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WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, May 25

The Grosse Pointe Village Association hosts the 21st annual Grosse Pointe's Greatest Garage Sale in the City of Grosse Pointe municipal parking structure in the Village.

Admission is \$1, and the sale is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Monday, May 26.

Monday, May 26

Veterans will be honored at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial's Memorial Day service at 10 a.m.

Tuesday, May 27

The Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club will honor the top Grosse Pointe North and South high school graduates at its meeting at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial at 11 a.m.

For more information, call (313) 881-5592.

The Grosse Pointe Board of Education will hold a public hearing on its central administration budget at the Wicking Library at Grosse Pointe South High School at 7 p.m.

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

The Grosse Pointe Woods Planning Commission meets at the Grosse Pointe Woods City Hall at 7:30 p.m.

The Armed Forces Support Group meets in the Lake Room of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial at 7:30 p.m.

Admission is free. For more information, call (313) 881-7511.

Wednesday, May 28

Grosse Pointe Farms Mayor Ronald Kneiser holds open office time from 8:30 to 10 a.m. at the Grosse Pointe Farms City Hall.

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Chet memories

In the 1940s, '50s and '60s, thousands of Grosse Pointe teenagers made trips to Hollywood and elsewhere with the legendary Chet Sampson, who has generously provided us with old photographs from his trips.

Above, this budding, young actress entertains some Grosse Pointe boys. If you know who this actress or any of the boys are or if you have "Chet memories" to share, drop us a note or letter to: Editor, Grosse Pointe News, 96 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236; fax, (313) 882-1585; or e-mail: editor@grossepointenews.com. We will run other Chet pictures along with your memories throughout the coming weeks. Read Chet's memories in his own words. Page 6A.



Photos by Larry Poplin

Play ball!

The Grosse Pointe Park Little League held its traditional Opening Day Parade and Ceremony on Saturday, May 3. This year celebrates 50 years of Little League baseball in the Park.

The opening day was bright and sunny. The parade commenced on St. Paul and Somerset and, after winding through the streets in

Grosse Pointe Park, ended at the Little League fields at Defer Elementary School for the ceremony.

Marty McMillan, GPPLL president, welcomed players, families, friends, and the local community. Remarks about the history of the Little League and an acknowledgement of the people and organizations that make Little League possible were made by three players: Chase Manikas, Jacqueline Reno and Alexandria Chrumka. Another Little Leaguer, Max Mager, above, then sang the National Anthem. At top, Gregory Theokas, mayor pro tem of the Park, threw out the first pitch.

The Little League has played an important part in the lives of many boys and girls who grew up in Grosse Pointe Park; today many of the parent volunteers remember playing on Defer Field when they were of Little League age. There are currently over 340 Little League players on 28 teams. And the goals of the players today are the same as they were 50 years ago: Play fair and strive to win, but win or lose, always do your best.

War Memorial honors veterans 365 days a year

By Michael Shelton
Special Writer

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial invites the community to come and honor local veterans who have served the country at its annual Memorial Day service.

"It's important that people spend 60 minutes remembering and honoring those who have given so much so we can be free," said Mark Weber, president of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

The ceremony will take place on Monday, May 26, at 10 a.m.

Teri Carroll, community relations director, said there will be patriotic music, a speech by the Chairman of the Board and a reading of names.

A crowd of 700 is expected, along with local Marine Corps, veterans, Scouts and other groups.

"It's very moving to see all these people here," Carroll said.

For more than 50 years, the War Memorial has served the community as a living memorial through educational enrichment programs, community outreach and services to veterans and their families.

"Realtors bring people here who are looking for communities to live in and say this is our community center. It's very unique," Weber said.

Its headquarters at the historic Alger House on Lakeshore has made the Memorial a landmark in the community as a living memorial that honors veterans and educates people.

"Our philosophy is that every time someone walks through our doors to take part in a program, he or she is honoring a veteran by doing that," Carroll said.

"We hope to be a patriotic influence in times of stress," Weber said.

During Operation Iraqi Freedom, the War Memorial was very active in supporting the troops and their families.

"We formed a support group with licensed counselors, and we're collecting names of soldiers serving in

the Persian Gulf," Carroll said.

The War Memorial also helped two Grosse Pointe Park residents turn a simple patriotic gesture into a major fundraising effort.

Mike Smith and Mike Chrumka designed and helped produce signs that read "I support my country & our troops," as a way to encourage patriotism in the wake of anti-war protests. The signs have been spotted in front yards across the Pointes.

"We just thought that there was a better message that could be sent," Smith said. "We didn't want a sign that just said we want war."

Smith said that he and Chrumka had 250 signs made at their own expense and sold them to raise money for local veterans organizations.

Local media outlets then gave their cause more exposure, and the demand for signs was more than they could handle.

"They approached the War Memorial to know if they could make their signs available to the community, and we agreed," Carroll said.

A portion of the proceeds will go to help the War Memorial create a bronze plaque to honor those who served in Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Weber said that the signs are not meant to be pro-war or anti-war.

"I think that someone who has a problem with any particular issue or conflict can still support the troops and our patriotic ideals. That's what this country is about, expressing yourself and having the right to say what you think," Weber said.

The War Memorial also established the Veterans Legacy Project in 2000, where visitors can access a veteran's biography, photos and story on a multimedia computer in the lobby.

"When you use the kiosk, a veteran is not just a name on the wall. It's a story. Unlike the plaques, this project is ever-changing," Carroll said.

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POINTER OF INTEREST

Maggie Horne

Home: Grosse Pointe Woods

Age: 16

Family: Mom, Roseanne; dad, Mike; sisters, Bridget, 21, Katie, 16; brothers, Michael, 19, Andrew, 13

Claim to fame: Rallied a team of students to participate in the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life, in honor of a classmate, Mike D'Hondt, a cancer survivor

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Maggie Horne

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yesterday's headlines

50 years ago this week

■ A school bus taking Grosse Pointe children to St. Joan of Arc School in St. Clair Shores goes out of control and crashes through a Mack Avenue shoe repair store in Grosse Pointe Woods.

The bus driver swerved to avoid a car. No one was hurt, including the 30 or so children ages 7 to 9 on board.

■ George Elworthy, civilian defense director for the Grosse Pointes, will introduce two professors from Wayne University Medical School during a presentation this week at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

Speakers will address nurses in matters of civil defense, including the destruction wrought by the atomic bombing of Japan that forced an early end to World War II.

■ Members of the Maire Elementary School band will announce the opening of Maire Faire next week by parading through the Kercheval shopping district in the City of Grosse Pointe.

Police chief Thomas Trombly has offered a police escort.

25 years ago this week

■ Grosse Pointe Farms police catch Big Foot.

The arrest refers to a 27-year-old Detroit parolee from Jackson Prison who makes his living as a professional burglar. He is sus-

pected in more than 100 break-ins during the last three months throughout the Pointes, Harper Woods, St. Clair Shores, East Detroit and Detroit.

A Farms woman reported the man when her suspicions became aroused by her growling dog.

"Please buy him a dog bone on us," wrote police chief Robert Ferber in a thank you letter to the woman.

Big Foot earned his unflattering sobriquet from large footprints he allegedly left outside residences and on doors he kicked in to gain entry.

■ Mr. Mole's Lolly Shop, the quaint little candy store behind the Mole Hole in the Village shopping district of the City of Grosse Pointe, turns into a crumbled mass of concrete, bricks, popcorn and M&Ms when a driver smashes into a parked car, thrusting it through the store's back wall.

No charges were filed against the 72-year-old driver, who said her foot slipped off the brake pedal when trying to park behind the shop.

No one was injured in the accident, partly because it occurred shortly before 3 p.m. on a Friday — a few minutes before swarms of school children would have jammed into the store on their way home after a week of school.

■ A major construction project is approved for Grosse Pointe South High School.

Some \$1.8 million in renovations to the industrial arts building will include foundations for an enclosed swimming pool which could be built at a later date.

10 years ago this week

■ Rambunctious eighth-graders light firecrackers

and stink bombs at a Grosse Pointe War Memorial youth dance, prompting the organization's directors to cancel next month's celebration that would have marked the conclusion of the school year.

■ Two Detroit juveniles convicted in the 1990 carjacking murder of Grosse Pointe Farms resident Benjamin Gravel could face life in prison following a Michigan Court of Appeals reversal of their earlier sentencing as juveniles.

■ Harper Woods and Grosse Pointe Woods want representation on the Milk River Drain Board, which has decreed the two communities will spend \$33 million on a sewer retention basin.

5 years ago this week

■ More than three dozen students from Grosse Pointe North and South high schools tour New York City to study aspects of television production.

Students of Dr. Julie Corbett, Bob Hertel and Rob Skuras tour ABC News and visit the Museum of Television and Radio.

■ The Baubie family of Grosse Pointe Farms — parents Rob and Kim; and their children, Whitney, 7, and Stephanie, 5 — are among approximately 300 volunteers who clean the shoreline of Lake St. Clair during the Nautical Coastal Cleanup.

Even the Baubie's 2-year-old golden retriever, K.C., helps by sticking her nose in the lake and pulling out a stick.

■ Grosse Pointe South High School's girls track team wraps up a 7-0 dual meet season with a victory over previously unbeaten Port Huron. The win clinches the Macomb Area Conference White Division title.

— Brad Lindberg

50 years ago this week



Soldiers join Clean-Up Week

Even men in the armed service who are guarding the area from possible aerial attack are doing their part in the annual Clean-Up Week campaign. This group camped at the foot of Three Mile Drive in Grosse Pointe Park is doing everything possible to make its campsite an attractive part of the community. (Photo by Fred Runnells. From the May 14, 1953 Grosse Pointe News.)

G.P. Woods tax rate stays same for 4th year in row

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

If Grosse Pointe Woods homeowners see a significant increase in their property taxes next year, it's their own doing.

The city council this week passed a budget for the upcoming fiscal year without raising the tax rate of 13.0255 mills.

But due to higher property values, often the result of home improvement projects, typical Woods property owners can expect a \$30 increase in their tax bills.

"The city picked up gains in new construction," said Clifford Maison, comptroller. "More and more people took advantage of lower

interest rates; so we're seeing more building permits.

The city's \$12.5 million general fund budget represents an increase of \$100,000 over last year despite higher operating costs overall and a \$600,000 cut in state revenue sharing due to Michigan's deficit.

"The city not only had a state shared revenue reduction," Maison said, "we had a minimal average increase in taxable value."

The latter occurred because of 1.75 percent cost-of-living increase under Proposal A, Maison said.

Councilman Eric Steiner, chairman of the finance committee, said, "We were

able to get this budget tight and lean by taking out a little here and there. We took \$5,000 here, \$2,000 there. It was no one big dollar item."

Financial cuts didn't result in reduced staffing or city services.

"Even with the budget staying essentially the same, people will still enjoy the same complete line of services," Maison said.

The year 2004 will be the fourth consecutive year the Woods has had the same millage rate.

"We're also generating more revenue from our recreational activities, which are helping stabilize the budget," Maison said.

Greatest (and last?) Garage Sale a great time for all

By Michael Shelton
Special Writer

There will be something for everyone at this year's Grosse Pointe Greatest Garage Sale.

"We'll have about 150 vendors selling everything from antiques, collectables and food," said Mike Kramer, co-chairman of the garage sale. "There will be quite a mix."

The event takes place on Sunday, May 25 and Monday, May 26, in the City of Grosse Pointe's municipal garage. Admission is \$1, and the sale runs each day from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Proceeds from the event will go toward funding the annual Santa Claus Parade and holiday decorations in the Village. This year will mark the 28th anniversary of the parade.

"Everything seems to be ready, and we're looking forward to it," Kramer said. "Hopefully we'll have rea-

sonably good weather."

The garage sale has been a Memorial Day weekend tradition in the Village for 21 years.

"It's become a family event for us. My husband goes golfing with my brothers, and I round up the kids and take them," said Terri Berschback of Grosse Pointe Park.

"We expect 14,000 people. That's been about our average the last two years," Kramer said.

Customers and vendors come from not only the Grosse Pointes, but also most of the Midwest.

"We have vendors that come from Chicago, northern parts of Ohio such as Cleveland and Toledo as well as all over Michigan," Kramer said. "Our farthest vendor is from Wisconsin."

The garage sale will also host many non-profit organizations who use the event as

a fundraiser. They include the Michigan Greyhound Connection, Arts & Scraps and the Fort Street Presbyterian Church Choir.

The Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society will also be in attendance.

"They've been a part of the garage sale for many years. They'll have dogs and cats that are looking for homes," Kramer said.

"It's a real community event. Everybody seems to have a good time," Kramer said.

This may be the last year for the garage sale. With the purchase of the former Jacobson's building by CVS Pharmacy and Velmeir Companies, final plans have not been made for the parking garage or next year's garage sale.

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Park's Lavins activities center due to open Saturday

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

It looks like a busy summer for Tina Lopiccio, and she couldn't be happier.

Lopiccio is one of the those upbeat types who likes having a full plate of things to do.

She should get her fill starting Memorial Day weekend with her new job as supervisor of Grosse Pointe Park's Dolores and Paul Lavins year-round activities building at Windmill Pointe Park.

"It is a wonderful opportunity for residents," said Lopiccio, chomping at the bit to dish out a menu of activities never before provided by a Pointe municipality.

"We'll be able to offer indoor and outdoor activities," she said.

Twelve employees have

been hired to operate the two-story center. The building not only replaces Windmill's old bathhouse and locker rooms, but also includes a full-court gymnasium, Meade fitness center, meeting rooms and 137-seat Okulski movie auditorium.

Park officials promised the center's locker and shower rooms will be functioning when the summer recreation season begins Saturday, May 24.

Construction was on a fast track even before ground breaking in September.

"One of the things we have not done that most people do is we've not had committees deciding on things like the color of the tile or decorations," said Mayor Palmer Heenan.

He said, "When you have responsible people and people with good taste, you'll

get the job done a lot quicker. In some other communities, they'll have five meetings to decide on tile or how to finance it. We miss those steps. The good thing about our people is they can make decisions fast."

Self supporting

The center's \$400,000 annual operating budget is expected to be funded without taxes or bonds.

Instead, the facility was designed to be self-maintained through user fees.

Enrollment in special activities classes, like those hosted at Windmill's popular Tompkins Community Center, room rentals and memberships costing from \$18 per month to \$636 per year to the seven-day-per-week fitness center will provide income. Low-cost family movies will be shown in

the auditorium.

Recreation officials expect high demand for fitness club memberships, classes, room rentals and auditorium rentals for private movie parties, lecture presentations and meetings. The Tompkins Center is already booked every weekend from Memorial Day through Labor Day.

On Tuesday, May 27, Park residents can tour the Lavins center. Lopiccio said tours will be scheduled through June 15, after which the facility will begin a full run of normal operations.

"I'm excited for the movie theater," said Kellie Sine, 20, a second-year Park life-guard home from studying liberal arts at Aquinas College.

She'll have to wait, but not long. The curtain rises on the movie theater June 20.

Residents leaning back in plush stadium seating will view second-run, family-oriented features.

Scenes will flicker from a state-of-the-art, five-foot tall movie projector. The machine's 2,000-watt xenon gas light bulb is so powerful it needs a separate six-inch diameter cooling duct. Six 500-watt cinema series amplifiers have been rigged to a custom Dolby surround-sound system and digital cinema processor stacked in a console standing seven feet tall.

Fast track

Heenan has nicknamed the man overseeing construction a "weapon of mass construction."

"That's because he did it so quickly," Heenan said. He was referring to Andy Phlaum of Ferlito Construction.

Phlaum credited everyone but himself for the project's quick progress.

"I had good subcontractors and a helpful owner," Phlaum said.

Between 40 and 60 workers have been on the site



Large picture windows in the Meade fitness center provide onlookers a bird's eye view of action on the full-size basketball court. The court contains six hoops and can be divided to allow more than one activity to take place at the same time.

each day for a grand total of more than 300 excavators, masons, carpenters, roofers, plumbers, electricians and others running the gambit of construction trades.

"It has taken less time to build this than it does for most people to try to rehab their kitchen," Heenan said. "I'm proud of the workmen and people who have been involved."

Phlaum is a resident of Grosse Pointe Woods who liked visiting Windmill Pointe Park as a kid.

"The Grosse Pointes are kind of family; so it was nice to give something back to my community," he said.

Last week, work headed down the homestretch.

Five television monitors had yet to be installed above picture windows in the second-floor Meade fitness cen-

ter. The center and adjacent McKeever recreational lounge overlook the park's swimming pools, landscaped picnic areas, 268-slip marina and Lake St. Clair. Fresh paint and tiling cement could be smelled everywhere. Tile was being custom cut with a special high-speed saw in the Stevens atrium.

Chris Reimel, the Park director of public service, said things were on schedule.

"Within a week this will fall together," said Reimel, standing in the facility's upstairs landing near where a safety railing is to be installed at a balcony overlooking the atrium, which doubles as the entrance lobby. "When you get to this point in a construction project, things move quickly."



Chris Reimel, Grosse Pointe Park director of public works, looks from a second floor picture window of the Dolores and Paul Lavins year-round activity center's McKeever recreational lounge to see lifeguards preparing the swimming pool for opening day.

Memorial

From page 1A

The project is a cooperative venture with the Grosse Pointe News. Many of the veterans' stories were written by former News staff writer Chip Chapman.

Many of the stories were published in the Grosse Pointe News as well as a book the News and Memorial put together.

"The veterans are so humble and think that they really don't have anything to offer. We asked them, 'If your grandson came in here 30 years from now, what would you want them to know?'" Carroll said.

The War Memorial also sends World War II veterans to local schools to speak with children about their experiences.

"Each veteran has his own unique story and lesson that he likes to share," Carroll said. "We want to put history and patriotism together for young people."

The War Memorial also hosts the 727 Club, which is dedicated to raising money to support the crew of the U.S.S. Michigan submarine.

"It is one of the most powerful warships in the world, and it is located in Seattle, Washington," Weber said.

"We also do tours of the sub, where people go out to Washington, and they'll get on the sub and actually dive it," he said.

Other projects the War Memorial is looking into is the possibility of a Great Lakes research center.

"We have 20 percent of the freshwater in the world, and it's a tremendous resource," Weber said. "We take this for granted. We're not studying this as much as we should be."

Another way the War Memorial reaches out to young people is through classes to help Scouts receive their citizenship badges.

"We teach them what the Pledge of Allegiance means

and about the history of the flag and how to properly fold one," Weber said.

This is just one of the more than 5,000 functions that the War Memorial hosts annually, including classes, trips, theatre performances and holiday events.

"We have anything from money management to positive self-esteem," Carroll said. "We have 200,000 participants in a calendar year."

Upcoming events include Baby Animal Day on Sunday, June 1, as well as a Flag Day service on Saturday, June 14.

Weber said visitors are encouraged to bring in old flags on Flag Day, and they will be disposed of properly. New flags will be available as well.

"Our staff goes out into the community and assesses needs and interests. They find out, 'What do people want to learn?'" Weber said. "We're set up like a small college."

The majority of classes at the War Memorial are non-credit and are for enrichment purposes.

The War Memorial also hosts wedding receptions for veterans, functions for non-profit organizations and a Veteran's Day breakfast in November.

Change of command ceremonies for the Armed Forces

are also hosted.

"We serve about 50 to 70,000 meals a year," Carroll said.

According to Weber, the War Memorial is a self-supporting, non-profit organization that receives no federal, state or local income taxes.

It relies on registration fees, a special gifts program and an endowment for funds. Registration only covers 67 percent of the budget.

"We spend \$1 million a year on maintenance, and we have a \$250,000 shortfall each year. It costs \$2,300 to open the doors every day," Carroll said.

"The difference is made through our fundraising. It's your War Memorial; it belongs to the community," Weber said.

Corrections

About the May 15 article, "College-bound students urged to get meningitis vaccinations," Kay Renny of the Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan said 2,400 to 3,000 people contract bacterial meningitis annually; 300 die from it.

Also, the VNA gives flu shots only in public places such as grocery stores and churches. Meningitis vaccinations can be received at the VNA office in Oak Park or at a school clinic that can be arranged by the VNA.

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Sixteen-year-old Pointer leads with her heart

By Jennie Miller
Staff Writer

Maggie Horne, a sophomore at Grosse Pointe North High School, is a born leader, and she always leads with her heart.

POINTER OF INTEREST

At sixteen years of age, Horne boasts a full schedule. She has been president

of her class for the past two years, is involved with youth groups through the Fellowship for Christian Athletes, and plays junior varsity basketball, volleyball and softball.

She is a member of Safe Rides and participates in TOPS, teaching special education students to play soccer. She also organizes community service events, such as the one held recently for school officers and senators through Habitat for Humanity.

And she has now rallied her fellow school officers to raise money and participate as a team in the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life next weekend.

"I like leading people," Horne said. "I like looking back when everything is done, and say, 'We did a good job.'"

This latest undertaking is purely out of selflessness.

Participation in the Relay for Life was inspired by the courage of a classmate, Mike D'Hondt, who was diagnosed with Ewings Sarcoma, a type of bone cancer last year.

D'Hondt was a cross-country runner and discovered he had cancer when seeking the cause of a severe pain in one of his legs. After a long year of treatment, D'Hondt is now cancer-free.

"He's doing really well and is now back in school," Horne said.

But what D'Hondt went



Maggie Horne (far right) poses with her family, from left, her sister, Bridget, her brother, Michael, her brother, Andrew, her dog, Yoda, and her twin sister, Katie. Horne is a sophomore at Grosse Pointe North High School.

through in the last year will forever affect Horne. As an athlete, she understands all he has lost.

"He will never run again," she said.

She watched as D'Hondt's friends and classmates rallied around him during the hardest times.

"His best friend shaved his own head while Mike was going through chemotherapy," Horne said. D'Hondt's struggle has taught Horne some important lessons.

"It is inspiring to see him walk down the hall," she said. "It helps you stop taking life for granted."

So Horne decided to organize The Fighting Norsemen, a team of nearly 30 students, to participate in the Relay for Life in D'Hondt's honor.

The team has raised several hundred dollars for the event, where teams walk for 24 hours to support those who have been affected by cancer.

"It's cool to see all the cancer survivors doing the Victory Lap," she said. "It's interesting to see all those people who have fought so hard for their lives."

For a 16-year-old, Horne has a lot on her plate. But she is glad to take on all her

responsibilities.

"She has always been a leader," said her mother, Roseanne Horne, who is also involved with community service activities, such as her volunteer work at The American Cancer Society's Discovery Shops. "It didn't surprise me when she started doing student council at Parcels and then at North."

But Horne still takes the time to be a normal teenager.

She goes to the movies with friends and can be seen cruising around town in her gold Grand Am, never taking life's little things for granted.



Maggie Horne, a sophomore at Grosse Pointe North High School, with her twin sister, Katie, and a friend, Julie Kamerud.

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Farms sets balanced budget & 2% tax cut

On May 19, the Grosse Pointe Farms City Council approved a balanced budget that included a 1/4 mil, or 2 percent, tax reduction from the prior year.

According to Mayor Ron Kneiser, "In an era of state revenue sharing cuts, increased federal and state mandates, low interest rates, and a sluggish economy, I am gratified that working together the city administration and the council have been able to continue to upgrade city services while reducing the tax rate."

The approved total tax

rate for the fiscal year 2003-04, starting July 1, is reduced to 13.50 mills — 12.00 mills for city operations, maintenance and replacement of city assets and debt service, and 1.5 mills to finance the recent storm water/sewer separation project.

The approved 2003-04 budget totals \$11.7 million in expenditures, up \$431,900 or 3.6 percent from the prior year, primarily reflecting increased public safety expenditures (\$292,516) and the leaf collection program which was

not budgeted last year (\$130,700).

In addition, the City revised many user fees making them competitive with adjacent communities.

Budget Committee Chairman and Councilman Terry Davis said, "Most of our user fees for city services have been the same since 1993. This year, working with the administration, we rebalanced these so the costs are more fairly borne by those who benefit, not the taxpayer."

The 2003 budget includes funds to finance further improvements to Pier Park

and Kerby Field, which are in addition to the new splash pool, maintenance building and equipment to upgrade water quality at the beach undertaken last year.

The Farms is also continuing to upgrade public safety operations, including equipping the department with the new CLEMIS system (County Law Enforcement Management Information System), a new combined effort with the Wayne County Sheriff to implement a marine patrol unit for weekends, and a new patrol car.

Public works projects include street repaving of Chalfonte from Belanger to Moross, of Belanger from Chalfonte to Beaupre, and Kerby from Mack to Chalfonte, among others.

Continuing sewer improvements will also be made utilizing an insitu-form pipe lining method which does not require excavation.

In addition, the Farms will also continue to replace aging or outmoded equipment, including a new rubbish compactor, rubbish dumpster and truck hoist.

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G.P. Farms mayoral talks continue

If members of the Grosse Pointe Farms City Council were civics students, they would get an "A" for class participation but an "F" for homework.

The council spent about two hours engaged in an open debate Monday night on how, and if, to change the Farms' form of government from an appointed to a directly elected mayor.

They pondered whether council members could run for mayor in between elections or for both council and mayor simultaneously. If a council member ran for mayor and won, how would the vacancy be filled? If the mayor stepped down, how would that vacancy be filled? Who picks the mayor pro tem? Must mayoral candidates be current or former council members? Should the mayor position have term limits?

All are relevant questions, thus the good grade for participation. But not one of the council members bothered to do his or her homework, to call around to the other cities that have directly elected mayors to find out what they do.

You would think that the first thing the council members would have done was to ask their counterparts in the City, Park, Woods, Shores and Harper Woods what they do. If they did ask, they neglected to share that information with their peers or the public.

Opinion

So we decided to do some of their homework for them. For much of the research, we merely had to go to the League of Women Voters' "Your Government Officials '03" guide.

The City of Grosse Pointe has a directly elected mayor with two-year terms and a six-member council with four-year, staggered terms. And, surprise surprise, the same goes for the Park, Shores and Harper Woods. Does there seem to be a pattern here?

In Grosse Pointe Woods, the mayor is directly elected to four-year terms, the same as the six-member council, which has staggered terms.

What are the common denominators here? They all have six-member councils with staggered terms, and the mayors vote on all matters.

In all the cities, council members can run for mayor during midterm, but they cannot run for both council and mayor simultaneously. If a council member is elected mayor, the vacancy is filled by appointment with council approval.

If the mayor steps down in the Woods, the mayor pro tem fills in for the unexpired term. In the Park, the council appoints a new mayor from among themselves to fill the mayoral vacancy.

In most cases, the mayor pro tem is

nominated by the mayor, but in all cases, the mayor pro tem must get council approval.

So, really, the concept is quite simple. The city government in the Farms should continue to be comprised of seven elected officials — six council members and one directly elected mayor.

We do not agree with the "rotation" concept being promoted by councilman Terry Davis. The council could rotate mayors at anytime, but we do question whether that is what the Farms voters want or deserve.

Davis is also recommending that if the mayor is elected by the people, that mayoral candidates be limited to current or former council members. His suggestion and reasoning are insulting to Farms voters and frightening.

He said the role of the council should be to serve the people but also to protect the government, to protect the public from itself. "I know that sounds arrogant," he acknowledged.

That approach may work for the royal family in Saudi Arabia and, until recently, Saddam Hussein in Iraq, we counter, but not in Grosse Pointe Farms.

The council Monday night did make some progress. A consensus was

reached that the mayor should serve two-year terms and be term-limited. Most favored three terms; one favored two terms, while another thought four terms were better.

We argued previously that a term limit for mayor should be no less than four terms or eight years. Now we think term limits of any duration are objectionable and counter to the will of the people.

There is also doubt by some on the council whether Farms voters actually want a directly elected mayor. Again council appointee Robert Herdegen noted that there were only two members of the public present during the discussion (and at the budget public hearing earlier). He also said he has not seen many letters to the editor calling for a directly elected mayor.

He is correct in that we have only received a few letters calling for an elected mayor, but they included 26 signatures.

Herdegen does have a point, however, and we fear that without some indication or direction from the public, the mayoral issue will die due to apathy.

Now is the time for Farms residents to come forward. Drop us a letter or a note at 96 Kercheval or fax to (313) 882-1585; leave a message at (313) 343-5590 or e-mail editor@grossepointenews.com. Be sure to copy city hall at 90 Kerby Road or call (313) 8850-6600.

The council needs your help and direction. We encourage residents to attend the next Farms city council meeting on Monday, June 9, at 7:30 p.m. — before it's too late.

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My beloved years in G.P.

By Chet Sampson

I'm especially pleased at having the opportunity to express my thanks to Grosse Pointe for getting me off to a good career in both education and other fields. On a recent TV program in Grosse Pointe, I made the statement that I'm especially saddened by the fact that the parents of my students have all passed on, as I had come to realize I enjoyed them as much as I did their offspring.

It's been my experience that we gain so much from an association with successful people, and a young man from a small Upper Michigan town of 1,000 people has a lot to learn as he prepares for life. Did I tell you that in my second year in Grosse Pointe I kept a record of the dinner invitations I had accepted for that school year, and they numbered 260. On Sundays there were often two invitations. Of course, we know that mothers seldom get accolades from their own family members. I, on the other hand, always received great pleasure from my food, and the hostesses appreciated my showing that endorsement.

You may know that I've taught cooking on cruise ships and in Hollywood for many years and almost had my own national show with Dick Clark.

Grosse Pointe permitted me to explore many new fields of interest, the most unusual being the teen tours to all parts of the United States — 6,000 took part. Their parents trusted me with their children, and those tours gave me so much valuable experience in working with large numbers of people.

During World War II on one of my assignments was handling the recreational and entertaining needs of

thousands of Navy men in Australia and in the Philippines during the war and after the war.

When I suggested to Paul Ketchum, sponsor of the Memorial Church's Tuxis Club, that I could put together a variety show with only teens taking part, he readily agreed to the sponsorship. Those shows ran for 10 years to sold-out audiences. Many youngsters had their first stage fling. One fellow, Bill Carruthers was so turned on by these shows that he ended up in Hollywood producing the very popular "Dating Game," "The Newlyweds" and many other productions. We've had fun reminiscing at several recent reunions.

The Bon Secours Assistance League asked me many years ago to be the Host for a celebrity series which brought many to Grosse Pointe for performances. I would introduce them and then host them at a luncheon. The first one was Bennett Cerf, host of "What's My Line." Both he and Hedda Hopper later wrote about me in their columns.

Being elected to the Grosse Pointe School Board, even though I was a bachelor, for three terms was also a lot of fun. I believe I'm the only person who has served both as a teacher and a board member in the Grosse Pointe schools.

My most amusing experience was serving as the host of a Fashion Show for teen girls put on by Jacobson's. I had a lot of fun doing that. Mr. Jacobson had sent his son on one of my tours. He later asked me if I'd like to open a travel service in his Grosse

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GROSSE POINTE SCHOOLS FORCED TO LAY OFF 60 EMPLOYEES



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

Letters

In appreciation of 75th anniversary workers

To the Editor:

On Saturday, May 10, we were blessed with the good fortune of good weather to celebrate the 75th anniversary of "The High" and South High School.

This celebration coincided with an Athletic Boosters Fun Run, a Band/Choir Boosters Pancake Breakfast, the annual Mother's Club Flower Sale, an alumni band performance on the front lawn, various athletic contests and tournaments, an Athletic Boosters Dedication at the Blue Devils Plaza, our 75th anniversary dedication and ceremony, and finally, the alumni reception sponsored by the Mother's Club.

Guest speakers for the dedication ceremony were Dr. Suzanne Klein, superintendent of schools; Rep. Edward Gaffney; David Minnick, student association president; and Chet Sampson, former school board member and staff member. Chet relayed sever-

al stories from the countless trips of Grosse Pointe students to California and the homes of movie stars of that era. It was especially gratifying to see former students from the 1940s, 1950s, and 1960s kibitz with Chet about those memorable trips.

The ceremony and reception that followed were attended by numerous alumni of this great high school, punctuated by the attendance of Mr. Hank Auch, a member of the first graduating class in 1928.

Please allow me to use this space to publicly thank the following people for their assistance in making this another memorable event in the history of this school.

- Jayne Vallee, president of the Mother's Club; and Mary Wolking, president-elect of the Mother's Club.

- Cathy Leverenz, chairperson of the 75th anniversary.

- Mark Fragel, Booster Club president.

- Pat and Shelley Wagner, president of the Choir Boosters.

- Bill Wrobel, president of the Band Boosters.

- Ellen Bowen and mem-

bers of the South choir.

- Dan White and the alumni orchestra.

- Dan Vicary and his crew.

- Steve Geresy and the TV production crew.

- South custodians and engineers.

- Tina Mayk and Tudi Harwood, liaisons for South High School for the entire ceremony.

- Robin Harnett and student performers with the Blue Dolphins.

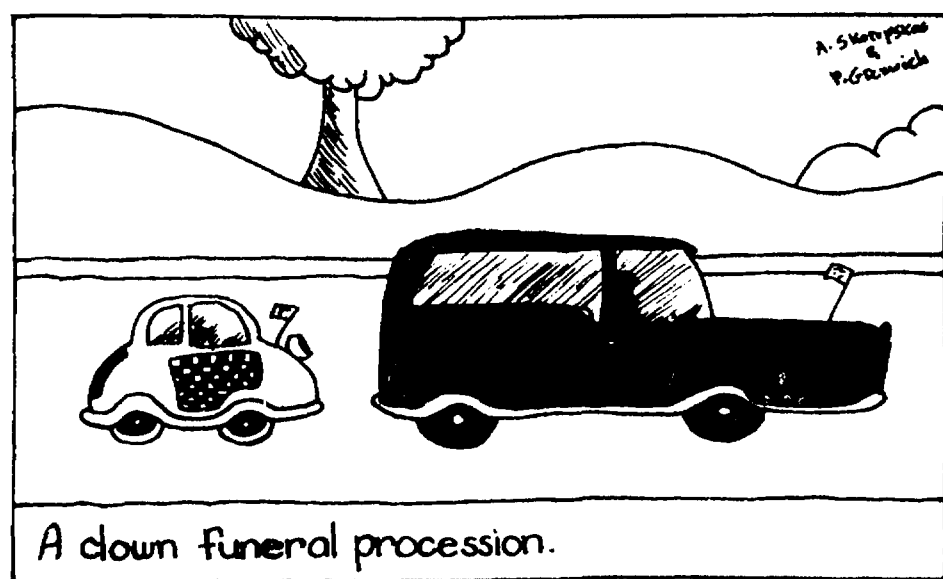
- Jacqueline Whelan and South students who designed the banner.

- Hilary Zaranek, student artist.

This celebration was a major event in South's history. It would have been impossible without the combined efforts of everyone on this list along with countless volunteers.

My sincere appreciation goes out to anyone affiliated with the celebration of our anniversary.

D. Allan Diver
Principal
Grosse Pointe South
High School



A down funeral procession.

I saw him

Last month, I went to Italy for the first time in my life. A trip called "The Hill Towns of Tuscany," took us to Siena, Pienza, Montalcino, Arezzo, Cortona, Volterra, San Gimignano, the Chianti region and (tah daaaaah!) Florence.

I've always wanted to visit Florence, a city jammed cheek-to-jowl with oodles of Europe's most historic, famous and beautiful art, sculpture and architecture. Florence has frescoes, sculpture, buildings, history, paintings, fountains, statues.

Michelangelo's "David" is in Florence — the real David, plus a couple of copies for good measure.

Florence is packed with more museums and treasures and works of art than one person could view,

absorb and appreciate in a couple of lifetimes. Most are so huge, you have to step back and look up to take them all in.

David was like that. It took 62 years for me to get to Florence. We went straight to the Galleria dell'Accademia to see David.

He is more magnificent than I imagined. He is fantastic. That Michelangelo had a way with marble.

We also went to the Uffizi to see famous old stuff by artists we had heard or read about — Botticelli, Titian, Giotto, Michelangelo, Da Vinci, Lorenzetti, Andrea della Robbia, Bronzino, Raphael and more.

We found some surprises, too.

Museums in Florence, like all museums, are dynamic. They're always changing. Curators are moving things around, changing the lighting, borrowing and loaning



I Say

Margie Reins Smith

things, tweaking and enhancing how each work of art is displayed.

David was getting cleaned up for his 500th birthday. Each evening, after the museum closes, a mobile lift and crane are wheeled up to the big guy and workers continue giving the 16-foot 5-inch David the first bath he's had in 130 years. In the morning, David's bath equipment is taken away so his adoring fans can gape and oooh and ahhh.

While moseying around the Uffizi, occasionally we

found ourselves gazing at a blank wall or a bare alcove or an unoccupied pedestal.

Small framed placards beside the missing works of art explained in English and Italian that the items were on loan to this or that museum in such and such a city.

More than once we noted placards that read: "On loan to the Detroit Institute of Arts."

Doggone it, after waiting for 62 years, I finally get to visit Florence. I get into the Uffizi, only to find that some of the best stuff is back

home in Detroit where I live. "Magnificenza!"

The Medici, Michelangelo and the Art of Late Renaissance Florence" will be at our own DIA only a few more weeks. On Sunday, June 8, the DIA sends all 176 items, including nine created by Michelangelo, back to Italy.

Speaking of travel, I have tons of good things to say about Elderhostel, a non-profit educational and travel organization for adults 55 and older. The Hill Towns of Tuscany excursion was my first experience with Elderhostel.

Elderhostel guided us (and 40 other people from all over the United States) to the hill towns and back without a hitch. In comfort, too. And convenience. And style. With assistance for all the nitpicky day-to-day arrangements and details that are time-consuming

necessities while traveling in another country.

Elderhostel — perhaps because of the "hostel"-thing that is part of its name — is widely misunderstood.

It's nothing like youth hosteling. It's not like roughing it. It's not like camping, although Elderhostel does offer some camping experiences for those who want them.

I'm not an enthusiastic camper. White-water rafting sounds like fun. So does sailing, bicycling, hiking, canoeing and other outdoorsy stuff like tromping through a rain forest on a sunny day or climbing a small, friendly mountain.

At the end of the travel day, however, I want a long, hot shower, a glass of chilled white wine, an excellent hot meal served on real china plates with real forks and

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The Op-Ed Page



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by Ben Burns



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Streetwise

Question of the Week:

What is something special you like to do for yourself?



By Suzy Berschback



Marian Frame

"I like to ride my horse."

— Marian Frame, Grosse Pointe Woods.



Lori Shoemaker

"A facial is one of my favorite things to do."

— Lori Shoemaker, Grosse Pointe Farms.



Alison Colosi

"Go for a run!"

— Alison Colosi, Grosse Pointe Farms.



Debbie Caputo

"Take a bath and a nap in that order."

— Debbie Caputo, Grosse Pointe Farms.



Rebecca VanWalleghem

"Nothing better than a manicure and a pedicure."

— Rebecca VanWalleghem, Grosse Pointe Farms.



Lyndsey Briggs

"Take a long walk by myself and enjoy the quiet."

— Lyndsey Briggs, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Next week we are asking the men...

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Is it art?

To look at the Children's Home of Detroit main campus tucked neatly into a residential setting in Grosse Pointe Woods, you wouldn't think of it as a place that harbors revolutionary ideas.

But that is exactly what the home has done throughout its more than 165-year history. It has prided itself on launching new programs that work to bring troubled children into the mainstream. Its staff, counselors, directors and board care more about the results than the method.

CHD's latest venture into



Ben Burns

the unusual is to invite Detroit artist Tyree Guyton of Heidelberg Project fame to the tree-lined setting on Cook Road to teach the young residents about his art vision.

Some of you out there are asking, "What art vision?" I would remind you that art is in the eye of the beholder.

Others may be asking, "Tyree, who?" You deserve a little background.

Guyton became famous for attaching junk to the sides of abandoned houses on Heidelberg Street on Detroit's east side. He painted some of the objects with polka-dots and splashes of raw color.

For those of you who now say, "That's not art," I would point out you have company. Former Mayor Coleman A. Young, respond-

ing to the outcry of concerned neighbors, had four of Guyton's decorated derelict houses bulldozed in 1991.

And no less a journalistic icon than Helen Thomas, the first lady of the White House Press corps, has no good things to say about Guyton's efforts. Of course, that could be because as part of his assemblage he fastened an old toilet to the side of the house she grew up in on Heidelberg.

Be that as it may, CHD and the Heidelberg Project are sponsoring a series of art classes for the students called "Connecting-the-Dots," to encourage creativity and cooperation among its girl residents.

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Points about the Pointes

Grosse Pointe's Greatest Garage Sale....
a Great Tradition May End this Weekend!



One of the annual Grosse Pointe traditions that we all have come to look forward to is the Grosse Pointe's Greatest Garage Sale. Hundreds of vendors from the Pointes and around the country will display their wares in the Jacobson's Parking Structure this Sunday and Monday, 10AM to 5PM.

This massive undertaking has been put together every year by the Grosse Pointe Village Association, a group of merchants in the Village who work diligently to provide Pointers with the high level of individual service and community support that we as shoppers find so lacking in this age of mass merchandisers. Unfortunately, this year may be the last year for this annual event as we have come to know it, as many of the proposals for the redevelopment of the Jacobson's building also propose utilizing the land of the parking structure.

Last year when at the sale, our New Ideas Marketing Department (my sons, Alex, Scott and Jonathan) asked if they could set up a booth for Speedi Photo, so we'll be there with many unadvertised specials this weekend. It may be your last chance to enjoy this fine Grosse Pointe tradition. Hope to see you there!

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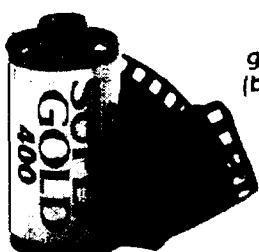
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Do you remember when?

Dan LaLonde, owner of LaLonde Jewelers on The Hill in Grosse Pointe Farms, found this old photo in his back storeroom. Do you remember where this scene occurred and the photographer? Let us know by dropping a line to: Editor, 96 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236; fax: (313) 882-1585; e-mail: editor@grossepointenews.com. If we choose your response, we will print in the Grosse Pointe News for everyone's edification, and you will win two ice cream cones courtesy of Freezing Pointe Ice Cream & Candy Shop on The Hill.

Woods Warriors swim team to camp at Lake Front Park

Lake Front Park will be swimming with nighttime visitors at a date to be determined this summer.

The privilege stems from a request by Michael Luberto, chairman of the Grosse Pointe Woods swim team parent committee, to let members of the Woods Warriors team enjoy a night of camping.

"The swim team will have only two home meets this season, instead of three," Luberto wrote in his request to the city council. "As a result, there will only be two picnics during the regulars. We would like to hold a camp out at the park after one away meet."

"I have no objections since the committee guarantees an adequate number of chaperones," recommended Melissa Warnack, recreation supervisor. "Other Grosse Pointes have held similar events for their swim teams

and have had positive feedback."

"This is a way to reward an outstanding group of kids who compete at swimming with other cities," said Eric Steiner, council member.

Parents will supervise Warriors by a ratio of one adult to every four or five teammates, according to Luberto.

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knives and spoons, and a dry, warm bed INSIDE a building.

I want a private bathroom. I want electricity, running water and convenient transportation. I want a guide to assist me through unfamiliar territory, provide me with information and answer my questions.

Friends imagined I would return from this Elderhostel excursion grumpy. They thought I would complain of dingy stripped-down college dorm-style rooms, rickety ramshackle beds, community bathrooms and institutional food.

That's not Elderhostel. The organization apparently knows that its over-55 clients want a travel experience that doesn't let them waste time stumbling about trying to figure out how to

"Some parents, working in shifts, would remain awake throughout the night," he said.

A pancake breakfast will follow.

Campers won't cost the city anything.

"The event will be funded with monies saved from having one less picnic," Luberto said.

use the subway or where to find the nearest ATM.

During our two-week trip, we attended seven two-hour afternoon lectures, talks presented by college professors and local experts on topics pertaining to our trip, subjects like overviews of Sienese art, Tuscan traditions, Renaissance literature, contemporary Italian society, Italian politics and Etruscan civilization.

On the day we visited the church of one of the 17 contrade districts of Siena, for example, we had already seen a video and heard a lecture about the Palio, a bareback horse race held twice a year in the Piazza del Campo.

The pageantry of the Palio has its pros and cons, its controversies and rivalries, its good side and its bad side.

Oh, did I mention that David was magnificent?

I backed way, way up; I looked way, way up; and I walked all the way around him.

David doesn't have a "bad" side.

FYI

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A few weeks into the project the teachers are receiving additional artistic works painted outside the classroom by the girls. One 17-year-old said, "I didn't want to come because we already have art, but I didn't know it would be like this."

Another asked if they could have the classes more often.

"I never thought about painting a shoe and making it look like I feel today," one girl told a CHD counselor, who then asked how she was feeling. "Today, I'm kinda blue," the girl replied.

"Needless to say her shoe was beautiful shades of blue and purple," the counselor reported. "At first she didn't like the class because she thought art was just about good feelings. I explained that this is what life is all about."

You can get a chance to view the work of these artistic "Daughters of Tyree" by visiting the campus during the Open House/Garden Tour week-end of June 21 and 22 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Bob DuRant Trio will provide music both days from 1 to 3 p.m. and Caribou Coffee

and Dunkin' Donuts will provide refreshments.

The Grosse Pointe Garden Center will have a garden boutique and the Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society will have a booth, but be careful around those animal lovers because you might go home with a cat or a dog.

And while you are there, look around you for the CHD revolutionaries. They are a little hard to spot because they are dressed like most other Grosse Pointers as they work to convince troubled children of their value in the world. And if Tyree Guyton helps make that happen for a single child, we should all agree that is an art worth preserving.

Bit part

Annie Hull, a Georgetown University student, called her parents, Roger and Jean Hull of Grosse Pointe Farms recently to advise them she had a role in the popular television drama, "West Wing." You missed her? She was in a crowd scene for an episode leading up to the season-ending kidnapping of the president's daughter. Reportedly the last time Georgetown made it big

was when they filmed "The Exorcist" at a home on campus. To this day, visitors ask to see the house.

Red Wings fan

Chip Molitar, son of Virginia and Art Molitar of the Shores, leads a double life when the Detroit Red Wings are in action.

By day the Woods resident is manager of budgeting and goal setting in the Michigan branch administration for Comerica Bank. By night he is a volunteer "in the press box working with the play-by-play commentators and color analysts, keeping statistics for out-of-town TV crews."

Chip, who has worked with the Wings since the 1995-96 season, was written up recently in the Comerica Spectrum.

His fondest memories? "Being part of the three Stanley Cup celebrations over the past few years. Celebrating in the locker room and drinking Champagne from the Cup."

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Chet

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Pointe store, and I accepted.

A year later, I built my own office on the "Hill." The building now has another travel service in it.

Many years ago, I allowed an English University exchange student to drive on a Western tour. You can imagine my pleasure and surprise by learning recently that he was knighted by Queen Elizabeth two years ago. I suggested to him, that it was probably because he survived one of my Western tours. He was a member of their "Supreme Court," though I believe they call it the "Royal Court." We're getting together this month.

I did have another pleasure, as a member of the Grosse Pointe Rotary Club, of having them agree to sponsor a European exchange student at Grosse Pointe High School — it was not called Grosse Pointe South then. Mrs. Adams, a former Mother's Club president, hosted him. Now exchange students have become very popular.

You may know that one of my major reasons for getting on the school board, was to lead a campaign to get a new auditorium-gymnasium, at Grosse Pointe High School. I worked with the students to make a survey of how our school's gym compared to other Class A high schools. We had responses to our survey from almost 150 Class A schools, and as we expected, we were the worst. Bob Edgar was happy to run a huge cover story on that survey, and we knew we would win the school bond election which followed.

That's when I promised the students I'd get some interesting guests for the dedication. Bing Crosby almost accepted, but then we realized that a younger guest would be more welcome.

I was invited to dinner at Debbie Reynolds' home one evening, and offered two of my home-made pies for the occasion. After dinner, I mentioned to Debbie that she had met so many of our students, that she might be willing to come to the dedication of the gym. She turned to Eddie and he said "Whatever you wish, Honey."

They helped to set the final date, as they had a Command Performance before the Queen of England scheduled. They came directly from that performance — their only two shows of that season. They did not accept a single penny. My pies had worked a spell...smile.

We first had a dinner party at my home (yes, I cooked it), and had the coaching staff as guests. We then drove to the dedication. They did a show and gave one of our girl's mothers a great experience as their accompanist.

The next day, Mrs. Edgar gathered all the Girl Scouts around for a private meeting. The scouts wanted to put her through a ceremony that is common, I guess, to Girl Scouts, and they asked me to crown her "Queen of the Daisies." It was on the front page of a Detroit paper the next day.

We also had a luncheon for her at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, and Rev. Paul Ketchum, offered the "grace."

One thing I did not mention. Upon graduation from high school in 1933, the worst year of the depression, I won two scholarships which made it possible for me to complete college, with some jobs on the side — usually waiting on tables.

I had decided I wished to reciprocate; so when I joined the school board, I turned over the \$400 salary to the high school for scholarships

and added much more. In some years I offered enough for two scholarships, one to each January and June class. I did that for many years, and one of the winners was Verne Istock. He also drove on that summer's Western tour. As you probably know, he went on from being top man at the National Bank of Detroit to top man at Bank One, the fifth or sixth largest bank in the country. He has told me it put him through his first two years of college. He now offers scholarships too.

As a high-school student, I had been president of our Hi-Y Club that was sponsored in many schools by the Young Men's Christian Association. I had even been invited to an Upper Michigan Hi-Y training program in those years.

I had volunteered to be the sponsor of a Hi-Y Club at Grosse Pointe High School and had taken members of that and a second club, on tours to Mackinac Island, on ski tours, to the Smoky Mountain National Park, and the Bluegrass region of Kentucky.

It came to my attention that the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Hi-Y Clubs was taking place in 1952, so I volunteered to sponsor and arrange for that big gathering of Hi-Y clubs for the entire state of Michigan. The delegates stayed at the homes of our members.

The weekend consisted of a wide range of activities: Seminars on various subjects offered by Grosse Pointe leaders, entertainment, a dance with the "Y-Teens" as hostesses, a carnival and countless other activities. I believe 600 boys attended the gathering, and local YMCA leaders rated it the best they had ever experienced.

I had assigned the boys as chairmen of every phase of the convention, and they gained a great deal of valuable lessons from the experience.

That's enough reminiscing... but you can see I loved my years in Grosse Pointe.

Nothing mulch changes in Grosse Pointe Woods

Ground EFX has been awarded a \$16,737.50 contract to provide mulching services for Grosse Pointe Woods municipal gardens and landscaping.

"Ground EFX has worked in the city before, performing this service last year. Their work was satisfactory," said Joseph Ahee, director of public works.

Based on the company's work record and low bid, which edged out a competitor by \$99.50, the Macomb County company got the nod for another year.

Mulch is used in gardening to retain moisture around plants, maintain an even soil temperature and discourage weed growth.



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The purpose of the survey will be to evaluate the organization's compliance with nationally established Joint Commission standards. The survey results will be used to determine whether, and the conditions under which accreditation should be awarded the organization.

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G.P. Park's two parks are loaded with activities

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Staff from now when Kevin Cotter, 18, graduates from Purdue University and works long hours as an aeronautical engineer, he might think back on his teenage years lifeguarding in Grosse Pointe Park as the good old days.

But not today. It's cool and cloudy. Warmup pants and hooded sweatshirts replace swimsuits and sun block.

The 70-degree pools at Windmill Pointe Park need cleaning. Trash cans need scrubbing. Lounge chairs need washing. Cotter is part of a pre-season crew of veteran guards assigned the unglamorous duty of getting things ready for the pool to open Saturday, May 24.

About the only thing guards don't have to clean this year are the locker rooms and showers.

"They're new," said guard Kellie Sine, 20, home from Aquinas College where she's leaning toward a teaching major.

Sine was referring to the new Dolores and Paul Lavins Activities Center. In addition to a bathroom, the two-story building contains the Meade Fitness Center, McKeever Recreation Lounge, Okulski Theatre and full-court basketball court that can be divided for two simultaneous activities. There's also an indoor walking path.

Cotter expects the center will pack in park-goers.

"It's going to be an exciting year," he said.

The center has allowed Park recreation officials to schedule extra activities this year.

"There's going to be a lot more for residents," said Terri Soloman, park director.

Dale Krajniak, city manager, said, "Residents will have year-round recreational opportunities. The ice rink (at Patterson Park) helped toward that end, but the activities center will benefit people of all ages throughout the year."

The building's pool facilities open Memorial Day weekend.

"From May 27 through June 15 people can have a staff member provide a tour," said Tina Lopiccolo in her new job as facility supervisor.

Beginning June 21, the city will raffle a one-year membership to the facility's fitness center, a DVD player, and two baskets of health food. Lopiccolo said the raffle was made possible by a donation from Standard Federal Bank.

Park hours

From Memorial Day through Labor Day, Windmill Pointe Park, located on 10 acres at the foot of Windmill Pointe Drive, is open 7 a.m. to 11 p.m.

At Three Mile Park, a less developed 22-acre facility at the foot of Three Mile Drive and Essex, hours during the same period are 7 a.m. to dusk.

Weather permitting, the concession stand at Windmill is open weekends from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Memorial Day through Labor Day; weekdays until school lets out from 4 to 9 p.m.; and weekdays from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., from June 16 through Sept. 1.



Kevin Cotter, a lifeguard in Grosse Pointe Park, cleans the Windmill Pointe Park swimming pool in preparation for Memorial Day weekend.

Park passes

Admission to municipal parks is by pass issued at the public service department in the basement of city hall, at the corner of Jefferson and Maryland.

Park features

Windmill Pointe Park is the city's main park, containing a beyond-Olympic-sized swimming pool, wading pool, four lighted regulation tennis courts, picnic

areas, horseshoe pits, two sand volleyball courts, concession stand and a 268-well marina that handles boats up to 55 feet long.

A fishing pier jutting into Lake St. Clair puts anglers and sightseers within feet of Tuesday night sailboat races sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Sail Club. Races begin May 27.

Also at Windmill, the Tompkins Community Center is the site of many programs. The building can be booked for private functions. For reservations call (313) 822-2812.

Patterson Park, commonly called Three Mile Park, provides a more laid-back setting. A landscaped nature trail has exercise stations

for either wandering or working out. The lighted George H. Helm boardwalk ranges along a shoreline landscaped with rock gardens and wildflowers.

The Bob Hutton Reflective Fountain, which doubles as a lighted skating rink in winter, is landscaped with flowers and ringed with benches for solitude and contemplation.

Many elective activities sponsored by the city involve a fee. For more information, call the recreation office at the telephone number listed below.

Pool hours

Windmill's main pool opens May 24 and operates Monday 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Tuesday through Sunday from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. The wading pool is open each day from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

The Patterson wading pool is open seven days per week from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Pools close Labor Day.

Windmill Park

pool activities

American Red Cross swimming lessons will be offered in three, two-week sessions: June 16-27, July 7-18 and July 28-Aug. 8. Classes range from beginner to helping swimmers polish their strokes.

Other activities include diving classes and synchronized swimming (needs at least 10 students).

Early morning laps. If at least 15 people sign up, early lap sessions will be scheduled at 6 a.m., twice per week starting June 17. Sign up at the activity center's new lifeguard station.

Water aerobics begin in August.

Registration for scuba classes for participants at least 10 years old will take place on Saturday, June 7,

from 9 to 11:30 a.m.

Swim team

Members of the Mutant Swim team must be 17 years old or younger. Tryouts are scheduled Sunday, June 1. A parents meeting will be held from 4 to 4:30 p.m., with tryouts from 5 to 6 p.m.

Other activities

Tennis classes for beginners through adults have been scheduled in three sessions: June 16-27, July 7-18 and July 28-Aug. 8.

Knapsackers, a group for children 3 to 6 years old, has a summertime focus on arts and crafts, games, stories, swimming and fun.

Knapsackers meet Wednesdays at Patterson Park, except in case of rain, when they transfer to the Tompkins Center.

Adult co-ed volleyball league applicants must sign up by June 8, at 11 p.m.

The sand volleyball tournament includes three-on-three and four-on-four competition.

Grand fishing rodeo for anglers 15 and under takes place at Patterson Park on Saturday, June 21, from 9 to 11:30 a.m. Sign up by June 15 at either park gate house.

Senior citizen cards and game day, the second Wednesday of every month, takes place 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Tompkins Center June 14, July 9, Aug. 13 and Sept. 10.

There's much more: evening concerts June 18, July 16 and Aug. 20; the annual summer gathering offering activities of all kinds the evening of Aug. 2, a windsurfing regatta, three-on-three basketball tournament and more.

Call the Windmill Pointe Park office at (313) 822-2812 for more information, including registration costs and schedules.

Two lost as boat flounders

Park sailors help save father and son, 7

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Searchers' hopes drifted downstream with the unsettled current early Sunday afternoon looking for sport fishermen whose small boat overturned in a choppy corner of Lake St. Clair off Grosse Pointe Park.

The outlook dwindled for two missing Detroit residents believed carried into the Detroit River by frigid, white-capped waters.

Civilian rescuers from the Park saved three occupants of the motorized 14-foot rowboat that flipped with water at about 11:30 a.m., May 18. The rented craft capsized a few feet off the eastern, upstream, Windmill Pointe Park breakwall.

Presumed drowned are Bruce Cain, 20 and Lamont Evans, 10. Survivors are Michael Ward, 39; his 7-year-old son Michael Jr.; and Sergio Stevens, 33. All are from Detroit.

Twenty-four hours after Cain was seen for the last time, his sister Bridgett Whitehead waited with family members around a picnic table under the fresh leaves of a shade tree at the quiet, lakeside park. They hoped for good news.

"We want his body recovered so we have closure," Whitehead said. "We're praying. Our strength is depending on God."

Officers with the Detroit Police dive team were insulated wet suits while searching murky, eight-foot deep water. Divers groped hand-by-hand in visibility less than one foot.

"This was awful. Nobody should have died," said Michael Dodge, a sailor from Grosse Pointe Park who helped save the father and son.

Dodge is a former tall ship officer. He has been responsible for crew safety during deadly conditions in the North Atlantic and North Sea.

Sunday morning, Dodge was preparing to crew Tom Fraser's green-hulled sloop, C.F. Pickle, in the first race of the season.

Before shoving off early to test a new set of sails, Dodge stepped onto Windmill's east dock to put on foul weather gear. An east wind estimated at 15 knots hit him in the face and made the 50-degree water boil under cold, gray skies.

"That's when I heard the screams," he said. "It was a young boy shrieking in panic."

About 40 feet off the breakwall, where even on calm days stiff currents funnel clumsily downstream into the Detroit River, Dodge saw the aluminum boat being swamped. He saw four of five people on board wearing inexpensive life jackets.

"The bow was up; the stern was down; the guy in back was bailing frantically with an enormous bucket," Dodge said.

He shouted to the boaters, reassuring them to stay calm and everything would be OK.

A trio of chaotic waves hit the fishermen broadside one, two three. The boat lurched starboard and flipped.

"It turtled quickly," Dodge said. "People on the port side were pitched several feet into the water."

"Almost immediately

Mike and Matt Morman (another Pickle crewman) jumped off the wall into the water," said Tom Fraser, Pickle's skipper. "I went to get lines."

Wind and waves pushed the victims to within a life-saving 15 feet of the breakwall. The structure is outfitted with steel ladders for just such emergencies.

Dodge looked into the eyes of one of the victims, probably Cain.

"He stared at me, his arms outstretched," Dodge remembered. "A wave washed over him and he never came up. He never took a stroke."

Cain's aunt, Tammy Burton, was surprised her nephew had gone boating.

"He didn't care for boats," she said, waiting at the picnic table.

Dodge jumped in the water. Visibility was zero. "The water was as thick as brown paint," he said.

He grabbed the 7-year-old, who was inches under the surface clutching a life jacket that had slipped off.

"I got the boy and went back down," Dodge said.

About 90 seconds had passed since he heard the boy scream.

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Dos and don'ts of Grosse Pointe Woods Lake Front Park

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

For Grosse Pointe Woods residents, visiting their lakeside park is like vacationing out of town.

The landlocked Woods has its Lake Front Park in St. Clair Shores.

The inland portion of Lake Front's 55 acres includes an expansive swimming pool, including wading pool and water slide, picnic areas, tennis courts and concession stand.

Lakeside, the park has a jungle gym, boardwalk, gazebo and large open grassy area that in winter is flooded for ice skating.

A few hundred feet from the landscaped shoreline, a year-round activities building provides half-court basketball, aerobic exercise machines and game tables.

Much of the park boundary is marked by a paved, lighted walking path complete with lane designations painted in roadway yellow. The Milk River bisects park grounds and serves as a marina maintained through dockage fees, not taxes.

Woods officials plan to keep people in line this year with updated regulations.

A list of don'ts are outlined on one page of small type divided into two main sections containing 10 sub-sections, 66 sub-sub-sections, three sub-sub-sub-sections and five sub-sub-sub-sub-sections ending with "The City expressly reserves the right

to refuse, revoke or cancel any park pass for non-observance of violations."

Park passes

Residents must display a pass to enter the park. Registration takes place at the city hall community center, 20025 Mack.

Each pass holder is entitled to admit non-resident guests up to a seasonal limit as indicated on the park pass.

Park hours

Park hours from May 1 through Oct. 31 are:

- Sunday through Thursday, 6 a.m. to 11 p.m.;
- Friday and Saturday, 6 a.m. to 1 a.m.

The pool office, located in the combined bathhouse and meeting room building pool side, is open year-round, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Pool hours

- 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., seven days per week from May 24 through Sept. 1;
- Noon to 8 p.m., Monday through Friday from May 27 through June 12;
- Adults can swim laps early mornings from 6:30 to 9 a.m., June 13 through Aug. 30.

Special events

Numerous special events have been scheduled throughout summer:

- Annual perch fishing

derby, Saturday, June 21, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Register June 2-19.

- Outdoor family movie and camp-out, Saturday, June 19, at 8 p.m.

Register for the camp-out July 7-17 by calling (313) 343-2470.

The movie will be shown at full dark.

- Pool side music.

Although park regulations don't prohibit the playing of music pool side, the following dates have been set aside for doing so: June 21, July 4 and 20, Aug. 2, 17 and

30.

- Swimming under the stars:

Swim by moonlight while a disc jockey spins tunes on teen night, July 11, and family night, July 25.

- Annual city picnic, family movie night and camp-out:

Activities take place on Saturday, Aug. 2, beginning with afternoon fun and a reprise of the popular movie and camp-out.

Register July 21-31 by calling (313) 343-2470.

Classes

Swim lessons, diving lessons, water aerobics reading, tennis, basketball and more will be taught during three sessions scheduled for June 16-27 (register June 7-10), July 7-18 (register June 28-July 1) and July 28-Aug. 8 (register July 19-22).

Registration in person at the park bathhouse office.

Swim team

Swim team registration ends Thursday, May 22, at 5 p.m. Evaluations are scheduled May 28-29, with practice beginning May 30.

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Walk Michigan

Walkers can complete on circuit around the walking path and become eligible for an expense-paid trip for two to Mission Pointe Resort on Mackinaw Island during Labor Day weekend.

For more information about Lake Front Park and other recreational options offered through Grosse Pointe Woods, call the Park Front Park pool office at (313) 343-2470.

Lost

From page 10A

An adult victim dressed in shorts and a T-shirt clung to the bouncing, overturned boat. Fraser threw him a line and pulled him to the breakwall.

"They guy was in shock and hypothermic," Fraser said. "He couldn't grip the rungs on the ladder."

Dodge helped fellow sailor Morman get a line around the man and hoist him ashore. He was the father of the rescued 7-year-old.

Two U.S. Coast Guard boats searched until dusk.

"The Coast Guard did a smart thing," Fraser said. "They let debris alone to determine the drift line."

Fraser watched three life

jackets and seat cushions float down the river.

A helicopter deployed from Selfridge Air National Guard Base in Mount Clemens. No bodies were found. A medic from Grosse Pointe Farms stood by but had no one to tend.

Monday afternoon, Detroit police divers continued searching the rocky bottom two-by-two in a grid pattern.

Dave Hiller, Park chief of public safety, said bodies could remain submerged a week, depending on water temperature and wave action.

As of Monday afternoon, no one had been found. Penciled Xs marked spots about half way along the breakwall where divers

found debris on the rocky lake bed, including a fishing pole and related gear.

Dodge characterized the tragedy as a compilation of cascading mistakes.

"Every single thing they did went wrong," he said of the boaters. "What happened was total inexperience."

Witnesses said the victims' boat appeared overloaded and unseaworthy. It was navigating dangerous waters made extra rough by wind-whipped waves merging after deflection off two 90-degree breakwalls.

"That was the worst place they could have gone," Dodge said. "It's an unsheltered area where water piles up in an east wind."

John Schulte, Park

deputy director of public safety and lifelong pleasure boater, is familiar with the dangers off Windmill Pointe Park.

"I go up and down the river and see people," he said. "Their boats are overloaded. They don't have enough personal flotation devices. They just don't know how quickly they can get into trouble. You know they're heading for an exit. There were children victims here. Our hearts go out to the families."

Helping save a father and son didn't let Dodge overcome the grief of seeing others slip away.

"There's no victory here, only failures," he said. "The troubling part is that I kept telling them they'd be OK."

Lemon staff car won't make lemonade

A garage-bound lemon deemed "undependable" for routine transportation by a Grosse Pointe Woods staff member has been discarded to the public safety department.

The car, a two-year-old Pontiac Bonneville that has Mr. Goodwrench working overtime, was taken off the hands of the city comptroller this week and handed to the detective bureau.

Comptroller Clifford Maisson said the car has been a problem since day one.

Repairs haven't cost the city anything except inconvenience because it's still under warranty.

"The vehicle has experienced several mechanical failures," Maisson said in a written request to have the car replaced ahead of schedule. "Each time the vehicle has been repaired by the dealer at no cost to the city. (P)roblems still exist."

The Woods city council provides cars for certain department heads. The Bonneville previously had been assigned to Ted Bidigare, city administrator, according to Councilman Eric Steiner.

Maisson wasn't due a new model until next year. A unanimous city council this week approved early purchase of a \$22,336 replacement.

"The vehicle at this time is undependable and used only to commute to and from work," Maisson wrote April 2.

Although chronic attempts to make the car dependable have proven futile, city officials said the car's unreliability won't hamper emergency service.

"It will just be used to run detectives from the police station to crime scenes for follow-up investigations," Steiner said.

"The vehicle will be replaced when the director of public safety purchases a new vehicle in the 2004/05 fiscal year," according to Maisson.

— Brad Lindberg



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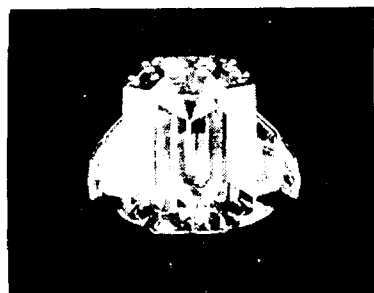
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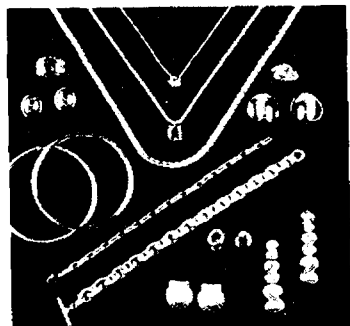
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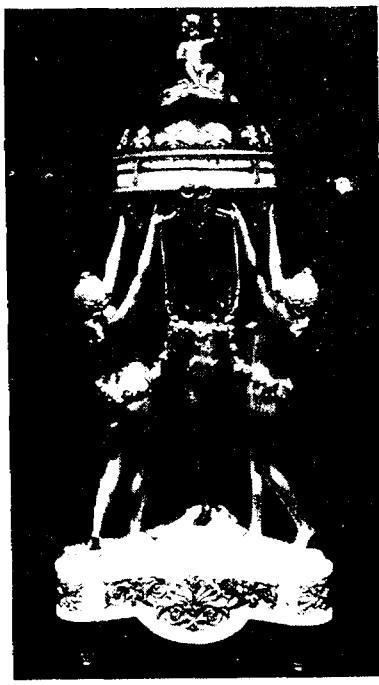
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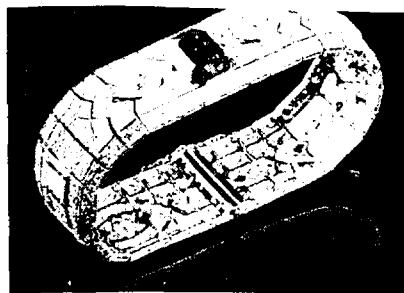
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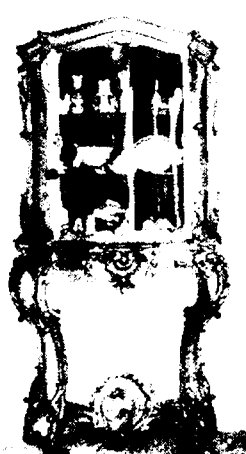
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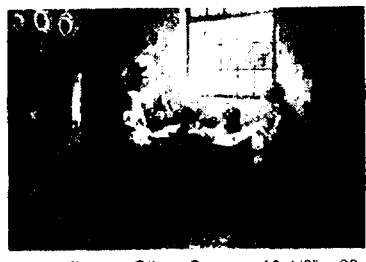
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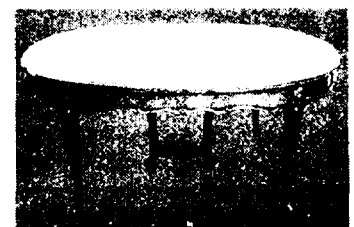
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Alice Dearborn Brown
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Former Grosse Pointe resident Alice Dearborn Brown, 87, of East Lansing, passed away on Saturday, April 5, 2003, at the Burcham Hills Nursing Care Center in East Lansing.

Born in 1916 in Philadelphia, Pa., Mrs. Brown was a beloved teacher in the Grosse Pointe Public School System.

Her career began as a substitute and ended as a kindergarten teacher at Trombly Elementary School. Mrs. Brown left the school system in 1983 with over 21 years of service.

She was also a very active member of the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, having served as a deacon and member of the church choir.

She is survived by her three children, Bill (Paula) Brown of Grosse Pointe Woods, Gary Brown and Linda (Ed) Sampson; eight grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and her dear friend, Roy Schleicher.

She was predeceased by her infant sister, Evelyn Dearborn.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, May 24, at 1 p.m. at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church.

Interment is in the church's columbarium.

Arrangements were made by the Palmer Bush Lansing Chapel.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church Library.

G. Bruce Feighner

Grosse Pointe Woods resident, G. Bruce Feighner, 82, passed away on Tuesday, May 13, 2003, at St. John

Hospital. Born in Detroit, Mr. Feighner was raised in Royal Oak.

After his 1942 graduation from Albion College, Mr. Feighner served in the U.S. Army in the South Pacific and in the initial occupation force in Japan during World War II. In 1945, he was honored with a Bronze Star Medal.

Following his Army discharge, Mr. Feighner began a 40-year career in education.

He earned his master's degree from Wayne State University and did post-graduate studies at Michigan State University.

Mr. Feighner taught choral music at Royal Oak High School, and was quickly promoted to the coordinator of vocal music for the district.

Later, he became principal of Royal Oak Jane Adams Junior High.

From 1962-1970, he was principal of Royal Oak Dondero High School.

Mr. Feighner had been the principal of Grosse Pointe North High School for 13 years before his retirement in 1983.

He was extremely active in professional and community activities.

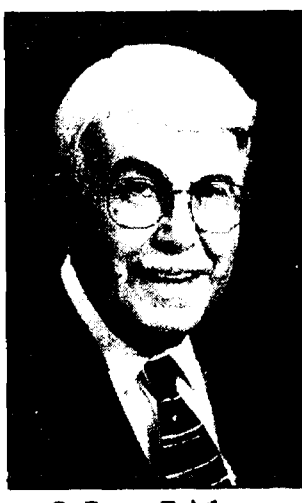
Throughout his career, he held leadership positions in the Michigan Music Educator's Association, the Oakland County Secondary Principal's Association, the Michigan Association of Secondary Principals, and the North Central Association of Schools and Colleges.

In the community, he held office in the Grosse Pointe Rotary Club and was an elder in the Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church.

Additionally, Mr. Feighner organized the Royal Oak Community Concerts Association, the Royal Oak Elks' Lodge Male Chorus and the Michigan Bell Telephone Company Chorale.

He directed the Royal Oak Choral Union and the Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club Chorus, along with being a guest conductor of many other groups.

Mr. Feighner received many awards for his professional and volunteer work. One that he especially treasured was a distinguished alumni award from Albion College.



G. Bruce Feighner

He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Maryhelen Feighner.

A funeral service was held on Friday, May 16, at A.H. Peters Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Interment is in the River Ridge Cemetery in Belding.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church, 19950 Mack Ave., Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236, the Alzheimer's Association, 17220 West 12 Mile Rd., Southfield, MI 48076, or Karmanos Cancer Institute, 110 East Warren Ave., Detroit, MI 48201.

Robert E. Strange

St. Clair Shores and Marco Island, Fla., resident Robert E. Strange, 78, passed away on Friday, April 25, 2003.



Robert E. Strange

Born in Roseville in 1924, Mr. Strange served in the U.S. Marines as a technical sergeant in World War II and the Korean War.

He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Jeanne Strange; his daughter, Janet (Tom) Maynard; his son, Kirk (Cec); and his grandchildren, Shyla, Lorelle, Allison, Bob, Samantha, Jenna, Melissa and Alana.

He was predeceased by his sons, Bob and Jeff.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, May 31, at 11 a.m., at A.H. Peters Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Woods, with a visitation on Friday, May 30, from 4 to 8 p.m.

Interment is in Arlington Cemetery in Virginia.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Salvation Army, 1627 West Fort St., Detroit, MI 48216.

GPW family perch derby is June 21

Yellow perch will be dinner guests on Saturday, June 21, at the Family Perch Derby at Lake Front Park.

The ninth annual fishing contest begins at 9:30 a.m. and ends at 2 p.m. A 3 p.m. weigh-in will take place at the activities building. Only yellow perch can be entered in the competition. In case of a tie, judges will rule.

Hot dogs, potato chips and soda pop will be served after weigh-in.

Entry costs \$10 per person more than 14 years old, \$5 per person 14 and under. Non-fishermen must pay \$3. Entrants must adhere to Michigan fishing licenses, rules and regulations.

Competitors are required to register in advance at the park office. Registration date has not been set. For more information and updates, call the park at (313) 343-2470. In case of rain, the Derby will be held Saturday, June 28.

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Village of Grosse Pointe Shores

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2003/2004 AMENDED GENERAL FUND BUDGET

The Council of the Village of Grosse Pointe Shores will hold a Public Hearing during the regularly scheduled Council meeting, 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 27, 2003. Purpose of the hearing is the adoption of the amended General Fund Budget for fiscal year 2003/2004. The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed amended budget will be the subject of this hearing.

The hearing will take place in the Council Chambers of the Grosse Pointe Shores Municipal Building, 795 Lake Shore Road.

Copies of the proposed budget are available for public inspection at the office of the Village Clerk, 795 Lake Shore Road during normal business hours Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Victoria J. Boyce,

Village Clerk

G.P.N.: 05/22/2003

THE ABSENT VOTER PRECINCT FOR THE GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOLS HAS CHANGED LOCATIONS

THE NEW LOCATION IS

**The Grosse Pointe Public School System
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389 St. Clair Avenue
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Barnes School is no longer the AV Precinct

Absent Voter Applications will be available at all schools

Linda Farmer,

Secretary, Board of Education

G.P.N.: 05/01/2003, 05/08/2003, 05/15/2003 & 05/22/2003

Belle B. Thomas

Boca Raton, Fla., resident Belle B. Thomas, 104, passed away on Sunday, May 18, 2003.

She is survived by her son, William J. Thomas Jr.; her daughter-in-law, Yvonne Thomas; eight grandchildren, Bill Thom, Steven Thom, John C. Thomas Jr., Jeffrey F. Thomas, Laurel Thomas and Bell, Lynda Thomas and

Lisa Thomas Hassmann; 23 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.

She was predeceased by her husband of 63 years, William J. Thomas; her daughter, Mary-Margaret Thom; her son, John C. Thomas; and her granddaughter, Margot Swan.

A funeral service was held on Wednesday, May 21, at Kraer Funeral Homes in Boca Raton, Fla.

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Specifications and bid forms will be available at a **MANDATORY pre-bid meeting** on Thursday, May 29, 2003 at 10:00 a.m., in the receiving room of Maire Elementary School, located at 740 Cadieux, Grosse Pointe, MI. 48230.

Sealed bids will be due **Thursday, June 12, 2003 at 2:00 p.m. eastern daylight time** at the Administration Building of the Grosse Pointe Board of Education, 389 St. Clair Ave., Grosse Pointe, MI. 48230 at which time and place the bids will be opened and publicly read aloud. This project will not be funded by federal or state monies.

Please direct questions to Wayne Halkides, Manager of Buildings and Grounds, (313) 432-3082.

Board of Education

Grosse Pointe Public School System
Linda Farmer, Secretary

G.P.N.: 05/22/2003

City of Grosse Pointe, Michigan

ORDINANCE NO. 339

An ordinance to amend Chapter 56, Retirement, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Grosse Pointe.

THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE ORDAINS:

I. Section 56-50 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Grosse Pointe is amended and restated as follows:

Sec. 56-50. Same - Amount of normal retirement pension under form of payment option SL (straight life).

(a) Subject to subsection (b) of this section, the amount of a normal retirement pension under form of payment option SL is equal to two and one-half (2.5) percent of final average compensation multiplied by credited service. The maximum amount of pension is 75 percent of final average compensation.

(b) If the retirement date is prior to age 55, the amount of pension calculated according to subsection (a) of this section shall be reduced by one-half of one percent for each month and fraction of a month the retirement date precedes age 55. The provisions of this subsection shall not be applied if the pension is for disability or on account of the death of a participant.

II. Miscellaneous Provisions.

(a) **Applicability.** This ordinance shall apply to all proceedings pending and all rights and liabilities existing, acquired, or incurred at the time this ordinance takes effect.

(b) **Severability.** If any word, clause, sentence, paragraph or part of this ordinance shall be found invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of the ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

(c) **Effective Date/Publishing.** This ordinance shall take effect ten days after publication of this ordinance or a synopsis thereof, in a newspaper circulated in the City of Grosse Pointe.

Julle E. Arthurs,

City Clerk

G.P.N.: 5/22/03

City of Grosse Pointe, Michigan

Ordinance No. 338

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 78-143 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE

The City of Grosse Pointe ordains:

1. That Section 78-143 of the Code of the City of Grosse Pointe is hereby amended to read as follows:

78-143 - Water and Sewer Rates. Charges for water service to each premises within the City connected with the water supply system, and charges for sewage disposal service to each premises within the City having any sewer connection with the public sewers, for each quarterly (3 months) period, shall be as follows for bills issued covering the period beginning July 1, 2003 and thereafter.

For water and sewer used, a rate of \$40.00 per thousand cubic feet for all customers.

A minimum combined water/sewerage service charge of 1,300 cubic feet of water consumed per quarter shall be made per dwelling unit or non-residential unit.

For water and sewer used for non-residential customers, a quarterly surcharge equivalent to three months charges from City of Detroit for Industrial Waste Control meter charges as established from time to time by the City of Detroit, Michigan Water and Sewerage Department.

2. The effective date of the within Ordinance No. 338 shall be ten days after date of publication thereof.

Dale N. Scrase,

Mayor

Julle E. Arthurs,

City Clerk

Enacted: May 12, 2003

Published: May 22, 2003

Effective: June 1, 2003

Four compete for two spots on school board

By Jennie Miller
Staff Writer

This year's election of the Grosse Pointe Board of Education will be held on Monday, June 9. Four individuals are competing for two open seats on the school board.



Joan Richardson

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Joan Richardson, of Grosse Pointe Park, is the sole incumbent in this year's race for the Grosse Pointe Board of Education. She has been a member of the school board for four years, serving as treasurer during the 2002-03 school year.

Richardson feels that she

is qualified for the position because of her extensive experience with education.

She has been employed for the past six years as the director of publications for the National Staff Development Council, which includes writing and editing two monthly newsletters for educators, editing a quarterly magazine and managing the association's Web site.

For 15 years, Richardson was employed at the Detroit Free Press, first as an education writer, then as deputy business editor and later assistant editor of The Way We Live.

In 1992, Richardson participated in an intensive two-week study trip to examine schools in Germany and Denmark, through the German Marshall Fund Travel Scholarship.

She has also worked as a freelance writer on education topics for national publications.

She is a board member of the Education Writers Association, a former chair of the staff development action team in the Grosse Pointe Public School System as well as a former board member of the Northeast Guidance Center and a former member of the Principal's Advisory Committee at Defer

Elementary School.

She is also currently writing a book about school improvement.

"I am in touch with what schools do around the country," Richardson said. "I am able to introduce a lot of information to discussions that a lot of the other board members don't have access to. The bottom line is I know I am making a significant contribution."

Richardson feels a strong sense of commitment to many of the projects undertaken by the school board over the past few years.

"I feel an obligation to try and follow through," she said of her decision to seek reelection.

One of these projects is the \$62 million bond issue that was passed by the community last September.

"This is an enormous undertaking for the district," she said. "It would be a pleasure to be around to see all of it happen."

A big issue of concern for Richardson is financing.

"The challenge will be to struggle to maintain our high standards while we are having declining resources," she said. "It is a difficult balance for schools to make, especially for districts like Grosse Pointe, when people are used to excellence and are going to continue demanding excellence. The money that was around before isn't going to be there. It demands creativity and innovation."

Richardson feels the district's financial difficulties come with bad timing. She feels it will be hard for some to understand the difference between the bond money and the operating fund.

She pointed out that while teachers are being laid off, a new pool is being constructed at Grosse Pointe North High School. Richardson feels that community communication is vital at this point.

"We need to become very good at making sure people know what is going on and why it's happening," she said.

Richardson is also interested in the recommendations coming out of the various study committees, especially the ideas of high school teachers working more closely together and the block scheduling at the elementary level.

As for what lies ahead in the future, "It's hard to know what will present itself," Richardson said, adding that she knows it's something she wants to be a part of.



Ahmed Ismail

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Ahmed Ismail, of Grosse Pointe Woods, wants to lend his expertise to the Grosse Pointe Board of Education.

"We've got educators, lawyers and great (parents) on that board but no one who understands the construction and logistics of implementing the (bond) projects," Ismail said.

As the owner of The PHC Companies, a construction consulting firm, as well as Speedi Photo, which has been in Ismail's control since 1971 (then Studio Camera), Ismail feels he is more than qualified to lend his thoughts on project issues to the school board.

Although he has yet to serve on the board, Ismail attends every meeting and doesn't hesitate to speak up during the time allotted for public comments.

"I sit there and take copious notes," he said.

Ismail feels he has an awareness of the school board that is unmatched by any other in the community.

"From my position, there is probably no one else (running for the school board), besides Joan Richardson, who knows more about what's going on on that board (than I)," he said.

Throughout the budgetary process, Ismail has been mainly concerned with "how to best maintain our two assets: the teachers and the facilities."

But he doesn't always agree with some of the decisions made by the school board. He has a problem with what he believes is its inconsistency, and how it is approaching the budgetary process.

"I just don't know how we can justify to the community changing curriculum when we are laying off teachers," he said, adding that "there is a really big concern how much the board office staffing has become bloated."

"I'll be questioning some of these things they usually agree on," Ismail said.

He feels that it is essential that his expertise be used on the school board, given the significant number of bond projects that lie ahead.

"If there were ever a time to have someone on the board who understands the construction process, construction contracts and construction cost control, it is now," he said, adding that as a trustee, he would "help round out the makeup of our school board and maximize the community's investment in our schools."

Ismail's national professional affiliations include the Photo Marketing

Association, the Construction Specifications Institute, the Southeast Michigan Building Inspectors and Officials Association, the Building Officials and Code Administrators Association, and the National Fire Protection Association.

Locally, he is a member of the Business and Professional Association of Mack Avenue and the Business Associates and Retailers Association, as well as a supporter of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, the Neighborhood Club, the Leukemia Society, the Alzheimer's Association and Services for Older Citizens.

Ismail is also involved with the Grosse Pointe Woods City Council and Planning Commissions.

He recently established the Ismail Foundation, a 501c3 non-profit organization to empower groups of parents, teachers or student groups to complete projects which benefit the schools.

This organization came as a result of Ismail's participation in the successful fundraising campaign and correction of temperature, humidity and ventilation problems in the classrooms at Ferry Elementary School.

Ismail is also involved directly in the schools, through the activities of his sons, Jonathan, Scott and Alex.



Anne Coates

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The budget and the bond are the most important issues to Anne Coates, of Grosse Pointe Shores, one of the four candidates for the Grosse Pointe Board of Education.

"I find myself super interested in both of those things," said Coates, who currently serves as president of the PTO Council.

She previously served on the district's bond committee and the gifting committee. She was the former president of the Ferry Elementary School PTO, and has chaired several PTO fundraisers.

Coates worked during the bond campaign to help inform the community and arrange for media coverage. This experience helped her to develop a strong personal interest in the projects.

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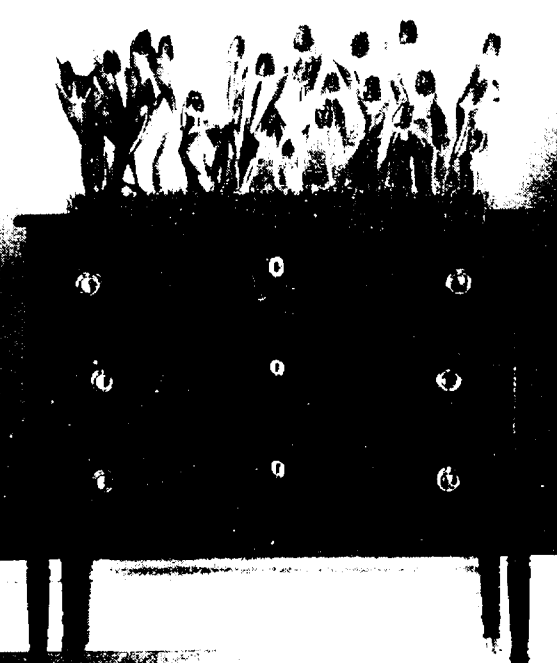

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Richardson feels a strong sense of commitment to many of the projects undertaken by the school board over the past few years.

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One of these projects is the \$62 million bond issue that was passed by the community last September.

"This is an enormous undertaking for the district," she said. "It would be a pleasure to be around to see all of it happen."

A big issue of concern for Richardson is financing.

"The challenge will be to struggle to maintain our high standards while we are having declining resources," she said. "It is a difficult balance for schools to make, especially for districts like Grosse Pointe, when people are used to excellence and are going to continue demanding excellence. The money that was around before isn't going to be there. It demands creativity and innovation."

Richardson feels the district's financial difficulties come with bad timing. She feels it will be hard for some to understand the difference between the bond money and the operating fund.

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As the owner of The PHC Companies, a construction consulting firm, as well as Speedi Photo, which has been in Ismail's control since 1971 (then Studio Camera), Ismail feels he is more than qualified to lend his thoughts on project issues to the school board.

Although he has yet to serve on the board, Ismail attends every meeting and doesn't hesitate to speak up during the time allotted for public comments.

"I sit there and take copious notes," he said.

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Throughout the budgetary process, Ismail has been mainly concerned with "how to best maintain our two assets: the teachers and the facilities."

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He feels that it is essential that his expertise be used on the school board, given the significant number of bond projects that lie ahead.

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Ismail's national professional affiliations include the Photo Marketing

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Locally, he is a member of the Business and Professional Association of Mack Avenue and the Business Associates and Retailers Association, as well as a supporter of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, the Neighborhood Club, the Leukemia Society, the Alzheimer's Association and Services for Older Citizens.

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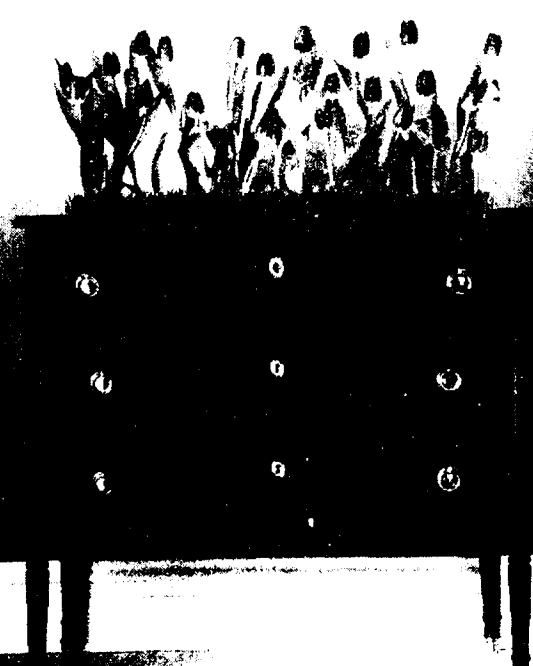
This is the first time that all three foreign language classes — Spanish, French and Latin — took part in the induction ceremony.

"It's a way to honor our best and hardest working foreign language students," said Marjorie Fein, French and Spanish instructor. "Language students must be strong in all other subjects and maintain an excellent performance in the previous three semesters to be considered for induction."

The following students were inducted: Caroline Croskey, Kimberly Dickinson, Jeffrey Dunn, Olga Gonzalez, Caitlin Hanly, Kelly King, Karen Michael, Mary Parsigian, Katie Ricci, Emily Tancer, Deanna Tracy, Ashley Boehmke, Tiffany Buescher, Wellesley Baun, Dustin Stanley, James Perry, Elizabeth Heenan, Kathryn Riley, Brittany Paquette, Lia Lewandowski, Brad Sauter, Rajeev Vijay, Carol Perry, Leanne Lawwell, Melissa Kruszyna, Leah Martin, Katie Boccaccio, Maurice Taylor, Ashley Steitz, Chelsie Benca, Krista Sheppard, Julie Borushko, Julie Ellison, Megan Getz, Rohan Policherla, Kurt Baumgarten, Owen Darr, Iann Decker, Erin Deane, Kimberly Dickinson, Allison Jones, Christine Keersmaekers, Elizabeth

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South scores at MSBOA festival

Pictured are the Grosse Pointe South High School students who received first and second ratings in the MSBOA Solo and Ensemble Festival held earlier this year. Orchestra members include Marisa Watts, Doug Biske,

George Tecos, Brooke Zhier, Alex Garbarino, Melissa Love-ly, Amanda Batterson, Wyn-neth Daywalt, Zack Brooks, Jesse Chapman, Jennifer Paone, Iris Alao, Suzanne Wro-bel, Kim Sutton, Christina Jacovides, Taylor Huber, Rose Urbiel, Mina Meyer and Jen-nifer Bradley.

Symphony band and concert band members include Kim Grady, Muna Danish, Genna Davis, Megan Hoban, Jenny Evans, Stephanie Vella, Ashley Smith, Ana Progovac, Alyssa Benedetti, Charlie Gibson, Alex Glendenning, Cory Stan-ton, Jon Wiseman, Betsy Lynch, Lauren Scopel, Andrew Wrobel, Ryan Gunderson, Jimmy O'Connell, Jamie Fountain, Charles Schofield, Maureen Kellett and Liz Lawlis.



Poster winner

Sen. Martha Scott, D-Highland Park and State Farm Agent Ed Lazar honored local resident Hanna Doyle, who finished in the top 10 of the Michigan Severe Weather Awareness Poster Contest.

In a special presentation earlier at Lazar's office, Scott presented a special tribute to Doyle for her creativity and talent used to help edu-cate Michigan residents about the dangers of severe weather and how citizens can protect themselves.

Doyle, a fifth-grader at St. Paul Catholic School, was joined by her parents, Michael and Ellen Doyle, at the ceremony.

"Sen. Scott and State Farm are proud of the talent and creativity displayed by Hanna and all of the Michigan children who participat-ed in this contest," Lazar said. "Their efforts help remind the public about the dangers of severe weather and how to protect themselves."

State Farm Insurance was a sponsor of the poster contest and is a partnering member of the Michigan Committee for Severe Weather Awareness. Severe Weather Awareness Week was March 16-22.

South junior is Children of the American Revolution's president

A Grosse Pointe South junior student has taken office in a prestigious organization.

Meredith Scheiwe of Grosse Pointe Park, 16, is now the Michigan State president of the Children of the American Revolution. She was installed on Sunday, April 13 in Mt. Vernon, Va., at George Washington's estate. She was elected in March at the state conference.

Scheiwe also serves as the president of the John Paul Jones Local CAR Society, which is sponsored by Daughters of the American Revolution Grosse Pointe Louisa St. Clair chapter. As the president, Meredith will head the 12 societies and almost 200 members in the state. She will work to encourage promotion of educational

and patriotic activities.

Meredith will be selling beach balls and patriotic canvas bags at this year's fire-works display on Mack. Proceeds will bene-fit her state project, a heritage rose garden at the Loran Andrus Octagon House in Washington, MI. With support from the Daughters chapter, the John Paul Jones Society has conducted numerous activities. They include handing out American flags, volunteering at historic encampments such as Pier Park and conducting and videotap-ing interviews of American veterans for the Library of Congress.

The John Paul Jones Society picked up three awards at the National Convention in Alexandria, Va.

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ULS scholarship recipient

University Liggett School eighth grader Elizabeth Palmer has been chosen as the recipient of the Mary J. Remillet Merit Scholarship. This merit-based scholarship has existed at University Liggett School since the 1980s.

Named in honor of distinguished ULS faculty member, Mary J. Remillet, the scholarship was designed to recognize a current eighth grader who has demonstrated academic excellence and extraordinary leadership potential and who has made positive contributions to the ULS Community. The scholarship, which totals \$10,000, will be applied incrementally toward her upper school tuition.

"We are so excited to award Elizabeth with the Remillet Scholarship," said Christopher Hartley, head of the upper school. "Throughout her academic career, she has emerged as an outstanding leader. She is definitely a deserving student, and she will be an incredible asset to the upper school next year."

Pictured, from left, are Patrick Roberts, ULS director of admissions, Palmer and Hartley.



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SCHOOL NOTES

Board recognizes foreign language students

On Monday, May 12, the Grosse Pointe Board of Education recognized foreign language students who excelled in the National Foreign Language Examinations and who participated in other academic activities.

The following French students were recognized: James Fox, Jessica Ogden, Marisa Gies, Michael Dragovic, Jessica Pogue, Sarah Russell, Jessica Blount, Kathleen Carmody, Erica Peery, Isabella Scofield, Alexandra Dickson, Allison Bretz, Kevin Spezia, Elizabeth Petit, Maria Dzul and Christina Meyer.

The German students recognized were Denis Aleshin, Julia Anderle de Saylor, Christine Smith, Alexandra Somand, Gerald Berger, Matthew Monahan, Thomas Porter, Kathleen Schatz, Alexander Tassopoulos, Eva Finkelmeier, Caitlin Light, Marianna Anderle de Saylor, Ryan Ash, Molly Zeller,

Mycah Artis, David Richardson-Rossbach, Sarah Nowosad, Mike McGuire, Chris Muhich, Justin Linne, Parker Marshall, Bess Johnston, Christine Semmler, David Knoll, Brooke Ziehr, Saman Mirkazemi, MacKenzie Whims and Meredith Whims.

The board also recognized Spanish students Emily Franchett, Ana DeRoo, Emma Foley, Ana Progovac, Alexander Hands, Tereza Schaible, Margaret Deinek, Matthew Dansey, Kirk Willmarth, Katherine Wyman, Elena Satut, Peter Smith, Sara Gutierrez and Marcos Bonafede.

27 St. Clare students get published

Twenty seven students from St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic School were selected for the fall edition of the student poetry publication, Creative Communications.

These students include Paula Blount, Jonathan Bye, Sean Carroll, Antonio Currie, Antonio Davis,

Phoenix DiMauro, David Fielder, Charles Guye, Jonny Henderson, Devin Hubbell, Elizabeth LaRiviere, Nicole Lusk, Andrika Maxwell, Emily Mazure, Rachel Moulden, Renee Noseda, Stephen Peck, John Plotzke, Sophie Trautschold, Gina Valgol, Michael Wagner, Grace Ward, Jay Wasserman, Mellani Wilder, Julius Wilkerson, Thomas Irving and Royce Williams.

St. Clare poster contest winners

Tracelyn Freeman, Nicole Lusk and Alicia Alexander, all fifth-graders at St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic School, were awarded the top three places, respectively, in the St. Anne's Nursing Home annual poster contest.

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Shores' park ready for summer

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

The month of May hasn't shown anything close to swimming weather — or painting weather.

That's been a perplexing situation for Grosse Pointe Shores Park Director Jim Cooke, who has been trying to organize the yearly pool painting project at Osius Park.

"We're trying to get the pool painted between the rain drops," Cooke said.

Then, the pool sprang a leak six days before opening day.

"Luckily, I have people I can get out right away," Cooke said as workers broke concrete to access a pump next to the pool on Monday

afternoon.

However, Cooke is confident the leak will be fixed, good weather will come and that the pool will be ready for its Memorial Day weekend opening on Friday, May 23, at 4 p.m.

"We have plenty of reservations for picnics that weekend, so we have quite a few people who think we'll have nice weather for the Memorial Day weekend," Cooke said.

Late spring is typically busy for Osius Park, not just with the kick-off for the boating and swimming seasons, but with sign-ups for swimming and tennis lessons, which begin June 16.

"Our tennis lessons have

gotten really big here with Joe Fodel as our tennis pro," Cooke said.

Swimming and tennis lesson sign-up is scheduled at Osius Park on Monday, June 2, at 3:30 p.m.

Plans are also under way for another late spring event, the fishing tournament, which will be held June 14 from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Pool pass applications have been sent to residents and may be mailed to or dropped off at the village hall during business hours.

Pool hours are from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. on weekends and from noon to 9 p.m. until June 12.

For more information, call (313) 881-6565.

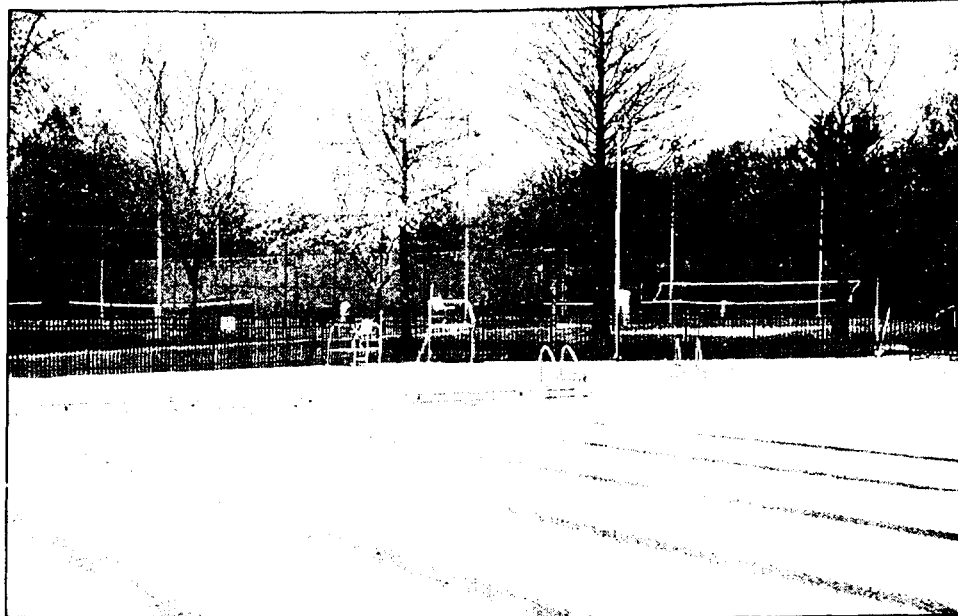


Photo by Bonnie Caprara

Swimming and tennis lesson sign up for Grosse Pointe Shores residents is scheduled for Monday, June 2, at 3:30 p.m. at Osius Park.

G.P. Farms' new splash pad makes a splash on May 31

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe Farms' Pier Park opens to swimmers on Memorial Day weekend, but the big splash will take place Saturday, May 31, at 9:30 a.m. with the opening of the park's new splash pad and wading pool.

The new splash pad is replete with buckets, sprayers and cannons, features Assistant City Manager Shane Reeside called, "An array of features for kids of all ages."

The splash pad also features a rubberized surface,

made possible from a generous gift to the Grosse Pointe Farms Improvement Foundation, which adds color, excitement and additional safety features.

Park goers should be pleased to see the park's newest "employee" and mascot, Kate, a 2-year-old border collie acquired by the Farms to chase off the park's most unwelcomed guests — Canada geese.

"She's getting very accustomed to the park and the staff, and she's proved to be very effective," Reeside said.

"It's very rare that we see geese or their droppings in our picnic area."

With the planting of new landscape materials around the tot lot and the other new additions at the park, Reeside said, "Everyone will be pleased with the improvements that have been made."

The pool will be open from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. beginning Saturday, May 24. Sign-up for swimming and tennis lessons begins at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, June 7, at Pier Park.

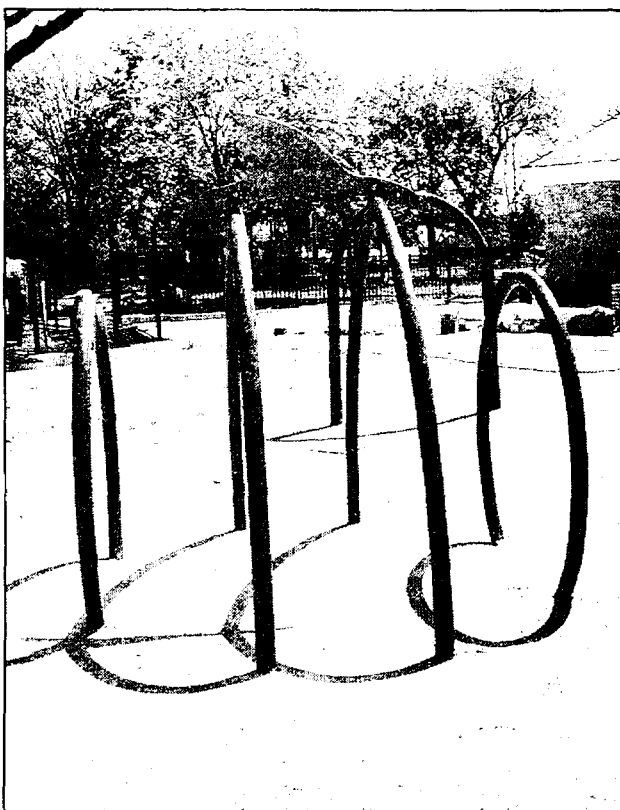


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The new splash pad at the Grosse Pointe Farms Pier Park will open to visitors after an opening ceremony on Saturday, May 31, at 9:30 a.m.



Photo by Bonnie Caprara

Two volleyball posts, ready for play in a new location, frame the setting for a tractor clearing the way for new kayak racks to be installed at the City of Grosse Pointe's Neff Park.

More new items at Neff Park

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

This year marks the first full season for the new swimming pool and bathhouse at Neff Park, and there are more new things yet to come this year at the parks in the City of Grosse Pointe.

A new temporary grass volleyball court has been erected between the new pool and the picnic pavilion at Neff Park. It replaces the old court, which was located on the site of the new pool.

Also, Neff Park's new

kayak racks should be in place by the first part of June, if not sooner if the weather cooperates. The new racks, which will increase storage from 12 to 40 kayaks, are already full, with a waiting list of one.

Six brand-new tennis courts will also be in place by early August at Ellworthy Field. Four remaining courts will be available for play for residents only by making a reservation at the courts.

Tennis lessons, as well as swimming lessons, will be

held as usual. Parks and Recreation Director Bryce Pitters said that parks program guides will be mailed to residents soon.

Residents who have not yet returned park pass applications may mail or turn them into the city hall.

The pool, which opens on Saturday, May 24, will be open from 8 a.m. for lap swimming and 10 a.m. for open swimming and will remain open until 9 p.m. May 24 and 25 until 8 p.m. on school nights.

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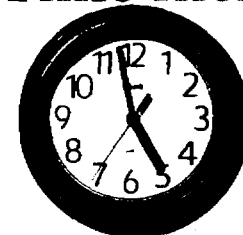
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Kneiser not to run in G.P. Farms city council race

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

The man who would most likely be mayor will definitely not be this November.

Ronald Kneiser's name was absent from a list of six candidates running for four seats in the Nov. 4 council election. The filing deadline was Tuesday, May 13.

Kneiser is stepping down from civic service after spending 10 years on the Grosse Pointe Farms City Council, which includes assuming the responsibilities of mayor since Edward Gaffney's resignation in January and serving as mayor pro tem for four years.

"I've thought about it for a long time and it's time," Kneiser said.

Kneiser was not specific about his reasons for leaving or future plans. However, as a strong proponent of commissioning a city charter review and the direct election of mayor, he said he may consider serving on a possible charter review committee or running for mayor in the future.

"I don't know," Kneiser said. "Anything's possible." Also absent from the November ballot is Robert Herdegen, who stated he did not wish to seek election to retain the seat he was appointed to by the council

in February.

However, Kneiser's council colleagues, Theresa Joseph and Frances Schenck, are once again vying for council.

The voters to continue to choose with Grosse Pointe Farms and Joseph, who was originally elected in November 2001.

Joseph is the chair of the parks and recreation and is a member of the parks and recreation and ordinance committees. She specifically expressed interest in continuing to work on plans for a recreation building at Pier Park and to begin a parking study of the Hill this fall. Professionally, she is a community care nursing manager for Henry Ford Health System. She and her husband Edward have lived in the Farms for nine years.

Schenck, if elected, would be the senior member of council in November.

"I've learned so much in these six years, and all the continuing council members only have about two years of experience," Schenck said. "I have a historical perspective that has helped

people understand the decisions that were made in the past."

Schenck is a member of the traffic and parking and compensation commissions, the ordinance committee and the Farms' SEM-COG and Grosse Pointe-Clinton Refuse Disposal Authority representative. She has lived in the Farms since 1957.

Looking to return to council after a brief absence is Peter Waldmeir, who resigned from the council in July 2001 after six years for what he called personal and professional reasons. He also served on the City of Grosse Pointe City Council from 1987 to 1991.

"I'd like to finish some unfinished business, such as Mack and Moross and the mayoral election issue, and it's a good time for me to get involved again," Waldmeir said.

Waldmeir, who has been a Farms resident since 1993, is a senior partner at Miller Canfield, the husband of Deborah Benedict and the father of Sarah Grace, a sophomore at Grosse Pointe North High School and

Charlotte, a sixth-grader at University Liggett School.

After retiring from 13 years of service as the Farms' public service director, Joseph Leonard is looking to get into the elected side of civic service.

Joseph credited his experience as a council candidate by saying: "My work with the city had to do with the responsibilities of the department of public service as they relate to the infrastructure and the needs of the residents. There was considerable overlap with the department of administration, public safety, public works, parks and recreation, treasury, accounting, municipal court, water and sewer and the city clerk. I've gathered an in-depth knowledge of the everyday workings and needs of those departments."

Before working for the Farms, Leonard worked for the Wayne County Road Commission for 34 years, from which he retired in 1990 as assistant county highway engineer/assistant director of engineering. He and his family have lived in the Farms for 37 years.

The November election will also feature two newcomers to the Farms political landscape.

Eleven-year resident Eric Turin said he decided to run for council because, "It's a chance for me to put into the city what I have gotten."

Turin also said, "We have a great community. I don't have any revisionist thoughts. I'd like to keep things going the same way so our kids can feel the same way when they're adults."

Turin is a partner of Frontier 3, an advertising agency based in Grosse Pointe Park, and the single parent of Gracie, 3, Alexander, 11, and Elise, 9.

Douglas Roby Jr. did not return phone calls to the Grosse Pointe News. However, he, along with Waldmeir, Leonard and Turin, all nominated themselves to be appointed to fill the council vacancy left by Gaffney in January. In that letter, Roby said, "I have never held public office but have a keen interest in civic duty and responsibility."

Roby is a retired business owner who has lived in the Farms since 1962.

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Firefighters, cops use condos for training

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

Demolition isn't necessarily destructive; it can be constructive.

In the past few weeks, pry bars and even shotguns started peeling away at the structures of the 14-unit condominium complex at the corner of Cadieux and Jefferson in the City of Grosse Pointe.

The demolition wasn't created by residents gone mad but was a training opportunity for the Grosse Pointes-Harper Woods Special Response Team and City

and Grosse Pointe Park fire fighters.

On May 7, the Special Response Team practiced forced entry techniques using rams, haligan bars and shotguns.

On Monday, Tuesday and Thursday of this week, City and Park firefighters practiced Rapid Intervention Team (RIT) techniques — with and without a smoke machine.

"We use the RIT to rescue trapped firefighters when normal routes become impossible," said City Lt. Eddie Tujaka.

In one exercise, three firefighters in full gear crawl through a building and knocked a hole through a wall to get to a downed victim. In another exercise, firefighters knocked a hole in the floor in order to lift a victim to safety. Such exercises also involved carrying extra support gear.

"This can be one of the most stressful things we have to do," said City public safety officer Michael Seidel.

The exercises also gave City public safety officers the opportunity to try out new breathing apparatuses



City of Grosse Pointe public safety officers Ed Shrader, Greg Burks and Michael Seidel prepare to enter a smoke-filled building during a training session held Monday, May 19, at a condominium complex scheduled to be razed for a parking lot at Cottage Hospital.

and turnout gear.

The condominiums were made available by Bon Secours Cottage Health System, which will raze the three-building complex to make way for a 112-spot parking lot for Cottage

Hospital this summer.

"It's very infrequently we get practice like this," said City Director of Public Safety Al Fincham. "We're so grateful for this opportunity."

City logo to get a makeover



The City of Grosse Pointe is considering changing its logo, left, and is considering two other designs, center and right, in order to "show what our city is all about," City Manager Michael Overton said.

By Michael Shelton
Special Writer

A new logo for the City of Grosse Pointe is being considered in order to give the city a better identity.

"The times have changed, and we should have a new, updated logo that shows what our city is about," said Patrick Petz, councilman.

At the council meeting Monday, May 19, two logos emerged as favorites.

One is oval-shaped with the inscription "City of Grosse Pointe: Established 1893," and features the arched clock and wrought iron in the Village as the trademark.

"I like the clock because it's become a focal point. You can't drive through the Village and not see that

clock," said City Manager Michael Overton.

The other possible logo bears the same inscription, only a lightpost is the feature, and there is no clear shape.

"I like this logo because it's sophisticated and clean. It's the design I like," Petz said.

The logos were designed by Skidmore Inc. Mayor Dale Scrace said the artwork was a gift from Petz, who works for the company, to start the process.

Scrace also said there was a stipend for the graphic arts.

When asked how much Skidmore would be paid, Petz said that there was no established price.

"The interesting thing is that this all started about

shirts and things," Overton said. "We didn't have an art design for the old logo and it was tough to stencil."

The logo currently in place features the eagle statue that is at the entrance of Neff Park.

"Unless you knew that the eagle was at Neff Park, you wouldn't know what that eagle represented," Petz said.

Scrace said that the original logo was done 10 years ago as part of the City's 100-year anniversary. It was designed by Ellie Kressbach, wife of retired city manager Tom Kressbach.

"When we studied communities, we felt that the eagle was more U.S. governmental other than a city of our size," Petz said.

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Street floods

On Sunday, May 18, at 10:30 a.m., a Grosse Pointe Woods patrolman who was investigating street flooding in the 19900 block of East Doyle Place discovered a swimming pool service man draining a pool.

The officer told the man to shut off his pumps and let the street dry.

"I advised him to not let this happen again or be issued a citation," the officer said.

Woods administrators have said their streets are designed to flood. Instead of separating sewers, Woods officials opted to restrict sewer drain openings in order to reduce flash flows to the Milk River retention basin. The strategy effectively transforms streets into holding basins while water drains slowly to the Milk River complex.

High decibels

The hostess of a party in the 1000 block of South Oxford promised to pull the plug on musical entertainment upon a noise complaint being lodged with Grosse Pointe Woods police on Saturday, May 17, at 1:24 p.m.

Swerving driver

Grosse Pointe Woods police took a 42-year-old Grosse Pointe Park man to the hospital for a blood test upon suspicion of drunken driving on Saturday, May 17, shortly after 2:30 a.m.

An officer saw the man swerving his car on Mack before stopping on Saddle Lane near Cook. Records showed the man having two prior alcohol driving offenses.

Woman has .21 BAL

A 22-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods woman registered a blood alcohol level of .21 percent when pulled over for drunken driving on Friday, May 17, at 12:34 a.m.

An officer saw the woman driving her green 2003 Honda station wagon erratically on eastbound Fairholm near Holiday. She was speeding up and slowing down for no apparent reason.

Tires slashed

On Wednesday, May 14, at 11:30 a.m., a Grosse Pointe Woods man discovered two tires had been slashed on his car parked in the drive-

way to his home in the 100 block of North Oxford.

Man drives drunk

Grosse Pointe Woods police arrested a 51-year-old Sterling Heights man for drunken driving on Wednesday, May 14, at 2 a.m.

The man registered a blood alcohol level of .16 percent. An officer spotted the man's silver 1983 Jaguar two-door swerving and speeding on Littlestone before pulling him to the curb on Mack near Brys.

The man initially refused to participate in an alcohol test but consented approximately 1 1/2 hours after being pulled over.

Pickup found

A silver 2003 Dodge Ram pickup truck stolen in Clinton Township was recovered abandoned in a Grosse Pointe Woods parking lot on Tuesday, May 13, at 4:10 p.m.

The vehicle's steering column had been broken and stereo removed.

14 suspensions

A 34-year-old Detroit man with 14 current driving suspensions and seven outstanding warrants was caught running a red light last week on southbound Mack and Torrey in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Officers on Monday, May 12, at 11:56 p.m., transported the man to a local hospital to have his blood checked on suspicion of driving drunk.

Jeep stolen in 20400 Mack lot

On the morning of Tuesday, May 13, a black 2002 Jeep station wagon reported stolen the night before in Grosse Pointe Woods was recovered by Detroit police.

The Jeep was last seen at 5 p.m. the previous afternoon in a parking lot in the 20400 block of Mack.

Car window found broken

The rear window of a car parked on the street in the 1500 block of Huntington was found shattered the morning of Monday, May 12. The owner thinks the vandalism occurred between the hours of 9:30 and 11:33 a.m.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

Car theft on Vernier

On Sunday, May 11, at 3:13 p.m., a Grosse Pointe Woods man reported his blue 1994 Mercury four-door stolen from in front of his residence in the 2000 block of Vernier. The vehicle's window was open. The car contained a camera, cellular telephone and golf clubs.

SRT response

The Grosse Pointe Special Response Team deployed on Saturday, May 17, at 8:52 p.m., when a landlord-tenant dispute escalated beyond bounds in the 800 block of Beaconsfield in Grosse Pointe Park.

The team was called in when the tenant, a man in his 30s, threatened Park police trying to resolve the dispute. The man wouldn't answer the door or telephone.

"To take precautions, not knowing what we had, we called the Special Response Team," said John Schulte, the Park's deputy director of public safety.

The team is a multi-jurisdictional force comprised of two officers from each of the five Pointes and Harper Woods.

The short standoff ended with the man's surrender. "He walked out," Schulte said.

Officers took the man to a hospital for medical evaluation. Schulte said charges have not been filed at this time.

Car thief caught

Three Grosse Pointe Park car thefts were solved with the arrest of a Detroit man on Friday, May 9. Park Public Safety Director David Hiller said the arrest reflected "excellent work by all" officers involved.

Police said the man is wanted for stealing another car in Detroit.

Bikes stolen

On Thursday, May 15, between the hours of 3 and 7:30 p.m., three bicycles were stolen from the grounds of Defer Elementary and Pierce Middle schools in Grosse Pointe Park.

Police described the stolen property as a blue, 21-inch Specialized Hard Rock bike, a girl's purple Magna and

purple Schwinn 21-speed.

Anniversaries

PSO Terry Hays is celebrating three years with the public safety department in Grosse Pointe Park.

— Brad Lindberg

Bag bagged

Two employees of a store in the 17000 block of Kercheval in the City of Grosse Pointe discovered a \$795 duffel bag missing from the table in the back of the store on Monday, May 12.

Neither employee saw anyone near the bag.

Car theft

A 1998 Chrysler Cirrus was taken from a parking lot in the 17500 block of Mack in the City of Grosse Pointe sometime between 7 p.m. on Monday, May 12, and 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, May 13.

Car theft attempt

Someone attempted to break into a 2003 Dodge Caravan parked in the 900 block of University sometime between 9 p.m. on Monday, May 12, and 7 a.m. on Tuesday, May 13.

A cylinder was pulled out of, and the handle was damaged on the driver's side door.

Allard car break-ins

Two cars were broken into in the 400 block of Allard in Grosse Pointe Farms during the early morning hours of Tuesday, May 13.

A laptop computer and a purse containing identification, credit cards, a checkbook and a cell phone were taken out of one car between 6 and 7 a.m.

A driver's license and a passport were taken out of another car parked and locked in the rear yard of another house in that block at about 4 a.m. A witness saw a man reach into an open passenger side door and walk calmly away.

Home invasion

Someone broke into a house in the 400 block of Roland in Grosse Pointe Farms between 2 and 5 a.m. on Tuesday, May 13, and took a laptop computer, video camera and equipment, \$1,300 worth of cassettes and a purse.

Arson

Four local boys have been placed under house arrest after they set fire to a storage room and vandalized a car in a municipal parking structure in the 17000 block of Kercheval in the City of Grosse Pointe on Tuesday,

May 13.

City and Grosse Pointe Park firefighters responded to the incident at about 8 p.m. when smoke was reported coming from the storage room. Fire was limited to two small patches on the floor next to two gasoline cans and a generator. There was no damage to the building, supplies or equipment.

Public safety officers were also able to tie the four suspects to a vandalized car parked in the lower level of the structure. The windows had been broken out and urine was found on the seats.

The City has requested the juveniles — a 13-year-old City boy, 13-year-old Park boy, a 14-year-old City boy and a 14-year-old Park boy — to face charges of arson in the Wayne County Juvenile Court.

Stolen car evades chase

The persons who stole a 2002 Jeep Liberty out of Roseville on Tuesday, May 13, are still on the run.

Grosse Pointe Shores and Farms officers attempted to assist Roseville police, who were attempting to recover the Liberty that blew through Vernier, Lakeshore, Tonnancour, the golf course of a private club, and Moross, where all departments called off the chase, shortly before 9 p.m. that evening.

Death threat

A seventh-grade student of a private school in the 100 block of Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Farms reported receiving a death threat in her locker sometime between 8:37 and 9:10 a.m. on Friday, May 16.

The typewritten note

read: "If you do not get out of this school, I will kill you."

The student's mother and teachers have been notified. The school is conducting its own investigation into the matter.

Speed trailer stopped

The Grosse Pointe Farms' speed trailer is expected to be out for repairs.

The driver's side tail light was smashed and a coupling protector on the passenger's side was bent and partially removed.

The damage, which the department believes was intentional, was discovered on Saturday, May 17, at 12:30 p.m.

It is not certain when the damage occurred. The trailer had been placed in the 300 block of Moran for about a week.

Stereo stolen

A Harper Woods woman reported her compact disc/stereo player was taken from her locked car parked in a lot in the rear of the 18800 block of Mack in Grosse Pointe Farms between 2:30 and 3 p.m. on Saturday, May 17.

Boy hit by car

A 10-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods boy was treated and released from a local hospital after getting hit by a car at the intersection of Lakeshore and Vernier in Grosse Pointe Shores at about 4 p.m. on Saturday, May 17.

The boy, who had the right-of-way, was hit by a 91-year-old Grosse Pointe Farms woman, who was making a right turn from southbound Lakeshore onto westbound Vernier.

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City sets fiscal 2003-04 budget

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

Despite a 97 percent increase in capital expenditures in the City of Grosse Pointe's 2003-04 budget, City Manager Michael Overton contends, "We're in a good, strong financial position."

The overall budget, comprised of nine different funds, reflects \$9,226,387 in revenues and \$10,753,373 in expenditures. Over \$2 million was carried over from the City's fund balance.

The increase in expenditures was most notably marked by the \$1.8 million set aside for the City's new marina scheduled for construction this fall.

"That number is kind of significant, but it was planned," Overton said.

Other major capital projects for the next fiscal year beginning July 1 include new electric starter panels at the Neff pump station; sewer inspection, cleaning and restoration; street improvements on Alger; a street sweeper; and a new entrance and parking lot at Neff Park.

The new budget also

reflects a 14 percent increase in health insurance costs.

State revenue sharing, down \$28,600 this year, barely showed up as a blip on the budget's radar.

"It's only .34 percent of our budget," Overton said. "It doesn't matter a whole

lot."

The best news came from a \$321,195 increase in property tax revenue and the fact that the City would be maintaining its tax rate of 13.46 mills.

However, the City's pool debt millage will be increased by 0.03 mill.

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Wildflower garden is in Three Mile Park's future

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

You can't go back to nature overnight.

"Think of this as a project in stages," said Susan Campbell, senior naturalist at the Belle Isle Nature Center.

Campbell has been advising Grosse Pointe Park forester Brian Colter and members of the beautification commission how to establish a wildflower garden on a grassy lakeside hill at Three Mile Park.

On an overcast morning recently, fresh after a rainstorm but with drizzle lingering, Campbell toured the soggy site with city officials. Brisk wind off hypothermic Lake St. Clair made for a damp and chilly setting.

The likelihood of colorful flowers withstanding the dreary scene seemed to be wishful thinking. It was. Gardeners are optimists, always looking to a future of colorful blooms, even when their shoes are beginning to soak through.

"I think it could be an incredibly fun project," Campbell said. Her voice was muffled by the hood of her heavy sweatshirt.

"Wildflower gardens take three or four years, generally, to get established," she told Colter, his chapped hands stuffed in pants pockets. "That's a long, hard sell for the public."

"It's not going to cost much," Colter said, warming to the idea while his hands were growing numb. "We can do the manual labor in-house. We're going to start small with three separate beds measuring about 25-by-35 feet each."

The project offers intriguing prospects for recreating the area's natural past.

Campbell said Wayne and Monroe counties are centers of what used to be the lake

plain prairie of Michigan.

"It's a rich form of tall grass prairie," she said. "It has a much higher ratio of wildflowers to grasses than what you'd find farther west. Grosse Pointe Park had a big chunk of prairie."

She said establishing a wildflower garden at Three Mile "would be kind of restoring the pre-settlement ecosystem."

Three Mile Park is land-fill. The garden is planned for a section of what had been the lakeside grounds of an estate, complete with the type of brick and stone manor house which still defines the Grosse Pointe's national image.

All that remains of the mansion is the hill on which its occupants overlooked surrounding property, a garage now used for municipal lawn maintenance

equipment, and the long circular driveway which serves as the park entrance.

Colter said the wildflower garden will be located halfway up a slope fashioned of clay backfill. Plants will grow "far from where sledders come in winter. There's still going to be plenty of green space for everybody."

Colter stood at the crest of the hill, where the old mansion's veranda would have been. He imagined scalloped beds packed with wild geraniums and white-flowering anemones. He thought of a carpet of black-eyed Susans, rosa blanda and 400 red-twigged dogwood shrubs he will receive free from the state Department of Natural Resources.

"I can imagine a line of color meandering down to the lake," he said.

Campbell suggested adding drifts of butterfly milkweed. It grows about two feet tall.

"It has beautiful, bright, orange flowers," Campbell said. "The nectar is incredible, and you get great butterflies on it."

She advised planning the garden deliberately.

"Mark out the garden in advance and think of it as a process in stages," Campbell said. "Give your nursery people a whole season of lead-time. They will grow things for you and give you local seed and local genotypes."

Colter said work this spring will yield a "scaled-down garden with three scalloped-shaped beds to see what happens. It's not something that by the end of summer we'll have a carpet of wildflowers."

Wildflower gardens often yield more than color.

"The minute you start planting shrubs with berries, it's great for wildlife," Campbell said. "In our gardens, as we've planted, we've gotten much nicer wildlife. We've been getting lots of breeding birds, such as goldfinches, Baltimore orioles and catbirds."

"Goldfinch are attracted to flowers that have a composite seed head. That's a head made up of many seeds, such as a sunflower," said Rosann Kovalcik, of Wild Birds Unlimited and a birder for 30 years. Last year, she planted more than 1,000 native wildflowers in her yard.

"Other flowers goldfinch are attracted to include purple coneflower and cosmos," Kovalcik said. "Goldfinches are small enough to land on

the stalk of these flowers and eat from the flower heads without breaking the stalks."

She urged gardeners trying to attract birds to use native flora.

"Native plants harbor natural insects that birds rely upon for food," she said. "Additionally, birds are genetically programmed to pollinate native plants and eat their seeds and berries."

Wildflower gardens, and un-raked leaf litter that is part of the setting, provide a welcoming environment for foraging birds.

"Many times during migration I have witnessed white-crowned sparrows, white-throated sparrows and rufous-sided towhees scratching in the leaf litter of my yard, finding sustenance before they continue on their way," Kovalcik said.

Eastside Republican Club to hold annual dinner June 5

Terri Lynn Land, Michigan secretary of state, will be the featured speaker at the Eastside Republican Club PAC's annual dinner on Thursday, June 5, at 6 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club.

"We are delighted to have our friend Terri Lynn Land bring us up to date on her plans as the new secretary of state," said Lita McKeehan, chairman of the Eastside Republican Club-PAC (ERC-PAC). "This is a great opportunity to meet Terri and learn about the duties of the secretary of state."

Land was elected to serve as Michigan's 41st secretary of state in November 2002 and took office on Jan. 1, 2003. As secretary of state, she plans to build upon the Department of State's tech-

nology base and expand user-friendly programs that would increase the number of Internet users.

Land is committed to providing the highest level of customer service possible by delivering the most cost-effective and efficient services possible. She believes that effective government thinks creatively and is open to exploring alternatives to the standard ways of doing business. A willingness to listen and learn from customers and employees is one of her top priorities.

Land is designated as Michigan's Chief Motor Vehicle Administrator, Chief Election Officer and Keeper of the Great Seal. She is second in line of succession to the governor and acts in that capacity whenever both the governor and lieutenant

governor are out of state. She is a member of the State Administrative Board, the National Association of Secretaries of State, and the Governor's Traffic Safety Advisory Committee.

Prior to her election, Land served as Kent County clerk from 1992-2000, at a time of tremendous change and growth in Michigan's fourth largest county. As Kent County clerk, she concentrated on making county government more "user-friendly" to the public.

By working and building coalitions with other members of county government, local and statewide judges, the state Legislature, and the voters, she made sure that elections and vital record keeping were 100 percent accurate and accessible. She has also been a

leader in enforcing compliance with Campaign Finance Laws and working with the Qualified Voter File.

Land's involvement in politics stretches back to her high school years, where she served as a "scatter blitzer" for the Gerald R. Ford for President campaign. A budding politician from Grandville High School, she was one of the youngest attendees at the Republican State Convention in 1978.

Heavy involvement with community organizations is also one of Land's hallmarks. She is actively involved with the Metropolitan Hospital Foundation, Potter's House, Byron Center Fine Arts Foundation, Van Singel Community Fine Arts Council, and the Women's

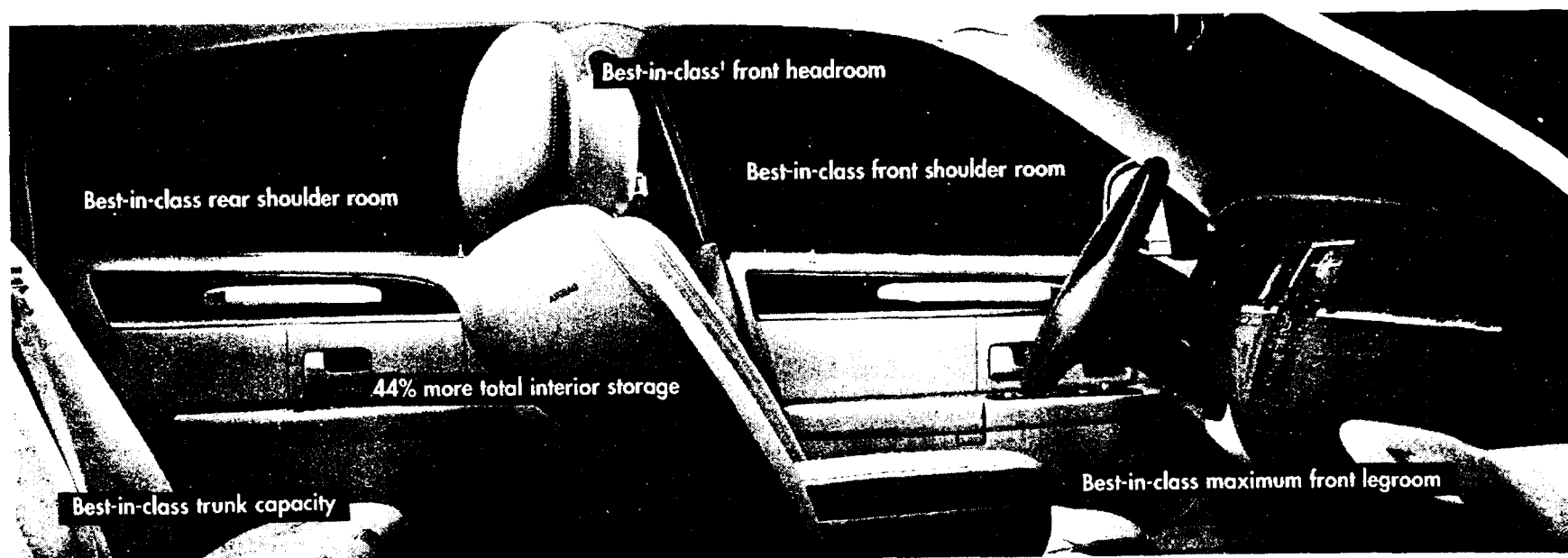
Resource Center, to name a few. In her spare time, Land enjoys gardening and water skiing.

Of all her accomplishments, Land is most proud of her family. She has been married to Dan Hibma for 19 years, and the couple has two children together, Jessica and Nicholas. They attend Corinth Reformed Church, where Land was nursery supervisor for many years. A graduate of Grandville High School, she received a Bachelor of Arts in political science from Hope College in Holland, Mich.

The Eastside Republican Club annual dinner is a fundraiser for local candidates. Reservations are required. For more information, call Tom McCleary at (313) 884-2709.

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Dennis and Garman to run for school board seat

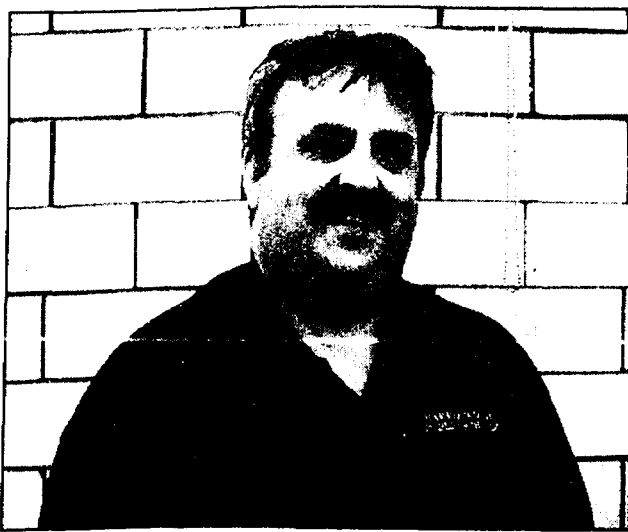
By Carrie Cunningham
Staff Writer

Two candidates are running for a seat on the Harper Woods Board of Education.

James Dennis, current board president, has served on the board for 5 years. Charles Garman III, a life-long Harper Woods resident, is competing against Dennis for his seat.

The two candidates presented their viewpoints on education in the district at an event sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe on Wednesday, May 14. The election will be held Monday, June 9.

Dennis graduated from Notre Dame High School and the University of Detroit. He is controller for Pet Supplies Plus. In the past, he was manager of the internal audit for Frank's Nursery and a senior financial analyst for Pepsi Cola.

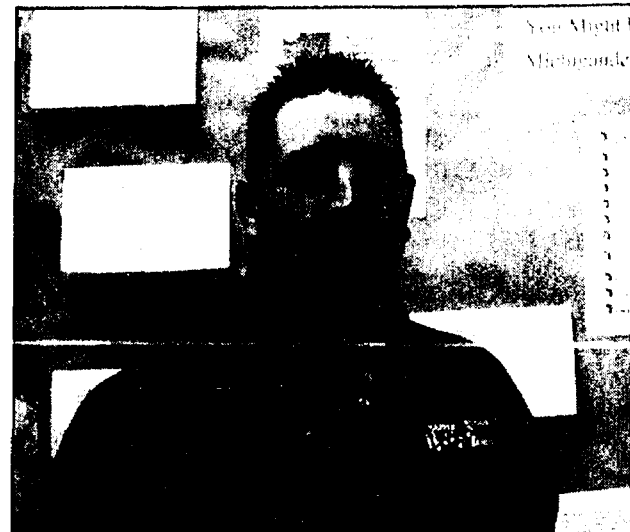


Current board president James Dennis, left, is running against Charles Garman III, right, for a seat on the school board. The election is Monday, June 9.

His wife, Maria is a fifth grade teacher at Tyrone, and his daughter, Rebecca, is a sophomore at Harper Woods High School. Dennis is an avid fan of the district's sports teams. He is a

member of the chain gang, which measures downs at football games. He is part of the Dad's Club and Band Boosters.

Garman's family has been in Harper Woods for three



Photos by Carrie Cunningham

generations. He said he will receive a high school diploma this year. For six years, he has run a business with his father, Charles Garman, Jr., named Call the Handy Man, which offers home

repair and remodeling services. Previous to that he ran a landscaping business with his father. His wife, Bonnie, works in the high school cafeteria. He has five daughters: Stacie is a senior at the high school; Lacie is a freshman at the high school; Elizabeth is in fifth grade at Tyrone; Cynthia is in fourth grade at Tyrone; and Cheryl is in third grade at Beacon. He is a member of the Band Boosters and an advocate for Winterguard. He is a trustee at the Redeemer United Methodist Church and is active in girls' softball. He also has been a member of the Citizens Advisory Committee, which investigated the schools conditions and called for a bond to build two new schools.

Questions posed to the two candidates revealed their views of what is important for the district and why each of them thinks he is right for the job.

Dennis' modus operandi is double faceted: before he acts on something he asks, is it good for kids? Secondly, he stated, "Our children have always been and will always be my number one priority."

Dennis stressed how his extensive business experience allows him to serve ably in his position on the board.

"It is not unlike a regular business," he said.

Dennis said that despite budget woes, he doesn't want to eliminate teaching positions.

He is in favor of going ahead with another bond election to build two new schools and hopes to see

that accomplished by the end of his four-year term, if reelected.

He thinks the state needs to continue working on reducing the disparity between richer and poorer districts.

"The state has done a better job of reducing the gap between the haves and the have nots, but they could do better," he said.

Dennis asserts that schools should not be judged solely on the basis of the MEAP, and he said the No Child Left Behind act poses a threat to the individuality of students.

He doesn't think Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods should merge into one district.

He believes children should be given the opportunity and time to learn and that it is essential to have the community participate in education.

"The more involved parents get, the better the learning process is going to be," he said.

Dennis thinks he can extend the work he has already done for the district.

"I can assure you that I will continue to do what's right for Harper Woods children," he said.

Garman believes he can get people to focus on a common goal.

"I've been very experienced in getting people to work together," he said. "People are comfortable coming to me and telling me their opinions."

Garman said that in considering a budget, the obligations to children should be met.

He thinks it is important to educate the public about the bond issue, a plan he supports.

He believes work needs to be done to improve students' test scores on examinations like the ACT and SAT.

With regard to MEAP testing, he doesn't believe districts should be compared against other districts.

He thinks the Harper Woods school district should stay as a singular entity.

"It's wonderful being a small community," he said.

Garman said he has the drive and willingness to be on the board.

"I will definitely be there to support education for our children," he said.

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Police Briefs

Attempted car theft

A man reported to police on Friday, May 16, that his 1988 Chevy was broken into where it was parked in the 20200 block of Kelly. The man said he gave no one permission to use the car, and there was no major damage. A black and gray backpack was left inside, and there was broken glass around where the vehicle was parked.

Car break-in

A woman reported that a man was breaking into a vehicle in the 18900 block of Elkhart on Saturday, May 17. She reported the crime to police at 2:48 a.m. An officer observed a male exit a vehicle and run south through the yard of the location. Another officer grabbed the man's leg as he was going over a fence. The man kicked the officer, but the police ultimately apprehended and arrested him.

Car damage

On Saturday, May 17, a man said he parked his 2002 GMC SUV in the apartment parking lot at the corner of Littlestone and North Harper at 1 a.m. At 11:15 a.m., he discovered damage to the steering column and ignition switch of the car. The man said the vehicle was locked, and he had the keys.

Car ransacked

On Saturday, May 17, a woman locked and parked her car at the corner of Peerless and Elkhart round 1 p.m. At 8:30 p.m., the woman noticed a CD player and several CDs — both worth about \$250 — were missing from her car. The trunk had been rummaged through and there was damage to the dash-board.

Car theft

A woman said she parked and locked her Jeep in the north end of a parking lot in the 20300 block of Kelly, where she works. She later discovered it was stolen. The Jeep had hand tools in a storage bin in the rear.

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Harper Woods prepares for Memorial Day ceremony

By Carrie Cunningham
Staff Writer

Harper Woods is making preparations to honor veterans who died for our country in combat.

On Memorial Day, Monday, May 26, the city and a host of groups will perform a service from 10 a.m. to noon at the Veterans Memorial in Johnston Park.

"It's always important to honor those who have served your country," said Parks and Recreation director Candice Cheolas.

Mayor Ken Poynter is expected to speak, and state representative Ed Gaffney as well as County Commissioner Chris

Cavanaugh have been invited to attend.

AmVets, the Boy and Girl Scouts, the VFW and the American Legion will likewise be at the ceremony.

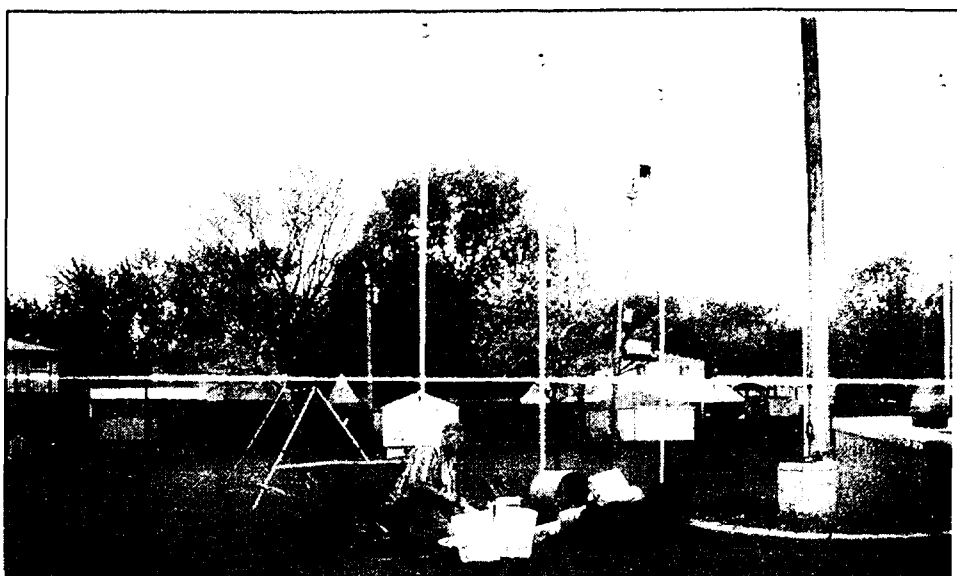
Taps will be played, and the VFW is slated to raise flags. The organization donated 2 large flag poles to flank the current flag pole and five smaller flag poles. The 2 large flag poles will bear the state and city flags, and the five other flag poles will fly the air force, marine, army, coast guard and navy flags.

A company based in Algonac called Ask Eddie, run by Eddie Stier, installed the new flag poles.

Photo by Carrie Cunningham
Eddie Stier, right, of Ask Eddie sets up the new flag poles donated to the Veterans Memorial in Johnston Park by VFW. A ceremony will take place by the flag poles to honor veterans.

"Memorial Day is a day we remember several men and women who fought in war," said VFW member Terry Rectz. "They put their lives on the line for us. This is where we get our freedom."

In addition to the ceremony at Johnston Park, Salter Park and Danbury Park are open for Memorial Day picnics and celebrations.



Police officers given awards for work

By Carrie Cunningham
Staff Writer

At the Monday, May 5, city council meeting, Police chief Lawrence Semple presented a number of awards to police officers in the Harper Woods and Detroit police departments for their exemplary service.

From Harper Woods, the recipients included Lt. Randolph Skotarczyk, Officer Jason Sakowski, Officer Caleb Ward, Sgt. James Burke and Sgt. Dennis Root. From Detroit, the awardees were Officer George and Jennifer Pajor.

"We truly appreciate your professionalism," Mayor Ken Poynter said at the meeting.

Skotarczyk received a Chief's Citation for performing well in his job, which encompasses overseeing the road patrol and serving as the department's Information and Technology Coordinator.

Sakowski and Ward won Life Saving Awards for evacuating residents from a building on fire last



January. "As a direct result of their courage, several lives were saved," said Semple.

Photo by Carrie Cunningham

Sgt. Dennis Root, left, received a Department Citation and City Council Proclamation for his role in apprehending an armed robber last August.

Root was one of seven officers from Detroit and Harper Woods who won official accolades for their outstanding service.

Both Detroit and Harper Woods received awards for apprehending an armed robber last August. George and Jennifer Pajor won Department Citations and City Council Proclamations, and Burke and Root were given Department Citations and City Council Police Special Recognition Awards.

City Manager Jim Leidlein said he couldn't imagine a better police department than the one in Harper Woods.

"The city of Harper Woods pulled together," he said.



Walking for a Cure

The National Multiple Sclerosis Society sponsored a walk to raise funds to combat the disease. Charlie Waldorf, head custodian for Tyrone Elementary, organized a team of people — called Charlie's Angels — to participate in the event.

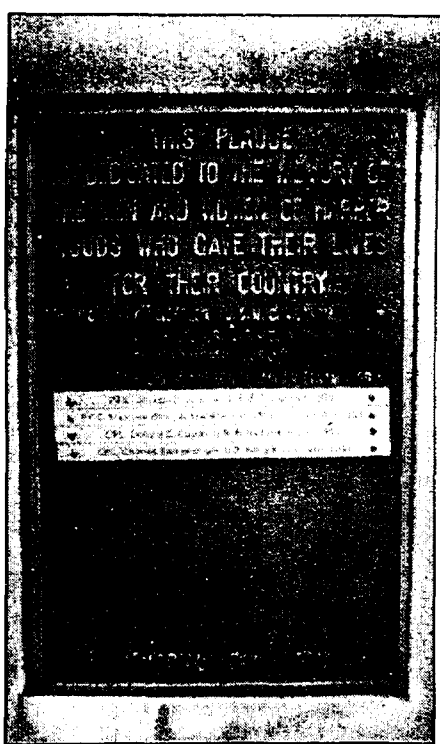
On May 4, walkers started at North High School and walked down by Lake St. Clair. Waldorf's team, above, includes his daughter Brittany, his mom, two brothers, three sisters, in laws, nieces and nephews, co-workers and friends.

Veterans Found and Honored

Photo by Carrie Cunningham
Four new names were placed on the veterans memorial, right, at the base of the flag pole in front of the Harper Woods municipal building. They are: Joseph C. Wiar, Jr., who was killed by missile wounds in Vietnam in 1968; Malcolm (Bob) A. MacAskill, who died in 1953 in the Korean War and received a Silver Star for his service; Donald C. Cayen, who was killed in a truck accident in the Korean War in 1953; and Charles Beisswanger, who died in the Korean War in 1953.

The Harper Woods Historical Committee was instrumental in finding these veterans. They searched newspaper articles and made phone calls to find the men.

"I'm very happy," said committee member Mary Duchon. "I think it's very important we remember all of (the veterans)."



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Stock market poised to break out on the upside

The Dow, Nasdaq Composite and S&P 500 all chalked up gains last week, ignoring the sad, slow economy.

Trading volume was higher on up days than on down days.

All three indices are approaching the upper limits of their trading ranges, which date back to last summer, a sure sign that buying pressures are greater than selling pressure, with short sellers running for cover.

The following describes how a local money manager posted huge gains (+20.2 percent in 2000 and +54.1 percent in 2001) while the tech bubble crashed, and even the S&P 500 was down (-10.1 percent in 2000 and -13.0 percent in 2001).



By Joseph Mengden

weather the greater risk of investing in ill-liquid partnerships.

Investors desiring to invest must have had at least \$200,000 of annual income for two consecutive years (\$300,000 if married) or seek the "safe harbor" of having at least \$1 million of investable assets.

New investors are obtained by "word of mouth," since advertising is prohibited.

The SEC estimates that there are presently about 5,700 American HFs (technically called "private investment partnerships") with over \$600 billion in assets.

To minimize administrative burdens and costs, most HFs accept new investors only at the end of each quarter and withdrawals only at year-end on 30 days' written notice. Analysts would say that this provides very limited liquidity.

Each HF is limited to no more than 99 investors.

Excess candidates are referred to HF No. 2, a sibling fund managed by the same managing partnership.

The mutual fund industry opened up the HFs to the "small retail investor" by establishing "fund of funds" that pools cash from small investors into purchase of a group of HF partnerships.

Wall Street has long managed money for large investors and certain insti-

Let's talk...STOCKS

Highwood Partners, a hedge fund, vs. Russell 2000 and S&P 500, 1993-2003

Assumes \$250,000 invested on June 17, 1993

Dollar amounts in thousands

	Highwood Partners hedge fund	Russell 2000	S&P 500
Dec. 31	Return ¹	Amount	Amount
1993 ²	+20.3%	\$301	\$277
1994	+6.0	319	255
1995	-4.5	304	342
1996	+50.5	458	411
1997	-4.0	440	539
1998	+54.7	680	682
1999	-16.8	566	816
2000	+20.2	681	733
2001	+54.1	1,049	638
2002	-15.7	884	489
2003 ³	+20.8	1,068	530
Cumulative gain	+327%	+77%	+112%

¹ Partners' return equals Net profit, less: operating expenses, 1% management fee and 15% incentive fee

² From inception on June 17, 1993

³ Through May 15, 2003

Source: Mengden & Associates Ltd.

tutions willing to take unusual risks for superlative performance. George Soros' Quantum Fund "broke" the Bank of England in 1993 by successfully shorting the pound until it was finally devalued. Soros' fund reportedly pocketed over \$1 billion from this venture.

Fund managers usually invest personal monies with the HF. "Net returns to partners" is usually defined as net profits, less:

- 1) operating expenses,
- 2) management fee of 1 percent per annum and
- 3) incentive fee to fund manager of 15 to 30 percent of profits paid at year-end. (If the bottom line is a loss, no incentive fee is paid and the loss must be recovered

before the incentive fee is paid in following years.)

In September 1998, Long-Term Capital Management, the \$4.8 billion American HF that could be leveraged 20-1 collapsed.

A Sunday night Wall Street "bail-out" meeting, called by the Federal Reserve, raised \$3.6 billion of new private capital to restructure the HF. All previous "public" partners were completely wiped out!

The accompanying table illustrates the progress of a small Bloomfield Hills-based HF, Highwood Partners.

Jim Leonard, CFA of Leonard Capital Management, is portfolio manager, having resigned in November 1992 as

Stock Market at a Glance

Friday Close, 5/16/03

Dow Jones Ind.	8,679
Nasdaq Comp.	1,539
S&P 500 Index	944
\$ in EUROS	1.1574
Crude Oil (Bbl.)	29.14
Gold (Oz.)	354.70
3-Mo. T-Bills	1.04%
30-Yr. T-Bonds	4.45%

Small-Cap Index and the S&P 500 Index from June 17, 1993, (inception) through May 15, almost 10 years.

For the record, LTS and all family members are not investor-partners of Highwood Partners and have no contractual relationships with the HF, the portfolio manager or Leonard, personally.

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

Hedge funds

Last week, William K. Donaldson, SEC chairman, concluded public hearings on whether hedge funds (HF) required greater regulation, requesting staff to prepare recommendations, but ordered no timetable to report.

American HFs operate under only nominal regulations, regarding the "suitability" of sophisticated investors being able to

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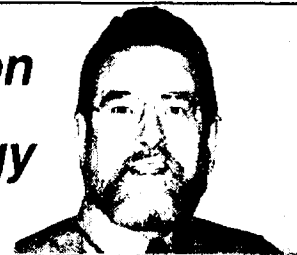
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Pointers on Technology

By Mike Maurer



Giving credit where credit is due

Several of my friends reported the following scary information making the rounds on the Internet.

It is only partially true. "Your personal credit information goes public starting July 1, 2003. The four major credit bureaus in the United States (Equifax, etc.) will be allowed to release credit information, mailing addresses, phone numbers, etc., to anyone who requests it."

"If you do not want to be included in this release of your personal information, you can call 1-888-567-8688. Once the message starts, you will want option No. 2 (even though option No. 1 refers to this e-mail, push No. 2) and then option No. 3."

"Be sure to listen closely; the first option is only for a two-year period. Make sure you wait until they prompt for the third option, which opts you out forever. You should receive their paperwork in the mail confirming the 'opting out' in less than one week after making the call."

Not so fast! You may indeed want to dial that number, but first be aware that this little e-mail tells a great, big lie. The lie is that credit bureaus have all of a sudden been granted the right to share your personal information with certain outside parties.

Not so. They have always been able to do that.

See TECH, page 23A

Business People



Kershner

Grosse Pointe resident **Rodger Kershner** has joined the Bloomfield Hills office of Howard & Howard Attorneys.

Kershner focuses his practice in energy, corporate and real estate law, with experience in environmental matters, including brownfield redevelopment, antitrust, mergers and acquisitions.

He most recently served as senior vice president, general counsel and secretary of CMS Energy Corp. He earned his law degree cum laude from Detroit College of Law.

Rand Sobczak, president of Rand Capital in Grosse Pointe, has been elected to the board of directors of the Southeast Michigan Chapter of the Association for Corporate Growth.

The organization is for professionals involved in middle-market growth, corporate development, mergers and acquisitions.

Grosse Pointe Woods resident **Patricia McCarthy** was elected to vice president of the Michigan Parkinson Foundation.

McCarthy is a bookkeeper at the Grosse Pointe Academy. The foundation has begun its 20th anniversary year, being founded in 1983 as an outgrowth of an educational series at Harper Hospital.

Kimberly McNair has joined the Detroit office of the law firm of Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone. She is an attorney in the health care group and involved in matters pertaining to medical malpractice defense.

She worked previously for Kitch, Drutchas, Wagner, DeNardis & Valiutti.

McNair belongs to the American Bar Association, State Bar of Michigan and the Women Lawyer's Association of Michigan. She earned her law degree from Wayne State University Law School and lives in Harper Woods.

Sluggish economy right for work-at-home scams

By Lori Z. Bahnmueller

Last night, while combing through dozens of spam e-mails on my home computer, I came across this intriguing business opportunity:

Do you want to Choose The Hours You Work??? Do you want to Work From Home?? If this sounds like you, then take 10 minutes to change your life. All we need is your name and email address, and we will send you our free 10-minute presentation.

I didn't click to find out whether this offer was legit, but I did do some research into the kinds of scams that are victimizing senior citizens, the disabled, stay-at-home mothers, young people who have little or no work experience and the recently unemployed.

The Council of Better Business Bureaus in 2001 reported a 20 percent increase from the year before in the number of consumer complaints about work-at-home business opportunities.

With a slow economy and rising unemployment, it's no coincidence that these shams are on the rise.

Before the Internet, bogus work-at-home offers were tacked to telephone poles and advertised in newspapers. Now scammers have

an unlimited pool of vulnerable consumers to seduce with spurious offers of quick and easy money.

In an effort to warn the public about these scams, the Council of Better Business Bureaus has underscored popular work-at-home scam advertisements and issued a slew of recommendations for protecting yourself against potentially getting scammed out of thousands of dollars.

Word-processing schemes

If you get an offer to work on your computer from the comfort of your home for companies who want to expand but don't want to pay for office space, ignore it.

You'll likely pay for a useless guide to work-at-home business opportunities from companies who will require more money from you.

Mail-order scams

When a solicitation for growing a profitable mail order business for a token investment and no previous experience arrives in your email inbox, delete it.

Your "token investment" will get you catalogs, instructions and some meaningless list of mail

order secrets."

Medical billing shams

Does the idea of setting up a medical billing service from home appeal to you? Beware of these prepackaged businesses; they can scam you out of thousands of dollars.

Here is a run-down of the scheme.

Medical billing service promoters will often tell you that little or no experience is necessary to operate one of these out-of-home services, and that you can work either part time or full time providing services like accounts receivable and electronic insurance claim processing.

They'll also promise to provide you with a list of clients who are eager to buy your services.

Promoters will then follow up with a brochure, application, sample diskettes, a contract, disclosure papers, and in some cases, testimonial letters and videocassettes.

In exchange for your investment of \$2,000 to \$8,000, they'll supply you with medical billing software, training and technical support.

They'll also provide you with a list of references you can call to check the legiti-

macy of their operation. Not surprisingly, these lists often contain people hired by the company to give favorable references.

While this offer sounds like the real thing, the reality is that competition in the outsourced medical billing industry is fierce.

Few individuals who invest their time and money in a medical billing business opportunity are able to generate income let alone recoup their money.

If you choose to answer an ad for a home-based business, the Better Business Bureau (BBB) of Detroit and Eastern Michigan recommends you do some homework before you commit to the venture.

Here is a list of questions you should ask the promoter. Be sure to get your answers in writing.

- In what state is your company incorporated?
- What tasks will I have to perform? (Ask the promoter to list every step of the job.)
- Will I be paid a salary or will my pay be based on commission?
- What is the total cost of the program, including training, supplies, equipment and special fees?
- If I have products I can't sell, will the company buy

them back from me?

- Exactly what materials and support services will I receive for my investment?
- Who will pay me?
- Will I be responsible for finding my own customers?
- Exactly what are the required standards my work must meet?
- The BBB of Detroit and Eastern Michigan further recommends getting the following in writing:
 - A copy of the company's financial statement.
 - A list of all charges you are required to pay, including both start-up costs and any future charges and obligations.
 - A detailed description of all the assistance the company agrees to provide such as training, software, materials and marketing.
 - An exact description of the conditions under which you or the company may alter or terminate the contract.
 - Information on the business background of the owners and managers of the

company, including any legal problems such as lawsuits.

If you're involved in a work-at-home program and feel the company isn't legitimate, contact the company and ask for a refund.

Let the company's representatives know that you will notify officials about your experiences.

If you can't resolve your dispute with the company, file a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission by phoning (877) 382-4357 or visiting www.ftc.gov.

You may also contact your local better business bureau or your state Attorney General's office or the state where the company is located.

They will be able to tell you whether you're protected by a state law that regulates work-at-home programs.

Lori Z. Bahnmueller is vice president of Association Services for the Michigan Credit Union League.

Summer camps can be economical alternative for couch potato kids

By Lori Z. Bahnmueller

"I've got one word for you, mom — camp," said the pudgy elementary school student as she skipped from the school exit to her mom's SUV.

I caught this bit of conversation while strolling by the school with my son one recent sunny afternoon.

At just a few months over a year, he's a bit too young for camp.

But, maybe next year?

More than nine million kids across the country attended some 12,000 day and resident camps last year, according to the American Camping Association (ACA).

Program offerings are as varied as the kids who attend them.

A quick glance at the more popular national camp services found a weeklong camp for kids with diabetes, a summerlong program that mixes traditional camp follies with progressive Internet skills, and day

camps specializing in math and sciences, arts and crafts and kickboxing.

Equally varied are the fees and supply costs associated with such adventures.

Prices for private overnight camps generally run from \$1,800 to \$4,200 for four weeks while non-profit camps generally range from \$1,100 to \$2,700.

Day camps start at about \$100 and can stretch to \$1,000 a week depending on the program.

Before you invest hundreds of dollars in your kid's summer camp experience, consider the following tips to ensure you and your child will get the most out of your investment:

- Check out nonprofit camps first.

For a great general-interest camping experience these long-established camps are hard to beat. Camps sponsored by scouting organizations, YMCAs, YWCAs and church groups cost between \$200-\$300 per

week, while private camps run up to \$1,000 per week.

- Tell a friend. Some camps offer tuition discounts for referrals. Other camps offer incentives such as canteen credit.

• Barter. You might be able to lower your child's camp tuition by offering your skills and resources.

• Sign up early. Tuition prices usually rise as deadlines approach.

• Go in late summer. At many camps the later sessions are shorter and less expensive.

Also, later in the season camps have a harder time filling their bunks and may reduce their price.

- Ask about camp scholarships.

Many no-profit camps charge on a sliding scale or offer tuition assistance. Other camps raise money to be distributed through scholarships.

- Screen all of the camps that your child is considering.

One thing to look for is whether or not the camp is accredited by the ACA. ACA accreditation certifies that a camp meets 300 standards for health, safety and program quality.

ACA accreditation also ensures that at least once every three years a group of trained professionals observes an active camp session to substantiate the camp's compliance.

If a camp on your child's list is not ACA accredited, find out why.

For more information regarding summer camps, contact the following:

The National Camp Association, Inc. (800) 966-CAMP or visit www.summertimecamp.org, www.kidscamps.com or the American Camping Association at www.aca-camps.org.

Lori Z. Bahnmueller is vice president of Association Services for the Michigan Credit Union League.

New City park director

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

The City of Grosse Pointe Park didn't have far to look in its nationwide search for a new parks and recreation director.

Bryce Pitters comes to the City from St. Clair Shores where he lives and served as that city's assistant aquatics manager for the past five years.

While at St. Clair Shores, Pitters managed the lifeguard staff and was the head coach of the St. Clair Shores Sea Serpents.

He started in the parks and recreation department as a lifeguard in 1995.

Pitters, 24, holds an undergraduate degree in

communications and a master's degree in sports administration from Wayne State University.

Pitters will be overseeing the front gate and marina construction projects which will begin this fall at Neff Park.

"I love it," Pitters said. "I feel this is a good place to be. I'm excited about the opportunity."

City Manager Michael Overton said, "He brings a lot of enthusiasm and experience in the aquatic arena plus he has marine experience that will come in handy with our new marina. He's going to be a great addition to our staff."

Tech

From page 22A

What is new, since the Financial Services Modernization Act went into effect on July 1, 2001, is that U.S. consumers now have the explicit right to opt out of such information sharing.

This could be by financial institutions with "unaffiliated firms" such as telemarketing companies. So the truth is that as of July 1, your privacy rights were ever so slightly increased, not decreased.

The phone number given in the e-mail is a valid one and has actually been available to consumers for several years. You can safely dial it to make an opt-out request based on your Social Security number (which will be requested).

But here is another caveat.

This phone request only applies to the four major U.S. credit bureaus. If you also want to stop your bank, credit card companies, insurance companies, et al, from releasing such information, you must contact each one individually.

There is another alternative, too. You can contact the Direct Marketing Association (www.dmaconsumers.org) to remove your

name at the source. When the home page pops up, hit the big button on the left that says, "Remove my name from those lists."

Remember, swearing at the computer accomplishes nothing except to raise your blood pressure. (That's a bad thing, right?)

Next, I would like to revisit an old issue.

Chris Peplin, a sophomore at one of the Grosse Pointe high schools, informs me that microwaves and cordless phones can interfere with wireless computing, especially if they are close to either the access point or network adapter.

(If you didn't understand the last five words, don't sweat it. You are not likely to be doing wireless computing.)

Chris points out that microwave shielding is enough for the microwave radiation, but not for the RF (radio frequency) interference.

I loved his solutions.

"You could insulate your kitchen with sheet metal or wrap the microwave in two dozen layers of tin foil," Chris said. "However, I don't guarantee either of those methods would work. It's nearly impossible to filter out the RF waves from a single source without harm-


ing the connections to all of the others."

I agree, Chris, but the folks at Reynolds Aluminum called, and they want you to join their marketing staff.

Lastly, here's something to think about when you can't sleep. Why do we still

call aluminum foil "tin foil?" Or is it just me?

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



Real Estate

By Alex M. Lucido

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May 22, 2003

Students fight cancer in Relay for Life

By Jennie Miller
Staff Writer

Cancer does not age discriminate.

Nearly 100 survivors from the ages of 15 months to 86 years will take part in the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life, sponsored by the Grosse Pointe News and St. Clair Shores Connection, to be held on Friday and Saturday, May 30 and 31, at Blossom Heath Park in St. Clair Shores.

Members of the surrounding communities are joining in to help honor and support those with cancer, and they too span the ages.

"More students are coming forward every year in the Relay for Life," said Amy Motyka, community development director for the American Cancer Society, of the 52 teams scheduled to participate in this year's event.

"We have student teams from three elementary schools (and several high schools in the area). The other teams have members of all ages," she said.

Maggie Horne, a sophomore at Grosse Pointe North High School, is the captain of "The Fighting Norsemen," a team of 30 students who are honoring a classmate, Mike D'Hondt, who is a cancer survivor.

"I find it very touching that the class has come forward from Grosse Pointe North for the Relay for Life to pay tribute to their classmate and support what he is going through with his cancer diagnosis and treatment," Motyka said.

Grosse Pointe South High School's synchronized swim team, the Blue Dolphins, decided to donate all the money raised from the carnival games held at the school's 75th anniversary celebration two weeks ago.

The Key Club and Honor Society at Lake Shore High School will also be participating in the event, along with the

Lakeview High School Varsity basketball team, teams from South Lake, East Detroit and Troy high schools, as well as the St. Joan of Arc Youth Ministry.

"I think it's just marvelous that children are aware that they have the ability to help as well as adults," Motyka said. "That's a life lesson that is going to carry on."

This lesson is beginning even at the elementary school age.

Last summer, 7-year old Carly Farkas, a second-grader at Violet Elementary School in St. Clair Shores, cut nearly a foot off her long blond hair to donate to Locks of Love, a program that makes wigs for children who have lost their hair during cancer treatment.

Farkas will be participating for the second time in the Relay for Life on the team, Hope Floats.

Teams from Ardmore, Greenwood and Princeton elementary schools in St. Clair Shores are also joining the fight against cancer in the Relay for Life.

"It's been important to principals and faculty at all the schools to create an environment where children are aware of the value of giving back to the community at a young age," Motyka said. "They experience the good feeling that comes from helping others."

These elementary schools have held mini-relays during physical education classes to encourage healthy lifestyles and the importance of exercise.

"They make it a lot of fun, and the kids are getting some serious exercise," Motyka said. "It's a neat undertaking that has been very rewarding at the schools."

"It's amazing how many children are aware that cancer can touch their lives. This is a way for them to be a part of making a difference," she said.

"All these students are ready to grasp the whole concept of taking

care of themselves," said Tracy Huyghe, of St. Clair Shores, the student involvement chairperson and team captain of Angels in Motion, adding that she hopes the mini-relays will expand into other school districts.

At the Relay for Life, there is also a focus on education.

"We share messages of early detection and prevention, and (we will have) some presentations in the afternoon on Friday that give people the opportunity to speak to some doctors from Bon Secours Hospital and the Karmanos Cancer Center about their concerns in dealing with cancer,"

Motyka said. "It is a wonderful opportunity for the community to learn more."

The student participation is a very positive aspect of the event.

"It's great that students participate," Huyghe said. "They are so energetic. Their ambition to stomp this out is unbelievable. It's something they will carry with them forever."

The Relay will take place from noon on Friday, May 30, until noon on Saturday, May 31. Cancer survivors are invited to take part in a victory lap at 7 p.m. on Friday.

Last year's event in St. Clair

Shores, with 42 teams, brought in a total of \$146,000.

"I'm sure we will exceed that total this year," Motyka said.

Relay for Life events occur in countries all over the world, and it is the most successful fundraising event in the country. Last year, more than 3,300 events took place in the United States alone.

There were 113,000 teams who walked for 24 hours, including more than 500,000 cancer survivors who celebrated their victory over the disease by participating in the victory laps. More than \$245 million was raised to help in the fight against cancer.



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4:00	GP South Jazztet
6:30	Parrots in Paradise Party
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12:00	Fantasy E-lex Puppets
1:00	Vivace
2:00	Amazing Clark Entertainment
3:00	Raffle



**Brandon Campbell
and Kati Burrill**

Burrill-Campbell

Charlie and Sue Burrill of Shelby Township have announced the engagement of their daughter, Kati Burrill, to Brandon Campbell, son of Brian and Sharon Campbell of Grosse Pointe Farms. An August wedding is planned.

Burrill graduated from Central Michigan University. She is a junior high school teacher and athletic director at Utica Community School.

Campbell graduated from Michigan State University. He is an engineer with Hayes Lemmerz Int.

Rose-Petko

Italo and Georgette Rose of South Lyon have announced the engagement of their daughter, Danielle Rose, to Thomas Andrew Petko, son of James and

Kathleen Root of Grosse Pointe Farms. An October wedding is planned.

Rose graduated from Clarenceville High School. She is the office manager for Wealth Accumulation Strategies.

Petko earned a Bachelor of Science degree in mechanical engineering from GMI Engineering and Management Institute. He is an engineer with Daimler Chrysler Corp.



**Danielle Rose and
Thomas Andrew Petko**

Kelley-Smith

David and Patricia Kelley of the City of Grosse Pointe have announced the engagement of their daughter, Kathleen Kelley, to Steven Smith, son of Larry and Pam Smith of St. Clair Shores. An October wedding is planned.

Kelley graduated from Central Michigan University with a B.A.A.



**Steven Smith and
Kathleen Kelley**

degree in therapeutic recreation. She is a certified therapeutic recreational specialist with Harbor Oaks Hospital.

Smith graduated from Michigan State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in resource development.

He is a foreman with Meldrum & Smith Nursery.



**Zachary Aaron Coon
and Laura Mary Dow**

Dow-Coon

Stuart and Therese Dow of Grosse Pointe Farms have announced the engagement of their daughter, Laura Mary Dow, to Zachary Aaron Coon, son of Clint and Peggy Coon of Kokomo, Ind.

Babies

**Ashley Elizabeth Westbrook,
Mackenzie Jae Westbrook and
Matthew Joseph Westbrook Jr.**

Laura and Matthew Westbrook of Lexington, formerly of the City of Grosse Pointe, are the parents of triplets, two girls and one boy, Ashley Elizabeth, Mackenzie Jae and Matthew Joseph Westbrook Jr., born Feb. 19, 2003.

Maternal grandparents are Linda and Bill Hutton of Harper Woods.

Paternal grandparents are Kathy Westbrook of Grosse Pointe Woods and Ray Westbrook, also of Grosse Pointe Woods. Great-grandmother is Anita Westbrook of Croswell.

Bradford James Kemper

Matthew and Heidi Kemper of Grosse Pointe Farms are the parents of a son, Bradford James Kemper, born April 2, 2003. Maternal grandparents are Thomas and Linda Koenig of Grosse Pointe Farms. Paternal grandparents are William and Betty Kemper of Atlanta.

Great-grandmothers are Mrs. Dorothy Koenig of

An August wedding is planned.

Dow earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology from the University of Michigan and is working on a Master of Arts degree in religion from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School.

She is the youth director at Ward Presbyterian Church.

Coon earned a Bachelor of Science degree in mechanical engineering from Tristate University.

He is a mechanical engineer.

Jackson and Mrs. Clara Kemper of Venice, Fla.

John Patrick McEvoy

Sean and Amy McEvoy are the parents of a son, John Patrick McEvoy, born May 1, 2003. Maternal grandparents are Arthur and Ann Corker of St. Clair Shores. Paternal grandparents are Michael and Mary McEvoy of Harper Woods. Great-grandfather is Frank McEvoy of Harper Woods and Florida.

Evan Thomas Smolen

Jeff Smolen and Kristen Havern Smolen of Grosse Pointe Woods are the parents of a son, Evan Thomas Smolen, born April 25, 2003. Maternal grandparents are Tom and Arleen Havern of Grosse Pointe Park. Paternal grandparents are Richard and Susan Smolen of Baden, Pa.

Great-grandparents are Helen Munz of Amityville, N.Y.; John and Helen Smolen of Ashtabula, Ohio; and Sally Rudin of Green Valley, Ariz.

Joseph Thomas Czech

Robert and Cynthia Czech of Grosse Pointe Woods are the parents of a son, Joseph

Thomas Czech, born Feb. 20, 2003. Maternal grandparents are Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Raffail of Grosse Pointe Shores. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Czech of Dallas.

Dominic Valentine Coluni

John and Tiffany Coluni of Grosse Pointe Farms are the parents of a son, Dominic Valentine Coluni, born April 24, 2003. Maternal grandparents are Margaret Dan of Mansfield, Ohio and David and Suzanne Dan of Oakwood, Ohio. Paternal grandparents are Valentine and Virginia Coluni of Blacksburg, Va.

Mallory Claire Bergmann

John and Kristen Bergmann of St. Clair Shores are the parents of a daughter, Mallory Claire Bergmann, born April 24, 2003. Maternal grandparents are Dave and Carmen Linn of Grosse Pointe Park. Paternal grandparents are Bob and Margaret Bergmann of St. Clair Shores.

Great-grandparents are Frank and Grace Bommarito of Grosse Pointe Park, Mildred Jozwiak of St. Clair Shores and Kay Linn of Vincennes, Ind.

Meetings

Women's Connection

The Women's Connection of Grosse Pointe will meet on Thursday, May 22, at a private club. Joyce Stedman, a specialist in the sale of long-term care insurance, will give a talk on "Who Will Care for You? A Look at Long-term Health Care." WCGP is a women's networking and social club that meets for dinner and a program once a month. For more information or to make a reservation, call Marcia Pikelek at (313) 884-4201 or Nancy Neat at (313) 882-1855.

G.P. Sail Club

The Grosse Pointe Sail Club will hold an open house and a free pancake breakfast from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. on Memorial Day, Monday, May 26, in the Tompkins Center at Grosse Pointe Park's Windmill Pointe Park.

The club conducts the longest running open-racing sailboat competition on Lake St. Clair, holds 17 other social events and runs 13 sailing race events each year.

Terry Solomon, Recreation Director for Grosse Pointe Park, will speak to skippers at 11 a.m. about the Windmill Pointe Marina. At noon, all boats in the marina

are invited to participate in the Sail Club's annual Blessing of the Fleet.

Valparaiso University Guild

The Detroit chapter of the Valparaiso University Guild will meet at 7 p.m. Monday, June 2, at 47 Roslyn in Grosse Pointe Shores. The program, "300 years of Detroit Cooking," will be by Marguerite Humes. The fee is \$5, payable at the door. For reservations, call (313) 881-9703.

Classical Music League

The Grosse Pointe Classical Music League invites the community to a springtime musicale at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, May 29, in the Crystal Ballroom of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

Performers will be Rubik Mailian, lyric baritone, and Christina Bonner, mezzo soprano. Margaret Benian is the pianist.

Reservations are \$45 and are available by making a check payable to the GPCML and sending to Jeannette Szulec, 2 Fairlake Lane, Grosse Pointe Shores, 48236, by Saturday, May 24. For information, call (313) 886-5160.

Topic will be nutrition

Bananas are fattening. Two percent milk is considered low fat. Wheat bread is better for you than white bread.

Are these facts or myths? Christina Edge, dietitian, will dispel these and other common nutrition myths from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, June 12, at the Van Elslander Cancer Center in Grosse Pointe Woods.

The focus will be on basic nutrition information and will cover food labels, calories, weight loss, fat and cholesterol. Edge will also provide a brief cooking

demonstration. This is a free education night presented for everyone in the community.

The VECC is located behind St. John Hospital at 19229 Mack and Moross, east of I-94. To register or for more information, call (866) 246-4673.

Free VECC community education night programs are held the second Thursday of each month from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

The Van Elslander Cancer Center at St. John Hospital and Medical Center is a member of St. John Health.

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History center open to browsers, serious researchers

By Ann L. Fouty
Staff Writer

History is not lost. It's just tucked away awaiting for people to discover it in the basement of the St. Clair Shores Public Library.

In the newly renovated and soon-to-be new climate controlled basement of the library there are books, maps, pictures and computers to research your family tree, the Great Lakes, Great Lakes shipping, local history, Michigan history and water quality.

Dedication of both the history center and the cafe attached to the library took place during a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Monday, May 5, attended by local and county officials and dignitaries.

The history center proved to be the highlight of the evening as browsers and serious researchers looked at books and flipped through the pages of history.

State Sen. Dennis Olshove watched as the library's archivist Cindy Bieniek clicked into an on-line genealogy site to show him what information was available online. She came up with some relatives that he was familiar with — Aunt Regina, LaVern and Malvin.

Pam O'Connor Waldecker is a serious genealogy researcher for two reasons.

When her husband's parents were getting close to observing their 50th wedding anniversary she started her research on the Waldeckers. Her second reason was to learn more about her maternal grandparents. Her maternal grandmother died when O'Connor

Waldecker's mother was 5, so there was little family history to pass on. O'Connor Waldecker was introduced to genealogy material available via the Internet, becoming a library regular to do research.

A mother, who home schools her children, O'Connor Waldecker said she is excited about the new historical center.

In addition to the genealogy material found in the new history center there are high school yearbooks, atlases, plat books, county histories, the city archives, photos, Great Lakes and Michigan history books, said library director Art Woodford. It's all housed in one convenient area as opposed to the four different places when it was housed on the library's main level.

"We have an excellent Michigan collection and our Great Lakes collection is one of the best in Michigan. We have a lot of material on Great Lakes because of our location," he said.

"The highlight of the genealogy collection is the excellent collection of Detroit city directories and Michigan county atlases, which we purchased from a private collector. Mount Clemens has a better genealogy collection, but we share resources."

There are 19th century Great Lakes travelogues, periodicals and a nearly complete set of lake carriers association material of companies that run ships on the Great Lakes. The collection includes a set of freighter identification directories and historical data. Stacked

on the shelves is material dealing with Detroit history, out-of-print Great Lakes books and a historical collection about water quality.

With all these resources, the historical collection is incomplete in that the history center needs telephone directories and high school yearbooks from the three St. Clair Shores school districts. Woodford is requesting that anyone who would like to donate their yearbook, before the 1960s, the library would like them. He said, they are a good resource when tracing family history.

Telephone books are good for tracing businesses. In fact, Harper's recently released revitalization plan includes research done in the history center.

With all this one-of-a-kind historical material, temperature and humidity are critical. The 1970s heating and cooling system is to be replaced this year.

"Temperature is destructive," Woodford said.

Housing the historical material would not have been complete without a \$200,000 Arts and Quality of Life Grant from the state of Michigan, \$148,700 from the library state aid and penal fines, \$332,300 federal block grant money and \$57,400 from the 2001-02 library budget.

"We worked years to accumulate library funds and penal fines. We set it aside for this program," he said.

Making the lower level handicap accessible was the largest part of the project, the elevator, the stairway and the bathroom. A portion

of the Community Development Block Grant funds designated for such purposes was used.

Criticized by some as taking money away from other projects and running over-budget may be unwarranted because cost overruns were less than 10 percent, Woodford said. When the budget had to be cut, the contingency fund that is used for cost overruns was taken out.

"The bids came in too high. We went back to see what we could do," he said.

Engineering costs to cover the problems with soil were another problem that the project ran into.

Any time there is a construction project on the east side of Jefferson there are soil problems, Woodford said.

The whole project cost \$740,000. The much maligned coffee shop cost \$40,000 and was paid for with part of the grant. All the furnishings were paid through donations.

All in all Woodford feels the project was more than worth the more than two years it took to get off the ground, not only because of consolidating all the historical material, making the basement handicap accessible, but also because Dan Schultz was the construction manager.

As a resident of St. Clair Shores, Woodford said, Schultz took a personal interest in the project. "It's his city."

And Schultz had a part in preserving his city's history, making history accessible to everyone.

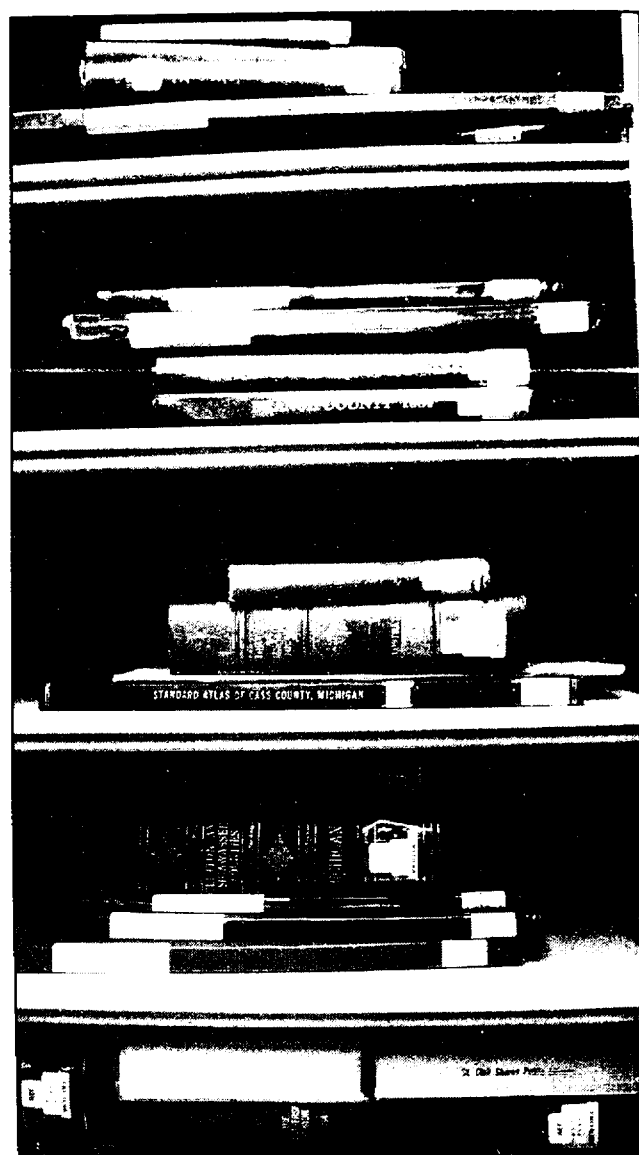


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The history center's archives have been enhanced by the purchase of Michigan county atlases from both the 19th and 20th century. The pleasant surroundings of the history center generate spontaneity, inspiring people to exchange stories about their respective families.

How to deal with anger and stress

(WMS) — It's natural to feel angry and stressed once in a while. But it's not healthy to stay agitated, bottle up your anger or express it with explosive outbursts.

The following tips are from the book "Mayo Clinic on Depression" that can help

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you deal with anger and stress in a more positive way:

- Identify what triggers your anger and prepare for it.
- Remove yourself from the situation; then choose your response.
- Express your frustration calmly rather than in a verbal outburst.
- Find a constructive way, like writing or dancing, to release the energy produced by your anger.
- Release "hot thoughts" that rekindle anger.

Researchers believe harboring vengeful and painful feelings places your body under continuous stress. In addition to harming your emotional health, holding on to anger may increase your risk of high blood pressure and heart disease.

So, how do you let go? You learn to forgive. Anger may be fueled by a lingering resentment toward someone who wronged you or hurt you. A study of women who

survived incest found that those who learned to forgive lessened their anxiety and depression. Forgiving doesn't mean denying or condoning what happened, but it is a way to keep negative feelings from consuming you.

Sometimes becoming aware of what causes you stress can make it easier to cope. Your stress may be linked to external factors like work, family or unpredictable events. Or it may stem from internal factors, like perfectionism or unrealistic expectations. Concentrate on those stressors you can change. In situations beyond your control, look for ways to remain calm under the circumstances.

One of the best ways to manage your emotional health is to anticipate and solve potential problems before they become worse. This means embracing habits that support your emotional health, like exercise and good nutrition. Be

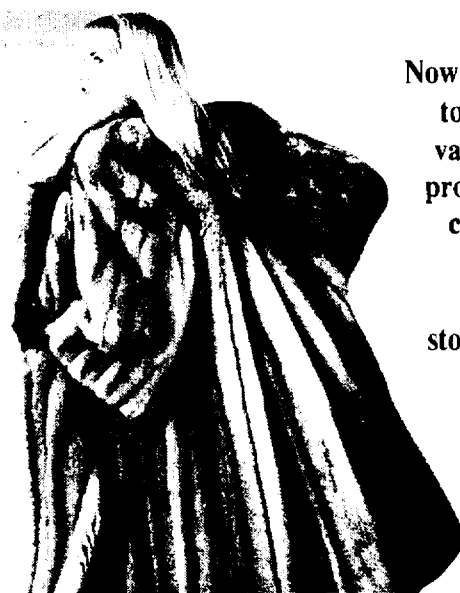
aware of the warning signs that your emotional health is out of whack, like waking up early in the morning, eating more than usual or irritability over trivial matters. Life naturally brings ups and downs; occasionally feeling sad or blue doesn't mean you're sinking into depression. But if these feelings persist, see your doctor or therapist.

To help you develop healthy habits, Mayo Clinic Health Information is offering a free booklet, "Live Longer, Live Better." Write to Mayo Clinic Health Information — Live Better Booklet — OE-6, 200 First Street S.W., Rochester, MN 55905.

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The Pastor's Corner Memorial Day

By the Rev. Bart Beebe

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"No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." (John 15:13).

These words will be read this weekend in many congregations across our nation. They are from the passage assigned for the Sixth Sunday of Easter. In speaking these words, Jesus is referring to the sacrifice of his own life for the sake not only of his friends, but for the whole world.

How appropriate that this passage will be read across our nation on Memorial Day weekend as we remember others who, in military service, sacrificed their lives.

I will remember this weekend an uncle whom I never knew. A veteran of World War II, he died before I was born, in 1947, from a self-inflicted gunshot wound. Tragically he could never "get his life back-together" after returning from the war. He didn't die in the war, but could it be he died because of the war?

I will remember a high school classmate's brother who was killed in Vietnam.

I will remember a classmate from seminary who, as a pilot, flew bombing missions in Vietnam. He acknowledged in the late 1970's that he regularly found it difficult to sleep through the night.

I will remember many veterans from World War II and Korea at whose funerals I have officiated during my years of ministry. Many of them — even the highly decorated — died without having shared the details of their wartime experiences with their families.

I will remember the thousands who died serving our nation in time of conflict. I will also remember those who survived war, but whose lives were forever changed by the experience.

There are a variety of reasons why a person would go to war. A veteran once told me that the bottom line is: You lay your life on the line for your friends.

When the fighting gets thick, he said, you don't think of political ideals or social philosophies or the state of the economy; you think about your friends, from the buddy fighting in the trench next to you to your loved ones back home. Nothing motivates one to lay his/her life on the line like the thought of the people for whom one is willing to sacrifice.

Throughout the history of our nation, many have fought a war, hoping that "this will be the war to end all wars." Yet wars continue to be fought.

Sometimes the reasons for war are easily understood and commonly accepted. More often, the rationale behind the war is complex, even confusing to some, and a wide range of opinions are held as to the necessity of the war.

As history unfolds, particular wars come to be seen in a different light. Perhaps only at the end of history as we know it will it be fully revealed to us by God which wars were necessary evils.

In the meantime, I must acknowledge that my life as I know it has only been possible because others were willing to put their lives on the line in battle. I am thankful for these friends who never knew me. May the Holy Spirit so work in my life, in this nation and in the world, that the blood shed in battle will not have been shed in vain.



Junior Group Goodwill

The Junior Group of Goodwill Industries will hold its annual Bridge Classic benefit.

Proceeds from the fundraiser will help people with disabilities learn to become independent citizens through training, work experience and employment offered by Goodwill Industries of Greater Detroit.

The Bridge Classic, which is not a tournament but a friendly afternoon of lunch and cards, begins at 11:30 a.m. Friday, May 30, at the Tompkins Community Center in Grosse Pointe Park.

Lunch begins at noon. The cost is \$25 a person and table prizes, favors and door prizes are included. Alternate card games may be played.

Committee members, from left, are Jo Ann Cousino, Mary Ruffner and Shirley Kennedy, chairman.

Other committee members include Mary Schroeder, Pris VanHorne, Peg Noble, Mary Blevins and Margaret Hall.

For more information, call (313) 823-0892.

Author will speak at G.P. Unitarian Church

The Rev. David Abbott, an ordained Presbyterian minister and mental health counselor, will give a talk, "The Gift of Listening" at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, May 25, at the Sunday Lay Service of the Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church.

Abbott recently conducted

a workshop on listening skills for the American Unitarian Conference, which was held in Detroit.

The public is invited.

The Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church is located at 17150 Maumee in the City of Grosse Pointe.

Pastor to be Metropolitan of Spain and Portugal

The Holy and Sacred Synod of the Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople unanimously elected the Very Rev. Archimandrite Epiphanius Perialas as the first Metropolitan of Spain and Portugal.

Perialas has served as interim pastor at Assumption Greek Orthodox Church in St. Clair Shores.

"I am deeply honored by my appointment and look forward to working closely with the people of our newest Metropolis," he said.



Rev. Archimandrite Epiphanius Perialas

FELC women plan annual salad luncheon, meeting



Kay A. Smith

The Women of the Church at First English Ev. Lutheran Church will hold their annual salad luncheon meeting at noon on Wednesday, June 4.

The speaker will be Kay A. Smith, journalist and head of Smith Communications.

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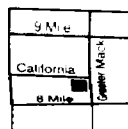
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Retirement fund or college fund?

(ARA) - Visions of retirement don't typically include attending parent-teacher conferences and helping with nightly homework. Yet for more and more seniors, that is the reality. Over the past 10 years, the number of children being raised in grandparent-headed households has increased by 30 percent.

Being thrust into the role raises many tough issues for grandparents. First and foremost, how will they afford retirement while handling the added expense that comes with raising a family? Providing food, shelter and clothing for kids is expensive, and the average income for grandparent-headed households is usually under \$20,000.

Financial expert Chris Farrell, host of Public Television's "Right on the Money" urges grandparents to think of themselves first. "You can't help your grandkids unless you've taken care of yourself," he says. "While your inclination is to put the child's needs ahead of your own, you actually are serving them better by looking out for yourself first."

With that in mind, Farrell offers five practical suggestions for grandparents who face this situation:

1. Don't sacrifice your retirement.

"Funding a secure retirement should be seniors' first priority," says Farrell. He cautions seniors against borrowing money from their

401(k) plans. While it might be tempting to dip into money previously earmarked for retirement, it's not a good idea — and could be trouble in the long run. Grandparents should not stop saving for retirement under any circumstances, especially if they're relatively young in age.

Still others imagine they should forsake funding their retirement, and be putting money into a college fund for their grandchildren. But this isn't the best use of their money either. "The child can borrow to go to college," says Farrell. "The grandchild will have more time to pay back the student loan as opposed to a grandparent who faces a more limited time frame."

2. Know your resources — Resource savvy grandparents will look to see if they qualify for the Family Independence Program (FIP). FIP is a block grant and was established by the Social Security Act P.A. 223 of 1995. State and area Agencies on Aging across the country have instituted programs and services to assist grandparent care givers and help them identify and access available services. You can reach them at (800) 677-1116 or the Web site aag.gov. The American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) Web site: aarp.org/grandparents also offers tips and information for grandparent care givers.

3. Make a will —

Establishing a will and initiating estate planning become especially important for grandparents who are raising their grandkids. "Grandparents really need a will, to make provisions for the child or children in the event something happens to them," says Farrell. "It's important to work with an attorney, name a guardian and appropriately allocate assets."

4. Explore health insurance options — If you are covered by medical insurance, look into adding your grandchildren to your policy. If that's not an option, many states offer health insurance to help grandparents with their medical costs.

5. Find support — It is also important to seek out emotional support. Grandparents who are raising their grandkids are prone to psychological and emotional strain as well as feelings of helplessness and isolation. They often neglect their own physical and emotional health because they give priority to the needs of their grandchildren. "It helps to reach out to others in similar circumstances for support and ideas," says Farrell.

While the role of grandparents as parents isn't easy, with good planning and plenty of support, there is a sense of joy and a daily sense of purpose and satisfaction that can come from guiding youngsters through life.

SOC Options

SOC has loan closet

By Sharon Maier

SOC Executive Director Services for Older Citizens is proud to offer a durable medical equipment loan closet to Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods residents. The loan closet fills a void that many seniors face when they need supplies, and Medicare does not cover them.



Sharon Maier

One of the reasons I'm most proud of this new program is that it is the ultimate form of recycling. Local residents donate all the supplies for our loan closet and we lend them back to the community.

If you are doing house cleaning and find durable medical equipment that you no longer need — think of us.

Wheelchairs are our most loaned-out item, although we also get calls for walkers, canes, Depends, shower benches and other medical equipment. We are not able to accept as donations or lend out portable commodes, because of health regulations.

Knowing how Medicare works when it comes to durable medical equipment can save you a lot of time, aggravation and money. So here are some tips on how Medicare works.

Claims for medical equipment fall into the categories of durable medical equipment, prosthetics, orthotics and

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They are separated from Medicare Part B claims and processed through one of the four carriers known as the durable medical equipment regional carrier (DMERC).

In order for Medicare to pay for durable medical equipment (DME) it must:

- Withstand repeated use
- Be used to serve a medical purpose
- Be appropriate for use in the home
- Be ordered by a physician.

It is also important to know that Medicare pays 80 percent of the Medicare-allowed amount. You are responsible for the 20 percent co-insurance amount. You should always ask your supplier if it accepts Medicare assignments.

While Medicare does cover many kinds of equipment (this is not a complete list) such as canes, crutches, walkers, commode chairs, blood glucose monitors, wheelchairs, hospital beds, home oxygen equipment, ventilators, aspirators, suction pumps, prosthetics and esthetics, it does not cover insulin, syringes, wigs, stair lifts, grabbers, ramps, adult diapers, hearing aids, surgical stockings or hose, special TVs for closed caption, computer keyboards for communication, air conditioners, whirlpool tubs, most prescription drugs, home modifications, bath aids, wheelchair lifts, exercise equipment, reading machines, white canes for the blind and light therapy.

Medicare will never pay for these items. If you want one or your doctor prescribes one, you or your other insurance will have to pick up the cost. Even with a prescription from your doctor, Medicare cannot pay for non-covered items.

If you are unsure if an

item is covered by Medicare, call (800) 270-2313 to find out.

Medicare can only let you know if a general service or item is covered.

Wheelchairs, while covered by Medicare, have special stipulations. They are only covered if your medical condition is such that you would be confined to a bed or a chair without them. Medicare will not pay for a wheelchair used as a convenience item or for leisure activities. This means that wheelchairs used for shopping or other activities that require walking a longer range than you may be able to walk do not meet the Medicare coverage.

Your physician must complete a Certificate of Medical Necessity to be filed with the claim from your wheelchair supplier.

For most manual wheelchairs, 10 monthly rental payments are made by Medicare before you are given the option to purchase the wheelchair. Medicare does not purchase most manual wheelchairs until you have made this choice.

If you choose to purchase the wheelchair, you must sign a purchase agreement at the tenth month with your supplier. Medicare will make three more rental payments (13 total rental payments).

You are responsible for the 20 percent co-insurance amount and for unassigned claims, the balance between the Medicare-allowed amount and the supplier's charge for the wheelchair. If you select this option, you own the wheelchair.

While Medicare offers some options that may help you with your durable medical equipment needs, your supplemental insurance may offer you more, and the SOC loan closet is always available for your use. Call (313) 882-9600 to find out if we have what you need.

End disrespect to seniors

By Matilda Charles

Older men and women are sometimes treated with a lack of respect that may range from being annoying to being outright offensive. And if it happens to you, don't accept it.

For example, if it bothers you when people you don't know (especially if they're younger) call you by your first name, speak up and say, "Please call me Mr. Smith or Ms. Brown." And it doesn't matter who those people are: No one should assume he or she has the right to use your given name without asking you first.

I recall an orthopedist I'll identify as John Jones greeting me with, "And how are you today, Matilda?" I said, "Fine, John." He got the message, and for the next three months until my broken toe healed, I was Ms. Charles to him, and he was rewarded by my calling him Dr. Jones.

Was I being what my grandmother would have called cheeky? No doubt. But I feel cheekiness in the name of preserving one's well-earned dignity is warranted.

Maybe I didn't make a friend that day. But what I want from a doctor isn't necessarily friendship, but professionalism, and that includes being treated with the respect an adult should expect. Frankly, I would have been happy to have him call me Matilda, if he had only asked first.

Older people are also too often made to feel incompetent. A colleague was about to open a new checking account. The bank officer said in a patronizing tone, "Now, I hope you understand that it's important that you don't bounce any checks, OK?"

My friend tore up the application card, saying she

couldn't trust a bank whose employee didn't know the difference between being helpful and being insulting. She told me later, "After she made me feel like a child, it felt wonderful to reassert myself."

Were there times when you felt you weren't being treated with the respect you deserve? How did you handle it? Let's hear about it.

Write to Matilda Charles in care of King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475, or send e-mails to letters.kfws@hearstsc.com.

Grandparents class offered

Bon Secours Cottage Health Services offers a free grandparents class from 7 to 9 p.m. Monday, June 9, in the Private Dining Room at Bon Secours Hospital, 468 Cadieux in the City of Grosse Pointe.

Today's childbearing couples are being taught many things that seem to be the exact opposite of what the soon-to-be-grandparents were told when they became parents. Sign up for the Bon Secours Cottage Grandparents Class and see for yourself what today's

expectant parents are learning. Even if you already have grandchildren, you might pick up some new ideas or information about child care and nurturing skills. A Bon Secours BirthCare nurse educator teaches the session and encourages both grandmothers and grandfathers to attend.

For more information or to register, call Bon Secours Health Community Promotion at (586) 779-7900 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Senior Men's Club meets

The Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club will meet at 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 27, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. After lunch and a memorial, the program will be presented by Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South's graduating seniors with grade point averages of 4.0 or higher.

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The morning after: Surviving cancer

By Donna Handley
Special Writer

There's always a lot of information in the news about cancer, ranging from details about advanced treatments to new drugs that can help beat or control this terrible disease.



Donna Handley

Overall, the focus of these reports tends to be on making people better, which is certainly important. Such information brings great hope to cancer patients and their families.

But there's another story that needs to be told: that of cancer survivorship.

People who have survived cancer (sometimes in spite of great odds), are fighters. They make a conscious decision to fight for their lives and then use

every conceivable method available to overcome the disease.

Some of these techniques fall outside the realm of traditional medical treatment. They include positive thinking, prayer and complementary care (including meditation and Reiki).

In the fight against cancer, anything goes, and studies have shown that such alternative methods actually can improve your chances of surviving.

Along with the euphoria from beating cancer comes some unexpected baggage. You are often changed forever during your illness because of the total upheaval you experience in your family, your finances and your thinking. You may view life differently and become more spiritual.

Unfortunately, those closest to you may not understand the reasons for these changes, and that can make life into an emotional roller coaster that is both frustrating and difficult.

To begin with, it's not uncommon for family dynamics to change following successful treatment. Family members who may have been staunchly supportive and totally compassionate during the dark days of your illness may expect life to get back to normal once you're cured.

But you may not be able to resume all of your regular tasks. You may find it's too difficult to handle all the housework or do all the car maintenance as you did before, and you may feel angry because you think you're not getting the support and help you need.

You also may hate being taken care of, particu-

larly if you always were the primary caregiver in your family, and you might become angry with someone who's trying to help.

Remember: recovery takes time — often more time than the illness itself. You'll need to communicate openly and honestly with your family as everyone strives to deal with the changes in your life.

Another unwanted emotion that can follow treatment is guilt — guilt that you have passed cancer on to your children by way of your genes.

Only about 5 to 10 percent of cancers, including breast, colon and prostate cancer, are inherited, according to the National Cancer Institute. The NCI suggests talking to a cancer genetic counselor to ease your fears, and if genetic testing shows a link, your physician can determine any care that may be necessary for your loved ones.

You also may find that people are afraid of "catching" your cancer. This old myth persists even though intellectually, most people know cancer is not contagious.

In this case, the best defense is education. Steer others to organizations like the American Cancer Society or ask your physician how to reassure your loved ones.

You absolutely cannot "spread" cancer through human contact like hugs and kisses — both of which are essential as you navigate the rough seas of cancer.

Despite the changes and uncertainties, your post-treatment days will feel like sunshine after a storm, and it's natural to want to celebrate them.

That's why on Sunday, June 1, cancer survivors around the country will observe the 16th annual National Cancer Survivors Day. This day honors the life of each of the nearly 9 million cancer survivors nationwide as well as those who treat them. St. John Hospital and Medical Center will celebrate with events all week, including a labyrinth walk at 1 p.m., Tuesday, June 3, at the Van Elslander Cancer Center. The community is invited.

Other cancer-related events are planned in metropolitan Detroit throughout the summer. On Saturday, June 28, for example, Dragon Boat racing comes to Detroit for the first time, and the Van Elslander Cancer Center will be the sole charity to benefit from the event. The annual Relay for Life, which is an overnight activity that celebrates survivorship while raising money to fight cancer, will take place at Blossom Heath Park in St. Clair Shores on Friday and Saturday, May 30 and 31. Call the American Cancer Society at (586) 263-8000 for more information.

As a cancer survivor, life is a precious gift. May it be yours to celebrate for many healthy years to come.

Twelve Step recovery is spirituality at its best

Nancy Kehoe, Ph.D., is a Massachusetts psychologist who for 20 years has trained mental health care providers to tend to the spiritual as well as the psychological needs of their clients. At a Hazelden "Women Healing" conference in April, Kehoe emphasized that although spirituality and religion can be integrally linked to mental health, the therapeutic community is usually reluctant or ill-equipped to explore these areas with clients — even though doing so could greatly enhance and speed up their recovery.

Understanding how people image God or a Higher Power and what role spirituality plays in patients' lives can give therapists valuable information for diagnosis and treatment, Kehoe said.

Mental health professionals can learn much from Alcoholics Anonymous, an organization founded on the premise that recovery and healing involve body, mind, and spirit, she says. Life is out of control for people who struggle with substance abuse or other addictive behaviors, and the first step toward recovery is acknowledging that healing requires more than willpower.

"Most people try to live by self-propulsion," says AA's Big Book, "Alcoholics Anonymous," the basic text of Twelve Step groups. But to recover they have to "quit playing God."

"We are not saints," says the Big Book. "The point is, that we are willing to grow along spiritual lines. The principles we have set down are guides to progress."

That spiritual progress is not about religion; it's about accepting that you need help from a source outside yourself to recover from addictive practices.

The "Higher Power" who guides in the recovery journey is defined by each individual. It might be a spiritual being, it might be nature or it could be a God of traditional religions.

As the authors of the Big Book put it, "To us, the Realm of the Spirit is broad, roomy, all inclusive; never exclusive or forbidding to those who earnestly seek."

While recovering people are encouraged to pray or meditate for guidance and wisdom, they don't expect a Higher Power to do all the work of recovery for them. And members of Al-Anon understand that prayer alone can't make a husband or a mother or a child stop drinking or using drugs.

An addict has to want to recover and has to take that first step for himself or her-

self. In the meantime, Al-Anon members discover that while they can't control the actions or inactions of their loved ones, through the help of their group and their Higher Power, they can learn how to care for themselves in healthy ways that will enrich their own lives and spirits.

Twelve Step recovery is spirituality at its healthiest. Recovering people are told to honestly examine their character defects and to then make amends to those they have harmed.

This "relational" approach is not the same as the religious concept of doing penance, explained Kehoe, because it requires individuals to interact with those they have harmed in order to right a wrong. In Twelve Step recovery, making amends is a process that involves inner reflection, accountability and action.

Recovering people also learn how to deal with shame and guilt in ways that nurture their spirits. They grow to understand that shame is feeling bad about who you are, while guilt is feeling bad for what you've done. They often find that it is easier to forgive others than to forgive yourself, but with time, integrity, hard work, and the help of a Higher Power, you can make amends even to yourself.

Kehoe said that Twelve Step groups have also discovered how rich traditions, ritual and community — resources that have renewed people's spirits throughout history — can aid in the recovery journey. Mutual-help groups are communities in which people gather to tell their stories and listen to another's story with respect and without judgment.

Certain rituals such as reading a meditation for that day, checking in with each other, and taking turns sharing a problem or concern are familiar practices that unite and comfort.

In Twelve Step groups, all participants are equal, and all have the common spiritual goal of recovery.

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.

Wellness workshop offered

The Van Elslander Cancer Center support staff and Healing Arts Center invites cancer patients and their families to experience the special services available to them at the VECC. A free Wellness Workshop will be held on Thursday, May 29, from 8:30 a.m. to noon, spotlighting health practices that can further promote hope and healing.

Learn from Andrew Stewart how music therapy eases pain and stress.

Understand how guided imagery influences well-being.

Discover resources available to cancer patients.

Experience the benefits of energy therapy, reflexology and massage.

Explore nutrition options, and enjoy lunch prepared by Christina Edge.

The VECC is in Grosse Pointe Woods behind St. John Hospital at 19229 Mack and Moross, east of I-94. Seating is limited and preregistration is required. Call (313) 647-3000 or (866) 246-4673 to register or for more information.

Pride of the Pointes

Ryan McMahon of the City of Grosse Pointe was named to the 2002 fall semester dean's list at Northern Michigan University.

Frank Sumner of the City of Grosse Pointe earned a Bachelor of Science degree

from Grand Valley State University.

Roger Mason of Grosse Pointe Farms graduated from the School of Business Administration at the University of Dayton. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roger W. Mason Sr.

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Know Your Skin

by Lisa A. Manz-Dulac, MD

A skin condition once reserved for the elderly is showing up in younger patients in their late 20's and 30's.

Actinic keratoses are pre-cancerous lesions that usually appear in sun exposed areas, especially on the face. These reddish-brown or yellowish-pink lesions aren't always easy to spot, but they do feel rough and scaly to the touch. If untreated, actinic keratoses can evolve into squamous cell carcinoma, at least 10% of the time.

Excessive exposure to the sun is the main culprit. Younger people who are fair skinned and do a lot of outdoor work or recreational activities are particularly susceptible to this skin disease and other forms of sun damage.

To learn more about actinic keratoses call Eastside Dermatology, Dr. Lisa A. Manz-Dulac and Associates with offices in Grosse Pointe and New Baltimore. You can reach them at (313) 884-3380.

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Prescription asthma drugs limits kids' visits to ER

An ounce of prevention may really be worth a pound of cure for children with asthma, a new University of Michigan Health System study shows.

Children who have prescriptions for one or more asthma drugs — which aim to prevent or calm asthma attacks — have fewer visits to the emergency room for asthma than those who haven't been prescribed such medications, the study finds.

But the research also reveals that asthmatic African-American and urban children rush to the ER more frequently than other kids because of an asthma attack.

U-M pediatric researchers presented the findings at the annual joint meeting of the Pediatric Academic Societies in Seattle recently. The study is based on data from more than 19,000 children with asthma who were enrolled in Michigan's Medicaid program in the year 2001.

The researchers looked at the frequency of children's asthma-related ER visits, and how rates of ER visits vary by age, gender, race, urban location, disability status and prescriptions for fast-acting "rescue" medications as well as long-term preventive asthma drugs. Sixteen percent of the children had no prescription for

a rescue drug.

"We found that use of asthma medications was directly associated with lower rates of ER visits for asthma, and that those kids who have no prescriptions on record are more frequent visitors to the emergency department," says U-M pediatric research investigator and lead author Kevin J. Dombkowski.

He continues, "Although we couldn't peer into these children's homes to see if they were actually using their inhalers, we hope this study will help prompt increased awareness of how long-term management of asthma can be achieved through appropriate use of medication, and studies to further evaluate the effect of medication use on ER visits."

Dombkowski conducted the study with colleagues from the U-M Child Health Evaluation and Research unit, part of the Department of Pediatrics and Communicable Diseases in the U-M Medical School, using data provided by the Michigan Department of Community Health. He credits the computerized Michigan Medicaid databases for making it possible to perform the population study, which was funded by the MDCH.

While the results do not directly apply to children

who are privately insured, the researchers say, the data provide preliminary evidence of the association between asthma medication use and ER visits. They also document further racial and geographic differences in asthma care, beyond already-known disparities.

Asthma is a chronic, potentially life-threatening lung disease involving inflammation and constriction of the muscles lining the airways. Asthmatic lungs overreact to allergens such as dust and cigarette smoke, exercise, cold and dry air, and other factors — all collectively known as asthma triggers.

When a trigger sets off a rapid narrowing of the airways, asthmatics cough, wheeze, feel short of breath and experience tightness in their chests — the symptoms of an asthma attack. Without immediate help, an attack can be fatal, so many people with asthma seek emergency medical care.

Availability of quick-relief asthma medications is important for treating acute asthma attacks, also known as exacerbations, that can otherwise lead to an ER visit. But other, long-term control medications are often used to reduce the overall frequency and severity of asthma symptoms.

More than 4 million children and teenagers under

the age of 18 have an asthma attack each year, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates, and more than 200,000 children under the age of 18 are hospitalized for asthma-related problems each year. Children account for 40 percent of the 1.8 million asthma-related emergency department visits reported in the United States each year, and children under 5 years of age have the highest rates of ER use.

The rate of asthma among children rose dramatically in the 1980s and 1990s, and researchers have documented that the rate is disproportionately high among members of racial and ethnic minority groups and among children living in inner cities. Asthma is 26 percent more common in African American children than in white children.

"Awareness of asthma's symptoms and triggers, and the availability of effective prescription asthma medications, have both improved in recent years," Dombkowski said. "The National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute recommends that all people with asthma have access to quick-relief medications, such as an albuterol inhaler. But even though these guidelines were published in 1997, we found that 16 percent of kids had no prescription for quick-relief

inhalers."

Such inhalers deliver prescription medicines that can either stop an asthma attack while it's happening or help prevent such attacks in the first place. Corticosteroids and bronchodilators are the most widely used prescription asthma medications, but other drugs are now in common use, such as non-steroidal anti-inflammatory medicines and leukotriene modifiers.

The new U-M research found that 84 percent of the children studied had been prescribed short-acting bronchodilator medications of some kind during 2001. Twenty-nine percent of the entire group used a bronchodilator alone, 33 percent had also received a prescription for a corticosteroid along with their bronchodilator, and 30 percent used other medications, some in conjunction with a bronchodilator.

Nine percent of the children had no asthma prescriptions.

"Twenty-two percent of all the children had had at least one ER visit related to their asthma during the year, and ER visits were most common among the children who had no evidence of asthma drug prescriptions," Dombkowski said.

When the researchers performed an analysis that controlled for age, gender, race, urban location and disability status, two statistically significant disparities especially stood out. Black children visited the ER more than twice as often as white children. And urban children visited the ER for asthma-related causes 42 percent more often than non-urban children. Children between the ages of 5 years and 9 years were the most frequent users of the ER for asthma.

The study included 19,116 children ages 5 to 21 years, who had at least one inpatient, outpatient or emer-

gency visit for asthma in 2001, or at least four prescription claims for asthma drugs.

The authors acknowledge their study has several limitations, most notably the fact that they had no way to tell whether children with a prescription for a medication were actually using it as intended or whether prescriptions made by a physician went unfilled by the patient. They also did not know the severity level of the individual children's asthma.

Dombkowski observes, "Our initial findings provide some important clues regarding asthma ER use, but we really need to follow these kids over a longer period of time to better understand the influence of asthma medications on ER use."

Starting this summer, the authors will take advantage of data from a second year to assess the relationships between prior use of preferred asthma medications and the impact on subsequent asthma ER visit rates. The authors will also examine asthma-related outpatient visits and inpatient admissions.

In addition to Dombkowski, the study's authors are assistant professor Dr. Michael D. Cabana, and research investigator Sarah J. Clark, MPH, associate director for research.

For Michigan residents, the authors recommend the Web site www.GetAsthmaHelp.org, which provides patients and health care professionals with a comprehensive source of information on asthma, medications and achieving long-term control of asthma symptoms.

The site is hosted by the Asthma Initiative of Michigan (AIM), a collaborative effort of many individuals and organizations to help decrease the burden of asthma in Michigan.

Walking not enough to prevent osteoporosis

May is National Osteoporosis Awareness Month, a time to make a concerted effort to inform people about this disease which has the ability to cripple, and even to kill.

Exercise physiologist Dianne Daniels, author of "Exercises for Osteoporosis" (Hatherleigh Press, \$14.95), puts to rest the myth that walking builds bone and therefore can prevent osteoporosis.

Osteoporosis literally means "thinning bone." When bone architecture has deteriorated in this manner, a fracture may be just around the corner. While every bone in the body is at risk, the spine and the hip are the most susceptible.

A fracture in one of these two sites may cause the independent lifestyle to be lost forever. Prolonged bed rest as the result of a hip fracture can even cause death.

With a recent study revealing that 50 percent of women over the age of 50 have low bone density, the numbers of potential future victims is staggering.

Currently, there are 10 million Americans with osteoporosis, many of whom are not even aware that they have it. Although more likely to strike postmenopausal

women, men are not immune (one in nine is affected), and they, as well, should take steps to reduce bone loss.

As Dianne Daniels explains in "Exercises for Osteoporosis," bone responds to ever-increasing stress being placed upon it.

"Walking — a wonderful, heart-healthy exercise — can be part of a program to prevent osteoporosis, but it is not the whole story," Daniels says. "To cause bone to grow it must be challenged with a new, added weight, not the same load over and over again, as with walking."

The best strategy is to make strength training (also called resistance training or weight training) a part of any osteoporosis-fighting plan. Slowly and progressively adding additional weight can cause new bone growth to occur. And when this type of exercise is combined with osteoporosis medications prescribed by a doctor, the effect is additive and creates even greater positive results.

"You don't need to go to a gym or use any special equipment to wage an effective campaign," Daniels adds. "Soup cans, elastic tubing, or easily affordable hand and ankle weights can

do the job. If you do go to a gym, many of the exercises you see there can actually put you in jeopardy, as certain body positions may cause a fracture in a person with severe osteoporosis. Be sure to avoid bending over, doing traditional abdominal crunches, holding something at arm's length, or twisting rapidly from side to side."

Weight training has other beneficial side effects; it can help improve balance, thereby making falls and fractures less likely. And it can make everyday activities — shopping, climbing up stairs, cleaning — easier and more enjoyable to do.

In her book, Daniels gives specific exercises to improve balance and many safe ways to increase bone density. Also included are osteoporosis-friendly exercises targeted for the abdominals, a body part almost everyone seems to cast a critical eye on.

Here are three exercises she suggests starting with:

Chair sit

Stand in front of a chair with a pillow on the seat. Your arms are down at your sides and relaxed, your feet about hip distance apart. Slowly sit on the chair. Then slowly stand up.

When you can perform 15 repetitions (sitting down

and standing up) remove the pillow. When you can perform 15 repetitions without the pillow, hold onto 1-pound weights (soup cans, or any household items are fine). Gradually, over time, increase the amount of weight you hold in your hands.

Superman

Lie face down on the floor. Extend both arms forward on either side of your head (like Superman, flying). Now lift your arms off the floor as high as you can while keeping your head on the floor. Pause, then lower them slowly. When you can perform 15 repetitions easily, do them while holding one-pound weights in each hand.

Ball squeeze

Hold a rubber ball in your right hand with your palm up. Your arm should be resting on your lap or on a table. Squeeze the ball as hard as you can for three seconds. Maintain a straight wrist (no bending) and keep your middle finger in line with the middle of your wrist. Do this three times; then switch to your left hand. Build up to 10 squeezes per hand. Before you do these or any exercises, always check first with your doctor to make sure they are safe for you.

May 24 is Schizophrenia Awareness Day

The voices of 2.7 million Americans with schizophrenia will be heard on May 24 as part of the sixth annual National Schizophrenia Awareness Day. Declared by the National Schizophrenia Foundation, this special observance helps to raise public awareness and reduce the stigma about schizophrenia.

"The stigma is often harder to deal with than the illness itself," said Joanne Verbanic, founder of the Schizophrenics Anonymous Self-Help Network and board member of the National Schizophrenia Foundation.

Affecting about 1 percent of the world's population, schizophrenia does not discriminate against race, gender or social class. Like heart disease and diabetes, schizophrenia is a biologically based disorder. Persons with schizophrenia typically have difficulty distinguishing between what is real and what is not and are often unresponsive and with-

drawn.

Scientists do not agree on the cause of schizophrenia; however, signs of the disease generally appear between the ages of 18 and 25. Although schizophrenia is usually a lifelong illness, a majority of persons can treat symptoms through modern medicines and therapies to lead a more normal life.

The most familiar symptoms of schizophrenia are hallucinations (false sensations) and delusions (false beliefs). Hearing voices that others do not hear is the most common type of hallucination, but hallucinations may also consist of visions, or certain perceptions of touch, smell or taste. Delusions, on the other hand, are beliefs that have no basis in reality, such as thinking that the government is spying on you, or that persons on television are talking to you.

Contrary to common media portrayals, persons with schizophrenia are not prone to violence. Rather,

they are typically withdrawn and prefer to be left alone. In fact, suicide is a serious risk for people with schizophrenia. About 20 to 40 percent of people with schizophrenia attempt to commit suicide, and about 10 percent of them are successful in their attempt.

An early pioneer in the field of psychiatry in the late 18th century, French physician Philippe Pinel believed that persons with schizophrenia were not violent. Dr. Pinel startled his colleagues when he ordered his staff to free mental patients from the chains holding them anchored to the walls of the Paris men's "insane" asylum. This year's National Schizophrenia Awareness Day marks the 210th anniversary of that day — May 24, 1793.

To many, this day signified the beginning of humane treatment for the mentally ill. Yet, despite today's effective therapies, many afflicted with schizophrenia and related disor-

ders remain confined by societal misconceptions, fear and ignorance. That's why the National Schizophrenia Foundation was formed in 1999.




The mission of NSF is development and maintenance of support groups for individuals and their friends and family members, affected by schizophrenia and related disorders; and to be a broad resource for all persons regarding schizophrenia and related disorders through education, information and public awareness services.


In addition to educating the public about the disease, the NSF administers Schizophrenics Anonymous (SA) support groups to create a safe haven from the ills of social stigma endured by persons with schizophrenia. The first SA support group was founded in Detroit in 1985 by Verbanic, who created a six-step program.

Contact NSF at (800) 482-9534 or visit www.SAanonymous.org.

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Art Exhibitions

Grosse Pointe Artists Association Art Center:
• "Four Ways," An exhibit featuring artists David Mikesell, Pam Morris, Jack (Sylvester) Petz and Susan Roubal.

Opening Reception, 6:30 p.m., Saturday, May 24. Exhibition, through Saturday, June 7.

Gallery hours 1-5 p.m., Wednesday-Saturday, 1005 Maryland. Free. (313) 821-1848

Benefits

Grosse Pointe's Greatest Garage Sale: Sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Village Association to benefit the annual Santa Claus Parade.

10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, May 25 and Monday, May 26, at Kercheval and St. Clair. \$1. (313) 886-7474.

Champagne Dinner Musicales: Benefiting the Grosse Pointe Classical Music League, 6:30 p.m., Thursday, May 29, Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore. \$45. Reservations required. (313) 886-5160.

Antiques & Music Show: Sponsored by Christ Church Grosse Pointe.

• Preview Party, 7-10 p.m., Friday, May 30.

• Show, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday, May 31.

Noon-5 p.m., Sunday, June 1.

61 Grosse Pointe Boulevard. \$65-\$250, Preview or \$8, show. (313) 885-4841.

Grosse Pointe Artists Association Festival of the Arts: This benefit includes art, food, children's activities, entertainment and a raffle, noon to 5 p.m., Saturday, May 31 and Sunday, June 1, on "The Hill," Kercheval between McKinley and McMillan. \$2, children under 12 enter free. (313) 821-1848.

Spring Mutt March: Benefiting the Michigan Humane Society, 8 a.m.-1 p.m., Sunday, June 1, Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore. Donations accepted. (248) 799-7475.

Upscale Sale: A previously owned treasures and antiques sale benefiting the Grosse Pointe Historical Society.

Preview, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Friday, June 6. \$20

Sale, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturday, June 7.

Historic Provencal-Weir House, 376 Kercheval. (313) 884-7010.

St. Joan of Arc Athletic Club Golf Outing: 1:45 p.m., Sunday, June 1, Greystone Golf Club, 67500 Mound, Washington Township. \$95. (313) 885-3682.

43rd Annual St. John Guild Dinner: Benefiting the purchase of equipment for the new operating room at the Minimally Invasive Surgery Center of St. John Hospital and Medical Center, 6 p.m., Wednesday, June 4, Detroit Marriott Renaissance Center, Jefferson at Beaubien in Detroit. \$225. Reservations required. (313) 343-3674.

20th Annual Art on the Pointe: A creative arts and family fun fair featuring 100 artists, food, live entertainment, children's tent with All Fired Up crafts and more, sponsored by the Assistance League to the Northeast Guidance Center to benefit Children's Summer Programs of the Northeast Guidance Center and ALNEGC projects and programs.

• Art on the Pointe, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, June 7 and Sunday, June 8. \$3.

• Art on the Pointe Parrots in Paradise Party, 6:30 p.m., Saturday, June 7. \$60.

Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore. (313) 884-8691.

Sunset at the Zoo: Benefiting the Detroit Zoological Society, 6-11 p.m., Friday, June 20, 8450 W. 10 Mile, Royal Oak. \$125-\$500. (248) 541-5717, ext. 3735.

Garage & Crafts Sale: Benefiting the Lake Pointe East Chapter of the Pointe Masonic Temple, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday, June 21, 1850 Vernier. (586) 979-1462.

12th Annual Summer Garden Tour: Sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Garden Center, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday, June 21 and Sunday, June 22. \$8, pre-sale or \$10, gate. (313) 881-4594.

Eyes on Design: Benefiting the Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology.

• Eve of the Eyes, 6 p.m., Friday, June 20, General Motors Design Dome. \$35.

• Vision Honored, 6 p.m., Saturday, June 21, General Motors Vehicle Engineering Center. \$250.

• Private Eyes Brunch, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Sunday, June 22, General Motors Design Dome. \$100, adults or \$50, children.

by Madeleine Socia

• Automotive Exhibition, 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Sunday, June 22. \$12, advance; \$15, gate, free, children age 12 and under.

General Motors Technical Center, 30100 Mound, Warren. (313) 824-4710.

Concerts

Grosse Pointe South High School Choir Broadway 2003: 8 p.m., Friday, May 30 and Saturday, May 31, Grosse Pointe Performing Arts Center, 707 Vernier. Tickets available at Posterity: A Gallery, 17005 Kercheval, \$12, main floor or \$10, balcony. (313) 432-3638.

Bon Secours Cottage Health Services Music on the Plaza Concert Series: 7 p.m., Thursdays, through July 31, on the Village Plaza, Kercheval at St. Clair.

• June 5, Grosse Pointe North and South Jazz Band.

• June 12, George Benson Quartet.

• June 19, Rhythm Society.

• June 26, Motor City Rhythm and Blues Pioneers.

Rain location is Maire Elementary School, 740 Cadieux. Free. (313) 886-7474.

Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival: 8 p.m., Thursday, June 19, Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, 17150 Maumee. \$30. (248) 559-2097.

Detroit Symphony Orchestra:

• Classical Series, Chamber Virtuosi.

1:30 and 8 p.m., Friday, May 23.

8:30 p.m., Saturday, May 24.

\$15-\$80.

• Introduction to the Classics, A Classical Journey, 3 p.m., Sunday, May 25. \$28-\$40.

• Classical Series, Dvorak's Cello Concerto with Jian Wang. 8 p.m., Thursday, May 29 and Friday, May 30.

8:30 p.m., Saturday, May 31.

3 p.m., Sunday, June 1. \$15-\$80.

Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward. Detroit. (313) 576-5111.

Events

From Mao to Mozart: Conversations with internationally renowned cellist Jian Wang and long-time Pointers Dr. and Mrs. Clyde Wu on the video "From Mao to Mozart," 8 p.m., Tuesday, May 27, Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore. Free. (313) 576-5111.

State Representative Edward Gaffney Office Hours:

• 9-10 a.m., Monday, June 2, Lake Room, Grosse Pointe Woods City Offices, 20025 Mack.

• 9-10 a.m., Monday, June 9, Conference Room, Grosse Pointe City offices, 17147 Maumee.

• 9-10 a.m., Monday, June 16, Main Floor Conference Room, Grosse Pointe Farms City Offices, 90 Kerby.

• 9-10 a.m., Monday, June 23, Classroom A, Calvary Senior Center, 4950 Gateshead, Detroit. (888) 254-LAW1.

Film

IMAX Dome Theatre Adventure Series Film Festival:

• "Titanica," noon, 2, 4 and 5 p.m., Monday-Friday, 2 and 4 p.m., Saturday and 2, 4 and 5 p.m., Sunday.

• "Jane Goodall's Wild Chimpanzees," 10 a.m., noon and 2 p.m., Monday-Friday, noon and 2 p.m., Saturday and 2 p.m., Sunday.

Detroit Science Center, 5020 John R. Detroit. \$7 adults, \$6 seniors and children, ages 2-12. \$4 IMAX Dome. (313) 577-8400.

IMAX Theatre:

• "Lewis and Clark: Great Journey West," 5:50 p.m.

• "Ghosts of the Abyss," 11:20 a.m., 12:50, 4:20, 7:10 and 8:40 p.m.

• "The Lion King," 2:20

p.m.

The Henry Ford (formerly the Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village), 20900 Oakwood, Dearborn. \$10 adults, \$8 seniors and children 12 and under. (313) 271-1570.

Fitness/Health

Assumption Cultural Center:

• Kalosomatics Summer Session, through Saturday, July 19, times vary. \$52 for two-day sessions. \$74 three-days, \$94 four-days. Twenty-five percent senior discount.

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• Nautilus Weight Training Room, 8-10:30 a.m., Monday-Thursday and 5-8:30 p.m., Friday. \$50 two days-per-week, \$70 three days-per-week, \$4 drop-ins.

• Free Blood Pressure Screenings, 9:30-10:30 a.m., Thursday, June 26 and Fridays, May 23 and June 27.

• Free Fitness Testing 8:30-9:40 a.m., Monday, June 2.

6-7:40 p.m., Thursday, June 5.

• Cardiac Rehabilitation - St. John Hospital at Assumption.

7:45-8:45 a.m., Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

1:15-2:15 p.m., Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

2:45-3:45 p.m., Monday and Wednesday.

Enroll through St. John Hospital & Medical Center, (313) 343-3157.

21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores. Preregistration is required. (586) 779-6111.

History

Edsel & Eleanor Ford House:

• "Edsel & Eleanor Ford House: Designed for Life," permanent exhibition.

• Tours of house, grounds, children's playhouse and powerhouse, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Tuesday-Saturday, noon-4 p.m., Sunday, on the hour. \$6 adults, \$5 seniors, \$4 children, \$18 annual pass.

• Grounds, 9:30 a.m.-6 p.m., Tuesday-Saturday; 11:30 a.m.-6 p.m., Sunday. \$5.

• Tea Room, 11:30 a.m.-6 p.m., Tuesday-Sunday.

1100 Lakeshore. Reservations required for most events. (313) 884-4222.

Corktown Home & Garden Tour: Noon to 5 p.m., Sunday, June 1, located between Sixth St., Porter, 14th Street and Michigan Avenue in Detroit. \$10, advance or \$12, gate. (313) 962-5660.

Ford Motor Company

Tour & Luncheon: Presented by Stewart McMillin, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Wednesday, June 25, departing from the Kellwood Center, 19200 Stephens, Eastpointe. \$32. (586) 445-4416.

Preservation Wayne Walking Tours: Featuring the Eastern Market, auto history, New Center, downtown and midtown, 10 a.m.-noon, Saturdays, through September 27. \$10. (313) 577-7674.

Provencal-Weir House, ca. 1823: Grosse Pointe Historical Society offers tours of the house and c. 1840 Log Cabin, 1-4 p.m., Saturday, June 14. 376 Kercheval. Free. (313) 884-7010.

Detroit Historical Society:

• Cadieux Cafe and Feather Bowling Pubs and Clubs Tour: 1 p.m., Saturday, June 14, 4300 Cadieux. \$25 or \$20, for DHS members.

• Civil War Weekend, 11 a.m., Saturday, June 21 and Sunday, June 22, Historic Fort Wayne, 6325 W. Jefferson, Detroit. Free, \$5, parking.

• 102nd U. S. Color Guard Reenactment: 11 a.m., Saturday, June 28 and Sunday, June 29, Historic Fort Wayne, 6325 W. Jefferson, Detroit. Free, \$5, parking.

• Ambassador Cup Rugby Exhibition Match, 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday, June 28, Historic Fort Wayne, 6325 W. Jefferson, Detroit. Free, \$5 parking.

• 5401 Woodward, Detroit. Reservations required. (313) 833-1405.

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.

Personal Enrichment

Assumption Greek Cultural Center:

• Watercolors, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Mondays, June 9-July 14. \$40.

• Duplicate Bridge, 12:15 p.m., Tuesdays and Fridays. \$7.

21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores. Preregistration required. (586) 779-6111.

Grosse Pointe War Memorial:

• Michigan Opera Theatre Preview Lecture/"Dead Man Walking," 7-8:15 p.m., Monday, June 2. \$15.

• Megabytes and Gigahertz, 7-9 p.m., Monday, June 16. \$15.

• Jacki's Aerobic Dancing, 8:45-9:45 a.m., Mondays and Wednesdays, June 16-Aug. 13. \$75 or \$68, for seniors.

• Mammograms/Mobile Unit of the Barbara Ann

Karmanos Cancer Institute, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m., Monday, June 16. \$136, women without insurance.

• Osteoporosis Testing/Mobile Unit, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m., Monday, June 16. Prescription required to utilize insurance.

• "Titanic: The Artifact Exhibit" Day Trip, 11 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Tuesday, June 17. \$51.

• Tree Jewelry, 10 a.m.-noon, Saturday, June 21. \$25.

• Relationships Need A Lot of Work, 7-9:30 p.m., Monday, June 23. \$15.

• "Big River"/Huron Country Playhouse Day Trip, 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Tuesday, June 24. \$66.

• Watercolor Painting, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Thursdays, June 26-July 24. \$52.

• Yoga, 7:45-9:15 p.m., Mondays, June 30-Aug. 11. \$70.

St. Clair Shores Community Education:

• Computers/Beginners Intro. II, 9-11 a.m., Wednesdays, June 11-July 16. \$100.

• Computers/Word Intro. II, 9-11 a.m., Thursdays, June 12-July 17. \$100.

• Computers/Excel Intermediate II, 1-3 p.m., Wednesdays, June 11-July 16. \$100.

• St. Clair Shores Adult Education, 23055 Masonic, St. Clair Shores. (586) 285-8884.

St. Peter's Life Long Learning Book Club: "The Poisonwood Bible," by Barbara Kingsolver, Wednesday, June 18.

• 1 p.m., St. Peter's Parish House.

• 7 p.m., Harper Woods Public Library, 19601 Harper, Harper Woods.

St. Peter's Catholic Church, 19800 Anita, Harper Woods. (313) 343-0771.

Grosse Pointe Public Library Internet Classes: All courses are held at the Central Library.

• 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.

10 Kercheval. Free. (313) 343-2074, ext. 220.

Armed Forces Support Group: 7:30 p.m., Tuesdays, Lake Room, Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore. Free. (313) 881-7511.

Seniors

Grosse Pointe Public Library Senior Symposium/Richard Truxall, "Buying and Selling on Ebay: 2 p.m., Wednesday, May 28, Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore. Free. (313) 881-7511.

Services for Older Citizens Programs:

• Aerobic Exercise for

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Basil is a great plant for garden, palate, decor

Named Herb of the Year by the International Herb Association, basil is one of the world's most loved culinary herbs. Used most notably for pesto in the United States, basil has many different names, faces and uses.

Basils of the basilicum species provide the majority of culinary varieties. Sweet basil, *Ocimum basilicum*, is the herb of choice for most pesto and is the most familiar and widely grown. You may also see them as large-leaved green basils, known by such names as Italian basil and lettuce-leaf basil. They can grow to two or three feet in height.

But there's a wide variety of other basils to grow and enjoy. I've had good luck growing a "basil pot" of three or four different types of basil in one large planter on my patio. Depending upon who's doing the listing, there are somewhere between 65 species or 150 different varieties of basil.

Besides sweet basil, this list includes bush basils, which are shrub-like with a small leaf, good for pots and containers; lettuce leaf basil, with large leaves and a less pronounced flavor, used for wrapping food or as "lettuce" on sandwiches; purple basil has a deep purple color and is good for vinegars and another possibility for pesto; and scented basils: cinnamon, licorice, anise, lemon and others for fruit salads, custards and sauces, as well as for ornamentation.

"Siam Queen" Thai basil is an upright plant with flavor and fragrance distinctly different from other basils. This highly decorative plant has purple stems and flowers and is excellent in Asian cuisine.

Basil growing tips

Let's get one thing clear: basil does not like cold weather. With the interesting spring we have seen this year, it might be wise to hold off planting basil outside until much after Memorial Day weekend, which happens to be early this year, adding to the confusion. Basil is a perennial

in the warm temperate and tropical regions in which it originated. In Michigan, basil is definitely an annual.

Keep your plants happy by putting them in the ground when the soil reaches 70 degrees, the weather has settled and the nights are not below 55 degrees.

A two- to three-inch mulch of grass clippings, straw or ground-up leaves will help retain moisture and minimize weeds if the basil is planted directly in the ground. Basil prefers a light, well-drained soil and hates heavy clay.

Basil loves sun. Be sure your plants get at least six hours of sun a day.

Interspersing this herb with other plants is a good example of how planting herbs among other greenery can enhance growth and attract beneficial insects. Companion plant basil with tomatoes or peppers. It improves the growth and flavor of all three.

Depending on the amount of regular rainfall, water deeply once every 7 to 10 days to ensure the roots are receiving adequate moisture. Plants grown in containers will dry out faster than those in garden beds. Water container plants more frequently. Choose containers with holes in the bottom for proper drainage.

Fertilize sparingly, using a nitrogen-rich plant food such as fish emulsion, compost or a 5-10-5 commercial fertilizer once or twice during the growing season at the rate of 3 oz. for every 10 ft. of row. Use a liquid fertilizer at one-half the label recommended strength every 4 to 6 weeks or so for indoor plants.

Feed basil grown outside in containers every two to four weeks. If regrowth slows down, the fish emulsion or compost should do the trick.

To get the most from your basil plant, be sure to use it. That is, begin harvesting it early, while the plant is still young. When the plant gets 5 to 6 inches tall, start pinching back with your fingertips. This helps create a well-shaped, bushy plant.

Down to Earth

By Kathleen Peabody

Keep basil pruned and cut off the flower spikes before they measure more than an inch or two, unless you are growing it for ornamental purposes. The dark "Opal" variety has pretty pink flowers, and you may choose to decorate with these.

Some unusual and ornamental basils given by food writer and culinary educator Susan Belsinger at the Michigan Herb Associates meeting this spring include: African Blue Basil, *Ocimum 'African Blue'*, beautiful but it contains camphor, so it's not great in the kitchen; Ararat, *Ocimum basilicum*, is of Turkish origin and is variegated; it smells and tastes of anise; Magical Michael, *Ocimum basilicum*, was chosen for the All American Selection for 2001; it has a purple, large flat flower head. **Cooking with basil.**

When using fresh basil, bruise the herb to release the oil. Basil is a great addition to salads (green, tuna, potato or egg), sandwiches, or spreads. Cook fresh basil briefly or add as a garnish to long-simmered dishes. Cut basil right before use as it turns dark if cut too early.

Author and herbalist Rosemary Duval suggests that chefs choose to buy basil in July and August and harvest no later than Labor Day for the best flavor. Freezing is a great way to use basil during the winter months. And, freezing your pesto in ice cube trays then moving to plastic bags in the freezer makes it easy to pop into a soup or add a little more oil to use on your favorite pasta. Prepare a basil vinegar for a different taste treat.

A good salt substitute for anyone who wants to restrict sodium intake is a blend of equal parts dried basil, dill, lemon balm, mar-

joram, mint, parsley, rosemary, thyme and a few dashes of Hungarian paprika. The mixture will keep indefinitely in a dark glass.

Some of the "dessert basils," such as Cinnamon basil can be added to blueberry muffins.

What's so great about basil?

Basil is multi-cultural with the genus indigenous to Africa, Asia, South America, the Caribbean, India and the Middle East. In Italy, basil is considered an emblem of love; In India, Holy basil is revered and used to honor the god Vishnu in religious ceremonies; In France, it is

known as l'herbe royal and was fed to royal princes; Australians burn basil in the barby to deter mosquitoes.

And basil contains vitamins A and C, and antioxidants that help prevent cell damage.

What more could we ask of the Herb of the Year?

Mmmmm. Basil. Can't you just smell it? With its

numerous uses for culinary and ornamental purposes, it can be called America's favorite herb.

It's high time basil received Herb of the Year status.

Kathleen Peabody is a Master Gardener who lives (and gardens) in Grosse Pointe Woods. E-mail her at maslanka@concentric.net

What's going on?

• Belle Isle Botanical Society Plant Sale at the Greenhouses, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, May 24. Call (313) 852-4046 for information.

• Historic Indian Village Home & Garden Tour, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday, June 7. Call

(313) 922-0911 for details.

• Art on the Pointe, Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, June 7 and Sunday, June 8. Master gardeners and Herb Society of Grosse Pointe will have booths.

Barbecue sauce comes from Louisiana

Next Monday is Memorial Day. It's time to kick off the barbecue season, weather permitting. I recently came across a recipe for barbecue sauce while enjoying a story about a Cajun rite called a boucherie. The practice was started by the Cajuns. A pig is butchered just before winter sets in and every single part of the pig was either cooked or smoked and saved for the cold months.

Obviously, the need for such a practice has become obsolete. Twenty years ago, a group of old pals from southern Louisiana who call themselves the James Gang, got together and brought back the tradition of the boucherie.

A pig is chosen to be (peacefully) butchered and the next day, hundreds of the James Gang's family and friends gather to feast on every inch of the pig. From bacon to sausages, to chops and head cheese, the entire pig is consumed that day.

Thus the need for barbecue sauce.

I know that Cajuns know how to cook. This sauce sounded good. It tastes even better.



À LA ANNIE
By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

Cajun Boucherie Barbecue Sauce

1/2 Cup salad oil
1 large onion, finely chopped
4 large garlic cloves, finely chopped
2 1/2 Cups ketchup
1/2 Cup cider vinegar
1/2 Cup Worcestershire sauce
1/4 Cup yellow mustard
1/4 Cup light brown sugar, packed
1 teaspoon hot sauce
1 teaspoon liquid smoke

Heat the salad oil in a large, heavy-bottomed saucepan over medium heat. Add the onion and cook until the onion becomes soft, about 10 minutes, stirring often with a wooden spoon. Add

the garlic cloves and cook for another minute. Stir in the ketchup, vinegar, Worcestershire sauce, mustard, brown sugar, hot sauce and liquid smoke. Bring the mixture to a simmer and cook and stir, uncovered, until the sauce thickens, about 35 minutes.

Like any really good barbecue sauce, you'll find many ways to enjoy this spicy, tangy topper. Slather some on chicken or babyback ribs. The thick, flavorful sauce sits nicely on top of a burger ready to come off the grill. The rich taste and succulent texture are not found in your average barbecue sauce.

Don't be surprised to find people dipping stuff into your Cajun boucherie barbecue sauce, just to get another taste.

My hot sauce choice was Racing Fuel habanero hot sauce from the Detroit Spice Co.

A note for animal lovers: Only the original eight members of the James Gang are allowed to participate in the actual butchering of the pig. A toast is given in thanks for the pig.

Detroit Institute of Arts seeks volunteers

The Detroit Institute of Arts' volunteers change lives, including their own. The DIA's Art to the Schools program places its volunteers on the fast track to becoming art experts through in-depth training and allows them to share their new knowledge with third-, fourth-, fifth- and sixth-graders in metropolitan Detroit.

Using slide presentations, ATS volunteers bring one of the finest collections of art in the world to life in the classroom. ATS needs a larger volunteer pool to

expand its reach.

Volunteers learn about art, meet interesting people, join the DIA family and help build a new generation of art lovers.

The ATS volunteer force is as diverse as the DIA's collection, men and women of all ages, from stay-at-home parents to freelance workers to corporate volunteers. The extensive training is a 33-week art history survey course taught by a Wayne State University instructor and the DIA's curators, September through May.

If volunteers are more

comfortable working with adults, the DIA Speakers Bureau program brings the museum's collection and special exhibitions — through similar slide presentations — to adult groups in the area.

The Speakers Bureau offers a more flexible schedule with presentations during the day and in the evenings. No previous art training is necessary for either program.

For information on these fulfilling DIA volunteer opportunities, call Linda Margolin at (313) 833-9178.

Things

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Seniors, 10-10:45 a.m.
Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

• DET Energy Speaker/Reducing Energy Bills and Conserving Resources, 11:15 a.m., Monday, June 2.

• Arranging Fresh Flowers with David Spytma of The Nature Nook, 11:15 a.m., Monday, June 9.

• Preventing and Recovering from Falls with Occupational Therapist Tracy Steeves of Rehabilitation Services, St. John Hospital and Medical Center, 11:15 a.m., Monday, June 16.

• American Red Cross Disaster Education

Presentation and Luncheon, 11 a.m., Monday, June 23.

• Pet Therapy Presentation with Gail Pagels, R.N., 11:15 a.m., Monday, June 30.

Services for Older Citizens' Neighborhood Club offices, 17150 Waterloo. \$2. (313) 882-9600.

Spiritual Resources

Men's Friday Ecumenical Breakfast: Share food, fellowship and a lecture, Fridays at 7:30 a.m., Grosse Pointe Memorial Church.

• May 23, Rev. Edward Dunn, Grosse Pointe Woods

Presbyterian Church.
• May 30, Rev. Timothy Cury, O.S.A., St. Clare of Montefalco Church.

• June 6, Rev. Tom Duncan, Lakeshore Presbyterian Church.

16 Lakeshore. \$5. (313) 882-5330.

Singles

The Single Way Volleyball, Badminton & Croquet Day: Fun and games with a group of interdenominational Christian singles, 4 p.m., Saturday, May 31, at a member's home in St. Clair Shores. \$3, adults and \$1, teens and children. (586) 776-5535.

Grosse Pointe War Memorial's

WMTV5

24hr Television for the
Whole Community



DAYTIME PROGRAMMING FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 27 - JUNE 1

8:30 AM THE S.O.C. SHOW

Guests, Cassie & Thomas Boneff. Assisted Living Host Fran Schonenberg and her guests discuss topics and events of particular interest to senior citizens. Repeated: 11:30 PM

9:00 AM VITALITY PLUS

A half-hour aerobics exercise class. Repeated: Midnight

9:30 AM POSITIVELY POSITIVE

Hosts Jeanie McNeil and Liz Aiken - an uplifting half-hour of positive attitudes and ideas. Repeated: 12:30 AM (9:30 PM - M.W.F. & Sun)

10:00 AM WHO'S IN THE KITCHEN?

Topic: Beer Tasting
Host Chuck Kaess cooks with local celebrities. Repeated: 1 AM, 6:30 PM

10:30 AM WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP

Gazabo on the Hill
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

Marney Rich Keenen, "In Celebration of Mothers" LouAnne Wattrick 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

Guest, George Vataetakis, *Better Cooking for Better Living*
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 SEPECIAL PROGRAM

Grosse Pointe War Memorial - Memorial Day Service
Features nationally known guest speakers discussing current topics in the business community. Repeated: 3 AM, 10:30 PM

1:00 PM INSIDE ART

Guest, Mary Harrison, C-POP
"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, Betsy & Jack McCormick, Alden Dow House
Host Susan Hartz focuses on local interesting collections. Repeated: 4:30 AM (8:30 PM, Tue., T. Sat.)

2:00 PM THE LEGAL INSIDER

Guest, Judge Richard Halloran, *Personal Protection Order*
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

Guest, Edward, Deeb & Daniel Moore
Host John Prost interviews local celebrities about timely topics. Repeated: 5:30 AM, 10 PM

3:00 PM THE EASTSIDE EXAMINER

Guest, Artist Festival & Red Cross
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: (9 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

Horticulturist Co-Hosts Mil 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.

Attractions

Anna Scripps

Whitcomb Conservatory: Domestic and exotic plants. 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:

- Classic cars.
- "The Driving Spirit," video.

10 a.m.-5 p.m., Tuesday-Sunday. 21400 Oakwood in Dearborn. \$6 adults, \$5.50 seniors, \$3 for children, 5-12. (313) 240-4000.

Detroit Children's Museum:

- City Images, City Ideas Exhibition, through Friday, May 30.

- Discover the Spring Sky Planetarium Show, 11 a.m. and 1 p.m., Saturdays.

9 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday-Friday. 6134 Second, Detroit. Reservations required for most programs. Free. (313) 873-8100.

Detroit Historical Museum:

- "Guts, Games & Glory: Detroit's Sporting Legacy," Exhibit, through Thursday, Oct. 2.

- "Techno: Detroit's Gift to the World" exhibit.

Special Tours and Free Dance and Music Performance, 5-9 p.m., Friday, May 23

- Connections: Metro Detroit Neighborhoods, through Sunday, Aug. 31. 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.

Detroit Institute of Arts:

- Magnificenza! The Medici, Michelangelo and the Art of Late Renaissance Florence," through Sunday, June 8. \$6 children, \$12 adults.

- Inaugural Exhibition from the DIA General Motors Center for African American Art, through Fall 2003.

10 a.m.-4 p.m., Wednesday and Thursday; 10 a.m.-9 p.m., Friday and 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday. 5200 Woodward, Detroit. \$4 adults, \$1 children. (313) 833-7900.

Detroit Science Center:

- "Titanic: The Artifact Exhibition," through Sunday, Sept. 7.

- DTE Energy Sparks Theater.

- IMAX Dome Theatre.

- Digital Dome Planetarium:

"Night of the Titanic," 1 and 3 p.m., Saturday and Sunday.

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:

- "Saving Endangered Species, Saving Ourselves," 10 a.m.-5 p.m., through Sunday, Sept. 7. Wildlife Interpretive Gallery.

- Arctic Ring of Life exhibit, 4.2 acres of arctic animals and a clear, under-water Polar Passage.

- National Amphibian Conservation Center.

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, simulator. (248) 398-0903.

Dossin Great Lakes Museum:

- "City on the Straits" exhibition, through January 2004.

10 a.m.-5 p.m., Wednesday-Sunday. Belle Isle, Detroit. \$3 adults, \$2 children, 5-18. Wednesdays are free. (313) 852-4051.

Dr. Charles H. Wright Museum of African-American History:

"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, 5 and up. (313) 494-5800.

The Henry Ford (Formerly Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village):

- "A New Way of Living," featuring R. Buckminster Fuller's Dymaxion House.
- Celebrate Spring in America, through Tuesday, May 27.

- Dance of the Maypole. 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Monday-Friday, Museum Plaza.

- Step To It English Country Dancing. 1-4 p.m., Saturday and Sunday. Museum Plaza.

- Hats Off Demonstration, Museum Plaza.

10 a.m.-3 p.m., Monday-Friday.

9 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday. Noon-5 p.m., Sunday.

- Create Your Own Piece of History Victorian Spring Postcard workshops, Museum Plaza.

10 a.m.-3 p.m., Monday-Friday.

9 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday. Noon-5 p.m., Sunday.

- Blue Ribbon Beauties Seed Packet Give-Away, Museum Plaza.

10 a.m.-3 p.m., Monday-Friday.

9 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday. Noon-5 p.m., Sunday.

"Bond, James Bond" Exhibit, Saturday, June 28-Wednesday, Dec. 31.

- IMAX Theatre.

9 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Saturday and noon-5 p.m., Sunday. 20900 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. (313) 982-6001.

Educational Experiences

Assumption Greek Cultural Center:

- Kumon Math/Reading, 3:45-6:45 p.m., Wednesdays.

10 a.m.-1 p.m., Saturdays.

\$80, per month plus a \$50, registration fee.

- Ace Driving School Segment I, 6-8 p.m., Mondays-Wednesdays, June 2-June 25. \$270.

Segment II, 6-8 p.m., Tuesday, May 27- Thursday, June 20

Thursday, July 2. \$50.

- PeeWee Karate, 9:30-

10:30 a.m. or 9:30-11 a.m., Saturdays, May 30-Aug. 9. \$49 or \$67.

- Celebrate Summer 2003 Camp, Ages 1-6, Mondays-Fridays, June 16-Aug. 15. Times and fees vary.

- Youth Workshops, Ages 7-12, Theatrical, Science, Arts and Crafts, Sports and Fieldtrips, Mondays-Fridays, June 15-Aug. 15. Times and fees vary.

21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores. Preregistration required. (586) 268-5540

Grosse Pointe War Memorial:

- Wee Sing in the Evening, Ages 2-5, 6:15-7 p.m., Thursdays, June 5 and June 12. \$20.

- Grosse Pointe Driving School

Segment I, 10 a.m.-noon or 6-8 p.m., Mondays-Thursdays, June 16-July 3. \$269.

Segment II, noon-2 p.m., Tuesday, June 17-Thursday, June 19. \$35.

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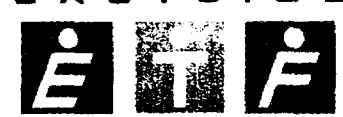


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South wins, North also does well in girls track regional

The girls track teams at Grosse Pointe South and Grosse Pointe North each turned in some excellent performances at last week's Division I state regional at South.

The host Blue Devils won the team championship for the ninth consecutive season. South finished with 107 points, while runner-up Detroit King had 95. L'Anse Creuse North was third with 67, and Grosse Pointe North had 54.

North and South each won two events at the regional and both also qualified athletes in other events.

North's team of Patricia Winterfield, Laura Fisher, Melissa Anderson and Jennifer DeFauw won the 3,200-meter relay in 9:37.7, to break a school record that had stood since 1989.

"Jennifer's anchor leg of 2:21.9 would have come close to winning the open 800," said North assistant coach Bruce Bentley.

"It was an outstanding race. They broke the old school record by more than 10 seconds."

Fisher, who ran a 2:22.2 leg, Anderson and DeFauw each had personal records in the relay.

Fisher came back to win the 3,200 run in 11:27, which was another PR for the senior, who was an All-

Stater in cross country.

"She broke her old PR by 16 seconds," Bentley said. "Laura's splits were 5:40 and 5:47."

DeFauw also qualified for the state meet in the 400 dash when she finished third in 59.2, which was a PR for the sophomore.

"Jenny knew that if she was under a minute, she'd qualify for the state meet," Bentley said.

The first two finishers in each event automatically qualify for the state meet, along with any others who achieve a predetermined qualifying standard based on last year's state meet.

North's 1,600 relay team of DeFauw, Anderson, Winterfield and Katie Horne had a season-best time of 4:15.6 to finish third.

South qualified for the state meet in six events. Maggie Collison won the 1,600 run in a season-best time of 5:19, while Stephanie Royer was first in the pole vault with a height of 8-feet.

The Blue Devils picked up 28 points in the 1,600 as they took the first four places. Jessica Palffy (5:26), Liz Petit (5:32) and Brittany Gilpin (5:42) took the next three spots behind Collison, with Palffy qualifying for the finals.

Collison also qualified in

the 3,200 with a second-place time of 11:59, which was also her best of the season. Palffy, who qualified for the state in the 1,600, was third in the 3,200 in 11:59. North's Kelly Szymorski was fourth with a PR of 12:15. South's Emily Meza and Kat Carmody were sixth and seventh, respectively.

South's 3,200 relay team of Megan Zaranek, Hilary Zaranek, Petit and Collison was second, despite a season-best time of 9:51.

The Blue Devils' Jenny Gerow qualified for the finals with a second place in the 100 hurdles. She was third in the 300 hurdles.

South's Crystal Coats was second in the shot put with a throw of 33-4.

South's Megan Smale and Jaci Till placed in the high jump and Kristen Morici earned a place in the long jump. Hilary Zaranek was third in the 800 run and she teamed with Gerow, Collison and Petit to finish fourth in the 1,600 relay in a season-best time of 4:19.

North's Elise Nagel placed in both the shot put and the discus, while Ashante Calhoun earned a place for the Norsemen in the discus. Elizabeth Dolinski and Emily Schleicher each placed in the pole vault.

North's Winterfield, Anderson and Horne fin-

ished fourth through sixth, respectively, in the 800. Freshman Danielle Hubler was fourth in the 100.

Earlier last week, South dropped its first dual meet in six seasons when it lost to Warren-Mott 72-65.

First-place finishes came from Smale, Collison, Hilary Zaranek, Gerow, Palffy and relay members Molly Carroll, Gilpin, Megan Zaranek and Petit.

Following are the team standings and the winners of each event, along with the North, South and Regina athletes who placed:

TEAM SCORES: 1. Grosse Pointe South, 107 points; 2. Detroit King, 95; 3. L'Anse Creuse North, 67 1/2; 4. Grosse Pointe North, 54; 5. East Detroit, 51; 6. Detroit Denby, 46; 7. Roseville, 27 1/2; 8. L'Anse Creuse, 34; 9. Detroit Murray-Wright, 23 1/2; 10. Regina, 15 2/3; 11. Detroit Pershing, 2; and 12. Detroit Osborn, 1.

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ULS edges Grosse Ile by a point in Division IV tennis regional

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

University Liggett School's Division IV state tennis regional wasn't the runaway it usually is, but the Knights proved that they can win the close ones, too.

"Grosse Ile was in our regional this year, and they're a good team," said ULS coach Chuck Wright. "We knew they'd be tough because we tied them last week in a dual meet."

Seven of the eight championship matches pitted the

Knights against the Red Devils and ULS won four of the seven to finish with 28 points to Grosse Ile's 27.

However, Wright said that one of the most important matches occurred in the semifinals at No. 2 singles. ULS's Ted Ottaway came away with a 3-6, 7-6 (6-0), 6-0 win against his opponent from Grosse Ile.

"Ted was behind 5-2 in the second set, but he collected himself and settled down and lost only one game the rest of the way," Wright said. "That was like a two-point

win so it was the difference in the tournament."

Ottaway went on to beat a Riverview Gabriel Richard player 6-2, 6-0 in the championship match.

ULS also won at No. 3 singles where Justin Powell posted a 6-3, 6-2 win.

"Justin won a three-setter against the same player on Monday (in the dual meet)," Wright said.

The No. 3 doubles team of Iain Decker and Rohan Policherla was also pushed

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At 224 mph, slow is relative

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

SPEEDWAY. Ind. — Chevy-powered teams would sell their kingdoms for some horsepower in this year's Indy Racing League.

So far this season, Chevrolet's new V-8 isn't up to speed.

"Look at the charts," said driver Robbie Buhl, whose No. 24 Purex/Aventis Dallara has a Chevy bolted on back. "All of us Chevys are at the bottom."

Buhl was monitoring closed circuit television inside his Dreyer & Reinbold Racing team's five-bay garage on Gasoline Alley at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

The screen showed lap speeds, ranked from fastest on top to slowest at the bottom, drivers had logged the day before qualifying for the 87th Indianapolis 500. Cars with Toyota or Honda power headed the list.

Buhl scanned the bottom of the screen: "Chevy, Chevy, Chevy," he read with a "waddyagonnado" shrug to his voice.

"It's part of the frustration," said Buhl, who has won more than \$1.7 million in seven Indy starts.

Everything is relative, but to Buhl, slow is faster than most people will ever go without a skycap losing their luggage.

Still, Buhl's top lap speed this month of 225.952 mph was overshadowed by non-Chevy teams that hit the low 230s.

He nearly blew away the field last year by qualifying second at 231.033 mph with Infiniti power.

This year Infiniti withdrew from motor sports. Buhl and a lot of other drivers locked and loaded with Chevrolet's new generation black and chrome power plant.

Last year's Chevy engine ruled. It was what racers call a thumper. It won 14 of 15 IRL races. The motor sent Sam Hornish Jr. to the league championship and helped Helio Castroneves of Brazil win a second consecutive Indy 500.

This year's engine offered a smaller, lighter more powerful 675-hp aluminum kit to continue Chevy's winning ways since returning to open-wheel racing in 2001.

"The 2003 Chevy Indy V-8 builds on the experience GM Racing has gained with two previous IRL engines," said

Roger Allen, lead engine designer.

Chevy delivered. But so did Toyota and Honda.

"It's not like we did an engine that doesn't work," said Joe Negri, GM Racing group manager. "We're making more horsepower than last year's engine. It's just that the competition came out better. We'll have to go back to the drawing board and work harder."

Buhl guesstimated his engine is short 25 horsepower, "give or take a little," compared with front-running imports.

"We're off six or seven mph," he added.

That's huge in a super-competitive series known for wheel-to-wheel racing and nose-to-nose finishes — Hornish won three races last year by an accumulated total of .0401 seconds.

"We recognize the bar has been raised this season with new manufacturers entering the IRL," said Steve Shannon, GM executive director of marketing services.


"We're obviously a little behind in horsepower," Negri said. "We're playing

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Photo by Brad Lindberg

Robbie Buhl knows practice makes perfect, even for seven-time veterans of the Indianapolis 500. Buhl, a Grosse Pointe Farms native, co-owner of Dreyer & Reinbold and driver of the No. 24 Purex/Aventis Dallara Chevy, suits up for another round of tests at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway.



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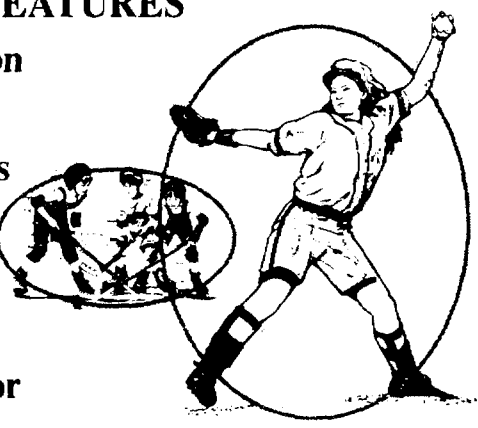
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Back home again at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

SPEEDWAY, Ind. — As the days count down on the most prestigious 500 miles in sports, Robbie Buhl's mechanics are becoming wary of photographers nosing around his car in the team garage on Gasoline Alley.

The crew worries about rivals sneaking shots of secret shock absorber settings and other closely-held nuances crucial to making the blue and yellow No. 24 Purex/Aventis Dallara Chevy circle the famous 2-1/2 mile Indianapolis Motor Speedway in a nearly undis-

cernible flash.

Buhl's teammates at Dreyer & Reinbold Racing have worked like witch doctors conjuring ways of making his car competitive in the 87th Indianapolis 500.

When the green flag flies at noon on Sunday, May 25 (11 a.m. in Indiana — Hoosiers rejected daylight savings time fearing it would confuse milch cows), Buhl will be strapped a few inches above the pavement in a 38-inch tall wedge of screaming metal running at speeds that transform Indy's 50-foot-wide pavement to a thin gray line.

"It's impressive, isn't it?"

grinned Buhl, a Grosse Pointe Farms native. "It really is. If you go around the track and look at turn one from turn four, it looks like a 90-degree corner. Then you watch a car at speed disappear around turn one and don't hear the throttle lift. There's nothing like it. That's why people love Indy."

It would take a swarm of angry hornets and stampeding horses to mimic the sound of an Indy car speeding round the Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

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The car barrels around turn one P-51 style, leaving a calling card of tart methane exhaust. There's no scent of brake dust. At Indy, brakes are a formality. It's flat out all around.

The sonic onslaught repeats every 40 seconds as cars click off the laps.

It sounds the same whether leaning against the deceptively unforgiving 30-inch-tall concrete wall separating the track from pit row, or sitting 78 steps high in the corner of the tallest terrace overlooking the entrance to turn one.

It's the same from the third-floor balcony of the infield media center 100 yards up track from the start-finish line, or at a lunch stand just off Gasoline Alley waiting in line for an extra well-done \$4.50 Brickyard Burger or \$2.50

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Back home again in Indiana.

"We love Indy," said Buhl. This will be Buhl's eighth 500.

He walked slowly along pit row taking it in. A tall chain fence reinforced with one-inch safety cables separated fans from trackside.

"Hey, Robbie," called a slim man in a Polo shirt thrusting an autograph booklet through the links. Buhl signed. "Look this way," called a long-haired teenage girl in sneakers carrying a disposable camera. He did. "It's Robbie," giggled an overweight woman waving a brand new, \$20 white, Indianapolis 500 baseball cap. He signed the bill.

Buhl is a star despite driving a slower car this year. He and the rest of the Chevy-powered teams are short on horsepower.

To compensate, the Dreyer & Reinbold team, which Buhl co-owns, has been tweaking tire pressure, finagling shocks and shifting wing settings in an effort to cut friction as the car bar-

rels along.

The strategy increases straight-line speed but cuts down force needed to maintain stability through those ominous-looking corners.

Jeff Dickerson is one of the team's three spotters. At Indy, when a Dreyer & Reinbold car takes the track, Dickerson perches just below a wind sock high in the grandstands outside turn three.

"This year we're on the edge every lap because we're down on power," said Dickerson, an eager 27-year-old who looks young enough to be studying for his SATs.

"Last year," he continued, "we had Infiniti power and had thumpers for engines. It looked like we were on a Sunday drive."

Buhl has often mentioned how front-running drivers have an easier time than guys struggling at the back of the pack in cars that aren't working right.

"You have to work twice as hard," said Buhl, who has been in both situations. This year, he'll start the 500 from

inside the eighth row. Last year, he was the second fastest qualifier and started in the middle of row one.

"When you see guys getting lapped at the racetrack, the guys doing the lapping are going faster but not working as hard as the guys just holding on," Buhl said.

"From where I sit," said Dickerson, referring to his post above turn three, "it looks like Robbie's driving a lot harder to go six mph slower. He's driving into the corners farther and arcing closer to the walls instead of taking a nice, conservative line."

High-powered teams with Honda and Toyota engines have had the luxury this season of taking that nice, conservative line.

"This year, Honda and Toyota drivers don't have to take chances," Dickerson said. "We have to take a lot of chances."

"A lot of people just think you go out there and mash the gas and drive around," Buhl said. "There's so much more to it than that."

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catch up."

"In this business," said Buhl, in his garage with the race car radiating heat from a practice session, "playing catch up is hard. The other guys don't stand around waiting for you."

Dreyer & Reinbold, which Buhl co-owns and is based in suburban Indianapolis, depends on Chevrolet to prepare its \$120,000 engines.

"We don't build them," said Brian Franzosi, Buhl's 26-year-old crew chief from near Bay City. "We just put in the one they give us."

Franzosi has been trying to compensate for the motor's lack of get up and go by making the chassis slip more easily through the air. In racing parlance, the crew has trimmed the car by leveling wing settings to reduce down force. They've also smoothed over seams and rough spots in the bodywork. Masking tape does the job.

"We've tried to tape up everything to make it as aerodynamic as we can for the horsepower we have in order to gain a little," said mechanic Art Suprenant, a

body fabricator and welder from Kankakee, Ill.

"I'm happy with my car mechanically," Buhl said. "Chevy's working hard to give us more power. Eventually we'll have more. I wish eventually were right now." He paused for a second and smiled. "But it's not."

"We're looking at every aspect of the engine to see where we can improve it," Negri said prior to leaving Detroit last week for another round of testing at the Speedway. "We're running a new spec (specification) 500 miles on the race track to see if the reliability's there. We've run it on the dyno (dynamometer) and want to run it in the car."

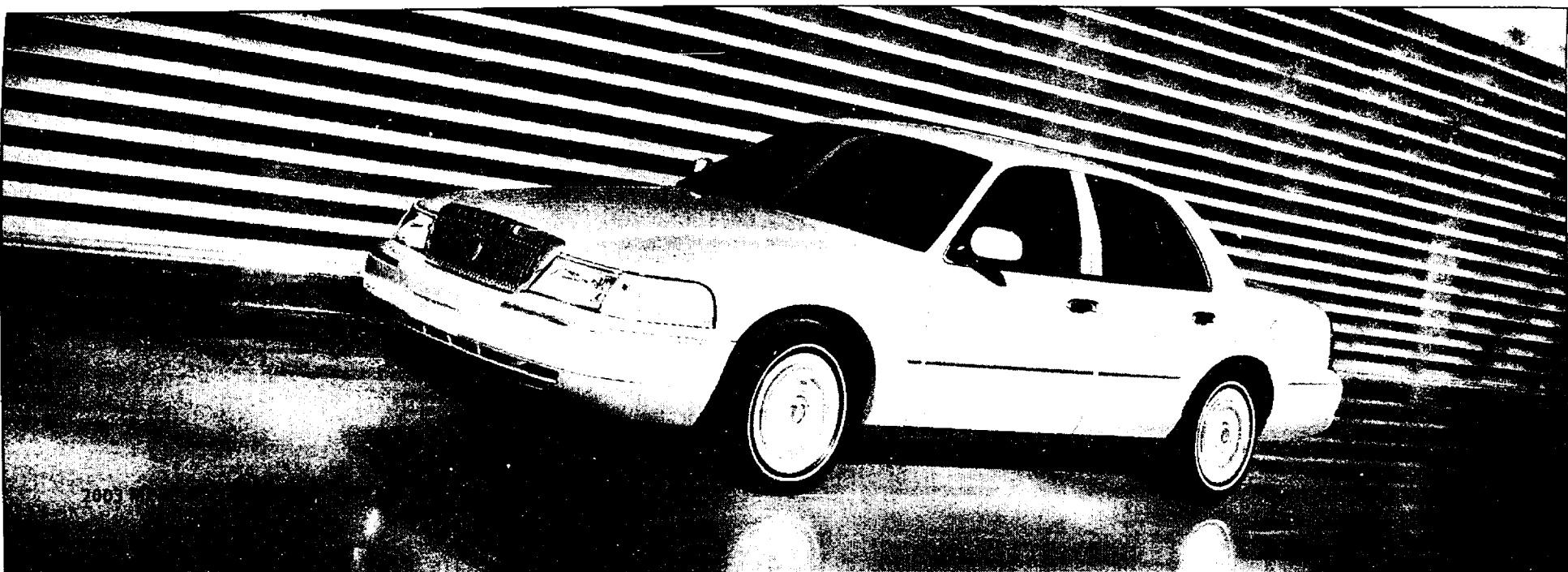
Negri planned to test the engine with Panther Racing, with driver Billy Boat, but will share results with other Chevy-powered teams.

"We've changed things in the engine," Negri said. "I'm not going into details, but it might be the camshaft; it might be a piston; it might be an induction system. It's not like I can say we'll do this and get 10 more horsepower or do that and get five horsepower."



Photo by Brad Lindberg

In the Dreyer & Reinbold garage on Gasoline Alley, mechanics tend the Chevy Indy V-8 in Robbie Buhl's backup Purex/Aventis Dallara Chevy. Mechanics draped a mat over the engine, but not for secrecy. As with thoroughbreds, mats insulate hot, finicky racing engines to let them cool slowly and evenly.



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3,200 relay: 1. Grosse Pointe North (Patricia Winterfield, Laura Fisher, Melissa Anderson, Jennifer DeFauw), 9:37.6. 2. Grosse Pointe South, 9:51.7. 5. Regina, 10:42.9.

100 hurdles: 1. Shannon Fettue, L'Anse Creuse North, 16.6. 2. Jenny Gerow, South, 16.61.

100: 1. Mikiko Williams, East Detroit, 12.4. 4. Danielle Hubler, North, 13.0.

800 relay: 1. Detroit Denby, 1:45.3. 6. Regina, 1:53.6.

1,600: 1. Maggie Collison, South, 5:19.1. 2. Jessica Palfy, South, 5:26.9. 3. Liz Petit, South, 5:32.7. 4. Brittany Gilpin, South, 5:42.9.

400 relay: 1. L'Anse Creuse North, 50.7. 6. Regina, 53.5.

400: 1. Ashley Farr, King, 57.8. 3. Jennifer DeFauw, North, 59.2.

300 hurdles: 1. Ashley Jones, East Detroit, 49.0. 3. Jenny Gerow, South, 49.4.

800: 1. Jenaie Edwards, Denby, 2:21.5. 3. Hilary Zaranek, South, 2:25.3. 4. Patricia Winterfield, North, 2:25.6. 5. Melissa Anderson, North, 2:27.9. 6. Katie Horne, North, 2:29.2.

200: 1. Najah Floyd, Denby, 25.3. **3,200:** 1. Laura Fisher, North, 11:27.6. 2. Maggie Collison, South, 11:59.1. 3. Jessica Palfy, South, 11:59.8. 4. Kelly Szymborski, North, 12:14.9. 6. Emily Meza, South, 12:41.8.

1,600 relay: 1. Detroit King, 4:06.3. Grosse Pointe North, 4:15.6. 4. Grosse Pointe South, 4:19.7. 5. Regina, 4:22.6.

Discus: 1. Amber Jones, East Detroit, 112-0. 4. Elise Nagel, North, 95-4. 5. Ashante Calhoun, North, 94-9. 6. Rhonda Crittle, Regina, 87-10.

Shot put: 1. Courtney Sales, Murray-Wright, 34-3. 2. Crystal Coats, South, 33-4 1/2. 6. Elise Nagel, North, 30-7.

High jump: 1. Vanessa Maher, Roseville, 5-7. 3. Megan Smale, South, 4-9. 5. Jaci Till, South, 4-9. 6 (tie), Sarah Moore and Anna Czojowski, Regina, 4-6.

Long jump: 1. Dominique Warren, King, 15-8 3/4. 2. Lauren Manuszak, Regina, 15-1/4. 3. Kristen Morici, South, 14-10 1/4.

Pole vault: 1. Stephanie Royer, South, 8-0.

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to three sets in the dual meet, but they won in the regional final 6-4, 6-3.

ULS's other flight championship came at No. 4 doubles where the team of Michael Stefani and Robbie Baubie posted a 7-6, 6-0 victory.

The Knights' Hunter Huth (No. 1 singles) and Aaron Brieden (No. 4) also reached the finals, as did the first and second doubles teams of Trevor Stahl and Dan LaLonde and Peter Spina and Owen Darr.

"Hunter played great all day," Wright said. "He had some tough matches, winning 6-4 and 6-2 and 6-4, 7-5 before losing 6-2, 6-4 in the final. When you're playing No. 1, you're always facing somebody who's good."

"Trevor and Dan lost 6-2, 6-2 in the final, but that was an especially good Grosse Ile team that beat them."

In the Knights' only dual meet, they dropped a 7-1 decision to Cranbrook Kingswood.

Powell got the only win for ULS at No. 3 singles. He posted a 6-2, 6-4 victory against a player who had beaten him 6-2, 6-2 earlier in the season.

South honors top swimmers in title season

The Grosse Pointe South swimming team announced its award winners at a recent banquet honoring the team, which won the Macomb Area Conference Red Division meet championship for the fifth straight year.

Senior John Lund was named Blue Devil of the Year, while another senior, Josiah Spurr, received the Coaches' Award.

Junior Ben Jenzen was the Most Valuable swimmer, while sophomore Luke Richard was Most Improved.

The Blue Devils, coached by Bill Thompson and Elizabeth Bourke, placed 11th in the state Division I meet.



Grosse Pointe South's girls track team celebrates after winning its ninth straight state regional championship.

ULS soccer team is 'ascending'

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

David Backhurst was corrected by his University Liggett School soccer team when he mentioned to them that the Knights seemed to be peaking at the right time. "We're ascending," they told their coach. "We haven't peaked yet."

Whatever the semantics, there's one thing for sure. ULS has been on a roll for the last couple of weeks.

Since dropping a 4-1 decision to Grosse Pointe North, the Knights have won five straight games, including a 4-0 win over Lutheran North in the semifinal round of the Metro Conference tournament.

The victory against the Mustangs sent ULS into Tuesday's league championship game at Cranbrook Kingswood.

"We're playing well," Backhurst said. "My only concern is that we have three sprained ankles."

After a non-league game at 7 tonight, May 22, at Detroit Country Day, to close out the regular season, the Knights begin the state district tournament on May 27 at Royal Oak Shrine.

"It's a tougher district than we're used to playing in," Backhurst said. "Shrine and Clawson are both solid teams, but that's good. We'll be better prepared if we get to the regional with tougher competition in the district."

ULS began the league tournament with a 10-0 romp over Harper Woods.

Jordan McIlroy started the outburst during the first minute of play with the first of her three goals, and by halftime the Knights were ahead 8-0.

The game was finally ended by a mercy rule 11 minutes into the second

half. Stephanie McIlroy and Callie Shumaker each scored two goals for ULS, while Brittany Paquette, Beth Sanders and Laura Nicholl added one apiece.

It was considerably tougher in the next round of the tournament, but the Knights' defense rose to the occasion and made this easy for goalie Allison Jones by holding the Mustangs to only two shots. ULS returned 15 at the North net.

ULS opened the scoring 10 minutes into the match when Stephanie McIlroy sent a pass to Nicholl, who scored from 25 yards out. Five minutes later, Sanders sent a crossing pass to Shumaker, who volleyed the ball into the net.

The Knights made it 3-0 with 19 minutes left in the first half. Leeza Kossak drilled a shot from 15 yards out into the far corner.

Jordan McIlroy capped the ULS scoring with a goal with nine minutes remaining in the game.

"It was a shot from a bad angle. It had a lot of spin," Backhurst said.

While the offense produced four goals, it was the work of the defense that really impressed Backhurst.

"Our defense really stepped up and shot down (Lutheran North's) offense," he said. "Erin Deane has done a nice job at sweeper and she's been playing through pain for a while. Katie Hollerbach, Liz Heenan and Megan Getz have also contributed significantly on defense."

Last weekend, ULS blanked Birmingham Roeper 2-0 in a non-league game.

"I was a little concerned because at practice on

Friday, the girls were fooling around after our big win against Lutheran North, and I wondered if we'd be focused for Roeper," Backhurst said.

His fears turned out to be unfounded.

"We played well, especially on defense," Backhurst said. "We had numerous chances on offense, and I would have liked to have seen us score more, but I guess all you need is one more goal than the other team gets."

The Knights got on the scoreboard on their first trip down the field. Shumaker took a shot that the Roughriders' goalie couldn't handle. Paquette got the rebound and tapped it into the net.

ULS made it 2-0 with 13 minutes remaining in the first half. Nicholl came down the left side, and instead of passing, shot the ball into the far corner of the net. It was her third goal in three games.

Backhurst said that Hollerbach did an outstanding job of marking Roeper's high-scoring freshman, Alex Sims.

"We knew that she was a dangerous player but we put Katie on her and she shut her down," Backhurst said.

The one time that Sims got away on a breakaway, Jones made a spectacular save to preserve her shutout.

"That was a huge stop because Allison hadn't been tested for a few games," Backhurst said. "That will help her confidence that she was able to step up when we needed her."

ULS finished with a 17-7 edge in shots against Roeper, which fell to 10-2-2.

Lutheran East track and field splits with conference foes

By Bob St. John
Staff writer

The Lutheran East boys and girls track and field teams placed second in their triangular meet last week.

The Eagles lost to Lutheran Westland and beat University Liggett School.

"The meet didn't generate a lot of excitement," assistant coach Don Justice said. "We had some nice times from a few of our boys and girls, but overall they didn't perform up to expectations."

Leading the way for the boys were Robert Carlisle, Dexter Shorter, Matt Machemer and Tom Kempinski, while the girls were led by Kelli Zoellner, Ashley Schult and Shana Pritchett.

The Lutheran East boys track team stands at 3-3 in the Metro Conference, while the girls are 2-4.

Baseball

The Lutheran East boys baseball team won two of three Metro Conference games last week, beating Hamtramck 15-4 and Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook

Kingswood 11-8, and losing 12-2 to Macomb Lutheran North.

"We made too many mistakes in our loss," head coach Nick Capoferri said. "It was nice to see the guys rebound with some big wins. Everyone chipped in and played well."

Senior Dyrrell Daniels hit a two-run home run in the loss to North and was the winning pitcher and hit another two-run homer against Hamtramck.

Daniels stole the show against Cranbrook Kingswood, going 3-for-4 with three RBIs.

Other standouts were seniors Brandon Lostutter and Dan Horto and underclassmen Matt Johnston and Rusty Pidosny.

The Eagles improved to 4-4 in the Metro Conference and 7-6 overall.

Softball

Lutheran East's girls softball team lost 16-0 to Macomb Lutheran North last week.

"We played one of our better games against North,

even though the score doesn't indicate it," head coach Pat Sadler said. "North is a very good team, and we're trying to get to that level."

The Eagles fell to 2-4 in the Metro Conference and 3-4 overall.

North students win skating gold

Two Grosse Pointe North students were members of the Fraser Eclipse junior team that won a gold medal in its division at the Midwestern Synchronized Team Skating Championships in Grand Forks, N.D.

Local skaters on the Fraser team, which was one of 99 entered in the event, were Erica Abke and Laura Ziemiacki.

The Eclipse junior team finished second at the ISI Westland Winterfest Competition and was sixth in the short program and fourth in the long program at the Fraser Mid-America Synchronized Team Skating Championships at Great Lakes Sports Center.

Senior pair leads North's qualifiers

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Two of the senior leaders on this year's Grosse Pointe North boys track team are Rob Matouk and Phil Saffron, and they'll be leading the Norsemen right to the state Division I championships in Grand Rapids on May 31.

"Rob and Phil have both been great leaders for our young kids, so it's good to have them leading us for the next two weeks as we get ready for the state meet," said coach Dan Quinn.

Matouk was a member of the 3,200-meter relay team that finished second at last weekend's Division I regional at Grosse Pointe South.

The other members of the team were John Bremer, Barclay Smyly and Mario Sexton.

"That's the first time in 10 years that we've qualified for the state meet in the 4x800 relay," Quinn said. "We had a chance to win it until De La Salle's Chris Haag, who is one of the better middle distance runners in the state, pulled away in the last 20 to 30 meters."

Matouk and Sexton each had personal best times in their legs of the race to help the Norsemen post a time of 8:30.5. De La Salle's winning time was 8:26.8.

Saffron and Ted Kotwick both qualified for the state meet in the pole vault. Saffron cleared 11-feet-9 and Kotwick made the opening height of 11-6.

Grosse Pointe South's Patrick Burke qualified for the state meet in the high jump when he cleared 6-2.

North finished sixth in the regional with 40 points, while South was seventh with 33.

University of Detroit Jesuit won the boys team championship with 119.25 points, while L'Anse Creuse was second with 86.

There were some other highlights for the Norsemen in the regional. Stefan Cross and Eric Burton each achieved PRs in the 3,200 run, while Robert Bailiff posted PRs in his first two heats of the 200 dash and finished sixth in the finals.

The 400 relay team of Bailiff, Kotwick, Saffron and Scott Nixon tied for fifth place and Kotwick, Saffron and Nixon each posted PRs for the event. Aric Minney tied his PR in the open 400 with his anchor leg of the 1,600 relay. Other members of the team that finished sixth out of a slower heat were Bremer, Saffron and Matouk.

Nixon and Scott Dyle each had PRs in the 800 relay and David Selak had a major improvement in getting a PR in the discus. Spencer Channel had a throw of 131-4 to finish fourth in the discus.

Earlier, North closed out its dual meet season with a

5-2 record in the Macomb Area Conference Gold Division after beating Lakeview 88-49.

Kevin Kwiatkowski won both hurdles races, taking the 110 highs in 15.9 and the 300 intermediate hurdles in 43.0. He was also third in the high jump.

Marcell Maxwell, who was held out of the regional because of injuries, won the 100 in 11.4. Saffron led a sweep in the pole vault when he cleared 12-0. Kotwick and Ryan Stephens took the next two places.

Jeffrey Miller won the 200 in 24.0 and Nixon returned from being injured to finish second. Matouk won the 800 in 2:11.7. Channel led a sweep in the discus with a PR of 132-5. He was followed by Selak and Jake Masinick. David Klein was first in the high jump when he cleared 5-8. Kwiatkowski also jumped 5-8, but Klein had fewer misses.

The 3,200 relay team of Bremer, Mario Sexton, Smyly and Matouk was first in 9:03.4.

North's other PRs came from Klein, 110 hurdles; Julian Duncan, 100; Jacob Sexton, 1,600; Kyle Klanow, 800; and George Dallas, 200.

Following are the winners in each event at the South regional and the North and South athletes who placed among the top six.

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. University of Detroit Jesuit, 119 1/4 points; 2. L'Anse Creuse, 86; 3. Detroit King, 57; 4. Roseville, 52; 5. De La Salle, 41; 6. Grosse Pointe North, 40; 7. Grosse Pointe South, 33; 8. L'Anse Creuse North, 27 1/2; 9. East Detroit 19 1/4; 10. Detroit Denby, 16; 11. Detroit Murray-Wright, 8; 12. Detroit Southeastern, 7; 13. Detroit Pershing, 6; 14. Detroit Kettering, 2.

3,200 relay: 1. De La Salle, 8:26.8. 2. Grosse Pointe North, 8:30.5. 6. Grosse Pointe South, 9:08.4.

110 hurdles: 1. Lonnie Hurst, U-D Jesuit, 14.9.

100: 1. Shakir Edwards, King, 10.9.

800 relay: 1. U-D Jesuit, 1:30.6. **1,600:** 1. Chris Haag, De La Salle, 4:35.7. 3. Bryan MacKenzie, South, 4:41.8. 4. Andy Visger, South, 4:46.7.

400 relay: Detroit King, 44.1. 5 (tie), Grosse Pointe North, 46.1.

400: 1. Mike Batkins, L'Anse Creuse, 51.1.

300 hurdles: 1. Lonnie Hurst, U-D Jesuit, 39.9. 4. Richard Zuidema, South, 42.3. 5. Dan Minturn, North, 42.7.

800: 1. Chris Haag, De La Salle, 1:55.4. 4. John Bremer, North, 2:03.

200: 1. Aaron Conti, U-D Jesuit, 22.1. 6. Robert Bailiff, North, 23.9.

3,200: 1. Patrick Sarver, L'Anse Creuse North, 10:08.9. 3. Jacob Wernet, South, 10:24. 4. Eric Backman, South, 10:28.8.

1,600 relay: 1. L'Anse Creuse, 3:23.1. 6. Grosse Pointe North, 3:41.4.

Discus: 1. Melvin Cross, U-D Jesuit, 147-0. 4. Spencer Channel, North, 131-4.

Shot put: 1. Chris Vernier, L'Anse Creuse, 52-6 1/2.

High jump: 1. Chris Aho, L'Anse Creuse, 6-4. 2. Patrick Burke, South, 6-2. 6 (tie), Kevin Kwiatkowski and David Klein, North, 5-8.

Long jump: 1. Corey Jalbert, L'Anse Creuse North, 21-1 1/2.

Pole vault: 1. Phil Saffron, North, 11-9. 2. Ted Kotwick, North, 11-3.



Grosse Pointe North's Aric Minney takes a handoff from teammate Rob Matouk in the 1,600-meter relay.

South completes a 'three-peat' in MAC baseball

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's baseball team traveled in some uncharted waters this season.

Last week, the Blue Devils wrapped up their third straight division championship in the Macomb Area Conference, winning the MAC White title by two games over runner-up Warren-Mott.

"I've been coaching in the league for 20 years and I don't remember anybody getting a 'three-peat' in the Red or White divisions," said South coach Dan Griesbaum. "Teams have won two in a row, but I can't recall three straight."

After an early-season loss to Mott, South didn't lose again in division play until it dropped Monday's finale to Anchor Bay 3-2 in eight innings to finish 12-2 in the league.

South clinched a tie for the title last week with a 3-2 win over Ford II.

The Blue Devils trailed 2-1 going into the seventh inning, but Nick Andrew started the final inning with a walk. He stole second and moved to third on an error. Charlie Mackinnon was walked intentionally, but Taylor Morawski foiled the Falcons' strategy with an RBI single. P.J. Janutol followed with a sacrifice fly to drive in the winning run.

Janutol, who had three hits, drove in South's other run with a single in the fourth.

Dan Keogh picked up the victory in relief of starter Mark Russell. Keogh pitched three scoreless innings. He allowed one hit, struck out two and didn't give up a walk.

It was easier the following day when the Blue Devils wrapped up the title outright with a 13-0 win over L'Anse Creuse.

Mackinnon, who pitched the first three innings to earn the victory, helped himself with two hits and two

RBI's. Mike Arrigo had two hits and drove in a run, while Janutol, Kyle Hacias and Brendan Butler each had a hit and two RBI's.

Tom Sawicki and Ben Jenzen each pitched a scoreless inning for South. Jenzen struck out the side.

"Ben hasn't pitched much because he's had a sore hand," Griesbaum said. "He throws the ball hard — 91 or 92 on our radar gun — and has a good changeup, but he needs to develop a breaking pitch. Good hitters can sit on his fastball."

South scored four runs in the first inning and broke the game open with seven in the second.

In South's rematch with Ford II last Friday, the Blue Devils coasted to an 11-1 victory.

A seven-run outburst in the sixth inning ended the game on a mercy rule.

Keogh led the way offensively with a pair of doubles and four RBI's. He hit a run-scoring double in the Blue

Devils' four-run first inning and cleared the bases with a two-bagger in the seventh.

Mackinnon had two hits and an RBI, while Arrigo had a hit and two RBI's.

Adam Abraham pitched the first four innings and allowed three hits and no earned runs. He struck out four. Keogh pitched the last two frames and fanned three.

In Monday's loss to Anchor Bay, the Tars scored twice in the seventh to tie the game and won it 3-2 with a run in the eighth.

South scored in the first on a walk to Andrew, a single by Keogh and a two-out single by Morawski. The Blue Devils made it 2-0 in the fifth on a double by Hacias, an error and Andrew's squeeze bunt.

Keogh pitched the first six innings and allowed only one hit and a walk, while striking out five, but he left the game with a tender arm.

Jenzen relieved and gave up a single to Kyle Furtah

and a game-tying homer to Eric Rich.

"Ben threw him a fastball and Rich, who's a good left-handed hitter, was ready for it," Griesbaum said. "That's why he has to develop a breaking ball."

In the bottom of the eighth, Anchor Bay's leadoff hitter got a bloop single over Mackinnon's head at first base. After a walk and a sacrifice put runners on second and third, the next batter hit a sacrifice fly to left field.

Andrew made a strong throw to the plate that appeared to beat the runner, but the catcher couldn't handle the throw.

South lost two of its three games in the Grosse Pointe Tournament.

The Blue Devils opened on a winning note, by beating Utica Eisenhower 2-1.

Drew Bedan pitched five innings, allowed three hits and struck out six to record the win. Jenzen pitched a scoreless sixth to post the save.

South scored a run in the third when Keogh doubled home Butler, who had walked. Morawski hit a long home run in the fourth for the eventual winning run.

"It cleared the fence in left-center," Griesbaum said. "That's one of the longest home runs I've seen here."

South lost its next two games, bowing 16-5 to Detroit Country Day and losing 5-4 to Grosse Pointe North.

In the Country Day game, Bedan had a pair of doubles and drove in a run, Cole VanAssche had two hits, including a double, and three RBI's and Russell had two hits and an RBI.

"In that game, everything that could go wrong, did," Griesbaum said. "We didn't make that many errors, but the ones we made were costly."

Andrew, Abraham and Butler each had two hits for South in the North game.

Norsemen win all three games in Grosse Pointe tournament

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Fraser finally cooled off the Grosse Pointe North baseball team on Monday, but it took the Ramblers 11 innings to accomplish the feat.

"We had won eight straight and 20 of our last 25," said coach Frank Sumner after the 6-5 loss to Fraser left the Norsemen with a 9-5 final record in the Macomb Area Conference White Division.

Among those eight straight victories were three wins in last weekend's Grosse Pointe Tournament, including a 5-4 victory over Grosse Pointe South in the championship game.

North opened the tournament with a 3-2 win over Detroit Country Day.

Scott Ruthven pitched all six innings and finished strong after the Yellowjackets cut the Norsemen's lead to one with runs in the fourth and fifth innings.

"He struck out four of the last six batters he faced," Sumner said. "He finally

went to the whip with the game on the line."

North scored twice in the second inning. Steve Szabo walked, stole second and came home when Zander Wagner reached on an error. Zach Matthews followed with an RBI single.

The Norsemen added a run in the third on back-to-back doubles by Jonathan Zalenski and Matt Grassley.

In its next game, North built an 8-0 lead against Utica Eisenhower and then had to hold on for an 8-5 win.

A pair of four-run innings did the damage for North. In the third, Andrew Shanley and Sean Patterson singled and both moved up on a sacrifice. Colin Utley followed with a two-run double. Nick Cheolas singled home a run and Zalenski capped the scoring with a sacrifice fly.

Matt Collins reached base on an error to start the fifth. Utley singled and Cheolas stroked a two-run double. Zalenski drove in Cheolas with a double and eventually scored on a sacrifice fly by Michael Bramos.

Josh Lewis allowed only two hits through the first five innings, but three relievers gave up five runs, including a grand slam by Jason Kasowski, in the sixth.

All of the scoring in the South game was packed into the early innings.

North erupted for four runs in the first, highlighted by a two-run single by Szabo and a two-run double by Cheolas. A walk to Charlie Kaiser, a single by Lewis and a sacrifice fly by Zalenski produced a run in the second.

South scored a run in the first on a double by Nick Andrew and an RBI single by Adam Abraham. The Blue Devils picked up a pair of runs in the second on an error, a double by Mike Arrigo, an RBI single by Brendan Butler and Andrew's fielder's choice. P.J. Janutol singled home South's final run in the third.

Brian Halicki got the victory, while Kaiser earned the save.

"Kaiser is doing a nice job

as the closer," Sumner said. "And he had never pitched before this season."

In MAC White play last week, North got a four-hitter from Matthews in a 2-1 victory over L'Anse Creuse.

The Norsemen got the runs they needed in the sixth. Kaiser walked with one out and Lewis singled. Both scored on Zalenski's double.

The Lancers got a run in the seventh, but Matthews struck out the final batter with two runners on base.

In a seesaw battle, North beat Anchor Bay 11-8.

The game was tied 8-8 in the fifth when Mike Bourgeois and Dan Kingsley singled. After a fielder's choice sent Bourgeois to third, he scored the lead run on Wagner's single.

North added some insurance in the sixth on a single by Zalenski and Grassley's two-run homer.

Anchor Bay scored two runs in the first inning on the first of Derek McCullough's two homers, but North came back with three in the bottom of the

frame. Singles by Kaiser, Lewis and Zalenski loaded the bases. Grassley drove in a run with a single, another scored on a sacrifice fly by Szabo and the third came in on Bourgeois's single.

McCullough hit his second homer — a three-run shot — in the second as the Tars regained the lead 5-3. The Norsemen answered with three runs in their half of the inning. Kingsley and Ruthven singled. They moved up on a sacrifice by Wagner and both scored on Kaiser's single. Zalenski followed with another run-scoring single.

Anchor Bay scored three more runs in the third inning, but North tied the game at 8-8 in the bottom of the frame. Kingsley doubled and Wagner and Kaiser hit RBI singles.

Bramos pitched six innings and got the win with relief help from Kaiser.

"Michael gave up some runs, but it wasn't like he was hit that hard, except for the two home runs," Sumner said. "He's working himself back after being

out with an injury."

In the Fraser game, North scored a run in the second inning on a single by Szabo, a stolen base and Cheolas's RBI single. The Ramblers took the lead with two runs in the bottom of the second.

North tied the game at 2-2 in the fifth on singles by Kaiser, Zalenski and Grassley.

Fraser regained the lead with two runs in the sixth, but North tied it again in the top of the seventh. Zalenski singled, Utley was hit by a pitch and Szabo hit an RBI single. After a walk to Kingsley loaded the bases, Cheolas hit a sacrifice fly.

Utley singled home Lewis, who had singled, in the 10th to give North a 5-4 lead, but the Ramblers got a run in the bottom of the inning.

Fraser's Eli Boike started the 11th with a double and took third on a sacrifice. Sumner ordered the next two batters to be walked intentionally, but the strategy was foiled when the Ramblers squeezed home the final run.

Notre Dame track and field crunches Gabriel Richard

Tennis team win CHSL

By Bob St. John
Staff writer

The Notre Dame track and field team crushed host Riverview Gabriel Richard 102-34 last week.

"We competed against a smaller team, and the final score indicates this," assistant coach Stan Wegrzynowicz said. "We had some outstanding performances."

Chris Jones had a personal best mark of 5 feet, 10 inches in the high jump and was first in the high and low hurdles to lead the Fightin' Irish.

Gelani Nantambu won the 100-yard dash, followed by Lance Wilson and Calvin Wiley.

Emmanuel Johnson won the long jump with a mark of 18 feet, 2 inches, and Shane Gilyard had a personal best throw of 119 feet in the discus.

Jeremy Johnson had a personal best toss of 107 feet, 2 1/2 inches in the discus, and Steve Chauvin had a personal best time of 5:11 in the 1,600-yard run.

Other standouts were Alex Dudley (5 feet, 6 inches in the high jump), Brandon Bonds (53.02 in the 800-yard run), Troy Mitchell (17 feet in the long jump), Charles Heady (41 feet, 2 inches in the shot put), Thomas Durant (38 feet, 2 inches in the shot put) and

Justyn Bennsett (107 feet, 3 1/2 inches in the discus).

The Notre Dame track team improved to 3-0 in the Catholic League Double-A Division and overall.

Tennis

The Notre Dame tennis team won the Catholic League Division II Tournament last weekend, earning 38 points.

"Our kids played very well," head coach Cathy Hassett said. "We have practiced hard and have played some good teams in order to get to this point."

Riverview Gabriel Richard was second with 30 points, followed by Pontiac Notre Dame Prep with 22, Royal Oak Shrine with 14, Allen Park Cabrini with 12 and Dearborn Divine Child with 12.

Senior David Murray earned a gold medal by winning the No. 1 singles flight after beating Gabriel Richard's Adam Sassack 7-6, 6-4 in the championship match.

Head coach Cathy Hassett and her Fightin' Irish were also led by seniors Dan DiVico, Tim Kopec (silver medalist), George Murray (gold medalist), Brandon Griesbaum (gold medalist), Kevin Lao (gold medalist), Pat Irwin (gold medalist), Mike Mlynarek (gold medalist), Anthony DiSante (gold medalist), Craig Robinson (gold medalist) and David Lipa, and junior Bill Dokianos (gold medalist).

"The team has been working hard for four years, and it finally paid off," Hassett said.

Baseball

The Notre Dame baseball team won two of three games in last weekend's Grosse Pointe South Tournament.

"Our pitching was good, and our defense did a good job, but we need to get our offense going," head coach Angelo Gust said.

The Fightin' Irish lost 3-1 to South Lake, and beat Macomb Dakota 4-2 and host South 3-2.

In the loss to the Cavaliers, the Irish scored first, thanks to two singles and two stolen bases, but they made 15 consecutive outs between the second and seventh innings.

Against Dakota, Dan Valente drove in a run, and Aaron Malucci had two hits.

Valente hit a home run, and Evan Williams had a key hit to lead the Irish past South.

The Notre Dame baseball team improved to 12-15 overall.

"I think the team will be OK once we get out of the Catholic League and start playing nonleague games with 4 (balls), 3 (strikes) baseball," Gust said. "The guys have played some tough games during the past month, and now it's time to start preparing for the state playoffs."



Head coach Cathy Hassett, far right, was all smiles after guiding her Notre Dame tennis team to a spot in the Division III state finals.

ND track, tennis perform well in state regional tournaments

By Bob St. John
Staff writer

For the first time in more than a decade, the Notre Dame track and field team has reason to celebrate.

Head coach Ed Belcrest and assistant coach Stan Wegrzynowicz guided the Fightin' Irish to a second-place finish in last weekend's Division II regional meet at Warren Fitzgerald.

"These kids have been working very hard to accom-

plish their goals," Belcrest said a week before the meet. "It's their dedication to this program that is turning the program around."

Several years ago the Fightin' Irish struggled, thanks to low numbers and competition in the tough Central Division against powerhouses such as Birmingham Brother Rice, Detroit Catholic Central and U-D Jesuit.

Things got so bad that

they lost a dual meet to CC by 100 points after only a handful of competitors suited up for the Irish.

Wegrzynowicz stepped in to rescue the program; Belcrest joined the program a year ago, and now it is flourishing.

Warren Fitzgerald won the regional with 103 points, followed by Notre Dame at 76 1/3 and Detroit



Perfect seasons

Both of the volleyball teams at Parcels Middle School had perfect seasons this year. Members of the eighth grade team, top, are in front, from left, Brittney Furgal, Bianca Bufalino, Samantha Llaneza, Alex Cheolas and Vanessa Han-Voth. In the middle, from left, are Emily D'Arca, Stephanie Ewart, Katey Stapleton, Hannah Clor, Jessica Anderson, Stephanie Dennis and Betsy Graney. In back, from left, are Carrie Kaufmann, Molly Frazzitta and coach Susan Quinn. Members of the seventh grade team, bottom, are in front, Francesca Evans, left, and Lizzy Rewalt. In the middle row, from left, are assistant coach Carrie Casinelli, Leah DiCristofaro, Jane Thompson, Stephanie Jovanovski and coach Anne Starinsky. In back, from left, are Chelsea Detrick, Anie Driscoll, Emily Bantien and Madeleine Kaiser.



North lacrosse team takes first in ULS Invitational

Every since it returned from spring break, Grosse Pointe North's lacrosse team has been on a roll.

Last weekend, the Norsemen won the University Liggett School Invitational with a 10-5 win over L'Anse Creuse in the championship game.

North advanced to the title match with a 9-3 semifinal win over Grosse Pointe South.

Against L'Anse Creuse, which had beaten the Norsemen 4-3 on an icy, rainy night early in the season, North got three goals apiece from attackmen David Watson, Patrick Hogan and Eric Kelly.

Midfielder Andrew Kapordelis scored the Norsemen's other goal.

The South game also counted as a league game because an earlier scheduled contest had been postponed because of snowstorm. The makeup game couldn't be played because officials weren't available.

Hogan led North with three goals, while Kelly and Watson added two apiece. Midfielders Kapordelis and Dan Gassel each tallied once.

South took several penalties, but the Blue Devils'

man-down defense allowed North to score only once while it had the advantage. Goalie Mike Ambroz played well for South.

North's first game back after the break was a 15-9 win over Farmington in a game that was postponed for a day because of lightning.

Hogan led the Norsemen with four goals and Watson scored three. Nick Janutol, Kapordelis and Kelly had two goals apiece.

North jumped out to a 4-1 first-quarter lead against a strong Orchard Lake St. Mary's team, but had to battle from behind to post an 8-7 victory over the Eagles.

St. Mary's led 5-4 at halftime. Early in the second half, North tied the game and the two teams traded goals until the Norsemen took the lead for good.

Watson scored three goals for North.

The Norsemen's all-senior defense corps of Kevin Coleman, Adam Wojciechowski and Andrew Adams played a strong game. Long-stick middies Jeff Bozell and Chris Brozo and goalie Brad Pillen also played well.

The week of May 5 was a busy one for North. It started with a 14-2 win over

Pontiac Notre Dame Prep. Eleven players figured in the scoring with midfielders Kapordelis and Gassel leading the way with three and two goals, respectively.

Attackmen Kelly, Hogan and Watson scored two goals apiece in North's 9-3 win over Westland Huron Valley Lutheran. Pillen made 13 saves in goal.

North scored nine goals in the first half on the way to a 10-1 win over Bloomfield Andover.

Pillen made some key saves in the first half to keep the Barons off the scoreboard. In the second half, sophomore goalie Shane Mallon made seven saves to keep the shutout alive until Andover scored with 49 seconds left in the fourth quarter.

The Norsemen again spread out their scoring as seven players got goals. Watson scored three times, while Hogan scored two and Kelly one. Midfielders Dane Fossee, Kapordelis, Janutol and Bobby Scarfone added a goal apiece.

North, which lost 7-3 to Division I power Ann Arbor Pioneer in its season opener, took a 10-2 record into the final week of the regular season.

Tough losses frustrate South

The last two weeks have been frustrating ones for the Grosse Pointe South lacrosse team.

"It's a very frustrating time for us," said coach Joe Drouin after the Blue Devils dropped both of their games in the University Liggett School Invitational.

South bowed 9-3 to Grosse Pointe North in a semifinal game, then dropped an 11-8 decision to ULS in the consolation match.

"We seem to dominate the game in almost every category except the final score," Drouin said. "Our offense really controls the ball well, and our defense does a great job of shutting down the opponents' big scorers."

"I talked with some of the veteran players on the bus coming home from the Bloomfield game about all of the games this season coming down to three or four 'what ifs' per game. I think this team's greatest asset is that they realize they are only inches away from greatness. At no point in the

season have they let not winning games get them down. Their spirits, as a whole, have been very high all season and the players are still very optimistic about putting together and end of the season run to create some momentum going into the playoffs."

In the North game, the Norsemen jumped out to an early 3-0 lead. South settled down in the second quarter and scored two goals of their own.

Joe Parke got the first one and Pat Lariviere scored the second on a beautiful underhanded shot from behind the crossbar to make it 3-2 at halftime.

"Joe's goal was a big one to help get us into the game," Drouin said. "I told Joe and fellow sophomore Pete Grimmer that I expected some big things from them today."

"It seems like the past few years we've always had a sophomore rise to the occasion against North. Two years ago, Tom Klick had a huge game against North, and last year Matt Reynaert scored the unforgettable 'wrong way goal' in overtime to beat North. Joe and Peter both lived up to the sophomore expectations."

North scored two more quick goals to start the third period, but once against South's defense tightened.

"I was really worried about North's David Watson this game, but senior defenseman Mike Schulte did a great job, keeping him to only two goals and frustrating him with some very physical play," Drouin said. "We put in great effort and came up with some big plays, so it is especially hard to lose a game like this one. In the end, North wanted it more than we did. They played a great game."

Trey Shield continued his strong play and added a late goal for South.

The Blue Devils' offense looked like it was back on track against ULS as South jumped out to an early three-goal lead on tallies by Jordan Winfield, Klick and Ryan Rogers.

However, the Blue Devils seemed to let their guard down after the quick start and underestimated a very powerful Knights squad.

ULS rallied to take the lead and maintained it with its man-up unit.

After playing three well-disciplined games earlier in the week, South was hit with some costly penalties that resulted in goals for the Knights.

Rogers and Klick each scored two goals for the Blue Devils, while Colby Stamp, Grimmer and Mike Dunaway added one apiece. It was Dunaway's first goal of the season.

Earlier, South lost 9-5 to L'Anse Creuse.

It was one of the Blue Devils' most-disciplined games as they took only one penalty in the first half. South dominated play in the offensive end, but had difficulty finishing the plays.

"This is truly a game of inches when it comes to shooting," Drouin said. "We've hit the goalpost so many times this season. It's very frustrating. An inch one way and we're a great team, but then again, an inch the other way and we miss the net completely."

Shield scored South's first goal to tie the game at 1-1. L'Anse Creuse answered with a goal, but goalie Mike Ambroz gave the Blue Devils' offense a boost with a rush upfield.

The Lancers couldn't touch him as he went end-to-end and finished with a nick feed to Klick for a picture-perfect goal.

South got a rare break on a goal by Rogers. Klick lost his footing and slid into the L'Anse Creuse goalie as he was trying to clear the ball. Before he could clear it, Rogers got the ball and scored.

Stamp added a pair of goals for the Blue Devils.

South continued to play well, but dropped a 6-5 decision to Bloomfield United.

The Blue Devils came out hitting and scoring. Avery Schmidt picked up an early goal and Jim Brosnan turned the game in South's favor with his defensive hits.

South led 4-3 going into the fourth quarter, but early in the fourth, Klick was sidelined after taking a knee to the thigh. His loss changed the momentum of the game. Bloomfield had double-teamed Klick throughout the contest, which allowed his teammates to make some plays. When Klick left, the Nighthawks went to a man-to-man defense and took away some of the Blue Devils' offense.

Parke scored to give South a 5-3 lead, but Bloomfield came back with three unanswered goals. The Blue Devils put on some strong offensive pressure at the end of the game, but couldn't get the equalizer.

Winfield, Shield and Stamp also scored for South.

Trinity's Wilson, Brown advance to track and field state finals in Division IV

By Bob St. John
Staff writer

Trinity Catholic's Krystle Wilson and Anicka Brown qualified for the Division IV state finals last weekend.

Wilson won the 200-yard dash with a time of 28.2, and Brown was second in the discus with a throw of 98 feet, 11 inches in a regional meet held in Deckerville.

"We were very happy to get a couple of girls through to the finals but disappointed at our overall finish," head coach Michelle Batten said.

The girls finished seventh out of 24 teams with 33 points. Uby and Harbor Beach were first and second, earning them a trip to the state finals.

The boys were tied for eighth with 25 points, and once again it was Uby and Harbor Beach which finished first and second to gain a spot in the finals.

"We had one of our worst performances in the regionals during my tenure as head coach," Batten said. "We had a lot of younger kids who ran track for the first time. They learned throughout the season, but they couldn't keep up with the more experienced seniors on the other teams."

The top boys were Quintan Washington, Lance

Caldwell, Nick Jones, Shannon Scott, Ira Johnson, Jamal Gause, Greg Frye and D'Angelo Lumpkin.

Earlier in the week, the Lancers finished their dual meet slate.

The girls lost 54-48 to Pontiac Notre Dame Prep as Brown won the discus and shot put with throws of 90 feet, 1 inch, and 28 feet, 4 inches.

Lauren Franklin won the 100-yard dash, and Wilson won the 200-yard dash.

The boys beat Prep 61-59 and lost 88-32 to Notre Dame.

"We got better during the season, which gives us hope for next season," Batten said.

The Trinity boys track team finished 3-2, and the girls were 1-3 in the Catholic League Double-A Division.

Softball

The Trinity Catholic girls softball team lost its Catholic League C-D East/West playoff quarterfinal game 16-1 to Center Line St. Clement.

"St. Clement hit the ball very well," head coach Dennis Gore said. "We were in for a long game after St. Clement came out and scored early on us."

On a brighter note, Katie Masserang and Stephanie Sosa earned all-Catholic honors, while Ann Wasukanis and Danielle Cooper made the all-league team.

"It's nice to get a few girls recognized for their contributions on the field," Gore said.

The Lancers fell to 8-9 overall.

Baseball

The Trinity Catholic boys baseball team won three of four games last week, improving to 13-10 overall.

"We're starting to hit the ball better, which is just in time for the upcoming state playoffs," head coach Larry Geromin said.

The Lancers swept a doubleheader from Redford St. Agatha, winning 14-6 and 4-2.

In the opener, Brock Taylor struck out 11 to earn the win, while Joe Williams had two triples, and Tim Becker was 5-for-5.

Becker was 2-for-2 in the second game, and Williams had two hits.

The Lancers also played Marine City Cardinal Mooney, winning 4-2 and losing 13-6.

Brian Seery struck out 16 to win the opener, while

Williams was 3-for-4, and Seery was 2-for-3 in the nightcap.

"I like the way we're playing," Geromin said.

Little League action on Park diamonds

MAJORS

Dodgers 8, Tigers 7

Steve Peck, Andrew Lajdzia and Brady Baetens each had two hits for the Tigers.

Yankees 10, Tigers 1

Yankees starter Alex Bedan allowed only one hit through four innings. Sam Vanderheide broke the game open with a two-run single. Jim Bretz had two hits for the Yankees.

Stephen Peck and Thomas Stergiadis each collected a pair of hits for the Tigers.

A's 9, Yankees 2

The A's got effective pitching from Anthony Stavale, Kevin MacConnachie and Austin Brooks. Stavale started and allowed one run and no hits in two innings. MacConnachie pitched the next three frames and allowed one run, while striking out six. Brooks pitched the final inning and was helped by an excellent game-ending play by third baseman Evan Inger. Brooks had two triples and scored twice. Jake Chrumka went 3-for-3 and scored three runs with some crafty baserunning. Chris Cahill had an RBI single on a perfectly-executed squeeze bunt. Vince

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Irish

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Renaissance with 74 1/3.

The Irish didn't have any gold medalists, but several runners made it to the state championship meet, including Chris Jones, who won a silver medal in the 110-yard high hurdles with a time of 15.8.

Brandon Bonds and Dave Harmon earned a bronze and silver medal in the 400- and 800-yard dashes with times of 51.3 and 2:03.7.

In addition, the 3,200-, 400- and 1,600-yard relays made it to the finals by placing second in each event with times of 8:29.3, 45.5 and 3:38.3, respectively.

Earlier in the week, the Irish beat Madison Heights Bishop Foley and Trinity Catholic to finish the season 5-0 and dual meet champions of the Catholic League Double-A Division.

"We have had an influx of talent within the younger grades that has helped this program succeed," Wegrzynowicz said. "Our guys are getting more acclimated to track and field."

Coming up for the several competitors is the Division II state championship meet on Saturday, May 31, at Caledonia High School.

Tennis

The Notre Dame tennis team also had its brightest moment in more than a decade last weekend.

Head coach Cathy Hassett guided the Fightin' Irish to a second-place finish with 20 points in a Division III regional tournament at Mount Clemens. St. Clair

won the title with 26 points.

"During the season, the team has played four tournaments," Hassett said in a press release. "We played first at the Anchor Bay Tournament and the Warren Mott Tournament. Over the Easter break, the team played in a tournament at Petoskey against eight top-ranked teams from all over Michigan. The team didn't win that tournament and actually placed second to last. However, they played extremely well, and it made them better players due to the tough competition."

Hassett said it was their goal to play tough at the regionals, and her kids didn't let her down.

Senior Dan DiVico won the No. 2 singles flight, beating South Lake's Chris Gerlach 6-4, 6-3 in the championship match.

Senior Tim Kopec took a silver medal in the No. 3 singles flight, losing 0-6, 4-6 to St. Clair's Will Ellis.

The Irish also had two finalists in the doubles flights, led by the No. 3 tandem of seniors Mike Mlynarek and Anthony DiSante, who won 6-4, 6-2 over their Crosswell-Lexington foes.

The No. 2 doubles team of senior Pat Irwin and junior Bill Dokianos lost the finals, falling 5-7, 3-6 to St. Clair.

The rest of the team members are seniors David A. Murray, David Lipa, Brandon Griesbaum, Kevin Lao, George Murray and Craig Robinson.

Next for the Notre Dame tennis team is the Division III state finals on Friday, May 30, and Saturday, May

31, at Kalamazoo.

Baseball

The Notre Dame baseball team ran its winning streak to five games last week, beating Madison Heights Bishop Foley 14-1 and U-D Jesuit 10-7 in eight innings and 12-1 in the second game.

"We're starting to hit the ball and play better," head coach Angelo Gust said. "I like the attitude of this team as we head into the state playoffs."

Chris Nielsen earned the win against Bishop Foley, while Aaron Melucci had the big bat, collecting four hits, including a home run.

Phil Simon had three hits, and Dan Valente had two hits and four RBIs.

Valente was the winning pitcher in the opener against U-D Jesuit, pitching three innings in relief.

Jim Fazi, who was just called up from the junior varsity, had three hits and two RBIs to lead the offense.

In game two, Ryan Schmuck tossed a three-hitter and had two hits at the plate, while Valente had three hits and Melucci had two.

The Notre Dame baseball team finished the season 4-12 in the Catholic League Central Division and improved to 15-14 overall.

Upcoming for the Fightin' Irish is an away game on Friday, May 23, against Warren Woods-Tower.

"That should be a good ball game," Gust said. "Tower is one of the top-ranked teams in Class B."

South booters stay in title race

Grosse Pointe South's soccer team was all business this week when it met crosstown rival Grosse Pointe North in a Macomb Area Conference Red Division match.

The Blue Devils' 3-1 victory over the Norsemen kept them in contention for a share of the MAC Red title.

South started the game with a high intensity level and maintained it most of the way.

About 12 minutes into the game, each team made a notable substitution. Kelly Japowicz entered the game for North and played a dominant role for the Norsemen.

South's freshman midfielder, Hillary Inger, who had missed most of the season with a knee injury, also entered the match.

Coach Gene Harkins expects the addition of Inger to bolster the Blue Devils in the state tournament that begins next week.

South stopper Megan Switalski opened the scoring at 21:06 when she headed in Mandi Marsh's corner kick.

Three minutes later, Marsh made it 2-0 after being set up by some fine passing from C.C. Mengel and Inger.

Japowicz scored only 40 seconds into the second half

as she headed in a corner kick by Erin MacLeod.

Both teams played well the rest of the match, but South got an insurance goal from Liz Ridgway, who punched home a pass in the box from Stephanie Kostiuik.

Laura Danforth made 11 saves in goal for the Blue Devils, while Norsemen goalie Betsy Schrage stopped 10 shots.

Earlier, South played its best match of the year in beating Stevenson 4-0 in the MAC Red.

The Blue Devils had lost to the Titans in their first meeting, but this time more aggressive play, closer defensive marking, winning 50-50 balls and the outstanding goaltending of Danforth was the difference.

The freshman earned her first varsity shutout by making 16 saves.

In a tactical move, Harkins switched Marsh to the wing and it paid off as she scored the game's first goal at the 6:24 mark after taking a pass from Ridgway.

South made it 2-0 with 19 minutes left in the first half. Stacey Pepler's shot was bobbled by Stevenson's goalie and Ridgway booted the ball into the net.

Kostiuik tapped in

Heather Doughty's long shot with 10 minutes left to play, and Marsh wrapped up the scoring with her 11th goal of the season — a powerful shot from the right side.

South played a non-league game with Westland John Glenn and the Blue Devils rolled to an 8-0 win.

Mandi Marsh opened the scoring with the first of her two goals at 9:13 of the first half on a short, hard shot off a pass from Whitney Cahill.

Kostiuk, Jennifer Marsh, Jessica Marsh and Katie Lewandowski also scored in the first half, with the Marsh twins and Lewandowski netting their first goals of the season.

Harkins substituted liberally in the second half and Switalski and Ashley Coffman scored their first goals of the year. Mandi Marsh wrapped up the scoring with her 13th.

Coffman returned to action after originally being expected to miss the rest of the season with an injury. Senior goalie Samantha Martinez wasn't as fortunate and will miss the rest of the season with an ACL injury.

Her replacement, Danforth, made one save to earn her second shutout.

By Bob St. John

Staff writer

Harper Woods' boys baseball team took over sole possession of first place in the Metro Conference last week.

Head coach DeAndre Cooper and his Pioneers beat Macomb Lutheran North 10-8 and Lutheran East 4-0.

Juniors Frank Pietrangelo and Jesus Melendez have stepped up their play, pitching and hitting the Pioneers to victories.

In other action, the Pioneers beat Westland John Glenn 7-0 and lost two games in the Home Plate Tournament, falling 2-1 to Warren Woods-Tower and 2-1 in eight innings to Lake Shore.

Pietrangelo had 11 strikeouts and gave up only four hits in the loss to Woods-

Tower. The Pioneers whiffed 16 times.

Melendez pitched well, striking out seven against Lake Shore, which is led by former Harper Woods head coach Mike Rowinski.

The Harper Woods baseball team improved to 7-1 in the Metro Conference and 12-7 overall.

Softball

The Harper Woods girls softball team is starting to get its 'A' game in order.

Last week, the Pioneers won two of three games in their annual tournament, beating Lutheran Westland 19-6 and University Liggett School 14-9.

They dropped the first game of the tournament 8-5

to Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood, which counted in the conference standings.

"Our bats are coming alive at the right time," head coach Carol Arthmire said. "It was nice to see the girls finally hitting line-drives."

Maria Mahon had three hits (she was also the losing pitcher), while Sally Smolinski, Meghan Hout and Jenny DeSantis had two hits apiece.

The Pioneers came back to beat Lutheran Westland behind three hits by Ann Marie Solomon and Daejana Maldonado. Jenny Hill, Mahon and Hout (she earned the pitching win) each had two hits.

Arthmire's squad fell behind ULS 7-0 in the first

South works a little harder but still wins tennis regional

By Chuck Klonke

Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's tennis team had to work a little harder for its Division I state regional championship this year, but that didn't stop the Blue Devils from adding another title to their collection.

"I knew it would be tougher with Troy and Troy Athens in the regional this year, and East Detroit has a competitive team, but my kids played well and we won seven of the eight flights," said South coach Tom Berschback.

Among the Blue Devils' flight championships were Joe Vallee's in No. 1 singles. Vallee defeated Detroit Mumford's Donovan Mitchell 6-2, 7-6 (6-2) in the finals.

"(Mitchell) is the best kid in the city (Detroit Public School League)," Berschback said. "Joe's just a sophomore

and he gets a little nervous, but it was nice to see him overcome it. It's tough playing No. 1."

Berschback was also excited about the performances of his No. 3 and No. 4 doubles teams.

"They're all rookies, three freshmen and Taylor Zalewski, who's up from the JV team, and rookies tend to get excited. They had some tough matches but they did well," Berschback said.

"Dr. Detroit (assistant coach Jeff Hodges) is doing his usual great job with the doubles teams, and the kids take coaching well."

Zalewski and Matt Prigorac beat a team from Troy 6-1, 6-3 in the finals at third doubles, and Brent Parshall and Joe Halso also beat Troy 6-2, 6-4 at No. 4.

At No. 2 doubles, Kirk Willmarth and Doug Biske improved their overall record to 16-1 with a 6-1, 6-4

win over Troy.

In No. 1 doubles, South's Jon Sierant and Derek Sejjulla defeated Troy's Alex Huang and Joe Wilson 6-1, 7-5.

South's other singles wins came at No. 3 where Seve Jensen beat Troy's Paul Williams 6-2, 6-0, and at No. 4 where John Simon defeated Troy's Eric Merten 6-0, 6-1.

South's Alex Galvin reached the championship match at second singles but lost 6-1, 7-6 (6-2) to Troy's Matt Parks.

"We should get seeded in the state at second doubles, and we have a chance to be seeded at No. 2 singles and at first and fourth doubles."

The Division I tennis finals will be held May 30 and 31 in Midland.

Park

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Muniga made a fine acrobatic grab of a line drive to center field and the As also turned a smooth 6-3 double play.

Cardinals 8, Tigers 2

Steve Peck and Thomas Stergnadis pitched well for the Tigers, while Brady Baetens had a good game at bat and Andrew Lajdzink stole three bases.

Dodgers 6, Yankees 4

Matt Halso and Corbet Conroy combined to pitch six strong innings for the Dodgers, holding the Yankees scoreless in four of the six frames. They allowed a total of only two walks. Conroy, Evan Moore, Andy Wybo and Anthony Riushi had key hits that drove in the Dodgers' runs.

White Sox 10, Tigers 2

Billy Mestdagh pitched well and scored both of the Tigers' runs. Jacqueline Reno had a good defensive game and Taylor Pratt stole two bases.

As 11, Dodgers 4

Jake Chumka pitched four strong innings and collected three hits for the As. Anthony Stavale closed out the game with two scoreless innings. Chris Cahill and William Kelly also had multiple hits for the As. Kevin MacConnachie had a good game behind the plate. Vince Muniga made a fine catch on a ball hit to deep center field and his throw to second base doubled up the runner for the game's final out.

Daniel Fisher got the Dodgers back into the game with a key two-out hit in the second inning. Dodgers pitchers, however, issued 16 walks.

AAA DIVISION

Red Sox 8, Blue Jays 7

The Red Sox scored three runs in the bottom of the sixth inning to win the game.

Red Sox 13, Marlins 12

The Red Sox won the game with a six-run outburst in the top of the sixth inning.

Red Sox 13, Mets 0

Sean Milavec, Michael Petrouleas and Jacob Carolan combined to pitch a four-inning no-hitter for the Red Sox. Andrew Daywalt made a fine play at third base to preserve the gem.

Marlins 15, Red Sox 13

Evan VanSlembeek held off a late rally by the Red Sox to preserve the win for the Marlins.

AA DIVISION

Mariners 8, Giants 6

George Fishback hit two doubles for the Giants, Mitchell Burke drove in two runs and Ian Hapanowicz pitched well.

Rangers 9, Giants 4

Nine different players scored the Rangers' runs. Ted Berkowski, Alex Belica and Josh Carolan did the pitching.

Rangers 10, Angels 9

The Rangers scored the winning run in the bottom of the seventh. Taylor Graham, Nick Crandall, Ronnie Hasenbusch and Michael Dansey did the Rangers' pitching.

A DIVISION

Reds 17, Cubs 11

Elyse Beach had three singles and made a fine play at third base. Ben Mackethan drove in a run with a hard single to the outfield. Stephen Benard, Jack Ryan, Luke Ferrone and Drew MacLeod each made good defensive plays.

Braves 17, Twins 12

The Braves' solid defensive effort was led by Patrick O'Shea and Ricky Engel. Brenan Keane, Jack Bautista and Gretchen Cozad were the offensive leaders.

Rockies 22, Reds 19

Sarah McCarter led the Reds with four hits, two RBIs and two runs. Grace Metry and Jack Bodien each had four hits and scored two runs. Julianne Williams had three hits and scored each time.

Lutheran East qualifies several for state track meet

By Bob St. John

Staff writer

Several members of Lutheran East's boys and girls track and field team advanced to next weekend's Division IV state championship meet.

"We had a pretty good regional, even though it was much tougher than in year's past," assistant coach Don Justice said. "Benedictine and St. Martin dePorres were the teams to beat, but we held our own in most of the events."

The girls finished fourth, while the boys were sixth in the regional held at Ann Arbor Huron High School.

Senior Kelli Zoellner made the finals, finishing third in the 1,600-yard run with a qualifying time, while sophomore Shana Pritchett was second in the 100-yard dash with a time of 12.5 to make the finals.

Junior Ashley Schult made the state finals in the pole vault and long jump, placing second in both events.

The 800-yard relay team came close but missed the cut by less than one second.

"We had a few kids who just missed making the finals," Justice said.

The boys were led by senior Joe Solomon, who was second in the shot put, and senior Matt Machemer, who captured gold medals in the 1,600- and 3,200-yard runs.

"Matt had two great races," Justice said. "We're proud of him for being a regional champion."

In addition, the Eagles' 400-yard relay team of senior Erik Cowans, senior Dexter Shorter, senior Tom Kempinski and junior Robert Carlisle placed third with a qualifying time.

"We're happy to be taking several kids to the finals," Justice said. "We have a lit-

tle more than a week to get ready for the finals, and I know our kids will be ready."

Baseball

The Lutheran East boys baseball team was 1-3 last week in its Metro Conference games.

The Eagles beat Livonia Clarenceville 5-3 as Rusty Pidsosny struck out 10 to earn the win.

Matt Johnston scored three runs and stole four bases to lead the offense.

"It was a solid effort by both teams," head coach Nick Capoferi said. "We're getting some solid contributions from everyone."

The Eagles lost 9-8 to Macomb Lutheran North, 18-0 to Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest and 4-0 to Harper Woods.

"We had our shot to win a couple of these games but couldn't get it done in the late innings," Capoferi said. "These pressure situations are great learning experiences for our underclassmen."

In the three games, Pidsosny, Dyrell Daniels and Brandon Lostutter were standouts.

Softball

The Lutheran East girls softball team has hit a rut in its schedule last week, losing all three games.

"We have not had a good couple of weeks," head coach Pat Sadler said. "We need to get some wins to gain some confidence before the state playoffs."

The Eagles lost 15-0 to Lutheran North, 15-5 to Livonia Clarenceville and 17-2 to Harper Woods.

Lutheran East fell to 2-8 in the Metro Conference and 3-11 overall.

"Ann Marie is starting to get her bunting down," Arthmire said. "She can be an offensive weapon if she can bunt consistently well."

Bridgette Wagner was the winning pitcher against East, striking out eight.

Solomon had two more hits in the win.

The Harper Woods softball team improved to 7-4 in the Metro Conference and 9-4 overall.

Hole-in-one for Park golfer

Peter Harrington of Grosse Pointe Park shot a hole-in-one on the 150-yard 14th hole at Chandler Park Golf Course.

Harrington used a five iron for the first ace he has recorded.

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202 HELP WANTED CLERICAL

EXPERIENCED office account rep needed. Computer and accounting experience. On site immediate interviews. 743 Beau-bien, Suite 201, Greentown.

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859 Bedford, Grosse Pointe Park, Saturday 7:30am- noon. Hooked on phonics, bikes, child's easel, antique table, etc.

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CITY, 831/ 832 Notre Dame- Charlevoix. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 8am- 3pm. Household items, stemware, complete black and white darkroom.

DETROIT Women's Rowing Association garage sale- clothes, furniture, toys, household items, etc. May 25th, 8a.m.- 2p.m. Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, Maumee and St. Clair. Free coffee!

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GROSSE Pointe City, 789 Lakeland. Saturday 8am- 4pm. Huge garage sale- baby stuff, clothes, furniture, carpets, toys and more!

GROSSE Pointe City, 548 St. Clair, May 24th, 8am- 3pm. multi-family garage sale.

GROSSE Pointe Farms, 170 & 174 Fisher. Friday, Saturday, May 23, 24. 8am- 2pm. Furniture, kid's stuff, tools, household items.

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GROSSE Pointe Park, 1119 Kensington, Saturday 9am- 4pm. Household items, toys, more!

GROSSE Pointe Park, 1427 Nottingham, Saturday, May 24; 9am- 4pm. Lots of great stuff!

GROSSE Pointe Park, 705 Lakepointe, Friday, 9- 4. Furniture, microwave, toys, more.

GROSSE Pointe Woods, 533 Robert John, Friday- Saturday, 9am- 4pm. Good stuff!

GROSSE Pointe Woods, moving sale. 1424 Vernier, Saturday, 24th, 9- 2pm. Clothing, appliances, books, lot of baby stuff. Toys, etc.

GROSSE Pointe, 548 Notre Dame. May 24th, 9am- 4pm. Bikes, yard furniture, lawn mower, stove, etc.

GROSSE Pointe, 901 Lincoln, corner of Lincoln and Chalfonte. Friday, May 23rd. 8am- 3pm. Kids' clothes, furniture, baseball cards, household goods.

HARPER Woods, 18936 Woodside. Saturday, Sunday, Monday. 9am- ? Plus size clothing, CDs, trinkets.

HARPER Woods, 19138 Roscommon, 3 car garage loaded with a huge variety of stuff. Friday & Saturday, 10- 4.

MOVING! 868 Notre Dame, Grosse Pointe City, off Mack. Friday, May 23, Saturday, May 24, 9am- 2pm. Everything must go!

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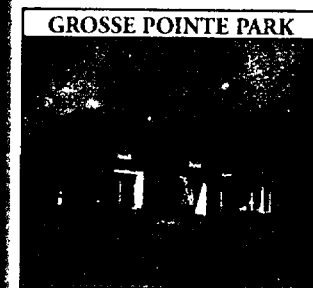
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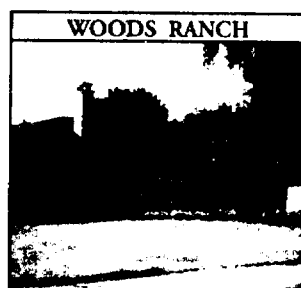
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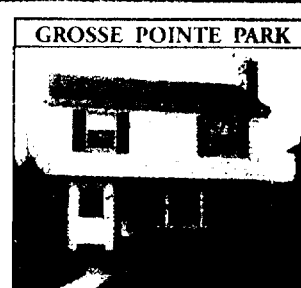
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Space and cleanliness welcome you in this charming Tudor. Three large bedrooms, one and one-half baths. Master bedroom offers his and her closets plus a sitting/dressing room. Lovely covered patio, newer windows. \$259,900 GP25CAL 313-886-5040



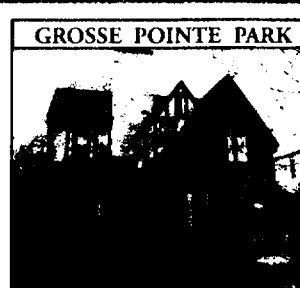
GROSSE POINTE FARMS

Grosse Pointe Farms spacious three bedroom brick ranch with updated furnace, central air, windows and hot water heater. Living room with gas fireplace and kitchen with oak cabinets. Finished basement \$220,000 GP48ELL 313-886-5040



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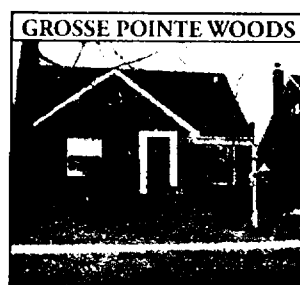
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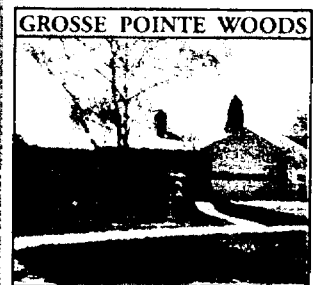
GROSSE POINTE FARMS

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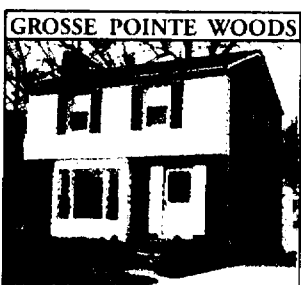
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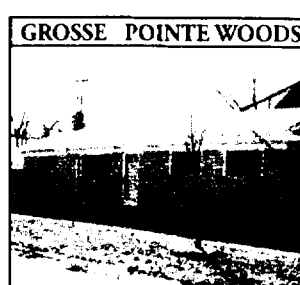
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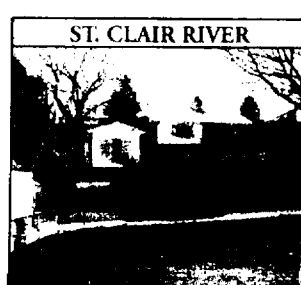
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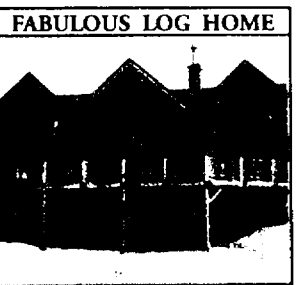
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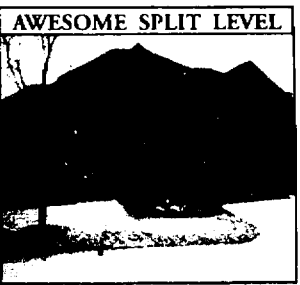
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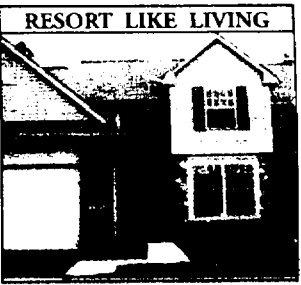
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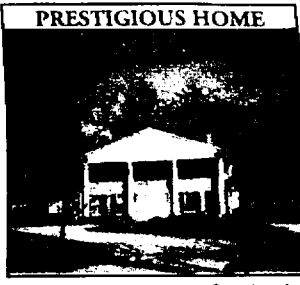
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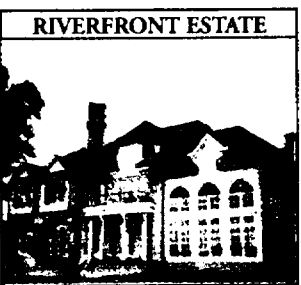
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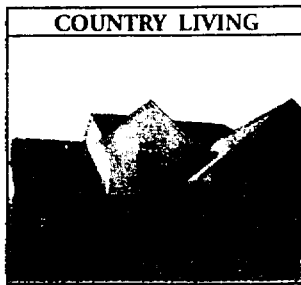
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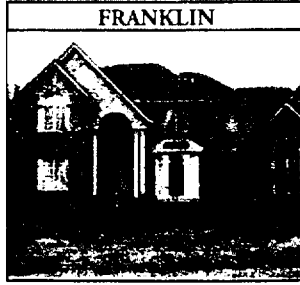
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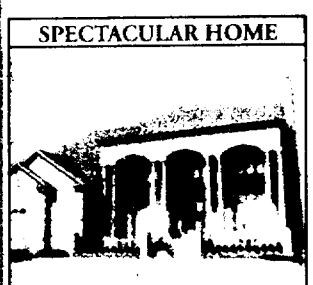
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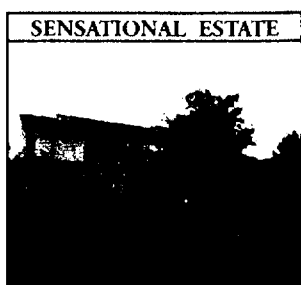
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