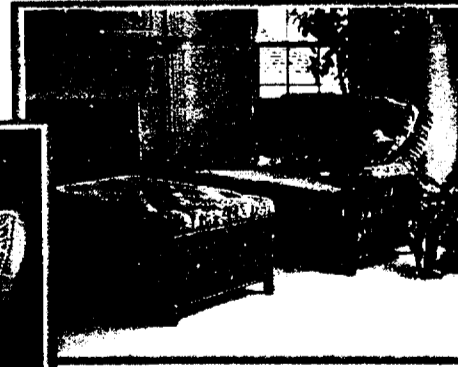
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August 15, 2002



By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

The Liang kids hope to show their country cousins how it's done at the 2002 Michigan State Fair.

Mike, 17, Amy, 14, and Anna, 11, of the City of Grosse Pointe, have entered bushels of items in the fair's community arts competition.

Mike has entered sculpture and photography. He took a picture of a woman in the Cass Corridor as part of a workshop with Focus Hope.

"I composed the woman so cobblestones seem to swirl around her," he said.

Amy entered baked goods and a quilt she made for the American Hero Quilts Project. After the fair, she will donate the quilt to the family of a New York City firefighter lost on Sept. 11.

Anna added to the patriotic theme with a story about the terrorist attack.

"It's about what happened and how I was shocked when I came home from school," Anna said.

She still thinks about the attack.

"I think about how fortunate I am that I have a loving family for myself," she said.

Anna's other fair entries aren't so serious.

"I'm entering a vase I made in school," she said. "It's kind of small and yellow with bumblebees."

She like bees.

"Except when they sting me."

Americana everywhere

Heavy involvement in the fair by suburbanites doesn't surprise John Hertel, in his ninth year as fair general manager.

"I was raised on the east side of Detroit and came to the fair every year," he said. "From my exposure to the fair, I ended up getting in the horse business. I showed horses here and other state fairs for 15 years."

Hertel always has claimed Michigan had the nation's oldest state fair. Now he has proof.

"There was a jovial dispute between the New York state fair and ourselves as to which was the oldest state fair in American," Hertel said. "We pride our-

selves calling us America's state fair because the Smithsonian Institution says so."

Michigan's first state fair was in 1839. They have run consecutively since 1849.

This year, with the help of more than \$2 million in corporate support, there will be new exhibits and expanded features:

- A horse racing simulator. "Children can get their picture taken looking like they're a jockey," Hertel said.

- Thomas the Tank Engine performances Aug. 30-Sept. 2 in the air-conditioned Hudson Auditorium.

- An antique tractor exhibit.

- Free concerts by such diverse acts as Peter Noone of Herman's Hermits, Isaac Hayes, country star Travis Tritt and, for kids, Scooby Doo. On Labor Day, local rock band JENDZA will reprise its role of two years ago as the opening act for Alice Cooper.

"We have new songs and stage antics to get the crowd going," said lead singer Derek Jendza of the Park. He won't explain. "You'll have to come and see."

Favorite attractions from past fairs will be expanded.

A two-acre Outdoor Zone, fashioned around a pond shaped like Michigan's lower peninsula, will be stocked with 5,000 fish for catch-and-release fishing.

"We bring residents a taste of the wonders and adventures waiting for them in the great outdoors," said Gary Bartsch,

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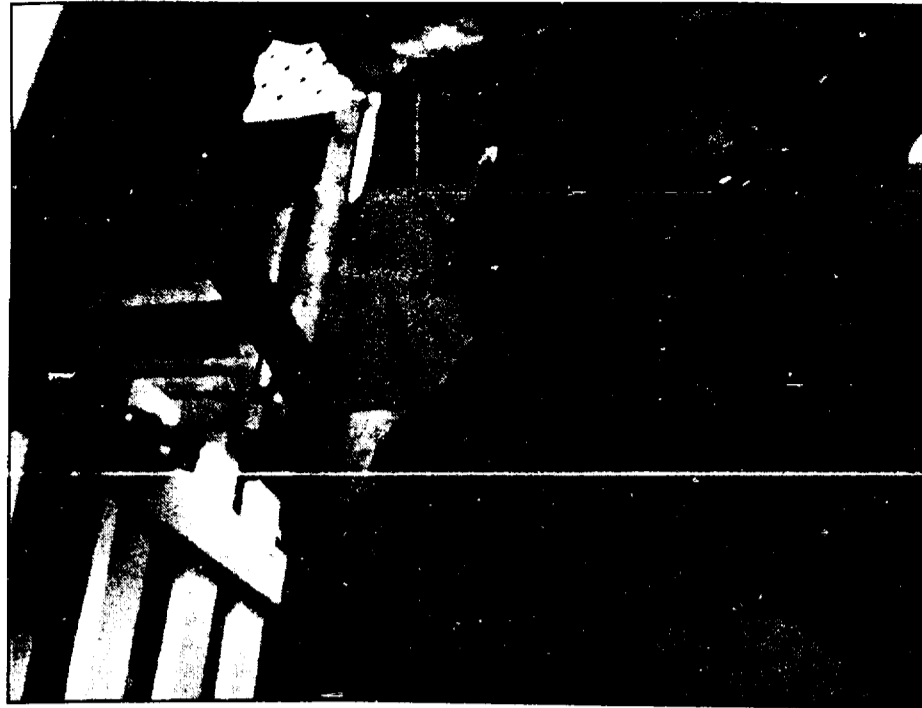


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Photos by Brad Lindberg

Fair

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director of the Zone's co-sponsor, the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority.

There will be archery, birds of prey, native plant gardens and a reptile exhibit where visitors can touch a snake.

Miracle of Life

When Scott Burgess was a kid growing up in Grosse Pointe Park, he went to the fair but didn't spend time looking at animals.

"I couldn't get much

beyond cotton candy and the rides," Burgess said.

Now Burgess spends almost the entire fair surrounded by pregnant and newborn cows and calves, sheep and lambs, pigs and piglets, and chickens and chicks.

Burgess coordinates the Miracle of Life birthing center as a representative of co-sponsor Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan. The center is operated by faculty and students from Michigan State University's College of Veterinary Medicine.

The Miracle of Life has become the fair's most popular attraction.

Last year, most of the nearly half-million fairgoers passed through the exhibit. Viewers saw 14 calves, 33 lambs and 52 piglets take their first steps. More than 350 chicks hatched.

To make viewing easier, the Miracle of Life tent has been enlarged by 1,600 square feet.

Burgess said the exhibit teaches a lesson in life.

"Aside from exposing urban people to the birthing process," he said, "we hope to inspire kids to study science in their education."

No price increase

Fair admission (\$9 adults, \$2 children 2-11 and free for children under 2 years old) hasn't gone up in five years.

"It's the best entertainment value in the state — maybe the Midwest," Hertel said.

The 2002 Michigan State fair runs Tuesday, Aug. 20 to Monday, Sept. 2 at the Michigan State Fairgrounds at Eight Mile and Woodward in Detroit. Admission is \$9 adults, \$2 children 2-11 years old, and free for children less than two years old. Parking is \$5. Hours are 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., with mid-way rides open from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. weekdays, and 11 a.m. to midnight on weekends.

State Fair highlights

Tuesday, Aug. 20:

- Clydesdale and Haflinger horse classes begin, 9 a.m., Ford Coliseum, through Aug. 22.
- Somersault race, 1:30 p.m., GM Contest Corner.

Wednesday, Aug. 21:

- Tennessee walking horse classes begin 1 p.m., Ford Coliseum, through Aug. 22.
- Spaghetti eating, 5:30 p.m., GM Contest Corner.
- Miniature horse class, 6 p.m., Ford Coliseum.

Thursday, Aug. 22:

- Baseball toss, 1:30 p.m., GM Contest Corner.
- Scooby Doo, 2, 4 and 7 p.m., Greektown Casino Band Shell.

Friday, Aug. 23:

- Cherry pit spitting, 3:30 p.m., GM Contest Corner.
- Goat milking contest, 5 p.m., goat tent.
- Cherry pie eating, 5:30 p.m., GM Contest Corner.
- Heinz Horse Hitch — eight Percheron draft horses, 6:30 p.m., Ford Coliseum, also Aug. 24-26, and Aug. 28, at 6 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 24:

- Hog calling, 3 p.m., GM Contest Corner.
- Peter Noone concert, 7 p.m., Greektown Casino Band Shell.

Sunday, Aug. 25:

- Cheerleading, pompon and dance line, 10 a.m., National City Family Grove.

- Sheep shearing, 11 a.m., Sheep Pavilion.
- Twins contest, 3 p.m., DTE Energy Gazebo.
- Bubble gum blowing, 3:30 p.m., GM Contest Corner.
- Tommy James Orchestra, 7 p.m., DTE Energy Gazebo.

Monday, Aug. 26:

- Senior Day — free gate admission for seniors (62 plus) from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. — 12:45 p.m., Senior contests (oldest man and woman, most grandchildren, etc.), National City Family Grove.
- Detroit Mounted Police skills competition, 4 p.m., Ford Coliseum.

Tuesday, Aug. 27:

- Saddlebred, pony and pinto horse classes begin, 9 a.m., Ford Coliseum, through Aug. 28.
- Soccer toss, 1:30 p.m., GM Contest Corner.
- Hedge trimming, 3:30 p.m., GM Contest Corner.
- Rope skipping, 5:30 p.m., GM Contest Corner.
- NASCAR stars Johnny Benson and Robby Gordon, 7 p.m., Greektown Casino Band Shell.

Wednesday, Aug. 28:

- Gold ribbon county fair champions (dairy, goats, sheep and swine), 2 p.m., various exhibition areas.
- Corn eating, 5:30 p.m., GM Contest Corner.

Thursday, Aug. 29:

- Rabbit show, 9 a.m.,

- Poultry/Rabbit Building.
- Cutting horses, 10 a.m., Ford Coliseum.
- Water balloon toss, 3:30 p.m., GM Contest Corner.
- Applesauce slurrp, 5:30 p.m., GM Contest Corner.

Friday, Aug. 30:

- Draft horse show begins (through Sept. 2), 10 a.m., Ford Coliseum.
- Christmas tree decorating, 11:30 a.m., GM Contest Corner.
- Thomas the Tank Engine begins five shows daily at 11 a.m., 12:30, 2:30, 4:30 and 6:30 p.m. through Sept. 2, Hudson Auditorium.

Saturday, Aug. 31:

- Football pass, 11:30 a.m., GM Contest Corner.
- Longest ponytail, 3:30 p.m., DTE Energy Gazebo.
- Three Dog Night concert, 7 p.m., Greektown Casino Band Shell.

Sunday, Sept. 1:

- Husband and wife calling, 3 p.m., DTE Energy Gazebo.
- Travis Tritt concert, 7 p.m., Greektown Casino Band Shell.

Monday, Sept. 2:

- Horse pulling contest, 3 p.m., Ford Coliseum.
- Michigan Scottish Pipes and Drums, 5 p.m., DCH Feature Parade.
- Alice Cooper and JENDZA concert, 7 p.m., Greektown Casino Band Shell.

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Ibex celebrates 50 years of exploring the arts

By Madeleine Socia
Special Writer

An Ibez, the wild mountain goat known for struggling up forbidding slopes to survey its world from ever-greater heights, may seem an odd emblem for a group of women committed to the "education, cultivation and appreciation of the arts."



But as you learn more about the 70-year history of the Ibez Club, it is clear that the sturdy little creature's tenacity and broad perspective are an ideal reflection of the spirit in which this organization began and continues to thrive.

"My husband always called this a no-nonsense group," mused Nancy Renick of Grosse Pointe Shores, former Ibez president and co-owner of the Village Toy Co., in explaining that the most important qualification for membership is a true and actively adventurous interest in the arts. "We don't do a lot of meetings. We don't do volunteer work. It is unique."

In fact, the founders' aspirations were unusual enough to be newsworthy in their day. During the winter of 1932, Detroit's "Society" pages were awash with headlines about the cluster of east-side debutantes and art students who were banding together to start a junior group of Detroit's then 25-year-old Society of Arts and Crafts. To accentuate their lofty goals the group, which included Grosse Pointers Elisabeth A. Barton, Virginia Delbridge, Blanche Hossie, Mary L. Huntington, Martha Jean Miller, Harriett Wood Moffett, Helen Frances Moore, Josephine Taliaferro and Virginia Walker, christened this venture Ibez, which means "supreme."

To say these determined young ladies had a little trouble earning respect in a pre-feminist world would be a vast understatement. According to the style of the day, much of the early press coverage was devoted to the fashionable ensembles members donned for their monthly meetings at the Society of Arts and Crafts building in Detroit or in area private clubs.

While it was duly noted that Ibez events featured "intriguing talks and informal chats over teacups," scant attention was paid to the really remarkable quality of the programs, including lectures by prominent speakers, expertly executed courses and guided tours. A few articles went so far as to characterize their discussions on the subjects of painting, sculpture, architecture, music, literature, drama, gardening, and interior decoration as "high-brow" and "hoity-toity."

Yet, driven by their sincere passion for the arts and thirst for knowledge, Ibez members were undaunted. By the end of

year one they could boast an introduction to the wonders of the Cranbrook and Kingswood schools by Eliel Saarinen, the internationally acclaimed architect who designed the facilities. They closed their first season with a gala reception for famed Mexican artists Senor and Senora Diego Rivera whose work now graces the Great Hall of the Detroit Institute of Arts.

Eventually, even The Detroit News had to concede that Ibez was becoming a "movement which will probably have far-reaching results in the next few years."

The by "invitation only" roster quickly grew to its 50-member maximum, which was eventually amended to 100 members. Today, the women of Ibez range from interested amateurs to professionals such as Wayne State University art professor/author Curl Tutag and internationally recognized portraitist Patricia Hill Burnett. Almost a dozen women have belonged for 50 years or more and the Club has been able to welcome several generations from various families. The small membership accommodates the fact that Ibez most often meets in members' homes. This practice allows dues to be dedicated to maintaining the impeccable program standards.

Among the highlights of the club's early years were amateur concerts and theatricals, ranging from mysteries penned by members to such Broadway classics as "George Washington Slept Here," that they staged in various Detroit and Grosse Pointe locations. These events served a dual purpose: They allowed the "Ibucks," an affectionate nickname for Ibez spouses, to literally get into the act, and they also enabled the Club to raise funds.

Ibez is not a service organization. However, over its first four decades the Club enhanced the community by disbursing donations in excess of \$24,000 generated through these productions. Recipients have included area theater groups, The Detroit Symphony Orchestra, The Detroit Institute of Arts and the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. In addition, such non-cultural entities as Children's Hospital of Michigan, the Detroit Orthopedic Clinic and the Family Life Education foundation were grateful for Ibez support.

During World War II, Ibez put its time and talents to work for the troops, via cooperative ventures with the Detroit chapter of the American Red Cross and the U.S. military. Member volunteers devoted a truly grand total of 11,000 hours to knitting scarves, socks, watch caps and other kinds of warm clothing. They also sewed countless surgical dressings and created utilitarian plastic items for use by servicemen. Funds from benefit productions allowed the Club to donate furnishings, books, radios and other items to ease life at area military facilities.

As women's roles evolved, so did Ibez. The fact that it

At Ibez Club's First Anniversary Celebration



Pictured in a clipping from the January 13, 1933 edition of The Detroit News, Ibez Club members, from right, Blanche Hossie, Ruth DuCharme, Helen Moore, Katherine Preston and Elisabeth Barton mark the organization's first anniversary.

does not intrude heavily on the modern member's already action-packed days is one key to its longevity. Said Renick, who joined in 1966 and now shares Club membership with her daughter and business partner, Ellen Durand, "You are only required to attend two of the 24 monthly programs offered each year. But I try not to miss any of them because I would feel cheat-

ed if I didn't make it." While friendships that extend beyond the group often grow from membership, the only two purely social events on the Club's schedule are December's Christmas party and the President's Benefit Tea. Yet the real secret of Ibez's success is that it has always given members a chance to expand their talents through a diverse cal-

endar of hands-on learning opportunities directly dictated by their ever-changing interests.

In talking about the wide range of workshops offered over the last few decades, Renick said, "It runs the gamut. We do everything from the fine arts to artsy-crafty projects. We have done soap making, sculpture, portrait painting and silversmithing. I've taken a

class in refinishing furniture and faux finishes. One member taught a class in ice skating. Another member taught modern dance. We have had classes at Pewabic Pottery. We did a program on old Roman costumes, led by the costume designer from Wayne State University. Cuisine is very popular right now. If it's new and interesting, we discuss it and explore it. It really raises your consciousness of all of the arts."

On occasion, Ibez projects expand beyond the scope of the organization. Several Ibez vocalists helped to form Noteworthy, a female singing group that continues to perform in and around Grosse Pointe.

Members, a number of whom are docents, consistently make a point of taking in the latest exhibitions at museums throughout the Midwest. They have also shared the fruits of their labors with the community by displaying their creative work at venues such as Jacobson's Grosse Pointe store.

In keeping with their tradition of inspecting the area's latest architectural wonders, the Ibez Club recently enjoyed a sneak peek at Detroit's new Ford Field, led by one of the project's major general contractors, Pointe resident Mark Millich, husband of Ibez member Ellen Millich.

Ibez continues to foster its relationship with the Society of Arts and Crafts, now the College for Creative Studies, through private donations and the club's annual scholarship program. As of 1993, all fundraising efforts were directed toward granting annual scholarships to female students of the arts at the junior, senior or graduate levels at CCS or other Michigan colleges and universities. Candidates are referred by their schools, then screened and selected by an Ibez committee.

Seven decades after the daring debs' inspired idea took root, Renick sees a bright future for Ibez, with more mountains to climb. "It takes on new life because of our interest in exploring new things," she said.

"New members bring in new ideas. That is what I find so exciting."



Enjoying an Ibez Club-sponsored tour of Detroit's latest architectural wonder, Ford Field, are, from left, Nancy Renick, Ellen Millich, project general contractor Mark Millich, Joanne Chamberline and Diane DeNardis



Keeping in touch with the roots of their organization are Ibez Club member Joannie Chamberlin, Ibez President Elect Sarah Hill and Richard Rogers, president of Detroit's College for Creative Studies. The Ibez Club was founded in 1932 as a junior group of Detroit's Society of Arts and Crafts, which eventually evolved into CCS.

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Knee injuries: ACL tears among most common

By Dr. Jeffrey Zacharias
Special Writer

Participating in sports has many benefits, including increasing physical fitness, building self-esteem and making new acquaintances.

An unfortunate downside to some sports activities is injury to the knee.

One of the most common knee injuries is tearing of the anterior cruciate ligament (ACL). In the United States there are approximately 100,000 ACL tears each year. This injury typically occurs during sports that involve quick stops, jumping, cutting or pivoting with a foot firmly planted. Most injuries to the ACL occur during football, basketball and soccer and are usually not the result of contact between players. Once torn, this ligament does not heal on its own and it leaves the knee unstable.

The ACL is one of the four ligaments in the knee that connect the femur (thigh bone) to the tibia (shin bone). Two of these ligaments run down each side of the knee, while the ACL and posterior cruciate ligament (PCL) cross each other inside the knee. The ACL prevents the tibia from moving too far forward away from the femur. It also keeps the knee from extending (straightening) beyond its normal limits, or bending backward.

Women are two to four times more likely to tear the ACL than men. There are many theories as to why this is true, but none have been proven. The most accepted theory at the present time involves how men and women differ when contracting the muscles around the knee.

Symptoms and diagnosis

With an ACL injury, often there is a popping sound or feeling when the ligament tears away from the bone.

This is accompanied by significant pain and swelling. With this injury, you will not be able to resume your physical activity because of pain or because the knee will not support you.

An orthopedic surgeon usually can diagnose an ACL tear by asking a few questions about the incident and by performing a physical exam on the affected knee. An MRI scan may be ordered to confirm the diagnosis and to look for secondary problems such as cartilage damage.

Treatment options

The decision to surgically reconstruct a torn ACL or to rehabilitate the knee with physical therapy depends on several factors. The patient's age, lifestyle, amount of damage to the knee, willingness to modify certain physical activities and ability to perform activities of daily living are all brought into consideration.

An older, moderately active individual may opt to follow the physical therapy route. This involves exercises to strengthen the hamstring and quadriceps muscles around the knee and modification of their physical activities. A knee brace may also be required during some activities to stabilize the knee.

However, the brace may not provide enough stability to allow the patient to participate in high-intensity sports like basketball or soccer.

Active individuals, and certainly people involved with competitive athletics, benefit from surgical reconstruction of the ACL. With this procedure, the torn ligament is replaced with a graft of a portion of the patient's patellar tendon or hamstring tendon. The portion of the tendon that is removed eventually regenerates itself.

This arthroscopically assisted sur-

gical procedure involves making a small three-to-five-centimeter incision in the knee to obtain the tendon graft. A few more small incisions are then made through which the arthroscope — a small video device — and small repair instruments are inserted. The tendon graft is attached to the femur and tibia, using permanent metal or bioabsorbable screws, cross-pins or special buttons.

After surgery, crutches are used for one to seven days, followed by a knee brace locked in a straight position for two weeks and unlocked for two more weeks. Patients also attend physical therapy for three to four months. A home exercise program is started the first day after surgery and is continued for approximately one year.

Greater than 90 percent of patients have good to excellent post-surgical results. Most athletes return to their sporting activities three to six months after surgery.

A torn ACL is a difficult injury to prevent, but proper warm-up before any physical activity can help reduce the incidence of some injuries. Also, there are physical conditioning "jump training" programs being developed now to specifically help prevent some knee injuries. These programs teach how to improve landing technique and strengthen the muscles around the hip and knee. These factors will decrease the force on the ACL and hopefully prevent it from tearing.

Dr. Zacharias is a Bon Secours Cottage orthopedic surgeon who sees patients at Associated Orthopedists of Detroit, located in St. Clair Shores. For an appointment, call Bon Secours Cottage Physician Referral at (800) 303-7315.

Migraines cost employers millions

Lost productivity due to migraines could be enough to give business owners their own headaches.

A recent University of Michigan study pegged Bank One's annual loss due to migraines at more than \$20 million.

"Employers are affected in two ways: the direct cost of employee health care manifested in medical and pharmacy benefit plan claims and the indirect costs connected with employees' lost productivity," said Alyssa B. Schultz, a research associate at the U-M Health Management Research Center, which conducted the study with Chicago-based Bank One, the nation's sixth-largest financial services corporation.

Migraine headaches — often debilitating with symptoms of nausea, sensitivity to light and intense pain — plague an estimated 6 percent of men and 18 percent of women in the U.S.

Although large epidemiological studies have established the national prevalence of migraines and suggested their big costs, few employers have been able to apply these projections to their specific work force.

The U-M research center worked with Bank One to distribute a health risk appraisal to about 93,000 employees in 2000. It included specific questions related to chronic disease including heart disease, diabetes, migraine headache, back pain and cancer, said Bank One Medical Director Dr. Wayne Burton. Twenty-one percent or 19,853 employees, returned the questionnaire.

Analyzing demographic and payroll data along with responses, the researchers estimated corporate costs due to migraine-related absenteeism and reduced on-the-job productivity to total \$21.5 to \$24.4 million for the year, Burton said.

"Of the nearly 20,000 respondents, 20 percent reported a history of migraine headaches," Schultz said. "Only back pain and seasonal allergies were more frequent."

Migraines were prevalent in nearly 8 percent of the men and 23 percent of the women, closely compar-

able to rates reported in national surveys, she said. The figures were especially pertinent to Bank One because 70 percent of its employees are women.

"The economic impact of migraine headaches on employers costs is significant because the incidence peaks during the ages of 25 to 55, the prime working years," Schultz said.

Researchers used data from two prior population-based work loss studies to estimate Bank One's total migraine-related lost work days at 118,578 for the year 2000.

Forty percent (46,846) of these were actual days absent and 60 percent (71,732) represented lost efficiency while at work.

The findings were published in the June issue of the *Journal of Occupational and Environmental Medicine*.

"In general, people with migraines say they prefer to go to work and/or stay at work while suffering the headache," Schultz said. "The cost of reduced efficiency is less visible but very much present."

Dee Edington, Health Management Research Center director, said: "We are finding in a number of studies that the productivity costs related to what might be called 'secondary' chronic diseases, such as migraine headaches, arthritis, allergies and back pain, are equivalent to the medical costs related to such severe conditions as heart disease, stroke, diabetes and cancer."

"What can employers do?" "Work place health care interventions such as occupational health departments and work site disease management programs can save costs by providing education, preventive services and direct treatment within the work place, where a large part of health costs are borne," Burton said.

"Earlier treatment may reduce the intensity or duration and allow the employee to resume work, even if not fully recovered," he said. "It's in an employer's best interests to take a proactive approach to limiting the impact of migraine headaches in the work place."

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Taking care of parents who didn't take care of you

Margaret is the adult child of negligent, alcoholic parents. Her father is dead now, and her elderly mother is unable to care for herself.

Ron's alcoholic father abandoned his family 20 years ago. Now he is old and ill and desperately needs someone to help care for him.

Darlene was repeatedly molested by her father when she was growing up. Her mother didn't intervene. Now old and widowed, this same mother who didn't protect her daughter now expects Darlene to care for her.

These true stories appear in a new book by Eleanor Cade called "Taking Care of Parents Who Didn't Take Care of You" (Hazelden, September 2002).

Every year, more and

more adult children of abusive, neglectful or absent parents are faced with the dilemma of whether or how to care for their elderly parents. Cade offers compassionate and practical advice to individuals who make the choice to care for difficult parents.

According to the National Alliance for Caregiving, more than 22 million households provided care to an aged person in 1998. While it is challenging enough for most adults to contemplate caring for elderly parents they adore, that thought could paralyze adult children of dysfunctional parents.

In some cases, the degree of family dysfunction and abuse was so extreme or hurtful that adult children cannot be expected to care for their aging parents. In

other cases, adult children decide to take on the difficult role of caregiver.

While caregivers might be returning to the family landscape in a new adult capacity, it is important for them to realize that old issues and emotions can easily resurface. They may feel like young children again, filled with the confusion, fear, and grief they felt all those years ago.

It is no easy task to navigate the former battleground of family without resentment, while trying to muster up some compassion for an aging and failing parent.

The challenge, says Cade, is for caregivers to make sure they are responding to the situation, not their emotions. It is important, she says, to be flexible enough to recognize that negative

thoughts and positive actions can coexist. She says that being flexible also means adapting and changing our caregiver role as needed, understanding that good caregiving requires diplomacy, outside support, and a practical network of assistance.

That assistance can come in the form of Twelve Step support groups like Al-Anon or Adult Children of Alcoholics. Nursing homes, hospitals, or other care facilities may also offer support groups or other services and information for caregivers.

Another good resource is the Family Caregiver Alliance Web site at www.caregiver.org. Caregivers can also find a host of information and support at www.caregiving.com—an interactive site that allows

caregivers to share experiences, information, and successes.

It is crucial for caregivers to take good care of themselves as they go about their caregiving duties. Cade advises that caregivers exercise, eat nutritious meals, abstain from using tobacco, alcohol, and drugs, and get enough sleep. She stresses that caregivers carve out time for partners, children, and friends in order to keep their lives in healthy balance.

Cade also says that as difficult as it might be for those who grew up with rigid boundaries or no boundaries at all, it is important that caregivers establish boundaries with sick parents, dysfunctional family members, and themselves.

This might mean limiting visits, not taking phone calls after a certain time, and deciding for oneself what is reasonable or possible.

Ideally, this journey of compassion will help caregivers achieve peace within themselves and with their pasts.

"Making peace is not about our parents, it's about

us," writes Cade. "We're ready to move on, ready to forge a different relationship."

Sometimes that new relationship is with the aging parents themselves who, as they approach death, are able to communicate with their children in new and healthy ways.

However, parents may not change, but future family dynamics still can. As Cade says, "We have the chance to break the cycle of our childhood experience, to let go of whatever neglect and inattention we suffered, and to begin a new era in our family's history."

This health column offers the information needed to help prevent substance abuse problems and address such problems. It is provided by Hazelden, a nonprofit agency based in Center City, Minn., that offers a wide range of information and treatment services on addiction.

For more resources, call Hazelden at (800) 257-7800 or check its Web site at www.hazelden.org. Direct inquiries to mduda@hazelden.org.

Bon Secours Cottage offers support to caregivers of young stroke victims

Stroke remains the nation's third-leading killer. According to the National Stroke Association, stroke strikes about 730,000 Americans yearly killing 160,000 and forever altering the lives of the 570,000 who survive.

Today there are an estimated 4 million stroke survivors living in the United States—many are as young as 20 years of age.

According to Marla K. Ruhana, MSW, a Bon Secours Cottage clinical social worker specializing in neurology, a large number of young stroke survivors, some with small children, are being cared for by spouses who must work during the day. In other instances, parents are caring for survivors.

"Resources to help young stroke victims are very limited," said Ruhana.

"Caregivers who minister to the special needs of these survivors are often physically and mentally exhausted. That's why Bon Secours Cottage Health Services is introducing a free monthly support group for caregivers of young stroke victims."

The next meeting takes place from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 3, in the 3 Northeast Classroom of Bon

Secours Hospital, 468 Cadieux, Grosse Pointe. Subsequent meetings take place the first Tuesday of each month in the same location.

Facilitated by Ruhana, the focus of the meetings is to offer emotional support, validation and feedback to individuals thrust into the challenging role of caregivers, and to link them to appropriate resources in the caregiving world.

In addition, Ruhana explains coping techniques to alleviate additional stress, and guest speakers present and discuss specific, valuable information at particular group meetings.

Although this support group is directed at individuals caring for younger stroke victims, caregivers ministering to survivors of all ages are welcome to attend. Preregistration is not required; refreshments are served.

For more information about the support group, call Ruhana at (313) 417-6814.

Book discusses invisible women

Many women, including the poor, elderly and imprisoned, are to some extent invisible in mainstream American society. And many institutions are designed to keep them that way, a University of Michigan professor said.

A book edited by Rosemary Sarri, a professor in the School of Social Work and Women's Studies program at the University of Michigan, and Josefina Figueira-McDonough of Arizona State University, presents a comprehensive collection of essays that examines the plight of poor women in detail.

The book, "Women at the Margins," was published by the Haworth Press.

Welfare and correctional systems rob poor women of their citizenship status and treat them as expendable," Sarri says. "The policies of these systems force women to make decisions that are often contrary to their best interests."

Her book documents how current policies have resulted in devastating life conditions for poor women and also presents a call for action to address the problem.

St. John coffee shop seeks volunteers


Java John, the St. John Hospital coffee shop, is in need of a few smiling volunteers to keep the coffee flowing and the pastries fresh for hungry visitors and employees.

Although Java John is open seven days a week, St. John Hospital is primarily in need of volunteers on Sunday for either shift: 7:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. or 12:30 - 5:30 p.m.

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Believe it or not, some people used to be self-conscious about wearing eye-glasses. Today, with the fancy frames and contact lenses nobody minds. Similar advancements have been made in Audiology. The new hearing aids are almost as difficult to detect as contact lenses. If you are concerned about your hearing, come to GROSSE POINTE AUDIOLOGY, 19794 Mack Avenue in Grosse Pointe Woods, for a professional evaluation by a doctorate-level licensed Audiologist. If you have tried hearing instruments once unsuccessfully, now it is time to try again. Grosse Pointe Audiology will take the time to address your unique hearing concerns and work with you to recommend the most appropriate hearing instruments. Call us at 313-343-5555 to make your appointment.

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College students can learn to balance books and food while avoiding the freshman-year bulge

College students with visions of expanding their minds and horizons often fail to realize that their new surroundings can also add to the expansion of their waistline.

College freshmen are warned about the legend of the "Freshman 15" — the 15 pounds students are said to gain in their first year at college.

This legend is partially correct. According to a Tufts University study, the aver-

age male student gains approximately six pounds, while female students gain between four and five pounds their freshman year.

The first year of college is usually the time when students first make their own meal decisions by selecting food in the cafeteria or buying their own groceries and preparing their meals. Parents are no longer present to see that their child eats a healthy diet.

Students need to adjust to

limited time and availability of "home cooked" meals.

"It is important that students not only balance their academic and social life, but their diet as well," said registered dietitian Beth Thayer of the Henry Ford Heart and Vascular Institute's Heart Smart program. "Just like many things in life, to be successful you have to plan ahead and work hard."

Thayer acknowledges the life of a student is hectic and it can be difficult to eat a proper diet.

Food options are often overwhelming and costly. The easiest meal on-the-go is fast food or a snack from the vending machine. However, with a little advanced thought and planning, the following tips will help students eat healthier, while saving money and time.

Tips for college freshmen who live on-campus:

1. Eat three meals a day. Always eat breakfast in the morning, whether it is a bowl of cereal or a whole-grain bagel on the way to

class. Breakfast not only gives you the energy to start your day but will help curb your hunger throughout the day.

2. Carry a bottle of water at all times. Quench your thirst without spending money on pop and other sugary fruit drinks, which contain unwanted calories.

3. Snacks on-the-go. Carry pieces of fruit or vegetables with you.

4. Try not to eat and study at the same time. It's easy to overeat when you are concentrating on something else.

5. Don't forget the fruits and vegetables. Just because your mom isn't there to remind you doesn't mean they aren't important. Not only do they have important vitamins, minerals and phytochemicals, but they are also a great source of fiber, which will help keep your hunger under control.

6. Keep cafeteria portions small. The cafeteria may offer a variety of foods that are tempting, but only take a sampling or small portion of each. It is easy to overeat in the cafeteria.

Advice for college students living off-campus.

1. Buy items in bulk. Divide the item(s) into individual portions before putting them away.

2. Brown-bag it. Save money, time and calories by packing a lunch the night before, instead of waiting in the lunchtime rush lines on campus.

3. Cook one large meal a week. On Sunday night, cook your favorite meal and divide it into individual portions for future meals.

4. Or, try sharing cooking responsibilities with others in the house or apartment. Taking turns preparing meals gives everyone a break and a chance to try new foods.

5. Freeze leftovers. Always freeze leftover food if you are not going to eat it the very next day.

6. Take advantage of the fruits and vegetables that are in season. These tend to be less expensive and better tasting. (Examples: apples and pears are fall fruits, while strawberries, cherries

and apricots are harvested in the spring and earlier summer.)

7. Or, buy frozen fruits and vegetables in a bag and reseal after you've taken out what you are going to use.

8. Choose store brands instead of name brands. You will find there is little difference between the two, other than price.

9. Always shop with a list and on a full stomach to avoid unplanned purchases.

10. Buy 100-percent fruit juice as frozen concentrate instead of by the carton.

Both have the same nutritional content, but the frozen variety is usually less expensive.

11. Become coupon savvy. Clipping coupons and taking advantage of in-store bonus cards can save you big bucks.

12. Be portion conscious. Many restaurants offer substantially larger portions than dietitians recommend. Only eat half of what you are served and take the rest for lunch the next day.

Heart Smart recipes for college students are available at www.henryford.com.

Art becomes therapy for cancer patients

Bon Secours Cottage Health Services' CancerCare program is offering art therapy as a medium for promoting healing for individuals undergoing or recovering from cancer treatment.

"Color Me Well" is a six-week art therapy series based on the belief that the creative process involved in the making of art is healing and life-enhancing.

Art therapist and artist Christine Lewis guides participants as they learn to express themselves using a variety of art materials including pastels, paints and clay.

"We use art as a visual expression of an emotional state," explained Lewis. "Things a person may be holding in their mind — like pain, fear or anxiety — are put into a form where they can be seen. By talking about the art, its creator is able to understand and come to terms with the issues confronting them."

"No artistic talent is needed," said Lewis, "just a willingness to express yourself creatively. It's the process of making art, not the product, that's important. I teach

participants how to work with a variety of materials and, along with being therapeutic, some beautiful art results."

In conjunction with the six-week class series, Lewis encourages individual journaling, which includes spontaneous art along with personal reflection in writing. Journals may be shared with the group, discussed privately with the therapist, or kept completely private.

The next "Color Me Well" session begins Wednesday, Aug. 21.

It is held from 1 to 3 p.m. in the third floor conference room at Cottage Hospital, 159 Kercheval (one mile south of Moross), Grosse Pointe Farms.

There is a \$10 materials fee. Persons receiving cancer treatment at any health care facility are welcome to join the group and begin a personal journey of discovery toward healing.

For reservation information, call Bon Secours Cottage Community Health Promotion at (586) 779-7900.

Intermediate meditation class will be offered at St. John Healing Arts Center

An intermediate meditation class will be offered on Saturday, Aug. 24, from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. in the St. John Healing Arts Center located on the third floor of the Van Eslander Cancer Center (19229 Mack Ave. Suite 30, Grosse Pointe Woods).

It follows the basic meditation class held on July 27. This course focuses on relaxing the entire body

while combining exercise and the use of "intention and forgiveness."

This is the next step in the meditation path, carrying one's knowledge a step further from what was learned in the beginning course.

It teaches more ways to relax, to breath and to meditate, helping to make one's life even more stress free. Students aim to leave with

harmony restored in their lives and with nature, a calmer inner self and a "still mind" and the ability to achieve this state on a daily basis wherever and whenever they chose to.

Catherine Green, CMT, will teach ways to "still the mind and restore harmony with self and nature" through meditation. The cost of this two-hour course is \$25.

For reservations or more information on this or other classes held at the St. John Healing Arts Center, call toll free (866) 246-4673, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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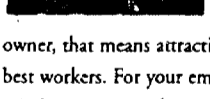


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Stratford offers one-act plays at Studio Theatre

A second pair of one-act plays at Stratford's new Studio Theatre this summer is adding strong confirmation to the wisdom of opening this fourth stage at the Stratford Festival as a venue for new material. One play, "Bereaved of Light," is a powerful drama exploring issues that color the fiber of our society.

The second, "The Fellini Radio Plays," is a highly entertaining look back at the creative genius of the great film director, Federico Fellini. Together, the two plays make a stimulating and balanced program of entertainment.

"Bereaved of Light," in fact, is one of those truly exceptional performances that makes it a standout among the Festival's routinely high-quality offerings. Written by Aboriginal Canadian playwright Ian Ross, it is a story about an escaped slave who finds refuge with a Native American.

In poetic imagery and with biblical flavor, Ross draws striking analogies between the sufferings and aspirations of the African black man who has been

State of the Arts



By Alex Suczek

William Blake, a sense of his own dignity as a man and his right to freedom.

For his brother, Samuel, the difference in their status is infuriating. It becomes unbearably so when, against the stern command of plantation owner Abraham Milton, Absalom can't resist showing off his skill.

Whipped for disobedience, he runs away.

His encounter with Wagoosh (the native word for Fox) is an inspiring process of discovering the commonality of their feelings.

Gregory Dominic Odjig, as the Native American, projects surprise and suspicion in his first encounter with the runaway. The process of discovering the sense of oppression and desire for personal dignity that he shares with Absalom is an exciting insight into the fundamental aspirations of humanity.

Between the superb performances by the quartet of actors and the built-in drama of the story, the play is a highly moving and even thrilling experience. Leon Pownall as master

Abraham conveys convincing agony as he finally catches up with Absalom and gradually reveals the terrible ethical and emotional conflicts he and Samuel face. He has difficulty reconciling his sense of ownership of his slave and his affection for Absalom as a person.

As he is forced to reveal the secret that is the basis for this anguished ambivalence, the drama is intense. Olangunji is equally effective as Samuel, having his self-discovery experience, as he discards his pose as loyal servant and reveals his own desire for self-fulfillment.

This play may leave you emotionally drained, but it is an experience not to miss.

The stage adaptation of Fellini's radio plays, on the other hand, is a welcome relief to the intensity of the first drama. The skits are far from frothy and innocent. Each provides a peek at idiosyncrasies of Italian life in the 1940s and, like the short stories of O. Henry, takes an ironic twist in its ending.

One highlight is the disarming performance by Andrew Strachan of a naive young gentleman who is totally bamboozled by a panhandling con man, played with equal flair by Steve Cumyn. The audience can have the satisfaction of guessing what the outcome will be but the performance is no less fun to watch.

The mood switches from this whimsy to tragic romance based on a pop song of the '40s era, "Love Letters Straight from my Heart." It, too, has a couple of twists to the story — such as the fact that the correspondents, separated when he goes to the big city to find a job, don't know how to write. They mail each other blank sheets. When opening the envelopes, each imagines with touching conviction what the other wrote. It ends on a sad note that is, unfortunately, true to life.

The climax of the series is the segment "A Special Broadcast," which anticipated audience and listener participation shows of our time. Host of that show is a

figure that can be taken to represent Fellini himself. It is performed with characteristic film director swagger by Eric Peterson and is genuinely fun to watch as he invents creative responses to questions mailed in by listeners.

The responses are the most fun, of course, when the letters raise the most challenging and important questions. The director and his staff come up with flamboyantly creative responses.

A special attraction in the cast of this romp is actress Luba Goy, of "Royal Canadian Air Farce" fame on north of the border TV. Her impersonations of various characters, including a Chinese Fish, are a treat and greatly enliven the show.

There is no question but that these two one-act plays make another outstanding success for the new Studio Theatre just opened at Stratford. This pair is offered in repertory only through Aug. 25. For tickets and information, call (800) 567-1600.

Mexican dip features beans, cheese

Bean dips have long been a favorite of mine to prepare, and to eat. There are so many options when it comes to making these creamy Mexican-inspired creations.

You can serve refried bean dips hot or cold and the ingredients may include any combination of cheeses, tomatoes, olives, onions, avocado, salsa or sour cream.

This week's recipe for hot bean and cheese dip pairs refried beans with whole pinto beans, diced tomatoes and spices that give this dip just enough kick.

Hot Bean and Cheese Dip

- 1 can diced tomatoes, drained and divided (14.5 oz.)
- 1/2 teaspoon hot pepper sauce (such as Tabasco)
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon ground

- cumin**
- 1/4 teaspoon dried oregano
- 1 can refried beans (16 oz., any variety)
- 1 can pinto beans, rinsed and drained (16 oz.)
- 1 can chopped green chilies, drained (4 oz.)
- 1 cup shredded sharp Cheddar cheese

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. In a large bowl, combine one cup of the drained diced tomatoes with the pepper sauce, salt, cumin, oregano, refried beans, pinto beans and green chilies.

Mix until all of the ingredients are well incorporated. Turn the bean mixture into a 1 1/2-quart baking dish that has been coated with cooking spray.

Top with the shredded cheese and bake at 350 degrees until the cheese has melted, about 25 minutes. Remove from oven

and sprinkle with the remaining diced tomatoes. Serve hot with your favorite tortilla chips. This delicious dip was a snap to prepare. A double recipe fits perfectly into a 9- by 13-inch baking dish. I topped my cheese layer with sliced black olives for added color and flavor.



À LA ANNIE
By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

Blue corn were my chips of choice. This tasty appetizer got two thumbs up from my husband's son John Scheriff.

A stepmother who can cook... that's a compliment.

Garden Center to hold tea

The Grosse Pointe Garden Center Inc. will celebrate its Trial Garden Awards at a tea on Thursday, Sept. 19 at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial from 12:30 to 3 p.m.

The event is open to Garden Center members, their guests and the public. The tea recognizes all of the clubs which participated in the designing, planting and maintenance of plots in the Trial Garden during the growing season.

The Garden Center provides the funding for the Trial Garden and asks various judges to evaluate the gardens three times during the season, based on specific requirements. This year's judges are James Farquhar, owner of Grosse Pointe Florists; Mike Sands, horticulturist at the Belle Isle Conservatory and Mildred Anthony.

In addition to first, second and third places, this year the center also has George Papadalis, owner of Telly's Green House, as a guest speaker. Plants from his greenhouse will be available for purchase.

Reservations are required. Contact the Grosse Pointe Garden Center Inc. at (313) 881-4594 for reservations.

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Graphic arts and motion picture magic

By Helen Gregory
Special Writer

Have you been to the Shores Theater at Mack and Nine Mile in St. Clair Shores lately?

It is such a great place for movies. For one thing, it's nearby; for another, the seats are comfortable.

When it almost closed in 1993, twentysomethings Steven Lutomski, David and Connie Tolfree bought it for an undisclosed sum. They revamped the whole place. With a pooled total of \$3,000 and their credit cards, they cleaned it up, fixed the plumbing, split it into two screening rooms, put in good seats and started showing movies after they left the first-run houses.

If a movie came to the Shores, you knew it was on the verge of video. The plus was you got to see it on the big screen and tickets were



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only \$2. An extra plus for me was that on weekends you could get a hot dog at the refreshment stand. I could go straight to the show after work without missing dinner.

Now they show first-run films for a higher price, but they're still nearby and still sell hot dogs.

And you can get ice cream or cappuccino a mere three doors away, afterward.

I just saw "The Road to Perdition" there. This is a

movie people either love or hate. It's the first film I've seen this year that deserves to be remembered at Oscar time.

The overall look is haunting; the music is sublime without being intrusive. The carefully researched scene and costumes are authentically 1931. The entire cast turns in a first-rate performance, but what would you expect from Tom Hanks, Paul Newman, Jude Law and Stanley Tucci?

Even the boy, Tyler Hoechlin, is good.

The theme is fathers and sons: an Irish mob boss and his loose-cannon son, the boss's enforcer and his 12-year-old son, and finally, the boss and his surrogate son, the enforcer.

The story is downright biblical: a fable, a morality tale about loyalty and drawing the line in shades of gray. Despite questions of logic and possibly history, you don't have to suspend disbelief. Like Greek tragedy, it suspends your disbelief for you.

The only thing I missed was comic relief, so it surprised me that it moved fast, possibly due to the

extreme violence that earned it the R rating. The movie is based on a graphic novel of the same title, written by hard-boiled detective novelist Max Allan Collins, with realistic illustrations by Richard Rayner. Collins also worked on the screenplay.

For those who've managed to avoid them so far: graphic novels are comic books with longer stories. Merriam-Webster's online source, www.yourdictionary.com, dates "graphic novel" at 1978 and defines it as "a fictional story for adults that is presented in comic-strip format and published as a book."

My print copy of Merriam defines graphic as "formed by writing, drawing, or engraving." The second definition better fits what the artists are trying to achieve: "2 a: marked by or capable of clear and lively description or striking imaginative power." They are by definition "b: sharply outlined or delineated."

We've had them in Youth Services for years. Children's books are frequently illustrated, but in graphic novels the illustra-

tions dominate as much as they do in picture books or comics.

I bought two that I can remember: Avi's "City of Light, City of Dark," and Philip Pullman's "Spring-Heeled Jack." Avi's 1993 book is futuristic with the typical comic book element of saving the city from an arch villain.

Our 1989 copy of "Spring-Heeled Jack" wore out years ago, but our youth service librarians bought a new copy when it was reissued this year.

This action-packed story is loaded with straight-faced humor. One dark and stormy night three young orphans escape their confines only to be catapulted into the treacherous streets and alleys of Victorian London.

For those hooked on Lemmy Snicket's wry "Series of Unfortunate Events," try "Spring-Heeled Jack." Pullman's humor isn't as dry or hopeless as Snicket's.

For adults, the best-known graphic novel might be Art Spiegelman's modern classic "Maus: a Survivor's Tale" and its sequel, "Maus

II: and Here my Troubles Began."

Spiegelman explores the father-son relationship, the true story of his father's experience as a Jew in Poland during the Holocaust. He draws the Jews as mice and the Nazis as cats. His honest, deeply felt history is no less poignant for the metaphor.

For a splendid overview of book history, read "The Art of the Book: from Medieval Manuscript to Graphic Novel" (2001) edited by James Bettley. It begins with illuminations and covers a wide range, beautifully illustrated in full-page color plates. Visual poetry, text layout, string art and mirrors show 600 years of imagination.

For luminous cinematic design, see "The Road to Perdition." You could wait for the library to get it in video, but it will be better on the big screen down the street.

You can reach Helen Gregory online at hgregory@sp.lib.mi.us or find her at Grosse Pointe Central Library.

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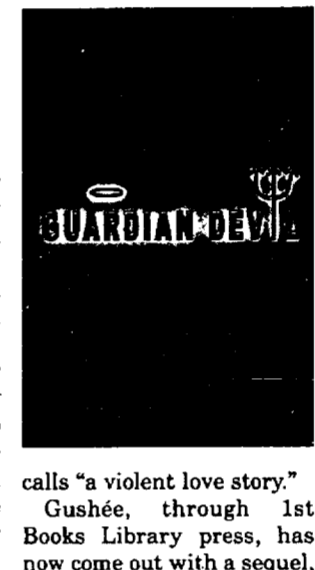
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A book-signing by author Edward T. Gushée, formerly of Grosse Pointe Farms, will held at Border's Bookstore in the Village on Wednesday, Aug. 21, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

A former J. Walter Thompson Advertising executive, Gushée retired to Scottsdale, Ariz., where he wrote his first book, "Someone's Picking the Daisies," which the author



St. John Hospital to use new heart device

St. John Hospital and Medical Center is one of the first hospitals in the country to use a new alternative to a heart-lung machine for open heart surgery that can reduce complications related to the surgical procedure.

Traditionally during open heart surgery, surgeons use a heart-lung machine to perform stopped-heart surgery. The heart-lung machine has made open heart surgery possible by taking over the functions of the heart and lung during surgery but it is associated with certain risk factors such as bleeding, lung complications and increased risk of blood transfusions.

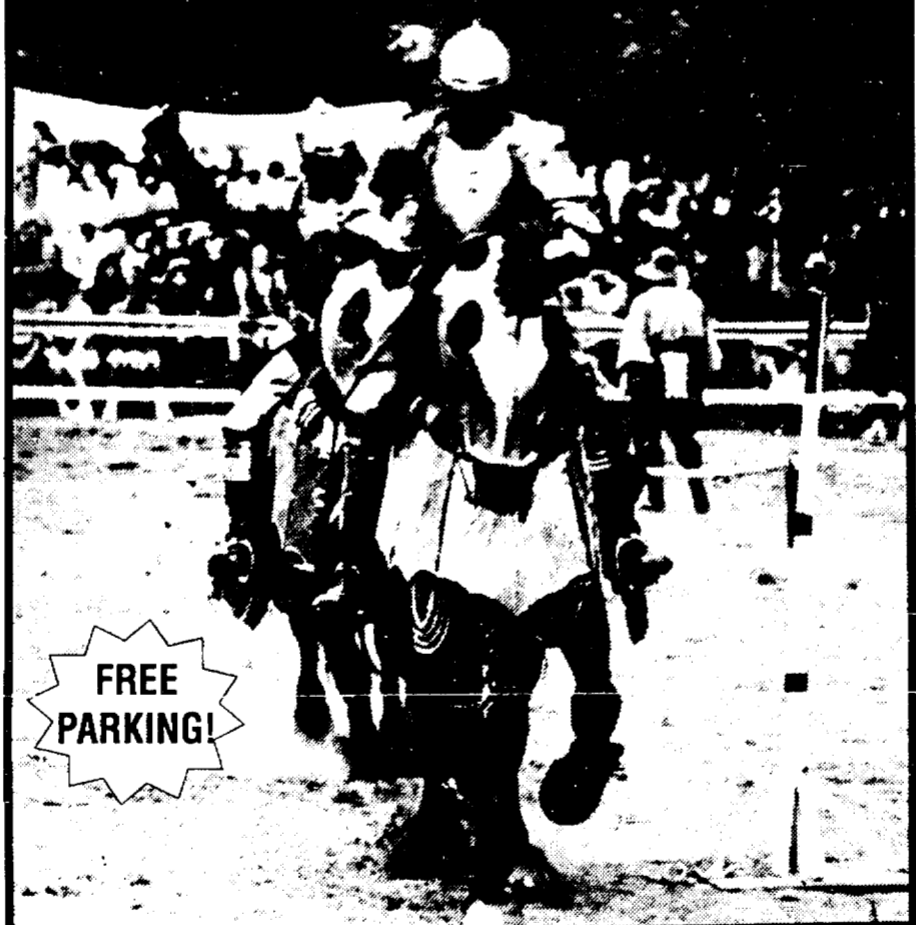
Surgeons also perform beating-heart surgery without the heart-lung machine but the procedure may not be appropriate for all patients because certain patients are not able to tolerate the procedure.

The new device called the CORx System is the first minimally invasive device that can replace heart-lung bypass systems while minimizing complications related to the heart-lung machine.

The CORx System, which was recently approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), is about the size of a soda can vs. the traditional machine, which has multiple hardware that can occupy a large portion of the surgical space. It can also be used as the circular support for both beating-heart and stopped heart procedures.

Dr. Steven Harrington, cardiac surgeon at St. John Hospital, has used the new system on several patients and is pleased with the results.

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9:00 AM VITALITY PLUS A half-hour aerobic exercise class. Repeated: Midnight	1:30 PM CONVERSATIONS WITH COLLECTORS Guest, Philip C. Hessburg, MD - Ophthalmologic Instruments Host Susan Hartz focuses on local interesting collections. Repeated: 4:30 AM (8:30 PM, Tue., T. Sat.)
9:30 AM POSITIVELY POSITIVE Guests, Terence Reed - Wealth preservation & Jeff Brayton - Small Business Success Hosts Jeanie McNeil and Liz Aiken - an uplifting half-hour of positive attitudes and ideas. Repeated: 12:30AM (9:30 PM - M.W.F. & Sun)	2:00 PM THE LEGAL INSIDER Guest, Jack Apol - Criminal Law Hosts local attorneys David Draper and Douglas Dempsey take an inside look at current legal issues. Repeated: 5 AM, 6 PM
10:00 AM WHO'S IN THE KITCHEN? Guest, Michelle McFarlen, Exec. Chef DYC Host Chuck Kaess cooks with local celebrities. Repeated: 1 AM, 6:30 PM	2:30 PM THE JOHN PROST SHOW Guest, Susie Gross - The Parade Company Host John Prost interviews local celebrities about timely topics. Repeated: 5:30 AM, 10 PM
10:30 AM WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP Orchid Part I Renowned local artist Carol LaChiusa demonstrates watercolor techniques simple enough for beginners, yet challenging to the experienced artist. Repeated: 1:30 AM, 7:30 PM	3:00 PM THE EASTSIDE EXAMINER Guest, Bonnie Delsener - Wine Cellars Host Julia Keim and guests highlight upcoming local, non-profit special events. Repeated: 6 AM, 7 PM
11:00 AM THINGS TO DO AT THE WAR MEMORIAL Guests, Lynn Thomas - Helping with Homework & Ray Hogan & Amy Clio - Argentine Tango for Beginners Bunny Brooks hosts an informative look at what's happening at the War Memorial. Repeated: 2 AM, 8 PM	3:30 PM MUSICAL STORYTIME JAMBOREE Miss Paula, the Merry Music Maker, offers a half-hour of stories and music for children. Repeated: 6:30 AM
11:30 AM OUT OF THE ORDINARY... INTO THE EXTRAORDINARY Guests, Hans Christian & Kim Waters - Rasa Music Host Robert Taylor presents an extraordinary half-hour of people, places and ideas. Repeated: 2:30 AM (9:30 PM, Tue., T. Sat.)	4:00 PM VITALITY PLUS A half-hour of body toning and step/kickboxing exercise class. M/W/F/Sun: Step/kickboxing Repeated: 7 AM (9 PM - M. W. F. & Sun.); Tone. Repeated: (9 PM Tue. T. & Sat.)
12:00 PM THE ECONOMIC CLUB OF DETROIT Guest, General Richard B. Myers, Chairman Joint Chiefs of Staff Features nationally known guest speakers discussing current topics in the business community. Repeated: 3 AM, 10:30 PM	4:30 PM YOUNG VIEW POINTES Upbeat youth show featuring students reporting on a variety of educational topics. Repeated: 7:30 AM (8:30 PM M. W. F. & Sun.)
	5:00 PM POINTES OF HORTICULTURE Guest, Josephine Malecek - Herbs Host horticulturist Jim Farquhar shares tips, gives advice and interviews local authorities on gardening. Repeated: 8 AM

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Attractions

Anna Scripps Whitcomb Conservatory: Flowers and plants from around the world. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., daily. Belle Isle, Detroit. \$2 adults and guided tours, \$1 seniors and children. 2-12. (313) 852-4064.

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Automotive Hall of Fame: • Special exhibition dedicated to Warren Avis, founder of Avis Rent-a-Car. • Interactive exhibits focusing on automotive pioneers.

10 a.m.-5 p.m., daily. 21400 Oakwood in Dearborn. \$6 adults, \$5.50 seniors, \$3 for children. 5-12. (313) 240-4000.

Charles H. Wright Museum of African-American History: • In the Spirit of Martin, a Smithsonian Exhibition of Visual Arts celebrating Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. through Saturday, Aug. 31.

• Jacob Lawrence John Brown Series, through

Saturday, Aug. 31, 9:30-5 p.m., Wednesday-Saturday, 1-5 p.m., Sunday, 3:15 E. Warren, Detroit. \$5 adults, \$3 children, 5 and up. (313) 494-5800.

Children's Museum Detroit Public Schools: Workshops, noon-2 p.m., Thursdays and Fridays, for children, 6-12. 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday-Friday, 6134 Second, Detroit. \$3 per program. (313) 873-8100.

Detroit Historical Museum: • Connections: Metro Detroit Neighborhoods Saturday, Aug. 24-Sunday, Aug. 31, 2002.

• Pewabic Pottery: The Legacy of Mary Chase Perry Stratton, through Sunday, Oct. 13.

• Ghost Ads, through Sunday, Nov. 30.

• Land, Lives and Legends: Native Americans in Detroit. 9:30-5 p.m., Tuesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 5401 Woodward, Detroit. \$5 adults, \$2.50 seniors and elementary/high school students; \$3 college students, children under 12 free. (313) 833-1805.

Detroit Science Center: • DTE Energy Sparks Theater.

• Traveling exhibition, Destination Space, through Monday, Sept. 2.

• Hands-on laboratory exhibits.

• IMAX Dome Theatre.

• Digital Dome Planetarium:

Starlit Summer Nights, 1 and 3 p.m., daily.

Hubble: Images of the Infinite, 11 a.m., noon, 2 p.m. and 4 p.m., weekdays and 11 a.m., noon, 2 p.m., 4 p.m. and 5 p.m., weekends.

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The Search for Life in the Universe, 11 a.m., noon, 2 and 4 p.m., weekdays; 11 a.m., noon, 2, 4, 5 p.m., weekends.

10:30 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, 5020 John R, Detroit. \$7 adults, \$6 seniors and children, 2-12. \$4 IMAX Dome. \$4 planetarium. (313) 577-8400.

Detroit Zoo:

• Arctic Ring of Life exhibit, 4.2 acres of arctic animals and a clear, underwater Polar Passage.

• Antenters: Fast Food Specialists interactive exhibit in the Wildlife Interpretive Gallery, through Sunday, Sept. 8.

• National Amphibian Conservation Center.

• Wild Summer Nights at the Detroit Zoo concert series, 6-7:30 p.m., Wednesdays, through Aug. 28.

• Wild Adventure Simulator.

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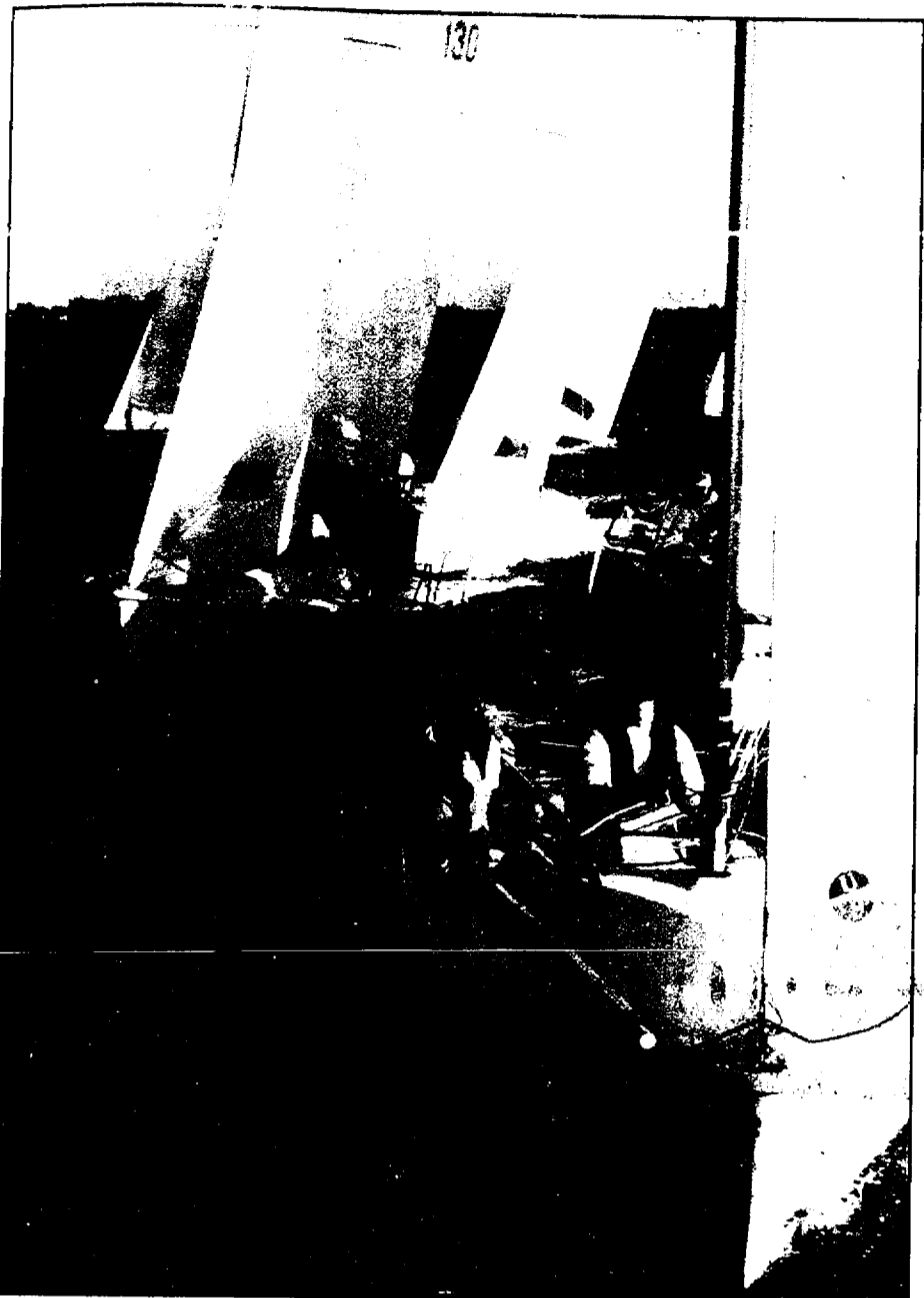


Photo by Brad Lindberg
 Skippers sniff for clean air within feet of the main pier at Windmill Pointe Park seconds before the Grosse Pointe Sail Club race Aug. 7.

South team is perfect in state Babe Ruth baseball tourney

Grosse Pointe South won all three of its games in the recent 13-year-old Babe Ruth state tournament at Kerby Field.

The South team, which represents the Farms, City and Park, defeated Grosse Pointe Woods-Shores 10-0 in the championship game to advance to the regional tournament in Menomonee, Wis.

South got all the runs it needed in a four-run second inning.

Tim Deters drove in Jon Jacobi and Phil Cackowski with the first two runs. Deters and Will Bryant then scored unearned runs.

South had another four-run inning in the fourth with Michael Wilson, John Steininger, Sean Martin and David Meyers scoring. Meyers and Cackowski had the RBIs.

Martin's two-run double that drove in Deters and Wilson capped the scoring in the fifth inning.

Paul Brosnan, Martin, Deters and Cackowski each had two hits. Wilson scored twice and pitched four shutout innings.

Joe Conway finished on the mound as the game was completed the following day because of an overnight weather delay.

In its first tournament game, South beat L'Anse Creuse North 6-1 behind the strong pitching of Conway.

Martin led a balanced South attack with two hits and Bryant scored two runs. Steininger and Meyers each played strong games.

Bryant pitched a five-hitter and struck out eight as South beat Woods-Shores 6-1 to clinch a berth in the final game.

Woods-Shores pitcher Matt Koppinger breezed through the first two innings, but Travis Hearing opened the third with a hit and Cackowski walked. Deters followed with a two-run double and he scored on Bryant's single.

South added three more runs in the fourth as Jacobi, Cackowski and Deters scored on hits by Bryant and Wilson.

Gusts power fast GPSC sailboat race

By Brad Lindberg
 Staff Writer

Skippers anxious to start the Grosse Pointe Sail Club race Aug. 7 paced their boats behind the starting line like caged zoo animals at feeding time.

Action peaked in the third of 12 heats as stiff winds on Lake St. Clair gave sea-wise helmsmen of Ultimate 20s something to work with.

Boats jockeyed within feet of each other and the steel breakwall at Windmill Pointe Park for the best starting spot. They tacked, jibbed, turned on their keels and tied their wakes in knots.

A crowd of onlookers lined the Windmill pier fearing a crash that never came. Sailors dogged their nimble boats this way and that, sniffing for a gust of get-away air.

"Ultimate 20s are small and maneuverable," said Gordon Morlan, commodore of the sail club and resident of Grosse Pointe Park. "You can turn them on a dime."

Then the starting cannon fired a blank shotgun shell to begin heat three. Almost before 12- to 14-knot winds cleared the gun's blue-gray smoke from a cloudless sky.

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Redbirds 15's to hold tryouts on Sunday

The Grosse Pointe Redbirds 15-year old baseball team that plays in the Macomb Amateur Baseball Federation will hold tryouts on Sunday, Aug. 18 at 1 p.m. at Ghesquiere Park in Grosse Pointe Woods.

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G.P. South wins once in Babe Ruth regional tournament

The Grosse Pointe South 13-year-old Babe Ruth All Stars were unable to overcome fielding mistakes at the Ohio Valley Regional in Menomonee, Wis.

Grosse Pointe South, which won the state championship, allowed five unearned runs in its opening game — a 5-0 loss to Northern Indiana.

Joe Conway pitched a fine game for South, but the Grosse Pointe batters were unable to get going against Craig Montague, one of the top pitchers in the regional.

Travis Hearing and Jon Jacobi had the only South hits. Mitch Michels and Chris McMillan had excellent defensive games in support of Conway.

South rebounded the next day to beat Illinois 6-4. South trailed 3-1 after five innings but tied the game in the sixth and won it with three runs in the top of the

seventh. The key hit was a double to deep right field by Tim Deters.

Illinois got a run in the seventh. See REGIONAL, page 4C

South

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Bryant helped himself with four hits and Wilson collected three.

Kurt Tech played well defensively behind the plate. Chris McMillan and Brosnan combined for the defensive play of the game. McMillan made a fine running catch in right field and fired a strike to Brosnan at third to cut down a Woods-Shores runner trying to advance. Mitch Michels had an excellent defensive game at second base.

Woods-Shores began tournament play with a 7-5 win over Clinton Valley. Fred Andary led the way with three hits, three RBIs and two runs. Chris Cullen added two hits and two RBIs. Michael Doak and Marshall Ochylski pitched well for Woods-Shores and Koppinger blanked Clinton Valley over the last two innings to record the save.

Woods-Shores continued its strong play with a 13-2 romp over Niles.

Andary and Koppinger each had three hits and scored three runs and Ochylski had four RBIs. Tony Fazi had an outstanding game at catcher and had a key hit. Koppinger and Jack Todd did the pitching for Woods-Shores.

A five-run first inning helped lift Woods-Shores into the championship game with a 7-5 win over Clinton Valley.

Andary and Koppinger continued their strong hitting with two hits apiece. Mike D'Agnes, Doak and Ochylski did the pitching. Clinton Valley's offense was led by Dale Ross and Mike Maniaci.

Earlier, Clinton Valley eliminated L'Anse Creuse North 9-5. Ross led Clinton Valley with three hits and he pitched six innings.

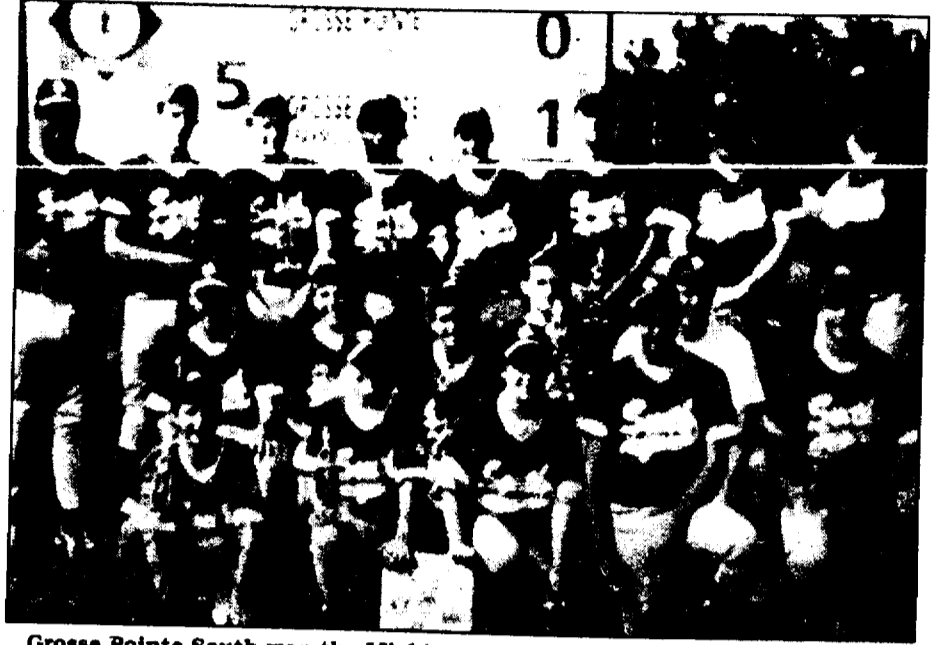
Patrick Brady and Maniaci each had two hits and John Schultz scored two runs.

Ed White, Aston Sokolnicki and Chris Harris led LCN with two hits apiece.


Clinton Valley then eliminated Niles 7-6 in the best game of the tournament. Niles tied the game with two runs in the top of the seventh but Clinton Valley won it with a run in its half of the seventh.

Niles shortstop Josh Beers had three hits, scored three runs and hit the only home run of the tournament, a blast over the fence in left-center field. Niles catcher Monty Ort went 4-for-4.


Maniaci and Schultz each had two hits for Clinton Valley. Shane Smith scored two runs and Sean Urbin went the distance for the win.



Grosse Pointe South won the Michigan 13-year-old Babe Ruth Baseball championship. In front, from left, are Phil Cackowski, Mitch Michels, Jon Jacobi, Paul Brosnan and Tim Deters. In the middle row, from left, are John Steininger, Kurt Tech, Chris McMillan, Joe Conway and coach John Steininger. In back, from left, are coach Dennis Clow, Sean Martin, David Meyers, Travis Hearing, Will Bryant, Michael Wilson, coach Gary Richardson and manager John Cackowski.



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Farms-City loses some close battles in Great Lakes regional

The Grosse Pointe Farms-City 12-year-old All Stars represented Michigan well at the Great Lakes Regional Little League tournament last week in Indianapolis.

Although the Farms-City won only one of its four games, each of the contests were in doubt right to the final out.

Grosse Pointe's Curtis Fisher and Max Getz each batted .417 in the tournament, while Michael Sheehy came out of it with a .400 average.

Chris Stephens and Tom Remillet collected three hits apiece for the Michigan state champion.

Fisher posted a 2.00 ERA with 19 strikeouts in 12 innings. Stephens struck out 10 in 10 innings.

Farms-City opened the tournament with a 9-7 loss to Hamilton, Ohio. Michigan took a 5-3 lead into the fourth inning before giving up five runs on a humid, 95-degree afternoon.

Fisher got Farms-City on the scoreboard in with a solo home run. Remillet hit a double to drive in Stephens. In the third inning, Farms-City got RBIs from Sheehy and Remillet and Sam Mott knocked in a run with a pinch single.

Michigan threatened to tie the game in the sixth inning. Eric Allison walked and Sheehy got his second hit of the game. Stephens' second hit drove in Allison. Remillet hit a long drive to the right field wall that was caught for the final out with runners on second and third.

Farms-City evened its record at 1-1 with a 6-0 win over Brownsburg, Ind., which wound up as the Great Lakes runner-up to Kentucky.

Fisher pitched a three-hit

shutout and struck out 11. At one point, he retired eight consecutive batters before Indiana got a one-out single in the sixth.

Michigan scored all of its runs in the fourth inning. Remillet drove in the first run after Sheehy and Stephens reached base.

Getz got on to load the bases and Sam Dauphinais hit a hard line drive that was caught by the Indiana first baseman. Jack Monark walked to force in a run and Sean McLoughlin followed with a sacrifice fly. Allison drove in two runs with a double off the left field fence and he eventually scored the final run of the inning.

Farms-City played errorless ball. Getz threw out a runner to complete a double play in the third inning and Michael Thomas made a fine running catch in left field to end the game.

Michigan got off to a good start against Bradley-Bourbonnais, Ill., but wound losing 5-2.

Fisher and Sheehy got first inning singles and both scored on a two-out single by Getz. Farms-City's only other hit was a single by Getz in the third.

A defensive highlight for the Michigan team was a third-inning double play from pitcher Stephens to shortstop Allison to Remillet at first base.

In Farms-City's final game, it dropped a 3-1 decision to Louisville, Ky., which posted a 6-0 record in the tournament and heads to Williamsport, Pa., for the Little League World Series.

Fisher pitched a strong game, allowing four hits and striking out eight. Mott scored Michigan's only run

in the fifth inning.

A single by Getz and Brian Barclay's second hit put the tying runs on base in the sixth inning, but they were stranded as the game ended. Fisher and Sheehy had the other Farms-City hits.

Michigan had another fine defensive game as Sheehy, Remillet and Getz combined on a double play and Getz picked a runner off base.

The Farms-City team was managed by Mike Getz. His coaches at the regional were Paul Monark and John Hackett. Bob Conway was a coach at the district and state tournaments.



The Grosse Pointe Park All Stars celebrate after winning the Adrian Invitational baseball tournament. In front, from left, are Jay Williams, Max Pearson and Andrew Buchholz. In the second row, from left, are Mark Riashi, Ryan Krupka, Brad Cory, Lance Lucas and coach Jim Williams. In back, from left, are Rob Buchholz, head coach Jim Saros, Evan Pearson, Jimmy Saros, Pat Lewandowski, coach Mark Riashi and Andrew Waller.

Park All Stars win Adrian Invitational

A successful tournament team always has its heroes. Some are predictable. Others are not.

The Grosse Pointe Park 12-year-old all star baseball team had both as it beat Ypsilanti 4-3 in the championship game of the Adrian Invitational.

Mark Riashi's third hit of the game snapped a 3-3 tie and gave the Park the victory. Riashi and Evan Pearson also combined to strike out 10 batters from a dangerous Ypsilanti offensive team.

The unsung hero was Jay Williams. After the Park's top two catchers were injured, he moved behind the plate from third base.

"I've coached Jay since he was 6 years old," said head coach Jim Saros. "You would have thought that kid had been a catcher all his life. He threw out two runners and gave up no passed balls while catching two of the fastest pitchers in the state in the championship game.

What a gutsy performance."

Lance Lucas, who was battling injuries, started the bottom of the sixth with a long triple. Andrew Buchholz and Brad Cory were walked intentionally to load the bases but Riashi ruined the strategy with his hit.

The Park dominated the opposition through the first three rounds of competition.

The other clubs in the 24-team field couldn't keep pace with the Park's outstanding pitching depth that included Pearson, Riashi, Pat Lewandowski and Andrew Waller.

The offense was also outstanding as Cory, Ryan Krupka, Jimmy Saros and Riashi led the assault with multiple-hit games.

The Park opened with three shutout victories. It beat Lansing, 12-0; Commerce, Ind., 9-0; and Milan, Ohio, 14-0. Saros, Williams and Max Pearson each had two hits in each of the games. Buchholz, Lucas and Riashi also contributed key hits.

Those victories sent the Park into the semifinal

against an Ohio all star team made up of the top players from three counties.

The Grosse Pointe team, which had won a tournament in Grand Rapids a week earlier, kept rolling with a 7-2 victory.

Lewandowski pitched four strong innings for his second win of the tournament and Waller closed out the win with two solid innings of relief.

Evan Pearson led the offensive attack with two hits.

The victory in Adrian sent

Titans hold fastpitch tryouts

Open tryouts for the Titan Fastpitch Softball Club's 12-and-under travel team will be held on Sunday, Aug. 25 from 4 to 7 p.m. at Kyte Monroe Field in St. Clair Shores.

Several Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods residents have been members of the team.

For more information, contact Gary Bruce at (586) 264-4609 or Pat Kent at (586) 979-6299.

the Park All Stars into an international tournament in Toronto.

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bottom of the seventh and had the tying runs on base when the final out was recorded.

Will Bryant and Michael Wilson each had two hits for South. Kurt Tech and Hearing made fine defensive plays to prevent further Illinois scoring.

Having fallen into the losers' bracket, South had to come right back and play Southern Indiana. South played well early and trailed 2-0 after 4 1/2 innings. Then some poor fielding, combined with some seeing-eye hits by the Indiana team, eliminated the Grosse Pointe squad.

South managed only three hits — two by Wilson and one by Deters.

South was managed by John Cackowski. His coaches were Dennis Clow, Gary Richardson and John Steinger.

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TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF SAID SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please take notice that a Special Election of The Grosse Pointe Public School System, Wayne County, Michigan, will be held in the School District on Tuesday, September 24, 2002.

Act 451, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended, provides in part that the inspectors of election at an annual or special election shall not receive the vote of a person residing in a registration school district whose name is not registered as an elector in the city or township in which the person resides.

THE LAST DAY for receiving registrations for the special election will be Monday, August 26, 2002. Persons registering after the Clerk's office closes, on Monday, August 26, 2002, will not be eligible to vote at the special election. Persons planning to register must determine when the Clerk's office will be open for registration.

Only persons who have registered as general electors with the appropriate clerk of the city or township in which they reside, or through registration at a Secretary of State Driver's License Bureau, are registered school electors.

The following proposals will be submitted to the electors at the election on Tuesday, September 24, 2002:

BOND PROPOSAL

Shall the Grosse Pointe Public School System, County of Wayne, Michigan, borrow the principal sum of not to exceed Sixty-One Million Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$61,800,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds for the purpose of defraying the cost of:

- constructing, furnishing and equipping additions to existing School District buildings;
- remodeling, equipping, furnishing, re-equipping and refurbishing existing School District buildings; and
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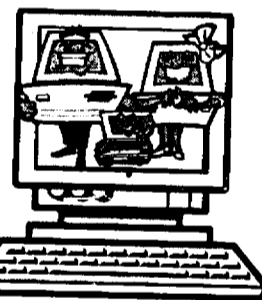
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