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WEEK AHEAD

Friday, Nov. 22
The state Class A district girls basketball tournament hosted by Grosse Pointe South concludes tonight with the championship game at 7 p.m. The title game matches the winners of the semifinal games between South and Grosse Pointe North and Detroit Derby and Detroit Finney.

Saturday, Nov. 23
The Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society will host a pet adoption from noon to 3 p.m. at the Children's Home of Detroit.
For more information, call (313) 884-1551.

Monday, Nov. 27
Grosse Pointe South will host a state Class A regional girls basketball tournament. Winners of the South and Troy districts will play at 6 p.m. tonight, and the winners from the East Detroit and Troy districts will play at 8 p.m. The championship game is slated for 7 p.m. on Wednesday.

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

Tuesday, Nov. 26
The Barnes Holiday Boutique, benefiting the Barnes Early Childhood Center, will be open from 1 to 7:30 p.m. at Barnes.
Admission is free. For more information, call (313) 432-3803.

The Grosse Pointe Farms Boat Club will host a tree-lighting ceremony at the Farms Pier Park at 7 p.m.
Refreshments and treats will be provided by the club.

A tree-trimming party, sponsored by the Friends of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. at the War Memorial.
Admission is free. Call (313) 640-9735 for more information.

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Clean sweep

Grosse Pointe Farms Public Works Director Ken Beaupre said the new leaf collection system is running "better than expected." The expandable broom attached to a small tractor, above, sweeps the leaves at the curb into a retrofitted rubbish truck, below. The Farms spent \$225,500 to purchase the equipment, some of which can be used for other purposes. "We're certainly happy with the quality. There's been little or no overtime and we expected a lot," Beaupre said.



Photos by Bonnie Caprara

South gets site plan approval — after fact

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

It's often said that it's easier to ask for forgiveness than permission. In one case, it wasn't.

The Grosse Pointe Public School System asked for a site plan approval from the Grosse Pointe Farms City Council after the district constructed a softball batting cage and visitors' football stadium bleachers at Grosse Pointe South High School. The council granted its approval at its meeting on Nov. 11, but not without a verbal hand-slapping.

"In view of the long and friendly relationship between the Farms and the school system, we would like to make sure that something really egregious would be unlikely to happen again," Councilman Fran Schoenberg said.

Councilmen Ron Kneiser and Terry Davis expressed concern that additional football bleachers would result in more traffic and parking around the school — issues which Davis said should have required some consultation with the public safety department before asking for an *ex post facto* site plan approval.

School district Assistant Superintendent Chris Fenton said that the district already makes arrangements with the Grosse Pointe War Memorial and St. Paul Catholic Church to handle overflow parking for big events like Homecoming and the North-South games.

Outside of council chambers, Fenton said, "The Farms is the only city that requires prior approval. As a school, we submit our plans to the state Department of Building Codes and Department of Education for approval."

Fenton, who has served in this

capacity with the district for 20 years, said part of the mix-up occurred because the projects were initiated during the time South's former athletic director Jo Lake retired, and new athletic director Tim Bearden came on board.

It wasn't so much completed projects that concerned council members, but projects slated since the passage of the school district's \$62.8 million capital bond issue. The school district is planning to reconstruct science labs and a new pool at South.

"These things were done without coming to us first, but with the bond issue, I think you should work with us and let us know what is going on," Councilman James Farquhar Jr. said.

Davis requested that the Farms be included in preliminary plans. However, Fenton said such action would be "premature."

"Our first meetings on the site are tied to our curriculum," Fenton said.

Davis further expressed concern about the Farms being notified if and when campus would be closed at lunchtime or if parking would be restricted to accommodate construction vehicles and equipment.

Fenton said the district would consult with the Farms and City of Grosse Pointe city councils before implementing such plans. Fenton also said that he was exploring all options to handle parking and equipment issues, one which would be to construct temporary parking on South's front lawn.

The district asked and was granted a variance that evening for new bleachers at South's baseball field. The variance was needed to waive a setback restriction on property which abuts Christ Church Grosse Pointe, which is also zoned CS (Community Service).

Zoning changes to allow Village to grow upward

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

It was a move City of Grosse Pointe Mayor Dale Scrase called "a legacy." The city council approved a slew of changes to its Village C2 zoning ordinances at its Monday, Nov. 18, meeting.

With minor revisions added from previous drafts discussed at the council's Oct. 21 and Nov. 4 meetings, Scrase said the changes would "give future councils, planners and attorneys a better palette of tools to work with."

All council members favored the changes except for Councilman Larry Dowers, whose only objection to the zoning changes was the increase in building heights.

"I have reservations about the height of 52 feet," Dowers said. "It changes the character of the Village. There will be a change in the quaintness and comfort of the Village. It's going to feel too boxed in and too congested."

While some St. Clair residents protested that the additional height would shadow over their properties, the majority of Village business people in attendance at the meeting supported the council's action.

"I think it's great," said Mike Kramer, owner of Kramer's Bed, Bath and Window Fashions. "I think it will give the council a little more control over the kinds of businesses that come in,

especially since I don't think we'll have an anchor store like we had in the past. In many ways that's very good. We're not dependent on one large store that may not make it."

"We don't have a real shopping center that's close by," said Ellen Durand, president of the Grosse Pointe Village Association and co-owner of the Village Toy Co. "I don't want to have to travel 20 minutes or more to do my shopping. Our community may not be very big in numbers, but it's very loyal and very strong. We don't know how lucky we are to have a council that supports us. They are giving us rules that are going to help us down the road."

Highlights of the Village zoning changes include increasing building heights to four stories (52 feet) in the center block of Kercheval and the addition of hotel and residential uses on the third and fourth floors with special approval by the council. Other new special approval uses include outdoor cafes and eating areas, interior decorating establishments without a showroom and permitted uses with gross floor area in excess of 5,000 square feet.

City planning consultant Brandon Rogers, city attorney Charles Kennedy Jr. and John Fildew, and John Jackson, a senior planner with McKenna Associates, See VILLAGE, page 2A

Parade seeks volunteers

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

With one week before 10 marching bands and 100 parade units usher Santa into the Village, the lineup is not yet complete.

"We're still looking for volunteers," said Cindy Melican, director of the 27th Annual Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade on Friday, Nov. 29.

Volunteers are needed to carry banners, act as parade and street marshals, pass out balloons to children, work the VIP tent and help set up and close down the

parade. Most jobs are suited for high schoolers and adults. Middle school students are encouraged to volunteer to pass out balloons to children.

The parade begins at 10:30 a.m. at Grosse Pointe South High School and runs along Fisher to Kercheval into the Village. Volunteers are also needed for the parade festival in the Village, which runs from 9:45 to 10:30 a.m.

To volunteer or for more information, call Melican at (313) 343-0540.

POINTER OF INTEREST

Mark Cory

Home: Grosse Pointe Park
Age: 45
Family: Wife: Holly, a registered nurse at the Cottage Hospital pain clinic; children Alison, 20; Kaitlin, 17; and Bradford, 12.
Occupation: Owner of FranNet in Grosse Pointe Park
Quote: "I'm in the position to help people achieve their dreams."

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yesterday's headlines

50 years ago this week

■ Plans for a four-team Little League baseball organization, open to all boys in Grosse Pointe Farms from ages 9 through 12, will be discussed at an open meeting Dec. 2, in the Grosse Pointe High School auditorium.

John Lindemuth, assistant commissioner of Little League baseball, has promised to attend the meeting from league headquarters in Williamsport, Pa.

■ The level of Lake St. Clair is falling twice as fast as last year.

If such conditions continue for the next few months, and December ice jams don't occur in the Detroit River, the lake can be expected to continue falling considerably below last year's record levels.

■ The New Brick Inn in the 18600 block of Mack in Grosse Pointe Farms has been padlocked for 30 days. State officials have suspended the bar's liquor license on counts of selling alcohol to minors and allowing gambling on the premises.

25 years ago this week

■ Representatives of all the Grosse Pointes have met to discuss senior housing.

The issue of building a senior housing complex in the Pointes has been of long-standing interest in the community. Recent suggestions included using a portion of the Mrs. Edsel B. Ford estate, should a portion

of the property become available.

■ "The Tower," Grosse Pointe South High School's student newspaper, has been selected by the National Scholastic Press Association as the best weekly high school newspaper in the country. This is the third time the paper has earned the designation.

"The Tower" is 50 years old this year.

■ A tougher grading policy has been approved for Grosse Pointe public schools. Before the change, a high school student could get a "C-plus" in one marking period, fail the rest and still pass a course.

10 years ago this week

■ Red Browning is back as mayor of the City of Grosse Pointe.

Browning resigned last month, but members of the city council were unable to pick a successor from its ranks and had asked Browning to reconsider.

■ The garage of Grosse Pointe Shores resident Vahida Livadic is crammed with donations of food and clothing that will be sent to the war-ravaged region of Bosnia and Serbia.

Livadic collected the donations with other members of the Bosnian Relief Fund, USA. Donated items will be distributed to people on both sides of the centuries-old conflict.

■ A bench outside the Grosse Pointe Neighborhood Club has been dedicated in

memory of Eunice Hefferan Jewett.

Jewett was a trustee of the club from 1970 to 1992, president from 1982-1983, vice president from 1990 to 1992, and chair of numerous committees. She passed away in March.

5 years ago this week

■ Three paintings missing and feared stolen from Grosse Pointe South High School have been found.

Works by the late Edgar Yaeger had been stored in a showcase in Cleminson Hall.

The paintings had been overlooked in a recent search because they had been stored in the showcase with the images facing the wall.

■ Opponents of an addition to Grosse Pointe Methodist Church on Moross in Grosse Pointe Farms say the project would hurt the neighborhood's small town ambience.

The \$3 million addition, which has been approved by city leaders, will stand near-

50 years ago this week



Five injured in tangle at Fisher Road

Injuries from a three-car accident at the intersection of Jefferson and Fisher sent drivers and passengers to hospitals. Injuries included a fractured wrist, leg and skull. (Photo by Fred Runnells. From the Nov. 20, 1952 Grosse Pointe News.)

ly 50 feet tall and be large enough to hold a congregation of 400.

■ The Grosse Pointe

Theatre will debut Willie the Worm at this year's Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade.

The theater group is cele-

brating its 50th anniversary.

— Brad Lindberg

Christ the King expansion OK'd

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Expansion of Christ the King Lutheran Church has been approved with a completion date of two years.

Officials of the church, located on Mack and Lochmoor, won site plan approval Monday from the Grosse Pointe Woods city council.

Neighbors opposing expansion had an attorney on hand, however, who advised the council to "move cautiously."

As things stand, construction could begin within a year on a 6,440-square-foot, single-story addition to the church's east side. Work will include a basement of equal size. The extra space will expand the church's classroom and office facilities.

"This project is not a luxury for our congregation," said church Pastor Randy Boelter. "It is an absolute

necessity. In order for us to maintain a viable ministry, we must make these

improvements to our property to accommodate our present ministry so our congregation can continue at this location."

The church has been bustling with so much activity lately that Pastor Timothy Holzerland joked closets might have to be converted for Bible and Confirmation classes.

"There are few places for meetings and activities in our current building," he said.

"Our facility, while beautiful, leaves much to be desired in terms of meeting today's needs," Boelter said.

Church officials made points with members of the city council by eliminating a proposed driveway emptying onto Lochmoor. City officials and Lochmoor residents opposed the driveway

during a meeting last spring.

"The new plan does not contain the drive onto Lochmoor, (nor) does it exhibit a parking area east of the building," Boelter said.

He said a paved area east of the church will be used to unload lawn equipment, not for permanent parking. The area will be hidden by landscaping.

City officials suspended a 75-foot setback requirement to let the addition extend within 48 feet of Linda Gorsky's backyard on neighboring Sunningdale Park.

"The increase in overall activity on the east side of this structure, where there is now none, will be too close to the back of my house and will impact my house's value as well as the tranquility of my yard," Gorsky had her attorney tell the city council.

John Murphy, whose Lochmoor home is across the street from the addition, said Christ the King officials could build the new structure on a 1.18-acre parking lot the church leased to Farmer Jacks grocery store on the west, non-residential side of the church.

"Why should residents have to suffer the encroachment and adverse impact to our properties because (church leaders) have reduced their options by becoming a land leasing company," Murphy said.

Gaylord Fisher, project coordinator and employee of Harold H. Fisher & Assoc. architects of Harper Woods, said the leased property had no bearing on the addition's location.

"It's required to be parking for the church, based on the occupancy of the (original) church structure," he said.

'Click it or ticket' this Thanksgiving

Law enforcement agencies throughout Michigan are warning holiday travelers that there will be a stepped-up effort to enforce the safety belt law for a two-week period beginning Nov. 25, and ending Dec. 8.

"Law enforcement officers in Michigan want motorists to know they are taking a strict stance on enforcement," said Tadarial Sturdivant, deputy director, Michigan State Police Uniform Services Bureau. "They will be looking for safety belt violations and issuing tickets."

Increased safety belt use has been cited as a factor in decreasing traffic fatality rates. In 2001, 1,328 people were killed in traffic crashes in Michigan, down from

1,386 in 1999. Research has found that using lap/shoulder safety belts reduces the risk of fatal injury to front-seat car occupants by 45 percent.

"Without periodic, stepped-up enforcement campaigns, Michigan risks belt use sliding back to lower levels," said Betty J. Mercer, Office of Highway Safety Planning (OHSP) division director. The highest level of safety belt use reached to date in Michigan is 83.5 percent in March of 2000, when the new safety belt law went into effect. The state's goal is to reach 90 percent belt use by 2003. The safety belt law requires all front seat occupants to buckle up. Passengers under age 16

must be buckled up, whether sitting in the front or back seat. Children under age 4 must be in an approved child safety seat, whether sitting in the front or back seat.

The "Click It or Ticket" Campaign is part of the Drive Michigan Safely Task Force, a collaborative effort between Michigan State

Police, sheriffs' departments and local police agencies coordinated by the Michigan OHSP. The task force's goal is to reduce the number of injuries and fatalities in traffic crashes due to impaired drivers and unbuckled motorists.

For more information, visit the OHSP Web site at www.michigan.gov/msp.

GPW approves cleaning contract

A family-owned maintenance company with excellent references has won a low-bid contract to provide janitorial services at Grosse Pointe Woods city hall.

Commercial Building Maintenance Co., of Warren, was awarded a three-year contract this week at an

annual cost of \$23,686. The company beat four competing bids ranging from \$29,500 to \$46,080.

Betty Ahee, a Woods administrative clerk, conducted a reference check of the 45-year-old business.

Ahee was told the company did "really good service" at St. Clair Shores city hall.

One client in the banking industry rated Commercial "excellent" while another said the company had a "responsible and reliable staff."

Village

From page 1A

spent three months drafting the 22 pages of ordinance changes in anticipation of a new development coming onto the old Jacobson's site. CVS Pharmacies and developer Velmeir Companies bought the store for \$10.7 million in a sale in a U.S. Bankruptcy Court in September.

According to Scrace, CVS and Velmeir do not yet have a plan for the site and are in the process of selecting an architect. Scrace also said the companies told him their "lines are ringing off the hook with retailers, but I would not hold out any hope there will be a department store."

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Farms, City detectives seek warrant for home invaders

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

Teamwork led to the identification of two men who are believed to be responsible for as many as 14 home invasions in the City of Grosse Pointe and Grosse Pointe Farms and up to 100 total in surrounding communities since July.

The City and Farms public safety departments are seeking arrest warrants for a 39-year-old Detroit man believed to be the primary suspect in the home invasions.

The suspect was brought to the attention of Farms and City detectives when the Roseville Police Department notified them of reported stolen items that were pawned in a shop in Roseville. A check on the suspect led detectives to Ste. Sault Marie, where the suspect has been held on narcotics charges since Nov. 8.

"He was driving a van that was reported stolen during the last home invasion reported in our city on Oct. 26," City Detective Lt.

James Fox said. "There was also property in the vehicle that closely matched what was reported missing from the home, which he ultimately admitted taking."

After an interview with the suspect, Fox and Farms Detective Lt. Michael McCarthy obtained a search warrant for the suspect's home, where they found more reported stolen items.

Fox said the suspect had been under surveillance by the City public safety department.

"He had been involved in other home invasions in the Grosse Pointes with the same M.O. in the mid-1990s — kicking in back doors to gain entry," Fox said. "He was released from prison in 2001 for similar crimes."

The detectives have filed one warrant each from each city with the Wayne County Prosecutor's office. They hope to have him arraigned this weekend.

"We're hoping to have him arraigned in one court," McCarthy said.

The suspect is believed to

be responsible for four home invasions in the City and as many as 10 in the Farms.

Based on the suspect's statements about other incidents, Fox said he and McCarthy will be coordinating with other police departments to compare details and methods used.

The detectives also interviewed a 33-year-old Detroit man who was picked up with the suspect in Ste. Sault Marie. They believe he assisted the 39-year-old suspect in many of the home invasions.

"We may seek a warrant for his arrest after we complete our investigation," Fox said.

"It's an example of how two people can be a crime wave," said City Director of Public Safety Al Fincham. "When we have a spike in crimes, it's usually the responsibility of one or two people."

"This is also a perfect example of how our close-knit communities work together to solve crimes."



Photos by Brad Lindberg
Lobbyists clog the hallway outside the Michigan House of Representatives, above, hoping to snag arriving law makers and push last-minute pet projects through a lame duck session.

Below, Rep. Andrew Richner, R-Grosse Pointe Park, left, and Rep. Larry DeVuyst, R-Alma, discuss pending legislation during last week's session of the Michigan House of Representatives.



Term-limited legislators enter lame duck session

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

LANSING — Michigan's lame duck Legislature is bracing to make tough decisions about shoring-up the ailing state budget.

"There will be across-the-board cuts," said Andrew Richner, R-Grosse Pointe Park. "No department is going to be unscathed. We don't have any alternative. No one's in the mood to raise taxes."

Some departments, however, could escape the fallout of an estimated \$1 billion deficit.

"Education is always the last place you want to make cuts," said Richner, who will leave office at the end of December due to term limits. "The school aid fund is better off than the general fund, anyway."

Richner will oppose reducing the corrections department budget.

"Cutting corrections means taking criminals out of prison who have not served their time and putting them on the streets," Richner said.

Weighty budget matters have cropped up at a time when outgoing law makers are normally tying up loose ends.

"A large number of legislators are term limited," Richner said. "Everyone wants to wrap up things they didn't get a chance to finish during their careers."

As legislators look at trimming discretionary state spending, special interests are prowling Lansing trying to push through pet projects under cover of an outgoing Legislature.

In the hallway outside the House of Representatives last Wednesday, lobbyists stood shoulder-to-shoulder hoping to intercept arriving state representatives.

"This is the last day of the session where you can take up bills that originate in the House," Richner explained. "There isn't much time to get things passed."

The crowd overflowed the House hallway onto wide stairways inside the Capitol

building.

Richner said many bills referred to the lame duck session didn't have enough support to pass prior to the November election.

"There's a lot of pressure to pass legislation that might be politically unpopular after the lame duck session," Richner said. "I'm very, very reluctant to take up anything that couldn't have been passed in a pre-lame duck election session. I feel bound to apply the same standards I would prior to Nov. 5. I'm not going to vote for anything that would reflect negatively on me or my constituents."

That doesn't mean all late-session legislation is pork.

Last week, a bill Richner introduced in 2001 to regulate athletic agents finally made it through the House. The measure has been referred to the Senate Committee on Economic Development, International Trade and Regulatory Affairs.

Richner said the bill would protect amateur and often naive athletes from unscrupulous sports agents. Agents would have to register with the state and conform to professional standards of conduct.

Education-related measures are of particular interest to Richner. In January, he will begin a six-year term on the University of Michigan board of regents.

CityPlace site plan approved

By Ann L. Fouty
News Editor

Unanimous site plan and special land use approval was given by St. Clair Shores City Council to CityPlace on the Shores on Monday, Nov. 18. This will pave the way for final architectural drawings to begin and for financing to be secured.

CityPlace on the Shores has been a concept that began 2 1/2 years ago and will take another dozen years to complete.

"We began 2 1/2 years ago reviewing the site. In the last 18 months, we have been greeted with nothing but open arms by the city," said Paul Henderson, one of the project's principals.

A four-phase, \$500 million

project received both site plan and special land use approval by the full council after a walk-through of the preliminary sketches. The approval will lead to the final architectural drawings for the 33-story structure. The drawings could take up to nine months to complete.

The high rise and commercial unit will be built on the present site of Jefferson Beach Marina. It is proposed to include between 250 and 330 residential units on 26 levels and a landscaped terrace with a pool for the residents. The 32,000 square foot retail building will continue the nautical theme that is used exclusively on the Nautical Mile.

Also included in Phase One of the project will be

several levels of enclosed residential parking.

Council was assured that the first, one, two or three commercial rentals will be brought before them, "until the council feels comfortable," Henderson said.

Members wanted assurance that they would have some type of control over the commercial portion of the project.

Included in the initial phase are public access areas, including the marina, a restaurant, a park and a promenade. In addition, five new streets have been proposed to be built within the 54-acre complex. Once the streets are constructed, they will be turned over to the city for perpetual maintenance.

Park names beautification winners

"I like to associate with winners," said Palmer Heenan, mayor of Grosse Pointe Park.

Heenan got his wish at the city's annual beautification awards ceremony.

Each year, residents and business owners are recognized for significantly improving the appearance of their property. Improvements can be in the form of landscaping, floral displays, renovation and restoration, preservation or additions.

"They set the standards," Heenan said of this year's award recipients.

This year's civic award was awarded to Jerome K. Abbs posthumously.

Homeowners who won the Park's 2002 beautification awards are:

- Diane and Joe Poirier, 1129 Lakepointe;
- Justin and Leslie Karr, 1148 Lakepointe;
- Chris Zientek and Janet Rubenstein, 1369 Nottingham;
- Chris and Kathy Flynn,

- 1382 Nottingham;
- The Monahans, 1383 Nottingham;
- Pat and Patsy Mann, 1115 Wayburn;
- James Gates, 507 Barrington;
- Mary and Jack Kallmink, 808 Berkshire;
- Greg and Christ Hummel, 935 Berkshire;
- Denise Phelps, 840 Lakepointe;
- Richard and Mary Trost, 717 Middlesex;
- Daniel and Vickie Hass, 15463 Windmill Pointe Drive;
- Pamela and Brian Strek, 932 Grand Marias;
- Mr. and Mrs. Richard Peacock, 16460 East Jefferson;
- Nels and Susan Olson, and Kimberly and Mary Shortreed, 15816 Lakeview Court;
- Harry and Lois Constant, 705 Trombley;
- Stephen Winter and Cheryl Bush, 813 Trombley;
- J. Acheson, 750 Whittier;
- Tim and Kelly Ross,

- 1045 Audubon;
- James Riggio, 1104 Audubon;
- Maryann and Phil Richards, 1127 Bedford;
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- Joyce Metzker, 1376 Bishop;
- Daniel Barrett and Janet Dettloff, 1251 Devonshire;
- Scott and Lisa Laugenburg, 1404 Grayton;
- Walter and Elaine Kolodziej, 1408 Kensington and
- Robert Mowbray and Lane Mowbray, 1383-1385 Somerset.

- This year's business award winners are:
- Ashley Chris Gallery, 15126 Kercheval;
- Law Offices of Ingrid K. Brey, P.C., 15124 Kercheval;
- Novus Art Gallery, 15200;
- Parkside Cabinet Outlet, 15112.



The late Jerry Abbs won this year's Civic Award during the recent Grosse Pointe Park beautification awards ceremony. Accepting the Civic Award are, from left, Abbs' brother, Art Chabot; daughter Cissy Rusch, Park Mayor Palmer Heenan; Jane Abbs, Jerry's widow; and son-in-law Frank Rusch, Cissy's husband.

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By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Mark Cory is a modern day matchmaker.

"I'm in the position to help people achieve their dreams of owning a business and improving their lifestyle," he said.

Cory owns FranNet in Grosse Pointe Park, part of the nationwide Franchise Network Group. The company matches people seeking business opportunities with suitable franchise options.

Clients come from diverse backgrounds but share a common goal.

"They want something better," said Cory, who operates the consulting business from an office within walking distance of his home in the Park. "They want to control their own destiny."

Controlling one's destiny takes a lot of work.

"With any business start-up there are going to be long hours and effort," Cory said.

Cory said the process requires "heavy lifting," meaning, "clients should prepare themselves to do a lot of research."

The process begins with self assessment.

"They need the time and inclination to research their business," Cory said. "We emphasize they have to make an educated decision for themselves."

Cory helps people "cut through the clutter" of exploring ownership opportunities.

He helps clients determine what franchises are right for them. Cory's stewardship requires working hand-in-hand with potential franchise buyers.

"I learn as much as I can about my clients, their reasons for wanting to go into

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business and the goals they're trying to achieve," Cory said. "During that meeting, I'm putting on paper a model of their ideal business — what they're comfortable doing, how much they're willing to invest, how many hours they are willing to devote and where the business might be located."

Applicants also submit a personal financial statement, but Cory doesn't charge them for his services.

"Not a penny," he said. When a client buys a franchise, Cory earns a referral fee from the company involved.

The most visible form of franchising is food service, which can require an investment exceeding \$2.5 million.

"There are many different options out there," Cory said.

Opportunities range from automotive repair to retail stores, printing, management consulting, maid services and tutoring children.

The FranNet interview process reveals the type of business for which a client is best suited.

"One of the key determinants is their willingness to sell," Cory said. "If they feel comfortable getting out and talking to people, networking and making presentations, that tends to broaden their options for the type of franchise that will be successful."

Cory's clients experience a process similar to what he recently put himself through. Cory, 45, worked in the corporate world for two

decades before starting the local FranNet last year.

While growing up in St. Clair Shores, he was always interested in business.

"Dealing with the financial side was a good way for me to gain a better understanding of how a business worked," he said. "I was able to move from being an accountant with a CPA firm to being an assistant controller with Olympia Entertainment."

Olympia manages the Joe Louis Arena, Fox Theatre, Second City Comedy Theatre, Hockeytown Cafe — all popular downtown Detroit destinations often cited as proof of the Motor City's rebirth. Cory was a senior vice president when he left Olympia.

"I was going through the same process as my clients," Cory said. "I decided after 20 years in the corporate environment that I wanted to simplify my life."

At Olympia, which is part of Mike Ilitch's empire, Cory



Photo by Brad Lindberg
When Mark Cory worked for Olympia Entertainment, he received two Stanley Cup rings when the Detroit Red Wings won the Stanley Cup two years in a row. Now, as owner of the FranNet company in Grosse Pointe Park, Cory said the rings are good conversation pieces when meeting new clients.

learned about franchise concepts through an affiliation with Little Caesar's Pizza.

"FranNet is an opportunity to use my business acumen and people skills learned at Olympia, but in an environment where I don't need employees," he said. "I'm a one-person

show."

Cory said franchising is less risky than it seems.

"Buying a franchise means moving into a proven system and a business model that can be easily replicated," he said. "It's a way for an entrepreneur to be in business for himself

rather than by himself."

He added, "Franchising is designed to allow a single operator to take advantage of the dominance a franchise can bring to the table. You can't get that as an independent operator starting from scratch. Over the first 10 years of operation, franchise businesses enjoy a 90 percent success rate, as opposed to a 15 percent success rate for non-franchises."

Of all the things Cory earned while working at Olympia the things that spark most conversations are his two Stanley Cup rings.

"In 1997 when the Red Wings won their first Stanley Cup in 42 years, everyone who worked at Joe Louis Arena received a ring," Cory said. "Mr. and Mrs. Ilitch were very generous."

When the Wings won a second Cup the following year, Ilitch awarded more rings.

"It's an honor and privilege that few people have," Cory said. He wears one of the rings on his right hand.

"It's a good conversation piece," he said.

Posthumus thanks Pointes for support

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

LANSING — Grosse Pointe's choice for governor didn't win office Nov. 5, and he doesn't plan a comeback in four years.

"I'm going to look at opportunities in the private sector," said Lt. Gov. Dick Posthumus, who won more than 61 percent of the community's vote.

"There are a lot of great, young leaders out there we can look at in the next four years," he said.

Posthumus appreciated that Pointes helped him give Democrat victor Jennifer Granholm a run for her money.

Outside the House of Representatives last week, Posthumus wore a red, white and blue Grosse Pointe War Memorial pin on the lapel of his gray suit.

"I really appreciate support from the Grosse Pointe area," Posthumus said. "My message of reaching families was resonating. That's why we did so well."

According to nationwide election results compiled by the Republican Governor's Association, Posthumus lost

one of the closest gubernatorial races of the year.

"Granholm has a star quality that we just couldn't overcome," he said. "We got closer everyday as we talked about issues."

Although Posthumus won't assume the state's top job, fellow Republicans will

control the House and Senate. They also won attorney general and secretary of state.

"It was the best year for Republicans since 1952," Posthumus said.

"Interestingly enough, that year we lost the governor's race, too."

G.P. Woods joins Watershed

Grosse Pointe Woods will work with other eastside communities to ease compliance with unfunded federal mandates regarding environmental protection.

The process began this month when Woods officials registered the city with the newly-formed Lake St. Clair Watershed Group.

The group provides a forum for communities to compare ways of complying

with pollution laws. Cities plan to share resources, knowledge and experience while saving money.

"The purpose of this voluntary group is to take advantage of funding opportunities and provide a more cohesive and coordinated approach to pollution prevention of Lake St. Clair," said Ted Bidigare, city administrator.

He added, "It promotes

public outreach and involvement in cleaning up the lake."

The group includes other eastside communities bordering or having an environmental impact on Lake St. Clair.

Members of the group will study how to comply with aspects of the Clean Water Act that deal with storm water discharges.

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The 27th Annual Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade celebrates the theme "Zany Zoo Animals" Parade Day, scheduled for Friday, November 29, 2002 offers a series of exciting venues that individuals of all ages will enjoy.

The Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade is presented by



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Parade Day Activities

- 9:00 a.m. Fifth Annual Grosse Pointe Lions Club 5K Jingle Bell Walk/Run
- 9:45 a.m. Pre-Parade Festival
- 10:30 a.m. 27th Annual Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade
- 12:00 noon Visit Santa Claus immediately following the Parade at the Village Toy Company
- 4:30 p.m. The Village Aglow Tree Lighting Ceremony

Fifth Annual Grosse Pointe Lions Club 5K Jingle Bell Walk/Run

The walk/run starts at the Grosse Pointe South High School track, proceeds down Kercheval Avenue through The Village, and back. Proceeds from the walk/run benefit Cystic Fibrosis and other Grosse Pointe Lions Club charities. For more information, call (313) 885-0840.

Pre-Parade Festival

The Pre-Parade Festival begins at 9:45 a.m. along a three-block area on Kercheval Avenue. Stage performers, unicyclists, balloon sculpting, face painting and more will get the crowd going as they wait for that magical moment when the Parade roars into town. Pre-Parade Festivities include:

- **Chris Clark**
Longtime family entertainer and Grosse Pointe resident will dazzle the crowd with

his magic and juggling act on the Santa Claus Stage located between Kramer's Bed, Bath & Window Fashions and The Village Toy Company.

- **NEW! Chris Linn Magic Show**
Performs in the stage located at the intersection of Kercheval and St. Clair.

- **Balloon Sculpting and Face Painting**
Children can enjoy face painting and balloon sculpting in the Plaza located on St. Clair at Kercheval.

- **Redford Township Unicycle Club**
A Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade favorite returns to entertain the crowd with their acrobatics on unicycles. Their performance begins under the Clock Arch on Kercheval between St. Clair and Notre Dame. Don't take your eyes off them for a minute because they won't stay in one place for long.

- **Sponsor Marketplace**
Visit the Sponsor Marketplace and gather information that can benefit you and your family located in the Plaza on St. Clair at Kercheval.

- **Parade Highlights**
READ, SET, and GO!!! Like clockwork, the Parade kicks off at 10:30 a.m. The Parade line-up starts at Grosse Pointe South High School along Fisher Road, proceeds north to Kercheval, travels west along Kercheval through the Village and concludes just past Cadieux. The Parade is a creative performance that features 100 parade units including over sixty-five community groups showcase their creativity through their as they incorporate their interpretation of the Parade Theme-Zany Zoo Animals, Holiday or Patriotic Themes into their routines.

- **Grosse Pointe War Memorial's WMTV5**
Grosse Pointe personalities Mark Weber, President, Grosse Pointe War Memorial

and John Denomme, Promotion Manager, Grosse Pointe Village Association provide a live commentary of the Parade as it passes through the Village. The Grosse Pointe War Memorial's cable station WMTV5 airs coverage of the Parade following the live taping. This is the fourth year our local personalities team up to provide lively and historical viewpoints on the community-wide holiday event. Mark Weber has been an ongoing narrator of the Parade for over nineteen years.

- **Grand Marshal**
The Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade is pleased to honor Paul W. Smith, 760 WJR-AM talk show host for the countless hours he devotes to many volunteer initiatives. He will be joined in the Grand Marshal Horse & Carriage by his wife, Myrcya, and son, Adam.

- **The Mayor's Horse Drawn Holiday Express**
A Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade tradition continues as we honor the Mayors from the five Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods as they are invited to enjoy the Parade in a horse drawn carriage.

- **2002 Theme - Zany Zoo Animals**
The Zany Zoo Animals take center stage as they are led into town by a zippy horn band, an elephant driving what else, but a speed boat surrounded by bears, elephants, giraffes, hippos, monkeys, zebra, and a moose!!! Oh my!!!

- **Marching and Performing Bands**
Feel the energy and spirit the marching bands generate as they march down Kercheval. This year's line-up includes Anchor Bay High School, Detroit Fire Department Band, Grosse Pointe Highlanders Bag Pipe Band, Grosse Pointe North High School Pep Band, Harper Woods High School, Notre Dame High

School, Osborn High School, Spain Middle School, Utica High School and W.P. Cyclone's Magnificent High Wheel Band. Other exciting parade units include:

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- Marching Bands
- Moslem Shrine Temple Parade Units
- Parade Specialty Groups
- Patriotic Flag Section
- Scout Troops
- Mrs. Claus
- Santa Claus

- **Visit Santa Claus**
Children can visit Santa Claus immediately following the Parade at the Village Toy Company. Call (313) 886-7474 for the location and times children can tell their wishes to Santa.

The Village Aglow Tree Lighting Ceremony

The Authentic Dickens Carolers, presented by Harvey's Luggage, will harmonize holiday classics beginning at 4:30 a.m. Then the Honorable Mayor Dale Scrase will flip the switch and light the Christmas Tree. A holiday sing-along with the Dickens Carolers continues. Complimentary hot chocolate, courtesy of the Grosse Pointe Boat Club will be served. The ceremony takes place at the corner of Kercheval and St. Clair.

Special Thank-You
The Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade expresses our sincere appreciation to the City of Grosse Pointe, City of Grosse Pointe Farms, City of Grosse Pointe Park, Village of Grosse Pointe Shores, City of Grosse Pointe Woods and City of Harper Woods for their support of this community-wide holiday event.

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Client-attorney privilege and public business

When we received the letter to the editor from the Grosse Pointe Farms city attorney and signed by all members of the city council (see Letters below), we had to go back and reread last week's front page story.

The city attorney asserts that in our Nov. 14 front page story, "Will Next Farms Mayor be Chosen in Closed Meeting?" we suggested "that the members of the Grosse Pointe Farm City Council at their Nov. 11 meeting violated the Michigan Open Meetings Act by discussing a potential successor to Mayor Gaffney during a closed session."

Since some attorneys are fond of splitting hairs and skirting the truth, we have to point out that we never said the Farms council was meeting in closed session to discuss a successor to Mayor Ed Gaffney when he takes up his newly elected post as state representative in January.

What we said was that the council met "to discuss its options in replacing Gaffney" as defined in the city charter.

When the city attorney states in the letter to the editor that there "was no discussion during the closed session of a potential successor to Mayor Gaffney," he is being disingenuous. While actual successors were not

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named, the options for filling the vacancy were discussed, we believe.

Before the Nov. 11 council meeting, we were told by a council member that the city attorney was asked for an opinion regarding what the city charter says about filling a mid-term vacancy and, specifically, what to do when the vacant post is also the designated mayor, who is appointed by his or her peers on the city council. We were told at the time that the attorney's written opinion would be discussed in closed session.

Following the meeting, neither the council members nor the city attorney nor the administration would reveal what was discussed at the closed meeting, citing client-attorney privilege that could not be violated.

Interestingly, following the closed meeting, everyone from the city clerk to the council members to the city attorney all had the same rehearsed response: "Mayor Gaffney has indicated he will continue to serve as mayor until he assumes the office of state representative next year. The office of mayor will not be vacant until such time, and the vacancy will not be addressed until then."

When did Gaffney make this statement, and when did the city council

decide not to address said vacancy until January? It must have been decided in the closed session.

We can think of no instance in which it is in the public's best interest to discuss the provisions of the city charter in closed session. Certainly residents, voters and taxpayers are just as interested as the council is in the charter's provisions for filling the vacancy of an elected official and mayor.

The city attorney maintains that any communication from him to the city is privileged and qualified to be discussed in closed session under the Michigan Open Meetings Act. We disagree.

If the city attorney gave his opinion on what to serve at the Farms Christmas party, would that need to be discussed in a closed meeting? If the city attorney prepared the city council's agenda, would the entire meeting be closed to the public?

Of course not, but under the city attorney's interpretation of client-attorney privilege, anytime he is asked for his opinion, it must be addressed behind closed doors. This flies in the face of the spirit of the Open Meetings Act.

And who is the client-attorney priv-

ilege for? The client, of course, which is the city council. At anytime the council could have waived any client-attorney privilege and discussed the city charter provisions in public. After all, city attorneys are asked for their opinions all the time in a public meeting for everyone to hear.

We think the council failed to act in a "free and open" manner by not insisting the pending vacancy be discussed in an open meeting. The reason they didn't seek openness is probably that they all did not agree on the procedure. Obviously, the mayor pro tem may have his own opinion on who should become mayor.

But meeting in closed session simply because council members may disagree is not in the spirit of the Open Meetings Act.

Lastly, we have more than just our opinion on our side. The top law enforcement officer in the state agrees.

Attorney General Opinion No. 5788, p. 1015, Sept. 23, 1980, states:

"When either a committee comprising a quorum of a public body or subcommittee of a public body that constructively constitute a quorum of the public body collectively deliberate on or render decisions on the appointment of a person to fill a vacancy in a public office in a closed session, failure to open such meetings to the public is a violation of the Open Meetings Act."

The key word is "deliberate," meaning the council has no business even discussing a vacancy in closed session. All such deliberation must be held in a public meeting.

That is all we ask.

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To the Editor:
Your Nov. 14 front page article captioned "Will Next Farms Mayor be Chosen in Closed Meeting?" suggests that the members of the Grosse Pointe Farms City Council at their Nov. 11 meeting violated the Michigan Open Meetings Act by discussing a potential successor to Mayor Gaffney during a closed session. Neither suggestion is accurate.

There was no discussion during the closed session of a potential successor to Mayor Gaffney and, as your article indicated, the issue of mayoral succession will not be addressed until Mayor Gaffney assumes the office of state representative in January. At such time, mayoral succession will be addressed (as it must under law) in an open session.

During the Nov. 11 closed session, the council did receive advice from the city attorney regarding various legal matters as permitted under the Michigan Open Meetings Act. Attorney-client communications of this nature are routine and lawful. Your article's suggestion to the contrary should be corrected.

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'Simply' correct Diversity Day

To the Editor:
A recent letter "Diversity Day non-academic" (Nov. 14, Grosse Pointe News) criticized North's Diversity Day as "non-academic," "politically correct" and best left to "ourselves, the parents."

The letter writer said that

young adults "already know that no two people in the world are the same" and that North already has many different races, nationalities and religions. How simplistic to assume that tolerance comes from walking in the same hallways.

My daughter, Ann, has Down syndrome and attends North. Does Ann's mere presence really give other students an understanding of her life?

When Ann walks the halls at North, few students talk to her. They don't know that a "hello" can make her day.

Previously, Ann attended Richard and Brownell, her neighborhood schools, with students who grew up with her and were educated in school and at home about tolerance. It was incredible to see the number of students who spoke to her in the halls.

A sense of belonging helped Ann function well. I believe that her presence, plus the schools' diversity programs, created a class that administrators called the best and kindest ever at Brownell. This was not the result of academic lessons that can be measured on standardized tests, but life lessons that were valuable in creating good citizens.

I do not know enough about other cultures or even other disabilities to fully prepare my children for our diverse world.

I thank our school district and North's administrators for providing, for the first time, this educational event. It included a speaker who is a double amputee, Lem Barney who is the director for the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, a Jordanian newscaster and social worker, a blues performer and historian who plays seven instruments, and a photojournalist who has traveled the world. As a North student told The Detroit News: "It was great hearing all the different points of views."

I welcome any program that gives students a greater understanding of differences, or causes a few more

students to say hello to my daughter.

What a shame to label as politically correct an educational program that was simply correct.

Laura Kellett
City of Grosse Pointe

Commends Spa by the Shore

To the Editor:
Recently I underwent surgery at Bon Secours Cottage Hospital and would like to compliment the Bon Secours Cottage Health Services Spa by the Shore program.

The care I was given was extraordinary and greatly appreciated. The nurses, therapists and specialists were wonderful and caring.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the following terrific people: Gina Czerny, Diane Pepler, Letha Kozak, Sue Schmit, Michelle LaPost, Cheryl Giuliani, Ann Clifton, Kim Sikora, Julie Schmit, Carolyn Carter, Dave Gross, Lori Pippis, Sal LaGrasso and Cindi Mosher for their concern and care.

The Spa by the Shore program concept was originated by Bon Secours Cottage and is most unique and hopefully copied by other health care facilities.

Lewis Echlin III
Grosse Pointe Farms

'Let's look at the record'

To the Editor:
This is in response to the Grosse Pointe News Nov. 14 opinion piece, "View from the sidelines: Dems seeking presidency?"

The article's author states "...Al Gore, who would have been elected last time except for the Supreme Court of the United States." This false statement, repeated so many times by some news media and others, does a disservice to the American voters as well as President George W. Bush.

The statement is undoubtedly based on the Florida



Phil Hands is taking a break so he can cram for his finals. He will return. Address comments to PHANDS@kenyon.edu

vote count in the 2000 election and the subsequent action by the U.S. Supreme Court. As a former U.S. president was often quoted, "Let's look at the record."

George W. Bush received the total 25 of Florida's electoral votes because a majority of Florida's votes were cast for him. He won the original Florida vote count. He won three Florida vote recounts. He won the Florida absentee ballot count. And he even won the year-long recounts of Florida votes conducted after the election by the combined effort of several U.S. newspapers.

I hope this brief review of reality will further convince some of the Grosse Pointe News' good readers that the "sky isn't falling" and didn't fall in November or December of the year 2000.

Paul Murphy
City of Grosse Pointe

Thanks for successful fundraiser

To the Editor:
The Cystic Fibrosis Foundation's annual Bowl for Breath fundraiser was held on Oct. 26 at Harbor Lanes in St. Clair Shores. The event drew more than 80 bowlers and raised over \$17,000 for research and

patient care. I would like to thank all the bowlers who came out to participate and the many sponsors who help make this event successful. Many thanks to this year's title sponsors: The Thomas and Carol Cracchiolo Foundation and Mr. and Mrs. Murray Smith.

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Last but not least I would like to thank those companies that helped to sell pumpkins and donated raffle prizes: Ahee Jewelers, Blue Pointe Restaurant, Friends Hair & Nails, Harvey's Luggage, Josef's Pastry Shoppe, Meldrum Smith Nursery, Party Adventure, Pat Scott Jewelers, Polish Yacht Club, Dr. Robert Provenzano, Tandem Bar & Grille, Telly's Place, Valente Jewelers, Village Grille, Village Toy Co., Warren Racquet & Fitness, and Westport Grille.

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Foundation Bowl
for Breath

'Martha' I'm not!

As near as I can figure, it must be some sort of involuntary, maniacal mannerism. Each September, I find myself in the room-parent planning meeting, waving my hand wildly in response to the teacher's request for a volunteer "craft mom" for the holiday party.

Far be it from me to allow a total lack of artistic ability to stand in the way of driving myself, and about 21 innocent children, completely crazy for one hour per year.

In the weeks that follow, I fall into a frenzy of activity, combing craft stores, watching endless hours of HGTV and rifling through back issues of that bible of domestic creativity, "Martha Stewart Living."

All this is done in an earnest effort to fashion the ultimate holiday keepsake from glitter, Popsicle sticks,

cotton balls and other unlikely items that lend a whole new meaning to the term "mixed media."

Over the years, I have sent home some dandy little disasters. There were the painted CD container frames that refused to dry by dismissal. Then came those clunky, clay gingerbread men guaranteed to snap the branches of the heartiest conifer. And, of course, there were those ooey-gluey candy cane reindeer. (Who knew you were supposed to leave the wrapper on?)

In search of appropriate alternatives, I even ordered kits from a catalog — you know, the ones that come with everything needed for easy assembly except for the requisite advanced degree from MIT.

By last year, my ingenuity was totally tapped out.

Then I saw them!

There, atop the mantel in my friend's impeccably appointed living room, were darling little, hand-crafted, gumdrop topiary trees. They



I Say

Madeleine Socia

charmed, they shimmered, and they were reportedly "incredibly simple" to make! Those little trees would be my long-awaited "Martha" moment!

I arrived well-prepared on Party Day. For a little extra insurance, I took the liberty of completing two-thirds of the project myself at home. I painted the wooden dowel trunks so they looked like real bark. Then I hot-glued them into the little pots and filled them in with fluffy "angel hair" to lend the aura of fresh fallen snow. I even bought super-sized gumdrops.

All the kids had to do was stick the predrilled Styrofoam orb onto the

dowel and decorate it by pushing toothpicks in and plopping the gumdrops on top, flush to the ball.

I was so confident that things would run smoothly after I provided the materials and directions that I left the other room moms in charge and wandered out into the hall for a pleasant chat with the teacher.

What I saw upon reentry took the jolly right out of my holiday.

Apparently we had a failure to communicate. Somehow, most of the aspiring artisans chose to allow the toothpicks to jut out, forming a mini-forest of menacing spikes. Or maybe one kid did it wrong, and the

rest of them just decided that it looked cool.

At any rate, the finished project was more NASA than Martha. Almost every one of the petite topiaries resembled a dysfunctional satellite.

To make matters worse, the huge pieces of candy caused the whole thing to be top-heavy. As I searched for an outlet to plug in my glue gun for hasty repairs, I could hear the sickening snap of the sticks cracking off their foundations. Tiny tumbleweeds of used "angel hair" were rolling across the floor in all directions.

Soon those little elves who weren't busy gorging themselves on leftover gumdrops were gleefully wielding the broken specimens like colorful, medieval maces.

That was it. I thought in self-pity, no more craft-mom duty for me! Next year I would volunteer for a less challenging job, like crossing guard. At least when you see a 10-ton truck barreling down the street, you know what you're up against!

Sensing my distress, a fellow room mom came to my rescue. "What a great idea!" she gushed. "Just listen to them laugh. Everyone is having so much fun!"

Fun? At a party?

Appropriately enough for the season, her kind words inspired an epiphany. It seems that there were a few things I had neglected to consider in my annual attempt to be God's gift to elementary school art.

First and foremost, this craft-mom duty wasn't all, or even a little bit, about me.

The point was to make sure the kids in my daughter's classroom indulged in the joyous spirit of the season. Judging by that standard, strangely enough, the project was indeed a rousing success!

And that is why this year, you just might find me back in the classroom, happily helping some fourth-graders have a good time, turning tube socks, yarn and tin foil into not-so-exquisite angel ornaments.

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The Op-Ed Page



Visit the Grosse Pointe Dogs website: <http://gpdogs.keenspace.com>

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by Ben Burns

Baby videos

Dennis Fedoruk fell in love with photography when his father Ted introduced him to a home darkroom while he was in the sixth grade at Maire Elementary School.

He got a job at the Camera Center in the Village and joined the Grosse Pointe Camera Club before moving on to South



Ben Burns

where teacher Jack Sommers took him under his wing. His mother, Marge, was a counselor there. After graduation in 1972, he moved on to the Center for Creative Arts and got his bachelor of fine arts in photography and cinematography.

That was 30 years ago. During those three decades, he moved to Atlanta and did corporate video work for product launches on Diet Coke and television work for shows like "ABC News," "Rescue 911," "Entertainment Tonight" and "The Discovery Channel." He also did filming for Presidents Carter, Reagan and Bush. In 1992 after he and his wife, Stephanie, had their first son, Jeffrey, they started looking at preschools with the idea of home-schooling their children.

They looked for some videos to help them educate, Jeffrey and Justin, who came along two years later. They couldn't find anything.

So they founded Small Fry Productions and started to produce children's video titles. Later they formed the Brainy Baby Co. Fedoruk has now won more than 30 national awards with his more than 40 children's video titles.

Their videos from "The Brainy Baby Learning Library" are designed for children as young as 3 months. You can find the videos and DVDs at Madi Lu and Ethan Too, 20237 Mack, in the Woods. Or you can order them direct at (800) 521-5311.

You ask, What kind of videos can a baby watch?

"Those are brain development videos," Dennis said. "They have the potential to teach children the educational basics before they get into kindergarten or first grade."

And how do you know if a child is bored with your early education project?

"Very easy," Dennis said. "They come with parental guides, and each child has his or her own appetite. You

should never push a child. If the child is interested go ahead and play the video and let them absorb it. The child will tell you if they have had enough by simply walking away."

And did Dennis dream of becoming a baby video producer when he was growing up? "No, I always wanted to be your typical fireman or policeman until my dad showed me that darkroom," he said.

Book party

If you are looking for an upbeat experience you might check out the book release party at Grosse Pointe Borders on Saturday, Nov. 23, at 5 p.m.

Melanie Gilbert, daughter of Johanna and Ellwyn Gilbert of the Shores is co-author with Snip Francis of "Happy Stories, Book

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Streetwise

Question of the Week:

From Walton/Pierce (Hickey's): *Who are a few people (outside your family) who you would like to thank for helping you in your life?*



By Suzy Berschback



Bill Huntington

"Well, outside my family, Walker and Mary Lou Henry and my logic professor in college."
— Bill Huntington, City of Grosse Pointe.



Antonio Morreale

"A college friend, James P. Davis, DDS, who introduced me to my future husband and Susan Crowley, who helped me organize my study habits in college."
— Mary Jo Huntington, City of Grosse Pointe.



Mary Jo Huntington

"Two brothers, Hercules and Alfonso DiStefano, of Rochester, N.Y., who asked me in Milan if I would like to come to America. So we went to talk to the American Consulate and I came to America in 1954 to work for their company, Hickey-Freeman."

— Antonio Morreale, Grosse Pointe Woods.

"Well, Marilyn King and Mary Jo Huntington have both helped me in my life."

— Sophie Telegadas, Grosse Pointe Woods.



Sophie Telegadas



Shirley Ireland

"My friend Marie Smith has helped me with my career and every time I needed direction she just sees things clearly, and Carol Mackenzie and her husband have helped me in many ways."

— Shirley Ireland, Grosse Pointe Woods.

"The author, C.S. Lewis; I have always found a perfect writing of his to help me through any problem."

— Melissa Walsh, Grosse Pointe Park.



Melissa Walsh

As for me, I would like to thank Dennis J. Holder and Amy Blanchard for being a friend when I needed one.

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.



When 1972 Grosse Pointe South graduate Dennis Fedoruk and his wife, Stephanie, discovered there was a lack of educational videos for preschoolers, they started their own company, Small Fry Productions, and made their own educational videos, called "Brainy Baby Learning Library." Posing, above, are Dennis and young Jack Grimsley, son of Brainy Baby Producer Martha Grimsley.



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November lake levels down

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers offers the following Great Lakes water levels as of Nov. 15:

Recent Weather: The Arctic air mass that covered the Great Lakes Region the second week of November was cold enough to produce small amounts of Lake Effect snow throughout the Lake Superior Basin. However, by Nov. 10 much of the Great Lakes Basin was enjoying a short-lived late-season warm front.

Lake Superior's water level is currently 5 inches below its long-term average and 3 inches above this time last year. The Lakes Michigan-Huron water level is 16 inches below its long-

term average and at last year's level. Lake St. Clair is 8 inches below average and 1 inch above this time last year. Lake Erie is 6 inches below its long-term average level and is 2 inches above this time last year. Lake Ontario's water level is 7 inches below average and 4 inches below last year's level.

The Lake Superior outflow through the St. Marys River into Lake Huron is expected to be near average during November. Flows in the St. Clair, Detroit, Niagara and St. Lawrence Rivers are expected to be slightly below average in November.

Predicted water levels:

Lake Superior has reached its annual peak and has started its seasonal decline. Lakes Michigan-Huron is continuing its seasonal decline while Lakes St. Clair, Erie and Ontario are nearing the end of their seasonal declines and will begin to level out over the next several weeks.

Alerts: Users of the Great Lakes, connecting channels and St. Lawrence River should keep informed of current conditions before undertaking any activities that could be affected by changing water levels. Mariners should utilize navigation charts and refer to current water level readings.

Park has room for abused kids

A special room has been set up at Grosse Pointe Park police headquarters to smooth over the often rough experience of interviewing abused children.

The room has been rigged with a closed circuit television that lets children be interviewed only once, reducing potential trauma.

"It's set up so people can monitor the interview from another room," said Dave Hiller, Park chief of public safety. Tapes of the interviews can be shown to case management services.

Kids TALK is a collaboration with law enforcement,

the family Independence Agency, attorney general's office and county prosecutors.

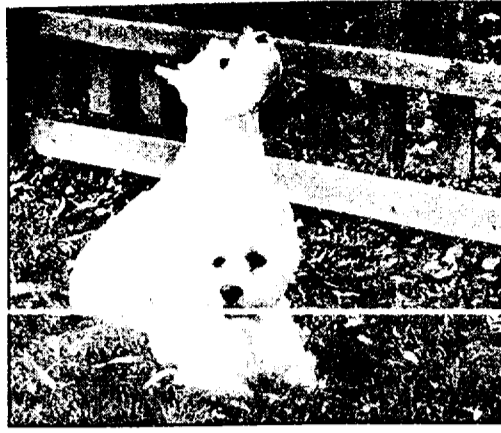
Although the Park hosts an interview room, it is one of three in Wayne County available to numerous jurisdictions through a 1 1/2-year-old program called Kids TALK (Talking And Listening to Kids). The program allows Wayne County children age 12 and under who have reported sexual abuse to be interviewed by a trained forensic interviewer.

"They approached us to use our building," Hiller said. "We welcomed the opportunity. We're more than happy to let other agencies use our facility." State funds paid for the special room and equipment. Lt. James Smith of the Park said office space in the detective bureau was renovated to ensure a child-friendly environment. Smith contacted members of the Grosse Pointe Artists Association for help in giving a finishing touch to the room's decorations.

Susan Roubal, association member, met with Smith and created and donated her original kids' collages for the interview room.

PET POINTER OF INTEREST

Keiko and Buddy



Breed: West Highland white terriers (Westies).

Ages: Keiko is 13 1/2 years old and Buddy is 6 years old.

Family: Kim and Terry Cross of Grosse Pointe.

About Keiko and Buddy: They moved to Grosse Pointe from San Francisco with their family about eight weeks ago. They have never had their own fenced backyard and are really enjoying their newfound freedom. Keiko and Buddy are determined to keep their backyard free of squirrels. They love living close to the Village where they can quickly walk up with their family to get a bagel.

Favorite toys: Keiko's favorite toys are her stuffed duck and stuffed teddy bear. Buddy's favorite toy is Kim's pillow, which he likes to sleep on any chance he gets.

Best company: Their family.

Claim to fame: Keiko knows several tricks that she loves to do. Buddy's claim to fame is that he runs the fastest when Kim asks him if he wants to take a nap.

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).

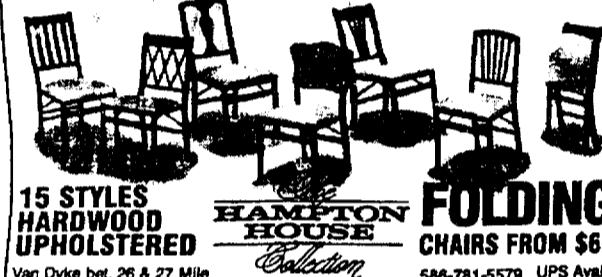
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One," 12 true stories for happy living. The book is designed to "teach children

how and why their actions matter in the world," according to the promotional blurb. It covers themes of honesty, respect perseverance, com-

passion and teamwork. If you can't make that Saturday evening, Melanie is scheduled to be back for a second visit on Sunday, Dec. 15, at 1 p.m.



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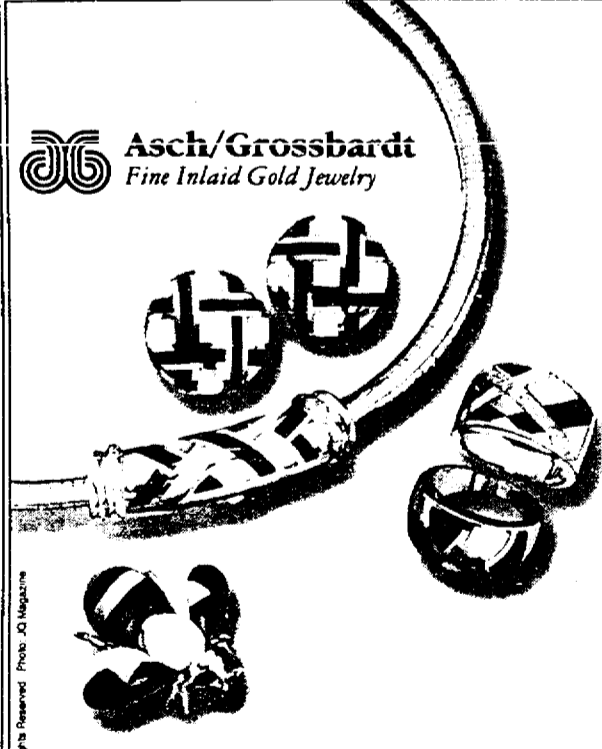
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New editor

Dennis A. Setter, who grew up in Grosse Pointe Park, has been named managing editor of the Romeo Observer, replacing an old friend that I went to college with, **Jim Wallington**.

Setter has been in the newspaper business for more than 20 years and in the mid-'80s reportedly started and published his own newspaper in Cascades, Idaho. Wallington isn't entirely retiring. He plans to teach at Michigan State.

Headly thinking

Chloe Silver of Grosse Pointe is tooling around these days on a new Schwinn mountain bike because she was bicycling at Stony Creek Metropark last summer wearing the proper headgear. It was part of the Huron-Clinton Metroparks campaign to "Wear the Gear" and promoted safety on its paved trails.

Chloe was with her family at the time she was noted as properly dressed and got to enter a drawing for one of seven bikes. There were 1,400 contestants in the contest.

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Bottle boosters

Two men were seen driving off in a black Ford Explorer with two boxes of empty plastic bottles taken from behind a store in the 16900 block of Kercheval in the City of Grosse Pointe on Wednesday, Nov. 13, at 6:43 a.m.

Detroit man on Thursday, Nov. 14.

The man was stopped in the area of St. Paul and Lakeland for walking slowly and looking up driveways at 11:52 a.m. While the officers could not prove he was doing anything illegal, they discovered he had 10 arrest warrants out of Detroit.

The man was held until he was picked up by the Detroit Police Department.

Suspicious man

City of Grosse Pointe public safety officers were a tad off on their instincts when they stopped a 31-year-old

Jewelry taken

About \$2,800 worth of

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jewelry was taken from a house in the 100 block of Hillcrest in Grosse Pointe Farms between Oct. 13 and Nov. 6.

There were no signs of forced entry and the homeowner believes she knows the suspects.

Near-collision

A 42-year-old Detroit man nearly ran into an oncoming vehicle when Grosse Pointe Farms public safety officers tried to pull him over on Saturday, Nov. 16.

The officers saw the man slumped over the steering wheel of his 1985 brown Mercury Marquis, which was stopped on the shoulder of Moross near Chalfonte at 2:39 a.m. When an officer activated his emergency lights, the man made a U-turn into the northbound lane and almost collided with an oncoming vehicle.

The man, who didn't remember the near-collision, believed it was 10 p.m., and that he was in front of his house, registered a blood alcohol level of .23 percent. He was also arrested for keeping a half-empty bottle of gin, suspected marijuana and rolling papers in his car.

Suspicious people

Two alert safety patrol boys spotted a suspicious man at Charlevoix and Fisher in Grosse Pointe

Farms on Monday, Nov. 11, at 3:30 p.m. as school was letting out.

The boys said the man honked his horn and stared at them for 20 minutes before pulling into a driveway and walking into a backyard of a home in the 200 block of Fisher.

The man was described as a white male with long hair wearing a green jacket and khaki pants and was driving a 2002 white Ford Econoline van.

A Farms detective said the man has been identified and is being investigated. The school was notified of the incident and public safety officers have been giving the area special attention.

A similar incident took place on Sunday, Nov. 10, at 2 p.m. at Morningside and Fairfield in Grosse Pointe Woods.

A man driving a blue conversion van with white stripes approached two boys, who were waiting for a ride, and offered them candy. The boys declined the offer, and the man headed westbound on Fairfield.

The man in the Woods was described as a white male, 60 to 70 years old, clean-shaven, wearing a dark blue suit.

Speedy drinker

A 42-year-old Ann Arbor man was pulled over for more than speeding when a Grosse Pointe Shores public safety officer clocked the

man traveling at 63 mph on Lakeshore at 7:40 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 13.

"Have you been drinking?" the officer asked.

"Yes," the man said.

"Do you know where you are?" the officer asked.

"Yes, Farmington," the man said.

The man, who was unable to perform field sobriety tests, recorded a blood alcohol level between .23 and .24 percent and was arrested for drunken driving.

— Bonnie Caprara

GPW gazebo damaged

Three Harper Woods boys ages 16 to 18 have been questioned regarding damage to a wooden gazebo at Ghesquiere Park located directly behind Grosse Pointe Woods city hall and public safety headquarters.

On Thursday, Nov. 11, at about 3:15 p.m., police were monitoring the park on closed-circuit video and became suspicious when they saw one of the boys

kicking the gazebo's panels. Investigation revealed three damaged planks. The boys claimed innocence.

Account tapped

A 38-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods woman told police on the afternoon of Tuesday, Nov. 12, that her bank account had been fraudulently tapped for nearly \$10,000. Two female suspects are being investigated.

The victim said money was siphoned from her bank account in the form of six stolen checks and 42 automated teller transactions.

A stolen check for \$950 has been traced to a Harper Woods woman. Remaining checks totaling \$3,050 involved a woman whose residence has not been determined.

Crime file

Some \$132 has been reported missing from a locked file cabinet in a

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Farms homes honored

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

Fifteen homes, one business and one school were recognized for their roles in making Grosse Pointe Farms beautiful.

The Grosse Pointe Farms Beautification Advisory Commission awarded the property owners at its awards night Monday, Nov. 11. The properties were

judged on the overall appearance of the home or building and plantings, and the owners were presented with a Pewabic tile of the city seal.

Winners in the residential division included:

- Anthony and Annrae Anusbigian, 34 Provencal
- James and Mari Ellen Borchardt, 45 Deming Lane
- John and Eleanor Bott, 201 Lakeshore
- Michael and Carolyn Cobane, 302 Grosse Pointe Boulevard
- Cathy Dossin, 145 Muir
- Michael and Paula Labadie, 272 Williams
- Robert Lapadot, 59/61 Muir
- Andrew and Marie Llewellyn, 1 Radnor Circle
- Richard and Margaret Manetta, 59 Lakeshore
- John McGlynn and Sandra Norris, 87 Cloverly
- Cary and Ann Silver, 121 Lothrop
- Lee and Sally Sutton, 35 Deming Lane
- D. Louise Williams, 192 Ridgmont
- Casey and Sue Wise, 59 Mapleton
- Tom and Kim Youngblood, 132 Hall Place

Village Locksmith at 18554 Mack was awarded in the commercial division.

Kerby Elementary School was given the commission's Educational Special Award for its 50th Anniversary Family Garden.

In addition, Councilman James Farquhar Jr. was presented with a special award for his 12 years of service on the commission, including time served as chairman. Farquhar now sits on the commission as a city council liaison.

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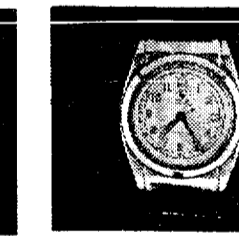
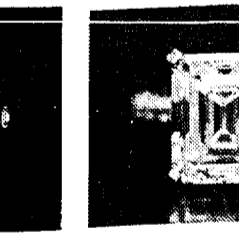
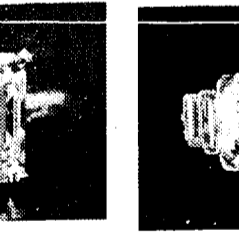
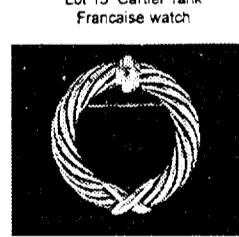
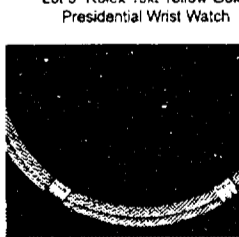
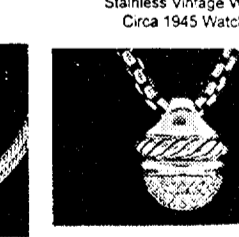
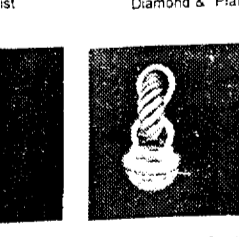
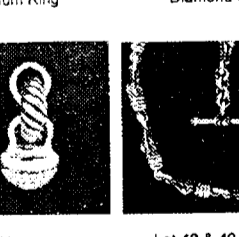
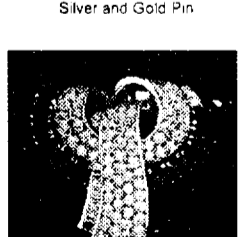
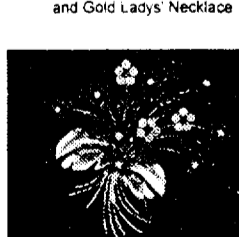
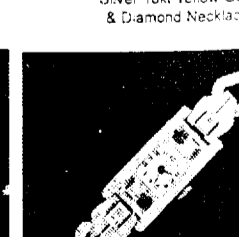

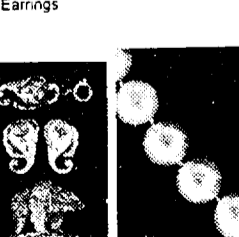
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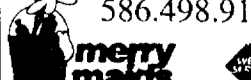
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Secondary school a wash-out this week

By Jason Sweeney
Staff Writer

Damage from the broken water main that closed Harper Woods Secondary School is extensive, but two steps short of a total wash.

Superintendent Dan Danosky said that the power to the secondary school went during the late evening hours of Friday, Nov. 15. He said he called Detroit Edison and went home.

Saturday morning, the water from the broken main beneath the school's sub-floor had risen to two steps short of the main floor, totally flooding the mechanical room.

"If they hadn't caught it," said Dave Pfalz of A&E Plumbing, "it would have flooded the whole school."

"It was 10 to 12 feet or more deep at its deepest point," Danosky said.

Jason McCallum was one of the electricians from Double Jack Electric who spent his weekend in the basement after it was pumped out.

"Most of it is pretty salvageable," he said of the equipment which was flooded out. "The main feeder line and some other things were lost, but it's coming down to a troubleshooting what else might be

destroyed." While he had no guess as to the total amount of damage, only partial power had been restored to the building on Monday. Heat, water and the phone lines were still down.

"We've had five contractors out," he said. "Two electrical contractors, a plumbing company, the city and Detroit Edison have been working. None of that comes cheap."

Three transformers and the main lead wire have already been replaced. Portions of walls, floors, the hot water heating system

and other machines will also need to be replaced before things can get back to normal.

"It's much easier to hold school than to call it off," Danosky said after spending the weekend at the building to oversee and approve repairs.

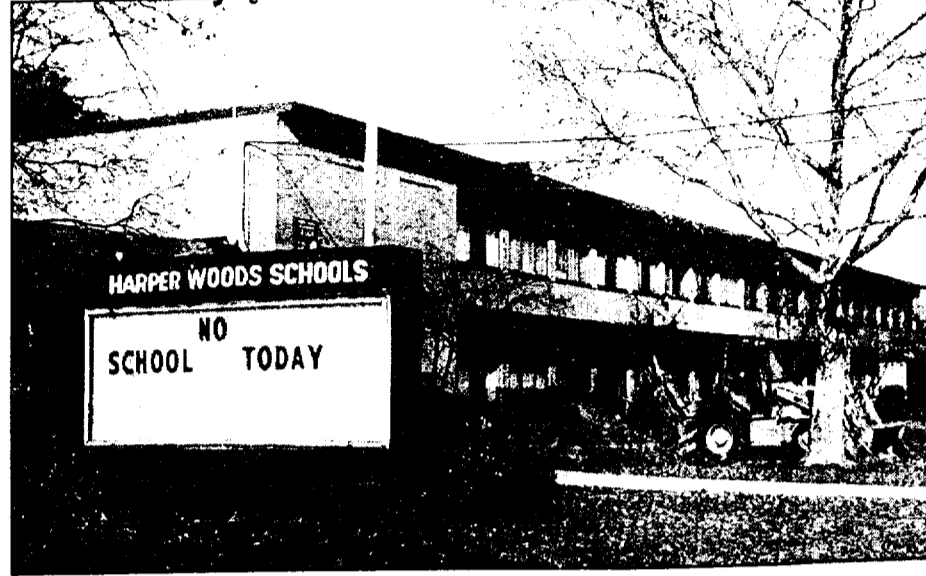
Principal James Babcock said on Monday, "It's been one day of no school so far," explaining that there was no set schedule for when the doors would reopen. The school remained closed Tuesday, Nov. 19.

A similar water main break nearly six years ago

has been given as the main reason for the foundation problems at the other end of the school. Those repairs cost the district in excess of a million dollars and have not eliminated the problem.

Last year, the sump pumps in the lower levels of the building had to be replaced, costing the district another hefty sum.

Danosky, who went to Lansing to finalize the paperwork for a bond issue to build new schools on the spring ballot last week, said this was another example that "we just keep dumping money into this building."



Photos by Jason Sweeney
Principal James Babcock and superintendent Dan Danosky stand on the stairwell down to the mechanical room of Harper Woods Secondary School. At its highest level, the flood water would have been two feet over their heads.

Excavation around the school's foundation was a stronger message than the sign in front of the building telling students that the building was closed.

Don't close your paper yet!
There's more local Harper Woods news on page 15 of this week's Grosse Pointe News

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Pursuant to PA 104, an auction will be held on November 27, 2002, at 10:00 a.m. at Woods Towing, located at 22500 E. 9 Mile Road, St. Clair Shores, MI. The following impounded/abandoned vehicle will be auctioned:

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Voters are leaning left in Harper Woods

By Jason Sweeney
Staff Writer

Results of the latest statewide election revealed a noticeable political shift in sentiment throughout the 2.6 square mile suburb of Harper Woods.

In the 1998 mid-term election, 1,223 straight party ballots were cast Republican and only 899 were cast for the Democratic candidates.

In 2002, those numbers had shifted to 880 Republican and 1,290 Democratic.

"Those are almost identical, almost mirror images of each other," said Harry Klogerakos, president of the Grosse Pointe Democratic Club.

Klogerakos said that the members of the club are pleased, but it's not extremely big news.

"Over the last several years, we've been noticing there has been an increase in the number of people willing to identify themselves as Democrats," he said. "Harper Woods is one of those places. The Park and Woods as well."

While Klogerakos knows that his party clearly does not have a majority of the electorate, he noted that the state representative race was relatively close.

"That's a big improvement," he said. "It shows there are Democratic people moving into the Grosse Pointe area. We're inching towards a more balanced district."

Tom McCleary, president of the Eastside Republican Club, said that he had also noticed the gradual shift.

"I think it's probably attributable to the changing demographics in Harper Woods," he said, noting that as communities change and grow, demographics change as well. He described the changes in Harper Woods and other places as natural.

"You've seen growth and change in Oakland County over the past few decades as well," he noted. "It's part of shifting population."

McCleary also admitted to the slight change in the Park, though he said it hasn't been as drastic as in Harper Woods.

"Any time you have

switches like this, you have to work harder for votes, either through advertising door to door or through any other means," McCleary said. "We will have to find candidates that will appeal to both Pointers and to the people in Harper Woods."

Speaking for his own community, Mayor Ken Poynter said that he doesn't see anything untoward or out of place with the shift.

"Harper Woods is definitely going Democratic," he said.

Although the shift is apparent, he said he doesn't put too much stress on the fact.

"I don't want to evaluate politics," Poynter said. "What's important is voter turnout and community involvement."

He said that the influx of new, younger families can only be seen as a positive.

"It's great to have new, fresh ideas. We can learn from the young and old alike to make this a better place to live."

Police Briefs

Non-guard dog

A house in the 21300 block of Sloan was found to have been burglarized when the woman taking care of the vacationing owner's dog went to check on the animal at 4 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 14.

When the woman entered through a side door and found a closet open and the back door ajar, she grabbed the dog and left the house to contact police.

An investigation turned

up little evidence at the scene, and a complete list of things missing could not be compiled without the help of the homeowner.

Narcotic user nabbed

Police arrested a 40-year-old man near Vernier and Harper at 3:57 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 14, after following him from a house known for trafficking drugs. The suspect, an Eastpointe resident, fled from police when approached at a gas station in the area. He ran, jumped fences and struck one officer in the head before he was subdued.

White powder and two glass pipes used for smoking crack cocaine were found on the suspect. He was charged with assault and battery, obstruction of justice and possession of narcotics.

Garage break-in

An auto repair facility in the 19500 block of Harper was apparently broken into at 12:20 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 17.

Police responded to the alarm call of the business to find a window in the door broken out. The owner arrived to aid the police and reported that nothing appeared to be missing. She also told officers that a suspicious man had been seen around the shop during the second shift.

Road safety

Harper Woods police remind motorists that as temperatures drop, so should speed of travel.

Roads can easily become slick from any moisture in freezing temperatures and safe stopping distances increase with speed.

The holiday rush doesn't go any faster when you are standing beside your car after an accident.

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Violet M. DiLaura

Violet M. DiLaura, 84, passed away on Thursday, Nov. 14, 2002 at William Beaumont Hospital in Troy. Born in 1918 in Bellaire, Ohio, Mrs. DiLaura was a 1936 graduate of Eastern High School.

She enjoyed cooking and spending time with her family.

She is survived by her sons, Richard (Marilyn) and Kenneth (Veronica); her grandchildren, Greg, Cindy, Brian and Christina DiLaura and Lori Church; her great-grandchildren, Kyle and Brendon Church; and her brother, Armond Qualtieri.

She was predeceased by her husband, Tony DiLaura.

A funeral Mass was celebrated on Monday, Nov. 18 at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church in St. Clair Shores.

Interment is at Resurrection Cemetery.

Arrangements were made by A.H. Peters Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Memorial contributions may be made to Troy Beaumont Hospice c/o Beaumont Foundation, 100 E. Big Beaver, Suite 800, Troy, MI 48063 or to Karmanos Cancer Institute, 15111 13 Mile Road, Warren, MI 48093.

William Kessler

Grosse Pointe Park resident William Kessler, 77, passed away on Saturday, Nov. 16, 2002.

Mr. Kessler served in the



William Kessler

U.S. Army Air Corps from 1943 to 1946.

He received his bachelor's degree in architecture from the School of Design in Chicago.

After receiving his master's degree from Harvard Graduate School of Design in 1950, Mr. Kessler was appointed an instructor in design for the school.

He later moved to Grosse Pointe with his family, where he worked as chief designer for Leinweber, Yamasaki and Hellmuth, Architects in Detroit.

He established the architectural firms of Meathe, Kessler and Associates in 1955, William Kessler and Associates in 1968 and, in 1999, Kessler Francis Cardoza Architects.

Mr. Kessler has served on many design award juries, including two sessions at the Stuttgart Design Center in Germany. He also served

twice as a member of the AIA Fellowship jury.

He served as vice president of the Grosse Pointe Human Relations Council and was instrumental in bringing Whitney Young and Martin Luther King Jr. to speak at Grosse Pointe South High School.

He was a member of the Planning Commission and City Council of Grosse Pointe Park.

As a fellow of the American Institute of Architects, Mr. Kessler received numerous awards including the Gold Medal in 1974 and 1976, the Hastings Award in 1984 and the Charles A. Dressing Award in 1996.

Mr. Kessler was an active sailor, tennis player, painter and sports car enthusiast.

He is survived by his wife, Margot; his two daughters, Tamara (William) Checkley and Chevonne (Michael) Patten; and three grandchildren, Aaron, Alexander and Ariel Wagner.

Arrangements were made by Verheyden Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Park.

Memorial contributions may be made to Michigan Architectural Foundation, 553 East Jefferson Ave., Detroit, MI 48226 or Congress of International Modern Architects, 12 Gramercy Park, New York, NY 10003 or Hospice of Michigan, 400 Mack Ave., Detroit, MI 48201.

Donald C. Winans

Longtime Grosse Pointe



Donald C. Winans

Farms resident Dr. Donald C. Winans, 99, passed away on Wednesday, Nov. 13, 2002, at the Henry Ford-Belmont Nursing Home.

Born in Waldron, Dr. Winans graduated from the University of Michigan with a D.D.S. degree. He was active in alumni affairs and served as a guest lecturer at the university's School of Dentistry.

Dr. Winans was an accomplished violinist and while he was attending U-M, he organized a jazz band which played at fraternity parties and other social functions.

His interest in music continued and he played in a band which provided the music for productions of the Players Club.

Dr. Winans moved his practice to Jennings Hospital in the 1930s and subsequently became head of its Department of Dentistry.

He was a member of the American Academy of Restorative Dentistry, the American Dental Association and the Michigan Dental Association.

Although he was too old for active duty during World War II, Dr. Winans served as a medical volunteer and assisted in screening recruits and draftees in the Detroit area.

He was an avid golfer and a member of the Country Club of Detroit for over 50 years.

In his younger years, Dr. Winans was a member of the rowing team at the Detroit Boat Club and was the single sculls champion in several weight classes.

He was also a member of the Yondotega Club.

He is survived by his son, Charles W. Walton; and

three grandchildren.

He was predeceased by his wife, Dorothy Jane (nee Walton).

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Color or black and white, 35 mm or high-resolution digital (.JPG format) photographs may be submitted for publication. For additional information, call (313) 343-5592.

Public safety

From page 9A

On Sunday, Nov. 17, at second floor office at Grosse Pointe North High School. Whoever took the money obtained a key to the cabinet from a locked closet.

Grosse Pointe Woods police learned on Wednesday, Nov. 13 that the incident took place between Oct. 10-14.

Midnight fire

On Sunday, Nov. 17, at 12:35 a.m., Grosse Pointe Park firefighters converged on a basement fire in the 1200 block of Wayburn.

Officers located a small fire that the homeowner had already extinguished.

Cool criminal

During the night of Wednesday, Nov. 13, someone stole a Comfort-Maker

central air conditioning unit rigged to the side of a house in the 900 block of Barrington.

Car theft

A 2001 Dodge Intrepid was stolen from a driveway in the 1300 block of Buckingham in Grosse Pointe Park during the night of Monday, Nov. 11.

— Brad Lindberg



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Kerby creates a cozy environment for others

By Jennie Miller
Staff Writer

As the temperature drops and snow begins to fall, kids are bundling up in their warmest winter coats.

For those less fortunate who cannot afford appropriate winter attire, the colder months are a frightening time.

Kerby Elementary School

is doing its best to provide a warm environment for less fortunate families through "Project Cozy."

Over the past few weeks, every student has participated in the project, by bringing in old winter coats from home.

But the students didn't stop there. More than 500 coats were

collected, to be donated to two Detroit schools, the Salvation Army and an infant crisis center, along with boots, hats and mittens.

Jeff Nyenhuis and Lyndsey Briggs' classes were recognized for collecting the largest number of coats with a pizza party. Each of the two classes collected more than 100 coats.

"These kids really came through," said project organizer Betsy Schulte. "It was unbelievable."

The project, organized by Schulte and Alicia Carlisle, is a part of Kerby Reaching Out, a program designed to teach kids to reach out and care for others.

This program was recently recognized nationally on the KidsCare Web site, the organization endorsed by President George W. Bush.

Other projects organized over the past two years by Carlisle and Schulte have included holding a read-a-thon to purchase a water buffalo for a Vietnamese farming family; donating 200



Photo by Jennie Miller

Jeff Nyenhuis' class collected 106 coats for "Project Cozy" at Kerby Elementary School. It is one of two classes which will be rewarded for its efforts with a pizza party.



Photo by Jennie Miller

Students gathered in the gym of Kerby Elementary School on Friday, Nov. 15 to pool together all 500 coats that were collected for "Project Cozy."

"sleepy sacks" to the Children's Home of Detroit; making meals for a homeless shelter; creating gift baskets for senior citizens; and collecting teddy bears for children who lost a parent in the 9/11 terrorist attacks.

North teacher named Michigan's Aquatics Teacher of the Year

By Jennie Miller
Staff Writer

After 17 years of teaching lifeguard training courses, 12 years as a physical education teacher and nine years at Grosse Pointe North High School, Beth Gulik has finally been recognized for her work.

The Michigan Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance honored Gulik as the Aquatics Teacher of the Year for outstanding service, creativity and dedication in the field of aquatics.

As a physical education teacher at North, Gulik considers swimming and water safety instruction as her passion.

She developed and taught a lifeguard course at North and gained district support

for it to be added to the curriculum.

Most recently, Gulik assisted in the inclusion of a CPR pilot in 10th grade physical education classes, in partnership with the American Heart Association. Since her original training as a water safety instructor in 1986, Gulik has trained over 2,110 students.

She has taught swimming at Warren city pool, Red Oaks Water Park, Central Michigan University, the University Liggett School Day Camp, Neff Park in the City of Grosse Pointe and numerous private pools.

Gulik has also worked as a Red Cross Lifeguard Aquatic Examiner.

She taught CPR as an inservice workshop to Grosse Pointe K-12 teachers and to

those traveling abroad for People to People.

Gulik is recognized as a leader in life saving and CPR in the Grosse Pointe school district.

Gulik acts as a liaison with the Red Cross, providing inservice training for other physical education staff.

She is currently involved in the placement and planning for the school Public Access Defibrillation program.

She was told that she received the award at the school's pep assembly, and she couldn't have been more shocked upon hearing the news.

"I was floored," she said. "Gulik was recognized at an awards celebration on Thursday, Nov. 7, in Battle Creek.

"The awards presentation was nice," Gulik said. "My parents were able to be there; so that was special."



Beth Gulik



Photo by Larry Allen Peplin

'Guys and Dolls Jr.'

Pierce Middle School's will perform "Guys and Dolls Jr." on Thursday, Nov. 21 and Friday, Nov. 22, at Pierce Auditorium. Tickets can be obtained by calling the school at (313) 432-4700. Pictured are Paul Manganello, Kelly Zens, Elise Amato and Gabe Moss.

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District enhances skills and knowledge of its educators

By Jennie Miller
Staff Writer

The teaching staff in Grosse Pointe is getting smarter every day.

Through the Staff Development Program, the district is seeking to enhance the professional knowledge, skills and attitudes of its educators.

The idea is that, in turn, these teachers will then help to improve the learning of students.

Through workshops, activities, meetings and seminars, teachers are able to improve their skills in every content area.

"Staff development is our way of ensuring that teachers receive ongoing training as the curriculum changes and modifications are made throughout the district," said Jane Nutter, the district's staff development coordinator.

According to Nutter and Dr. Susan Allan, the district's assistant superintendent for curriculum and instruction, the programs seek to integrate the district's initiatives and curriculum into staff development.

"Those initiatives are teacher-content expertise, technology integration and differentiation," Nutter said.

The district's curriculum specialists work with teachers by conducting workshops throughout the school year and during the summer months and through individual teacher coaching.

Differentiation is an ini-

tiative that has become a major priority in the district.

"Differentiation is meeting the needs of every student; it is about understanding how different kids learn and trying to keep everyone engaged in learning," Nutter said.

Seventy-six members of the staff have already attended the weeklong Summer Institute for Academic Diversity at the University of Virginia.

More than 400 teachers participated in 15 different workshops held in the district last year for differentiation.

In addition to these workshops, the district offers information on differentiation on the curriculum and instruction Web site, with links to the national differentiation Web site.

As technology becomes more integrated into the classroom environment, the district's teachers have become more skilled in that area as well.

Last year, technology integrators worked with elementary classroom teachers to design, develop and model lessons that integrate technology with core curricula and benchmarks.

These integrators also provided over-the-shoulder teacher coaching and mentoring, after-school classes and rotational grade level staff development.

Teachers have been learning about Web page design, Powerpoint, search engine

techniques and related applications.

More than 1,200 teachers have participated in technology workshops offered by the district.

"Wouldn't it be great if one day every teacher could have their own Web page?" Nutter said.

According to Allan, the district's curriculum specialists, now in their second year, have been very helpful in developing these new approaches to teaching and learning.

These individuals stay apprised of current information and new instructional techniques, she said.

Staff development will never cease to exist in this district, according to Nutter, for it is an ongoing process.

"Teachers are lifelong learners," Nutter said.

"One cannot have a great school without great teachers."

Poinsettia sale at Pierce

Pierce Middle School's annual Holiday Poinsettia Sale is going on now.

Order forms are available at the school or in the Park branch of the Grosse Pointe Public Library.

Call Rose Brosnan at (313) 881-3329 for more information. The deadline for orders is Dec. 4 and pick up is scheduled for Dec. 13.

Local organization aims to enrich education

By Jennie Miller
Staff Writer

For 30 years, a local organization has been pretty mum about its work to promote unique educational programs within the district.

It's about time for the Grosse Pointe Foundation for Academic Enrichment to boast about its contributions to the community.

According to trustee Mary Berschback, the foundation exists to support activities

that enrich the academic lives of students in the district and that are not available through existing school system funding.

Teachers are encouraged to apply for program supplements from the foundation.

"It's a good program to help teachers to get funding for special projects," said Lynda Grippi, the foundation's corresponding secretary.

"Many times, teachers come up with great ideas for

something that has never been done before, but funding is not available from the general fund."

A proposed activity will likely be supported if it brings students and people or places together for a unique academic experience, according to Berschback.

The foundation also requires that as many students as possible are able to benefit from the sponsored activity.

"We try to reach the largest number of students," Grippi said.

Over the years, the foundation has supported activities at every academic level.

The foundation donated funding to assist students at Grosse Pointe North High School design and construct a radio telescope.

The students began working on the project last year and are currently continuing construction.

More than 200 students at Brownell Middle School benefited from the financial support of the foundation during their re-enactment of the Civil War.

Students were trained as soldiers, taught to march in line, exposed to historically significant music and instruments and shown the

many hardships of the war.

The foundation helped to bring bats to Kerby Elementary School, took South science students out on Lake St. Clair to test the water and helped elementary students express themselves with the work of the Poetry Lady.

Individuals and families can recognize a teacher in the district through a financial contribution to the foundation.

Flyers have been sent out to elementary and middle school families for this purpose.

Recent gifts have recognized the following teachers: Sue Chaklos, Becky Eashick, Yvonne Martilotti and Linda Whelan from Maire Elementary School, Cheryl Briggs from Mason



Students in Grosse Pointe South High School's science classes were able to take a trip on Lake St. Clair to test the water with partial funding provided by the Grosse Pointe Foundation for Academic Enrichment.



Photo courtesy of Ardis Maciulek

Grosse Pointe North High School students work on constructing a radio telescope, thanks to funds provided by the Grosse Pointe Foundation for Academic Enrichment.

Elementary School, Therese McGratty and Joan Robie from Monteith Elementary School and Debra Kraft from Barnes School.

The tax deductible donations are added to the foundation's endowment fund, and the interest earnings

are used to help fund programs.

Donations and program funding applications may be sent to the foundation c/o the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

SCHOOL NOTES

Veterans visit

Kerby

Veterans from American Legion Post #303 of Grosse Pointe visited the first-graders at Kerby Elementary School on Tuesday, Nov. 12.

This commemoration of Veteran's Day included the sharing of experiences from the veterans as well as a viewing of military equipment.

The veterans in attendance at Kerby included Donald Pettiford, Ray Droste, Jim Jones, George Coughlin, John Gardner (Post Commander), Carl Stuenkel, Gene Ignasiac, Robert Steadfast and Norbert Ignasiac.

Forensics team wins big at St. Paul

St. Paul Catholic School's Forensics Team competed against eight other schools in the Eastside Catholic Forensics League held on Saturday, Nov. 10, at St. Joan of Arc School in St. Clair Shores.

Colleen Berendt and Annie Sorge, both eighth-graders, received overall first-place in their respective categories.

Other St. Paul students received several first-place honors, including Catherine Adamo, Juliette LaCombe, Christine Nelson, Julie Passage, Beth Ponkowski and Kristine Sholty.

Students of the month

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

Safety Patrol students are on duty at intersections near schools to help students cross streets safely.

They include: Bailey Powell, Defer; Thomas Milne, Matt Peyser and Daniel Smith, Ferry; Max Reitzloff and Tyler Shaum, Kerby; Kayla Lewis and Ana Harris, Maire; Michael Maas and Alex Austin, Monteith; Alex Aguilera, Katie Klaus, Tori Morris and Andrew Chamberlin, Richard; and Kathryn Cumpata, Trombly.

Service Squad students help with safety rules inside school buildings and perform other tasks as needed.

They include: Jeremy Munstermar, Defer; Daniel Bracciano and John David, Ferry; Sydney Macheski and

Hayley Martin, Kerby; Tara Bolton and Ben Boyce, Maire; Emily Doyal and George Mattingly, Monteith; Isiah Marion, Jay Elsey, Faith Ososki and Adriana Dragovic, Richard; and Peter Reik, Trombly.

Library Squad students assist the school librarian before class. They include: Emily Renton and Jack Thomas, Defer; Amy Flynn and Jenna Issherwood, Ferry; Kelly Ansell and Zachary Nelson, Maire; Makenzie Seaman and Benjamin Good, Monteith; Joanna Jackson, Poupard; Michelle Miller and Liz Smith, Richard; and Holly Fleszar, Trombly.

South senior finalist for scholarship

Grosse Pointe South High School's Katherine Caretti has been selected as a finalist for one of two \$5,000 scholarships to be awarded by the National Society of High School Scholars (NHSS).

The NHSS has recently been founded to recognize

academic excellence among the top high school seniors throughout the United States.

Caretti was chosen from among 14,000 students considered to be in the top of their class.

Two students will be chosen to receive scholarships from the 350 finalists.

Beautification award given to Kerby

The City of Grosse Pointe Farms' Beautification Advisory Commission presented Kerby Elementary School with the Beautification Special Award for its 50th Anniversary Family Garden.

The plaque given to the school states that the award was received for outstanding beautification efforts that deserve special recognition.

The commission recognized the school for enhancing beautification through education as well as enhancing the quality of life for both youth and adults who live, work and visit in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Warming up to trot

Photo by Jennie Miller

A student at St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic School warms up before participating in the 14th annual St. Clare Turkey Trot on Thursday, Nov. 14. The entire school participated in the event, with a different course set up for each grade level; from lengths of one block for the kindergartners to a mile loop for the seventh- and eighth-graders.

The course was set up and patrolled by officers of the Grosse Pointe Park Public Safety Department and parent volunteers.

Winners of the turkey trot include Julian Hall, Christiane Staten, Thomas Ridella, Ella Stanley, Devin Hubbell, Gina Valgol, Josh Noseda and Aimee O'Brien.



North Class of 1992

Grosse Pointe North High School's Class of 1992 will be celebrating its 10 year reunion on Saturday, Nov. 30, from 7:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

It costs \$45 per person to attend the reunion if tickets are purchased prior to the event and \$55 per person at the door.

Checks can be mailed to: Matthew T. Bejin, 23118 Middlesex, St. Clair Shores, MI 48080.

Questions can be directed to mbejin@yahoo.com.

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- * 10:30 a.m., 27th Annual Santa Claus Parade co-presented by Bon Secours Cottage Health Services, Flagstar Bank and AAA Michigan. WJR's Paul W. Smith is this year's Grand Marshal.
- * 4:30 p.m., corner of Kercheval and St. Clair. Harvey's Luggage presents a holiday concert by the Authentic Dickens Carolers.
- * 5:00 p.m., The Village Aglow tree-lighting ceremony, corner of Kercheval and St. Clair, followed by a holiday sing along with the Authentic Dickens Carolers.

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Stocks: What a difference another day makes

LTS couldn't believe the media reports last Friday and Saturday about the "peace rally!"

Dictator Hussein (even his name is difficult to spell) agreed to write a letter to the United Nations assenting to their arms inspectors scouring his countryside again.

Did you expect Hussein to be honest, or be silent, or to assert a, "No! Don't come?"

Instead, we witnessed a "peace rally" of about 265 points, or about 3 percent, on the Dow from late Wednesday through last Friday. But how do you decree, "Let the 'peace' begin?"

Overall, the Dow has now achieved six up weeks, and the NASDAQ Composite and the S&P 500 have topped five up weeks; albeit the last two weeks showed almost no momentum.

Floor traders complain of the lack of leadership. Is Household International's (HI, about 29.35, up 6.30 points as of last Friday) stock take-over bid of \$14 billion by HSBC Holdings, the Anglo-Asian banking power, a forerunner of new merger activity for bargain-basement U.S. companies being acquired by other offshore companies?

Grosse Pointers doing business with HI will recognize its mailing address: Carol Stream, Ill., a Chicago suburb near O'Hare airport.

Costco Wholesale (the warehouse store on Gratiot near I-696) credit card customers pay their monthly Costco bills to "Retail Services" at Carol Stream, Ill. Credit card members of World Mastercard make their checks payable to "Household Credit Services" also at Carol Stream, Ill.

Barron's (Nov. 18) viewed the HSBC offer "as evidence that a strategic buyer saw value in a troubled American company at its current valuation."

To bring last week up to date, last Friday, the Dow ended up 42 points, or a measly 0.5 percent, to close at 8,579. Meanwhile, the NASDAQ Composite bulled ahead 52 points, or 3.8 percent, closing at 1,411 — beating the Dow in both points gained and in the percentage increased!

What's your price?

As shown in the "At a Glance" table, the stock markets are relatively unchanged, but the Euro continues valued above the U.S. dollar, and gold is off slightly to \$320.70 per ounce.

But the good news is that the OPEC members have been cheating — producing more than their assigned quotas — resulting in refilled domestic, European

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and Japanese crude inventories.

The dollar price for crude collapsed to \$25.51 last Friday, resulting in reduced November producer prices that will be released next month.

Drivers will welcome the price cuts for retail gasoline as soon as the refiners exhaust their higher-priced existing inventories.

If the Iraq situation ever gets straightened out enough to eliminate the present oil embargo, we can expect a glut of Iraqi crude to further depress prices.

Money market mutual fund managers have seen investor yields break below 1 percent per annum, but additional cash deposits continue to flow in.

Annuity managers have witnessed a strong shift in their "cafeteria asset allocations," with cash moving out of stocks and into money market accounts.

Most annuity managers and 401(k) plans permit their investor participants to pick and choose among their preapproved "cafeteria" mutual fund-type investments.

But this double layer of investment managers — the portfolio management firm at the fund level plus the plan management firm for

administration — causes a double-dip of managerial expenses, in addition to the usual out-of-pocket expenses. Since the Fed cut short-term interest rates last week by 50 basis points (a basis point is 1/100th of 1 percent), such combined expenses could exceed the gross interest earned from money market funds in annuities and 401(k) plans.

It will be interesting to watch these managers dance to see which managers will be first willing to proportionally cut their own fees so the investor receives at least a minuscule yield on mega-sized accounts.

Bargains galore

Have you noticed consumer items are being offered at irresistible prices? Some retail chains are offering selected items at "below cost" for 10-hour sales promotions, enticing additional shopper traffic.

The after-Christmas mark-downs seem to have begun before Thanksgiving Day. For watching football on TV, who can resist 30 cans of non-premium beer for \$9.99 (plus bottle deposit and sales tax)?

As discounting becomes even more widespread, the consumer's dollar goes farther (and the cost of living

goes down). But the manufacturer/distributor/retailer all suffer from "price softness." And economists wonder if "deflation" is possibly around the corner.

Such "price concessions" come right out of "gross margin." Some stock analysts are focusing on those companies that are not highly leveraged as being the most able to survive these deflationary price wars.

Forbes magazine (Oct. 28) featured an article by Andrew T. Gillies that lists eight stocks sporting low debt burdens and healthy cash-flow levels, including Bob Evans Farms (BOBE, about 24.01 last Friday), Hormel Foods (HRL, about 23.07), McGraw Hill (MHP, about 62.97), Office Depot (ODP, about 15.37) and Stanley Works (SWK, about 33.05).

Remember, LTS does not recommend individual stocks. If one of the referenced items piques you, read

Stock Market at a Glance

Friday Close, 11/15/02	
Dow Jones Ind.	8,579
NASDAQ Comp.	1,411
S&P 500 Index	910
\$ in EUROS	1.0093
Crude Oil (Bbl.)	25.51
Gold (Oz.)	320.70
3-Mn. T-Bill	1.21%
30-Yr. T-Bonds	4.91%

the entire article at the Grosse Pointe Public Library; then do your own due diligence research.

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Dogs have owners — cats have staff



By Mike Maurer

So this is the year you're going to get a dog. OK, what breed? What size?

I'm here to help. Actually, it's the Internet that's here to help. But first...

Personally, I like mutts. I can't stand having a critter in the house with better breeding than I have. The last two dogs that shared our home were from Grosse Pointe Veterinarian on Kercheval. It would have taken some serious genetic screening to figure out where they came from. Both were on the short list for that big doghouse in the sky, and the whole family turned to silly putty, myself included.

As far as selecting a new canine with help from the Internet, you can probably guess some of the obvious places to visit.

The American Kennel Club (akc.org) is the leading authority on pedigrees in the United States.

Any attempt I could make to list all the information available there would not do the Web site justice.

Visit and you will see what I mean. The AKC Web site does allow you to research the history of a pedigree. Some breeds are swimmers and some are hunters. Mine chases bugs.

If you have several purebreds and are thinking about breeding the dogs, I have only one thing to say: Are you nuts? No, that wasn't it. I know where you can find a breeder online.

The Web site is called Breeder Web (breederweb.com). All you have to do on the site is pick a region and a breed, and up pops a list.

If you want to adopt a shelter dog and can't find what you want locally, try Petfinder (PetFinder.com).

This Web site also is a great resource for locating breed rescue groups that help place purebreds, like over-the-hill greyhound racers, in need of new homes.

Now, if you have a list of traits you would like your new dog to have, I recommend a double-click on a search engine called Dog Recommendations (pets.yahoo.com/pets/dogs).

After you answer a series of six questions, the search engine will list the breeds that match your criteria, complete with pictures and profiles of the recommended

dogs. Now that you have a dog, what do you name it? I recommend Rover, Fido or Spot. Or you can name it after my editor. He'd like that.

You could go to BowWowMeow (bowwow.com.au). Don't ask me where the "Meow" went in the Internet address, a cat's got my ... never mind. The site will help you select a name and give you background on what it means. If you couldn't decide on which puppy you wanted and brought home two, the site provides pairs of names (like Cheech and Chong).

Can we talk? When you pick up your puppy, it runs around, plays with you, licks you and then pees on the floor. For the latter, you need Dog School 101.

The makers of Purina Dog Chow (DogChow.com) have a Web site with a massive index of resources. Housebreaking should be first on your surfing agenda.

When the pup is bigger, you can learn how to teach him or her super-stunt dog tricks. The site even offers video downloads starring professional trainers who will teach you how to teach your dog. First lesson? The cookies are for the dog, not the trainer.

If you wind up with a sick Fido, go to the vet. If it's the middle of the night, go to Vet Info (vetinfo.com). Follow links to the veterinarian's guide to animal health. You can even learn how to birth a calf if you want.

Last, I would like to help you get in touch with your canine side.

I found a "What breed are you?" Web site for humans (emode.com/emode/tests/dog2.jsp).

You answer a quiz of just 10 questions. Sample: If you were at a karaoke bar, would you get up and sing? After answering the questions, the site will give you a short description of which 16 different puppy personalities most resembles yours.

Mine came back with only one recommendation — laughing hyena. Stay tuned. Cats are coming up!

Have a tech question or subject you would like addressed in this column? Want to comment or add your two cents worth? My e-mail address is mmaurer@bizserve.com.

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Holiday light ceremony lifts spirits

A crowd of more than 250 gathered once again on the steps of city hall for the annual ceremony of lights in Harper Woods.

"We got a great crowd," said Mayor Ken Poynter, who said the number of attendees is steadily growing from year to year.

Cub Scouts and Girl Scouts regaled the crowd with carols to start off the evening, keeping the mood light despite a light drizzle.

The three Drake children waited in the wings, each with an important job to do.

Hannah, Elizabeth and Nick each had a switch to flip to bring a separate section of the display to full power.

Chris Drake said that he was happy to have his kids light the lights.

"We live across the street from Ken (Poynter) and after talking to him over the fence about families, he suggested they do it," Drake

said. "I promised him that the kids were up to the task."

The display burst in three brilliant explosions of electricity, moving down the building and ending up right at the tree.

"The mayor told us not to throw all three at once," said 10-year-old Nick. "He said it would overload the system."

More than 50 strings of lights adorn the main tree. Children ran circles and played tag around the 40-foot evergreen which stands behind the electronic signboard which was unveiled at last year's tree lighting.

Closing out the night, there were cookies and milk for all, after Poynter and Judge Roger LaRose joined councilwoman Vivian Sawicki in leading a last song.

"It's great that we draw all ages to this event," Poynter said. "It shows that we really are a community."



Photos by Jason Sweeney

Chris and Kay Drake are proud of their tree-lighting children, all of which are scouts. From left, 10-year old Nick is in pack 273, 6-year-old Hannah is in Troop 697 and eight-year-old Elizabeth is a part of Troop 1183.

Kevin Huot of Cub Scout Pack 273, left, was one of the scouts who went through the crowd handing out candy canes during the caroling and tree lighting ceremony.

Below, from left, Mayor Ken Poynter, Judge Roger LaRose and Vivian Sawicki lead the city in carols with a big smile, glad to usher in the holiday season.



HW Happenings

Play delayed

Harper Woods High School's performances of "The Importance of Being Earnest" have been pushed back two weeks.

The delay, attributed to inadequate preparation time and scheduling conflicts, sets the play dates for December 6 and 7, at 7 p.m. with a matinee at noon Saturday, Dec. 8.

Advance tickets for the original dates will be honored for the new performances. Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$3 for students and \$2 for seniors and are available at the high school offices.

Beautification awardees

The 2002 Beautification Commission awardees were named at a congratulatory dinner held Wednesday, Nov. 13.

Given for efforts to make the city a more appealing and pleasant place to live through upkeep and development of property, the winners were:

- David and Cynthia Ballantyne
- Catherine and Lynn Carlino
- Andrew and Donna Curcuro
- Rodney and Suzanne Goins

• Lisa Pollack and Diane Kennett

• Ralph and Mary Kent
• John Laughlin
• Sheila O'Hara
• Steven and Marlene Skuzenski
• Louise Solaka

Street sweeper

The Harper Woods city council approved the expenditure of \$123,800 for a new street sweeping machine which will arrive in the city early next year.

The new sweeper replaces a 16 year-old model which has put in its time and reached the end of its useful life. The old machine will be traded in to Bell Equipment of Walled Lake as part of the deal.

Beauty in training

Thirteen-year-old Alaina Renee Whitney of Harper Woods has been selected to compete in the Miss Jr. Teen Detroit pageant on December 8.

Sponsored by local businesses, she will compete for \$20,000 in scholarships and prizes and a chance to participate in the Cities of America National Competition. To find out more about the competition or sponsorship, call Patty Neidert at 1-800-569-2487.

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November 21, 2002

Local author brings fly-fishing to children

By Jennie Miller
Staff Writer

When Grosse Pointe Woods resident Kim Lucas looked at all the photographs taken during family vacations, she realized just how much her family enjoyed the outdoors.

"There's a fish on the fly and the fly on the tippet and the tippet on the leader and the leader on the line and the line on the backing and the backing on the reel and the reel on the rod and the rod in the hand of the child who's fishing in the clear, cold river at dawn!"

— An excerpt from Grosse Pointe Woods resident Kim Lucas' new children's book, "Fly-fishing With Trout-tail."

today, enjoy getting back to basics," she said.

"We spend most of our vacation time in the woods, rivers and lakes — hiking, camping and skiing — enjoying the outdoors."

Fly-fishing is among the many sports the Lucas family has enjoyed for years, a pastime she has shared with her husband and three sons at locations all over the country.

After gathering the various photographs that chronicled the sport, Lucas decided to sit down and write a children's book.

"I was inspired by our family's interest in fly-fishing — not simply catching

fish," she said. "I wanted to reinforce the life-lessons we were experiencing with our own three boys."

These lessons include appreciation for nature, learning a sense of self-pride, spending time with family and becoming independent.

Lucas applied these important aspects of the sport to her book, along with her photographs, and began to explore the world of fly-fishing from a child's perspective, which became "Fly-fishing With Trout-tail."

Trout-tail, otherwise known as Lucas' son, Thad, has enjoyed the sport of fly-fishing since he was two years old.

"He became the main character — someone to follow and identify with," Lucas said.

"He has always had incredible patience and interest."

Fly-fishing is considered a leisurely sport, yet difficult to master.

According to Grosse Pointe Woods resident James Sansoterra, fly-fishing offers tranquility and isolation, yet as a sport, it is quite humbling.

"Fly-fishing is a personal discipline and requires a lot of patience," he said.

"It is more of an intellectual game rather than a physical conquest. It's an interesting challenge to outwit the fish."

Like Lucas, Sansoterra has also shared the sport with his children. He taught his sons the sport when they were five years old and enjoyed the experiences they shared together.

"It is a chance to pause, rest, reflect and slow down," he said. "It is an excuse to stand still and do nothing."

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Rick Bolton agreed with Sansoterra.

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FLY-Fishing with Trout-tail A Child's Journey



By K.H. Lucas



Pictured are images taken by Kim Lucas of her son, Thad, during family fly-fishing vacations around the country. She used these photographs to illustrate her children's book, "Fly-fishing With Trout-tail."

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1.2 million Michigianians plan a Thanksgiving trip

An estimated 1.2 million Michigianians - 12 percent of the population - said they will travel during the 2002 Thanksgiving holiday period, says AAA Michigan, slightly less than last year (1.4 million).

Three-quarters (73 percent) of those who travel this Thanksgiving will be visiting relatives.

Michigan motorists will find higher gas prices during the holiday weekend, paying an average 34.4 cents more per gallon than last year at this time. The statewide average for self-serve, no-lead regular (as of Nov. 11) is \$1.529 per gallon.

As in previous years, cars, trucks and vans represent the most popular form of Thanksgiving transportation (77 percent), but the number of people flying (17 percent) is up 3 percentage points from last year.

"Travelers are slowly but surely returning to the airways," said Larry Dickens, director of vendor relations and travel support for AAA Michigan. "Competitive fares continue to dominate the air travel market."

Among those planning a Thanksgiving vacation, 90 percent plan to go more than 100 miles from home and 52 percent plan to travel outside of Michigan.

Fifty-six percent of travelers intend to stay with rela-

tives during their journey, and 21 percent will stay at a hotel, motel or resort. Six percent will stay in a rented cottage or second home, 4 percent in a travel trailer/recreational vehicle and 2 percent will stay with friends.

The average trip will last five days at an average cost of \$464. Thanksgiving weekend is traditionally one of the busiest travel periods of the year, says AAA promoting heavier-than-normal traffic volumes.

"The number of scheduled flights has been reduced," said Dickens. "But heightened security and a reduced work force means travelers will need to be flexible and allow more time."

Peak travel dates include Wednesday, Nov. 27, and Sunday, Dec. 1.

The new Metro Detroit Airport handles as many as 105,000 persons per day on the Wednesday before Thanksgiving and 110,000 the Sunday following.

This represents a substantial increase from the normal traffic pattern of 80,000 daily passengers. AAA recommends arriving at the airport at least two to three hours before scheduled departure times.

Other travel tips: Confirm flight schedules. Check with your airline either online or through a

toll-free number to confirm flight schedules one week prior to departure and the day before departure.

Expect heavy congestion in front of the terminals around curb fronts. Curbs will be reserved for active loading and unloading only. Drivers dropping off or picking up passengers will not be allowed to wait.

Park in short-term parking and meet your party in the baggage claim area.

Call the airport hot-line at (800) 642-1978 for information on parking availability.

New security measures mean more hand-searches of checked and carry-on baggage, which may cause slowdowns at check-in and screening checkpoints.

All passengers are required to have photo identification at the ticket counter and checkpoints. This is true regardless of the type of ticket issued (paper or electronic). International travelers will need two types of photo ID, including a valid passport for themselves and their children.

Wrap gifts after you arrive at your destination. Security personnel may request that gifts be unwrapped at screening checkpoints.

Stay calm in lines and during inspections. Don't make jokes or take actions that may be construed as threatening.

The 102-hour Thanksgiving Day holiday (6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 27, to midnight Sunday, Dec. 1) is traditionally a time for family travel. But the holiday also falls at the end of the firearm deer hunting season, which means hunters will take advantage of the long holiday weekend.

According to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR), during the 16-day firearm deer season (Nov. 15 - 30), about 760,000 hunters will spend more than \$500 million for food, lodging and transportation.

A large deer herd, combined with large numbers of cars on the road, creates a high probability for collisions. In 2001, 66,993 deer-vehicle crashes were reported. Eleven people were killed as a result of these crashes.

During the 2001 Thanksgiving holiday period, 12 persons died in 11 fatal crashes on Michigan roads, compared with 12 deaths in 2000. Restraints were not used by three of the 10 victims who had them available. Six, or 55 percent of the fatal crashes, were alcohol- or drug-related.

AAA Michigan urges all motorists to avoid alcohol, buckle up, be well rested, and drive defensively.



Fine Arts Society

The Fine Arts Society of Detroit opened its 2002-03 season with "The Curious Savage" by John Patrick. Two performances were directed by Steve Shrader and produced by Marianne Shrader.

Members of the cast in the back row, from left, are Phil Gillis, Gary Miller, Rob Green, Karen Minard, Mary Ann Pawlak and Deldon Treece. Seated, from left, are Tom Casey, Lecta Stewart, Amanda Maniscalco, Amanda Shrader, Shirley Worthman and Filonna Thomas. Not shown: Katherine Shrader.

Trout-Tail

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"It provides for a good father/son experience," he said. "You can enjoy the sport throughout your whole life and throughout many generations."

This is one of the main reasons Lucas decided to write the book. In it, she stresses the importance of learning from the experts and appreciating the time spent with family.

The book is dedicated "to those who take the time to fly-fish with a child. You have untangled lines and tied on flies time and time again. You have passed on respect and responsibility, history and traditions."

The sport also allows for the opportunity to appreciate nature.

"Fly-fishing is the kind of sport where you need to appreciate the outdoors," Bolton said. "It is environmental conscience, with the practice of catch-and-release."

Lucas considers this practice to be one of the most important aspects of fly-fishing and illustrates so in her book.

She also helps to explain aspects of the sport such as appropriate gear and the different kinds of flies that are used.

The book also offers a little game for children: there is a fly on every page and the reader is challenged to find all of them. Also, each fly is pictured and named on the back of the book. Children are encouraged to memorize the names and identify the flies throughout the book.

The book can be found at Village Toy Company, Borders Book Store and Barnes & Noble, all in Grosse Pointe, Orvis Company Store in Royal Oak and Cabela's retail store in Dundee, as well as other private bookseller's shops.

Visit www.trouttail.com to see sample pages of the book, or to order a copy.

Between Nov 20 and March 15, Lucas will donate one dollar to Trout Unlimited for every book purchased in Michigan stores or from the Web site, in a campaign called "Buy a Book - Save a Stream."

Weddings



Mr. and Mrs. Michael Thomas Ortiz

Swan-Ortiz

Susan Catherine Swan, daughter of Jerry Swan of Laramie, Wyo., formerly of Grosse Pointe Woods, and the late Jan Hunter Swan, married Michael Thomas Ortiz, son of Patricia Johnson of El Segundo, Calif., on Sept. 28, 2002, at the First Presbyterian Church in Colorado Springs, Colo.

The Rev. Dr. John Goodale and the Rev. Barbara Hunter, the bride's aunt, officiated at the 4 p.m. ceremony, which was followed by a reception at Memorial Hall in Manitou Springs.

The bride wore a satin gown that featured a beaded bodice, full skirt and chapel-length train. She carried a bouquet of pink roses.

The matron of honor was Carrie Johnson of Colorado Springs.

Bridesmaids were Rebecca Lane of Harper Woods, Angela Grassi of Pennsylvania and Carolyn Kirchner Glackin of St. Clair Shores.

The flower girl was Eloise Smith of Monument, Colo.

The matron of honor wore a dark red dress. Attendants wore periwinkle, banana and navy dresses. All carried mixed bouquets.

The brother of the groom, Tim Ortiz of Anaheim, Calif., was the best man.

Groomsmen were John Hunt of Colorado Springs, Colo., John Quint of Pueblo, Colo., and Marc Babson of Daniels Island, N.C.

The ring bearer was the groom's son, Nicholas Ortiz of Colorado Springs. The junior groomsman was Michael Ortiz Jr. of Colorado Springs, the groom's son.

The bride was escorted down the aisle by her brother, Paul Swan of Houston, Texas.

The bride is the owner of Spoonful of Sugar nanny placement service. The groom is in the United States Army.

The couple honeymooned in Breckenridge, Colo. They live in Colorado Springs.

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The Detroit Historical Society will hold its fourth annual ball on Friday, Dec. 6, at the Madame Cadillac Building on the campus of Marygrove College in Detroit. More than 300 people are expected to attend the event, which has a French theme this year, in honor of the traveling exhibit that will open the next day at the museum, "France in the Americas: Cities of the King's Engineers in the New World."

Proceeds from the ball support the museum's exhibition and educational programs.

The black-tie evening will include dinner, dancing and a live auction of French-themed items by auctioneer Joseph DuMouchelle.

Co-chairmen of the evening are Joanne Brodie and Judy Schwartz, both of Bloomfield Hills, and Grosse Pointer Joan Gehrke. Benefactor tickets are \$500; patrons, \$350; friends are \$250. For tickets, call (313) 833-1980.

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Harper Woods resident runs for a hero

By Madeleine Socia
Special writer

"I felt that the goal that I set, to create a connection, has been met," explained Harper Woods resident Linda Sidzina in talking about her relationship with the family of a New York firefighter who died on 9/11.

On Sept. 12, 2001, Sidzina, a Realtor with Coldwell Banker Schweitzer Real Estate in Grosse Pointe Farms, literally prayed for a way to fulfill her need to reach out and help the victims of the terrorist attacks. A few days after the tragedy she was able to act on that urge when a friend put her in touch with the brother of NYC firefighter Stephen Siller of Staten Island.

Siller was a 34-year-old firefighter and father of six, who was beloved by family and friends for his boisterous big-hearted personality and passion for life. He had just gotten off his shift at Squad 1 in Park Slope Brooklyn and was driving to a golf date with his brothers when he heard on his scanner about the attacks. He immediately changed plans

and was headed for the World Trade Center. The snarled traffic at the Brooklyn-Battery Tunnel forced him to abandon his truck. He sprinted along the tunnel catwalk until he was picked up by another unit and taken to the scene. There he gave his life in an attempt to rescue others.

The large, close-knit Siller family was grateful for Sidzina's offer of help. However, they made it clear from the start that prayers and gestures of emotional support were equally, if not more, welcome than monetary donations. Working through her office and her parish, Our Lady Star of the Sea in Grosse Pointe Woods, Sidzina was able to provide both. In the last 12 months, approximately \$3,500 in donations was forwarded to the family along with gifts, letters, cards and other expressions of sympathy and solidarity.

The bond grew so strong that the Siller family invited their new friend to participate in a benefit memorial race on Sept. 29, providing her with a room at race

headquarters, an Embassy Suites Hotel near Ground 0. Anxious to meet the family she had grown to love via phone and e-mail, Sidzina accepted the invitation with enthusiasm and headed for Manhattan on Sept. 27.

Upon arrival she was joined by her sister, former Harper Woods resident Anita Himburg and her son Nicholas Himburg who now reside in North Carolina.

Though they were total strangers a little more than 12 months before, Sidzina said, "I felt real closeness with the family. That is the type of family that they are. There were 57 family members at the race."

They were joined by approximately 5,000 other participants from across the country, some of whom were running to honor a fallen friend or family member. "People just wanted to be together on this," said Sidzina. "There was a football team from a Catholic University, a hockey team, little kids, older folks, everyone just wanted to do what he could and say to the bad guys, 'you're not going to

win!' That was the feeling I got."

The race was a grass-roots effort, started by the family and publicized throughout their community by word-of-mouth and flyers in store windows. Sidzina marveled at how incredibly organized this effort was in the face of the family's grief. "Everything was donated, all the printed materials, the T-shirts, the rooms at the Embassy Suites, the food. This family is not going to let this make them ugly or bitter. They just want people to know how wonderful Stephen was and to help others. That will be his legacy."

Race day dawned bright and sunny. Participants gathered in a schoolyard on the Brooklyn side of the tunnel. Following remarks by family members, Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y. and former Mets star Rusty Staub, the race was launched to the sound of siren blasts from a Squad 1 truck, which bore the names of the fallen crew members.

Entering the white tiled tunnel, which had been shut down for the event, walkers and runners made their way past the catwalks lined by 343 firefighters in full-dress uniforms holding American flags. Some were somber while others called out encouragement.

Sidzina walked the 5k route and readily admits to being beaten by the majority of the pack, including five Franciscan priests in full garb.

Yet along the way her mind was racing with thoughts of the man she recognizes as a true American hero. "I was thinking about Stephen and how, that day there were cars parked in there all the way along,"

says Sidzina. "He carried 80 pounds of gear for two miles. But the more I understand about him, the more I know that there was no way he wouldn't have done it."

Leaving the tunnel, the race crossed the esplanade at Battery Park City and headed to the finish line where a giant U.S. flag was suspended from two ladder trucks in front of Ground 0. The event culminated in an emotional chorus of "America the Beautiful." Then family and other participants joined in what Sidzina called a truly "upbeat" party.

She reveled in the long-awaited pleasure of meeting Stephen's wife Sally, his children and many of this brothers and sisters face to face. "We never talked about the bad guys; it was really about Stephen and his love for life and celebrating the goodness," says Sidzina.

The event raised \$240,000, which was split

between the New York City Firefighters Burn Center and the Stephen Siller "Let Us Do Good," Children's Foundation founded by the family.

"Coming home was bitter-sweet," says Sidzina, although she still intends to keep in touch with the Siller family. "I was so glad to have met the family. I just wanted to hug them."

Having seen her efforts come full circle, Sidzina remains equally humble and philosophical about the venture.

"I wish that I did have something really profound to say, like it has changed my life, but I don't think it has. It may sound cliché, but I have always felt that good really triumphs over evil. That is the way I have lived my life, and this just really proves it. I do know that we did some good, and we accomplished the goal, to make a spiritual connection. That was all we ever wanted."

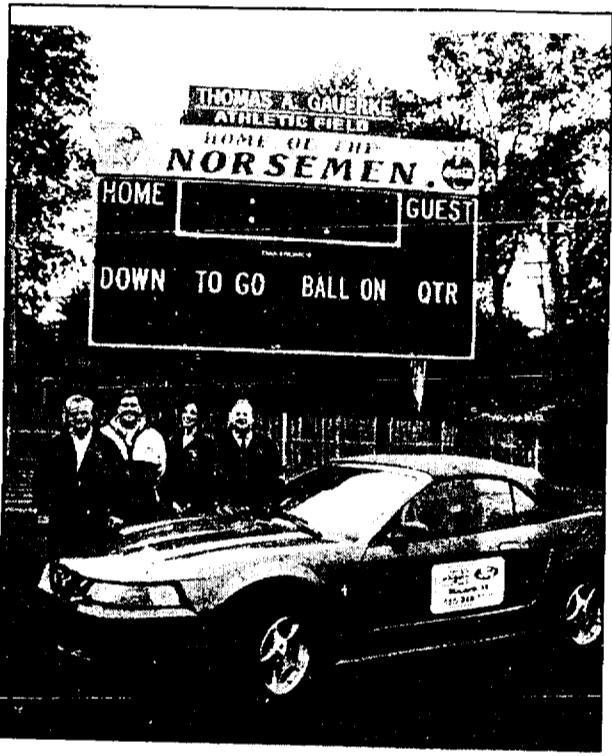
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The Pastor's Corner Count your blessings

The Rev. Fred Harms
St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church

A few days ago, I took our car in for what I thought would be a simple oil change.

It wasn't long before I received that dreaded telephone call informing me of the additional items that would need repair. The water pump was leaking; the sway bar needed to be replaced; the front tires were worn.

Before I hung up the telephone, I was told that there were at least two other things that would need attention soon. This is the kind of news we do not anticipate, and it certainly puts a crimp in our budget planning. I must admit I was feeling a bit depressed over the whole situation.

My demeanor soon changed when I received the next telephone call. A lady from our parish had fallen and broken her hip and was to have surgery that very same day. Her husband, who has been diagnosed with cancer, is presently in treatment and, for the time being, is residing in a rehab center.

As I prayed with her and for her husband, I began to put my own troubles in perspective. It is so easy to get preoccupied with minor setbacks in our own lives that we forget the tremendous struggles of neighbors and friends around us.

The inconvenience of a few car repairs pales in comparison to battles with major illnesses.

There is a temptation to focus on the negative things that confront us from day to day and forget all that is positive.

If we were to make a list of all of our blessings as opposed to all of the woes in our lives, I think that our eyes would be open to seeing things in a whole new light. For the most part, blessings far outnumber those things that are painful and distressing.

It is healthier and much more productive for each of us to focus on helping those in need around us than to dwell on our own problems. This tends to diminish our own troubles and helps us to channel energy and thoughts in a much more positive way.

We are close to the celebration of Thanksgiving. It is a time of remembrance for all the good and gracious gifts that come to us from God. Take time to worship in your church. If you do not have a church home, seek one out.

Prayers of the faithful united together help us no matter what we are facing, whether it be good times or difficult times. Offer prayers of thanksgiving for the blessings that come each day.



Work of Human Hands

St. Paul Catholic Church will sponsor a craft sale, "The Work of Human Hands," on Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 23 and 24, in the Gathering Area of the Church. Hours are from 4 to 6 p.m. Saturday; 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday.

A variety of high-quality, unusual handcrafted items will be for sale. Many of these are made by artisans and crafters in some of the poorest nations of the world. The sale offers an opportunity to do your Christmas shopping while helping those in developing countries.

Work of Human Hands is a collaborative program of Catholic Relief Services and SERRV International, a nonprofit craft marketing organization.

Members of the Christian Service committee who are organizing the sale are, from left, Mandy Scranton, Sister Ruthanne Reed, Ruth Whipple, Pamela Morath, Marie and Dutch VandenBoom, Cecelia Bloom.

Christ Church presents all-Mozart concert

A concert featuring the music of Mozart with a chorus, orchestra and soloists will be presented at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 24, at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd.

The Christ Church Chorale will sing the "Grand Mass in C minor" with soloists Elizabeth Parcells of the City of Grosse Pointe, soprano; Jacqueline Wagner, contralto; Nathan Northrup, tenor and James Gray, bass.

Parcells is known for her roles in "The Magic Flute" and "Tales of Hoffmann" with the Michigan Opera Theatre.

Paul Abdullah, a senior at University Liggett School, will be the soloist in Mozart's Piano Concerto No. 21 in C. Abdullah is a former chorister and current member of the Christ Church Men's Choir.

Christ Church Music director is D. Frederic DeHaven. Tickets are \$15 for the main floor and \$10 for the balcony. Tickets will be available at the door and by phone at the church office at (313) 885-4841.

Babies

Michael Bentley Koerber

Kraig and Jeannie Koerber of Grosse Pointe Woods are the parents of a son, Michael Bentley Koerber, born July 24, 2002.

Maternal grandparents are Hazel Bentley of Grosse Pointe Farms and the late Dr. Robert H. Bentley.

Paternal grandparents are Robert and Elaine Koerber of Scottsdale, Ariz.

Gordon James Acheson

Joseph Acheson and Kristina Finney of Grosse Pointe Park are the parents of a son, Gordon James Acheson, born Nov. 12, 2002.

Maternal grandmother is Deborah Finney of Royal Oak. Paternal grandparents are Judy Acheson of Lake Barrington, Ill., Joseph Gates of Port Huron and James and Susan Acheson of Port Huron.

Great-grandmothers are Donna McMinn of Sterling Heights and Alice Sawyers of Warren.

Timothy Clark Cleland

Michael and Patti Cleland of Harper Woods are the parents of a son, Timothy Clark Cleland, born Oct. 15, 2002. Maternal grandparents are Jack and Susan Guillaumin of Grosse Pointe Woods.

Paternal grandparents are Margaret McNamee of the City of Grosse Pointe and Michael and Nancy Cleland of Ann Arbor. Great-grandparents are Jules Guillaumin of St. Clair Shores and Kathleen McNamee of Fort Gratiot.



Elizabeth Parcells

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When artificial joints need replacing

By Dr. James Bookout
Special Writer

Arthritis and damage to the hip or knee joint can result in pain that is debilitating. The sufferer may avoid using the joint and the surrounding muscles become weak and make movement even more difficult.

The bone ends of a joint are covered by a smooth layer of cartilage, which allows nearly frictionless and pain-free motion. When the cartilage surrounding the joint is damaged or diseased by arthritis, the joint becomes stiff and painful.

Until the 1960s, there was no permanent solution. In 1960, the first hip replacement surgery was completed, followed by the first knee replacement in 1968. Since then, advances in surgical technique and materials have led to many successful joint and hip replacement surgeries. Today, 435,000 are performed annually.

Artificial knees and hips are usually made of two stainless steel or titanium components with a polyethylene or plastic spacer between them. Most patients can



Dr. James Bookout

expect their artificial joint to last 15 years or longer.

For many individuals, their new knee or hip will be pain free for the rest of their life. However, as the population continues to live longer and younger patients find the surgery to be their best option, a second surgery may be needed when the joint wears out or becomes loose. This is known as a joint replacement revision.

Loosening or excessive wear on the artificial joint can cause pain, dislocation or instability, such as "buckling" when rising from a chair or walking. Some patients, however, do not experience any symptoms at all when their joint wears down. It is important for individuals with artificial joints to have annual check-ups, including X-rays, to allow the physician to intervene before damage to the components occurs. When a joint is not revised in a timely manner, revision surgery is more difficult.

Problems with artificial joints also occur when the polyethylene or plastic spacer portion of the hardware wears down, producing tiny particles that are recognized as foreign material by the immune system. The body's reaction to the foreign particles is to destroy them, which often leads to some destruction of the patient's bone that surrounds the artificial joint. This compromises the bone, leading to loosening of the artificial hip or knee replacement. When the bone is weakened, it is prone to fractures and the patient may experience significant pain.

Each artificial hip or knee revision surgery is unique, depending upon the amount of wear the components have undergone and the overall condition of the patient's remaining bone. Surgery can range from a simple exchange of the plastic liner or tray portion of the joint

to the removal of the entire prosthesis and replacement with all new components.

Recovery from a revision also depends on how involved the surgery was. A typical hospital stay following revision of an artificial hip or knee is five to seven days. Most patients need to use crutches or a walker for six to eight weeks following surgery, and as with a primary joint replacement, physical therapy is usually required during the recovery.

Generally, patients can return to normal activities in three to four months.

Bon Secours Cottage's joint replacement recovery program, Spa by the Shore, is aimed at soothing and revitalizing the body, mind and spirit of those who have experienced joint replacement or revision surgery, while providing accelerated physical therapy for a rapid recovery.

The program puts patients through an aggressive physical therapy regime, then rewards their efforts with complementary therapies, including massage, aromatherapy, music therapy and hydrotherapy (mini-whirlpool), so they are pampered, relaxed and ready to work again the next day. Incorporating a group dynamic means that participants work together and encourage one another, but they also compete with each other, offering an added incentive to succeed.

Dr. James Bookout is a Bon Secours Cottage orthopedist who specializes in primary knee and hip replacements and revisions. He sees patients at Associated Orthopedists of Detroit, located on Greater Mack in St. Clair Shores. For an appointment, call Bon Secours Cottage Physician Referral at (800) 303-7315.

Tips for people who want to quit smoking

There is no one right way to quit smoking. However, people who succeed at quitting consistently do the following things:

1. Set a quit date. Setting a date too far in the future allows time to talk yourself out of quitting. To increase your odds of success, set a quit date for some time within the next 30 days. This gives you a sense of urgency and still allows time to prepare for the change.

You might find it helpful to choose a date with personal significance — perhaps your birthday or wedding anniversary. In any case, circle the date on your calendar and commit to making it the start of a smoke-free life. Also announce your decision to friends and family.

2. Create a quit plan. According to federal guidelines for smoking cessation issued in 2000, people who want to quit smoking should have access to nicotine replacement therapies. These include the nicotine inhaler and nasal spray (available by prescription) and nicotine gum and the nicotine patch (available by prescription and over the counter). In addition, non-nicotine medication such as bupropion, an antide-

pressant, can ease withdrawal.

Remember that medications deal only with the physical aspects of quitting tobacco. Their main purpose is to reduce the symptoms of nicotine withdrawal so that you can deal with the psychological aspects of nicotine addiction. In fact, a study published in the Journal of the American Medical Association (Sept. 11, 2002) suggests that nicotine replacement therapy when used without counseling may be ineffective.

To get psychological support for quitting, sign up for a smoking cessation program or join a support group, such as Nicotine Anonymous. You can also consider residential treatment. Only a few such programs are available, but they can boost quit rates.

Barry McMillen, supervisor of Nicotine Dependency Treatment Services at Hazelden, directs a 7-day residential program for smokers called Your Next Step.

"Smoking is an addictive process with daily rituals around tobacco products," McMillen said. "Residential treatment goes beyond nicotine replacement to look at the

whole process of tobacco recovery."

Dr. Michael Fiore, director of the Center for Tobacco Research and Intervention at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, underscores the need to combine medication and psychological support.

"Insurance coverage for smoking cessation treatment leads to greater utilization and more people ultimately quitting," Fiore said. He adds that help lines for smokers who want to quit "appear very effective and are a powerful way to reach underserved segments of our society."

3. On your quit day, stick to your plan. Following these suggestions can help:

- Get rid of all items related to smoking — cigarettes, lighters and ash trays.

- Drink lots of water and juice.

- Eat healthful snacks such as raisins or carrots.

- Stay active with exercise, work or hobbies.

- Call a friend who's quit smoking or a help line for smokers.

- Participate in a smoking cessation class, counseling session, or support group.

- Avoid places where

people smoke.

4. Keep trying.

Remember that many smokers make several tries before they succeed at quitting. If you're trying to quit and it's not working, then ask for help.

"One of the main things that people who try to quit smoking often do is isolate themselves," McMillen said. "They don't tell anybody what they're doing, and they don't try to get help."

"HMOs are now taking a more positive look at treatment for nicotine dependence. The bottom line is that if you want to take the opportunity, there is help available."

For help in quitting, contact the American Cancer Society (800) 227-2345 or www.cancer.org to receive a copy of "Set Yourself Free," a pamphlet about quitting smoking. You can also contact the following organizations:

- American Heart Association, (800) 242-1793, www.americanheart.org

- American Lung Association, (800) 586-4872, www.lungusa.org

- Nicotine Anonymous, (415) 750-0328, www.nicotine-anonymous.org

- Hazelden Foundation,

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This health column offers 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 your inquiries to mduda@hazelden.org.

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St. John recognized in national study about treating uninsured

St. John Health participated in a national study that confirmed the prominent role that many Catholic hospitals play in treating the uninsured. The research was conducted by Georgetown University's Institute for Health Care Research and Policy and was unveiled in a Capitol Hill press conference.

St. John Health was one of seven Catholic hospitals and health systems studied and was the only Michigan Health Care provider cited in the study.

Key findings of the study include:

- Catholic safety net hospitals are a major source of care for the uninsured and underinsured.
- Catholic hospitals provide a wide array of important services that go beyond traditional measures of charity care.
- The core values of Catholic hospitals firmly resist a two-tiered health care system.
- Catholic safety net hospitals are under extreme financial pressure because of increased demand for charity care, reduced payments from Medicare and Medicaid and continued pressure from private payers.
- Many Catholic safety net hospitals would not be able to sustain their safety net mission without the support of the larger Catholic health care system to which they belong.
- Future public policy

efforts to secure the safety net should recognize the contributions of individual hospitals to their local safety net, regardless of ownership status.

Elliot Joseph, president and CEO of St. John Health, said the study affirms the fact that Catholic and not-for-profit hospitals are serving a large number of uninsured and should be recognized as major providers of care for the uninsured. Traditionally only public hospitals and federally qualified health centers have been considered safety net providers.

"In Detroit, St. John Health, along with our Voices of Detroit Initiative partners including Henry Ford Health System and the Detroit Medical Center, have become major health care safety net providers for the city's 150,000 uninsured," said Joseph, who is participating in the national press conference in Washington, D.C.

The three health systems reported a combined \$210 million in uncompensated care in 1998, due primarily to emergency room visits and inpatient admissions for complications of unmanaged chronic disease of individuals without insurance.

"We recognize that this is a major problem that demands a comprehensive solution. Our VODI collaboration has resulted in increased access to primary care for a growing number of uninsured, but we are also

actively and aggressively seeking federal funding to expand the number of Federally Qualified Health Centers in the city," Joseph said. "Detroit has fewer FQHCs than any other major city in the nation. We are letting our voices be heard in Lansing and in Washington and we urge our community to join us in this important effort," he said.

The Rev. Michael D. Place, president and CEO of the Catholic Health Association added, "It is clear from the Georgetown study that the delivery of safety net services is the responsibility of a larger and more diverse group of providers, including Catholic providers. Current public policy does not adequately reflect this reality."

St. John Health, a growing network of community-based hospitals and health care services in Southeast Michigan and one of the largest employers in metro Detroit provided more than \$100 million in uncompensated care in the past year.

Nutrition counseling

Bon Secours Cottage Health Services offers individualized nutrition counseling sessions at Cottage Hospital, 159 Kercheval. The fee is \$45 an hour; \$40 for Bon Secours Cottage Seniors TODAY members. Call (313) 640-2650.



The Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute recently announced the establishment of the Dr. Donald C. and Dale Austin Endowed Chair in the Department of Neurological Surgery. Randy and Judy Agley of Grosse Pointe Park are at the left, (he is chairman of the board of the Institute) and Dale and Dr. Donald Austin of Grosse Pointe Park are at the right.

Karmanos establishes Austin endowed chair

Through the leadership and generous financial support of Dr. Donald Austin and his wife, Dale, the quality of cancer care at the Institute has been elevated.

"We are fortunate to be able to leave this legacy and are grateful to the many people who have contributed to this chair. We hope to advance the quest to conquer primary malignant brain tumors, in which very little progress has been made in cure rates in the last 40 years," Donald Austin said.

The Austins also underwrite complimentary valet parking for the Institute's patients as a way to ease the burden for patients.

The Austins have been married for 37 years and are partners in their philanthropic efforts in metropolitan Detroit, for which they have received many accolades.

Dr. Donald Austin is a third generation physician and was appointed Vice Chief of the Section of Neurosurgery and Chief of Staff at Harper University Hospital and Chief of the Section of Neurosurgery at Hutzel Hospital.

The Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute operating the Meyer L. Prentiss Comprehensive Cancer Center of metropolitan Detroit, is one of the nation's leading cancer research, treatment, education and outreach centers.

The Institute is affiliated with The Detroit Medical Center and Wayne State University and supported by United Way.

The Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Foundation is a nonprofit organization that secures, invests and administers funds to support cancer-related activities and endeavors of the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute.

St. John opens new Surgery Center

The hospital that pioneered the simplified procedure for removing gallbladders in Michigan in 1989 will open the St. John Minimally Invasive Surgery Center Thursday, Nov. 21 at St. John Hospital and Medical Center, exactly 13 years after that first groundbreaking procedure.

Using small incisions and a miniature video camera projecting from inside the patient to surgeons, more than 10,000 less traumatic surgeries have been performed since then — which have included the introduction of other innovative procedures.

The new center introduces the coordination of all the minimally invasive surgical procedures simplified for patients. An open house will be held from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. featuring information, displays, demonstrations and refreshments.

Combining advantages over many traditional surgical procedures, minimally invasive surgery can offer tiny incisions (no bigger than a grain of rice), less pain, shorter hospital stays (patients are usually up and around the same day), lower risk of complications (including pneumonia and wound infections), less blood loss (and less need for transfusions), only small marks left barely visible (often, just a band-aid is needed) and quicker return to daily activities and work (which saves vacation days and financial losses).

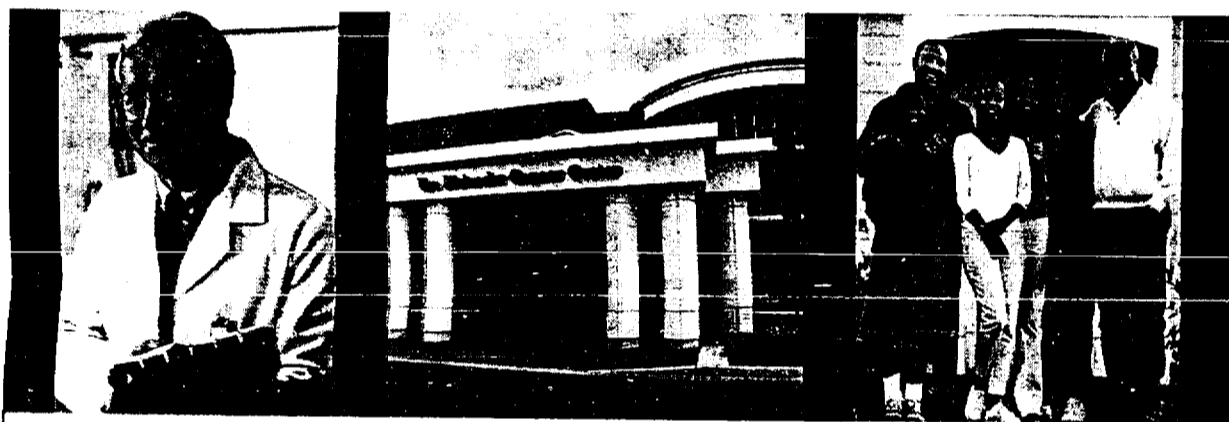
The simplified surgeries performed at the new center cover procedures in general surgery, cardiac, neuro (spine), orthopedic, transplant, adult and pediatric urology and vascular specialties.

St. John surgeons have performed more than 6,000 gallbladder removals using the minimally invasive technique. Traditional surgery often required the patient to stay in the hospital for four or five days and have a recovery period of four to six weeks, as well as receiving a large incision of 10- to 12-inches and the pain associated with it.

Dr. Abdelkader Hawasli of Grosse Pointe is director of Laparoscopic Surgery and the St. John Minimally Invasive Surgery Center.

The new center allows patients to have their surgery needs coordinated through one convenient place, from initial contact through timely scheduling of the procedure to quick recovery and return home.

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By Ann L. Fouty
Staff Writer

The cry of the sea gull and the flap of the sailing canvas were the songs of the Great Lakes more than a hundred years ago. Intermingled with nature's songs were the sailors' tunes. They sang to get through monotonous jobs, for entertainment, to keep a rhythm needed to haul up an anchor or to keep from buying drinks.

Today the nearly-lost songs sung on Great Lakes sailing ships have been captured after nearly 70 years of research. They have been transcribed from early recordings, both paper and "electronically," onto a CD and in a book with words and scores entitled "Windjammers Songs of the Great Lakes Sailors."

Detroit Free Press recruiting and development editor

Joe Grimm finished the work begun in 1932 by the late Ivan H. Walton, a University of Michigan English professor. And it only took Grimm from 1987 to 2000 to whittle down the tunes to 100 from thousands of pieces of paper in Walton's collection.

When the last commercial sailing vessel sank in 1930, Walton must have known the songs those sailors sang on the lake and on shore, but never written down, would be destined for the same fate. For many summers thereafter, he packed his car with a cheap bed, a typewriter and paper, Grimm said. Along with these few items, Walton also had a recording device the size of three suitcases.

Walton went from one end of Michigan to another interviewing sailors, jogging

their memories to record songs that would soon be gone. (He was in this area in 1939, according to Grimm.) The treasure trove of songs can be found on Beaver Island, Grimm said, because there during the long winter months, residents get together for companionship, and singing is part of the evening's revelry.

"This is an important part of history," Grimm said of preserving the songs and another piece of Michigan's history, "because in a very real way it shows the variety of life on the lake, the work people did, the races of people, their hopes, the things that made them fight and the things that made them happy."

Songs were done to make work light and for amusement, he told the small gathering in the St. Clair

Shores library last week. Songs were composed in saloons. Here sailors had to dance, play cards, tell a story or buy drinks. To get out of buying drinks, songs were created.

Songs were also regional. Songs about scows wouldn't be heard in Chicago, only in this part of the Great Lakes, Grimm said. Songs poking fun of the flat-bottomed scows which moved building materials around the Detroit River were generally done in a French dialect. In Milwaukee, songs were about grain and logging, while in Cleveland the songs centered around iron ore.

The songs' rhythms were adapted to the chore. Walking in a circle while winding up the anchor chain required a steady melody.

The St. Clair River is 30 miles long.

Heave 'er up lads, Heave 'er high!
An' we'll set our canvas to this merry song.
Heave 'er up and bust her.
Work chanteys were used for such chores as pulling on the lines for a short drag or pumping out a leaky vessel.

Our hands are sore, our backs are humped, And half the lakes went through her pumps.

"Windjammers Songs of

the Great Lakes Sailors" by Ivan H. Walton with Joe Grimm is printed by Wayne State University Press. Loudon Wilson illustrated the book and Lee Murdock scored the songs. It is available in the St. Clair Shores Public Library. To order, call 1-800-WSU-READ.

Grimm also has an article about the book in the July/August 2002 issue of Michigan History, entitled "Any Tune That Fits."

Older adults need immunizations, too

Many people think immunizations are for infants and children. But adults need immunizations too.

"Conditions like the flu or pneumonia can be very debilitating to older adults," said Mary Guerra, who works in the Senior Assessment Center of Mount Clemens General Hospital. "A vaccine may prevent serious health complications."

Guerra suggests the following vaccinations for adults:

Influenza vaccine. This vaccine is given once a year to prevent the effects of the flu. People who get the flu suffer from fever, chills, headache, cough, sore muscles and weakness. Because the elderly may have other medical conditions, they can develop pneumonia or other serious diseases as a result of the flu, and could even die.

People who are allergic to eggs should not receive a flu shot because the vaccine is grown in an egg-based medium. You cannot "catch" the flu from the vaccine.

Pneumonia vaccine. This is generally given once after age 65 (ask your health care provider to determine

appropriate timing). People with pneumonia often have chills, fever, chest pain, a bad cough and trouble breathing. Some with this disease may end up in the hospital with a very long recovery or could even die.

Health care providers recommend the pneumonia vaccine even if you feel healthy. You cannot catch pneumonia from the vaccine.

Tetanus and diphtheria vaccine (Td). This is given once every 10 years. Tetanus and diphtheria are serious diseases. Tetanus causes painful spasms of all muscles and can lead to lockjaw so that you are unable to open your mouth or swallow. Diphtheria can cause a thick coating in the nose, throat and airway, causing breathing problems, heart failure, paralysis and even death.

All of the vaccines listed above are safe. A few people may have redness or pain near the injection site; severe allergic reactions are very rare.

Check with your health care provider before receiving vaccines.

For more information, call the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) at (800) 232-7468.

Can too much Tylenol be bad for you?

In September 2002, a Food and Drug Administration panel called for better warnings about the risk of overdosing on Tylenol (acetaminophen). Too much acetaminophen can cause severe liver damage, and estimates show that 100 people die annually from accidental overdoses of acetaminophen.

Mount Clemens General Hospital-affiliated family practice physician Dr. Amy McKenzie supports the FDA's decision. She is an advocate for people becoming more knowledgeable about medications.

"Unfortunately, some people don't ask their physician about medications and may take too much," McKenzie said. "This costs them money and health problems."

For instance, many people are unaware that acetaminophen is in nearly 200 different branded and generic products, including cough/cold remedies and some prescription painkillers like Percocet and Vicodin.

"I encourage my patients to bring all their medications to their office visit," McKenzie said. When check-

ing a patient's medications, she looks for:

- Interactions that could cause a medication to lose effectiveness. For instance, taking antibiotics can make birth control less effective.
- Medications taken solely to reduce side effects of other medications. Patients may take anti-inflammatories that may lead to ulcers.
- Duplicates. Every medication has a trade and generic name. For instance, Zantac also is known as ranitidine. Sometimes, people may mistakenly take both.
- Over-the-counter and supplement side effects. For instance, decongestants can elevate blood pressure.

Primary care physicians should be gatekeepers of a their patients' health and monitor medication usage.

"Keep a current list and take it with you to every appointment," McKenzie said. "And also keep that list in your wallet in case of an emergency."

Although she does try to streamline a person's medications, McKenzie believes there is a very important

need for medications. "If someone's blood pressure is too high, we want to prevent the diseases that can stem from that, like stroke and heart disease," she said.

But talk with your doctor about alternatives to medication first. Consider the following tips:

- Don't take medication at the first sign of pain. For a mild cold or cough, rest and give your body's defenses time to work.
- Avoid sleeping or pain pills if possible. These medications have side effects and mask deeper problems. Work with your physician to

determine what's wrong.

- Change your lifestyle. For instance, even if you love salt, your body may not tolerate it. Consider lowering salt intake before taking a diuretic (water pill).
- Tell your physician about ALL over-the-counter medications, vitamins, supplements and prescription medications you take.

To make an appointment with McKenzie at Fairfield Family Medicine in Shelby Township, or another MCG physician, call the Doctor Connection at (800) 779-7178.

Meetings

AARP
Chapter 2151 of AARP will meet at 1 p.m. Monday, Nov. 25, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore. Hillary Asselen and Angela Holland of Bon Secours Health Care Center will discuss day care, home care and nursing care.

Blood pressure screenings will be offered before the meeting; refreshments will be served; guests are welcome.

The annual Christmas luncheon will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 3, at the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club. For more information or reservations, call Bill or

Shirley Bedard at (313) 881-6469.

For more information about the chapter, call Howard Winter at (313) 881-7209.

Senior Men's Club

The Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club will meet at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 26, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. The speaker will be Philip Mason, writer and author. All present and former members are invited.

For more information, call Dr. Paul Zavell at (313) 881-5592.

Get in shape for winter

Winter is coming and sports enthusiasts soon will be heading to the slopes for snow fun. Cottage Hospital Athletic Medicine Program (CHAMP) and Boyne Country Sports in Grosse Pointe Woods are teaming up to ensure local skiers and snowboarders enjoy an injury-free season.

Dr. Paul Schreck, a certified sports medicine and orthopedic specialist with Bon Secours Cottage Health Services and an avid skier, will present a free community program, "Preventing Ski and Snowboard Injuries," at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 4, at Boyne Country Sports, 19435 Mack in Grosse

Pointe Woods. Schreck will discuss how to get in shape for the ski season, offer prevention strategies to avoid injuries and explain what to do should an injury occur.

As a bonus, everyone who attends this injury-prevention program is eligible for a 20 percent discount on all regularly priced clothing and a 10 percent discount on any sports equipment purchased that night only.

Although the program is free, reservations are required. Call Bon Secours Cottage Community Health Promotion at (586) 779-7900 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. weekdays.

Employees plan craft shows

The Bon Secours Cottage Employee Activities Committee is sponsoring two holiday craft shows. The first show takes place from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 3, in Connelly Auditorium at Bon Secours Hospital, 468 Cadieux, Grosse Pointe. The second

show takes place from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 10, in the lobby at Cottage Hospital, 159 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms.

This year's displays feature assorted handmade craft items that include wreaths, scarves and hats, soap, lotions and herbs, homemade candy, table runners, scrapbook items, jewelry and more.

Although all vendor tables at Bon Secours have been filled, individuals who are interested in selling hand-crafted items may secure a table at Cottage Hospital for \$20. For more information or to reserve a table at Cottage, please call Pauline Kramer at (313) 640-2455 by Monday, Nov. 25.

BSC offers flu shots

In anticipation of the upcoming flu season, Bon Secours Cottage Health Services is offering flu shots to give individuals a "fighting chance" against this dreaded virus. Receiving a flu vaccine can help you avoid the flu's misery that can last for days, linger for weeks — and even result in death.

Flu shots will be available from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 23, at the Bon Brae Center, 22300 Bon Brae (at Lakeland and Jefferson), St. Clair Shores. No appointment is necessary.

There is a \$12 fee. Flu shots are free for Medicare Part B subscribers (be sure to bring your Medicare card). Individuals with a hypersensitivity to eggs should not receive flu vaccines.

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

Bon Secours Cottage Health Services offers free monthly support group meetings for people with diabetes and their families from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Bon Brae Center Classroom, 22300 Bon Brae in St. Clair Shores.

Join registered dietician Shirley Dunlap for a four-part diabetes nutrition series that teaches participants how to plan meals that can lead to successful weight loss. The program includes:

- Reading food labels, offered on Tuesday, Dec. 3.
- Learn to make wise food choices using calorie, fat and carbohydrate information.

Bon Secours Cottage also offers Diabetic FITness, an exercise class that incorporates the special needs of

Bon Secours Cottage offers diabetes support, exercise

individuals living with diabetes. The program includes blood pressure monitoring, individualized exercise segments and resistance work. It is offered from 10 to 11 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays through Dec. 4 (no classes Nov. 28 and 29) in the Bon Brae Center Gym, 22300 Bon Brae in St. Clair Shores.

The cost is \$49 per person. Although participants may join at any time, it is mandatory they submit a physician consent form prior to the start of the class.

To pre-register for the support group or to request a physician consent form and Diabetic FITness class registration form, call Bon Secours Cottage Community Health Promotion at (586) 779-7900.

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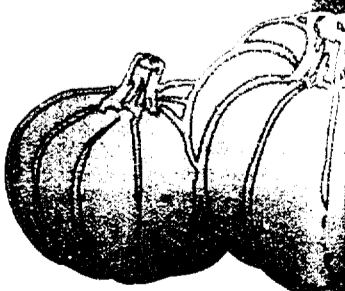
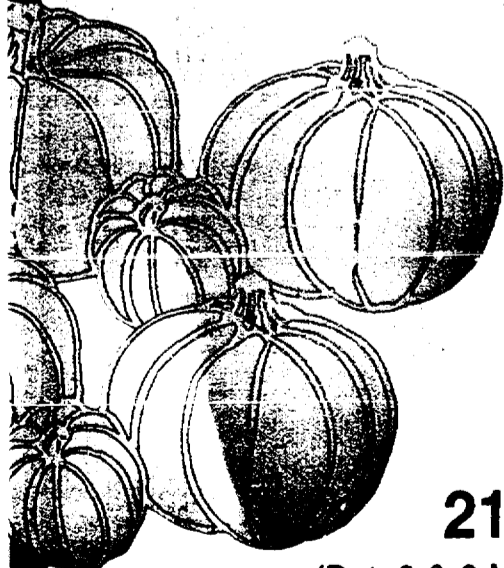
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Save Karyn and while you're at it, spare me

By Helen Gregory
Special Writer

If you have tears, prepare to shed them now.

It seems there's a young woman living in New York who was so deeply in debt she had to give up her upscale Manhattan apartment and move to Brooklyn (the ignominy of it!) No longer could she stop for morning lattes or shop at Bloomingdale's for Gucci, Prada and Manolo Blahnik gear.

Doesn't that just choke you up? It does me.

When she lost her job, Karyn Bosnak realized she had gotten herself into \$20,000 worth of credit card debt. Not one to throw in the towel, she moved to the Bloomingdale's Platinum Collection bath sheet and head back to Wisconsin, she found a new and lucrative calling: Begging.

Imagine. In a supermarket she saw a sign that read: "Wanted \$7,000 to pay off debt." Eureka! She set up the "Save Karyn" Web site, www.savekaryn.com. Send this girl to camp. Wait:

she's already camp.

When I first looked at it, I kept hearing Adam Sandler in my head, doing his Halloween "Gimme Some Candy" bit for "Saturday Night Live."

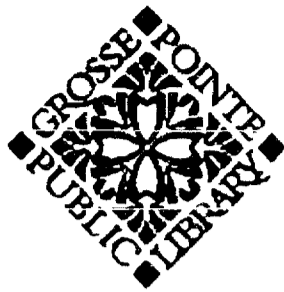
On June 23, Karyn introduced herself to the world: "My name is Karyn, I'm really nice, and I'm asking for your help. Bottom line is that I have this huge credit card debt and I need \$20,000 to pay it off. All I need is \$1 from 20,000 people, or \$2 from 10,000 people."

You get the drift. After the math, she writes, "So if you have an extra buck or two, please send it my way! Together we can banish credit card debt from my life!"

In case you forgot, she reiterates, "I am nice. I am cheery."

She admits, up front, "Nothing is really in it for you." She does believe in karma and seems to feel that people might share in her good karma. (Gimme some candy!)

On-site she keeps a diary about everything — how



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she saves money, how she makes it, how she got a quarter of a cupcake from Monica Lewinsky (don't ask). She makes groundbreaking scientific discoveries.

"Today I realized that the chicken breasts I bought last week have bones in them. Grody." On Oct. 29, she learned she could make money by getting her friends to sign up with ING Direct banking. She made \$250.

On Nov. 10, the last of her debt was cleared. She's keeping the Web site, but

dropping the online PayPal. To see her messages and responses, click on me-mail.

She sold off a lot of stuff on e-bay but she uses her Web site to sell sweat shirts, mugs and whatnot with her Save Karyn logo. Her story raced through the news. Just about every newspaper carried the Associated Press story of her ordeal. She was in People magazine.

Naturally, it spawned a litter of copycats. At www.helpjenniferroutin.com, you'll find Penny, who (obviously) wants to leave her husband. She plans to go back to school to study nursing. To sweeten her diary entries, she gives you health tips.

Jennifer has Lyme disease (www.helpjenniferroutin.com) and needs \$50,000 to repay her mother for medical expenses because, she says, the Canadian health system has failed her. And you know she is who she says she is and is telling the truth because?

And of course, everything boomerangs in cyberspace. Bob and Ben, two fun guys, put up a Don't Save Karyn site, www.dontsavekaryn.com. Instead, they say send them the money and they will waste it up-front partying hearty.

If you go into Yahoo, you can check out the Begging for Money listings in humor. At last sighting there were about 27, including Internet Squeegee Guy (he promises to jump in front of you when you pause while traveling the Internet highway and offer to clean the inside of your monitor.)

The Amazing Gimme a Buck (please) Web site even offers a special hyperlinked message to Bill Gates (who can better afford it?).

You get the picture. Cyberspace has gone the way of television. At its onset, dreamers pictured a full world of information, education and entertainment. We now have limitless choice among what is laughingly referred to as reality, garbage in — garbage out. Just like the Web.

In the interests of helping all these people, allow me to recommend the library's budgeting and personal finance section: 332.024. There you'll find Suze Orman's "Nine Steps to Financial Freedom" as well as her other titles and those of other standard authors.

If you tend toward the mystical you could try Suzan Hilton's "The Feng Shui of Abundance: a Practical and Spiritual Guide to Attracting Wealth

into Your Life."

Since it's coming up to that time of year when we as a nation celebrate an awesome ritual you might want to look at tax law, 343.73. The new edition of our most popular tax title, "J.K. Lasser's Your Income Tax, 2003," is available already.

And since, as Suze Orman points out, our attitudes toward money form early, you might look at training your children so they don't turn into cyber-beggars (unless, of course, you want them to). Guidelines for coaching them are in 332.024, "Kiplinger's Money-smart Kids (and Parents, Too)."

Take care of yourself and don't worry too much about Karyn. She has the chutzpah to take on New York. She may even parlay her own entrepreneurial version of the pet rock into more than 15 minutes of fame. She has a book deal waiting.

I can see her walking into the dimming spotlight, stroking her cat, smiling like the Mona Lisa, murmuring, "I have always depended upon the gullibility of strangers."

You can reach Helen Gregory online at hgregory@gp.lib.mi.us or find her at Grosse Pointe Central Library.

Pride of the Pointes

Jaime Taylor of Grosse Pointe Woods, an elementary education major, was named to the dean's list at the University of Findlay. She has a 4.0 average.

Peter A. Blain of the City of Grosse Pointe, was named to the dean's list for the 2001-02 academic year at Hobart and William Smith Colleges. Blain is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Blain IV.

Colin Morawski, son of Longine and Lesley Morawski of the City of Grosse Pointe, participated in Middlebury College's study abroad program during the past year in Getafe, Spain.

Kelly Kuczewski of Harper Woods played in the orchestra during a recent Michigan University student production of "The Sound of Music." She played first clarinet and is a junior studying music performance. She is the daughter of Thomas and Diane Kuczewski.

Jonathan Jennings Solaka of the City of Grosse Pointe graduated from Louisiana State University in August.

Amy Birch of the City of Grosse Pointe earned a master's degree in social work from Boston College.

May graduates of Central Michigan University include **Harold J. Ford** and **Willard J. Hadley**, both of the City of Grosse Pointe; **Christine C. Kujawski** of Grosse Pointe Park; **Karel Kithier** of Grosse Pointe Woods; and **Derek T. Gates** and **Melinda Suzanne Stacer**, both of Harper Woods.

Michele Ann Bucciero, daughter of Lynda and Henry Bucciero of Harper Woods, earned a M.D. degree from the College of Human Medicine at Michigan State University. She will pursue a residency in obstetrics and gynecology.

Brianna Siobhan Crantz of Grosse Pointe Woods earned a bachelor's degree in chemistry from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. She is the daughter of Christer and Brigid Crantz.

Grosse Pointers named to the Michigan State University-Detroit College of Law dean's list include **Colin Darke**, **Paul Dwaihi**, **Brian Quinn** and **Sarah Babcock**.

Robert G. Rogers, son of Randy and Judy Rogers of Grosse Pointe Farms, has completed basic cadet training at the U.S. Air Force Academy.

John Halpn, son of Tom and Carol Halpn of the City of Grosse Pointe, and **Mark Pepler**, son of Gary and Diane Pepler of Grosse Pointe Farms, were initiated into Beta Theta Pi fraternity at Michigan State University.

Melissa S. Metzker, daughter of Joyce and Carl Metzker of Grosse Pointe Park, graduated from New York University, magna cum laude, with a degree in English literature.

Allison Clark, daughter of Dave and Jane Clark of Grosse Pointe Farms, is among the winners of Denison University's Provost Award.

Named to the dean's honor roll for the spring semester at Lawrence Technological University, were Grosse Pointe Woods residents **James T. Sharples** and **Jonathan Kade**.

Christa M. Kreger of Grosse Pointe Park was named to Central Michigan University's summer honors list.

Kevin V. Dodd Jr. has joined the U.S. Army. He is the son of Kevin V. Dodd of

Grosse Pointe Farms and Vanessa R. Dodd of Toledo.

Jennifer R. Boutin has completed basic training at the U.S. Air Force Academy. She is the daughter of Bruce Boutin of Grosse Pointe Woods.

Brianne Marie Van Elslander of Grosse Pointe Farms earned a bachelor of arts degree in psychology from Loyola Marymount University. She is the daughter of Jan and Ken Van Elslander.

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Grosse Pointe Artists Association Art Center: The Wayne County Artists Among Us Exhibition, through Wednesday, Nov. 27.

GPAA Holiday Exhibition & Boutique Opening Reception, Monday, Dec. 2, 7:30 p.m. Runs through Friday, Jan. 3.

Artists' applications for the GPAA Festival of the Arts, Saturday, May 31 and Sunday, June 1, on the Hill in Grosse Pointe Farms, are being taken through Wednesday, Jan. 1.

Detroit Institute of Arts: Degas and the Dance, through Sunday, Jan. 12. \$16, adults, weekdays; \$18, weekends; \$8, children, ages 6-17; \$10, seniors, Tuesday-Thursday; Free for DIA members and children, ages 5 and under.

Maniscalco Gallery: Paintings by Boyko Asparouhov, through Saturday, Jan. 11.

Pewabic Pottery: Earthy Treasures Holiday Show, through Tuesday, Dec. 31. 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Monday-Saturday. 10125 E. Jefferson, Detroit. Free (313) 822-0954.

Art Courses

Grosse Pointe Artists Association Art Center: Acrylic Painting for Adults, noon-2:30 p.m., Saturdays, through Dec. 7.

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Experimental Painting for Adults, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Tuesdays, through Dec. 10. \$78. 1005 Maryland. (313) 821-1848.

Auditions

Christmas Chorus: Sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Barbershoppers, 7:30 p.m., Tuesdays, through Dec. 10, Neighborhood Club, 17150 Waterloo. Free. (313) 886-SING.

Benefits

Three Scots Tenors: The St. Andrew's Society of Detroit presents Jamie MacDougal, Alan Beck and Ivan Sharpe, 7 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 24, Lakewind High School Auditorium, 21100 11 Mile, St. Clair Shores. \$30. (586) 776-2678.

Barnes Holiday Boutique: Benefiting the Barnes Early Childhood Center of the Grosse Pointe Public School System, 1-7:30 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 26. 20090 Morningside. Free. (313) 432-3803.

America's Thanksgiving Day Parade Events: Sponsored by The Parade Company. 20th Annual Turkey Trot 10K Run, 8 a.m., Thursday, Nov. 28, leaves from the Matthaei Building on Wayne State University Campus and follows the parade route. \$20, through Friday, Nov. 22 or \$25 on race day. (248) 544-9099.

Day Parade, 10 a.m., Thursday, Nov. 28, on Woodward from Putnam to Witherell in Detroit. Grandstand tickets, \$25-\$60. Curbside seating free. (313) 923-7400, ext. 300.

Detroit Historical Museum Parade Grandstands: A benefit for the Detroit Historical Society featuring grandstand seating for the parade, access to the museum, reserved parking, entertainment by the Pointe Singers and food from Big Boy, 8 a.m.-noon, Thursday, Nov. 28. 5401 Woodward. \$25. (313) 833-7934.

Happy Holiday Jingle Bell Walk/Run: A two-mile event sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Lions Club, 9 a.m., Friday, Nov. 29, departing from the athletic field of Grosse Pointe South High School, 11 Grosse Pointe Boulevard. Advanced registration, before Monday, Nov. 25, \$10 adults and \$5 children. Gate registration,

Circle of Fellows

Holiday Party: Benefiting the research, treatment and outreach programs of the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute, 6:30-9 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 12, at a private home in Grosse Pointe Shores. \$250. (248) 443-5800, ext. 4709.

Concerts

Detroit Symphony Orchestra: Classical Series: Romeo and Juliet with violin virtuoso Pierre Amoyal. 1:30 p.m., Friday, Nov. 22. 8 p.m., Friday, Nov. 22. 8:30 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 23.

Grosse Pointe Chamber Music Concert: 2:30 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 24, Crystal Ballroom, Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore. \$7 for non-members, free for members. (313) 886-1604.

Mozart Concert: 7:30 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 24, Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Boulevard. \$15, reserved or \$10, general. (313) 885-4841, 102.

Holiday Brass Concert: 3 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 8, Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Boulevard. \$25, adults; \$10, students and seniors; \$10, 12 and under. (248) 559-2095.

The Glory of Christmas: Featuring a 22-piece orchestra, the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church choir performing choral arrangements by John Rutter and poetry readings, 7 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 8, Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore. \$5. (313) 865-4246.

Celebrate in Holiday Song: The Grosse Pointe Community Chorus's 50th Anniversary Concert, 3 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 15, First English Ev. Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier. \$10, adults and \$3, children. (313) 882-2482.

Handel's Messiah: Performed by the Christ Church Grosse Pointe Choral and Orchestra, 8 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 14, Old St. Mary's Greentown, 646 Monroe, Detroit. \$10 or \$15. (313) 885-7923.

Christmas Lessons and Carols: 4:30 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 22, Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Boulevard. Free. (313) 885-4841, ext. 201.

Thanksgiving Dinner: 1-3 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 28, St. Clair Shores Assembly of God, 24905 Manhattan, St. Clair Shores. Free. Reservations due by Monday, Nov. 26. (586) 772-9050.

Smart Women Finish Rich: Presented by Matthew A. Swegles of UBS PaineWebber, 7-8:30 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 4, Neighborhood Club, 17150 Waterloo. Free. Reservations requested. (800) 541-5597.

City of Grosse Pointe Park Blood Drive: 1-7 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 5,

Holiday Stress Grab Bag Program

Introduction to stress relieving techniques sponsored by St. John Hospital & Medical Center, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 12, Van Elslander Cancer Center, 19229 Mack. Free. Registration required. (866) 246-4673.

Film

Detroit Film Theatre: The Detroit Institute of Arts showcases contemporary and classic world cinema.

"I'm Going Home," 7 and 9:30 p.m., Friday, Nov. 29 and Saturday, Nov. 29 and 4 and 7 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 24.

"Metropolis," 7 and 9:30 p.m., Friday, Nov. 29 and Saturday, Nov. 30 and 4 and 7 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 1.

"Santa vs. The Snowman," 10 a.m., Mondays and Tuesdays; 2 p.m., Fridays, 11 a.m., 2 and 4 p.m., Saturdays; 2 and 4 p.m., Sundays, Monday, Nov. 25-Tuesday, Dec. 17.

"Space Station," 11 a.m. and 2 p.m., Mondays-Saturdays and 2 p.m., Sundays. Detroit Science Center, 5020 John R, Detroit. \$7 adults, \$6 seniors and children, ages 2-12. \$4 IMAX Dome. (313) 577-8400.

IMAX Theatre: Space Station 3D and Lewis and Clark: Great Journey West.

Shackleton's Arctic Adventure Screenings hourly in the morning, on the half-hour in the afternoon and evening, 9 a.m.-7:20 p.m., weekdays; 9 a.m.-8:45 p.m., weekends. Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village, 20900 Oakwood, Dearborn. \$10 adults, \$8 seniors and children 12 and under. (313) 982-6001.

Fitness/Health

Assumption Cultural Center: Kalosomatics Exercise Fall Session, through Friday, Dec. 20, times vary. \$52 for two-day sessions. \$74 three-days, \$94 four-days. Twenty-five percent senior discount.

Free Kiddie Kalo/Baby Sitting, 9:30-10 a.m., Monday-Thursday, for registered parents. Nonregistered parents pay \$1.

Nautilus Weight Training Room, 8-10:30

Edsel & Eleanor Ford House

Tours of house, grounds, children's play-house and powerhouse. Holiday Tours of the Ford House, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Tuesday-Saturday and noon-4 p.m., on the half-hour, Sundays, Friday, Nov. 29-Sunday, Jan. 5. \$6 adults, \$5 seniors, \$4 children, \$5 grounds only, \$18 annual pass.

Holiday Tea & Tour, 3 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 7 and Dec. 14. \$21. Traditional Holiday Evening: 5 p.m., Sundays, Dec. 8 and Dec. 15. \$42.

Tea Room, 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Tuesday-Sunday. 1100 Lakeshore. Reservations required for most events. (313) 884-4222.

Provencal-Weir House, ca. 1823: Grosse Pointe Historical Society offers tours of the house and ca. 1840 Log Cabin, 1-4 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 14. 376 Kercheval. Free. (313) 884-7010.

Selinsky-Green Farmhouse Museum: St. Clair Shores Historical Commission offers tours, 1-4 p.m., Wednesdays. Directly behind the St. Clair Shores Public Library, 22500 11 Mile. Free. (586) 771-9020.

Holiday Happenings

Tree Trimming Party: Sponsored by the Friends of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 7-9 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 26. 32 Lakeshore. Free. (313) 640-9735.

18th Annual Festival of Trees: This benefit for Children's Hospital of Michigan features a display of over 100 holiday trees, vignettes and gingerbread houses, Santa Shop and other children's activities, Sunday, Nov. 24-Sunday, Dec. 1, at the Cobo Conference/Exhibition Center, 1 Washington Blvd., Detroit.

Gala Preview Party: 6-10 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 23. \$150-\$250. Reservations required.

Lunch With Santa, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 30. \$15 adults, \$10 children, ages 2-12. Reservations requested.

Holiday Dance, 8-10 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 30. \$20, advance, \$25, gate. Reservations requested.

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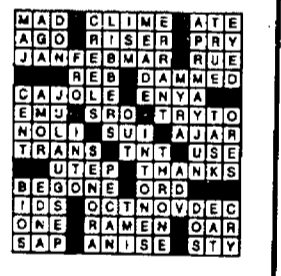
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Last week's puzzle solved



- ACROSS: 1 Most under-grad degrees (Abbr), 4 TV revenue source, 7 Hand warmer, 11 Right angles, 13 Furrow, 14 Sutherland solo, 15 Unadulterated, 16 Scratch, 17 Benevolent, 18 Horse in striped pajamas, 20 Gas-station job, 22 Under the weather, 24 Hoboes, 28 Might they tie up loose ends?, 32 Ongoing, 33 Reed instrument, 34 Computer acronym, 36 -podrida, 37 Dutch bloom, 39 With frugality, 41 Puts into words, 43 Illustrations, 44 Engrossed, 46 Acclaim, 50 Singer, 53 Prior to, 55 Totenburg of NPR, 56 Opposite of.

- "sans", Celler, 31 Brillio rival, 35 Hot tub, 38 Pod dweller, 40 Clumsy boat, 42 Bullock/Reeves movie, 45 Genealogy chart, 47 M for Murder, 48 Aware of, 49 Back talk, 50 Pugilistic play, 51 Eggs, 52 Bottom line, 54 Toy-shop staffer?, 57 Wet wiggler, 58 Chows down, 59 Dog owner's hassle, 60 Dict. explanation, 61 Part of UCLA, DOWN: 1 Mercedes partner, 2 Sheltered, 3 Thick chunk, 4 Get ready to rumble, 5 Two-way denizens, 6 Walk proudly, 7 Hit the jackpot, 8 Spoon-bender.

TO BE LISTED in Things to Do or Family Fun. Fill out this form and send it to: Madeleine Socia • 96 Kercheval • Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236 or fax it to (313)882-1585 by 3 p.m. Friday • For more information, call (313)884-8691. Event _____ Sponsoring organization _____ Date _____ Time _____ Place, including street address _____ Cost _____ Contact person's name and phone _____ Phone number to be published _____ If this is a charitable event, what organization will be the beneficiary? _____

Spiritual Resources

Heart of Jesus Prayer Center: Dreams. See Page 11B

Pets

Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society Pet Adoptions: 12-3 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 23, Children's Home of Detroit, 900 Cook. (313) 884-1551. Santa Paws: Pet portraits with Santa benefiting the Michigan Humane Society, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 7, Pointe Pets Supply, Ltd., 15133 Kercheval. \$5. (313) 822-2822.

Seniors

Services for Older Citizens Programs: Aerobic Exercise for Seniors, 10-10:45 a.m., Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. \$2. Trips include round-trip motorcoach transportation, which departs from the Services for Older Citizens' Neighborhood Club offices, 17150 Waterloo. Preregistration is required. (313) 882-9600.

Personal Enrichment

Grosse Pointe Public Library Internet Classes: All courses are held at the Central Library, 10 Kercheval. Beginner Internet, 12:30-1:30 p.m., Tuesdays. Intermediate Internet, 2:30-3:30 p.m., Tuesdays. Beginner Computer, 12:30-1:30 p.m., Thursdays. Email Basics, 2:30-3:30 p.m., Thursdays. Free. (313) 343-2074, ext. 220.

Divorce Recovery

Workshop: 7-8:30 p.m., Wednesdays, through Dec. 11, Lake Shore Presbyterian Church, 27801 Jefferson, St. Clair Shores. \$30. (586) 773-7243.

2.2 million people plan to take a winter vacation

Cost or money concerns — not security — are cited as the top factors influencing those not taking a winter vacation this year, according to a recent AAA Michigan survey. Despite these concerns, an estimated 2.2 million Michiganders — 22 percent of the population — say they will travel during the 2002-2003 winter travel season, down from 28 percent last year.

According to the auto club survey of 400 state residents — conducted in October — 81 percent of those traveling will head for a destination outside of Michigan. The most popular out-of-state destination for winter travelers is Florida (45 percent). Among those not planning trips, 18 percent cited cost or money concerns; 12 percent, lack of vacation time; 10 percent, school vacation conflicts; 7 percent, the economy; and 6 percent, weather conditions.

Nearly half, 47 percent, of the winter travelers surveyed plan to drive to their

final destination; another 44 percent will fly.

The average trip will last 11 days and the average amount spent will be \$1,758. Forty-five percent will stay at a hotel, motel or resort, while 20 percent plan to stay with relatives. Some travelers, 8 percent, will stay in a rented house or on a boat with friends; 7 percent in a recreational vehicle; 2 percent in a second home; and 1 percent camping.

Sightseeing is the most popular winter vacation activity (91 percent), followed by swimming (66 percent), going to a nightclub (49 percent) and going to a concert or theater (48 percent).

Vacation planning

The Christmas-New Year's holiday remains the busiest air travel period of the year, a fact reflected in flight availability and airfares.

"As always, air travelers will need to be flexible and allow more time to get to their

airport and to reach their final destination," said Larry Dickens, director of vendor relations and travel support for AAA Michigan.

Although low fares may be available on certain routes, travelers looking for the lowest prices and for the most available flights should avoid travel during peak periods. In addition:

- It pays to book your travel as far in advance as possible.

- Consider an alternate airport. Flying in and out of nearby, but less popular, airports may save you hundreds of dollars.

- Be flexible with your departure and return dates. Traveling Monday through Thursday is far cheaper than flying on the weekend. Some airlines offer considerable savings when flying on the holiday itself, such as Christmas or New Year's Day.

- Late night or "red-eye" flights are often considerably less expensive than flying during morning or afternoon hours.

- Nonstop, direct-to-your-destination flights are the most convenient — and usually the most costly. Consider a flight that has a connection or layover if time permits.

- Check with your travel agent for most-recent or unadvertised travel bargains.

If driving to a winter destination, AAA's suggested budget for a family of four — two adults and two children — is \$238 per day for lodging and meals, plus \$10.80 per 100 miles for gas, oil, tires and maintenance with a car averaging 23 miles per gallon.

In addition to lodging, food and driving costs, a family should budget for admission fees, road and bridge tolls, recreation and shopping. AAA suggests carrying traveler's checks.

Pumpkin pudding slices like pound cake

Thanksgiving dinner at my mother-in-law's house is quite the experience. We gather around the table mid-afternoon and start with champagne and shrimp cocktail. As the bubbly flows, we move on to the Italian fare — meatballs, sausage and peppers, stuffed shells and garlic bread.

that cuts like a pound cake. This make-ahead dessert packs a punch from the addition of rum and grated lemon peel.

Steamed Pumpkin-Cornmeal Pudding

- 1 cup flour
- 1/2 cup yellow cornmeal
- 1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 3/4 cup butter, softened (1 1/2 sticks)
- 1 3/4 cups sugar
- 2 large eggs
- 1 1/2 cups canned pumpkin
- 1/4 cup rum
- 1 tablespoon grated lemon peel
- 1 teaspoon vanilla

Remove from oven, let cool for 10 minutes and invert over a plate to unmold. Serve warm slices with rum infused whipped cream.

Rum whipped cream

- 1 pint heavy whipping cream
- 3 teaspoons confectioners' sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 tablespoon rum

Beat together with a high speed mixer for several minutes until the cream is whipped. Don't overbeat the cream.

You can make the pudding a day in advance, but prepare the whipped cream as close to serving time as possible — ideally, not more than a few hours ahead of time. Reheat the pudding for 10 minutes in a 350 degree oven.

Steamed pumpkin-cornmeal pudding is quite dense and doesn't rise like you would expect a pound cake to do. The intense flavors will leave your mouth looking forward to the next bite.



Just when you think it couldn't get any better, out comes the bird. That's right... with all of the trimmings and every traditional side dish known to mankind. We eat and drink and talk for hours on end.

The table is completely cleared. Then — lo and behold — the dessert parade begins: cheesecake, pumpkin pie, Jell-O, mini candy bars, chocolate cake, apple pie, ice cream... more champagne please!

This week's recipe is the grand marshal of the dessert parade. Steamed pumpkin-cornmeal pudding is the sweet ending

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Adjust oven racks for access to the lowest rack level. In a medium bowl, combine the flour, cornmeal, baking powder, nutmeg and salt. Set aside.

In a large bowl using an electric mixer on high speed, beat together the softened butter with the sugar until well blended. Beat in the eggs, one at a time. Beat in the pumpkin, rum, lemon peel, and vanilla. Stir in the flour mixture until well incorporated. Fold the batter into a generously greased 8- or 9-cup bundt pan. Place the pan in a larger

Things to Do

From page 10B
Revelations from the Unconscious, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 23, at the Heart of Jesus Prayer Center, 21151 13 Mile, St. Clair Shores. \$40. (586) 415-0709.

Federal District Court Judge.
• Friday, Nov. 29, No Breakfast.

16 Lakeshore. \$5. (313) 882-5330.

Theater

Men's Friday Ecumenical Breakfast: Share food, fellowship and a lecture, Fridays at 7:30 a.m., Grosse Pointe Memorial Church.
• Friday, Nov. 22, the Hon. John Feikens, Senior

Lakeview High School: "Our Miss Brooks."
• 8 p.m., Friday Nov. 22 and Saturday, Nov. 23.
• 2 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 24.
R. H. Schaublin
Auditorium, 21100 E. 11

Mile. \$5. (586) 445-4045.
Grosse Pointe Theatre: "The Sound of Music," 8 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 21-Saturday, Nov. 23, Fries Auditorium of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore. \$18. (313) 881-4004.

Wayne State University/Hilberly Theatre: "The Good Doctor," 8 p.m., Thursday-Saturday, matinees Saturdays and Wednesdays, through Saturday, Dec. 7. 4743 Cass in Detroit. \$15-\$20. (313) 577-2972.

The Motor City Lyric Opera: "Amahl and the Night Visitors."

- 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 19.
- 1 and 6 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 21.
- 1 and 4 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 22.

Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, 350 Madison, Detroit. \$20 adults, \$10 Children. (313) 963-2366.

GPAA plans Exhibition, Boutique

The Grosse Pointe Artists Association will hold a holiday exhibition and boutique from Monday, Dec. 2 through Friday, Jan. 3, at the GPAA Center, 1005 Maryland in Grosse Pointe Park.

The opening reception will be at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 2. Admission to the reception is \$10, plus an unwrapped holiday gift for an adult or a child. Gifts will be donated. Gallery hours are 1 to 5 p.m. Wednesdays through Saturdays. For more information about the exhibit, call the Center at (313) 821-1848.

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DAYTIME PROGRAMMING FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 25 - DECEMBER 1

8:30 AM THE S.O.C. SHOW
Guest, Therese Joseph - Home Care
Host Fran Schonenberg and her guests discuss topics and events of particular interest to senior citizens. Repeated: 11:30PM

9:00 AM VITALITY PLUS
A half-hour aerobics exercise class. Repeated: Midnight

9:30 AM POSITIVELY POSITIVE
Guest, John Melusa - Eye Characteristics
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)

10:00 AM WHO'S IN THE KITCHEN?
Guest, Brian McFarlen, Ex. Chef D.Y.C.
Host Chuck Kaess cooks with local celebrities. Repeated: 1 AM, 6:30 PM

10:30 AM WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP
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

11:00 AM THINGS TO DO AT THE WAR MEMORIAL
Guest, Michelle Bonmarito - Holiday Cooking
LouAnne Flanagan-Watrick and Emmett Hynous Co-host an informative look at what's happening at the War Memorial. Repeated: 2 AM, 8 PM

11:30 AM OUT OF THE ORDINARY... INTO THE EXTRAORDINARY
Guest, Bettie Barton - Course in Miracles
Host Robert Taylor presents an extraordinary half-hour of people, places and ideas. Repeated: 2:30 AM (9:30 PM, Tue., T., Sat.)

12:00 PM THE ECONOMIC CLUB OF DETROIT
Guest, Ambassador Frank G. Wisner
Features nationally known guest speakers discussing current topics in the business community. Repeated: 3 AM, 10:30 PM

1:00 PM INSIDE ART
Guests, Gill Ashby & Patrick McCoy - College for Creative Studies
"Inside Art" on WMTV5, an exploration into the creative process of art spirits right in our backyard. Repeated: 4 AM, 5:30 PM

1:30 PM CONVERSATIONS WITH COLLECTORS
Guest, George Dombi - Tom Swift
Host Susan Hartz focuses on local interesting collections. Repeated: 4:30 AM (8:30 PM, Tue., T. Sat.)

2:00 PM THE LEGAL INSIDER
Guests, Helen Burton & Randy Wilger - Foster Care
Hosts local attorneys David Draper and Douglas Dempsey take an inside look at current legal issues. Repeated: 5 AM, 6 PM

2:30 PM THE JOHN PROST SHOW
Guests, John Blanchard, M.D. - Health Care, Jim Pauce & Brian Devigilio - G.P. Hunt Club
Host John Prost interviews local celebrities about timely topics. Repeated: 5:30 AM, 10 PM

3:00 PM THE EASTSIDE EXAMINER
Guest, Chris Church - Holiday Boutique
Host Julia Keim interviews people of interest from Grosse Pointe and the Detroit Area bringing current information to the community about special events. Repeated: 6 AM, 7 PM

3:30 PM MUSICAL STORYTIME JAMBOREE
Miss Paula, the Merry Music Maker, and Miss ReadAbook, offers a half-hour of stories and music for children. Repeated: 6:30 AM

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: 19 PM Tue, T. & Sat.)

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
Mtl Anthony
Horticulturalist Co-Hosts Mtl Anthony & Jim Farquhar share tips, gives advice and interviews local authorities on gardening. Repeated: 8 AM

Schedule subject to change without notice. For further information call 313.881.7511.

Academic Enrichment

Kumon Math/Reading: Assumption Cultural Center offers these courses to build skills and confidence, 3:45-6:45 p.m., Wednesdays or 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Saturdays. 21800 Marter St. Clair Shores. \$80 per month plus a \$50 registration fee. (586) 779-6111.

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.

Belle Isle Aquarium: Domestic and tropical fish and aquatic animals. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., daily. Belle Isle, Detroit. \$3 adults, \$2 children. (313) 852-4083.

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: The Spiritual Figures and Collages Exhibition, features work by Renee M. Dooley, through Wednesday, Dec. 4.

• Pictures Tell the Story: Ernest C. Withers Reflections in History, through Sunday, Jan. 5.

• Elder Grace: The Nobility of Aging, through Sunday, April 6.

• Of the People: The African American Experience, continuing. 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Wednesday-Saturday. 1-5 p.m., Sunday. 315 E. Warren, Detroit. \$5 adults, \$3 children. (313) 494-5800.

Children's Museum: Celebrate Native American Heritage, through Saturday, Nov. 30.

• Discover the Autumn Sky in the Planetarium Workshops, 11 a.m. and 1

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:

• The Photography of Greg Hodgson, through Saturday, Nov. 30.

• Ghost Ads, through Saturday, Nov. 30.

• Land, Lives and Legends: Native Americans in Detroit, through Sunday, Dec. 1.

• Detroit Style - The 1950s, through Sunday, May 11.

• Connections: Metro Detroit Neighborhoods, through August 2003.

• 9:30 a.m.-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.

Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village:

• Fall in America, interactive exhibits, arts and crafts and daily programs, through Wednesday, Nov. 27.

• Traditions of the Season, Friday, Nov. 29-Wednesday, Jan. 1.

• Holiday Express in the Henry Ford Museum, Friday, Nov. 29-Wednesday, Jan. 1.

• Benson Ford Research Center: A Busy Life: The Fashions of Elizabeth Parke Firestone, through Sunday, Jan. 1.

• IMAX Theatre. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Saturday and noon-5 p.m., Sunday. 23900 Oakwood, Dearborn. \$8.50-\$13.50 Museum. IMAX Theatre, \$10 adults, \$8 seniors and children, 12 and under. Due to the Greenfield Village Restoration Project, the Village will be closed through Saturday, May 31, 2003. (313) 982-6001.

Benefits

• Mail Boxes Etc. Extra Credit: Mail Boxes Etc. will donate a portion of its pack and ship proceeds to the Grosse Pointe Public School of your choice through Saturday, Nov. 30.

• Teacher Appreciation discount programs also available. 8:30 a.m.-7 p.m., Monday-Friday and 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday. 18530 Mack. (313) 884-8440.

• DTE Energy Sparks Theatre.

• IMAX Dome Theatre. Digital Dome Planetarium: "Tis the Season," 2 p.m., Monday-Friday; 11 a.m., noon, 2, 4 and 5 p.m., Saturdays and 2, 4 and 5 p.m., Sundays, through Friday, Jan. 3.

• 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Monday-Friday; 10:30 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday, noon-6 p.m., Sunday. 5020 John R., Detroit. \$7 adults, \$6 seniors and children, 2-12. \$4 IMAX Dome. \$4 planetarium. (313) 577-8400.

Detroit Zoo:

• BG Wildlife Magazine Photographer of the Year exhibition in the Wildlife Interpretive Gallery through Saturday, Jan. 18.

• Arctic Ring of Life exhibit, 4.2 acres of arctic animals and a clear, underwater Polar Passage.

• National Amphibian Conservation Center.

• Wild Adventure Simulator, Jan. 1.

• 10 a.m.-4 p.m., daily. Ten Mile at Woodward, Royal Oak. \$8 adults, \$6 seniors and children, 2-12. \$4 simulator rides. \$4 parking. (248) 998-0903.

Dossin Great Lakes Museum:

• Lecture: The Wreck of the H.M.S. Hope, 1 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 23. Free.

• Writing the Island Seas: Stories of African Americans on the Great Lakes, through April 2003.

• 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Wednesday-Sunday. Belle Isle, Detroit. \$3 adults, \$2 children, 5-18. Wednesdays are free. (313) 852-4051.

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Book signings

Autographs: Grosse Pointe authors Snip Francis and Melanie Gilbert will read and sign their second book, "Happy Stories," beginning at 5 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 23, at Borders in the Village. All 23 children who appear on the four different covers of the book will also be available to autograph copies of the book.

New book: Author Colleen Monroe will sign her new book, "The Christmas Humbug," 2 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 15, at Borders Books and Music Cafe, 14171 Kercheval. Free. (313) 885-1188.

Classes

Dance: Sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center, Tuesday, Dec. 3-Tuesday, Jan. 7.

• Creative Movement, Tap & Rhythm for children ages 3-4, 4-4:30 p.m., Tuesdays

• Ballet, for ages 5 and 6, 4:35-5:05 p.m., Tuesdays

• Tap I, for ages 5 and 6, 5:10-5:40 p.m., Tuesdays

• Creative Movement, Tap and Rhythm, for ages 3 and 4, 4-4:30 p.m., Tuesdays

• Ballet II, for ages 7-12, 4:35-5:15 p.m., Tuesdays

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Events

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• Parade, 10:30 a.m.

• The Village Aglow Tree Lighting Ceremony, 4:30 p.m.

Free. (313) 886-7474.

Middle School Thanksgiving Dance: 7:30-10 p.m., Friday, Nov. 29, G.P. War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore. \$10, must present valid G.P.W.M. ID card. Reservations required. (313) 881-7511.

The Great Big Holiday Adventure: Children visit Santa, and enjoy activities and treats, amidst a wonderland of floats from America's Thanksgiving Parade, noon-5 p.m., Friday, Nov. 29-Sunday, Dec. 1, The Parade Company Studio, 9600 Mount Elliott, Detroit. \$5, plus \$1 food tickets. (313) 923-7400.

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Parenting

Middle School Parent Coffee: The Grosse Pointe Public Schools sponsors this forum for discussion between parents and education professionals, 8:30-9:30 a.m., Tuesdays, Barnes School, 20090 Morningside. Free. (313) 432-4622.

Play Central: The Family Center sponsors this drop-in center for parents and preschoolers.


• 9-11 a.m., Wednesdays, Barnes Early Childhood Center, 20090 Morningside, Grosse Pointe Woods.

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Norsemen get healthy; earn share of MAC Red title

By Chuck Klonke
 Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's girls basketball team closed out the regular season with something it hadn't had since the season opened.

"We dressed 12 players," said coach Gary Bennett after the Norsemen beat Dakota 47-37 to wrap up a tie for the championship in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division.

"That's the first time we've had everybody since the second half of the first game."

Returning to action were North's two top guards, senior Beth Bigham and freshman Caitlin Bennett.

Bigham, who was the most valuable player in the MAC White Division last year and is a leading candidate for that honor in the MAC Red this season, had missed the previous two games with a facial injury and North lost both of them.

Bennett hasn't played since the second week of the season because of a stress fracture in her back.

"It's unbelievable what Beth's presence means to the rest of the team," Gary Bennett said. "The flow of the game is so much better, and the other players have so much more confidence when Beth is running the offense."

The return of Caitlin Bennett gives North an experienced backup at point guard so that Bigham, who has been playing nearly the full 32 minutes in every game, can get an occasional breather.

North needed to win one of its final two games last week to earn a share of the MAC Red title with Utica Ford 11. Both teams finished 11-3 in the division.

"It would have been a shame to not get a piece of it because the girls played so well all season," Gary Bennett said.

North didn't leave much doubt that it was going to get a share of the championship. The Norsemen led

23-12 at halftime and increased their lead to 41-22 after three quarters.

Dakota got within eight points in the final minutes, but Bennett set his starters back into the contest to put theougars away.

"I wasn't going to take any chances," he said.

Lindsey Koeber led North with 12 points. Shelby Simmon scored nine, Caitlin Bennett finished with seven and Stephanie Rose added six.

Earlier, North lost 45-27 to Sterling Heights.

"Sterling Heights played very well and we were flat," Gary Bennett said. "They only had 10 turnovers

against our defense. We sometimes force that many closed the gap to 17-15 at a quarter. We didn't play well, but you have to give them credit, too."

The Stallions jumped out to a 10-0 lead in the first quarter, but the Norsemen outscored the Norsemen 28-12.



State qualifiers

Eight members of Grosse Pointe South's girls swimming team have qualified for this weekend's Division I state meet at Eastern Michigan University. In front, from left, are senior Amber Redin, sophomore Kestie Stier and freshman Kirsten Dansey. In the middle are seniors Mari-anna Anderle, left, and Ashley Wenk. In back are senior Molly O'Loughlin, left, and sophomore Greia Wenk. Not pictured is freshman Liz Adamo.

Second unit sparks South in district opener

By Chuck Klonke
 Sports Editor

Before Grosse Pointe South's game with Detroit Southeastern in the opening round of the state district girls basketball tournament, Blue Devils coach Peggy Van Eckoute said that she hoped to get all of her players into the contest.

She did. But not the way she expected.

The first quarter was a little more than half over when Van Eckoute pulled her starters and replaced them with South's second unit.

It wasn't because the first team had built such a big lead.

"I had to make a change to get a spark going," Van

Eckoute said after the Blue Devils had recovered to roll over the Jungaleers 65-17.

"The starters just weren't themselves. I know some of them weren't feeling well. But the other kids went in and did a great job."

The win sent South into the district semifinal against Grosse Pointe North. The winner of that game will meet the winner of the Detroit Denby-Detroit Finney semifinal in Friday's championship game at South at 7 p.m.

Denby beat Regina 39-36 in Monday's other first-round game.

The score was 10-4 when Van Eckoute put in her reserves, and the group that included Jessica and

Jennifer Marsh, Allison Ambroz, Meredith Whims, Megan Switalski, Colleen Buckley and Annie Dalby outscored Southeastern 17-5 in the second quarter to build a 27-9 halftime lead.

Especially impressive were the Marsh twins, who played the guard positions.

"They're fun to watch, aren't they?" Van Eckoute said of the two juniors, who'll be counted on next year to play a bigger role on the South squad. "They make things happen when they're on the court."

Although both played well, Jennifer had the most impressive statistics with eight points, seven steals, five rebounds and three assists.

Saddlelites split final two games

By Bob St. John
 Staff writer

The Regina basketball team heads into the state playoffs as the underdog.

Last week, the Saddlelites completed their regular season, finishing an un Regina-like 7-13, losing 52-43 in overtime to Detroit Benedictine and beating Detroit St. Martin dePorres 56-47.

Both games were on their home court.

"We have been an inconsistent team the entire season, but now that is behind us, and we're concentrating on the districts," head coach Diane Laffey said.

The Saddlelites led defending Class C state champ Benedictine 38-33 as junior Roseann Wagner hit two free throws and senior Kim Petrucci converted a three-point play with a little more than two minutes left.

Laffey watched as her players missed six straight free throws that would have won the game. Those misses allowed the Ravens to hit a two-point basket and a three-pointer with 7.8 seconds left which sent the game to overtime.

"We gave the game away," Laffey said. "Benedictine didn't beat us; we beat ourselves tonight."

After the Ravens scored the final five points of regulation, they tallied the first five points of overtime and never looked back.

Junior Sarah Jimines scored 13 points to lead the Saddlelites, followed by Petrucci with 11, and senior Erin Dopp with nine and 12 rebounds.

Petrucci scored nine points to lead the squad in the win over DePorres.

Swimming

The Regina swim team finished in the middle of the pack in last weekend's 48th annual Catholic League Swimming and Diving Championship Meet at Royal Oak Dondoro.

Farmington Hills Merry won its 12th straight title

and 34th in the past 35 years.

Immaculata High won the inaugural title in 1955 and won seven of the first nine championships, while St. Paul won back-to-back crowns in 1965 and 1966.

Other champions, other than Mercy, were Annunciation in 1960 and Our Lady Star of the Sea in 1964.

Regina head coach Frank Bruneel had 28 swimmers seeded in the nine individual events, along with five teams seeded in the three relay events.

The girls who were seeded in the individual events were sophomore Dana Zak, junior Ann Porier, sophomore Alison Brennan and senior Kristen Berndt in the 200-freestyle; senior Katie Monahan, junior Natalie

Deponio and sophomore Paige Martinko in the 200-individual medley; senior Meredith Kotas, sophomore Jackie Sheridan, senior Nicole Sorenson, and freshman Ashley Vogel in the 50-freestyle; sophomore Holly Hanzaruk, Kotas, and Martinko in the 100-butterfly; Sheridan, Vogel, and Trisha Monahan in the 100-freestyle; Zak, Sorenson and Porier in the 500-freestyle; Hanzaruk, sophomore Erycca Sarver, freshman Maureen Powers, and freshman Jessica Barzel in the 100-backstroke; and Katie Monahan, Deponio, sophomore Nancy Diehl, and Berndt in the 100-breaststroke.

The Saddlelites were seeded fourth in the 200-medley and 200-free relay, while the 400-free relay squad was seeded sixth.



Regina senior Kim Petrucci, with ball, hit a big three-pointer late in the fourth quarter, but it wasn't enough to prevent an overtime loss to Detroit Benedictine.

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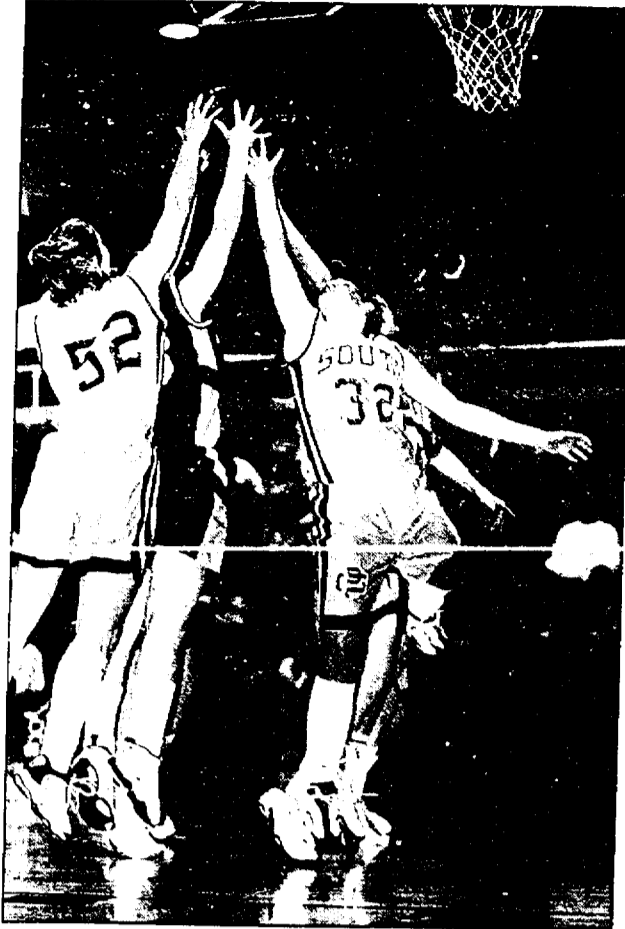


Photo by Dr. J. Richard Dunlap

Grosse Pointe South's Kate See (52) and Megan Switalski (32) battle a couple of Fraser players for a rebound during last week's Macomb Area Conference White Division showdown.

South gives Fraser another tough battle but Blue Devils fall short at the end

By Chud Klonke
Sports Editor

For more than 29 minutes, Grosse Pointe South's girls basketball team had Macomb Area Conference White Division-leading Fraser right where the Blue Devils wanted them.

Then the roof caved in.

The Ramblers outscored South 8-6 in the fourth quarter and went on to a 34-25 victory that clinched the division title for Fraser, which finished the league season 8-1.

"We played well, but it's disappointing that we weren't able to close it out at the end," said South coach Peggy Van Eckoute.

"We had Fraser beat both times that we played them, but we weren't able to finish the job."

South was leading until the last 2:52 when Ramblers coach Dave Kuppe called a timeout.

"We knew they were going to set up a lob to (Angie) McGinnis on the inbounds play, but she still scored the basket and we fouled her," Van Eckoute said.

That three-point play gave Fraser a 25-23 lead. Kate See scored from inside to tie the game, but McGinnis connected on a

baseline jumper to put the Ramblers ahead to stay.

Fraser protected its lead with some excellent free throw shooting down the stretch, led by Peaches Jankowski, who made seven of eight from the line in the fourth quarter.

The defeat spoiled an outstanding defensive performance by South, which held Fraser to only 16 points through the first three quarters.

It's a shame that we weren't able to do more offensively," Van Eckoute said. "Our outside shooters couldn't find the basket. In the third quarter we missed four layups, two of them on breakaways. We could have been ahead by 10 points instead of three going into the fourth quarter and that would have really had Fraser on its heels."

Turnovers were also South's downfall. The Blue Devils committed 31 turnovers and 12 of those were unforced errors.

See did an excellent defensive job on the Ramblers' Katie Price, who has been scoring in double figures most of the season. See held Price to two points and they came on free throws in the fourth quarter.

McGinnis finished with 13 points but nine of them came in the fourth quarter.

"She turned into a different person in the fourth quarter," Van Eckoute said.

Fraser was deadly accurate from the free throw line, making 20 of its 23 attempts.

Beth Mumaw led South with eight points, while See and Liz Halpin scored five apiece. See also had five blocked shots.

South bounced back from the heartbreaking defeat to beat Mount Clemens 48-30 and wrap up second place in the MAC White with an 11-3 record.

The Bathers stayed with the Blue Devils until the third quarter when South outscored them 17-8.

"Mount Clemens is a much better team than a lot of people give them credit for," Van Eckoute said. "I was worried about this game, especially after an emotional game on Tuesday."

The lead changed hands several times in the first half before South got two free throws from Mumaw and two from See in the final 2 1/2 minutes of the first half to lead 19-17 at half-time.

Mount Clemens' Sheryl Haley scored on a putback in the first minute of the second half to tie the game, but South regained the lead with an 8-2 run. The Blue Devils ended the third quarter with a 7-0 spurt.

The game featured the balanced scoring that has been a South trademark all season. Mumaw led the way with 11 points, but Lauren Harrington and See scored eight apiece, and Allison Ambrozio added five.

Ambrozio was also the defensive standout of the game for her work on the Bathers' Tashera Chisolm. Chisolm scored 16 points, but she had to work for all of them.

"Chisolm is one of the better players in the league," Van Eckoute said. "She can hit from outside against a zone or she'll take the ball to the hole."

Chisolm was the only player to score in double figures for the Bathers.

Mumaw also had six rebounds, four assists and two steals. Harrington and See grabbed five rebounds apiece and See had a pair of steals.

South finished the regular season with a 12-8 overall record.

HW falls in Metro Conference tourney

By Bob St. John
Staff writer

Harper Woods's girls basketball team lost its Metro Conference tournament game last week, falling 31-26 at Livonia Clarenceville.

The Pioneers finished sixth in the nine-team league, despite the solid play of junior Ashley Marshall, sophomore Maria Mahon, and freshman Shana King.

well as expected," interim head coach Loren Ristovski said. "The girls are having fun playing basketball, even though we have lost some tough games down the stretch."

The Harper Woods basketball team finished its regular season 4-7 in the Metro Conference and 7-10 overall.

It was the best season the Pioneers have put together since the early 1990s.

"Everything is going as

Schult's half-court basket lifts Eagles

By Bob St. John
Staff writer

Lutheran East's girls basketball team completed its best regular season since the late 1990s last week, finishing third in the Metro Conference Tournament and 12-4 overall.

"The girls have played hard this season and were rewarded with a winning record," first-year head coach Jason Wilson said.

The hard work paid off last week when the Eagles

beat visiting Lutheran Westland 31-25 in the Metro Conference's third-place tournament game.

"It wasn't an offensive explosion, but the girls got the job done defensively," Wilson said. "What counts the most is that we won the game."

The Eagles led 7-4 at the half, and were ahead 18-15 after junior Ashley Schult nailed a half-court shot to end the third quarter.

"Ashley inbounded the ball after Westland tied the

game with a free throw," Wilson said. "We had only four seconds to convert the basket, but Ashley was able to inbound the ball, get it back and hit an all-net shot before the buzzer went off."

Schult's miracle basket sparked the Eagles, who outscored the Warriors 13-10 in the final quarter.

"Both teams didn't play their best," Wilson said. "It wasn't pretty, but we will take it."

East lost twice to

Lutheran Westland earlier in the season.

Schult and senior Sarah Schurig each scored seven points to pace the Eagles.

Coming up for the Lutheran East basketball team is a possible berth in a Class D district championship game on Friday, Nov. 22, on its home court.

"Our goal is to win a district title," Wilson said. "We can do it, even though most people are picking (Detroit) Holy Redeemer to win our district."

City of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan

SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES NOVEMBER 11, 2002

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present on Roll Call: Mayor Edward J. Gaffney, Council members Ronald V. Kneiser, Therese Joseph, Charles S. "Terry" Davis III, Louis Theros, James C. Farquhar and Frances L. Schonenberg.

Those absent Were: None.

Also Present: Messrs. Burgess, City Attorney; Solak, City Manager; Reeside, City Clerk; Modzinski, City Controller; Leonard, Director of Public Service; Brennan, Assistant Director of Public Service; Ferber, Director of Public Safety.

Mayor Gaffney presided at the Meeting.

The Council approved the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held October 7, 2002.

The Council approved the Minutes of Closed Session held October 7, 2002.

The Council approved the Minutes of the Closed Session held October 21, 2002.

The Council approved the Site Plan Review for Grosse Pointe South High School, subject to Zoning approval.

The Council, acting as a Zoning Board of Appeals approved the Minutes of the Public Hearing held October 7, 2002 and further, granted the appeal of Grosse Pointe South High School, 11 Grosse Pointe Blvd.; granted the appeal of Todd Wire of 139 Muir; granted the appeal of Greg Rowsell of 171 Cloverly.

The Council approved the Teamsters Contract for Local 214, as submitted.

The Council approved the expenditure for the relocation of traffic signal at Lake Shore Road and St. Paul Driveway, authorizing the City Manager and Director of Public Service to execute Wayne County forms.

The Council approved payment of the Statement of Attorney's Fees from the law firm of Dickinson, Wright, Moon, VanDusen & Freeman, for various legal services rendered on behalf of the City of Grosse Pointe Farms, as submitted.

The Council approved the 2002 tree and shrub planting program as presented.

The Council received the Quarterly Report for the first Quarter of Fiscal Year 2003, and ordered it placed on file.

The Council received the Public Safety Department Report for the months of September and October 2002, and ordered them placed on file.

The Council adopted a resolution that immediately following adjournment of the Regular Meeting, a Closed Session shall be held to discuss certain legal matters.

Upon proper motion made, supported and carried, the Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL WILL BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 90 KERBY ROAD, GROSSE POINTE FARMS, MICHIGAN 48236, ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2002 AT 7:30 P.M. THE MEETING IS PUBLIC INTERESTED PROPERTY. OWNERS AND RESIDENTS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.

Edward J. Gaffney,
Mayor

Shane L. Reeside,
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Lauer winners

Laura Bodien, second from left, and Christian Conroy, far right, are this year's winners of the Ed Lauer Award. The award is presented annually to the St. Paul eighth grade boys and girls who have been active in the parish athletic program. The athletes must be in good academic standing, show a positive attitude, practice good sportsmanship and be highly skilled in their sport. Bodien played volleyball, softball and was a member of the girls division championship basketball team. Conroy played on the boys division team that was runner-up in the Detroit Catholic Youth Organization playoffs. Bodien is attending Farmington Our Lady of Mercy High School, while Conroy is a freshman at Grosse Pointe South. Both are residents of Grosse Pointe Park. The award is named after Lauer, a longtime coach at St. Paul and was first presented in 1981. Pictured with this year's winners are the 2001 recipients — Katie Kaselitz and Brian Dempsey.

Mustangs runners-up in Romeo tourney

The Grosse Pointe Soccer Association Mustangs '91 were runners-up in their age group at the Romeo Peachfest Soccer Tournament.

Susan Furest, Gabriela Jones, Victoria Grant, Whitney Baubie, Catherine Vatsis, Danika Stone, Ellen Switalski, Katie D'Hondt, Katherine Corden, Claire Jones, Lauren Jacob and Samantha Matthew.

The team is coached by Stuart Dow, Sarah Mudry and Fred Haas.

South grad takes second for Albion

Former Grosse Pointe South swimmer John Fodell finished second in the 100-meter breaststroke to help Albion College earn a split in a Michigan Intercollegiate Association swimming meet with Olivet and Kalamazoo.

Fodell's time was 1:06.01. Albion beat Olivet and lost to Kalamazoo.



University Liggett School had four players selected to the Division IV boys soccer All-State team. From left, are Chris MacGriff, Todd Callahan, Ted Ottaway and Patrick Schafer.

Knights' 1-2 scoring duo tops school's All-State quartet

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

It's been nearly a decade since University Liggett School had a 1-2 scoring punch like Todd Callahan and Ted Ottaway. Their combined total of 44 goals earned them both a spot on the Division IV All-State boys soccer team that was selected by the Michigan High School Soccer Coaches Association.

"They were a formidable duo up top for us this year," said coach David Backhurst. ULS finished 13-8 and ended the season ranked fifth in the state in Division IV. The last time the Knights had two players combine for 44 goals was in 1993 when Matt Spicer and Omar Sawaf did it. In 1999, when ULS won the state championship, Eric Krauss and Scott Vallee combined to score 41 goals.

Callahan was named to the first team, while Ottaway earned a berth on the second unit. They were joined by third-team selection Chris MacGriff and Patrick Schafer, who received honorable mention. Callahan is the last link to the 1999 state championship team. He played a defensive role as a stopper on that squad and also played there as a sophomore. Callahan played the first half of last season at sweeper, but midway through the year, Backhurst moved him to forward.

It was a move made in heaven. Callahan scored 21 goals last season and then added 32 this year. This sea-

son's total was only one short of the school record set by Marty Wittmer in 1982. Wittmer now coaches the ULS Middle School soccer team.

"Todd had a phenomenal year," Backhurst said. "He didn't load up against the weaker teams, either. He had goals in our games with Country Day, Lutheran North and Oakland Christian. We played a tough schedule, and he scored in all but four games."

One of those four was against Ann Arbor Greenhills when Callahan moved back to sweeper to bolster the defensive effort. It was a short-lived experiment, and Callahan was back up top the next game.

Backhurst, who has been coaching soccer at ULS since the early 1980s, said that Callahan is one of the best forwards he's had.

"Todd is the prototype of the player you want playing up top," Backhurst said. "He has size, strength, speed and a cannon shot. He has the whole package."

"He was very difficult to shut down. It usually took more than one player to mark him."

Ottaway finished with 12 goals and 15 assists. His 15 assists rank him fifth on the Knights' all-time single season list.

Ottaway played two seasons with ULS after transferring from the Lawrenceville Academy in New Jersey.

He spent most of last season at midfield, but late in the first half of the Knights'

state semifinal game with Southfield Christian, Backhurst moved Ottaway to forward.

"He made some great moves and scored our only goal of the game," Backhurst said. "I figured if he looked that good right away, he'd be even better playing forward on a regular basis."

"Ted's deceptively fast; he has good dribbling ability, and he has the moves. He's also a good worker."

MacGriff, a junior, has been a three-year starter for ULS. The last two seasons he has been the center midfielder.

"He's our attack generator," Backhurst said. "When he's healthy, he's one of the best we've had at that position. He drew rave reviews from the coaches who saw him play, especially early in the year."

The last part of the season MacGriff was hampered by a hip injury. He still finished with 13 goals and 12 assists.

Like Callahan and Ottaway, MacGriff scored some important goals. He scored in the loss to Cranbrook and had a pair of goals in the Knights' victory over a state-ranked Bloomfield Hills Roper squad.

Although MacGriff has been outstanding at center midfield, Backhurst is toying with the idea of moving him to sweeper next season.

"We have to protect our goalie, and we're going to have a young defense," Backhurst said. "Chris knows the game, and he plays defense on the ODP (Olympic Development Program) team."

The Knights' defense will have to overcome the loss of Schafer, who did an outstanding job at sweeper in the second half of the season.

"He was a little shaky in the first half of the season but he had a dynamite second half," Backhurst said. "I don't think you could have found a better sweeper in the second half. He's a smart player who can read the play well. He's reliable and dependable back there."

"The turning point in Patrick's season was the Greenhills game when Callahan started at sweeper. He was a different player after that game."

ULS girls soccer will miss two senior All-State standouts

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

There's going to be a different look next spring when University Liggett School's girls' soccer team starts practicing.

For the first time in four seasons, coach David Backhurst won't be able to count on Lauren Ealba and Nayla Kazzi to provide two of the key ingredients for a successful soccer team.

Ealba was the most prolific scorer in ULS history, while Kazzi helped keep goals out of the Knights' net in the vital role of sweeper.

"They'll be sorely missed," Backhurst said. "The four years seemed to go by in a hurry."

It isn't likely that the Knights' opponents felt that way. It probably seemed to them that they had to contend with Ealba and Kazzi for twice as long.

Ealba and Kazzi closed out their high school careers by earning berths on the Division IV All-State team selected by the Michigan High School Soccer Coaches Association.

Ealba was named to the first team for the fourth straight year. Kazzi was a second-team selection. They were joined on the All-State squad by teammates Stephanie McIlroy and Beth Sanders.

McIlroy, who made the third team, and Sanders, who received honorable mention, will be seniors this year.

Ealba scored 21 goals last spring to finish her career with 134 goals. She also had eight assists.

"That was Lauren's lowest goal total, but she was more of an all-around player this year," Backhurst said. "She looked to pass more and tried to get her teammates more involved."

"Sometimes that was

good, but sometimes I wished that she'd just go to the net and shoot."

Ealba's success earned her the respect of all of the Knights' opponents.

"She was very well known," Backhurst said, "and tightly marked. Most teams put more than one defender on her."

Ealba had a variety of skills, the foremost of which was an extremely hard shot.

"Lauren was one of the strongest female players I've coached," Backhurst said. "She had a cannon shot. It was frightfully hard. She has injured goalkeepers — and me — with it."

"She was well-skilled in heading, trapping, passing and dribbling. She was a tough, physical player who won most of the 50-50 balls and the one-on-one confrontations."

Ealba generated the Knights' offense from her midfield position and rarely left the field.

She's attending the University of Michigan and plans to play club soccer this season.

Kazzi has been the sweeper the last two seasons, and last year the role was more important than ever.

"It's always a critical position but more than usual this season because we had a rookie goalkeeper," Backhurst said.

"Nayla did a fantastic job of protecting her. She made a lot of saves before the ball even got to the goal."

ULS had a goals-against

and has developed all of the necessary skills.

"She was more aggressive this year in challenging for the ball," Backhurst said. "At first, she was a little reluctant to do that."

McIlroy transferred to ULS after spending her freshman season at Grosse Pointe South.

She played midfield for the Knights. When ULS used three midfielders, McIlroy was used in a defensive role. When there were four in the midfield, she assumed more of an attacking role.

McIlroy led the Knights with 15 assists.

Like Kazzi and Ealba, McIlroy rarely left the field.

"Stephanie never tires," Backhurst said. "She can run all day. Her stamina is tremendous."

She's also a skillful player. "Stephanie can juggle a ball 100 times," Backhurst said. "She has tremendous talent, and like Ealba and Kazzi, she's very competitive — a real scrapper."

Sanders has been a three-year starter at outside midfielder, and like the other All-Staters, is a smart,



Beth Sanders

heady player. She has an excellent crossing pass from the flank and does a good job of getting into the attack.

"Beth is so dependable and reliable," Backhurst said.

Backhurst said he is thinking about moving Sanders to center midfield to take Ealba's place.

"I might use Beth and Stephanie in the center," he said.

"They're both smaller players, but they're skilled. We'll probably use the short passing game a lot."

GPSA house roundup

UNDER-6

Neon 5, Raiders 1
Goals: Anthony Simon 2, Adante Provenzano 2, Noah Erickson (Neon), Ellie Zak (Raiders).
Assist: Ryan Angeles (Neon).
Comments: Erickson played a strong defensive game for the Neon. Abigail Rozich made a good diving save. Jack Alam played well defensively for the Raiders. Jimmy Menchl had good offensive carries and Zak made a good save.

UNDER-7

Dragons 1, Vikings 1
Goals: Julian Brace (Vikings); Bennett Jackson (Dragons).
Assists: Lilly Pendy, Allison Mobley (Dragons).
Comments: Bridgette Champagne was the best all-around player for the Dragons. Barbara Allor demonstrated good ball control, while Stephanie Wulworth and Petrina Allor were strong in front of the goal. The Vikings' Pauline Perakis was effective stopping the Dragons' offense. Tenley Shield, Kaitlyn Vreeken and Ben Malloy led the Dragons' forwards. Conrad Schaitberger stopped many of the Vikings' shots on goal.

UNDER-8

Lakers 3, Eagles 0
Goals: Nathaniel Parchment 2, Darian Dempsey (Lakers).
Comments: Mark Adamaszek and Max Tech played well offensively for the Lakers. Gabby Hartman, Kristina Papas and Alex Gillespie were effective on defense. Eric Balle and Peter Cara each had shots on goal for the Eagles. Madison Dettlinger and Bharath Kotha played well defensively.

UNDER-10

Aston Villa 3, Manchester United 2
Goals: Gregory Dettloff, Eric Marshall, John Blancy (Aston Villa); Tophar Bamford, Ren Shaun

(Manchester United).
Assists: Blancy (Aston Villa); Konrad Tech (Manchester).
Comments: Blancy scored the tiebreaking goal off a corner kick. Manchester's Bamford made three excellent saves in goal to keep the game close. Natalie Nihem and Maddie Berschback were key contributors on offense.

Wild Kiwis 4, Nottingham 1
Goals: Andrew Haubert, Annalisa Provenzano, Charlotte Ford, Jake Gorman (Wild Kiwis); McKenzie Seaman (Nottingham).
Assists: Kathryn LaLonde, Hayley Altshuler, Provenzano, Gorman (Wild Kiwis).
Comments: The Wild Kiwis' effort featured excellent positioning, passing and teamwork. Gorman played well in goal and was helped on defense by Robbie Squiers. Nottingham's defense played well and was led by Jamie Jenkovicz and Ellen Schaber.

Wild Kiwis 2, Leeds 2
Goals: Henry Nelson, Louie Saravolatz (Wild Kiwis); Richard Altovilla, Scott Henderson (Leeds).
Comments: It was a well-played game between two evenly-matched teams. The contest featured exceptional hustle from Natalie Peracchio and Emily Ubik of the Wild Kiwis and Kiela Maloney and Marjorie Curran of Leeds.

UNDER-12
Sheep 2, St. Clair Shores 2
Goals: Nicholas Schreiber 2 (Sheep).
Assists: Maxwell Steiner, Balasz Juhasz (Sheep).
Comments: The Sheep overcame a 2-0 halftime deficit to earn the tie. Players of the game for the Sheep were Schreiber, Juhasz and Allison Liddane, who played a fine all-around game.



Lauren Ealba



Stephanie McIlroy

average under 1.00 last year, and the Knights recorded eight shutouts.

"A lot of that is due to the goalkeeper, but a lot of it is because of Nayla," Backhurst said.

Kazzi, like Ealba, has been playing soccer for years



Nayla Kazzi

City of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan

SPECIAL NOTICE HOLIDAY RUBBISH SCHEDULE for THANKSGIVING DAY, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2002

There will be no residential rubbish or leaf collection on Thursday, November 28, 2002.

All Thursday collection routes will be collected on Friday. Friday's residential rubbish and leaf collection routes will be collected on Saturday.

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YOUTH LACROSSE COACH

The Grosse Pointe Lacrosse Association is seeking a boys lacrosse coach for the spring 2003 season. The season begins in March and is concluded in the first week in June at the MSLA Youth Lacrosse Festival at Cranbrook. The ideal candidate will have at least played lacrosse in high school and have some post high school experience. The individual must enjoy working with middle school boys. There are usually 4 practices and/or games each week. The club will pay for attendance at a coaches clinic. **This is a paying position.** If interested please contact Michael West at 313 667-8227 or mail resume to

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The Grosse Pointe North Athletic Boosters Club is raffling off this 2003 Ford Mustang convertible as a fundraiser to improve the school's weight room. From left, are Boosters Club president Armand Bove, athletic director Chris Clark and Boosters Club board members Mary Zemenick and John Barlow.

North Boosters have fundraising raffle

The Grosse Pointe North Athletic Boosters Club is sponsoring what members are calling "a vitally important fundraiser" to benefit the student athletes at North by raffling off two years' free use of a 2003 Ford Mustang convertible.

"We are hoping to raise at least \$30,000 to build a weight room," said club president Armand Bove.

Bove said that recent budget cuts because of the weak economy have made the raffle fundraiser the only realistic option to raise the money needed for the project.

"We have a proud tradition of fielding some of the finest high school athletes in the state," said North athletic director Chris Clark. "We really need the equipment and training facilities to stay competitive."

Board member John

Barlow said that the North Boosters Club is proud of its tradition of "helping with any and all student athlete needs."

"Now we are reaching out to the community to help us benefit our student athletes by raising the money to complete the weight room."

The winner of the raffle will be able to choose between the two-year lease on the Mustang or \$10,000 in cash.

Bove expressed his appreciation for the support and cooperation the project has received from Russ Milne Ford.

Tickets are \$10 each and can be purchased from any North Boosters Club board members or by calling Mike Slomski at (313) 886-5250.

The drawing will be held on Monday, Dec. 9 as part of North's fall sports awards program.

Midwest Open Mixed Doubles tennis tournament gets new associate sponsor

The Edmund T. Ahee Midwest Open Mixed Doubles Tennis Championships gathered support this week in the form of an associate sponsorship from a local family that hopes to build upon the memory of its daughter.

The Brett Bentley Crawford Foundation, which was established in 2001, has taken a full associate position for this year's tournament, which will be held from Dec. 4 through 8 at the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club.

The Crawford Foundation honors the memory of Brett Crawford, who was killed in an automobile accident on Lochmoor in Grosse Pointe Woods, shortly before she was to begin her first year at Arizona State University.

"Brett loved to play tennis," said her mother, Mimi Crawford. "We felt that helping to sponsor this premier tennis event in our city was an appropriate way to honor her memory."

While the Crawford family underwrites the cost of

the sponsorship, it hopes to raise the awareness of the foundation that it established in Brett's name.

"We created the Brett Bentley Crawford Foundation to help teens and their families identify significant issues that are becoming roadblocks to their emotional growth and to provide them with the appropriate resources to deal successfully with these challenges," said Brett's father, Richard Crawford. "We want each teen to reach their true potential and allow them the opportunity for success."

"There is a tremendous need to develop these resources in most communities and as a result many families struggle painfully to navigate the complexities of adolescence, especially if they have an unconventional child. What we discovered in our research was that these often difficult, always challenging kids are usually also our brightest and most creative young adults. They often are the ones that make

a real difference in the world as adults. They are smart, intuitive and eager to push the envelope of conventional thinking."

The Brett Bentley Crawford Foundation represents the Crawford family's commitment to fulfill its responsibility to the next generation and its attempt to adapt to and eventually manage a challenging new world.

As the tournament approaches, the field adds more talent.

This year will mark the second consecutive appearance of Canadian junior standout Kara Delicata, who teamed last year with Grosse Pointe Blake Willmarth to advance to the round of 16 before falling to eventual finalists Susan Mascarin Keane and Steve Campbell.

Delicata is the fifth Canadian in the last 20 years to receive a tennis scholarship to the University of Michigan. She

attended a career-best 323 ranking in the International Tennis Federation. At 15, she ranked among the top five in Canada in the girls 16 and 18 divisions. She will team with Matt Christian, a senior at Birmingham Brother Rice.

For the seventh straight year, Grosse Pointe Cable Five will broadcast the Midwest Open preview show on the "Pointers with Prost" program. Joining host John Prost will be tournament chairman James Patee and Hunt Club tennis director Brian DiVirgilio.

The show will air three times daily — 10 a.m. and 2:30 and 10 p.m. — from Nov. 28 through Dec. 1.

Donations for the first Midwest Open silent/live auction, which will be held on Thursday, Dec. 5 at 7 p.m., are still being accepted.

For more information on the auction, event times or registration, call the Hunt Club tennis center at (313) 882-4100.



The Grosse Pointe Soccer Association under-14 Breakers travel team won its division in the Michigan Premier Soccer League with a 7-0-1 record. In front, from left, are Amanda Marsh, Madeleine Bossonney and Kathryn Tietjen. In the second row, from left, are Emily Walton, Katie Galea, Erin Hughes, Marian Schmidt, Liz Lightbody and Lindsay Krall. In the third row, from left, are Christina Schucker, Jenna Lankford, Beth Ansaldi, Amanda Brandeis, Elizabeth Carrier, Amanda Paiffy, Kara Trowell, Amy Hathaway and Elizabeth Palmer. In back, from left, are coaches Jacques Bossonney and Dan Kelly and manager John Walton.

GPSA U-14 Breakers undefeated

The Grosse Pointe Soccer Association under-14 Breakers girls travel team finished the fall season undefeated to win its division in the very competitive Michigan Premier Soccer League.

The Breakers posted a 7-0-1 record and outscored the opposition 20-2.

The Breakers started the fall season with a 4-0 win over the Farmington Flash on goals by Emily Walton, Kara Trowell, Amy Hathaway and Lindsay Krall.

The following weekend, the Breakers beat Ann Arbor Arsenal 4-1 with Hathaway and Trowell scoring two goals apiece. Krall's goal was the difference in a 1-0 win over the Birmingham United FC.

Marian Schmidt scored the only goal of the game as the Breakers opened their home season with a 1-0 win over Ann Arbor United.

The only blemish on the Breakers' record was a frustrating 1-1 tie at Plymouth. Elizabeth Palmer scored the only goal for Grosse Pointe in a game in which the Breakers hit the posts or crossbar three times.

In a showdown with the league's other undefeated team — the Grand Rapids Stingers — the Breakers won 1-0 on Hathaway's goal with 45 seconds remaining.

The Breakers wrapped up the season with a 2-0 win over Saline and a 6-0 victory over USL. Hathaway and Krall scored against Saline, while Amanda Brandeis, Amanda Marsh, Madeleine Bossonney, Hathaway, Krall and Trowell were the marksmen in the USL game.

Kathryn Tietjen was the division's top goalkeeper, while she and the defense corps of Jenna Lankford, Christina Schucker, Erin Hughes, Beth Ansaldi, Marsh and Elizabeth Carrier earned six shutouts.

Dan Kelly is the Breakers' head coach. Jacques Bossonney is his assistant and John Walton is the manager.

GPHA Squirt house league results, highlights

SQUIRT HOUSE
Patriots 3, Raptors 2
Goals: Jonathan Roberts 2, T.J. Livingston (Patriots); James Shepard, Thomas Shield (Raptors).
Assists: Jeff Graves, Livingston, Roberts, Tyler Vens (Patriots); Jayden Haggarty, Alex Walworth (Raptors).

Comments: The Patriots scored in each of the three periods to offset a pair of second-period goals by the Raptors. Tim Kellert had a good all-around game and goalie Dan French made several outstanding

saves to preserve the Patriots' victory. Mitchell Capp and Josh Johnston had excellent games for the Raptors.

Patriots 6, Redhawks 1
Goals: Steven Sudney 5, Jonathan Roberts (Patriots); Jack Pierick (Red Hawks).
Assists: Tripp Damman 3, Adrian Gatzaros, Lauren Giorgio, T.J. Livingston, Sudney (Patriots); Albert Ford (Red Hawks).

Comments: A three-goal second period carried the Patriots. Cara and Merissa Monforton were out-

standing for the Patriots. Blake Sanford and Christian Vervaeke played fine defensive games. Emma Hull had an excellent game in goal for the Red Hawks to keep the game close until the third period.

Patriots 5, Chill 3
Goals: T.J. Livingston 2, Lauren Giorgio 2, Steven Sudney (Patriots); Eric Marshall 2, Zach Martinelli (Chill).

Assists: Livingston, Jonathan Roberts, Christian Vervaeke (Patriots); Alex Marshall, James Martin (Chill).

Comments: The Patriots scored three goals in the first period and held off a late rally by the Chill, who scored twice in the third period. Jeff Graves and Tyler Vens had

outstanding defensive games for the Patriots, while Adrian Gatzaros and Merissa Monforton were strong offensively. James Brophy and Jeff LaTour had good all-around games for the Chill.

Patriots 7, Jr. Bulldogs 2
Goals: T.J. Livingston 2, Jonathan Roberts 2, Steven Sudney 2, Tripp Damman (Patriots); Stuart Bristol, Sean Belanger (Jr. Bulldogs).

Assists: Damman, Lauren Giorgio, Cara Monforton, Sudney (Patriots); Alex Krebs, Sam Wittmer (Jr. Bulldogs).

Comments: The Patriots broke a 1-1 tie after one period with three goals each in the final two periods. Dan French was outstanding in

goal for the Patriots. Strong defensive play from Blake Sanford and Christian Vervaeke helped preserve the victory. Patrick Sattelmeyer and Michael Gula had strong games for the Jr. Bulldogs.

Redhawks 3, Jr. Bulldogs 1
Goals: Albert Ford 2, Jack Pierick (Redhawks); Michael Goid (Jr. Bulldogs).

Assists: Peter Nelson, Nate Zimmeth (Redhawks); Catherine Fowler (Jr. Bulldogs).

Comments: Both goalies played well. The Jr. Bulldogs' Ian Quinlan did all he could to keep his team in the game. Redhawks goalie Michael Andary made some excellent saves in the third period when the score was 2-1.

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
NOVEMBER 4, 2002

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: All Councilpersons were present.

MOTIONS PASSED:

- To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held October 21, 2002, and furthermore, receive and file the minutes of the Library Board Meeting held October 17, 2002.
- To open the Public Hearing on the 2003 Budget.
- To close the Public Hearing on the 2003 Budget.
- That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED:

- To approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:
 - To approve the Accounts Payable listing for check numbers 65150 through 65303 in the amount of \$471,041.00 as submitted by the City Manager and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
 - To approve payment to Michigan Municipal Workers Compensation Fund in the amount of \$7,296.00 for the adjustment of its out premium for the fiscal year July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002.
 - To approve payment to the Michigan Department of Transportation in the amount of \$3,949.38 for the progress billing on Harper Avenue.
 - To approve payment to Statewide Security Transport in the amount of \$12,539.71 for prisoner lodging and transportation for the month of September 2002.
- To amend the Tax Levy Resolution set forth on page 2 of the budget document hereby adopting the following tax rate for 2003: GENERAL 17.6778, REUSE 2.0000, PUBLIC SAFETY 0.8217, DEBT 2.5000, HOUSING 23.1285.
- To approve the Budget Adoption and Appropriation Resolution found on page 3 of the budget document hereby adopting the 2003 Budget as presented.
- To amend Ordinance with Chapter 27, Article V, Sections 27-12(a) and 27-15 of the Code of Ordinances to increase the rate of \$180.00 per residential equivalent unit as hereby established.
- To amend the water utility charge to be billed December 1, 2002.
- To approve a new bid submitted by Marine City Nurses Company for the purchase of 5000 lbs. of Sunbelt Maple, 25 Galleys Peas and 25 884line Honey Locusts in the amount of \$3,000.00.
- To request that Wayne County in the amount of \$128,718.25 for the operation of the M.R. River Drain for October through December, 2002.
- To request that the following persons to serve on the Board of Trustees of M. H. M. C. Golf League's Club and Bowers pool: Nancy Crandall, Mayor of Brighton; Nancy Kutz Lawrence, Mayor of Brighton.

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Local player on State Cup champions



Anna Cunningham

Although a broken arm limited her playing time in the championship game, Grosse Pointe Farms resident Anna Cunningham was a member of the under-13 Michigan Hawks soccer team that won the State Cup.

Cunningham suffered the injury a week before the title game against Vardar, which the Hawks won 2-0.

Cunningham entered the game with a minute and a

half remaining and made several hard tackles.

The Hawks play in the top division of the Michigan State Youth Soccer Association Premier Soccer program. They are ranked No. 1 in Michigan and 17th in the nation by NationalSoccerRankings.com.

Cunningham, who plays forward and midfield, played in the Hawks' first six games and collected three goals and five assists.

Breakers win, lose and draw in Canton

The Grosse Pointe Soccer Association under-10 Breakers had a win, a loss and a tie in the Global Soccer Tournament in Canton.

The Breakers, sparked by the excellent defensive work of Kylie Barrett, Sarah Ventimiglia, Sarah MacGriff, Ellie Farber, Chloe Jacob and Kaitlyn Fries, shut out the Livonia Meteors Blue 6-0 in their

opening game. Charlotte Socia led the way with three goals. Natalie Sohn, MacGriff and Ventimiglia added one goal apiece.

In their second game, the Breakers trailed the Troy Twisters 3-0 at halftime, but a second-half comeback fell short in a 3-2 loss. Socia and Catherine Fowler scored for the Breakers in the second

half. The Breakers' final game ended in a 2-2 tie when the Thunder FSSL scored the equalizer with two minutes remaining.

Socia opened the scoring for Grosse Pointe after taking a nice pass from Fowler in heavy traffic. The Thunder tied the game on a shot that glanced off goalie Joanna Moore from 10 yards

out, but Socia put the Breakers ahead again when she dribbled in from midfield to score.

The second half was scoreless until the Thunder scored their second goal. The Breakers had some strong offensive pushes by Shelby Stone, Morgan Brace and Bridget McDevitt but were turned away by the Thunder's defense.

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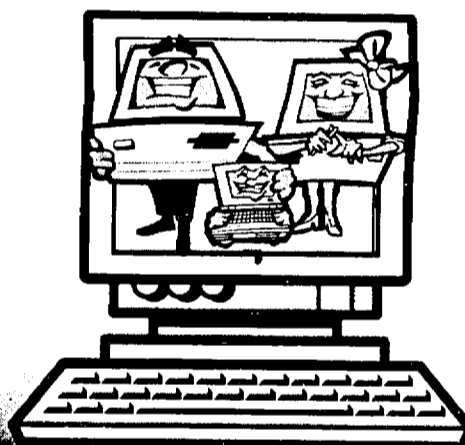
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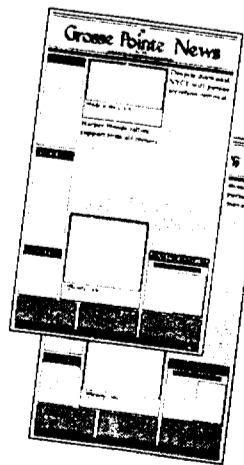
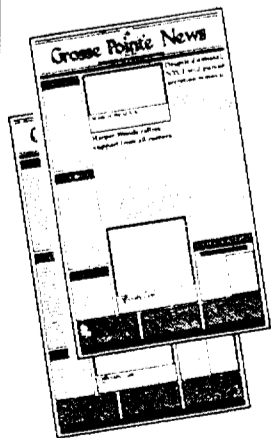
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