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## INSIDE

■ Grosse Pointe's state representative introduces legislation that would require schools to alert students 48-hours in advance of applying herbicides on school property. Page 3A

■ Since its opening a couple of weeks ago, the new Lowes at Eastland Center has experienced a bustle of activity. Area organizations and officials gave tips on fire and gun safety on Saturday, Nov. 14. Shoppers were enthused about the vast selection and helpful staff of the new store. Page 18A

■ Projekt Gift, a homegrown Harper Woods band, plans to cut a CD of its tunes that have influences from rock, hip hop and funk music. The group wants to promote a better world through singing and performing. Page 18A

## WEEK AHEAD

### Thursday, Nov. 20

Barnes Early Childhood Center will hold its second holiday boutique from 1 to 7:30 p.m.

Shoppers can either go to the boutique in person or browse several vendors online, and then call in their orders to boutique coordinators Karen at (313) 885-5928 or Tracy at (313) 882-8834.

Proceeds from the boutique will benefit the special education and general education programs at the Center.

### Sunday, Nov. 23

The Lay Theological Academy presents "Sunday Afternoon at the Movies," beginning at 2 p.m. at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church.

The movie will be "Grand Canyon," with Kevin Kline, a story of rebuilding dissipated relationships. Tom Donahoe, a lay Catholic campus minister at Oakland Community College, will hold a brief discussion of the movie after the viewing.

Pop and complimentary fresh popcorn will be available. A free will offering will be taken at the door.

The Christ Church chorale and orchestra performs "Alexander's Feast" by George Frederic Handel beginning at 7:30 p.m.

An orchestra of trumpets, horns, oboes, bassoons and strings will accompany the 60-voice choir under the direction of Frederic DeHaven, organist and choirmaster of Christ Church.

Tickets are \$15 and may be reserved by calling (313) 885-4841.

### Monday, Nov. 24

The Grosse Pointe Public Library Board meets at the Neighborhood Club at 7 p.m.

### Tuesday, Nov. 25

The First Gentleman of Michigan, Daniel Mulhern, husband of Gov. Jennifer Granholm, will address the Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial at 11 a.m.

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## Ousted incumbent reappointed in City

**Steven Sholty rejoices at his unanimous appointment to the City of Grosse Pointe Council. Sholty, a two-term office holder before losing his reelection bid Nov. 4, was named to fill the post of retired Councilman Patrick Petz. Sholty was the top voter-getter among candidates who failed to win office.**



By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

Steven Sholty's appointment this week to the City of Grosse Pointe council prompted discussion about how city hall should handle such things in the future.

First-time Councilman Richard Clarke, one of three challengers who won office at Sholty's expense Nov. 4, wanted the appointment process to avoid the appearance of an "old-boy network" in which vacant elected positions are filled based on "who you know rather than the wish of the voters."

Soon after being sworn to office at his first city council meeting Monday night, Clarke said, "I would like to see a change in the city charter that says the next highest vote-getter of the previous election gets the vacant spot. In this case it would be Councilman Sholty."

Sholty, a two-term office holder before losing his reelection bid Nov. 4, was named to fill the post of retired Councilman Patrick Petz. Sholty was the top

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## Hunt Club marks loss of 18 horses

By Bonnie Caprara  
Staff Writer

The memory of the 18 horses which lost their lives in a barn fire at the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club in July 2001 will forever be remembered as the club recently unveiled a 3-foot wide by 2 1/2-foot high bronze statue of a horse on the grounds of the club just outside of the new barn.

"We decided a single horse would represent the 18 horses that perished in the fire — a single free spirit," said Jocelyn Dombrowski, who headed a committee to erect a monument.

The committee selected Waterford sculptor Sharon Sommers to construct the statue. The artist's work can also be seen at the Detroit Historical Museum, the Waterford Library and Tiger Stadium.

"She rides and has a couple of horses," Dombrowski said. "She really captured the movement of the horse in this piece. Only a person who loves horses can do that."

About 20 smaller bronze replicas of the monument are for sale. Contact the club for more information.



Photos by Brad Lindberg

The new City of Grosse Pointe council consists of, from left, newcomer John Stempfle, veteran Joseph Jennings, veteran turned appointee Steven Sholty, Mayor Dale Scrace, incumbent Jean Weipert, and newly elected officeholders Richard Clarke and C. John Stevens.



## Kids make a difference

Make a Difference Day is a national day set aside for helping others. Local children, including students from Kerby Elementary School, were among the 1 million volunteers nationwide who provided service to their communities on Oct. 25.

Kerby students helped rake leaves for a local homebound senior citizen. From left, are second-graders Harrison Krasner, Stephen Fleming, Murray Sales and Daniel Harris and third-grader Connor Coyle.

## POINTER OF INTEREST

### Meghan Sweeney

Home: Grosse Pointe Woods

Age: 18

Family: Mother, Eileen; Father, Patrick

Claim to fame: Four-year, all-"A" student at Regina High School; award winner for academic, athletic and service accomplishments.

Quote: "(Faith) just puts everything into perspective. I think it really makes me thankful for what I have, and I realize that God has given me these talents."

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Meghan Sweeney

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## yesterday's headlines

## 50 years ago this week

■ In an attempt to unify efforts and enjoy added benefits reaped by a larger organization, the Woods Business Men's Association votes to consolidate with the Grosse Pointe Business Men's Association, which draws membership from all five Pointes.

■ The Navy Cross, the second highest citation for outstanding heroism, is presented to the parents of Marine Sgt. James W. Stephen at a ceremony held in the Grosse Pointe Woods city council chamber.

The sergeant remains missing in action after the Battle of Frisco in Korea on Oct. 6, 1952.

Sgt. Stephen and his squad were pinned down by attacking Communists when he organized a defense. During hand-to-hand combat, he personally accounted for several enemy dead, spearheaded three counterattacks and sheltered his wounded.

When last seen, Stephen was in full pursuit of six retreating foe.

■ A 16 mm motion picture sound projector is donated to the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Center by D.N. Darling of Chicago, friend of War Memorial Foundation President James W. Lee II.

John Lake, director of the Center, is excited about the donation, which includes a film print of Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol."

## 25 years ago this week

■ The building at Kercheval and Alter in Grosse Pointe Park which City National Bank vacated last month won't be empty for long.

The building's owner announces selling the structure to a Bloomfield Hills doctor who plans to open a clinic.

■ The season of... beginning

mentary school lunch program will begin in the Grosse Pointes today.

The state-mandated program has been delayed because equipment needed to serve lunches had not been delivered by vendors according to schedule.

Meals for students will alternate between hot and cold entrees costing 70 cents each.

■ The Neighborhood Club 1978 touch football tournament ends with the Vikings achieving a perfect 7-0 record followed closely by the Stooges and Bestsellers, both 6-1.

## 10 years ago this week

■ While the future of public school revenue remains uncertain due to a new bill eliminating property taxes as a source of funding, the Grosse Pointe Board of Education, meeting as the library board of trustees, continues plans toward creating a district library system.

Grosse Pointe is one of 33 school districts in Michigan that operates a public library system.

■ The appearance of Mack Avenue from Allard to Fisher in Grosse Pointe Farms could improve significantly if business owners along the 7/8-mile stretch take to heart recommendations by the city as part of the Mack Avenue Storefront Design Master Plan.

In addition to storefront improvements, federal funds will help pay for median and sidewalk enhancements, roadway and infrastructure improvements, new signs and parking meters, handicap ramps, brick screen walls and other elements to improve the commercial strip's aesthetic elements.

■ Daytime restrictions on parking in front of the first five houses on Aline off Mack, which Grosse Pointe

September in response to a petition from Aline residents, has backfired.

Restrictions were aimed at employees of businesses who parked on side streets. But Aline residents are angry about not being allowed to park in front of their own homes.

## 5 years ago this week

■ With a clear but cool day before them — perfect sprinting weather — more than 400 students from St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic School take to the streets of Grosse Pointe Park for the school's 10th annual Turkey Trot running race.

The race, held prior to Thanksgiving each year, is spearheaded by physical education teacher Scott Lowe and intended to promote physical fitness among students while bringing out the best in sportsmanship among young people.

Park police support the event by blocking off the route along stretches of Audubon and Three Mile Drive.

■ Grosse Pointe Park city council members allocate more than \$22,000 in SMART funds to support buying bus tickets for senior citizens, handicapped people and the Pointe Area Assisted Transportation Service.

■ "If you're in danger at one end of town, and I'm at the other, I have to get to you as safely as possible," said Lt. Ed Tujaka of the City of Grosse Pointe. "It doesn't do anyone any good if I don't arrive safely."

That sums up why Tujaka and officers from the other Grosse Pointes attend precision driving classes this week on an unused runway at Detroit Metropolitan Airport. Classes teach high-speed defensive driving.

— Brad Lindberg

## 50 years ago this week



## Parking meters serve dual purpose

This not-too-happy pooch is seen outside the Grosse Pointe News office waiting with diminishing patience for his mistress to finish her shopping spree in Grosse Pointe Farms' Kercheval on the Hill district. (Photo by Fred Runnells. From the Nov. 19, 1953 Grosse Pointe News.)

## New Grosse Pointe city council has Jake's on mind

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

There was a lot of swearing during Monday night's meeting of the City of Grosse Pointe council. But not the cussin' kind.

Rather, on this first post-election session for an incumbent mayor and three new councilmen, guest Judge Kirstin Frank Kelly of the state Court of Appeals (and Grosse Pointe Park resident) conducted a swearing-in ceremony that led to office holders pledging cooperation for a better future.

"My decisions will be governed about what's in the best interests of the city," said John Stempfle, beginning his first term in office. "We may not always agree, but so what — we can work out our differences. I'm excited and look forward to the challenge."

"I'm looking forward to working with the council," said Richard Clarke, also new to office. "Anytime I can help I'll be on call 24-hours." "I look forward to working with the team," said newcomer G. John Stevens. "A team effort is what we need. I look forward to moving swiftly. To serve our community best is to move in an expedient manner."

Adding a twist to the tale was Steven Sholty, named to

fill the vacancy of resigned Councilman Patrick Petz.

Sholty, who was seeking his third term on the council, had been one of two surprise upsets on Nov. 4. Larry Dowers also lost a re-election bid.

The new council voted across the board to welcome back Sholty.

"I thank the council for their unanimous support," Sholty said. "It's great to be back on the council after a week of rest. I'm looking forward to working together and solving problems."

Those problems include what to do with the vacant Jacobson's building.

Although the structure's new owners have maintained the former depart-

ment store to a degree that helped win one of this year's City beautification awards, the prospect of a two-story, block-long brick monolith looming over a traditionally vibrant shopping district doesn't settle well with forward-looking city leaders.

"We have challenges ahead of us," said Dale Scrace, launching his second term as mayor. "The Jacobson's building is in all of our minds."

Council veteran Joseph Jennings welcomed his new colleagues.

"I encourage them to keep the small town that we have always been used to — the friendliness and tradition," he said.

## City

From page 1A

vote-getter among candidates who failed to win office.

The City's charter is vague on council appointments. The matter is addressed in two sentences:

"Any vacancy in the office of councilman shall be filled by appointment by a majority of the remaining members of the council. Any

vacancy in any other elected office and every appointed office shall be filled by the affirmative vote of four members of council."

Based on those two sentences, council members can appoint anyone they wish, as long as there's a majority vote. There's no requirement to interview anyone, choose runners-up or anything. The current charter gives the council supreme flexibility.

Dale Scrace, mayor, agreed that the process should be tightened through a charter amendment. Charter amendments require approval by the electorate.

As debate warmed, John Stempfle, a newcomer same as Clarke and C. John Stevens, presented a written charter amendment to appoint council replacements. The Stempfle proposal had three parts:

1. Appoint the fourth-place challenger from the election in which the former council member won his or her seat.

2. If there were no challengers in the above election, appoint the fourth-place finisher in the most recent election.

3. If there were no challengers in the most recent election, the mayor and council members would choose a replacement based on interviews with at least three candidates.

Officials will pursue updating the city charter.

"We have three new members who we welcome with open arms," Scrace said. "Any change brings issues about the way we used to do it and the new way (to do things). Tonight starts that process quite well."

Scrace also asked city attorneys to suggest a charter update to establish the post of mayor pro tem.

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## Gaffney bill to regulate schoolyard lawn services

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

LANSING — Rules alerting Michigan school children of impending pesticide applications on school property will be beefed up if a bill by the Pointes' Lansing representative makes it into law.

Legislation sponsored by Edward Gaffney, R-Grosse Pointe Farms, would require administrators to notify parents 48 hours prior to applying pesticides on school property or day care centers. Home schools would be exempt.

"There's a lot of allergic reaction to pesticides and herbicides," said Rep. Edward Gaffney, R-Grosse Pointe Farms. "They are particularly dangerous to children because more of their skin is exposed at a level lower to the ground."

The measure would supplant current law that only requires school districts to inform parents of their right to be notified of impending pesticide applications.

"Schools now notify parents at the beginning of the year, but I'm trying to get a bill that would require them to do it just before the appli-

cation," Gaffney said.

Under current standards, Pointe administrators start the school year by including a memo in student packets asking parents and guardians if they want to be notified of impending chemical applications, according to Peggy Reichhold, the district's support services coordinator.

"We've been doing it for a while; at least five years," said Reichhold, who runs the program.

This year, 979 parents, or about 11 percent, of the district's 8,954 students, signed up to be notified.

"When we do any kind of application, we send out letters," Reichhold said.

To further protect student health, Reichhold said the district schedules exterminator services after normal school hours.

"This is always done in the evening after school," she said. "Each year we try to use safer products and organic-type products."

Gaffney's House Bill 5154 has been referred to the House agricultural committee. The measure has 24 cosponsors.

## Park zoning board nixes church on Kercheval

The Kercheval business district in Grosse Pointe Park is not a fitting neighborhood for God's house say city council members acting as the zoning board of appeals.

The board voted unanimously against granting a special use permit at its Monday, Nov. 11, meeting to My Jesus Ministries to operate a 30-foot by 47-foot building in the 15000 block of Kercheval as a church for the small congregation, which would seat 48.

The general intent of the zoning regulations of the business district is to allow quick and ready access to residential users for immediate needs such as restaurants, grocery stores, electrical repair shops, cleaning and laundry establishments, and plumbing shops.

Churches are not permitted in that business district but are allowed in the R-A, R-B and R-C residential districts.

There is one church in the business district, Grace United Church of Christ, which was constructed

## Lakes down

The following lake levels as of Nov. 14 are offered by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers:

Lakes Superior, Michigan-Huron, and St. Clair are 11, 22, and 11 inches, respectively, below their long-term average. Lake Erie is 6 inches below its long-term average while Lake Ontario is 3 inches, above its long-term average. Lakes Superior, Michigan-Huron and St. Clair are currently 6, 6 and 3 inches respectively, below last year's levels. Lake Erie is at the same level as last year while Lake Ontario is 10 inches above last year's level.

Flows in the St. Clair, Detroit, and Niagara rivers are also expected to be below average, while flow in the St. Lawrence River is expected to be near average in November.

All of the Great Lakes are into their seasonal declines. Lakes St. Clair and Erie are both expected to decline 1 inch.

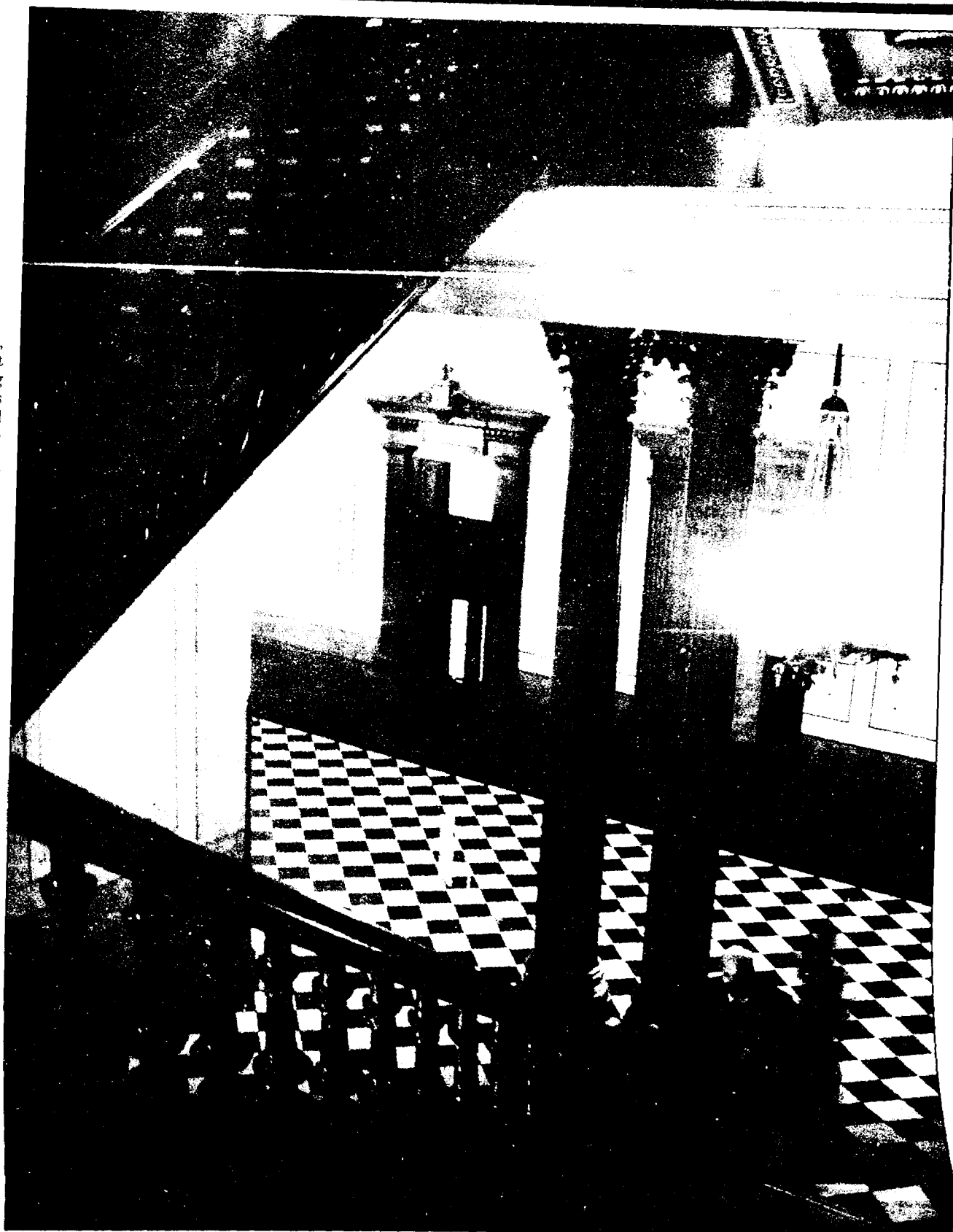


Photo by Brad Lindberg

Rep. Edward Gaffney, R-Grosse Pointe Farms, climbs a flight of stairs to the House chambers. His bill requiring 48-hour advance notice of pesticide

applications on school property has begun working its way through the Michigan Legislature.

## Chaplain to join ranks of City police

A chaplain will soon join the ranks of police in the City of Grosse Pointe.

"We thought it would be beneficial to have a chaplain on board whenever the officers have to make a death notification, or whenever there were problems in the community," said Skip Fincham, chief of public

safety. "And, God forbid, if we ever had a crisis in our own police department."

The Rev. Robert Wright of Grosse Pointe Methodist Church in the Farms will be introduced to the city council next month.

"He's a very nice man," Fincham said. "We've never had a chaplain in the history

of the department."

Fincham and Wright have worked together.

"He's attending the MADD candlelight vigil with me Dec. 9 in Grosse Pointe Woods," Fincham said.

The Farms is the only other Pointe to have a police chaplain.

## Points about the Pointes

The GP Public Library, Friends and the Library Foundation...what's it all about?

I had the pleasure of attending a gathering sponsored by the League of Women Voters last week. It was an informal question and answer session between interested citizens and present and former members of the Library Board Kay McDonald, Vicki Granger and Fran Schonenberg.

I will be the first to admit that I went in to the meeting knowing nothing about the structure of the Library and its related fundraising entities. I left educated and in a state of shock after listening to the undisputed allegations relating to the fundraising activities of the Library through its newly formed Library Foundation and how this new foundation's efforts are undermining the fundraising efforts of the long established Friends organization.

Apparently, the Library Foundation has a fund raising consultant being paid \$80,000 a year to raise money. Last year, she raised about \$86,000.

In an effort to move fundraising to a higher level, the Library has retained this in-house consultant and has also retained an outside PR firm to the tune of \$18,000 per month, or \$216,000 per year, bringing our outlay to raise \$86,000 to a staggering \$296,000. This deficit is being covered by the Library itself.

All of the attendees realized that with every fundraising effort there is a ramp up period to get going. The concern was the wisdom of hiring the consulting firm and what this new Foundation fundraising will do to the fundraising efforts of Friends, which has virtually NO overhead costs.

It seems at this time, the Library Board needs to have a public forum to clear the air as to the logic of the decisions being made with our tax dollars.

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Meghan Sweeney stands above with her mother Eileen. She has received many honors for her academic, athletic and service accomplishments.

## Regina senior excels in all facets of her young life

By Carrie Cunningham  
Staff Writer

Meghan Sweeney is a budding star who has received many accolades for her excellence and commitment in academics, athletics and community service. An 18-year-old senior at Regina high school, Sweeney exudes a quiet charm and confidence and is grounded by her Catholic faith as well as her relationships with family and friends.

Sweeney has received all As throughout high school and currently has a 4.2 grade point average. She is a member of the National Honor Society.

Sweeney plays basketball, volleyball and softball. During her freshman year, she was captain of her basketball team. As a sophomore, she was captain of her volleyball team.

Sweeney has given 120 hours of community service throughout her high school years, far surpassing Regina's requirement of 60 hours. She has worked as a Eucharistic minister and has volunteered for a Red Cross blood drive. She has worked for the organization Focus: Hope, where she packed boxes of food and delivered them to seniors in Detroit.

For her contributions and accomplishments, Sweeney has been given many awards. She was named a McDonald's and Channel 7 Scholar-Athlete of the week for her athletic accomplishments and community service. She was also given an award by Wendy's for her sports and academic achievements. She has made the Catholic Archdiocese of Detroit's scholastic All-Catholic team during every year of high school. The award is given to students who are ranked number one in their class.

Sweeney says she has achieved so much through her diligence. She feels proud of her accomplishments.

"It just shows that the hard work paid off," she said. "It's nice because sometimes other students might look up to you."

Sweeney's favorite subjects in school are English and history. She loves to

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write and says her favorite novel is Harper Lee's classic "To Kill a Mockingbird." She is fascinated by American history, particularly the Civil War era. She hopes to become a lawyer one day.

"I think I've always been interested in the way the government and judicial system work," she said.

Sports have revealed to Sweeney the significance of working with other people.

"Most of my good friends are on my teams. You learn to work as a team, and also the school spirit involved is a lot of fun," she said.

Service has showed Sweeney the value of going outside one's personal comfort zone to help people in need.

"It allows you to see how lucky you are and also to give back to the community," she said.

Sweeney's faith is very important to her. It infuses every aspect of her life. The teams she plays on always pray before games.

"It just puts everything into perspective," she said. "I think it really makes me thankful for what I have, and I realize that God has given me these talents. They're a gift to me, and so I use them the best I can."

Sweeney's mother and father work with each other. Her father is a periodontist and her mother is a dental hygienist. Sweeney works with them during summers as a dental assistant.

"I think it's an interesting job," she said of her summer work. "You get to interact with people and get to know patients."

An only child, Sweeney says her parents have given her endless love and support.

"My parents always encouraged me to do my best," she said. "I just always feel like I can talk to them, and we spend a lot of time together. They've always been my parents and my friends."

In recent years, Sweeney traveled with her parents to Ireland, Scotland, England and Alaska.

Sweeney visited the house where her great grandfather was born in County Mayo in Ireland. They took pictures of the house which was overgrown with plants. Her great grandfather emigrated to the United States when he was 15.

In England, Sweeney and her parents visited Princess Diana's grave and had the chance to meet Diana's brother, Earl Spencer.

While she is an only child, Sweeney appreciates her extended family. Her dad has 12 brothers and sisters, and her mom has seven brothers and sisters.

"Family has always been really important to me," she said.

Sweeney has a tight-knit group of friends who share her interests and are also hard workers.

"We share a sense of humor," she said. "It's just a fun group of people."

She has a boyfriend who goes to Michigan State University.

Sweeney was unsure whether she would like the all girls environment of Regina at first, but she now sees its tremendous value.

"You can talk about issues that pertain to women," she said. "You don't have to feel embarrassed about raising your hand."

For the next chapter in her life, college, Sweeney hopes to study a lot and play intramural sports. She has applied to Harvard, Yale, Princeton, Georgetown and Notre Dame and says she likes Notre Dame in particular.

Sweeney's advice to students who will plunge into high school is to be committed and to have fun.

"It's important to work hard. Just make sure you enjoy high school because it goes fast," she said. "Become involved. It's a good way to meet people and become a well-rounded person."

With her assiduous attitude, Sweeney herself is an extremely well-rounded individual, and someone who younger students can indeed have as a role model.

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### Local band to play Majestic Theater

Local rock band Bump will be performing at the Majestic Theater on Wednesday, Nov. 26.

Dubbed the biggest party night of the year, the night before Thanksgiving is sure to draw a huge following to the Majestic, where Bump will split the bill with the Brothers Groove, Detroit's hottest live act.

Bump is comprised of five locals, Yorg Kerasiotis, a 1999 graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School; Chris Sterr, a 1997 North graduate; Clint Carpenter, a 1998 graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School; Eric Novak, a 1997 South graduate; and Pat Blizinski, a 1999 graduate of Notre Dame. The band is managed by J.C. Tibbitts. Patrick Spain and Joe Choma, all 1998 South graduates.

Doors open at 8 p.m., with the band performing a two-hour set starting at 10 p.m. Tickets, which are only sold at the door, cost \$10 for those 21 years of age and older and \$12 for those between the ages of 18 and 21. The Majestic is located on Woodward in Detroit.

Visit the band's Web site at [www.bumpgroove.com](http://www.bumpgroove.com), where you can buy the new live album, download a free show on mp3, read reviews, post messages, contact the band, check their schedule and view pictures.





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# Farms mayoral election process to change in 2005

By Bonnie Caprara  
Staff Writer

For the first time, voters in Grosse Pointe Farms got to choose their mayor in the past general election. They'll also be able to choose their mayor in the next general election in 2005 — only by a different process.

A total of 1,811 out of 2,756 Farms voters staked their preference for one of two city charter proposals, Proposal A: The Joseph Amendment, which will allow voters in the Farms to select a mayor, who will remain a member of the city council, on a ticket separate from the city council race.

"I'm very pleased," said Councilwoman Therese Joseph, who headed a citizens' initiative to place the proposal on the Tuesday, Nov. 4, ballot. "It shows they want a plain and simple election of mayor."

However, the process wasn't so simple. Proposal B: The City Charter Amendment, which would have allowed only current members of council and council candidates to be eligible to run for mayor, was nixed in a dead heat with 1,219 votes for and against the proposal. It also meant there were 3,030 votes collected in favor of both proposals — 274 more votes than voters.

While campaigning outside of the Richard Elementary School precinct on Nov. 4, Joseph said, "Somebody asked if they could vote 'yes' for both. Usually, there's only one proposal on one concept."

Councilman Charles "Terry" Davis, who brought Proposal B for council consideration in July, said, "They just wanted a direct election of mayor; they didn't care which way."

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Still, Joseph believed the will of the people shone through the confusion.

In March, the council began discussions on how to change the mayoral selection process. It considered such ideas as rotating the mayor's seat among council members either by seniority or the greatest number of votes attained in the last general election or selecting a mayor based on who was the largest votegetter in the general elections. Term limits and council experience were also discussed among the council. It also debated whether to present any proposals as a charter amendment or through a charter review.

By June, Joseph said, "I did this because people really wanted this, and this had to be into the clerk and finalized 90 days before the elec-

tion. I could see the council wanted an amendment with all these other things in it. I didn't ever see them going for a direct election of mayor."

"When I started this (citizens' initiative drive), everyone was really quick to respond to me. I collected 580 signatures in one week and had more signatures than the 5 percent of the electorate needed to place the proposal on the ballot."

Joseph was accused by some of her fellow council members for working against the council's deliberation on the subject.

"We thought it was incumbent upon the council to investigate all the methods," Davis said.

Even after Proposal A passed council discussion and was going through the ballot language approval process in Lansing, Davis

felt it was necessary to bring a mayoral election alternative to the voters, citing it would encourage more competition in mayoral elections without council members risking their seats to become mayor.

The council ratified the proposal by a 5-1 vote on July 24, with former Mayor Ronald Kneiser dissenting. Joseph, who injured a finger that required a minor amputation a few days before the vote, did not attend the meeting.

Proposal A will take effect in the November 2005 general election. Mayoral candidates will have to file at the same time as council candidates in mid-May and will

compete in an August primary if more than two candidates file.

"I'm saddened Proposal A passed," Davis said. "There probably won't be a competitive election for mayor for eight to 10 years."

"This election was Proposal B," said Mayor James Farquhar Jr., who campaigned softly for Proposal B. "I think it worked flawlessly. There didn't seem to be any confusion on the ballot, and all four of us who ran for mayor are still sitting on the council. In the next election, some council members could run for mayor, lose, and we could lose a valid voice on the council."

## Park loyalists back accomplished team

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

Every office holder in Grosse Pointe Park won his election bid Nov. 4.

A skeptic would credit the sweep to an uncontested election. But the general mood of contentment among Park residents indicates the lack of challengers was due to voters liking what goes on at city hall.

The council's recent accomplishments include:

- sponsorship of a year-round Lavins Activities Building complete with full-court gymnasium, workout room staffed with certified personal trainers, coffee bar and movie theater,

- timely approval of a new branch library,

- getting tough with blight-minded absentee landlords and

- supporting a public safety bicycle patrol so officers can mingle with residents and spot criminal situations before they develop.

"It's been a long history of things being done, including getting us out of the flood plane, implementation of public safety, the general effort to improve our commercial districts and continued effort to be as fiscally responsible as possible," said Greg Theokas, who continues as a councilman.

Such accomplishments have sent signals throughout the Pointes that Park leaders are on the ball.

With this week's election victory, Mayor Palmer Heenan begins his 11th term and third decade in the Park's driver seat.

"I'm grateful the people gave me another term," Heenan said. "I have had fun being part of the community and helping give it

direction along with the city council and city manager. We have a great team."

Heenan received 788 votes compared to 2,160 in 2001, when contested council seats drew more people to the polls.

"Anybody who says politics can't be fun is wrong," Heenan said. "When you do a good job in politics, there's nothing more satisfying. We look forward to doing it some more."

By continuing to support Theokas and Daniel Clark with 639 and 622 votes, respectively, residents retained a combined 24 years of institutional memory and the expectation of continued sound decision making.

By giving first-time candidate Robert Denner the most votes among councilmen, 734, supporters endorsed his appointment to the post by Heenan last February. Denner last open seat created by the passing of Vern Ausherman.

Denner, who helped get the Lavins Center off the ground while a member of the Grosse Pointe Park Improvement Foundation, said the election victory was "gratifying."

He added, "I was fortunate the voters associated me with the Lavins Activities Center, which residents feel strongly positive about."

Voter turnout was low. "We sent out absentee voter applications to residents age 60 and older," said Jane Blahut, city clerk. "We received 565 back."

That's low. "It's half as many as we normally get back," Blahut said.

## Farms council sheds light on ordinance

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

A woman with a gift of alliteration approaching Edgar Allan Poe is fed up with her next door neighbor's outdoor security lights and wind chimes.

"The entire back yard of my property was illuminated enough that if anybody wanted to play football he could," said Marilyn Bryant of Grosse Pointe Farms.

Things had been getting worse for Bryant until this week. Her city council passed an ordinance limiting outdoor lighting.

Bryant showed the council photographs of a metal arbor adorned with wind chimes her neighbor installed along their property line. The chimes hung near the fan of an air conditioning unit, which made for a clamorous summer.

"The wind chimes day and night, day in and day out, as long as their air conditioning is on," Bryant said. "There is nothing pleasant about the chimes other than clanging, clanging, clanging. They're constant,

incessant, annoying, antagonizing."

Referring to her neighbor's 10 outdoor lights, eight of which are floodlights, she said, "The light is an invasion of my privacy."

On pleasant nights a shot of artificial light from across the fence forces Bryant to surrender her porch.

She retreats inside her home, where drawn curtains are a final defense.

"(The lights) made my life miserable," Bryant said.

Then there's the chimes.

"When you have to listen to them day in and day out there's no excuse," she said.

Rich Solak, city manager, interceded recently in silencing the chimes.

"For the first time in six months I have peace and quiet," Bryant said.

City officials said the neighbor has been cooperative in scaling back lighting. The council addressed lights in general this week by amending a light ordinance.

"It pertains to efforts to reduce glare and ambient light," said William Burgess, city attorney.

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# New Woods office holders looking for a fresh start

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

On election day, Kelly Shimko dropped her child off at school and headed to the polls.

She wanted someone new representatives on the Grosse Pointe Woods city council.

"I was going to vote for Steve Vassallo until I learned he wanted to consolidate the five Grosse Pointe fire departments," said Shimko, a Woods resident.

Instead of choosing second-time challenger Vassallo, Shimko joined the majority of Woods voters in ushering into office Lisa Pinkos Howle, Dona DeSantis Reynolds and Darryl Spicher.

All are first-time office holders.

"New is better than existing," Shimko said of her desire for a revamped council.

"This is definitely a great day for the business and residential communities because we both work together," added Tony Rimanelli Jr.

Rimanelli is a haberdasher and custom shirt specialist with the family business in the 20300 block of Mack.

Rimanelli said the election outcome was a "huge step forward."

"It's going to be a lot easier for business to operate," he said. "We'll be working with a new council that has an open mind."

Election excitement extended to the seventh- and eighth-graders attending Reynolds' life skills class at Brownell Middle School.

"It's cool to have a teacher that successful," said Brian Allen, 12.

"It was creative how she did the coffee thing on Halloween," said Ali Merritt, 13.

Merritt referred to Reynolds' gimmick of going door-to-door handing out small packages of fresh coffee.

Reynolds explained the tactic: "While talking about the campaign, everybody said he wanted a fresh start. I keyed into those two words. I went to the grocery store and looked at everything that had 'fresh' in it and saw coffee. Everybody wakes up for a fresh start of

## Light

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Among the measure's five provisions, the one pleasing Bryant the most reads:

"Security lighting facilities in any residential district must be positioned so as to be shielded to the greatest extent possible from adjacent residences and public right-of-ways, and in no event shall security lighting facilities be positioned such that lighting will be directed onto adjacent properties."

"I've been waiting for that for one year," Bryant said.

the day."

Reynolds was encouraged that her young students read candidate profiles in the Grosse Pointe News.

"That told me you are interested, which means more than anything," Reynolds told her fifth-hour class. "You're interested in what's going on in the community. That's important."

The quick-thinking students figured their moral support was worth a full grade of extra credit.

Reynolds smiled, "I have the best kids in the world."

In the days after being sent to office for the first time, Darryl Spicher retrieved his red and white campaign signs, then went back to work as owner of Oxford Beverage and Deli on Mack.

He reflected on his narrow victory of 48 votes over the top losing candidate, Joseph Sucher, head of the Woods planning commission.

"It came down to the last precinct," Spicher said. He said his telephone has been ringing "left and right" since the election. "It's amazing."

Spicher looked forward to new dynamics on the council. He wants to amend recently-passed restrictions on business signage, establish a police bicycle patrol and foster a friendlier tone among officers.

Howle, daughter of a former Woods mayor, was flattered by being top vote-getter. Her 2,784 votes blew

away the field by a 1,155-vote margin.

"It makes me feel very fortunate to have gotten this many people to back me," Howle said.

She advocated change at city hall, fiscal responsibility, reasonable regulation of the city's Colonial storefront motif and solving the perpetual Mack Avenue parking shortage that seemed to stump the former council.

Howle said, "I appreciate all the voters."

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**Students in Dona DeSantis Reynolds' life skills class at Brownell Middle School celebrate her election to the Grosse Pointe Woods City Council. right. Fellow first-time office holder Darryl Spicher retrieves campaign signs, below.**



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# Mayor pro tem choice faulty in the Farms

Newly elected Grosse Pointe Farms Councilman Peter Waldmeir's reasoning for choosing the mayor pro tem this election cycle was eloquent but misguided.

Following the first election in which Farms voters popularly elected their mayor, Waldmeir, who was voted back onto the council following a two-year hiatus, in effect nominated runner-up mayoral candidate and councilman Terry Davis as mayor pro tem.

His reason for nominating the second-highest mayoral voter-getter was that it was "consistent with and furthers the public decision to elect its leadership."

We disagree.

True, voters overwhelmingly approved the direct mayoral election ballot proposal, the Joseph Amendment, in the November general election. But that only proves that the voters wanted to elect a mayor,

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not necessarily his stand-in on the council.

Waldmeir cited four ways in which the mayor pro tem could be chosen: 1) years on the council, 2) mayoral prerogative, 3) highest council vote-getter and 4) random nomination.

Not listed among his four methods for choosing mayor pro tem was runner-up for mayor.

Davis' selection even falls short of Waldmeir's third option, highest council vote-getter. First-time council candidate Doug Roby was the highest council voter-getter.

While Davis was the runner up for mayor, he was resoundingly defeated by Farms voters. He received a mere 699 votes to Jim Farquhar's 1,136. Clearly Farms voters were not confident in Davis' leadership potential.

What message did the Farms voters send in November?

We believe they collectively called for a mayor-led form of government. They said, "We want to pick our mayor, and we want him to lead our city."

By choosing a mayor pro tem not in sync with the mayor, and in opposition to the new mayor's wishes, the Farms city council has not followed the wishes of its voters.

Rather, we believe the popularly elected mayor should decide who his mayor pro tem, his second in command, will be. After all, it is the mayor pro tem who will preside over council deliberations in the mayor's absence. Certainly the mayor would want someone with like goals and philosophy to stand in his place.

Worse, the new mayor pro tem, Davis, believes that the future mayor pro tem should be the highest vote-getter from the last two council elec-

tions. That is an even worse idea.

The highest council vote-getter next time, in 2005, could be the candidate who was the lowest vote-getter this time around! How is that? The lowest vote-getter to get into office this last election was Waldmeir. Therefore, he only received a two-year term and will have to run again in 2005.

If next time he is re-elected with the same number of votes, 1,346, he will have a total of 2,692 votes. The highest number of votes for a candidate this time round was 1,851. Clearly, then, Waldmeir, who got to run twice in two years, would be the next mayor pro tem, even though at one point he was the lowest vote-getter.

We do not think that is what the voters would want to happen.

This time, what is done is done. But we hope two years down the road that the mayor will have his prerogative in deciding mayor. We believe that would be more in line with the voters' wishes.

As an aside, we understand that Councilman Louis Theros was favored for mayor pro tem by the mayor and three other council members, but following Waldmeir's motion, one of the Theros supporters evidently switched his allegiance and voted, in effect, for Davis.

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## City reverses voters' choice

We are not sure we like the idea of reappointing popularly defeated incumbents back onto the city council.

That is exactly what happened this week on the City of Grosse Pointe council.

Defeated Councilman Steven Sholty was appointed back to the city council to fill the vacancy left by the post-filing resignation of Councilman Patrick Pats.

The last Nov. 4 election was a wake-up call in the City. Voters ousted two incumbents, Sholty and Larry Dowers, and they did so decisively. Each of the two incumbents garnered only about half of the votes that the three winners individually received.

Why then would the new city council want to reappoint one of the voters' rejects to represent them on the council?

This has happened not just in the City. In past years, the Grosse Pointe Woods City Council appointed defeated Councilman Tom Fahrner to fill a vacancy, and in Grosse Pointe Park, that council appointed Dan Clark to fill a vacancy after he was rejected by voters.

It is true that Sholty was the highest

vote-getter not elected to office this last time around, even though it was not by a close margin. And it is true that Sholty has experience on the council. But how important is that if voters did not think it was worthy of returning him to the council?

While we like Sholty and endorsed him in his bid for re-election, we must be mindful of voters' wishes. We do not think reappointing a defeated incumbent to the council fulfills the wishes of the voters.

In this case, and probably in the others, an untarnished appointee should have been sought.

The city council is considering codifying the highest vote-getting loser as a vacancy appointee. We do not think that is a good idea. Leave the charter as it is.

Sure, to fill a vacancy, pick the fourth-highest voter-getter when the election is close and when a defeated incumbent is not involved. But if voters reject an incumbent, who has all the experience and advantages of office, do not flout the voters' wishes and reappoint the incumbent.

If a charter amendment mandates the choice, then the decision is taken out of voters' and the council's hands.

## Woof! We're off to the park!

I want one! I want one for all our animals to feel the freedom and to romp, play and interact with their pals. Last weekend we flew to Kansas City, Kan., to visit our daughter and her family. One of the highlights of the trip was our trip to the dog park.

Rosie, their 9-year-old rescued golden retriever, is reticent to say the least. She is the most accommodating creature I have ever known, and I adore her. She is frightened of almost anything that doesn't include her family's presence.

Trips in the car have her totally baffled now; because the family moves so often, she doesn't know if she is headed for the vet, the park or a 15-hour trek back to Michigan for a visit. If there are no suitcases involved, she narrows the possibilities, but there is always the chance she could be headed for the dreaded doc for another shot or stay. Worry is Rosie's constant companion.

Last Saturday it was with mixed emotions that Rosie joined us in the car for a trip to the unknown. As we made the turn into the dog park, she began a low guttural moan from deep in her throat. As we

approached the parking area, the windows became fogged with her heavy breathing.

I can't possibly spell the sounds she was uttering, but it was close to Meg Ryan's famous scene in "When Harry Met Sally." Rosie was truly in another zone.

Her arthritic body came alive as she bounded out of the car and headed to the entrance of the park. Her leash was unbuckled, and she tore through the fields, ears and tail flying. It wasn't long before she came upon a group of other freedom lovers, and they paused to sniff each other, make assessments and linger or move on to the next group. They were in doggie heaven.

We must have stayed about half an hour, and in that time I never heard one growl from any of the revelers. The park encompasses several acres, with wide dirt paths that lead from open fields, through a wooded area and down to a small lake.

I swear the dogs had smiles on their faces. We met Bear, a newly adopted, 4-month-old cross between a black chow and a black Lab. He was magical. Along our walk, we met Elvis, Hazel, Poopsie,

Constable and others.

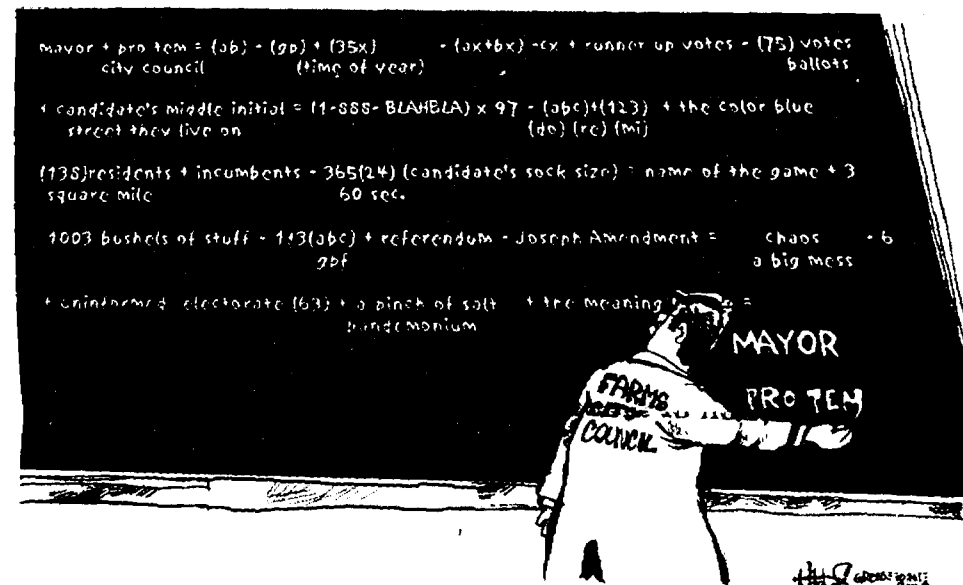
A spaniel spied a mitten on our grandson, swooped by, grabbed the mitten and took off like a streak through the meadow. Our grandson was laughing and running after the dog, and we all told him to kiss his glove goodbye. After about 10 minutes of tearing through the tall grass, the spaniel delivered the glove back to the boy, and we all looked amazed at the retriever instinct in effect.

At the entrance to the park was a bulletin board with notices about varying services, including dog walking, adoptions opportunities and pleas for supplies for Wayside Waifs, a shelter needing everything from towels, hair dryers, bleach, toys, scissors and treats to shampoo.

On the way home, we stopped at the pet store where Rosie was permitted to roam the aisles with us as we purchased food and toys. The entire experience was a joyful one, and Rosie slept extremely well that night.

How 'bout a dog park at Moross and Mack with high fences? Bet no one ever pictured that!

— Offering from the loft



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## Letters

### Library issues

Some very important issues were discussed at a most informative meeting November 11 about the Grosse Pointe Public Library, sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe.

Appointment or election of the library board was explored. At present the appointed board is made up of a member from each of the Pointes and Harper Woods, plus an additional member. This agreement was adopted in order to ensure representation for Harper Woods since the law establishing district libraries only allows for appointment or election in the district at-large.

The library board screens candidates, consults with municipal mayors, and then submits one name for each position to be filled to the Board of Education, which approves the candidates. Apparently, at times all candidates were not interviewed. There was support at the meeting for election of library board members and that all options for election should be examined including an amendment to the law by the legislature if necessary.

The library board levies taxes (millage) and issues bonds. I believe that a board that has those powers should be accountable to the voters: it should be an elected board. A public election campaign brings out the complexity of decisions that need to be made and alerts the voters to some of the underlying considerations involved in those decisions.

The voters decide who will best represent them. The current system is self-perpetuating and opens the possibility of favoritism and may result in less public scrutiny.

The library became a district library in 1994 and early on the new board chose to reduce salaries and benefits. Our librarians have the lowest salaries of all librarians in the metropolitan area and have no health coverage for their families and no pensions. Librarians have had to file lawsuits and charges of unfair labor practices; those decided were in their favor; others are pending. These actions by the board do not bode well for making a career here in our library. The heart of our library is the quality of our librarians; yet since 1995 the turnover has been almost 100%.

Salaries start at \$30,000 and are capped at \$39,500 after ten years. Librarians have master's degrees; they need to keep up with new developments in their field as well as all subjects covered in their work. If information is power, then these information specialists should be treasured for their expertise.

The Friends of the Library used to raise funds for the library. \$90,000 plus per year, at no cost to the library. Now all fund-raising is in the hands of a hired person at \$80,000 per year who is assisted by a consultant as needed at \$18,000 per month. The board recently formed the Library Foundation to oversee this office, with the expectation

that in another year it will be self-sufficient. Fund-raising for 2002-2003 resulted in gifts of \$86,000.

The League of Women Voters is to be commended for its interest in our library. I hope that this meeting will encourage citizens to further inform themselves on the structure and functioning of the library and to work with the library board to improve the library.

Ann Kondak  
Grosse Pointe Woods

### Thanks supporters

#### To the Editor:

How fortunate the students are in Grosse Pointe to have so many generous benefactors willing to support their school and their fundraising efforts.

Once again, these supporters rallied to ensure that the PTO at Pierce Middle School in Grosse Pointe Park was successful in hosting its 3rd Annual Golf Outing on Saturday, Oct. 4, at Sycamore Hills Golf Club in Macomb Township.

Although the weather was not the best for golfing, the event still went on despite the unseasonably cool temperatures. With the help of the businesses and individuals in Grosse Pointe and in the surrounding communities, the PTO raised over \$3,100 which will allow us to continue in our mission to improve the learning environment and well-being of the students at Pierce

# JT's heaven on Earth

I grew up listening to James Taylor. I remember listening to him as a child with family and friends in my sister's Mustang as we drove to Ladies Beach on Nantucket; he came with me on road trips to different schools for athletic contests in high school and college; and, I have placed him on numerous mixed tapes I have made to loved ones during adulthood. I even saw him walking down the street one time on Broadway in New York City.

Taylor's music and life emit an aura of pathos, hope and placid understanding.

He speaks like an outsider but simultaneously reaches into your heart with melodies about the pain and joy of the world. He mixes abundant musical talent with a deep knowledge of the human condition.

"From the first time we sang together on old blues stuff, and I heard his natural sense of phrasing, every syllable beautifully in tune, I knew James had that thing," said a childhood friend of Taylor's, Danny "Kootch" Kortchmar.

The writer Timothy White opined that the hardships Taylor went through, like his father's alcoholism and his own battles with depression and addiction, instilled in him "the grim certainty that nothing guarantees anything, but people are worth depending on."

Taylor evokes a sense of nostalgia, a desire for past

# I Say

human connections to be placed on the horizon before you.

The writer C.S. Lewis has said that humans often crave things that the world cannot satisfy. They encounter connection and love on earth, but these are only peaks of what the real world up above in Heaven is like. Taylor's music reveals what it must be like in the celestial realm, painting emotions and situations that are some of the best glimpses I know of an idyllic eternity.

Themes of safety and serenity wind their way through "Up on the Roof."

"When this old world starts a getting me down/ and people are just too much for me to face/I'll climb way up on the top of the stairs/ and all my cares drift into space/ On the roof it's peaceful as can be."

Even in his saddest songs, there is a sense of possibility of getting to the other side. "Fire and Rain," about a friend's suicide, has some of

the most chilling and despairing lines in music, limning humanity's inability to manage dark forces outside their control.

"I've seen fire and I've seen rain/I've seen sunny days that I thought would never end/I've seen lonely times when I could not find a friend, but I always thought I'd see you again."

In the midst of the tragedy Taylor describes, he cries out for a solution, hoping God or someone will hear him.

"Won't you look down upon me Jesus/ You've got to help me make a stand/ You've got to see me through another day."

Love is paramount in "Secret O' Life." In the "Secret O' Life," he sings of the tranquility of showing your emotions.

"The secret of love is opening up your heart...Planets

are spinning through space, a smile upon your face...It's just a lovely ride."

Imagination is one way to counter the absurdities and cruelties of the world, and Taylor evokes expansiveness wonderfully in his rendition of the Portuguese-speaking country of Brazil, "Only a Dream in Rio." He seems to suggest we should surrender to the beauty of the world which can only get better when we go to Heaven. The tune could heal a bruised sparrow or reveal the magnificence of a hidden colossus. It's like a gruff voice morphing into sonorous notes that say welcome.

"More than a distant land or a shining sea/ more than the steaming breeze/ more than the shining light/ Well they tell me it's only a dream in Rio/ Nothing could be as sweet as it seems."

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# Streetwise

**Question of the Week**

Have you received any unusual excuses from people you've encountered in the line of duty?

**PSO Scott Rohr,**  
Grosse Pointe Shores

"I stopped a woman for speeding. She said she had to rush home to nurse her newborn, or else her breasts would 'explode.' I let her go."

**Sgt. Bill Nicholson,**  
patrol supervisor,  
Grosse Pointe Shores

"A Detroit man who I pulled over for drunken driving on Lakeshore explained that he was just out taking his 'lady' for a ride by the ocean."

**PSO Mike Buckley,**  
Grosse Pointe Farms

"A wheel fell off a 70-year-old woman's car. All five steel lug nuts snapped. The woman kept driving. She thought she just had a flat tire."

**PSOFrank Zielinski,**  
Grosse Pointe Farms

"I caught a man driving drunk at 9 a.m. He had a blood alcohol content of .25. He said he was coming home from a wedding. It must have been a heck of a reception."

**PSO Mike Buckley**

"While on a traffic stop on Lakeshore near Moross, a man drove up, parked and asked me for directions. He reeked of alcohol. I finished the traffic stop and arrested the new guy for drunken driving. When I asked him why he stopped to ask me, a policeman, for directions while he was drunk, he said he was lost and wasn't thinking."

**PSO Jim McMahon,**  
Grosse Pointe Farms

"I stopped a guy who immediately began dropping the names of people he knew in high places — chiefs, judges and other officers. I asked him if he knew John Walko. That's who you need to know right now."

**PSO John Walko**  
Grosse Pointe Farms

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# fyi

by Ben Burns

## Football mom

None of the **Missant** men are small. **Charles**, who is the starting center and handles all the short and long snaps for the Western Michigan Broncos is 289 pounds and stands 6 feet 3 inches tall.

But his coaches are more impressed with his proficiency and leadership than they are with his size.

His position coach, **Mike Cummings**, says **Charles** has a shot at the pros.

"Once he is evaluated as a long snapper, the NFL scouts will see that he has a tremendous snap, as well as the technique to block and the speed and ability to make tackles down field. He has very good athleticism and can be counted on to make plays after the snap."

**Charles**, who graduated from South in '99, is a fifth-year senior at Western. His brother **James**, '00, also attends the Kalamazoo school, and they are following their brother **Al**, a '97 South grad to the campus, where "Big Al" played as an offensive lineman.

Sons of **Robin** and **Al Missant**, the young men get their size honestly. Both parents are tall. But "Big Al," who still has hopes of playing pro ball, is in another dimension. He is 6 feet 8 inches tall and weighs 355 pounds.

His mother says it has been a long, eight-year run as the Park couple followed their sons' fortunes on the football field each fall Saturday to places like Connecticut and West Virginia.

"It's been a good run, but I'm glad it is almost over," she said. "Actually, I'm more of a hockey fan. Go Red Wings!"

As far as I know, "Big Al" never objected to his nickname, and I am not about to coin one for **Charles**. I never heard him called anything that you might nickname a **Charles**, such as **Chuck** or **Chuckie**. But I do want to make something very clear to those rather large **Missant** men: If I have written anything that offends you in the least, I apologize in advance.

**Birders unite**

The Grosse Pointe Audubon Society, a nice group of folks who would rather witness birds than stalk them, is almost at 100 members, according to their fall newsletter, "Just a Chirp."

Perhaps they have more by now. But if you are interested in our feathered friends and want to meet

folks of similar interest, you may contact **Bill Rapai** at 443 St. Clair in the City. His e-mail is [BRapai@aol.com](mailto:BRapai@aol.com)

You don't have to go far to spot some interesting birds. You may just need the expert help of some of the Audubon Society members.

Member **Scott Schaum** reports he has counted 100 different species in his yard on Stephens Road in the Farms. Those include a male mourning warbler, a woodcock, vireos, flycatchers and a northern goshawk.

My brother, **Don**, has been a birder for years, and I think he uses that as his reason for traveling to exotic spots around the globe. He and his wife, **Cindy**, are off this week to Trinidad and Tobago to do a little bird watching. That's probably not the kind of birds that I would watch on a sunny, tropical beach.

## Telemarket tot

While the "Do Not Call List" to block telemarketers from spoiling folks' dinner may or may not be effective, **John** and **Sarah Marchi** told former FYI reporter **Ken Eatherly** they have their own solution. "We give

the phone to **Nicholas**," said his mother. **Nicholas** is 2.

## Revisit Mario's

If you enjoy Italian food and, who doesn't, you might want to check out the newly expanded and renovated **Mario's** south of Canfield on Second Avenue in Detroit.

Owner **Vince Passalacqua**, of the Pointes, invested more than \$500,000 on the project that includes a new menu.

## 911 call?

Ottawa County police dispatcher **Laurie Kelley** picked up the phone.

"Help. It's an emergency. My dad's making me eat lima beans," a young male reported.

"While I can relate to that because my mom made me eat lima beans, too, we are not sending a police car," Ms. Kelley responded.

The mean mom, who reported that story, is former Grosse Pointe council person **Myrna Smith**.

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# If today's media had covered WWII, what would they say?

By Doug Patton

The daily criticism of America's "failures" in Iraq makes me wonder how World War II might have been analyzed by political leaders and the media if they had applied today's selective scrutiny. Imagine...

Dateline London — June 3, 1944, CBS — "This is Edward R. Murrow, reporting from London for the CBS Radio Network. Rumors abound here of a massive invasion within the next few days, and this reporter has learned from sources speaking on condition of anonymity that such a plan is, in fact, going forward. The White House, the Pentagon and Gen. Eisenhower all vehemently deny these reports. Meanwhile, the latest CBS poll shows that Americans in increasing numbers are opposed to

such an invasion. This is Edward R. Murrow reporting from London."

Dateline Albany — June 4, 1944, the New York Times — In his strongest condemnation yet of President Roosevelt, New York Gov. Thomas E. Dewey today called the conflict in Europe "a senseless war."

"This administration's policies have been a miserable failure," said Dewey, who is seeking this year's GOP presidential nomination. "Germany has done nothing to us. Why have we been sacrificing American lives fighting Hitler and Mussolini? Now we hear of plans to invade France and attack the Germans at Normandy. Why?"

Asked about the attack on Pearl Harbor, Dewey said that no link has ever been conclusively established

between Hitler and the Dec. 7, 1941, attack on Naval forces in Hawaii by the Japanese. "No such link has ever been proven, because no such link exists," he said. "Roosevelt made it up."

When asked about statements from the White House that his opposition to the war gives aid and comfort to the enemy, Dewey replied, "That is the last refuge of a scoundrel!" Franklin Roosevelt wraps himself in the flag and then calls his critics unpatriotic. I am merely exercising my First Amendment rights by speaking out against his policies. That's as American as apple pie!"

Dateline Washington — June 5, 1944, the floor of the U.S. Senate — statement of the Honorable Sinclair Weeks (R-Mass.):

"I rise to protest the continued slaughter of our young men on the battlefields of Europe. This rumored invasion of France is just the latest example of the president's exploitation of our boys in uniform to further his political career."

"First, we were told that Adolf Hitler was involved in the attack on Pearl Harbor. He wasn't. We were told that he was an imminent threat to the United States. He wasn't. We were told that Germany had TSWs — Terrible Secret Weapons. They didn't. We have found no evidence of TSWs."

"Mr. President, this entire war in Europe was a lie concocted up in Hyde Park, and I say that this war has gone on long enough. I yield back the balance of my time..."

Dateline London — June 6, 1944 — "This is Ernie Pyle, reporting for CNN

from the front here at Omaha Beach. An unprecedented — and some say unjustified — invasion of France is under way at this hour. As you can see from the carnage behind me, American boys are dying on the beaches of Normandy — perhaps your boy, Mr. and Mrs. America. This reporter can confirm that American troops are sustaining massive casualties, here and on Utah Beach, against heavily armed German fortifications."

"Of course, the question that will be asked is 'why?' Why did it have to come to this? Why was it necessary to sacrifice so many young men — the bright and shining future of America — in an invasion that many said didn't need to happen."

"Meanwhile, on the home front, Republican members

of Congress are calling for an investigation into the intelligence failures that led to the Navy's inability to prepare for the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. This is Ernie Pyle, reporting from the front, for CNN."

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## It is a time for a New Veterans Day tradition — support

By John Brieden

We all know that Nov. 11 was Veterans Day. We know that Veterans Day pays tribute to men and women who sacrificed for freedom in the U.S. Armed Forces. We know that democracy flourishes the world over because of the sacrifice of America's veterans. We know that Veterans Day originates from the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month in 1918 when World War I ended.

Our nation praises its veterans with a holiday, with the construction of moving memorials, and with a solemn final tribute: placement upon their coffins of a U.S. Flag. Our state and federal governments set aside pristine expanses of hallowed ground in which America's veterans rest in eternal peace.

Yet, as pro-veteran as the United States of America is, there are aspects of the relationship between our grateful nation and its veterans

that most Americans probably do not know.

Did you know that, pending the enactment of key legislation, military retirees who suffer from disabilities related to their military service are taxed a dollar of their retired pay for every dollar they receive in disability compensation? If their disability compensation exceeds their retired pay, then they must forfeit their retired pay in order to collect disability. Yet retirees from federal civilian service who have disabilities stemming from military service are not taxed in this manner.

Did you know that since the Berlin Wall was dismantled, signaling America's victory in the Cold War, the U.S. Armed Forces have experienced a one-third cut in the active-duty force and a 300 percent increase in deployments? The growing mismatch between deployments and the total force has resulted in the repeated

long-term deployment of National Guard units, precluding them from performing homeland-security duties and other functions for which the nation's governors might need them.

Cracks in Reserve retention show the wear and tear on over-deployed Reservists, most of whom lose money during activation because their civilian jobs pay substantially more than Uncle Sam, and most corporations do not pay the difference, which would stabilize the citizen-soldiers' take-home pay during many months of activation.

Did you know that on a given night, about a quarter-million veterans are homeless: lacking both permanent shelter and hope? One-third of adult homeless men and nearly one-quarter of all homeless adults are veterans.

Clearly, programs must be strengthened that provide medical, rehabilitative and employment assistance to those who served.

Did you know that an estimated 164,000 veterans in the lowest of the Department of Veterans Affairs' eight priority treatment groups have been suspended from enrolling for health care at VA since January 17? Did you know that before VA simply stopped veterans from entering the system, within which they are entitled by law to seek treatment, there were more than 200,000 veterans waiting from six months to two years to receive an initial primary-care appointment at VA?

The American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Disabled American Veterans and other veterans service organizations are still fighting for a law that would fund VA health care on a

mandatory rather than a discretionary basis, just like Social Security and Medicare, so that the funding rises with the increased demand for treatment. The war on terror will only make this situation worse, as U.S. Forces in Iraq average 40 wounded troops per week, and a rising number of recently medically retired troops seek treatment at VA.

Did you know that as the war on terror and other military commitments to vital U.S. interests create a new generation of potential users of the VA system, more VA hospitals are cited to be closed than to be built? The American Legion is participating in VA's realignment process to ensure that services are not curtailed where they are sorely needed.

Did you know that, until last month, when wounded troops departed military hospitals, they received a bill for their meals — \$8.10 a day? That was a lot of money to the more junior personnel who had been hospitalized for weeks or months, not to mention a ridiculous price to pay by someone who already paid a price for his or her country. Thank goodness Congress got around to legislation aimed at correcting that problem. But short-term relief from hospital-food billing for our wounded troops still must be made permanent.

Did you know that thousands of Guard and Reserve personnel are counting on the enactment of legislation that will provide them health insurance to replace the employer-paid coverage that their families lost when they were called up for months — in many cases for more than a year — to fight the war on terror? Contrary

to traditional public perception, Guard and Reserve personnel are not "weekend warriors." They are an integral part of the total force, activated for months, even years, nearly every time they are called up. If they can answer their nation's call as active-duty troops do, then they should have access to the active-duty force's health care program, known as Tricare.

What does all of this mean? It means the time has come to introduce a new Veterans Day tradition to the existing one.

Be a part of the Veterans Day commemorative events in your area. Take your children, if possible. Your presence says "thank you for your service" to veterans and to their families. These

events are a part of our nation's existing annual holiday tradition.

Further, if you appreciate the sacrifices of those who stood, and those who still stand, in harm's way, then please consider starting another holiday tradition. This new tradition boils down to two simple civic duties: Save this column until next year's election campaign, and then insist the candidates address, indeed embrace, the policies that you know in your heart are right and just.

Our nation owes its veterans a square deal.

John Brieden is national commander of the 2.8-million member American Legion, the nation's largest veterans organization.

## Letters

Middle School

Congratulations to the winning team of Jeff Longo, Kevin Longo, Joe Srebernak and Tom Taylor who shot 9 under par that day. What an accomplishment under adverse weather conditions. First, I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge and thank the following "hole sponsors" for their support:

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Last but not least, heartfelt thanks to Russ LeBlanc, Margaret Steele, Linda Lockwood, Bob Bashara, Lela Creighton, Lynn DePrez, Walt Fitzpatrick, Patty Marantette, Dick Olson, Helen Srebernak, Max Adani and Sycamore Hills Golf Club for their commitment and efforts to make "More Fun on the Fairway" a success.

The golf outing is truly a fantastic event and one which I hope will continue over the years. PTOs do make a difference in the community with the assistance of so many wonderful supporters.

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## Nicholas M. DiSante

Former Grosse Pointe resident Nicholas M. DiSante, 81, died on Sunday, Nov. 16, 2003.

Mr. DiSante was a machinist in a key defense industry during WWII and served in the Army-Air Force at the end of the war.

He worked in the tool and die industry and along with his brother, Joe, owned and operated L&D Tool Co. in Detroit for more than 35 years. After retirement he was a very active member of the Lochmoor Club where he spent many hours golfing and playing cards.

He also enjoyed fishing, was an avid reader and offered his repair skills to friends and neighbors.

He was a Grosse Pointe resident for more than 40 years before he recently moved to Lansing to be closer to his wife's relatives.

Mr. DiSante is survived by his wife of 54 years, Mary

Beth (Shulick); his children Linda (Jim) Schweithelm, Cathy (Greg) Bogatko, Ted, Sandi (Mark) Stoppel and Don; his grandchildren, Nicole, Max, Katrina and Alex; and his brother John. He was predeceased by his son, Nick Jr.; and his brothers, Tony and Joe.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, Nov. 22, at 10:30 a.m. at St. Gerard Catholic Church, 4437 W. Willow in Lansing.

Visitation will be at the Goshline Runciman Co. Lansing Chapel, 900 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing, on Friday, Nov. 21, from 4 to 8 p.m. with a 7 p.m. Rosary.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Capuchin Mission, 1740 Mt. Elliott St., Detroit, 48207 or the Society of St. Vincent DePaul, 955 Alton Rd., East Lansing, 48823.

## Gertrude "Trudy" Moss LaSavage

Gertrude "Trudy" Moss LaSavage died Wednesday, Nov. 5, 2003, after a three-month battle with leukemia.

She earned her bachelor's degree at the University of Michigan in 1968, married her soul mate, Jim, in 1969, and taught physical education at Pierce Middle School, adding a master's degree in Special Education from Wayne State University. After four years, she left teaching to raise two daughters, resuming her career at area parochial schools where she taught language arts, history, and science to middle schoolers.

She emphasized involvement in community and extracurricular activities and led students into Special Olympics, the Jason Project, and Science Olympiad.

She coached one of the state's six Jump Rope for Heart teams.

When her daughters were old enough, Mrs. LaSavage enrolled them in Girl Scouts and became a constant Scout volunteer as leader, trainer, board member, and many other positions. She enjoyed taking her troop to serve on Mackinac Island in the Governor's Honor Guard. Girl Scouts honored her with their highest awards: the Thanks Badges.

It was Mrs. LaSavage's faith that motivated her. She was active at St. Philip & St. Stephen Episcopal Church for 32 years and in the Episcopal Cursillo for 15 years. Although she held many positions, her passion was for children, and with help from Daughters of the King chapters from numerous parishes, she led an effort to send at-risk inner-city children to Camp Gordonwood.

She loved spending time at the family cottage in Ontario. She didn't need a microphone, but couldn't turn one down. She never missed an opportunity to dance the Funky Chicken. She always befuddled the guessers at "Guess Your Age" booths to win prizes for her students. Her energy seemed limitless.

She is survived by her lov-

ing husband, Jim; daughters Cynthia (David) Monaghan and Anne Jeannette; grandson James Peter; as well as two brothers and extended family.



Gertrude "Trudy" Moss LaSavage

## Eugene Leonard Schaden

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Eugene Leonard Schaden, 82, died on Saturday, Nov. 15, 2003, at Bon Secours Nursing Home.

Born in Detroit in 1921, Mr. Schaden graduated from the University of Detroit in 1945.

He served as a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He was a retired sales manager for RCA Corp.

Mr. Schaden was a member of the St. Clair Golf Club and enjoyed boating and golf.

He is survived by his wife, Therese "Terry," his sons, Gregory (Linda), Gerald (Shirley), Christopher (Linette), Eugene

(Annmarie) and Daniel; his grandchildren, David (Amy Lynn), Matthew, Joseph, Jesse, Nicholas, Stephanie, Katherine, Margot, Jake, Kayliegh, Claire and Allison; and his great-grand-



Eugene Leonard Schaden

children, Thomas and Sara. He was predeceased by his sisters, Ann Mary and Helen; and his brother, Francis.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, 1820 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207 or the IHM Retirement Fund, 610 Elm, Monroe, MI 48161.

## Correction

### Avalo Petri

An error occurred in the obituary for Avalo Petri, former Grosse Pointe Farms resident who died on Monday, Aug. 25, 2003. She was 93.

## Something To Think About

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### Viewing the Body

The age-old practice of viewing the body of the deceased has recently come under attack. It seems that some persons want to deny the reality that death has occurred. One method of achieving this is to fail to have the body present during the period of the funeral, or not viewing the remains if they are present.

This not only goes against tradition, it goes against ancient and modern wisdom. It is essential to admit to death's reality. Even if this is a somewhat painful experience, it can be a helpful and rewarding one. To view the body is one of the first and most important steps of accepting death.

Most people wish to remember the deceased as he or she appeared alive. This is where the skill of the funeral service licensee comes in. If the death was violent or the body wasted away, this skill can be used to modify or erase the scars of violence or the ravages of disease.

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# 1 million traveling Michiganians

An estimated 1 million Michiganians — 10 percent of the population — are planning a winter vacation this year, according to a recent AAA Michigan survey. More than half (56 percent) of the winter travelers surveyed plan to fly to their final destination, up over last year (44 percent) and 34 percent will drive.

Among those not planning a vacation, 16 percent cited the economy as the primary reason for not traveling and 12 percent cited costs or money concerns. Less than 1 percent of Michigan travelers are staying home because of security delays or concerns.

According to the auto club survey of 400 state residents — conducted in October — 88 percent of those traveling will head for a destination outside of Michigan. Twenty-two percent plan on leaving the United States. The average trip will last 11 days and the average amount spent will be \$2,173. Forty-two percent will stay at a hotel, motel or resort, while 17 percent plan to stay with relatives.

Some travelers will stay in a trailer or RV, with friends or in a condo (10 percent each), and a small percentage will stay on a boat or cruise ship (5 percent).

Sightseeing is the most popular winter vacation activity (63 percent), fol-

lowed by swimming (46 percent), going to a nightclub (37 percent) and visiting a museum (27 percent).

According to Cathy Green, vice president Travel and Field Operations for AAA Michigan, cruise sales for the travel agency are up 20 percent over last year, which signals a long-awaited recovery in the travel industry, besieged over the past two years by terrorism and a national recession.

## Vacation planning

The Christmas-New Year's holiday remains the busiest air travel period of the year, a fact reflected in flight availability and airfares. "As always, air travelers will need to be flexible and allow more time to get to the airport and to reach their final destination," said Green. In addition:

- It pays to book your travel as far in advance as possible.
- Consider an alternate airport. Flying in and out of nearby airports may save you hundreds of dollars.
- Be flexible with your departure and return dates. Traveling Monday through Thursday is far cheaper than flying on the weekend. For holiday travel, some airlines offer savings when flying on the holiday itself, such as Christmas or New Year's Day.
- Late night or "red-eye" flights are

often less expensive than flying during morning or afternoon hours.

• Nonstop, direct-to-your-destination flights are the most convenient — and usually the most costly. Consider a flight that has a connection or layover if time permits.

• Check with your travel agent for most-recent or unadvertised travel bargains.

• Consider a cruise with air included. The flights are often cheaper and include transfer to the ship.

If driving to a winter destination, AAA's suggested budget for a family of four — two adults and two children — is \$244 per day for lodging and meals, plus \$13.52 per 100 miles for gas, oil, tires and maintenance with a car averaging 23 miles per gallon.

In addition to lodging, food and driving costs, a family should budget for admission fees, road and bridge tolls, recreation and shopping. If you do not carry credit cards, include an emergency fund in your vacation budget. For added security, AAA suggests carrying traveler's checks.

If you're flying, remember: Most airlines now limit the number of carry-on items to one per passenger. For a complete list of new security requirements and passenger tips, visit at [tsa.gov/public/display?theme=1](http://tsa.gov/public/display?theme=1).

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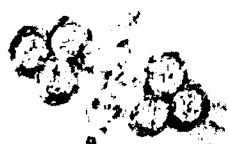
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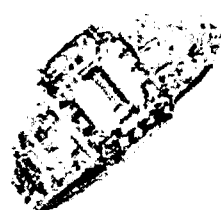
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## Shores wind damage

High winds last week are being blamed for cracking a utility pole that sent a power line dangling dangerously low over Lakeshore near Edgewood in Grosse Pointe Shores.

A public safety officer taped off the area on Wednesday, Nov. 12, at 10:27 p.m., and requested a repair crew from DTE Energy.

Due to more pressing widespread weather-related damage throughout southeast Michigan, utility crews weren't able to respond for two days.

Also in the Shores, three fallen tree limbs blocked Putnam Place on Wednesday, Nov. 12, at about 9:45 p.m.

Police notified Brett Smith, the village's director of public works, who called in an off-duty crewman to clear the street using a front-end loader.

## Duck hunters dunked

Soggy duck hunters were found standing in the western shallows of Lake St. Clair next to their overturned boat on Tuesday, Nov. 11, shortly after 3 p.m. There were no injuries.

Grosse Pointe Shores police responded to the mishap near the foot of Woodland Shores.

## Car chase

Speedometers flirted with 100 mph last weekend as Grosse Pointe Shores police tag-teamed a 19-year-old Detroit car thief into custody.

Pursuit began on northbound Lakeshore at the southern Village limits, where a patrolman's radar clocked a Jeep Liberty at 50 mph.

Prospects of a routine traffic stop faded when the speeder responded to the officer's siren and emergency lights by hitting the gas. The man turned left onto Vernier, almost hitting a stationary vehicle that had pulled to the side of the road.

A second officer in another cruiser tried to hem-in the fleeing driver, but the man used the Jeep as a battering ram to clear a path of escape. The man reached 95 mph before slowing to 45 mph and running a red light at Mack.

Shortly thereafter, officers in separate patrol cars blocked the man's progress. Authorities took him to the county jail at 6:26 a.m.

A Shores cruiser received damage to both sides, including scrape marks, dents, fluid leaks and alignment problems. The car was repaired and back in the fleet within a week.

## Caught drunk

A 39-year-old man from Youngstown, Ohio, registered a .11 percent blood alcohol level last week while being investigated for drunken driving in Grosse Pointe Shores.

An officer saw the man's 1991 Lincoln four-door braking frequently and changing lanes on northbound Lakeshore near the St. Clair Shores city limits on Sunday, Nov. 9, at 2:16 a.m. He was released on bond at 6:35 a.m.

## Bad driving

On Sunday, Nov. 16, at 2:53 a.m., Grosse Pointe Farms police arrested a 26-year-old Detroit woman for drunken driving in the area of Lakeview and Kercheval.

An officer saw the woman steer her blue Pontiac Grand Prix to the right curb of Kercheval, signal left and drive straight. The woman's blood alcohol content was measured at .113 percent.

## Cookie crook

A \$100 man's briefcase and 10 cases of Pepperidge Farm cookies worth \$500 were stolen from a Chevrolet van parked in the 400 block of Fisher on Monday, Nov. 10, between 9 and 11:59 p.m.

Grosse Pointe Farms police said the briefcase was recovered by a store employee working on lower Fisher.

## Student drug connection

While interrogating a drug suspect last week in Grosse Pointe Park, detectives learned of the alleged involvement of a 14-year-old City male who attends high school in the Farms.

On Friday, Nov. 14, at 1:35 p.m., Farms officers removed the student from class and found a bag of suspected marijuana in his right sock. The student said the bag wasn't his. He said he was "holding it" for someone else.

Police released the student to his mother. School officials suspended him for five days. Police are continuing the drug investigation.

## Woman hears car being stolen

On Tuesday, Nov. 11, at 10:30 p.m., a Grosse Pointe Farms woman living in the 400 block of Hillcrest went outside to investigate the sound of squealing tires from a car being driven away.

Someone had just stolen her silver 2001 Dodge Stratus. Police from Detroit's 5th Precinct recovered the car within two hours.

## PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS



## 2 new officers join GPW public safety department

Matthew Muzia and Thomas Stechly were recently sworn in as public safety officers in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Muzia served three years in the U.S. Navy and served as a federal law enforcement officer at the Detroit branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago before coming to the Woods. He holds an associate's degree in law enforcement from and attended the police and fire academies at Macomb Community College.

Stechly is a former New Haven police officer. He also holds an associate's degree in law enforcement from and attended the police and fire academies at Macomb Community College.

## Dodge stolen

A 2002 Dodge Intrepid belonging to a Grosse Pointe Woods man was reported stolen from the upper deck of a parking garage in the 400 block of Cadieux in the City of Grosse Pointe on Sunday, Nov. 9, between noon and 1:37 a.m.

## Fireworks festivities

On Sunday, Nov. 16, a few minutes after midnight, City of Grosse Pointe dispatchers fielded the first of 17 telephone calls from residents reporting fireworks in the area where Goethe dead ends at University.

While deploying to the neighborhood, an officer saw "a large amount of obviously illegal fireworks clearing houses and trees."

Police cited a 51-year-old male resident who said he was part of a celebration involving members of a community theater group. The fireworks coincided with the man's birthday.

## Shoplifting

On Tuesday, Nov. 11, at 5:55 p.m., a 15-year-old Grosse Pointe Park male triggered a store security alarm in the 17100 block of Kercheval by allegedly trying to shoplift three compact discs and one digital videodisk.

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police said the alarm sounded when the youth exited the store's restroom. Officers said he admitted using a screwdriver to remove plastic security covers from the stolen items. Officers found the screwdriver at the scene.

At the same store on Sunday, Nov. 9, at 12:32 p.m., an unknown man wearing a black leather jacket with an NBA logo was seen stealing three videodisks valued at \$50. Police said the man was last seen walking on eastbound Kercheval.

In the 16800 block of Kercheval on Sunday Nov. 9, four Matrix videodisks worth \$25 each were reported stolen by an unknown male. The suspect was described as 5-foot-8, 165 pounds, wearing a black and tan suede jacket, blue jeans and a turquoise hat.

## Live wire

On Thursday, Nov. 13, at 1:24 a.m., a downed power line charged a garage in the 600 block of Fisher in the City of Grosse Pointe. The same wire landed in a pile of smoldering leaves in the 700 block of Lincoln.

Public safety officers called for a utility crew to make repairs.

## Tree down

A tree fell in the 700 block of Loraine in the City of Grosse Pointe on

Wednesday, Nov. 16, at about 11:30 a.m. Police called the electric company which predicted power would be returned by 8 a.m. — Brad Lindberg

## Stolen vehicles

A 2003 Jeep Liberty parked on the street in the 1400 block of Bedford in Grosse Pointe Park was stolen sometime between 6:30 and 9:45 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 10.

A 2003 Dodge Caravan parked on Allard and Bramcaster in Grosse Pointe Woods at 4:15 a.m. on Thursday, Nov. 13, was discovered missing 3 1/2 hours later.

A red 1997 Jeep was taken from a carport in the 1700 block of Vernier in Grosse Pointe Woods sometime between 9:45 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 13, and 7:09 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 14.

A 2002 Jeep Liberty was stolen off the street in the 1000 block of Lakepointe in Grosse Pointe Park between 1 and 7 a.m. on Sunday, Nov. 16.

A 2001 Jeep Cherokee parked at Mack and Beaconsfield in Grosse Pointe Park was stolen between 12:30 and 1:15 a.m. on Sunday, Nov. 16.

## Candle fire

An unattended burning candle set fire to some furniture in a house in the 1000 block of Lakepointe in Grosse Pointe Park at 3:18 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 14.

The fire was put out before firefighters arrived on the scene.

## Windows smashed

A Grosse Pointe Woods resident reported the rear window of his 2000 Ford SUV parked on River and North Brys was smashed at 8 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 15.

A half-hour later, another Woods resident reported the same damage to his 2002 Ford SUV parked on Goethe and Roslyn.

Woods public safety officers believe another incident, when an unknown person threw rocks through two front window panes of a house in the 1000 block of South Brys, may be related.

## Breakins, but not entering

Grosse Pointe Park public safety officers on patrol noticed a top pane of glass shattered at a store in the 15000 block of Charlevoix on Sunday, Nov. 16. No entry was made into the store.

A burglar alarm in a store in the 20900 block of Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods alerted public safety officers to a shattered glass front door at 3:30 a.m. on Sunday, Nov. 16. However no entry was made into the store.

— Bonnie Caprara

## Bike recovered

A Grosse Pointe Woods resident, who reported his bike stolen from a school in the 20600 block of Mack in the Woods two weeks earlier, found his bike, secured with a new lock, at a bike rack at the same school on Thursday, Nov. 13.

The resident was allowed to reclaim his bike.

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## G.P. City fences in revised ordinance

By Bonnie Caprara  
Staff Writer

Good fences not only make good neighbors, but they also make for good cities.

The City of Grosse Pointe recently revised its fence ordinance when it discovered the lack of direction given to residents could result in impasses.

"Under the current ordinance, a homeowner could install a 6-foot or a chain link fence in the front yard,"

Assistant City Manager Brian Vick said.

In the revised ordinance, front yard fences shall have a minimum height of 24 inches and a maximum height of 36 inches with a minimum 2-foot setback from the sidewalk. They must be of an ornamental nature such as picket, split rail or wrought iron. Chain link and solid wood fencing is prohibited in the revised ordinance.

Provisions for corner lot fences and hedges were also made more specific in the revised ordinance. Fences and hedges located between the rear building line and the rear property line and located adjacent to a road may not exceed six feet in height. Fences must be set back a minimum of two feet from the sidewalk, and hedges must be set back one foot from sidewalks.

Residential properties

adjacent to the county right-of-way (Jefferson) are permitted to replace the existing side yard fence in the way of height, style, length and material with the approval of the building inspector.

"The new setbacks, when properly enforced, will be adequate for the safety of sidewalk pedestrians and allow sufficient room for snow removal equipment," Vick said.

## G.P. Woods receives \$24K fire safety grant

By Bonnie Caprara  
Staff Writer

The Grosse Pointe Woods Public Safety Department was one of 10 Michigan fire departments to receive a grant from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security for fire operations and firefighter safety programs.

The Woods received a \$24,238 grant which the public safety department will use for its own safety by purchasing and installing an automatic ventilation system for its fire trucks

and ambulance.

"In the past, when we've started the vehicles in our apparatus building, which is attached to our office, we have gotten fumes in our office," said Michael Makowski, public safety director. "This device will be hooked up to our trucks, ventilate the fumes to the outside, and automatically release when the trucks leave the building."

The total cost of the project is expected to be \$26,877. The department will ask the council for about

\$2,639 in matching funds.

In a press release issued on Wednesday, Nov. 5, the day the grants were awarded, U.S. Sen. Debbie Stabenow, D-Lansing, said, "Since Sept. 11, and now in the wake of the California wildfires, we as a nation recognize the importance of supporting our local firefighters. Improving their equipment and training is essential, not only to protect our communities from fires but also to enhance homeland security."

"Our firefighters are the

first to respond when fire and fire-related incidents occur in our communities," U.S. Sen. Carl Levin, D-Detroit, said in the same press release. "I am glad we are able to support the men and women who are prepared to risk their lives everyday to protect our citizens."

A total of \$465,020 went to the selected Michigan departments.

The Department of Homeland Security will provide more than 7,000 grants by September 2004.

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# North honors memory of homecoming queen

By Jennie Miller  
Staff Writer

When Jessica Solomon died in 2001, Grosse Pointe North High School lost an alumna who had been the life of the school. With her bubbly personality, Solomon had made an effort to befriend all of her classmates and brought excitement to the school's atmosphere.

"She was such an amazing person," said Linda Hicks, whose daughter, Katy, was one of Solomon's closest friends. "She was so involved in activities at North and encouraged everyone else to be involved as well."

Solomon participated in student government and was a member of many service clubs. She also played the flute. She was the manager of the girl's cross country team.

"You name it and she did it," Hicks said.

Solomon's enthusiasm and spirit led her peers to name her North's 2000 homecoming queen. Also a 4.0 student, Solomon was a member of the National

Honor Society and had earned a scholarship to the University of Michigan.

But what many people didn't know was that Solomon was sick. Ever since she was young, Solomon had kidney problems. She had undergone a form of chemotherapy before she was even in grade school. For awhile, she was on dialysis. She'd had a kidney transplant in middle school, with an organ donated by her mother, Pam.

"Jessie lived her life almost as if she knew she didn't have a lot of time here," Hicks said. "She went out and made the most of it. She wanted to enjoy every second. Jessie was an inspiration to us all."

In the fall of her senior year, Solomon fell ill. The following July, just weeks after graduation, Solomon lost her battle and died from lymphoma.

At the funeral home, several members of North's choir sang Leann Womack's "I Hope You Dance," which had been Solomon's favorite song. Listening to the performance, Hicks began to



Jessica Solomon

think of a way to honor the memory of her daughter's best friend. The song reminded her how much Solomon had loved school dances.

"She was such a little match-maker," Hicks said. "She wanted everyone to be able to go to the school dances. She encouraged the boys to ask the girls. She wanted everyone to have a great time."

This led Hicks to organize a charity drive in Solomon's name, which was spearheaded by North's girls cross country team and coach Scott Cooper. The team gathered nearly 40 prom dresses which will be donated to the Discovery Shops on The Hill. Proceeds from the store go directly to the American Cancer Society.

"We're trying to keep her memory alive," Cooper said of the charity drive. "Jessica was such a great person."

Dave Cleveland, North's instrumental music teacher, is now enlisting his students in the drive. Discovery Shops will be setting aside a corner of the store to display the dresses.

"This is something Jessie would have done herself," Hicks said. "She would love to know that someone who couldn't afford a new dress could still go to the dance wearing something beautiful."

Solomon's parents are happy to see her memory live on.

"We feel very honored that such a wonderful endeavor is being conducted in our Jessica's name," Jim Solomon said. "It's a wonderful tribute to our daughter. We are very grateful to Linda and Katy Hicks, Scott Cooper, Kate Calabresa, Dave Cleveland and all of those people who have helped organize this effort to help others and at the same time keeping Jessica's memory alive. We miss her so much, and it's so comforting to know that others do as well. She would have been very pleased with all of this."

To donate a dress to the cause, call Hicks at (313) 881-7356. To purchase one of the dresses, visit the Discovery Shops, located at 110 Kercheval on the Hill.



## Star's first place student

Our Lady Star of the Sea student Paige Kozak of Grosse Pointe Woods was the first place winner in an annual statewide art and essay contest celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month. Kozak's entry in the contest is a mixed media work depicting a "Las Posadas" ("The Inn") celebration. She received a trophy and \$2,500 savings bond. From left is Star principal Patricia Stumb, art teacher Ann Tiganelli and Spanish teacher Dr. Randi Franklin.

## South honors Mother's Club with special gift

By Jennie Miller  
Staff Writer

"When Grosse Pointe High School opened its doors 75 years ago, an extraordinary tradition of giving began at the same time."

These words were included in a dedication given to the Grosse Pointe South Mother's Club, a group of dedicated moms who have supported enrichment, scholarship and preservation at South for three-quarters of a century.

Last year, the South community of students, alumni, faculty and parents celebrated the school's 75th anniversary. The community felt that the Mother's Club, also celebrating 75 years, deserved special recognition.

South graduate Hilary Zaranek, an accomplished artist, was asked to create a sculpture to honor all that the Mother's Club represents.

"It was a distinct honor for me to be asked to create a gift that would represent and symbolize the gratitude, recognition, and respect our school has for the Grosse Pointe South Mother's Club," Zaranek said.

After working tirelessly, Zaranek completed the pro-

ject, which was presented on Monday, Nov. 10. The sculpture, which was also a gift from South's Class of 2003, features a mother eagle with its wings wrapped around its babies.

"The mother eagle will guide, teach, and create a pathway for the young to obtain the attributes of strength, power, freedom, and peace. These attributes are necessary in order for the young to survive in nature," Zaranek explained. "In much the same manner, the South Mother's Club works to provide a similar pathway for the South students to achieve these essential attributes in preparation for the challenges that lie ahead in their lives."

The group was honored by the gift, which is being displayed in Cleminson Hall.

"We were very humbled," said Mother's Club president Mary Wolking. "We've never been recognized in such a thoughtful way. This will only encourage us to work harder so that we remain worthy of these wonderful compliments."

A framed dedication to the Mother's Club is on display with the sculpture.

"We have all benefited

from their 75 years of service," it reads. "Their contributions have been immeasurable, and their presence and impact have been as solid and steadfast as the bricks and mortar of this beautiful building."

All parents who support the school, including choir, athletics and band boosters, were invited to join the Mother's Club meeting.

"There are parents working in every capacity," she said, adding that it is important to recognize the efforts and hard work of every dedicated parent.

For Zaranek, the gift not only serves as a thank you to the parents for their support, but it is also a message for the future.

"It is my hope that this gift, in some small way, will reflect our wholehearted appreciation to the South Mother's Club for all it has done in the past and for the future," she said.

"It is also my hope that this gift will serve as a reminder and inspire all the students and adults in the South community to never lose focus of these attributes in our quest to achieve true peace in our world," she added.

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## Academy studies Thanksgiving

The Grosse Pointe Academy fourth- and fifth-grade teachers felt something was missing in the traditional study of the first Thanksgiving. It seemed to them that students learned an unrealistic depiction of the dramatic experience of the Pilgrims' first year in the New World and their relationship with the Indians.

The teachers decided to create a colony simulation project, where students "established" colonies and attempted to survive using more realistic conditions than those previously learned.

Each team had a map of its colony and a list of colonists prominently displayed on a bulletin board. The challenge was to surpass the Pilgrims' achievements by working harder and making better decisions.

After traveling to the new world, the students created their own laws to govern themselves and then posted sentries.

Throughout this interdisciplinary unit, students wrote of their ordeals in a journal, with entries on crossing the ocean, arrival in the New World, building the settlement, finding food, Indians, spring planting, and trading expeditions.

"Not long ago I was in England, and we couldn't practice our own religion," wrote fifth-grader Thomas Shields. "So we moved to Holland, and we were forgetting our English customs and becoming more Dutch. Now we are moving to the New World. I'm nervous and scared."

By the end of the simulation, students will have increased their understanding of the hardships Pilgrims faced.

The unit will culminate in a Thanksgiving feast, during which parents will join the Pilgrims as friendly Indians.



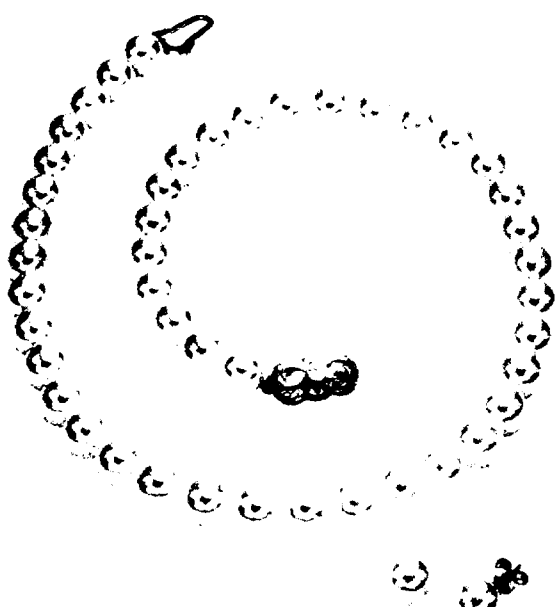
## Star recognizes Veteran's Day

Joe Trowern, a World War II veteran and president of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial's Veterans Club, addressed the students of Our Lady Star of the Sea School at a salute to veterans on Friday, Nov. 14.

Trowern's stories of his experiences as a young Army Lieutenant and platoon leader during the Battle of the Bulge were made especially real when he showed the bullet hole in the helmet that saved his life.

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## Maire and Richard transform into Ellis Island

By Jennie Miller  
Staff Writer

Students at Richard and Maire elementary schools learned about the hardships faced by their ancestors when immigrating to the United States.

Ellis Island came to both schools this month during an annual immigration simulation for the third-graders at Richard and the fifth-graders at Maire.

Richard principal Barbara Lafer was dressed as the Statue of Liberty for the occasion, where students took on roles as foreigners seeking U.S. citizenship.

Each was a member of a family from one of six countries who wanted to become U.S. citizens.

The school's gym served as Ellis Island, where the students were ushered through a series of checkpoints with parents posing as customs officials. At the health station, students were given sight and hearing tests. At other checkpoints, students were asked questions regarding family, finances, education and work experience. There was also a station to exchange

money.

The fifth-graders at Maire went through a similar simulation. Also dressed in character, the students went for a "hike" around the school and loaded into a "boat" in the hallway to simulate the long and tiresome journey to the United States.

Upon arrival, students posed as customs officials interrogated the immigrants about their education, skills, political affiliation, criminal history, character and health. The immigrants were assessed based on how they were graded at each station, and were either granted U.S. citizenship or deported back to their native country.

Students at each school had memorized important details about the characters they were portraying.

Alma McCarty, a fifth-grader at Maire, portrayed Marya Boknosky, a Russian immigrant with a hearing problem. She had seven years of formal education, but was once caught by Russian soldiers for vandalism.

Mateja Kalajian, a fifth-

grader at Maire, portrayed Gilda Brunn, a German immigrant who was in good health and had never been in trouble with the law.

Lyndsey Walworth, a fifth-grader at Maire, portrayed Hankelene Varsa, of Scandinavia, who brought her children to the United States to live in freedom.

"I want to find a job and a better life," she said.

At Richard, third-graders Andrew Kiehna and Zach Soheim portrayed father and son, Andre and Claude Levitte. Both had brought items to use in case bribery was necessary to get the entire Levitte family through Ellis Island.

Following the inspections, both schools held a ceremonial event to welcome the new citizens. Richard students gathered to sing songs and give speeches. The students voted on the best speeches, selecting Mary Evanoff, Emily Hilzinger, Abby Sohn, Christopher Fowler, Ethan Duffield and Andrew Kiehna to share their words with the group of new citizens. Samantha Holm, Evan Enders, Patrick Flanagan, Ellen Neveau and Nick Leto were selected to read their oaths of allegiance in front of the group. Then, the group sang "Proud to be an American."

At both schools, the students enjoyed the simulation and how it related to their studies.

The fifth-graders at Maire had been studying immigration, and teacher Barb Davis felt the simulation was the best way to finish off the unit.

"We just finished studying immigration and countries of ancestry," she said. "This is the culminating event simulating 1900. It's a great way for the students to relate everything we just learned."

The simulation at Richard was the culmination of a unit about the northeast region of the United States. They also had done a mini-unit on Ellis Island.

"I wanted the students to understand what many of their ancestors went through," said teacher Anne Flanagan. "We learned about why people came to America and the difficulties of getting through, such as language barriers and the



Photos by Jennie Miller

In the Ellis Island simulation, fifth-graders at Maire Elementary School pack into the ship taking immigrants across the Atlantic Ocean to America.

use of bribery. I thought a hands-on experience would really bring it home for them. The simulation, which Flanagan said has been taking place at Richard for nearly 20 years, previously took place in the spring at one of the local parks, using

the effect of the lake to help the experience come to life. Flanagan said the students love getting dressed up in character and going through the motions. "They really love it and look forward to it every year," she said. The students agreed.

"It was fun to go through the stations and it helped me to learn how hard it was for the immigrants and how badly they wanted to come to America," said Vito Cook, a fifth-grader at Maire who portrayed Vito Florenciano, an Italian immigrant.



Above, Richard Elementary School principal Barbara Lafer, dressed as the Statue of Liberty, welcomes third-graders to Ellis Island.



Above, Cooper Hartman and John Wendzinski, posing as passport inspectors at Maire Elementary School's Ellis Island, await incoming immigrants. Below, a tired family waits to be notified whether or not they will be granted U.S. citizenship at Richard Elementary School's Ellis Island.



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# Lowes home store becomes new retail neighbor

By Carrie Cunningham  
Staff Writer

Lowes has been full of activity in its first few weeks of operation. On Saturday, Nov. 15, various officials and organizations were present to answer questions about safety and explain different Lowes products. A race car was at the store for shoppers to observe and pose in front of for a picture if they so desired. Shoppers and staff felt enthusiastic about the opening.

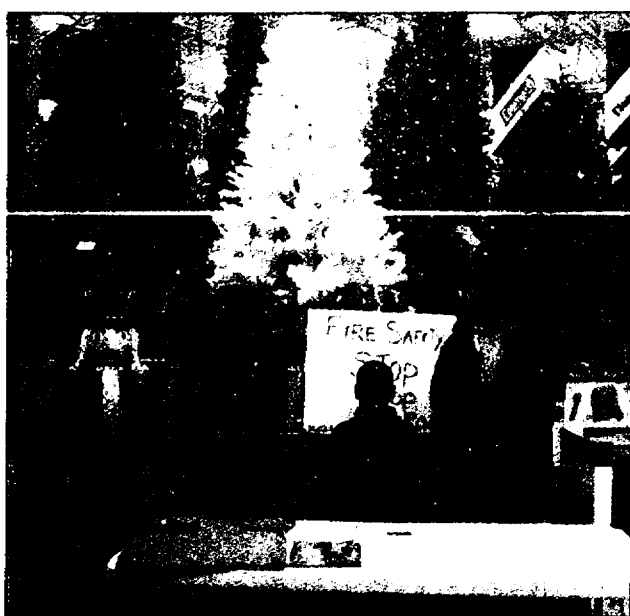
Sergeant Ralph Selvaggi of the Harper Woods Police Department handed out brochures about home and car safety and handed out free gun locks.

"It's great having another business of this caliber in the city," Selvaggi said. "It's fantastic."

Harper Woods fire inspector Robert Balchunas was also present at the store on Nov. 15 where he spoke to shoppers about fire safety and explained the aspects of various Lowes products.

"It's a great store," Balchunas said.

Lowes is very well equipped to handle a fire, Balchunas said.



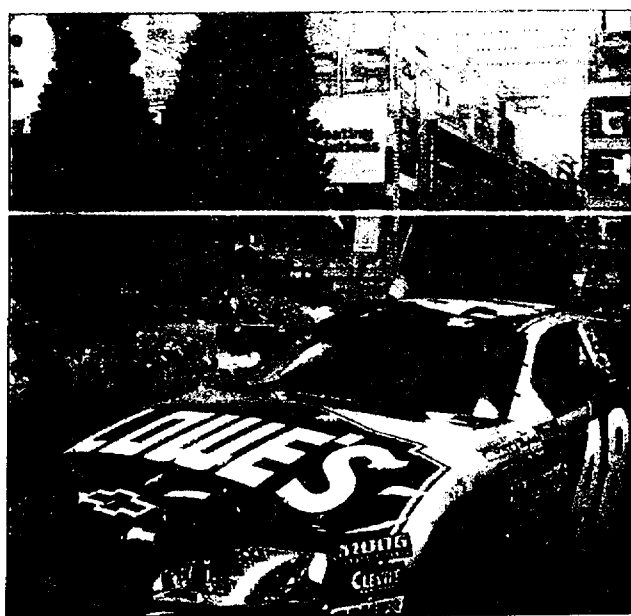
Octavia Winfield, a volunteer of the Boys and Girls Club of Southeastern Michigan, was at Lowes on Saturday, Nov. 15, to instruct people on fire safety tips. From the left, she stands with her sons John and Marcus.

"It has a great sprinkler system and fire alarm system," he said. "They're very fire safety conscious."

Octavia Winfield, a representative from the Boys and Girls Club of Southeastern Michigan, was also at the store on the

15th. She instructed shoppers on how to react in the event of a fire, namely telling them the process of stopping, dropping and rolling.

"It's very well organized," Winfield said of Lowes. "Things look very clean and



A Lowes race car was at the store on Saturday, Nov. 15. Shoppers had the opportunity to have their picture taken in front of it.

situated."

The race car had Lowes emblazoned on its side and is a Nascar vehicle driven by race car driver Jimmy Johnson. Scores of shoppers had their picture taken in front of it.

Shoppers traversed the aisles of the store searching for their shopping needs. A

bevy of Christmas trees adorned the store, glowing with lights and set for sale. Large banners demarcate the different sections of the store. Some of the sections include fashion and bath, lighting, home decor, doors and window, roofing, hardware and insulation.

Steve Francis of Grosse

Pointe Woods was searching for a washer and dryer. He had a 10 percent savings coupon that he wanted to use.

"I like the selection," he said. "We've just moved into the area. I might as well take advantage of it."

Silas Cobb of Detroit was looking for carpet for the room of his grand daughter, Jasmine.

"I like it. It's large, and people are very friendly," he said, adding that the staff helped him out.

"The gentleman took us down the aisle to show us our area of interest," he said.

Chris Nichols of Grosse Pointe was just browsing. She said she liked the store, particularly its vast selection, and was considering going to nearby Home Depot to compare prices.

Lowes staff members were very pleased about the opening of the store. Calvin Speed, a sales associate who used to work for Home Depot, beamed excitement.

"I love the clean atmosphere," he said. "The customers are happy because we take care of them."

## Homegrown HW rock band singing their dreams

By Carrie Cunningham  
Staff Writer

A group of young men in Harper Woods are rocking their way to happiness. Steve Dombroski, Randy Gray, Graham Rockwood, Nick Weidner, Ryan Wise and Dustin Buckley have formed a band called Projekt Gift. They are belting out songs that titillate their fans and have managed to help people along the way.

The band has existed for about a year. They formed from a smaller band called Deluxe and sing a wide swath of music — rock, jazz, hip hop and funk. Bands like Santana and Led Zeppelin inspire them.

Some band members had to save up to buy instruments to perform. Dombroski worked at Vegas market on Kelly to buy a \$3,000 guitar, while Rockwood worked at Kroger's to buy his \$2,000 bass guitar.

The band's first show was at The Element in Mount Clemens, and they have played in total of 16 shows. Their next show will be at the club Clutch Cargo in

Pontiac on Sunday, Nov. 23.

They played at Race for the Cure and took part in the AIDS walk.

"We're a positive band," vocalist Weidne said. "We like to help people. We want to inspire people. We want to be part of the change that makes the earth a better place."

They plan to cut a CD with some of their best songs like "Give a Little Life," "Breaking your Limits," "Rewind," and "Falling Upwards." They hope the CD's release will give them wider exposure and enhance their stature as a band.

"We want people to get something out of our music," Weidne said.

Singing in front of a crowd is tantamount to paradise, band members say. While they were nervous at first, they have grown into performing before audiences.

"It's a good feeling," Dombroski said. "You get a rush."

"It's a connection," Weidner said. "We put all our energy into giving people what they want."

Creating song lyrics is similarly a blissful, satisfying experience.

"It reflects on who you are," said Dombroski. "It comes from the heart and soul."

The close knit community of Harper Woods high has allowed the band to thrive.

"It's a small school. You know everybody," guitarist Gray said. "Friends are willing to support us at any cost."

Band members say music is their destiny.

"With us, we can't be behind a desk," Gray said.

"We pretty much have it set that this is what we're going to do for the rest of our lives," Weidner said.

The band hopes to go on tour sometime in the future and maybe even be featured on MTV. They hope to rise in popularity by taking small, patient steps. Their enthusiasm for their craft and aspirations for their future are palpable and endearing.

"We're just trying to live our dream like everyone's trying to live theirs," Weidner said.



Photo courtesy of Projekt Gift

The band Projekt Gift, a homegrown Harper Woods band, stands above. They are guitarist Steve Dombroski, rhythm guitarist Randy Gray, drummer Ryan Wise, vocalist Nick Weidner, bass guitarist Graham Rockwood and below, bass guitarist Dustin Buckley.

## Police Briefs

### Broken window

A woman said she parked her 1999 Jeep in the parking lot in the 20620 block of Beaconsfield at 7:30 p.m.

on Friday, Nov. 14.

When she returned at 10:35 a.m. the next morning, she noticed a broken window.

### Stolen Car

A woman said her daughter's car was parked in the 19100 block of Woodcrest on Saturday, Nov. 15. She heard a car alarm and saw the vehicle going eastbound on Woodcrest. The woman said she had the keys, and she and her daughter gave no one permission to use the car. The vehicle was entered into the computer system.

### Car theft

On Saturday, Nov. 15 a policeman on patrol on I-94 and Allard noticed a Cadillac with no rear tail lights. The license plate was traced to a BMW. The driver did not have a license and was arrested. Upon further investigation, the car was found to be reported stolen from a rental car company in Cincinnati, Ohio.

### Storage plundered

A woman said on Saturday, Nov. 15, at 4 p.m. she noticed several storage spaces were sacked in a space in the 21300 block of Kingsville, including one of her own. A heater was taken, and a lock was broken. Other items were scattered about.



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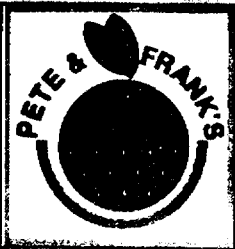
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# Stock market locked in low gear two weeks

For the last 13 trading days through last Friday, the Dow has been stuck in a sideways channel, with 9,849 high and 9,738 low, a band of only 111 points.

The S&P 500 Index has a similar channel above and below its long-term resistance level of 1,050.

During the same 13-day period, the S&P 500 meandered from 1,059 high to 1,047 low, a band of only 12 points.

One seldom-discussed tax phenomenon involves profit taking. Traders often cashed in short-term profits when they rolled-over into six months' long-term gains. Not now! To qualify for the new super-low 20 percent long-term gains bracket, the new holding period is 12 months.

Remember this rally started March 1; so relax; those gains won't roll into the 20 percent tax bracket for another three-plus months!

Last week wasn't worth writing home about. The Dow slipped 41 points, while the Nasdaq Composite dropped 40 points.

## SEC oversight

Last Sunday's New York Times (Nov. 16) featured a

front-page cover article, "SEC's Oversight of Mutual Funds is Said to be Lax," by Stephen Labaton.

Until earlier this year, the SEC had an inspection staff of 350 examiners and support personnel to monitor an industry of 13,000 mutual funds and investment advisers.

A May 1997 report found examiners had been inspecting firms about once every five years.

Although many think the securities industry is self-regulated, the mutual funds sector is solely regulated at the federal level by the SEC.

But mutual funds support one of the largest and most powerful lobbying organizations — the Investment Company Institute (ICI), with a \$30+ million budget and a staff of 170.

With the SEC always a day late and a dollar short, the ICI makes sure that the SEC's request for additional staff appropriations are always voted down by congressional Republicans and Democrats.

It now seems when the cat's away, the mice will play. The SEC's inept response to the Putnam crisis appears to be the best we can hope for.

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admonition: "If the SEC can't regulate its betting tracks, fire the commissioner and evict all the players with a lifelong ban on returning to the business."

### Rukeyser in surgery

Last Friday's "Louis Rukeyser's Wall Street" TV show was hosted by Tyler Mathisen, standing in for Lou, who is recovering from surgery at the Mayo Clinic.

Mathisen, trying to find a positive spin in the mutual fund quagmire, told the story about the six most feared words in Fundsville: "Eliot Spitzer holding on Line 1."

Special guest Foster Friess, chairman and founder of Friess Associates and its Brandywine family of funds, reported that statisticians were surprised by a "technical adjustment" of the data supporting the monthly gross domestic product (GDP), which measures the economic health

of the country.

Two weeks ago, LTS quoted Washington press releases that the October GDP had jumped 7.2 percent, an unbelievably high jump!

Friess reported the "technical adjustment" indicated that certain computer-related production has increased by unit volume, which was then cost-estimated, using 1996 pricing, which showed a dollar increase of \$36 billion.

The "adjustment" reduced the dollar pricing to today's prices, to only \$6 billion, or a decrease of 83.3 percent!

Later this month, the October GDP will be adjusted downward to reflect the correct data. Overall, the adjusted GDP will still reflect some economic recovery and still casts some doubts on where the federal bean-counters found their antique pricing charts.

### Tax-loss time

With Thanksgiving only a

week away, it's not too early to think about 2003 income taxes, to check the market values of your portfolio for opportunities to offset losses against gains, check holding periods for the new long-term gains and to weed out the dead blooms of last summer.

The new tax laws effective this year not only reduced taxes on certain cash dividends, but also greatly complicated Schedule D for capital gains and losses.

What used to be a simple add and subtract worksheet now runs page after page after page!

Because of increased tax complexities, an early phone call to your tax adviser will put you at the head of your class.

Need help this year? Call LTS' sponsor, John M. Rickel, CPA, at (313) 881-8200.

The tax returns of LTS & Mrs. LTS have been done

## Stock Market at a Glance

Friday Close, 11/14/03

Dow Jones Ind.	9,769
Nasdaq Comp.	1,930
S&P 500 Index	1,050
\$ in EUROS	1.1782
Crude Oil (Bbl.)	32.37
Gold (Oz.)	398.00
3-Mo. T-Bills	0.93%
30-Yr. T-Bonds	5.06%

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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.

## Business People



Thom

Grosse Pointe Farms resident **Jamie Thom** has joined Intramode as sales manager.

Intramode is a Detroit-based contemporary furnishings and floor dealership. Thom worked previously as a manufacturer's representative for Contract Source Group in Bloomfield Hills.

In his new job, Thom's responsibilities include new business, brand development and expanding the company's General Services Administration program. Thom is a graduate of Michigan State University.

**William B. Beach**, a senior attorney at Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone PLC, was elected president of the Michigan Association of Municipal Attorneys (MAMA) and elected chairman of the Legal Defense Fund for a two-year term, both of the Michigan Municipal League.

MAMA is an organization of more than 533 municipal attorneys working to strengthen the quality of legal representation of municipal corporations through continuing education and assisting in the exchange of ideas.

The Legal Defense Fund was formed jointly by the MAMA to assist member municipalities in appellate court litigation with issues of statewide significance.

Beach practices all aspects of municipal law, and county and state governmental law. He currently serves as city attorney for Rockwood, has been the city attorney for Southfield, and has served as special assistant city attorney for Royal Oak, Muskegon, Troy, Lansing, Detroit and the City of Grosse Pointe. He is also a special assistant attorney general for the state of Michigan.

Beach is a resident of the City.

**Chuck Gage** has been honored for outstanding contributions at work with the Most Able award and the Operation ABLE "Ability is Ageless" award luncheon. The event saluted employees 50 years of age or older or who have 20 years of service to a company, who daily make a difference to their companies through experience, work ethic and commitment to excellence.

Gage is a resident of Grosse Pointe Woods and a telecommunications specialist for SBC Communications in Detroit.

An employee for 38 years, Gage has been credited with possessing a powerful combination of skill, caring and empathy which enable him to master the complicated world of digital switching, data networking, data transmission, fiber optics, circuit engineering circuit testing and the Internet.

**Mike Ellis, R.N.**, has been named director of support services for Henry Ford Health System's Home Health Care.

Ellis, of Grosse Pointe Farms, will oversee quality improvement, clinical specialty programs, accounts receivable and information services.

Ellis returns to Henry Ford after serving as director of clinical services for six years at HomeReach HomeCare in Columbus, Ohio.

Under his directorship, the company won the 2003 Ohio Award for Excellence, 2002 and 2003 Columbus Consumer Choice Award and 2000 Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organization's Codman Award.

**Richard Manetta**, corporate vice president and general counsel of The Dow Chemical Company and resident of Grosse Pointe Farms, received the President's Choice Award at the State Bar of Michigan Past President's Dinner.

The dinner was held to benefit the Bar's Access to Justice Fund, which benefits civil legal aid services.

Manetta worked for the City of Detroit and Ford Motor Company before joining Dow in 2001. He belongs to the company's executive management team and is an ex official member of the environment, health and safety committee of Dow's board of directors.

Manetta earned his law degree from Wayne State University.

**Dr. Fred W. Whitehouse**, division head emeritus of endocrinology and metabolism at Henry Ford Hospital, was recently honored with the Distinguished Career Award by the Henry Ford Medical Group in recognition of his exemplary service in clinical practice, research and education. Whitehouse specializes in the treatment of diabetes and is a resident of Grosse Pointe Woods.

## Brush up your Shakespeare, Kate

"All my chicks? All my babes in one fell swoop?" Who said it? I'll give you a hint.

If you are a Shakespeare buff, you might want to pay a visit to the Internet Web site <http://shakespeare.palomar.edu>. It has all kinds of Shakespeare resources, along with new Shakespeare material unavailable elsewhere on the Internet.

There is a Shakespeare time line, which gives the key events of Shakespeare's life and work, along with related documentary evidence. It also includes a Shakespeare genealogy, including a chart showing family relationships and dates. And there is a Shakespeare time line summary chart showing the events of his life along with important contemporary events and publications.

If you're feeling brave, there is a Shakespeare biography quiz, but you have to promise to take the quiz before reading the time line. No cheating!

By the way, McDuff uttered the "fell swoop" comment when he learned Macbeth had killed everyone in his family.

The Web site is a great opportunity to "brush up your Shakespeare," as the song from the play "Kiss Me Kate" goes.

The next item in our Internet foray is a little late for Veterans' Day, but still worth noting.

## Pointers on Technology



From Feb. 8, 1918, to June 13, 1919, by order of Gen. John J. Pershing, the U.S. Army published a newspaper for its forces in France. It was called Stars and Stripes. The Web site address is too long and complicated to print here, but a Google search will lead you to it.

This online collection, presented by the Serial and Government Publications Division of the Library of Congress, includes the complete 71-week run of the newspaper's World War I edition.

When the Stars and Stripes began publication, American forces were dispersed throughout the Western Front, often mixed at the unit level with British, French and Italian forces.

The newspaper's mission was to provide these scattered troops with a sense of unity and an understanding of their part in the overall war effort. The eight-page weekly featured news from home, sports news, poetry and cartoons. Its staff included journalists

Alexander Woolcott, Harold Ross and Grantland Rice.

Printing the paper on presses borrowed from Paris newspaper plants, the staff used a network of trains, automobiles and a motorcycle to deliver the news to the doughboys. At the peak of its production, Stars and Stripes had a circulation of 526,000 readers.

Now how about a visit with a Neanderthal man? No, I'm not talking about the guy who cut you off on Mack yesterday. This is the real deal.

It's part of the Discovery Channel's ([www.dsc.discovery.com](http://www.dsc.discovery.com)) virtual journey through time, where you can meet your ancestors and explore the traits that

set humans apart from other animals. (Hot tubs?) Enter a Neanderthal cave to see how early humans lived and see an illustrated demonstration about how humans evolved. (It's also interesting to see how closely the Neanderthal cave resembles a teenager's bedroom.)

Speaking of kids — were we speaking of kids? — you might want to direct your rug rats, um, children, to KidsClick ([www.kidsclick.org](http://www.kidsclick.org)).

KidsClick was created by a group of librarians at the Ramapo Catskill Library System as a logical step in addressing concerns about the role of public libraries in guiding young users to age-appropriate Web sites.

Who knows? They might even learn how to keep their caves clean.

Have a tech question or subject you would like addressed in this column? Want to comment or add your two cents worth? My e-mail address is [mtmaurer@comcast.net](mailto:mtmaurer@comcast.net).

## Park free on Mack

The tradition of free holiday parking will continue this year on Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Parking meters will be covered according to an annual shopping promotion by the Grosse Pointe Business & Professional Association of Mack Avenue. "We feel this will help promote businesses along Mack," wrote Kenneth Poulos, association president, in a request to the city council.

## Surtsey Inc. picked good company to work for

Grosse Pointe Farms-based Surtsey Productions was recently named one of Metropolitan Detroit's 101 Best and Brightest Companies to Work For by the Michigan Business and Professional Association.

Judging for the award was based on benefits, training, employee communication, diversity, work life balance, community service and culture.

Surtsey was also named a finalist in the Div2000.com small business awards.

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## Thanksgiving travel tips

Joel Burrows, vice president of training R&D Prestone Tire Auto Care, has advice to help commuters save money at the gas pumps this holiday season:

1. Keep tires properly inflated. Under-inflated tires cause drag: over-inflation causes improper tire-to-road contact. Both conditions will result in abnormal wear.
2. Plan your day. Limit trips by running all errands at the same time or on your way to or from work.
3. Have a certified technician perform an engine and emissions analysis to ensure that the engine's running at

maximum efficiency.

4. Avoid making quick starts or stops. To avoid jamming on brakes, stay a safe distance from the car in front of you. When possible, slow down simply by taking your foot off the gas.
5. Maintain steady speeds; use cruise control on the open road.
6. If you are in warm climates, do not use your air conditioner when driving in the city. Do use your air conditioner on the open road rather than keeping windows open — open windows create wind drag, straining the engine.

7. Use proper octane fuel. Higher-octane gas, which produces less energy, not only costs more it also yields lower miles per gallon.
8. Don't let the engine idle more than a minute or two. This is extremely important on cold morning start-ups.
9. Today's vehicles run on a fine film of fluids. Make sure you service all fluids on a regular basis and in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations. Engine oil level should be checked at every fill-up.

10. Use overdrive gear for highway driving.

## Mach 1

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and a comfortable ride.

The cabin is racy, with beautiful black leather, woven bucket seats similar to the 1969 Mach 1. The gearshift and knob are aluminum, as are the gas and brake pedals. All gauges, controls and stereo system switches are well-placed. Many items come thanks to a \$345 interior upgrade, which we recommend.

Safety-wise, everything expected is included in the base price, with airbags, ABS disc brakes, traction control, all the powers, fog lamps, variable wipers and rear window defroster. You also won't need to order a better stereo, as the Mach 460 stereo with six-disc CD player is standard.

The Mach 1's powerful exhaust rumble, vibrating shaker hum and racing stripes attracted interested onlookers everywhere we went. We took the Mustang to a friend's closed-course drag strip, and it flew to 100 mph. Expect 0-60 mph in the high five-second range and quarter-mile times in the mid to low 13s at about 104 mph. Back in the '60s, a 428 Cobra Jet could run 13.75 at 102 mph from the factory, so you can fully appreciate what Ford has done with just

281 cubic inches.

The Mach 1's sticker price is \$28,705, with the additional \$345 interior upgrade (recommended) and \$625 for delivery bringing our Mach 1 to \$29,675. If you want more power, you'll have to buy a Cobra SVT, but you'll need thousands more. For 2004, the car stays basically the same sans the 40th Anniversary badges, with two new colors, Screaming Yellow and Competition Orange.

Important numbers include a wheelbase of 101.3 inches, 10.9 cubic-feet of luggage capacity, a 3.55 rear-end ratio and a 15-gallon fuel cell. We rate this popular and powerful pony car a 9.5 on a scale of 10, only the third vehicle we've driven this year that receives this high a grade. If this type of performance is in your blood, drive Mach 1 today.

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## Technology and auto theft

(NAPSI) — Vehicle thefts are on the rise after eight straight years of steady declines in the '90s, and police forces are finding it difficult to keep up with the increase. In fact, motor vehicle thefts rose 4.2 percent in the first six months of 2002 compared to 2001, according to last year's FBI Uniform Crime Report. Each year, the total value of all stolen vehicles is estimated at nearly \$8 billion.

It is essential for consumers to take active measures to prevent their vehicles from being stolen, according to the National Insurance Crime Bureau, a not-for-profit organization that fights insurance fraud and theft. Likewise, police agencies nationwide are looking for new options to

help crack down on this growing trend.

Satellite technology is one of the latest tools helping police locate stolen vehicles. Automobiles equipped with in-vehicle safety and security systems can be located even when moving. The OnStar system, found on many General Motors vehicles and a growing number of other automotive manufacturers' products, uses the Global Positioning System (GPS) and wireless technology to respond to approximately 500 stolen vehicle reports a month.

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November 20, 2003

## Local residents befriend area kids as Big Brothers

By Jennie Miller  
Staff Writer

Big Brothers Big Sisters of America has found a way to increase the chances that a child will say no to drugs and alcohol, refrain from using violence and not even consider skipping school.

The organization, created nearly 100 years ago, seeks to provide a responsible, caring adult mentor for children who are lacking important relationships at home.

The results of these positive associations have spawned so much interest in the organization that some children now have to wait for up to a year until being paired with a mentor.

"There is a huge need for volunteers right now," said Raquel Villarruel, president and CEO of the Big Brothers Big Sisters of Metropolitan Detroit.

Children are referred to the organization by schools, parents or religious organizations. Based on similar interests and backgrounds, these children are then matched with volunteers, who can commit as much time as they want.

Bob Makara of Grosse Pointe Farms was matched to his "little brother" because of their common interest in art.

"Bret has a lot of potential creativity, which is why they matched us. I am a very creative person," said Makara, who is an architect and documentarian. His films have been shown at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

Makara, 61, never had any children of his own. He signed on to volunteer with Big Brothers Big Sisters just a few months ago because he wanted to make a difference in the life of another person.

"When I'm ready to leave this world, I want to look back and see that I did some positive things and left something behind," he said.

Makara's "little brother," Bret, 9, lives in Harper Woods. His par-

ents recently separated.

"Two ladies take care of him now, and he's got an older brother, but he's lacking male adult guidance and someone he can relate to and ask questions," Makara said of Bret.

In the last three months, Makara has spent several afternoons with Bret. They have gone to a movie together, played catch and attended a Detroit Tigers baseball game.

"He looks up to me with a positive attitude," Makara said. "It is very satisfying to me that I am making a contribution to somebody else who has a need. All I have to do is be there for him and give him something to look forward to. It's very rewarding."

Stacey Marsiglio of St. Clair Shores has had a similarly rewarding experience as a volunteer with Big Brothers Big Sisters. She has been in contact with her "little sister" for more than three years.

"At the time I first signed up, I didn't have any kids," Marsiglio said with a laugh, thinking of her triplets. "I enjoy children, and it sounded like it would be beneficial. It has ended up being really great."

Her "little sister," Kasey, 11, lives in Clinton Twp. She lives

## Big Brothers Big Sisters of Metropolitan Detroit



Bob Makara of Grosse Pointe Farms has been involved with Big Brothers Big Sisters for a few months. He took his "little brother," Bret, above, to a baseball game at Comerica Park. They also do creative projects together, since both have an interest in art.

with her father and before Marsiglio came along, was in need of an adult female in her life.

"We go shopping or out to lunch, or we'll do crafts and make cookies. We've gone to Four Bears

with the organization, which was a great time together. I've also gone to her dance recitals," Marsiglio said. "I'm just there for her, and it's a lot of fun."

Marsiglio added that the pairing of her and Kasey has been positive and rewarding partly due to the relationship she keeps with her father.

"It helps that I have a good rapport with him," she said. "I make sure he knows what's going on, and he keeps me up to date with things."

Now that Marsiglio has three 2-year-olds to keep her on her toes, she has found it more difficult to find time to spend with Kasey.

"I make sure we get together at least once a month," she said.

The commitment might be long-term, but the organization stresses that a little effort goes a long way.

"It's pretty easy to be a mentor. Anybody could do it," said Paul Opper of St. Clair Shores, a police officer who has been a "big brother" to Aubree for nearly a year. "I don't have a lot of time myself, but it doesn't take much. You can make a difference with even the smallest amount of time."

Opper decided to volunteer with Big Brothers because he wanted to give back to the community. He enjoyed spending time with kids and wanted to do something positive.

"Aubree is just like a typical 8-year-old boy," Opper said. "He is active; he likes the outdoors, and he likes video games."

"I try to see him two or three times a month, but sometimes it's hard with my work schedule. I'll help him with his homework, or we'll do some outdoor activities. This summer we went on a picnic for a Big Brothers event. I've taken him to the movies, and we went to a Pistons game once."

Opper feels proud of the impact he has on Aubree's life.

"I think I bring a little bit of structure to his life," he said. "I'm a male role model that he doesn't have. He looks up to me, which makes me feel good, and I'm glad to be doing something for someone else."

People like Opper, Marsiglio and Makara have gone the extra mile to reach out to another person. Whether or not the reason, if they just want to make a difference, they have taken time away from triplets, making movies and fighting crime to spend a few minutes with a needy child.

Studies have shown that this relationship with a responsible mentor encourages children to be more confident in their ability in school, have increased self-esteem and get along better with other adults such as teachers and guardians. The children have shown to be 46% less likely to begin using illegal drugs, 27% less likely to begin using alcohol, 52% less likely to skip school, and 44% less likely to hit someone.

The Big Brothers Big Sisters federation has grown to include 500 agencies in all 50 states and across the world.

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# It's never too late to start living a healthier lifestyle

It's ironic that everyone wants to find the mythical "fountain of youth," but so many are reluctant to take advantage of an obvious one: No surgery, no creams and no magical fountain of youth can prevent the harmful effects of aging like exercise.

Exercise has been proven to help with weight management, improve skeletal-muscle strength and endurance, cardiopulmonary fitness, flexibility and possibly improve your immune system and mental health. Exercising twice weekly has been shown to reduce the threat of strokes by 40 percent, coronary heart disease by 15 percent and the threat of mortal cardiovascular disease by 15 percent. And that doesn't account for the energizing and psychological effects that can be provided by exercise.

However, a recent study from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) showed that between 28 percent and 34 percent of adults aged 65 to 74 and 35 percent to 44 percent of adults age 75 are inactive, meaning they report no leisure-time moderate activity. Fewer than a third of Americans in the age range exercise twice weekly. Despite the overwhelming number of both private and public gyms, the numbers aren't improving.

But the old excuses don't work. Exercise doesn't have to mean sweating at the gym or buying expensive equipment. In fact, it requires nothing but a willing spirit. "No one is too old to enjoy the benefits of regular exercise. Healthy lifestyles, which include proper nutrition, are more

influential than genetic factors in avoiding deterioration traditionally associated with aging," said HHS Assistant Secretary for Aging Josefina G. Carbonell. If nothing else, the old and young alike are encouraged to start with a series of stretching exercises. Floor based or standing, stretching can help loosen tight muscles and renew blood flow.

The Society of Geriatric Cardiology in Bethesda, Md., recommends moderate intensity exercise, such as walking. To avoid injuries, start exercising slowly (10 to 15 minutes at a comfortably low to moderate intensity), build up the time (add five minutes every two to three weeks) and avoid high impact strenuous activities like jogging or jumping.

Strengthtraining exercises should begin with a light weight that can be lifted comfortably through a full range of motion using good posture and not holding your breath. The goal is to complete 10 to 15 repetitions per exercise. However, there are always risk factors involved in exercise.

"Too often," said a spokesperson for the exercise twice weekly. International Council on Active Aging (ICAA), "people jump into exercise or try to do what they did 20 years ago, injuring themselves in the process. The 50-plus adult's physical capabilities and chronic diseases make this individual's needs different from those of a younger person."

To avoid the dangers, the ICAA provided this checklist for elderly people looking to jump into an exercise program:

1. Get a check-up. Meet with a healthcare provider to see if any special modifications are necessary.
2. Know your options. Pick a program before you start.
3. Determine your participation style. Classes or solo? Night or morning? Develop a plan.
4. Start slowly. There are no overnight solutions.
5. Make a date. Find a friend to join in.
6. Set specific short- and long-term goals. Know what you'll do on Wednesday and

where you want to be in three months.

7. Make a list. List the benefits you expect to achieve (keep it visible).

8. Invest in your health. Jogging shoes or a gym membership could help, or maybe you need a prop at the office.

9. Check out the facility you want to join. Ask questions. Does it feel comfortable?

10. Make choices. Make your decisions and move forward.

## Prevent overmedication

NAPSI — New research indicates that the number of senior citizens subjected to potentially dangerous overmedication has more than doubled since 1999.

The research, released by pharmacy benefit manager Medco Health Solutions, Inc. in conjunction with its 2003 Drug Trend Report, reviewed the prescriptions of 6.3 million seniors and found approximately 7.9 million issues of concern with these prescriptions, including inappropriate medications, excessive dosages and drug interactions. Some experts say this may be only the tip of the iceberg. Millions of seniors who have either no insurance or are covered by Medicare may not have all of their prescriptions reviewed for these types of issues every time they get a prescription filled.

"Not every problem we found was cause for alarm," said Dr. Glen Stettin, vice president, clinical products, Medco Health, "but the

research does indicate a need for better communication among doctors, pharmacists and patients."

According to the research, one in four seniors sees four or more different physicians, and one senior in three used four or more different pharmacies to fill prescriptions last year.

"Seniors and their caregivers must take an active role in managing their medications and work with their various doctors and pharmacists to avoid these medication mistakes," said Dr. Stettin. "Whether it's prescription drugs, over-the-counter medications, or supplements, it's important that seniors be aware of the interactions they could face as a result of taking many different medications."

Seniors can avoid medication mistakes with a few simple tips:

Make a medication list: Keep an updated list of all the medications you are taking, including over-the-counter drugs, and bring it to every doctor's appointment. Share the list with family members and post it at home so emergency workers can easily find it.

Seniors should also ask questions of their doctor including:

How does this medication benefit me? Always know what you are taking a medication for, and what benefits you hope to achieve from it so you can help your doctors monitor whether the medication is working.

Are there side effects and how do I recognize them? By understanding how the medication will react in your body, you can more quickly recognize adverse reactions.

Is this the right dosage for me? As you age, you may need a lower dose of a medication, even if you have been on the medication for some time.

Are you communicating with other doctors? Request that any specialist you see send a full report, including drugs prescribed, to your primary care doctor after your appointment.

Can we eliminate some of these meds? It's always a good idea to request that your doctor regularly review all of your medications with you to see if you still need them all.

Simple steps can help you save time, trouble and perhaps your life.

## SOC to hold Christmas party on Dec. 17

Services for Older Citizens will hold its Christmas party on Wednesday, Dec. 17.

The event includes dinner, a gift exchange and entertainment by the Go Go Grannies.

The cost is \$3 a person, and all are asked to bring a \$5 gift to exchange.

For reservations, call Susan at (313) 882-9600.

## SOC Options

### Making the most of the holidays

By Sharon Maier  
SOC Executive Director

November brings the beginning of the holiday season to us. Although the holiday season is supposed to be a time of sharing good times with family, often-times people, especially seniors, find that "Season's Greetings" brings stress, feelings of disappointment and sadness.

While some people suffer holiday depression for a combination of reasons, others might succumb to a single factor, and still others seem to become depressed for no apparent reason.

The "holiday blues" can be triggered for seniors due to things such as:

- Coping with failing health and greater dependency and realizing that participating in once-enjoyed activities is no longer possible. Prescription medications may also increase depression.
- Spending the holidays alone. Because travel may not be easy or even possible and families sometimes get busy with their own obligations, some seniors spend some or all of the holiday season alone.
- Despair over "then" and "now." Seniors may become melancholy and nostalgic during the holidays due to happier holiday memories of the past.
- Remembering those who have passed. Many seniors have survived a number of their cherished friends and family members and these losses often take on greater significance during the holidays.
- Financial Troubles. Most seniors are on a fixed income. Feelings of guilt over not being able to give gifts may contribute to depression.

If you feel you may be suffering from the "holiday blues," contact your physician. He can suggest some strategies to help chase away these blues. In the meantime, Services for Older Citizens (SOC) has many activities planned that are economical and promote happy, healthy holiday fun.

Talking is great therapy. Many seniors believe that asking for help or speaking of their feelings is a sign of weakness. Denying their feelings can make the situation worse.

SOC offers lunch four days a week: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at 11:15 a.m. Lunch is \$1.50, and the conversation that goes with the meal is great for beating the holiday blues.

Music can change your mood. Grosse Pointe North's and South's choirs get together for a holiday concert beyond compare. It is offered free to the seniors of our community at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 3, at the Grosse Pointe Performing Arts Center. The concert also includes a chance to support the choir by purchasing homemade Christmas cookies. You can relieve even more stress by enjoying homemade cookies without having to bake them.

Physical Activity. Exercising can help burn away stress. SOC offers exercise classes at 9:45 a.m.

Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Each class is \$1.50.

Holiday Traditions. Holiday traditions can bring back memories and create new ones. If attending the Nutcracker ballet was a tradition you loved, join us for a performance on Dec. 12. We will be attending a matinee featuring the Cincinnati Ballet at the Detroit Opera House. This is holiday tradition at its finest. The production is choreographed by San Francisco Ballet's Val Caniparoli; the production highlights more than 100 local children, a 90-foot Christmas tree and 180 costumes. It is the classic story you fell in love with, presented with a new modern edge.

Working with your hands can also alleviate stress. SOC is offering a Christmas craft on Monday, Dec. 8. You can create something new for a holiday gift or decoration while enjoying the company of fellow crafters.

For more information about SOC holiday activities, call the SOC office and request the December SOC Communicator — (313) 882-9600.

## SOC seeks holiday help

Services for Older Citizens is collecting supplies for gift baskets to be distributed during the holidays to senior citizens in the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods.

SOC is looking for donations of small nonperishable food items, toiletries and other household items, candy, baskets, ribbons and hand-made cards.

Items may be dropped off at the SOC office in the Neighborhood Club, 17150 Waterloo in the City of Grosse Pointe, by Monday, Dec. 15.

## Services for Older Citizens sponsors talk

Services for Older Citizens will sponsor a talk by Dorothy Adams, manager of the Martha F. Gorey Resource Center at the Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology, at 11:15 a.m. Monday, Nov. 24, at the Neighborhood Club.

For more information, call (313) 882-2254.

SOC also needs volunteers to assemble or deliver baskets and Christmas Meals on Wheels.

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

## Share your family's history

Grandparents have the opportunity to link the past and the future for young children.

Courtesy of the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) here are some ideas for sharing family history:

Make a family cookbook of favorite recipes; assemble a scrapbook of family heirlooms, letters, photos, and other items; or gather historic items and clothing such as army uniforms and donate them to a local museum.

On your next visit with your grandchildren, point out family heirlooms and their link to the community.



THE GROSSE POINTE LIONS CLUB PROUDLY PRESENTS  
THE HAPPY HOLIDAY JINGLE BELL WALK/RUN 2 M  
Prior to the Grosse Pointe Village Santa Claus Parade

Friday, November 28, 2003

### 2 Mile Fun Walk/Run for The Grosse Pointe Lions Club

When: Friday, November 28, 2003-9:00 a.m.

Where: Grosse Pointe South High Athletic Field  
Fisher Rd. & Kercheval in G.P. Farms

#### ENTRY FEES

\$10.00	Postmarked Before November 24th
\$15.00	In Person Day of Race/Parade
\$5.00	Children under 17 • Postmarked before November 24th
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Patron	\$10.00 \$25.00 \$50.00 \$100.00 \$500.00 \$1,000.00
Dogs	\$5.00 • Dogs not allowed in school building

Mail entries & checks to: Grosse Pointe Lions Club  
P.O. Box 36160 • Grosse Pointe, MI 48236

The Grosse Pointe Village Santa Clause Parade begins immediately following the Walk/Run at 10:00 a.m. at Grosse Pointe South High School

Starting Time Race Starts: 9:00 a.m.

Registration: 7:30 - 8:45 a.m. (Girl's Gym)

Parade Starts: 10:00 a.m.

Race Route: Exit athletic field to Kercheval to Cadieux and return on Kercheval.

- In keeping with the Holiday spirit, all participants are asked to wear jingle bells! The walker or runner who wears the most bells will win a prize.
- Also, other prizes will be given out in the Girl's Gym based on a random drawing of entry numbers at 10:00 a.m. You must be present to win!
- The Grosse Pointe Village Santa Claus Parade begins immediately following the Walk/Run at 10:00 a.m. at Kercheval and Lewiston.

Tear off the bottom portion of this form and mail with your check made payable to: Grosse Pointe Lions Club, P.O. Box 36160, Grosse Pointe, MI 48236 - No Refunds

Registration forms:

Event (Check One) ☐ Run ☐ Walk ☐ Patron  
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Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Waiver: To be signed by athlete/guardian if athlete is under 18. Running a road race involves risks of serious injury. Potholes and other surface defects exist in this course. Motorist, cyclist, pedestrians and animals may accidentally or deliberately create hazards. Also, the physical strain of this event may lead to health problems. I have read and understand this statement and agree to assume all risks of personal injury or other physical or emotional ailments I may incur from participating in this event. I hereby waive all liability claims against Wayne County, the Cities of Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Farms, Grosse Pointe South High School, The Grosse Pointe Lions Club, Grosse Pointe Village Association and all other sponsors from any injuries or ailments I may incur from participating in this event. Further, I hereby grant full permission to any and all of the foregoing to use my photographs, video tapes, motion pictures, recordings or any other record of this event for any legitimate purposes.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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Remember to attend the Grosse Pointe Village Santa Claus Parade immediately following the Walk/Run! Parade starts at 10:00 a.m. at Kercheval & Lewiston. For more information or forms call (313) 885-0840. Parking at the Grosse Pointe Memorial - 32 Lakeshore - 2 blocks away. All contributions are tax deductible.

# Deck the Hill for Family Center fundraiser

The Hill Association and the Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods are starting a new family tradition that will help families in the community: Holiday Trees of the Hill.

Starting Thursday, Nov. 20, families will have a chance to bid on 13 trees and seven wreaths, all professionally decorated, on display in participating Hill businesses. Bids for trees and wreaths will be accepted at their sponsoring businesses at the last day of their close of business the weekend of Dec. 5 through 7.

**Diane Strickler**, executive of the Family Center, credited the idea to "some very creative volunteers on our board."

"As a new non-profit, we had to find a financially viable fundraising niche in this community," said Strickler, who has led the Family Center since its inception in 2000.

When Strickler and her board approached the Hill Association with the idea this past summer, the idea was as popular as celebrating Christmas in July.

"We had enough people on the Hill to get excited about it," said **Pat Brinker**, Hill Association member and owner of the League Shop. "It's a totally different idea: it gets people to look at all of the individual businesses, it gets all the Hill merchants in the spirit of decorating for Christmas, plus we're helping the Family Center."

The Grosse Pointe News is one of over 20 sponsors of the event.

"It's so affirming as a new non-profit to have this much support from the Hill," Strickler said.

The Family Center provides services such as parenting seminars and the popular Play Central for preschoolers and their parents. Future projects include a guide to parenting adolescents, expected to be released after the first of the year, and a parenting symposium next spring.

The event kicks off with a preview party at Northern Trust Bank and Kennedy & Company on Nov. 20 from 6 to 8 p.m. which features a live auction of a wreath and a tree, door prizes, and complimentary wine and hors d'oeuvres.

Tickets for the party are \$50 and may be reserved by calling (313) 432-3832.

— Bonnie Caprara

**50th Ball:** Supporters and underwriters of the St. John Hospital and Medical Center's Fontbonne Auxiliary's 50th Annual White Christmas Ball were honored at a cocktail party Nov. 6 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Art Van Elslander. Guests for the evening included many of the past 50 ball chairmen.

This year's event is chaired by **Lorna Zalenski** and will be held on Friday, Dec. 12, at the Ritz Carlton Hotel. Cocktails begin at 6:30 p.m.; dinner is at 8 p.m.; dancing to the music of Simone Vitale and his orchestra begins at 9 p.m.

Proceeds from this year's ball will be used to purchase an Excimer Laser for the Department of Cardiology at St. John Hospital.

Tickets to the ball are \$275 a person. Afterglow tickets are \$75 a person. For more information, call **Lorraine Owczarek** at the Fontbonne Auxiliary office (313) 343-3675 weekdays from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Trees:** The Festival of Trees, an annual benefit for Children's Hospital of Michigan, has moved to a new location this year. The festival will be held at the Ford Motor Company Conference and Event Center, 1151 Village Road in Dearborn.

The festival includes a display of more than 100

professionally designed trees as well as vignettes, wreaths, a gingerbread village, a gift shop, entertainment, activities for children, a chance to visit Santa and more.

Proceeds benefit pediatric research at CHM.

Festival of Trees begins Sunday, Nov. 23 and runs until Sunday, Nov. 30. It will be closed on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, Nov. 27.

A preview party is Saturday, Nov. 22. Tickets range from \$150 to \$250. Other special events include an American Girl Tea on Nov. 23; Fash Fest on Nov. 24; Lunch with Santa on Nov. 28 and 29; and a Dance Party on Nov. 28.

For ticket information, call (313) 966-TREE.

**Holiday Boutique:** The Rev. Martha Wallace of Christ Church Grosse Pointe makes pottery on her days off.

First, she prays. "I need to be centered to get the pot centered on the wheel. Otherwise it will be out of round," Wallace said. "I get centered by praying."

The result is a vessel that may have been pounded and pummeled in its clay form, but exudes a spirit of peace when finished.

"When people are distracted; when they are worried about things, then they can't center their pots," she said.

Wallace's peaceful, centered pottery will be among the items for sale at the Christ Church Grosse Pointe Holiday Boutique.

The boutique will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6, and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7, at the church, 61 Grosse Pointe



## Dance Council of MOT

The Dance Council of the Michigan Opera Theatre Volunteer Association held a black-tie reception Oct. 29 to celebrate the opening of the Kirov Ballet in "La Bayadere."

Some 200 people attended the dinner and the ballet performance, including Gloria and Fred Clark of Grosse Pointe Shores. Funds raised will support dance productions at the Detroit Opera House.

Blvd. in Grosse Pointe Farms. Admission is free.

Items for sale will include holiday greens, flowers, angora mittens, baked goods, jellies, travel kits, jewelry, gourmet foods, painted furniture, watercolors, textile designs, hand-knit sweaters, Italian charm bracelets, cultured pearl items, dolls, decorative frames, candles, bath products and more.

A dollar table will be available for children to purchase gifts, and there

will also be a silent auction.

Funds raised at the event will go to Christ Church's children's ministries and outreach.

Boutique chairman is **Bobbie Warnock-Kelley**. The community is invited. Parking will be available in the Grosse Pointe South High School parking lot. The entrance to the Holiday Boutique is in the new building at the rear of the church.

— Margie Reins Smith



Photo by Bonnie Caprara

**Diane Strickler**, executive director of the Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods, and **Pat Brinker**, member of the Hill Association and owner of the League Shop, show off one of 13 trees to be auctioned in select Hill businesses during Holiday Trees of the Hill from Thursday, Nov. 20, through Sunday, Dec. 7. Proceeds benefit the Family Center.



The Rev. Martha Wallace, assistant to the rector at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, took up pottery four years ago. She is shown applying slip to a vessel at the Ann Arbor Art Center.



Past chairmen of the White Christmas Ball got together Nov. 6 at a party to honor supporters and underwriters of the 50th annual fundraiser for St. John Hospital. From the top of the staircase: **Ardis Gardella**, **Mary Tulloch**, **Gloria Clark**, **Christine Drummy**, **Cynthia Doherty**, **Sharon Burke** and **Mado Lie**. At the bottom, from left, are **Maureen McCabe**, **Pat Young**, **Joan Gehrke** and **Nashwa Sawaf**.



Photo by Margie Reins Smith

## Bid4Kids

The Children's Home of Detroit's annual on-line auction, "Bid4Kids," made close to \$115,000 for the CHD. Several thousand people went to the Internet to place bids on a variety of items from original works of art to vacation packages to sporting events and more.

Development director **Lisa Gandelot** said bids came in from all over the country and the staff of the Children's Home was pleased with the results of the fundraiser.

From left, are **Georgia Valente**, honorary co-chairman; **Robin Hambricht** and **Becky Mandel**, co-chairmen of the kickoff party; and **Nancy Rennick**, honorary chairman.

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## Jefferson Avenue Church celebrates its heritage

A colorful celebration of the Scottish origin of the Presbyterian Church will take place beginning at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, at Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church, 8625 E. Jefferson in Detroit.

The Presbyterian Church USA is rich in Scottish tradition, with roots going back to founder John Knox in 16th century Scotland.

The worship liturgy will be taken from the 300-year-old "Scottish Book of Common Worship."

The Rev. Peter C. Smith, pastor of Jefferson Avenue church, will preach.

Participants in the service will include the St. Andrews Honor Guard and Pipe Band; Graham's Company 42nd Royal Highland Regiment (The Black Watch); Thomas Cogswell, president of St. Andrews Society; members of the St. Andrews Society; the Order of Scottish Clans; and Daughters of Scotia. The three Scot Tenors will also participate in the service.

A Ceilidh (a Scottish "happening") will follow the service with entertainment and refreshments. Child care will be provided. For information, call (313) 822-3456.

## Christ Church Chorale and Orchestra offer concert

The Christ Church Chorale and Orchestra will perform "Alexander's Feast" by George Frederic Handel beginning at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, at Christ Church, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms.

"Alexander's Feast" is a poem written by John Dryden in 1734. It was set to music by Handel in 1736. The extraordinary work is a tribute to St. Cecilia, patron saint of music.

It is part of a group of works which were written to celebrate the feast day of St. Cecilia (Nov. 22) in London, England, during the 18th century.

The soprano soloist is Rachel Edie Warrick, a coloratura from the University of Michigan. Nicholas Edwin of the University of Michigan and Grosse Pointe will sing the tenor roles, and James Gray will sing the bass arias.

An orchestra of trumpets, horns, oboes, bassoons and strings will accompany the 60-voice choir under the direction of Frederic DeHaven, organist and choirmaster of Christ Church.

Tickets are \$15 and may be reserved. Call (313) 885 4841.

## 'Magnificat and Messiah'

A Christmas concert, "Magnificat and Messiah" will be performed by Cantata Academy Chorale at 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7, at St. Ambrose Catholic Church, 15020 Hampton, in Grosse Point Park.

The conductor is Michael

A. Mitchell.

General admission is \$15; Seniors and students, \$12. A portion of each advance-purchase ticket will support the St. Ambrose Choir program. Tickets will also be available at the door.

Call (313) 822-2814.

## LTA: Movie and discussion

The Lay Theological Academy presents "Sunday Afternoon at the Movies," beginning at 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Farms.

The movie will be "Grand Canyon," with Kevin Kline, a story of rebuilding dissi-

pated relationships. Tom Donahoe, a lay Catholic campus minister at Oakland Community College, will hold a brief discussion of the movie after the viewing.

Pop and complimentary fresh popcorn will be available. A free will offering will be taken at the door.

# Weddings/Engagements



Elizabeth Mary O'Brien and Patrick John Hurford

## O'Brien-Hurford

Lucille Downer of Cedar Springs and Gregory O'Brien of Lowell have announced the engagement of their daughter, Elizabeth Mary O'Brien, to Patrick John Hurford, son of Richard and Judith Hurford of Grosse Pointe Farms. A June wedding is planned.

O'Brien earned a bachelor's degree in business administration from Western Michigan University. She is a specialty representative with Pfizer Pharmaceuticals.

Hurford earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Kalamazoo College. He is a student at the Moritz College of Law at Ohio State University.



Anthony Edwin Duran and Lisa Kaye DeVries

## DeVries-Duran

Henry and Sheryl DeVries of Grosse Pointe Farms have announced the engagement of their daughter, Lisa Kaye DeVries, to Anthony Edwin Duran, son of Paul and Debra Duran of Jacksonville, Fla. A May wedding is planned.

DeVries graduated from Hope College with a Bachelor of Arts degree in elementary education. She is a social worker at Misericordia, a residential facility in Chicago for children and adults with disabilities.

Duran graduated from Saint Leo University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in theology. He is vice president of sales with Kemplar.com in Chicago.



Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stephen Rahaim

## DeSeranno-Rahaim

Susie Denise DeSeranno, daughter of Susan DeSeranno of Grosse Pointe Shores and Don DeSeranno of Las Vegas, Nev., married Robert Stephen Rahaim, son of Kelly Martin Rahaim and Robert Rahaim, both of Grosse Pointe, on Aug. 9, 2003.

The Rev. Roger Lumbré officiated at the 5:30 p.m. ceremony at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church.

A reception followed at the Detroit Athletic Club.

The bride wore an ivory gown with silver embroidery and beading. She carried a bouquet of ivory roses and silver crystals.

The maid of honor was the bride's sister, Aline DeSeranno of Grosse Pointe Park.

Bridesmaids were the bride's sisters, Maria DeSeranno and Celia Wade of Atlanta, Ga.; and the groom's sisters, Sarah Rahaim of Chicago and Kristin and Jennifer Rahaim, both of Grosse Pointe Woods.

Attendants wore floor-length black dresses and carried ivory and light lavender roses.

The best man was Kevin O'Malley of New York.

Groomsmen were the bride's brother, Don DeSeranno of Grosse Pointe; Dan Sylvester; Michael Lucido; Michael Aubrey; and Vincent Thomas.

The mother of the bride wore a champagne lace gown and an ivory rose corsage.

The groom's mother wore a silk ivory beaded dress and an ivory rose corsage. The newlyweds honeymooned in Hawaii. They live in Grosse Pointe Woods.

## Sharrow-Wood

Nicole Elizabeth Sharrow, daughter of Robb and Pam Sharrow of Grosse Pointe Park, married Jason Scott Wood, son of Tony and Heather Wood of Vancouver, British Columbia, on Aug. 9, 2003, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

The Rev. Dr. Robert H. Crilley, pastor emeritus of Fort Street Presbyterian Church, officiated at the 6 p.m. ceremony. A champagne reception on the terrace of the War Memorial was followed by a dinner in the Alger House.

The bride wore an ivory strapless lace-up gown decorated with crystals, pearls, sequins and beads. She carried a bouquet of fuchsia

dendrobium orchids, white phalaenopsis orchids, blue delphiniums and bear grass.

The maid of honor was the bride's sister, Anne Sharrow of the City of Grosse Pointe.

Bridesmaids were Jennifer Kerr of Vancouver; Laura VanderMale, Robin Callas and Elena Callas, all of the City of Grosse Pointe; and Beth Callas of New York.

The best man was the groom's brother, Kevin Wood of Vancouver.

Groomsmen were the bride's brothers, Rob Sharrow of Ann Arbor and Greg Sharrow of Louisiana; Scott Coats and James Ennis, both of Vancouver; and the bride's godfather, Mark Robinson of North Carolina.

Junior attendants were Julie Soullard of New Jersey and Laura Robinson of North Carolina.

The flower girl was



Mr. and Mrs. Jason Scott Wood

Elizabeth Moon of New York, and the ring bearer was Stewart Moon of New York.

The newlyweds will honeymoon in Belize during the Christmas holidays. They live in Vancouver.

**Put engagement and wedding information in the Grosse Pointe News**

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9:30 a.m. Contemporary Service

11:00 a.m. Traditional Service

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

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Saturday, November 22, 2003

5:30 p.m. - Holy Eucharist Rite II

Sunday, November 23, 2003

8:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist Rite II

9:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist Rite II

with the Choir of Men and Girls

10:10 a.m. - Christian Education for All Ages  
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## Hair loss not a sign of age

By Tresa Erickson

It's amazing how much time and money women invest in their hair. Many spend hours in front of the mirror every morning, making sure every hair is in place. Others spend hundreds of dollars every month at the salon and on beauty products to make their hair beautiful. For most women, hair is an important feature, and when it falls out, it is devastating.

Most women lose about 50 to 100 hairs per day. This amount of hair loss is normal, and the body will naturally replace it. If a woman is losing more hair than that, she may have a problem. Hair loss can be caused by many things. In some cases, the problem can be corrected, and the hair will grow back. In others, it is more difficult.

Women in general are less likely to experience hair loss than men. Those who do, usually begin doing so later in life. Most of the women in this group suffer from androgenetic alopecia or female-pattern baldness. Caused by several factors, including age, hormones and genetics, the condition usually doesn't strike women until after menopause and often results in overall thinning of the hair. Unfortunately this type of hair loss is usually permanent. However, surgical and nonsurgical treatments are available to help.

Another condition responsible for hair loss in women is alopecia areata. Affecting more than four million people in the United States, the

condition usually strikes in childhood and results in small, round bald patches on the scalp and body. In most cases, the hair returns in six months to two years. Sometimes, however, the condition progresses, leading to total hair loss. Treatments range from cortisone injections to creams and ointments to topical immunotherapy.

There are several other causes of hair loss in women. They include:

- **Certain medical conditions.** Women who suffer from immune system disorders, polycystic ovary syndrome and endocrine abnormalities, such as diabetes and thyroid disease, often experience hair loss. The onset of some cancers, including leukemia and lymphoma, may also result in hair loss.

- **Certain medications.** According to physicians, there are over 300 medications that can cause hair loss. Of those, chemotherapy and radiation are probably two of the best known. Beta-blockers, antidepressants, amphetamines, blood thinners and the acne medicine isotretinoin are also common causes of hair loss.

- **Poor nutrition.** To sustain hair growth, the body needs plenty of protein, vitamins and minerals. Women with eating disorders and some vegetarians do not get these essentials and suffer hair loss. Athletes who suffer from iron-deficiency anemia may also lose hair.

- **Cosmetic care.** Overperming and over coloring are both causes of exten-

sive hair loss. In severe cases, some women begin to see bald spots. African-American women who wear their braids too tight may experience traction alopecia, thinning hair around the edges of their hairlines.

- **Major events.** Events, such as having a baby, undergoing anesthesia or experiencing a heavy period of bleeding or a high fever may cause hair to fall out.

In most of these cases, the hair loss is not permanent. Once the problem is corrected or the event is over, the hair will return.

Women who are experiencing significant hair loss should consult a doctor. The doctor will first check their scalp and determine if they are suffering from any type of alopecia. Once those are ruled out, the doctor will start looking for other causes. If the cause turns out to be a medical condition, the doctor will start treatment right away. If medication is the problem, the doctor may switch the patient to another drug. If nutrition or cosmetic care is a factor, the doctor may refer the patient to the appropriate experts.

Women can help prevent hair loss by eating a well-balanced, healthy diet and taking good care of their hair. Experts recommend limiting shampooing to once a day and switching blow dryers to a lower setting. Women should also style their hair when it's dry and keep coloring and perming to a minimum.

Hair loss in women, no matter how old they are, can be embarrassing. Fortunately in most cases, the problem can be resolved, and the hair will return. In the meantime and in cases where the hair loss is permanent, women can make the best of their situation with wigs, hair extensions, hats and more.

## Christ Church hosts 'Celebration of the Spirit'

By Carrie Cunningham  
Staff Writer

Christ Church, Grosse Pointe is hosting an intergenerational retreat called "A Celebration of the Spirit" on the weekend of Nov. 22.

The Rev. Masud Syedullah of the Bronx, N.Y., will be directing the weekend which will feature liturgy, prayer, common meals, singing, movement arts and storytelling.

Syedullah is part of the Episcopal Diocese of New York and is a musician and educator in addition to being a priest. He has copious experience in leading conferences on spiritual direction. He has led spirituality sessions at Westpoint and in France and has worked on interfaith harmony among Muslims and Christians in the Middle East.

The Rev. Canon Ron Spann, who heads the Spirituality Center at Christ

Church, is very excited about the weekend.

"It will help people by giving them a fresh invitation to pay attention to their interior lives," he said. "We're trying to help people get a vision of themselves."

The event will be both a celebration and a time for quiet reflection, Spann said. Currently 26 people have signed up for the event, and Spann hopes to double that number.

The event starts on Friday, Nov. 21, from 6 to 9:30 p.m. On Saturday, Nov. 22, the festivities run from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., and on Sunday, Syedullah will be present at the Sunday morning forum between the 9 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. services.

The cost is \$25 per adult and \$50 per family. Anyone in the community is welcome to attend.

Call (313) 885-4841 ext. 113 to sign up.

## Walk and talk turkey

How did I eat an entire turkey?

That's the question we sometimes ask after Thanksgiving dinner. And we start thinking that a brisk walk might be a good idea.

"After a dynamic workout, such as a brisk walk, metabolism remains elevated above normal," says Dr. Tom Simmer. Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan corporate medical director.

"This can help burn off the additional calories from your Thanksgiving Day meal."

Simmer doesn't advocate that anyone eat the whole turkey. But he says individuals can feel a little better about enjoying all that Thanksgiving has to offer after a short walk.

It's an activity that family members or friends can join in on. Walking doesn't require a lot of equipment.

"Recent research shows walking is the only exercise

in which the rate of participation does not decline in the middle and later years," Simmer said.

"In fact, the highest percentage of regular walkers for any group — nearly 40 percent — was found among men 65 and older."

Going for a walk also is a great way to reduce stress and promote an overall sense of wellness.

Not keen on walking outdoors in winter? Consider options like a walking exercise video you can pop into the TV.

Strap on a pedometer to help add up the many steps you log throughout the day. Keep a log of your activities and mark your progress.

It's a habit begun on Thanksgiving you can share with family and friends for a lifetime.

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## Putting on the dog for classroom pets

By Debbie Farmer  
Special Writer

If you're a parent of a school-aged child, chances are you'll have to spend at least one weekend hosting a stuffed bear or duck or frog.

Let me explain. It seems that nowadays, along with computers and VCRs and math manipulative kits, most classrooms are equipped with cute animals named Fluffy or Smoochy or Snowball that children get to bring home with them for the weekend. On top of that, each animal comes with a journal so your child can record exactly what kind of time it had with your family.

This may sound harmless, perhaps even fun; but let me warn you now that, on the following Monday, your child will read his journal entry out loud to the class. This means that on top of public humiliation, there is now written documentation of just what kind of shoddy household you run.

But face it, kids love this kind of stuff. That's why we keep on doing it. And it's really not that bad. Once the animal arrives home, you have almost 15 good minutes before panic sets in.

Believe me, it will. Take, for instance, the time my 7-year-old son brought home his classroom's stuffed dog, Scruffy. The first thing you do is to go on and on about how lucky your child is to have been picked for such a special honor and all that.

The next thing you do is to read the journal to see just how the other families spend their weekends. Some of you out there may be thinking that this is sneaky and a tad voyeuristic.

It is. But I'm OK with that. According to the journal, Scruffy had been to the library and circus; to

## Family Daze

By Debbie Farmer



car shows, several birthday parties and grandparents' houses; to museums and zoos and even Disneyland. Scruffy was the kind of dog that was used to being shown a good time.

Suddenly I flashed forward to Monday morning when my son read a journal entry that went like this:

"This Saturday Scruffy slept in until noon, ate potato chips and apple sauce for breakfast, and then he went with my family to Wal-Mart to buy violent video games."

OK, maybe I'm exaggerating. We would never buy violent video games. Nevertheless, you can imagine just what kind of pressure I was under.

And, sure enough, after just a few hours at our house, I swear Scruffy had a bored look on his furry face. I think I even heard him sigh.

I did the only thing I could think of: I called my friend Julie for advice.

"I have to entertain a stuffed dog," I said. "What should I do?"

"Why don't you call Shirley," she said dryly. "I think she has a monkey sock puppet over this weekend."

"Very funny," I said. "I need to plan a special outing so we have something interesting to write in the journal."

"Does it like karaoke?" I could tell she wasn't going to be much help. So I next tried my friend Karen, and then my friend Paula. I heard all sorts of

stories about classroom bunnies, teddy bears and koala bears.

I heard one particularly traumatic tale about a lost Beanie Baby duck that, out of sheer desperation, was replaced by a stuffed turkey which, of course, didn't fool anyone come Monday morning.

But I digress.

Sure, I could just encourage my son to make something up and be done with it. Perhaps just a missive or two about Scruffy meeting the president or seeing Paris in the spring or schmoozing with Brad Pitt. But that's probably not a lesson I should be teaching my son, and besides, people would instantly see through my flimsy charade.

So in the true Farmer spirit of things I decided to do what I usually do best: take the path of least resistance. We took Scruffy with us to go shoe shopping at the mall and afterward, to the grocery store. Later, he played outside until my daughter captured him and dressed him in a pink chenille sweater and a Kleenex veil and married him to a lonely stuffed octopus named Earl.

We topped off his stay with a tour of the inside of our washing machine and dryer.

And, yes, it would be stretching it to say it was the most thrilling weekend Scruffy ever had, but he did arrive back to the classroom much cleaner and better smelling.

Sometimes, that's the most you can ask.

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## Men's Breakfast speakers

The Ecumenical Men's Breakfast meets on Fridays at 7:30 a.m. at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Farms. Speakers for the next six weeks include:

**Dec. 5:** Chet Huber, president of OnStar

**Dec. 12:** The Rev. Gustav Kopka, pastor of St. James Lutheran Church

**Dec. 19:** The Rev. William Yeager, interim pastor at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church

**Dec. 26:** No breakfast

**Jan. 2:** The Rev. Bradford Whitaker, pastor of Christ Church Grosse Pointe

**Jan. 9:** Imam Shuaib Gerguri from the Albanian Islamic Center.

Men in the community are encouraged to join the group.

## Childhood Center boutique is Nov. 20

Barnes Early Childhood Center will hold its second holiday boutique from 1 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20, at the Center, 20090 Morningside in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Shoppers can either go to the boutique in person or browse online, then call in their orders to boutique coordinators Karen at (313) 885-5928 or Tracy at (313) 882-8834.

Proceeds from the boutique will benefit the special education and general education programs at the Center.

Items for sale include toys, jewelry, cosmetics, specialty chocolates, cookware, gourmet foods and more.

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## Shedding some light on macular degeneration

By Dr. Thomas Hessburg  
Special Writer

The aging process is inevitable and affects every part of the body, including the eyes. As many as 28 percent of Caucasians age 75 or older will develop severe vision loss due to age-related macular degeneration. This chronic condition is the leading cause of severe vision loss in people age 50 and older.

In age-related macular degeneration, the part of the retina that is responsible for central vision — the macula — deteriorates.

### Age causes deterioration

The macula is the very center of the retina and is made up of light-sensitive cells called cones and rods. These cones and rods receive blood and nutrients from a layer of blood vessels under the retina. Behind the retina is the retinal pigment epithelium (RPE) where waste products are removed and nutrients pass.

As we age, the RPE may deteriorate, reducing its ability to remove waste and supply nutrients to light-sensitive cells. These cells then become damaged and cannot send normal signals to the brain, resulting in blurred central vision.

### Two types of macular degeneration

**Dry macular degeneration:** Macular degeneration always starts out with the dry form, and it begins when the RPE tissue begins to deteriorate. Since everyone ages in a different way, many people who receive the diagnosis of dry macular degeneration may not be bothered with poor eyesight until very late in life.

In 10 to 15 percent of persons with dry macular degeneration, the condition may deteriorate rapidly into a more severe type called wet macular degeneration.

**Wet macular degeneration:** The wet form is responsible for nearly 90 percent of the severe vision loss that people with macular degeneration experience.

Wet macular degeneration gets its name from abnormal growth of the blood vessels under the retina. These vessels leak blood and cause the central vision to blur. Loss of central vision is often rapid, resulting in legal blindness.

### Signs and symptoms vary

Dry macular degeneration progresses slowly and painlessly. Often the first sign is an increasing need for brighter light when reading and words that appear blurry. A person's overall vision may also become hazy. Finally, a "blind spot" can appear in the center of the visual field.

With wet macular degeneration, symptoms may appear rapidly. Straight lines such as doorways or street signs may look wavy, and central vision may decrease. In both types, the symptoms may initially develop in just one eye.

### Everyone is at risk

It is not known what the exact causes are for macular degeneration. But researchers have identified some of the following major contributing factors:

- Age 50 or older
- Family history of macular degeneration
- Cigarette smoking increases risk two to three times

• Long-term exposure to the sun without adequate eye protection

### Treatment is limited

At this time, the only treatment for dry macular degeneration is nutrition. But this diagnosis never means you will lose all of your sight because progression of the condition is slow, and only the central vision is affected.

There are a few outpatient treatment options for wet macular degeneration. They include hot or cold laser procedures to seal off leaking blood vessels. All have limited success and depend on the location and extent of abnormal blood vessels.

In most cases, vision that is already lost will not be restored. Some procedures, however, may reduce further progression of the disease.

### Prevention and low-vision coping skills

Some research suggests that certain lifestyle measures, if started early enough, may help prevent or delay the progression of the disorder. These include:

- Eating a well-balanced, heart-healthy diet of foods containing antioxidants (green, leafy vegetables) and omega 3 fatty acids (fish oil, flaxseed oil).
- Wearing sunglasses with amber, orange or brown lenses.

- Not smoking.
- Taking these supplements daily: Vitamin E — 400 mg, Vitamin C — 500 mg, zinc — 60-80 mg, copper — 2 mg, beta carotene — 25,000 IU (don't take if you smoke), lutein — 10 mg and selenium — 200-250 mcg. These are all found in many multivitamins.

Even if macular degeneration has taken your central vision, assistance is available in metropolitan Detroit. The Michigan Commission for the Blind is an excellent organization that aids the visually impaired. Also, the Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology, a non-profit organization run for more than 30 years by Dr. Philip Hessburg, has a low-vision resource center and oversees local low-vision support groups.

Dr. Lylas Mogk of Grosse Pointe Ophthalmology leads a low-vision rehabilitation program that combines sophisticated testing and one-on-one training with occupational therapists.

Here, patients learn how to use assistive devices such as magnifiers for reading and placing over television and computer screens. Occupational therapists will also come to patients' homes to demonstrate safe ways to use appliances.

Dr. Thomas Hessburg of Grosse Pointe Ophthalmology, is a board certified Bon Secours Cottage ophthalmologist. For an appointment, (800) 303-7315.

## Open Arms 'Good Grief' event raises funds, honors dedication

Open Arms, a grieving children's program sponsored by St. John Health, raised more than \$25,000 at its 5th Annual "Good Grief" fundraising awards reception held at the Roostertail in Detroit on Oct. 15. The funds will be used to assist the program in its outreach to children and their family members who have lost a loved one due to violence, illness or accident.

At the event, the Vernice Davis Anthony Award of Dedication was presented to Gerald K. Smith, president and CEO of the Detroit Youth Foundation and an advocate for families, youth and communities.

Smith is currently a member of the Detroit Public Schools Reform Board and Boys Hope Girls Hope, a program that serves academically capable yet at-risk youth by providing value-centered, family-style homes and quality education

through college. He was also honored with the Vernice Davis Anthony Award of Dedication.

Louise Guyton of Comerica Bank served as the "Good Grief" event chair this year.

Honorary co-chairs were Edward Deeb, Michigan Food & Beverage Association; Vivian Rogers Pickard, General Motors Corporation; Carlita Kilpatrick, First Lady, city of Detroit; and Robert Jones, SBC.

Open Arms was established in 1998 to help children understand death and the grieving process and how to cope with feelings of anger, sadness and loss. Programs are free to participants and include children's peer support groups, parent/guardian support groups, school outreach grief workshops and a trauma response team.

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From left, are Vernice Davis Anthony, president and CEO of the Greater Detroit Area Health Council Inc., and founder of Open Arms when she was a senior vice president at St. John Health; Anthony Thompson, director of YouthVille Detroit, a program of the Detroit Youth Foundation, who accepted the Award of Dedication for Gerald Smith; Timothy Hayes, executive director, Boys Hope Girls Hope; and Karen Gray Sheffield, program director, Open Arms.

## Cancer Society's 27th Great American Smokeout is Nov. 20

In 1977, when the American Cancer Society launched its first Great American Smokeout, no one could have guessed it would help spark a movement that would lead to smoke-free laws from California to New York City.

Now for the 2003 Smokeout, the Society is calling on smokers throughout metro Detroit to go smoke-free for the day, and to consider giving up the deadly habit for good.

A national survey after the 2002 Smokeout found more than 8.8 million of the estimated 46.5 million smokers nationwide (19 percent) took part in the annual event, with nearly 2.8 million (6 percent) giving up completely for the day. If those results are matched this year, more than 350,000 Michigan residents could be expected to smoke less or not at all today, Thursday,

Nov. 20.

"The Great American Smokeout is a day to not only bring attention to the issue of tobacco use, but also let smokers and their loved ones know that the resources they need to quit for good are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week," said Megan Roether, regional executive director, American Cancer Society, Great Lakes Division.

Even though smoking rates have dropped dramatically in the 27 years since the first Great American Smokeout, tobacco continues to be a major cancer killer.

• 46.5 million Americans are addicted to tobacco

• Smoking will cause about 30 percent of 2003's estimated 556,500 cancer deaths

• Smoking causes many cancers besides lung cancer. It is a major cause of cancers

of the mouth, larynx, pharynx, esophagus, kidney, bladder, pancreas, and cervix and has more recently been associated with colorectal cancer, myeloid leukemia, as well as cancers of the liver, stomach, and nasal sinuses

• Tobacco is as addicting as opiates, amphetamines and cocaine

• Smokers who quit by age 35 can avoid 90 percent of the risk from tobacco

• Only about five percent of everyday smokers are able to quit and maintain abstinence for a year, pointing to the importance of repeated attempts, multiple approaches, and ongoing support

• Combining FDA-approved medications with a program to help change behavior can double a smoker's chance of quitting successfully

• Nearly half (48.8 percent) of U.S. adults who ever smoked are now former smokers

• Only 15 percent of current smokers and seven per-

cent of former smokers report using any of the recommended therapies in their last quit attempt, pointing to the potential for increased use of support

• Each 10 percent rise in the cost of a pack of cigarettes reduces overall cigarette consumption by about four percent

The American Cancer Society offers support and information for smokers who want to quit during Smokeout and every other day. For more information, call (800) ACS-2346 or logging on to [www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org).

The American Cancer Society is dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by saving lives, diminishing suffering and preventing cancer through research, education, advocacy and service. Founded in 1913 and with national headquarters in Atlanta, the Society has 15 regional divisions and local offices in 3,400 communities involving millions of volunteers across the United States.

## Prepare for ski season

The dawn of the ski season is here. Sunny days at the beach have been replaced by snowy days on the mountain. Before you strap your gear to the roof of your car and head to the hills — there are a few things you should do to guarantee proper physical endurance.

Whether you're a downhill enthusiast, diehard snowboarder or occasional cross-country participant, the folks at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan say that exercise drills will help prepare you for the winter sports season.

By following the suggested conditioning drill, skiers and snowboarders can strengthen the leg muscles they use most in the thigh and calf.

The exercise is called the Sliding Paused Wall Squat. Used by many basketball teams to increase jumping

ability, the exercise also assists skiers with preparation and only takes a few minutes.

Start with your feet flat on the floor and back flat against the wall with thighs at about a 45 degree angle. Hold the position for 10 seconds and then slightly lower the body eight inches and hold for an additional 10 seconds. Repeat the exercise until your thighs are almost parallel to the floor.

Whether you're exercising regularly or are a couch potato, winter sports require specific conditioning of specific muscles to ensure safety.

Make sure you condition yourself before heading out to enjoy the winter weather.

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## Know Your Skin

by Lisa A. Manz-Dulac, MD



Seborrheic dermatitis is a controllable, though not curable skin condition which often becomes worse in winter.

Seborrheic dermatitis most commonly appears on the scalp as red, scaly lesions and as whitish scaling throughout one's hair. This is the condition most of us refer to as dandruff.

Dandruff is not contagious, nor does it lead to hair loss or baldness

unless the scalp becomes infected. Medicated shampoos are the most commonly used treatment, though patients may need to try several types to find the one which best manages their condition.

To learn more about the treatment of dandruff contact your dermatologist or call us at 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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# Bartok: formerly cutting edge, now familiar

In three short generations since Bela Bartok first revealed his starkly modern musical style to the concert world, music that struck its original audiences as strange and unmelodious has become familiar at last and considerably easier to enjoy.

Just how much more approachable his music has become was demonstrated last weekend as guest conductor Philippe Jordan led the Detroit Symphony Orchestra in Bartok's "Music for Strings, Percussion and Celesta." Perhaps, with the passage of time and experience, musicians and conductors have also become more comfortable and insightful in the interpretation of this modern master's music. Whatever the explanation, the performance was a lucid expression of a great and fascinating masterwork.

The precisely constructed texture of Bartok's highly intellectualized orchestral statements were etched with exceptional clarity by Jordan's meticulous direction. The textural effect of Bartok's combinations of instruments has been imitated to such an extent by writers of background music for film and TV, especially in the sci fi and mystery genres, that what was

## State of the Arts



By  
Alex  
Suczek

once a revolutionary sound is now familiar.

The second movement gave a vivid demonstration of Bartok's inventive rhythmic ideas, emphasized by pizzicato on the strings and the unusual doubling of piano and celesta to add a strong percussive effect to the chime-like sound of the celesta.

Detroit audiences have had an opportunity to follow the remarkable progress of Bartok's music from misunderstood to standard repertoire. The composer himself appeared here twice, in 1928 and in 1939, for the Pro Musica Society at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

Critical reports from those concerts comment on the difficulty of making any sense of his creations and the boldness of the concert society to even dare to pre-

sent a concert of such strange music. Yet it was with the composer's Concerto for Orchestra, commissioned by the Boston Symphony in the 1940s, that Bartok became the third most frequently performed contemporary composer (after Aaron Copland and Maurice Ravel) on the North American symphony circuit.

At last weekend's performance, the jaunty rhythms and haunting melodies of Hungarian folk dances, adapted by Bartok for his orchestral study, easily captured the listeners' imaginations and were a delight to hear, even though the score still demands close and careful listening.

Jordan was particularly adept at re-creating the vigor and special character inherent in this nationalistic material. Some of the syncopations even brought to mind treatments later used by Leonard Bernstein in such works as "West Side Story."

The concert as a whole was also provocative in terms of offering early orchestra works of three composers from widely disparate eras. There was Haydn's Symphony No. 6, titled "The Morning," and Beethoven's Symphony No. 2.

The Haydn is a rare example from the early classical era of a programmatic work. Intended to give a musical portrayal of the awakening of the day, it opens with a string treatment reminiscent of Vivaldi's music of the seasons.

Again, Jordan showed a clear vision of well-contrasted dynamics and gave a lively and picturesque char-

acter to the performance. It was deft, light and thoroughly delightful. He has a carefully controlled conducting technique that maintains precise control of the orchestra.

Switching to the late classical style of Beethoven, Jordan refreshed audience memory of Beethoven's tuneful second symphony with an interpretation that neatly avoided the pitfall of letting the music become pompous or bombastic without sacrificing the grandeur that is an essential element of the composer's style.

This was a refreshing Beethoven that gracefully acknowledged its debts to such predecessors as Haydn and Mozart.

Yet in an apparent acknowledgement in the progress of musical sophistication, the work on the program that seemed the most in tune with our times and contemporary taste was now the Bartok. How times change!

So that venerable concert society, Pro Musica, must have played a role in helping the music world to understand and appreciate Bartok and the other important composer it has brought to Detroit. And in a stunning program that took a new departure in the same mission, Pro Musica brought a composer by proxy to the Music Box Recital Hall at the DSO's new Max M. Fisher Music Center last Saturday evening.

Virtuoso pianist Richard Kogan, who is also an M.D. and psychiatrist, presented a lecture recital that offered insights into the personality and mental health of composer Robert Schumann, and then demonstrated how

those insights made Kogan better able to interpret some of Schumann's greatest piano music at the keyboard.

Most excitingly, it also enabled listeners to gain a deeper understanding and appreciation of Schumann's music. It has always seemed something of a mystery in its originality and rejection of standard classical forms.

What Kogan made clear most engagingly was that even after more than a century and a half, we still have more to discover in the music of a widely respected master who was strongly criticized and even rejected in his own day.

The point it seems to make is that as listeners, we can be rewarded by making the effort to listen repeatedly to a composer's

new and unfamiliar idiom. In time, as Kogan demonstrated with Schumann, we can finally share and genuinely enjoy the message that the composer has encoded in his music. Kogan's presentation was a new experience for most of the audience, and it was richly rewarding.

The DSO series continues this week with Itzhak Perlman conducting and soloing in Beethoven's Romances No. 1 and No. 2, Mendelssohn's music from "A Midsummer Night's Dream" and Mozart's Symphony No. 40. Call (313) 576-5111 for tickets.

Pro Musica's next concert presents a recital by young violin virtuoso Philippe Quint on Saturday, Feb. 28. Call (313) 886-5639 or visit [www.promusicadetroit.com](http://www.promusicadetroit.com).

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This tabloid will be published **January 29, 2004**. Your child's picture, along with other 2003 babies, will be the main attraction! News and advertising about clothing, feeding, educating and caring for your child will also be included. It will be very informative as well as a commemorative edition for you!

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Your picture must be received in our office no later than Wednesday, December 17th, earlier would assist our production schedule. (Late November and December birth photos may be submitted until January 7, 2004.)

We look forward to producing our annual "Baby Edition" and are sure you want your little one included. A limited number of extra copies will be available for purchase to give to family and friends.

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## The Babies of 2003

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## Texas justice

By Helen Gregory  
Special Writer

Have you been following the merry adventures of eccentric New York real estate heir Robert Durst?

By the way, eccentric is not my term for him. That is simply society's choice to describe deranged people with money. Poor folk are loony tunes. Meanwhile, the truly amusing eccentric rich folk ought to rise up and fight the misuse of the term. Durst gives "eccentric" a bad name.

Long before we heard of Durst, his behavior was questionable. He came under suspicion for the disappearance of his first wife in 1982. He has been estranged from his family since the '90s. And in 2000 the cold case of the missing wife was reopened.

Los Angeles writer Susan Berman, a longtime friend of Durst and his missing wife, was shot just before she was to be questioned about the disappearance. Durst hasn't been charged in either case.

Speaking of disappearing, after the Berman shooting, Durst relocated to Galveston, where he moved into low-rent housing disguised as a mute woman (this is from the Associated Press reprinted in the Nov. 12 Macomb Daily: I don't make these things up).

Eventually, he must have talked because he made friends (Lord save us all from such friendships) with the 71-year-old Morris Black who lived across from him.

The police became interested in this friendship when bits of Black in garbage bags began washing up in Galveston Bay in 2001.

Finally, this fall Durst's story went national with his controversial trial, testimony and verdict.

Durst admitted to owning the gun and shooting Black. He testified that he had come home, found Black in his apartment



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confronting him with his own gun, which went off in a struggle, blasting off Black's face.

By the way, Black's skull has not been found. Durst further testified that he panicked. Wouldn't anyone? While he couldn't remember the details, he used two saws and an ax to dismember the body. He described it as "a nightmare, with blood everywhere."

He then bagged the remains, cleaned the scene badly and paid a late-night visit to Galveston Bay with his bags o' bits.

(At least he didn't eat them.)

Durst and other witnesses testified Black often flew into rages and got into fights. Some friendship. Prosecutors claimed Durst killed Black in order to steal his identity.

The nation was shocked at Durst's "not guilty" verdict. After all, this happened in Texas, which has a commonly used death penalty.

But even in Texas, this was different. The prosecutors allowed only a charge of murder, no option of manslaughter. Had Durst been convicted, he would have gotten five to 99 years in prison. Either Texas has discontinued the death penalty or the old rules remain: Durst wasn't poor enough or black enough.

The jury has had a lot of explaining to do. But it's probably not their fault. It's perfectly conceivable that somehow or other the prosecution failed to prove its case, perhaps because they saw it as a slam-dunk. Teams who think they're going to win don't fight hard enough not to lose. The burden of proof is beyond

reasonable doubt.

If it reassures you in any way, Durst is currently in jail for jumping bail. He took off for Pennsylvania with loads of cash and Black's ID. They hauled him in for shoplifting a sandwich and some Band-Aids at a drugstore.

The information for the last bit came from the Nov. 14 "Dateline," which I tuned in after writing the AP Durst material. Serendipity.

With interviews on "Dateline," can a book be far behind?

Meanwhile, if you need a true crime fix, check out the 364's in your library collections. You'll find everything from Jack the Ripper to the Kennedy assassination.

In fact, there's a new book in the collection for Kennedy conspiracy theorists: L.A. attorney Barr McClellan's "Blood, Money and Power: How L.B.J. Killed J.F.K." This may interest anyone who is familiar with the satirical play from the '60s, "MacBird."

The script for "MacBird" is out of print and not available through our regular library source, The Library Network interloan. It would have to be a nationwide search, which we can do on request. Or you can get a used copy from Amazon. They had 15 sources from \$1 up when I looked. You can check locally with used-book dealer, John King. Search the yellow pages under "Book Dealers — Used and Rare."

As for Durst, he's out of his drag rags and, for the time being anyway, into an orange jumpsuit.

You can reach Helen Gregory online at [hgregory@gp.lib.mi.us](mailto:hgregory@gp.lib.mi.us).

## Here's easy cranberry sauce recipe

Each year I search for simple cranberry recipes to enjoy while watching the leaves fall. The easier the recipe, the more likely you're going to give it a try. This week's recipe pairs autumn's finest with dried cranberries and cranberry juice to create a delicious spread that you're sure to find many uses for.

### Triple Cranberry Spread

**2/3 cup cranberry juice**  
**1/2 cup sugar**  
**1 1/2 cups fresh cranberries**  
**1/2 cup dried cranberries**  
**1 teaspoon grated lime zest**  
**1 lime, peeled and cut into small pieces**  
**Dash of ground allspice**

Put the cranberry juice and the sugar into a heavy saucepan. Bring to a boil and cook until all of the sugar has dissolved. Add the fresh cranberries, dried cranberries, lime pieces and allspice. Bring back to a boil; then lower to a simmer. Cook and stir for 15 minutes, until the mixture begins to thicken. (The spread will continue to thicken during the cooling process.)

Remove from heat and stir in the lime zest. Allow to cool for a few minutes, then transfer to an airtight container. Refrigerate for 4 hours before serving.

Grate the lime zest first and set aside. Then proceed with peeling and cutting the lime.

The combination of the cranberries, sugar and the lime give this tasty topper a sweet and tangy finish.

### À LA ANNIE

By Annie Rouleau-Schenff



Serve triple cranberry spread on toasted English muffins or holiday bread such as a stollen, with smoked cheese and/or meats.

Reheat the cranberries and spoon over vanilla ice cream. I plan to top my next baked brie with triple cranberry spread before it goes into the oven.

Cranberry season is short and tart so grab some while they're here.

## Trivia test

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. U.S. States: In what state would one find the Talladega International Speedway?
2. Art: What was Grandma Moses' real first name?
3. Music: What is a sanitarium?
4. Geography: Where is the city of Auckland?
5. History: What year did the French and Indian War end?
6. General knowledge: Who actually wrote the famous Monroe Doctrine?
7. Presidents: Who was the fifth president of the United States?
8. Language: What is a surrey?
9. Animal kingdom: What is a group of elk called?
10. Movies: In the animated movie "Lady and the Tramp," most of the characters are what kinds of creature?

### ANSWERS

1. Alabama
2. Anna
3. Persian dulcimer
4. New Zealand
5. 1763
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7. James Monroe
8. Carriage
9. A "gang"
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**Friday, November 28th**

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- **10:00 a.m., 28th Annual Santa Claus Parade Presented by Northern Trust** with major sponsorship from Bon Secours Cottage Health Services & St. John Health System. Produced by the Grosse Pointe Village Association in cooperation with the Hill Association.
- **4:30 p.m., The Authentic Dickens Carolers**, singing on the corner of Kercheval & St. Clair, presented by Rennell & Co.
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## Meetings

### Classical Music League

The Grosse Pointe Classical Music League will sponsor an annual Christmas concert and champagne brunch on Saturday, Dec. 13, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial's Crystal Ballroom.

The 66-member Macomb Symphony Orchestra, with conductor Thomas Cook, will entertain with pops and classical selections.

For more information, call (586) 774-6803 or (313) 884-8717.

### Detroit Garden Center

The Detroit Garden Center will present a workshop, "Decorate a Fresh Greens Wreath," from 10 a.m. until noon Saturday, Nov. 22, at the historic Moross House in Detroit.

The instructor will be Kathleen Krasity. The cost is \$25. For more information or to make a reservation, call (313) 259-6363 or e-mail [detroitgardentr@yahoo.com](mailto:detroitgardentr@yahoo.com)

Grosse Pointe War Memorial's

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Guest: Amer Aboukasm, M.D. - Sleep Disorders

- 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 Pointes of Horticulture**  
Horticulturist Co-hosts Mil Anthony & Jim Farquhar share tips, give advice and interview local authorities on gardening.  
Repeated: 9:30 PM, 12:30 AM

**10:00 am Who's in the Kitchen?**  
Guest: Ed Gardner - Boneless Stuffed Turkey

Cook while laughing with host Chuck Kaess. Watch as delectable dishes are made from scratch by noted chefs, local celebrities and guess who?  
Repeated: 6:30 PM, 1 AM

**10:30 am Things to do at the War Memorial**  
Guest: Major Bill Henderson, F-16 fighter pilot, Veteran's Day Breakfast Speaker  
LouAnne Watnick and Emmett Hynous Co-host an informative look at what's happening at the War Memorial.  
Repeated: 7:30 PM, 1:30 AM

**11:00 am Musical Story Time Jamboree**  
Miss Paula, the Merry Music Maker and Miss ReadABook, offer a half-hour of stories and music for children.  
Repeated: 6:30 AM

**11:30 am Out of the Ordinary**  
Guest: Darlene Denning  
Robert Taylor presents a show to help enhance Body, Mind and Spirit!  
Repeated: 11 PM, 2:30 AM

**12:00 pm Economic Club of Detroit**  
Guest: Bill Gates - Microsoft Corporation  
Features nationally known guest speakers discussing current topics in the business community.  
Repeated: 3 AM

**1:00 pm Watercolor Workshop**  
Topic: Fall Colors Part I  
Renowned local artist, Carol LaChiusa, demonstrates watercolor techniques simple enough for beginners, yet challenging to the experienced artist.  
Repeated: 5:30 PM, 4 AM

**1:30 pm Inside Art**  
Guest: Gilda Snowden - Inside the Artist Studio

Explore the artist's creative process and medium with host Robert Mansalco.  
Repeated: 10:30 PM, 4:30 AM

**2:00 pm The Legal Insider**  
Guest: Todd E. Briggs & Sarah W. Colegrove - B.B.B. Auto Arbitration  
Host attorneys, David Draper and Douglas Dempsey, take an inside look at current legal issues.  
Repeated: 6 PM, 5 AM

**2:30 pm The John Prost Show**  
Guest: Kelly Fulford & Michael Cromer - Detroit Science Center - Red Cross Defibrillator  
Timely topics are discussed with Detroit and Grosse Pointe guests by long time host John Prost.  
Repeated: 10 PM, 5:30 AM

**3:00 pm Things to do at the War Memorial**  
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**4:00 pm Vitality Plus**  
A half-hour of step or kick boxing exercise.  
Repeated: 9 PM, 7 AM  
**7 PM TONE EXERCISE** Repeated: 2 AM, 6 AM

**4:30 pm Young View Pointes**  
Local youth show featuring middle school students reporting on a variety of educational topics.  
Repeated: 8:30 PM, 7:40 AM

**5:00 pm Positively Positive**  
An uplifting half hour of positive attitudes and ideas hosted by Jeanne McNeil and Liz Aiken.  
Repeated: 8 PM, 8 AM

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## Zhang, Liang turn in superb performances in Michigan Opera Theatre's 'Butterfly'

By Dina Soresi Winter  
Special Writer

The Michigan Opera Theatre's audience was treated to an outstanding performance of Puccini's "Madame Butterfly" at the opening on Saturday, Nov. 8, of Michigan Opera Theatre's final opera of the 2003 fall season.

Until quite recently the lead female roles in this Japanese story were played, for understandable reasons, by Westerners mimicking Orientals.

This is not the case for the first cast of this production.

Butterfly was sung by the Chinese artist, Liping Zhang.

Her maidservant and companion, Suzuki, was also Chinese: Ning Liang. The performance and interaction between these two artists were so uniquely real, that they make it necessary to revisit all other interpretations that try so hard to appear Asian. Liping Zhang and Ning Liang did not have to labor to convince us — they simply were Butterfly and Suzuki. The Oriental characteristic of understatement prevailed throughout, adding tremendous emotional power to the performance.

Liping Zhang, portraying the young Japanese girl, sings her part with exceptional beauty and command. Her fine voice is well focused and capable of ravishingly beautiful high notes. This was evident in her big aria "Un bel di vedremo" and in the lullaby to her child when she took a high B and diminished it to an exquisite pianissimo — a feat seldom accomplished by more celebrated artists.

The second cast Butterfly is the Russian soprano Maria Gavrilova. In the Sunday performance she

acquitted herself well, bringing to the role a solid technique, confident and accurate high notes and an empathetic portrayal of the betrayed heroine.

Ning Liang is unmatched for the grace and truth with which she portrays Suzuki, which she has sung in some of the leading theaters of the world. Puccini did not give Suzuki a single aria to sing, but the opera is dependent on an intense portrayal of this generally thankless role. Liang has a superb voice and presence.

Let's hope we get to hear her in other roles at MOT.

Pinkerton, sung by American Marc Heller on opening night, at first seemed somewhat ill at ease in his role of the charming, self-confident seducer of the innocent Butterfly, but he sang his duet with Butterfly feelingly and with a beautiful Bjorling-like tone, which the orchestra seemed bent on drowning out as often as it could.

He also sang a moving and convincing farewell to his abode, "Addio fiorito asil," as he rushes off, unable to face the woman he has betrayed.

The second cast tenor Jeffrey Springer also suffered at the hands of conductor Stewart Robertson, who all too frequently kept the sound level of the orchestra just above where it needed to be for us to fully appreciate the singing. Notwithstanding this, Springer performed well, bringing a fine voice and an assured bearing to the role.

James Westman as Sharpless, the American Consul, sang well but was a bit too sentimental to be thoroughly convincing; more of an upright presence would be helpful. He covered almost apologetically throughout his perfor-

mance. This was not necessary in order to show his humanity.

Torrance Blaisdell, as the relentless marriage broker Goro, always looking for another business opportunity, turned in a fine performance and was one of the most convincing Goros I have seen.

A theatrical stroke of genius and one of the highlights of the performance was keeping Butterfly on stage with her sleepily child waiting up all night for the arrival of her faithless lover. To an amazing play of light showing the change from moonlight to early dawn, Butterfly waits through the splendid music of the humming chorus and the prelude to Act 3. The effect is mesmerizing.

Let's not forget our thanks to Puccini for his extraordinary score, so rich in harmonies and melodies which move the soul and turn you inside out.

While Stewart Robertson gave a competent rendering of the score, it was unfortunate that he did not manage the orchestra in a way that would have allowed us to hear the singers to greater advantage and permit the subtle molding of phrases to reach the audience.

The opening night of "Madame Butterfly" will be long remembered by those present for Liping Zhang's performance in the title role.

When she returned to the stage to take her final bow, the entire audience stood in a single grand gesture of appreciation. They had witnessed the finest interpretation of Butterfly seen in this city in a generation.

I'm looking forward to the charm of Mozart's "Magic Flute," to be presented by MOT in April.

## 'Having a talk' is not intervention

By Jeff and Debra Jay  
Special Writers  
Dear Jeff and Debra,

I am 27 years old, and my roommate, Jackie, is an alcoholic. She binges on alcohol, hiding it from everyone. She has empty alcohol bottles hidden in her room. I don't know what to do anymore. I don't even know where to start with telling you her story.



Jeff and Debra Jay

I came home from work the other day, and Jackie was getting ready to go out to dinner with friends. I looked in her room when she was in the shower. I found a six-pack of beer and an empty pint of vodka hidden on the side of her dresser. I tried to play it cool, but I finally told her I knew she was drinking. She gave me a dumb look as if she didn't know what I was talking about.

I said, "I'm not dumb, Jackie. I know you are drinking alone, thinking no one will find out."

She gave me a dirty look and, left, slamming the door. As she walked out, I noticed she had a beer in each pocket. The next morning I found her half naked on the couch, and the living room reeked of alcohol from her breath.

I finally decided I should call her parents. I probably should have done this a long time ago. Her dad said they've known

about her problem, but Jackie shuts them out when they try to talk with her. Her sister has talked to her about her drinking, too, but Jackie can't seem to stop. Her mom says she thinks she needs to live in a treatment center for a while to get better, but she won't go.

She is drinking and driving, endangering her life and the lives of others, and she has been seen at work tipsy.

Tonight our closest friends are coming over to do an intervention of sorts. We feel we must tell her that she is out of control and we want her to get treatment. I would like some advice on what we should say.

—Loyal Friend

Dear Loyal Friend:

If you and your friends talk with Jackie tonight, it won't be an intervention in the proper sense of the word. A well-planned structured intervention takes very specific education and preparation. What you will be doing tonight is having a talk with her, or what we call it, an informal intervention.

Here are some pointers:

- Be gentle and caring. Anger, blame and judgment will increase your roommate's shame. To hide her shame, she will become defensive.

- Start by telling her why you value her as a friend. Calmly tell her that you think she has a medical problem — a disease called alcohol dependence. Tell her it is not her fault. Alcoholism is a disease that doesn't let its victims reach out for the

help they need. That is why you are reaching out to her.

- Ask her if she will agree to an assessment at an alcohol treatment center. Ask her to include a friend or her parents during the assessment. Have the phone number of the treatment center ready so you can call the treatment center together.

- Adjust your expectations. It is rare that someone will say yes during an informal intervention such as this. If she refuses help, don't enter into a power struggle with her. Your job is to treat her with respect and keep the door open to your relationships. Bad feelings put you in a worse position to help her in the future. If your talk doesn't work, begin planning a structured family intervention with her parents, siblings and friends. For more information on intervention, go to [www.lovefirst.net](http://www.lovefirst.net).

One last thought: if she's been drinking, reschedule the talk for a time when she's likely to be sober.

Jeff Jay and Debra Jay are the authors of, "Love First: A New Approach to Intervention for Alcoholism and Drug Addiction." Debra Jay is the coauthor of "Aging and Addiction." Both books are published by Hazelden and available at Borders and Barnes & Noble. See Jeff and Debra's Web site on intervention at [www.lovefirst.net](http://www.lovefirst.net). Jeff and Debra Jay are professional interventionists who live in Grosse Pointe Farms. They may be contacted with your questions at (313) 882-6921 or [jeffjay@lovefirst.net](mailto:jeffjay@lovefirst.net).

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## North prevails in intensity-filled district game with South

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

If Port Huron Northern's Mary Kathryn LaFave isn't the MVP of the Macomb Area Conference Red Division this year there should be an investigation.

LaFave's performance a couple of weeks ago in a division showdown against Grosse Pointe North was enough to earn her the award.

North coach Gary Bennett was so impressed with LaFave's "refuse to lose" attitude that he reminded his players of that when he talked to them at practice Sunday as the squad was getting ready for Monday's state girls basketball district tournament opener with Grosse Pointe South.

"I talked about LaFave at practice (Sunday)," Bennett said after the host Norsemen's 38-32 victory over their crosstown rivals.

"I told the team that that's the kind of attitude we have to bring into this game."

Bennett's players took his words to heart, but none more than his daughter, Caitlin.

Caitlin played an excellent game from opening tip to final buzzer, but she was at her best in the final two minutes.

In that span, while North was clinging to a slim lead, Caitlin Bennett was making her presence felt on both ends of the court.

She knocked the ball away from a South player on a breakaway. She blocked a shot. On the other end of the court she saved a ball from going out of bounds so North

could retain possession.

After the in-bounds play, Bennett dribbled for nearly half a minute, daring South to foul her and send her to the free throw line where she makes 90 percent of her attempts.

The Blue Devils didn't bite, and eventually got a turnover after Bennett passed the ball to a teammate. She then went to work on defense and deflected a pass so that a North teammate could get a steal.

She put the finishing touches on her performance with a perfect pass to Katie Kaufmann, who scored the Norsemen's final points on a layup in the closing seconds.

"That's the best game Caitlin has played," her father said. "She wanted to make a difference tonight."

Caitlin Bennett wasn't the only North player with that mindset.

Eight of the 10 Norsemen who got into the game scored points, and it was the second unit — although Gary Bennett says that he feels that he has two starting fives — that scored all of North's points during an 8-0 run in the fourth quarter that put the Norsemen ahead for good.

"I can't say enough about the way they played," he said. "I feel like our bench won the game for us."

South had taken a 28-26 lead with an 8-0 run of its own that bridged the third and fourth quarters. Colleen Buckley, who led all scorers with 14 points, scored the last six, including a layup with 6:22 to play.

Andrea Hedwar started

the North comeback with a short jumper to tie the game. Meghan Potthoff broke the tie when she scored on a layup after turnover by the Blue Devils.

Anna Staperfenne followed with a basket and Kelly Rusko capped the run when she stole the ball and went in for a layup with 4:13 left to give North a 34-28 advantage.

"I have a lot of confidence in that group and I was going to leave them in the game until they had trouble handling the ball," Gary Bennett said. "We're not a team that depends on one person to do the scoring. I'm glad that the kids who came in off the bench have the confidence to take shots."

Baskets by Annie Dalby and Buckley brought the Blue Devils within two with 2:36 remaining, but then Caitlin Bennett went to work and refused to let the Norsemen lose.

"It was a great game," said South coach Peggy Van Eckoute. "We did what we wanted to do. We just made a couple of mistakes at the end, and North made some big plays. I'm happy with the way we played. The girls gave everything they had."

It was a typical North-South game in which floor burns nearly outnumbered the points.

"I was worried coming into the game because I know how hard South plays," Gary Bennett said. "They played hard, and with a lot of emotion. I knew that the team that made the most big plays at the end would win. Fortunately, we

made a couple more."

Kaufmann, Bennett and Liz Andary each scored eight points for North. Andary also had five rebounds.

Betsy Schrage had four steals and three assists, Mary Embree had three steals and three assists, and Bennett collected three steals and three assists.

North's depth extends

beyond the two units that share time during a game. Maggie Horne didn't get into the contest, but Gary Bennett said that she also contributed to the victory.

"Maggie had her best practice of the year before this game," he said. "The way she played in practice made us better today."

Megan Switalski scored

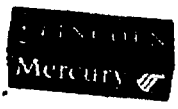
six points for South and Dalby had four. Buckley pulled down eight rebounds and Allison Ambrozzy had four.

South completed its season with an overall record of 8-13.

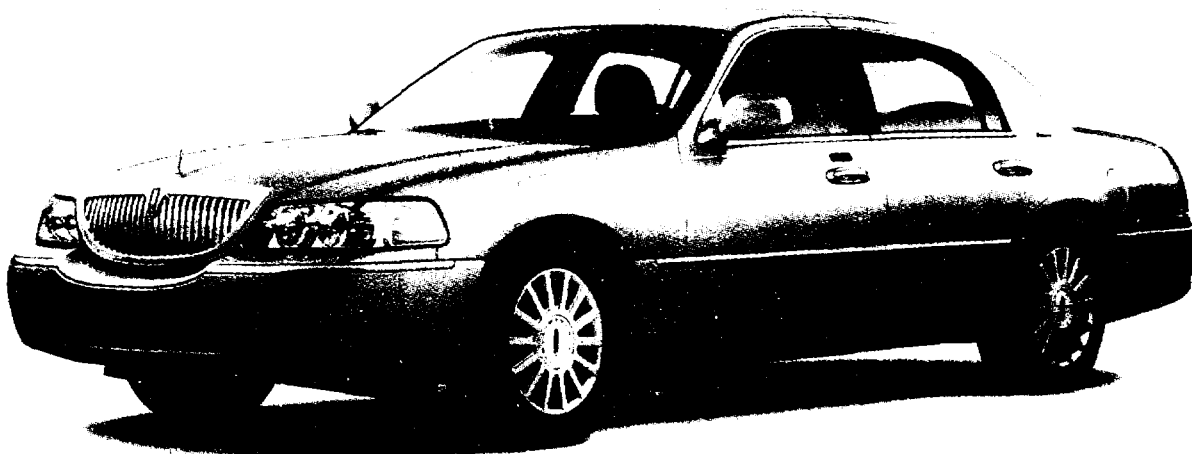
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Grosse Pointe South's Colleen Buckley comes down with one of her eight rebounds despite being surrounded by Grosse Pointe North players. Photo by Lori Wilson

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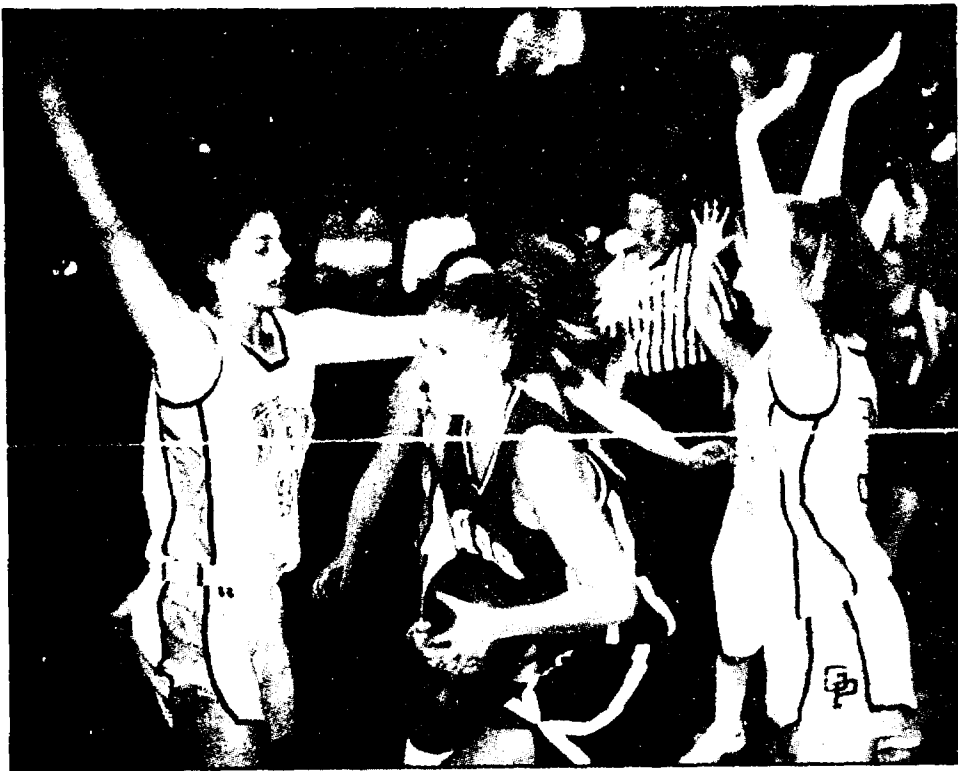


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Grosse Pointe North's Andrea Bedway, left, and Anna Staperfenne are part of a stifling defense that has a Dakota player surrounded.

## Local marathoners nearing their goal

Jeanne and Jerry Bocci of Grosse Pointe Park are getting closer in their quest to complete marathons in each of the 50 states and the District of Columbia.

Last month they completed the Mount Rushmore Marathon in the Black Hills of South Dakota, and the Grand Canyon Marathon on

the Hualapai Indian Reservation in Arizona.

Jeanne won the racewalking division for her age group in South Dakota and Arizona, while Jerry was second in his age group in both marathons.

The Boccis said that the Grand Canyon Marathon

was the toughest course they had competed on, but the views of the Grand Canyon were the most spectacular.

Earlier, the Boccis completed the Quad Cities Marathon in Moline, Ill. In that one, Jeanne was second and Jerry finished third in their age groups.

## Balanced scoring carries North to a pair of victories

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's 51-25 victory over Sterling Heights last week in a Macomb Area Conference Red Division girls basketball game was a perfect example of how coach Gary Bennett would like the Norsemen's final scoring totals to look.

Caitlin Bennett led the way with nine points, but Liz Andary, Jenny DeFauw and Katie Kaufmann were right behind with eight points apiece and Betsy Schrage scored seven.

"That's the kind of balance we try to have all the time," Gary Bennett said. "If you stop one person, you're not going to stop North. You'll have to stop a lot of people to stop North."

Last week was a contrast in emotions to the previous week when the Norsemen played high-intensity games with Eisenhower and Port Huron Northern.

"It seemed like kind of a boring game because last week was so filled with emotion," said Gary Bennett. "Sterling Heights played a zone and that quieted things down, too."

"It was a blue-collar victory. Nothing special, just a

matter of getting the job done."

Caitlin Bennett also collected six assists and four steals, while Andary finished with seven rebounds and four steals.

North turned in another good defensive effort in its MAC Red finale, beating Dakota 41-26.

"We played well defensively in both games, but both teams have a problem generating a lot of offense," Gary Bennett said.

"It's tough to play a deliberate offense against us because the longer you try to hold the ball the better chance we have of forcing a turnover."

North held a 14-point lead early in the third quarter, but Dakota cut the deficit to 24-22 late in the period, only to have the Norsemen pull away in the final quarter.

"It was a lot like the last Dakota game, only this time they made their run earlier," Gary Bennett said.

In the previous meeting, the Cougars cut a double-digit deficit to two points in the fourth quarter but North held on to win 42-38 as Caitlin Bennett hit six straight free throws in the final minute.

North had balanced scor-

ing against Dakota, too.

Andrea Bedway and Caitlin Bennett each scored eight points, while Meghan Potthoff had six and Kaufmann added five.

"Andrea and Meghan both gave us some good work off the bench in the post," Gary Bennett said. "They combined for 14 points and they both showed some nice moves down low."

Kaufmann finished with five rebounds, while Potthoff had four.

Kaufmann is the only senior on the North squad this year and she'll be missed when she graduates.

"I'm really happy for her," Gary Bennett said. "For two years, she didn't get much playing time, and she didn't play a lot in our first five games this year, but in our sixth game she did a nice job of rebounding and she has played a lot since then."

"Katie has quietly made some important contributions to our team. She does a lot of little things that most people don't notice."

North finished 12-2 in the MAC Red, one game behind division champion Port Huron Northern. The Norsemen won 12 of their last 13 regular season games to finish 12-8 overall.

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**CODE NO. 12-03**

### AMENDMENT TO ZONING ORDINANCE ORDINANCE NO. 369

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE FARMS, ORDINANCE NO. 192, CODE NO. 12-03, ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE TO PROMOTE, PROTECT AND PROVIDE FOR, IN THE INTERESTS OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, COMFORT, CONVENIENCE AND GENERAL WELFARE IN THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE FARMS, THE CONSERVATION OF PROPERTY VALUES IN THE CITY, TO ESTABLISH DISTRICTS IN THE CITY, TO REGULATE THE USE OF LAND AND STRUCTURES THEREIN AND TO REGULATE AND RESTRICT THE LOCATION OF TRADES AND BUSINESSES, AND THE LOCATION OF STRUCTURES DESIGNATED FOR SPECIFIC USES; TO REGULATE AND LIMIT THE HEIGHT, AREA, BULK AND LOCATION OF STRUCTURES; TO REGULATE AND DETERMINE THE AREA OF YARDS, AND OTHER OPEN SPACES TO LIMIT AND RESTRICT THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF FAMILIES WHICH MAY BE HOUSED IN DWELLINGS; TO PROVIDE FOR MINIMUM OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES FOR MOTOR VEHICLES; TO PROVIDE FOR THE ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THIS ORDINANCE; TO PROVIDE FOR A BOARD OF APPEALS AND ITS POWERS AND DUTIES, AND TO PRESCRIBE THE PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE."

THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE FARMS ORDAINS:

Section 1. Amendment To Zoning Ordinance. Section 1507 of the Zoning Ordinance, Code No. 12-03, Ordinance No. 192, is amended and restated as follows:

#### SECTION 1507. LIGHTING

(a) All outdoor lighting facilities located on private property in any Residential District (i) shall be so arranged as to reflect light away from all adjacent residences and public right-of-ways and (ii) except as set forth in subsection (b) below, shall be shielded downward or below horizontal to reduce glare.

(b) Ground lighting (up-lighting) in any Residential District for the purpose of illuminating landscaping or architectural details, or other specialized lighting in any Residential District (including, without limitation, lighting for the purpose of illuminating flagpoles or other similar amenities, and pedestrian walkway illumination), shall be shielded from public view by landscaping or architectural features and shall not direct light toward any adjacent residences or public right-of-ways.

(c) Security lighting facilities in any Residential District must be positioned so as to be shielded to the greatest extent possible from adjacent residences and public right-of-ways, and in no event shall security lighting facilities be positioned such that lighting will be directed onto adjacent properties, nor shall such security lighting facilities emit any audible noise.

(d) Where lighting facilities are provided in Vehicular Parking Districts or in off-street parking or loading spaces, such lighting facilities shall be so arranged as to reflect the light away from any adjacent Residential Districts and public right-of-ways.

(e) Incandescent lighting designed to illuminate private pedestrian walkways and/or building entries in any Residential District shall be limited to a maximum of 60 watts and shall not be positioned higher than 8 feet above grade on base of entry. Lighting facilities shall not emit ambient light that exceeds one (1) foot candle at grade measured at any adjoining property line.

Section 2. Severability. If any portion of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, the remainder of the Ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

Section 3. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after its enactment or upon its publication, whichever is later.

ENACTED: 11/10/2003

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Photo by Dr. J. Richard Dunlap

Grosse Pointe North's Kelly Rusko battles for a loose ball with a Sterling Heights player.

## Defensive effort highlights South's win in league finale

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

Tashera Chisolm averages more than 15 points a game for Mount Clemens' girls basketball team, but when she's guarded by Grosse Pointe South's Allison Ambroz, it takes her twice as long to reach her average.

And she's not the only high scorer who suffers when she comes face-to-face with the Blue Devils' senior guard.

"I think Allison's the best defensive player in our league," South coach Peggy Van Eckoute said after Ambroz held Chisolm to eight points in the Blue Devils' 43-20 victory over the Bathers in the Macomb Area Conference White Division finale for both schools.

"She had (Chisolm) totally frustrated because she never left her."

It was the same story when South played Mount Clemens the first time. In that game, Ambroz held Chisolm to seven points.

Chisolm isn't the only MAC White player who's been frustrated by Ambroz's defense.

While Ambroz took care of her assignment in guarding Chisolm, her Blue Devils' teammates also did their job in taking care of business on defense.

"We didn't press at all so (Mount Clemens) couldn't outrun us down the court," Van Eckoute said.

South also contained the Bathers' other scoring

threats, holding Jessica McNally and Latisha Hatcher to two points apiece.

"I've seen both of them in double figures several times this year, too," Van Eckoute said.

Mount Clemens got its only points of the fourth quarter on a pair of free throws with 1.4 seconds remaining.

An 8-0 run early in the second quarter gave South a 19-8 lead and Mount Clemens never got closer than six points the rest of the way.

Emily Koltuniak scored six of her 14 points during the run. One of her baskets came on a putback and the others came on feeds from Jennifer Marsh and Megan Switalski.

Colleen Buckley also had 14 points as South attacked the Bathers inside.

"We tried to go at the hole with Emily and Colleen because we knew (Mount Clemens) didn't have anybody to stop them," Van Eckoute said.

Buckley pulled down nine rebounds and Koltuniak grabbed six.

Stephanie Kostiuik added six points for South, including buzzer beaters at the end of the first and third quarters.

Ambroz also had three rebounds, two steals and two assists.

In last week's 28-12 loss to division champion Fraser, Ambroz held the Ramblers' Angie McGinnis to eight

points. Buckley did an equally good job on Fraser's Katie Price, holding her to six points.

"We outrebounded Fraser. We took more shots than they did, and they were good shots," Van Eckoute said. "The only thing we didn't do was finish."

South shot only 16 percent against the Ramblers.

"Defensively and offensively, we did exactly what we designed," Van Eckoute said. "All in all, I thought we played a really good game, except for one part, and that was finishing."

A 12-point second quarter was the difference for Fraser, which was held to single digits in the other three quarters.

Buckley led South with seven rebounds.

The Blue Devils finished 7-7 in the MAC White and ended the regular season with an 8-12 mark.

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Comments: Peyser opened the scoring at the 29-second mark of the first period. Goaltender Matt Hughes turned away all but one of the Flyers' shots. Trip Damman and Zac Schrodle anchored the Maple Leafs' defense. Other support came from James Palmer, Eric Londo and Kathryn Repicky.





## Champs again

Billeo's Lounge repeated as regular season and playoff champions in the Harper Woods Recreation Department's Women's Softball League. In front, from left, are Shavonne Steffes, Kimberly Rhodes, Sara Luxmore, manager Marge Gatliff and Lori Wilson. In back, from left, are Jennifer Thomas, Sara Gianotta, Kelly Calka, Elizabeth Twomey, Lynn Smith, Sue Campbell, Barb Bucchare and Colleen Trybus. Not pictured are Andrew Kaptur and Michelle Kowalkowski.

## Trinity Catholic beats Pioneers

By Bob St. John  
Sports Writer

Trinity Catholic's girls basketball team ended its regular season in fashion last week, ripping city rival Harper Woods 55-16.

Trinity head coach Phil McCune has emphasized the importance of getting off to fast starts.

His Lancers roared out of the gates against the visiting Pioneers, taking a 17-6 lead after the first quarter, and extending the margin to 35-8 at the half.

Harper Woods head coach Jessica Pitruzzello was helpless as her players had a case of cold shooting and turnover-itis.

The Lancers' defense held

the Pioneers to less than 20 percent shooting and forced them into 29 turnovers.

Junior DePrice Taylor outscored the Pioneers' entire total, scoring 23 points, while senior Stephanie Sosa had 10 points.

Senior Onicko Biggs had six points and five rebounds, while junior Nicole Gailliard finished with four points and six rebounds.

Junior Krystle Wilson had six points and 10 rebounds for the Lancers.

The Pioneers were led by sophomore Shana King, who scored six points.

Earlier in the week, Trinity Catholic cruised past Wyandotte Mount Carmel,

winning 53-11.

"Our defensive intensity smothered Mount Carmel," McCune said. "I was worried about how well the girls would play after playing a tough Catholic League championship game two nights before, but the girls came out focused, and they played very well."

The Lancers led 32-4 at the half as Taylor had 14 points and Sosa had six points and six steals.

Biggs finished with seven points and 13 rebounds, and Gailliard had seven points and 11 rebounds.

The Trinity Catholic basketball team improved to 16-3 overall, while Harper Woods fell to 3-15.

## Trinity hoopsters beat Shrine; win first Catholic crown

By Bob St. John  
Sports Writer

The Trinity Catholic girls basketball team won its first-ever Catholic League championship last weekend, beating Royal Oak Shrine 45-38 in the A-East/A-West title game at Calihan Hall.

"It was a wonderful victory," head coach Phil McCune said. "We switched defenses on Shrine after our last loss to them, and it worked pretty well."

The Lancers had lost twice this season to Shrine, falling 60-56 on the road and 64-37 at home.

"The girls were very focused on this game, and they really wanted to beat Shrine after losing twice to them this year," McCune said. "Our defense and rebounding were the reasons why we won."

Junior Nicole Gailliard had 15 points and 15 rebounds, while senior Onicko Biggs had only two points but grabbed 17 rebounds.

Junior DePrice Taylor had 16 points, and sophomore Jasmine Hamilton had 10 points and five assists.

Earlier in the week, Trinity Catholic edged Allen Park Cabrini 45-44 in a Catholic League A-East/A-West Division playoff semi-

final game at Notre Dame.

"This was a big win for us," McCune said. "The girls really wanted to get another shot at Shrine, but we had to get past a very good Cabrini team first."

Taylor was the heroine, hitting a 15-foot jumper with 1.4 seconds left that gave the Lancers the win.

The Lancers trailed by five points with only two minutes left in the fourth quarter, but McCune was able to get his players to use every ounce of energy during a furious rally.

"We used our full-court press the entire game, and I think the girls were exhausted because Notre Dame's court is bigger than most courts we play on," McCune said. "The girls did a great job of battling back, and they're excited to have won."

Hamilton banked in a three-point shot that cut Cabrini's lead to two points, and Taylor's basket came after each team exchanged several free throws.

"Our defense wasn't as intense during the second half, but it was good enough to win," McCune said.

The Lancers jumped out to a 14-6 lead after the first quarter, and it was extended

to 22-11 midway through the second period.

Cabrini eventually took a 30-29 lead midway through the third stanza, and each squad took turns grabbing the lead throughout the final 12 minutes of the play-off game.

Taylor led the Lancers with 23 points, including eight in the fourth quarter, while Hamilton had five points and seven assists.

Biggs had nine points and 15 rebounds, and Gailliard chipped in with nine rebounds and four steals.

In other action last week, Trinity lost 50-33 in a non-league game to city rival Regina.

"It was a good game since all of our girls were able to play a lot of minutes," Regina head coach Diane Laffey said.

"We wanted our younger girls to get a bulk of the minutes, and they did a good job playing a very solid Regina team," McCune said.

Junior Krystle Wilson led the Lancers with 13 points and 17 rebounds, which prepared her to defend Shrine's top players.

The Trinity Catholic basketball team improved to 14-3 overall; Regina improved to 10-8 overall.

## Pair leads Saddlelites to wins

By Bob St. John  
Sports Writer

Regina's basketball team stretched its winning streak to three games last week, beating Madison Heights Bishop Foley 54-38 and Marine City Cardinal Mooney 46-36.

"We had our struggles in each game but managed to win them both," head coach Diane Laffey said. "Both times we played poorly in the first half, and they came out and played a strong second half. We can't play like that if we want to win a district championship."

Senior Bridget Pullis scored 20 points to lead the Saddlelites against Bishop Foley, and senior Sarah Jimines had 12 points to lead the team against Cardinal Mooney.

The Saddlelites actually trailed Cardinal Mooney 23-18 at the half after being outscored 14-7 in the second quarter.

Laffey's squad outscored the Cardinals 28-13 in the

final two periods.

The Regina basketball team finished its regular season 12-8 overall.

Of the eight losses, four came to state-ranked teams (Detroit Renaissance, Birmingham Marian (two) and Detroit St. Martin dePorres).

Coming up for the Saddlelites is a possible spot in a Class A district championship game at 7 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 21, at Grosse Pointe North.

The Saddlelites' opponent would be North, Grosse Pointe South or Detroit Finney.

"The girls really want to win this district title," Laffey said. "We know we will have our hands full, but we're confident we can play well and win."

### Swimming

Regina's swim team ended its season last weekend, finishing in the bottom half of the Catholic League

Swimming and Diving championship meet at Livonia's Recreation Center.

Head coach Sarah Blackstock had more than a dozen swimmers ranked in each event, but in the end perennial powers Farmington Hills Mercy and Birmingham Marian dominated.

The Saddlelites were led by Dana Zak, Ashley Vogel, Holly Hanczaruk, Trisha Monahan, Nancy Diehl, Jackie Sheridan, Laura Sunisloe and Ann Poirier.

Other standouts were Kara Constantine, Molly Ebert, Shaina Buhl, Jennifer Hite, Maureen Powers, Alissa Monahan, Sarah Dombrowski, Molly Mullins, Chelsea Stevens, Kim Pierce, Anna Jeanguenat, Meghan Pfeiffer, Allison Frintczak, Laura Dunaway, Taryn Smericki, Kelsea Hubble, Jennifer Miski, Sarah Piepszowski, Maria Carney, Alison Brennan and Erycca Sarver.

## Norsemen do well at LCN swim meet

Grosse Pointe North's girls swimming team had some impressive performances in the recent L'Anse Creuse North Invitational.

Juliana Schmidt won the 200-yard freestyle and achieved a state-qualifying time in the event.

Carolyn Jacobs was also under the state-qualifying time with her win in the 100 backstroke, which set a pool record at LCN.

North's 200 freestyle relay team of Maggie Eugenio, Ashley Wynne, Martha Everett and Jacobs took first with a season-best time.

Lindsey Kurtz finished fourth in the 500 freestyle while swimming her best time of the season.



Seven members of Grosse Pointe North's girls swimming team will be competing in the Division I state meet on Friday and Saturday at Eastern Michigan University. In front are Melissa Cleary, left, and Anne Kopf. In back, from left, are Carolyn Jacobs, Juliana Schmidt, Lauren Hanna, Maggie Eugenio, and Martha Everett. North's girls swim team is a 200-yard freestyle relay team and the 400 freestyle relay team. Individual qualifiers are Jacobs in the 200 individual medley and 100 backstroke; Schmidt, 200 and 500 freestyle; and Hanna, 100 breaststroke.

## Olympic hopefuls to meet supporters at local fundraiser

Grosse Pointe Carrie Howe and her US Sailing Team crew members will meet with supporters during a fundraising event hosted by the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club on Sunday, Nov. 23 from 3 to 6 p.m.

The team that is comprised of Howe (tactician and sail trim), Sally Barkow of Wisconsin (skipper) and Debbie Capozzi of New York (foredeck), is working to represent the United States in the 2004 Olympics, which will be held in Athens, Greece, in August.

After graduating from Boston College in May, Howe and her crew have been racing and training with some of the best Yngling teams from around the world.

Last summer, they sailed in Kiel and Warnmunde, Germany. In September, the traveled to Spain to participate in the International Sailing Federation world championships.

Recently the team finished first in the International Rolex Women's Keelboat

Championship on Chesapeake Bay at the Annapolis Yacht Club in Annapolis, Md.

The 70-foot, J-22 regatta drew many of the top women sailors in the world, including many of the best Yngling class teams cross training as additional preparation for the Olympic challenge.

Earlier this month, Howe and her teammates moved to Miami to begin practicing in Key Biscayne with other Olympic class sailing teams in preparation for the Olympic Trials, which will be held in February and March.

There are currently five Yngling teams contending for the U.S. Olympic berth.

The reason for the fundraiser, which is spon-

sored by Carrie Howe's parents — Mike and Ann Howe of Grosse Pointe Shores and Cindy and Frank Brady of Grosse Pointe Farms — is to help raise money for expenses such as equipment, sails, coaching, travel and nutrition.

The three team members have raised funds by approaching friends, relatives and sailing supporters, but they need to raise more money.

At the fundraiser, Howe, Barkow and Capizzo will share their recent accomplishments and outline their schedule through the Olympic Trials.

More information on the fundraiser and the team is available.

## Local laxers are second in tournament

The Baldock Mountain Rangers nearly struck gold in the recent Michigan Lacrosse Foundation's 7-on-7 tournament in Ann Arbor, but the Grosse Pointe team had to settle for silver after losing 5-1 to the Warriors in the championship game.

Grosse Pointe coach Chris Maks devised a special defensive strategy to use against the Warriors' high-

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City of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan

### SPECIAL NOTICE HOLIDAY RUBBISH SCHEDULE for THANKSGIVING DAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2003

There will be no residential rubbish or leaf collection on Thursday, November 27, 2003. Collection schedule will be as follows:

- FRIDAY, November 28, 2003 - Commercial rubbish route  
- Thursday's rubbish and leaf collection routes
- SATURDAY, November 29, 2003 - Friday's rubbish and leaf collection routes
- MONDAY, December 1, 2003 - Usual Monday rubbish and leaf collection routes

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## Tourney champs

The Grosse Pointe Soccer Association under-14 Salvo finished first in its division at the Romeo Peachfest Soccer Tournament. The Salvo won all their division games, then defeated Farmington 9-1 in the championship game. The defensive strength of the Salvo was instrumental as it allowed only one goal in the tournament. In front, from left, are Kevin Orzechowski, Kyle Baird, Patrick Gustine, Jackson Hartman and Kilian Davis. In the middle row, from left, are Cameron Kozicki, Arthur Griem, Scott Wilkins, Tim Carron, Eli Thomas, Brian Jacobs and Chad Fisher. In back, from left, are assistant coach Brad Carron, Patrick Rubens, Alex Marshall, Thomas Wilkins, Kyle Drummond, Thomas VanderSchaaf, Cale Mannesto and coach Jason Petrella. Not pictured is Tim Shield.

## Eagles edge ULS in tourney

By Bob St. John  
Sports Writer

The Lutheran East girls basketball team won the Metro Conference consolation bracket last week, beating University Liggett School 33-26.

"It wasn't a very pretty game to watch but we

earned the win which is the important thing," head coach Mike Murphy said. "We were very effective on the defensive end of the court but for some reason we continue to struggle on the offensive end of the court."

The Eagles held a seven-to-11 point lead throughout

most of the game, even though standout Ashley Schult reinjured her thigh that had the deep tissue bruise.

"Ashley will get some rest before our district tournament begins," Murphy said. "She will be ready to play."

Junior Kyera James had one of her best games of the season, getting 15 points and nine rebounds, while Schult finished with only six points, but grabbed 10 rebounds.

The Lutheran East basketball team finished its regular season 5-6 in the Metro Conference and 10-10 overall.

The key to the Eagles winning a district title is holding opponents under 30 points because they are a perfect 10-0 when that happens.

"We really want to win a district championship," Murphy said. "The girls have come a long way this season but we know our work will be cut out because the opposition will be tough."

Coming up for the Eagles is a possible Class D district semifinal game tonight, Thursday, Nov. 20, against city rival and district favorite Trinity Catholic.

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powered offense.

It worked from the start, and neither team scored until midway through the first half. The Warriors opened the scoring, but less than a minute later, Grosse Pointe tied the game on a goal by Scott Brown off a pass from Kyle Drummond.

The Rangers, with a defense led by Dan Pogue, Robert Collison and Jesse Gentry, kept the game tied until the second half. That's when the Warriors' size advantage began to pay off, and they scored four goals.

Several Grosse Pointe counterattacks, led by Branden Davenport, Chris Ferriole, Alex Langton, William Mecke, Sam Mott, Greg Papas, Jimmy Tocco, Evan Welch, Scott Bahash and Jamie Gentry, were turned away by the Warriors' goalie.

Grosse Pointe goalie Trent Lattimore played well and made seven saves.

The Rangers had posted a 5-0 record going into the final game, including a 4-2 win over the Warriors in the first game of the tournament, and a 7-2 victory over Birmingham in the semifinals.

Grosse Pointe also posted 3-2 and 5-2 victories over Our Lady of Sorrows, and a 7-1 win over Birmingham.

## Red Barons varsity wins big in season's final contest

The goal of Grosse Pointe Red Barons varsity coach Brett Kurily is to prepare his players for high school football.

If a recent performance against Macomb is any indication, his players are more than ready.

Playing nearly error-free ball, the Barons ended their season with a 37-0 victory at Dakota High School.

"We want players to know what it takes to play high school football — the commitment and the importance of execution," Kurily said.

"We really demonstrated our ability to execute (against Macomb). We never punted after our first drive. We only had two penalties. We averaged eight yards-per-carry. We were 8-for-11 with three touchdown passes and no sacks. And Tim Reaume's defense had its third shutout and allowed fewer than 75 yards."

After a scoreless first quarter, Steve Reaume scored the first of his three touchdowns on a 12-yard run behind the blocking of Mack Topper, Frank Ferretti and J.D. St. John. Tim Tibaud's kick made it 8-0.

Mark Riashi's 29-yard pass to Reaume increased the Barons' lead to 16-0. The scoring play capped an eight-play, 69-yard drive that started with Reid Fragel's fumble recovery.

The Barons made it 24-0 before the half on a 16-yard run by David Casselman that was set up by William Kelly's fumble recovery.

The second-half scores came on an 18-yard run by Reaume and a 20-yard run by Peter Miller. Riashi threw a successful conversion pass to Tim Quinn after Reaume's third touchdown.

"It was a very successful season," Kurily said. "We accomplished the goals we set."

### Junior varsity

Coaching youth football is special for Doug Lutenberger, who has been with the Red Barons for 20 seasons.

And what makes it so special was evident on this year's team.

He saw players make dramatic improvements, other overcome injuries and some

display special attitudes.

One of the most improved players on this year's team was defensive lineman Sean Molloy, who came on strong after a slow start.

"It was really remarkable how he really turned it on," said Lutenberger after a season-ending 24-6 loss to Macomb.

Another example was wide receiver Joey Dempsey, who played the position for the first time.

"He might be the best pure receiver I've had," Lutenberger said. "He took balls away from people. He would somehow pick it up if it wasn't thrown properly."

Quarterback Patrick Kennedy, receiver Joe Youngblood and offensive linemen George Rastelli and Max Reitzloff suffered injuries during the season, but even while hurt, they worked out with the team each day before returning.

"They stayed with the team and worked hard," Lutenberger said.

Then there were players like defensive linemen Bryce Gray and Joey Konen, who while not the biggest players, displayed some big hearts.

"They are an inspiration. They would go up against anyone," Lutenberger said. "Their attitudes are what makes it worthwhile."

Lutenberger also praised the excellent seasons of linebacker Alex Koski, defensive lineman Matt Kneiser, safety Charles Getz and running back John-Michael Guest.

### Freshman

Coach Tony Cimmarrusti was in a thankful mood after his team beat Macomb, 21-6.

"We knew from day one that these young boys had some talent and heart, but we just didn't know how much," Cimmarrusti said. "They came together in a wonderful way to turn this into one of the most delightful experiences I have had in my 23 years of coaching."

"Apart from a great group of young men, the coaching staff was nothing short of outstanding this season. Lou Ray headed up our outstanding defensive staff of assistant defensive coordinator Bob Cleary, John Hartman, Matt Reno, Ken

Kish, Tom Schneider and the ever-spirited Julian VanBiesbrock. Offensively, our staff was led by coordinator Bryce Gray, Mark Kaiser and Geoff Welsher. We were especially blessed by the leadership and direction of offensive line coaches Jeff Gerlach and Dave Wagonsomer."

The team was a perfect mix of new players and a solid group of returning players who provided leadership throughout the season.

"The offensive line, led by second-year standouts Mitch Vermet, Mike Gerlach, Chris Weldon and Matt Starrs, once again led the way against Macomb," Cimmarrusti said.

"The defensive line, anchored by Scott Posada, Ben Shaum, Chad Tech, Chris Wood, Scotty Boynton and Alex O'Neill, was strong all season. And Cooper Hartman, Ben Fry, Alex Avouris, Skippy Faber, Connor Ray and Jimmy Guest provided outstanding linebacker and secondary play in every game."

The Barons scored first against Macomb when the versatile Alex Bedan caught an 18-yard touchdown pass from Brian Cleary. On the previous play, Cleary, who displayed an accurate arm all season, had thrown an apparent touchdown pass to John Laciura, but the play was nullified by a penalty. Guest ran for the conversion.

After a Macomb touchdown, Faber, who had his best game of the season, scored on a two-yard run. He also ran in the conversion. The play was set up by a 15-yard reception by Marty Moesta.

Faber scored the game's final touchdown on a one-yard run with 42 seconds left in the third quarter. Guest ran for the conversion. The touchdown was set up by the third interception of the game by Connor Ray. Jon Parker also intercepted a pass.

It was a perfect way to end the season for the freshmen.

"It was a year we will not soon forget," Cimmarrusti said.

## Eagles' defense is the key in victory over Hamtramck

By Bob St. John  
Sports Writer

Lutheran East's girls basketball team earned a spot in the Metro Conference Tournament consolation finals, beating Hamtramck 34-29.

"We made some defensive adjustments after Hamtramck beat us the first time we met this season," head coach Mike Murphy said. "Our adjustment worked because Hamtramck's leading scorer only had two baskets in the second half."

Senior Ashley Schult had one of her best all-around

games of the season, scoring 13 points, grabbing 13 rebounds, and blocking six shots.

Junior Kyera James had nine points, and junior Shana Pritchett added five points.

"It was nice to come back with a win after losing to Hamtramck without Ashley on the court," Murphy said. "Ashley played very well, and she got a lot of support from her teammates."

Earlier in the week, the Eagles lost 50-49 in overtime to host Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest in a first-round game.

## South coach pleased with state meet

It might not have been the ending that Grosse Pointe South's boys cross country team had hoped for, but coach Tom Wise certainly wasn't disappointed with the Blue Devils' performance at the state Division I meet.

"We weren't at our best, but we were encouraged by the efforts of Bryan Mackenzie and Jacob Wernet," Wise said.

"Bryan was having aerobic capacity problems and early last week found a solution."

Mackenzie became the fourth South runner to break 17 minutes this season.

"Wernet gutted out a tough race with a foot injury straight championships."

Ed Nagel and Carrie Cunningham won three straight titles from 1995-97.

Former Grosse Pointe resident Susan Mascarin Keane, who now lives in Chicago, will team up with Chicagoan Chris Struck.

For exact times, contact the Hunt Club tennis house at (313) 882-4100.

that has been bothering him for three weeks, and finished admirably," Wise said.

South finished 25th, but Wise said "we were a much better team than a year ago."

"We captured five team trophies and are in an upswing of talent. Coach (Mike) Novak and I were impressed with our leadership (from) captains Eric Backman and Mackenzie, and see some continued leadership in the future."

"The girls played hard but came up a little short," Murphy said. "We gave up a few more points than I would have liked, but we did play a more up-tempo style that led to more scoring opportunities."

Senior Brandy Dona scored 18 points, including making 10-of-15 free throws, while Schult was 4-of-5 from the foul line and scored 14 points.

Pritchett chipped in with 10 points, and the Eagles made 21-of-36 free throws in a losing effort.

## She's a captain

Sarah Scully's name was inadvertently left out as one of the senior captains of the Grosse Pointe South girls swimming team in the Nov. 6 edition of The Grosse Pointe News.

### City of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan

#### SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES NOVEMBER 10, 2003

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present on Roll Call: Mayor-Elect James C. Farquhar Jr., Councilman-Elect Peter W. Waldmeir, Councilwoman Therese M. Joseph, Councilman-Elect Joseph T. Leonard, Councilman Charles S. "Terry" Davis III, Councilman Louis Theros and Councilman-Elect Douglas F. Roby Jr.

Those absent were: None.

Also Present: Messrs. Burgess, City Attorney; Solak, City Manager; Reeside, City Clerk; Brennan, Director of Public Service; Tolliver, Assistant Director of Public Service; Ferber, Director of Public Safety; Jensen, Deputy Director of Public Safety.

Mayor-Elect Farquhar presided at the Meeting.

The Report of the Board of Canvassers for the General City Election held on November 4, 2003, was received by the Council and ordered placed on file.

In accordance with Section 5.6 of the City Charter, the City Clerk administered the Oath of Office to the following persons who were elected to the office of City Council at the General Election held November 4, 2003:

Douglas F. Roby, Jr.  
Therese M. Joseph  
Joseph T. Leonard  
Peter W. Waldmeir

In accordance with Ordinance No. 367, Code No. 2-08, The Mayoral Election Ordinance and pursuant to Section 4.4 of the City Charter, the City Clerk placed the nomination of James C. Farquhar Jr., for the Office of Mayor to serve a two-year term expiring in November 2005, chosen by the electors at large and unanimously adopted by the City Council.

The Council adopted a resolution to elect the Council person who received the second highest number of Mayoral Election votes to the Office of Mayor Pro-Tem.

Pursuant to Ordinance No. 367, Code No. 2-08, The Mayoral Election Ordinance, Section 4.4 of the City Charter, Councilman Charles S. "Terry" Davis III, was then nominated and selected for the Office of Mayor Pro-Tem, to serve a two-year term expiring November 2005.

The Council approved the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held October 6, 2003 as submitted.

The Council, acting as a Zoning Board of Appeals, approved the minutes of the Public Hearing held October 6, 2003 as submitted; and further, adjourned the appeal of Mr. & Mrs. Sherer of 427 Lothrop, to Monday, December 8, 2003 at 7:30 p.m.

Following a Public Hearing, the Council adopted Code No. 1-03, Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance, Ordinance No. 369.

The Council received the Public Safety Department Report for the month of September 2003 and ordered it placed on file.

Upon proper motion made, supported and carried, the Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2003 AT 7:30 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 90 KERBY ROAD. THE MEETINGS ARE PUBLIC. INTERESTED PROPERTY OWNERS AND RESIDENTS OF THE CITY ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.

Ronald V. Kneiser,  
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NEFF Lane Apartment, 2 bedroom, 1 bath, central air, close to Village, carport, basement, lease, no pets. \$725/ month. (313)882-9972

NEFF- Nice 2 bedroom duplex. Fireplace, air, garage. Available January. \$900. (313)884-5616

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NOTTINGHAM, completely remodeled 3 bedroom, dining & living rooms, new kitchen & appliances, new bath, new carpeting, new windows, air. No pets. \$950. 2 months security. (313)822-6970. Must see.

NOTTINGHAM, quiet 2 bedroom upper, carpeted, laundry. \$600. (313)882-2688

NOTTINGHAM- (15 minutes to downtown) 5 room lower, clean, very quiet, appliances, separate basement. \$650 plus utilities & security. (313)885-1944

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UPPER duplex. \$800/ month. 2 bedroom. 1405 Somerset. Central air, washer and dryer in half basement and garage space. (313)640-8099

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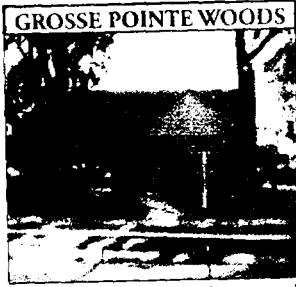
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Restored bungalow with lovely oak kitchen and open floor plan. New roof 2003, hardwood floors, new carpeting in bedrooms. Lovely master bath with jacuzzi and separate shower. Family room, finished basement with bath. \$184,900 GP81BEA 313-886-5040



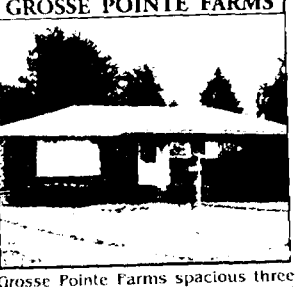
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Truly beautiful and spotless remodeled three bedroom bungalow features hardwood floors, marble fireplace and updated kitchen and bath. Finished basement has half-bath and a second fireplace. \$199,900 GP16HAM 313-886-5040



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Outstanding location and neighborhood close to Village and Mair. Great space and floor plan. Large bedrooms, big kitchen, family room, recreation room with pool table area and fireplace. Newer windows, central air. \$279,900 GP72BIS 313-886-5040



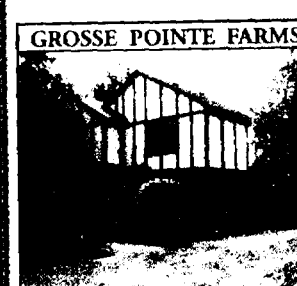
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Grosse Pointe Farms spacious three bedroom brick ranch with updated furnace, central air, windows and hot water heater. Living room with gas fireplace and kitchen with oak cabinets. Finished basement. \$214,900 GP48F11 313-886-5040



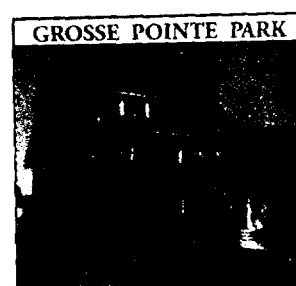
**GROSSE POINTE PARK**

Nice all brick two-unit in a highly sought-after rental area in the Park. Each unit features three bedrooms, large living rooms with natural fireplaces and formal dining rooms. Grosse Pointe schools and parks. \$189,000 GP44BEA 313-886-5040



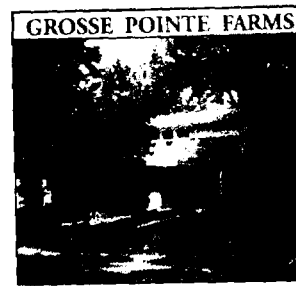
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Rose Terrace Tudor offers two story Great Room, updated kitchen with granite counters, three fireplaces, second floor library, first floor laundry, large three season room, perfect circular floor plan. \$750,000 GP18ROS 313-886-5040



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Spacious two-family, south of Jefferson. Perfect for extended family or snowbirds looking for peace of mind in having someone to keep an eye on things while they're away. Lots of updates. New price makes this a steal! \$449,000 GP88TRO 313-886-5040



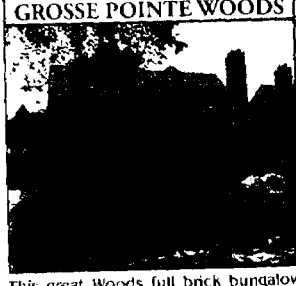
**GROSSE POINTE FARMS**

A very unique home in the heart of Grosse Pointe Farms. Home has recent updates in painting, carpet, driveway, roof, gutters, landscaping and window treatments. Natural fireplace, patio with hot tub, fenced yard. Move in condition. \$339,900 GP72MTV 313-886-5040



**GROSSE POINTE PARK**

Lovely three bedroom, two bath brick bungalow. Great eat-in kitchen, appliances stay. Gas forced air heat, air conditioning, two car garage and a deck in fenced yard. Seller is finishing basement. Home warranty. \$205,000 GP75BEA 313-886-5040



**GROSSE POINTE WOODS**

This great Woods full brick bungalow offers two full baths, newer kitchen with maple cabinets and ceramic tile floor. Three bedrooms, beautiful fireplace, formal dining room, carpeted basement. Warranty. \$208,900 GP75ALL 313-886-5040



**GROSSE POINTE WOODS**

Nicely updated three bedroom center entrance on deeper park-like yard, featuring updated kitchen. Family room with skylights. Two fireplaces, most appliances, partial finished basement, oversized garage, newer carpeting. \$229,900 GP21RO5 313-886-5040



**GROSSE POINTE**

Exceptional condition. Gorgeous new kitchen with built-ins, fabulous woodwork, newer marble bath with cherry vanity. Spectacular master bedroom with vaulted ceilings. New furnace, air and roof 2003. English garden. \$595,000 GP47WAS 313-886-5040



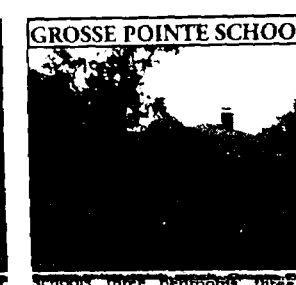
**GROSSE POINTE PARK**

Great family home with large lot, patio and garage. Kitchen, newly finished hardwood floors. Open staircase adds charm along with natural fireplace. Walk to schools and shopping. Very nice block in the Park. \$194,500 SC30LAK 586-778-8100



**GROSSE POINTE SCHOOLS**

Half brick brick ranch, Grosse Pointe Schools. Large eating space in kitchen. Appliances included. Sharp finished basement. Newer tear-off roof. Beautifully landscaped. Home warranty. \$139,000 GP15FLE 313-886-5040



**GROSSE POINTE SCHOOLS**

Schools, three bedrooms, three car garage, new kitchen 2003, ceramic bath, new 3D roof, great floor plan. Wonderful all brick block, FHA, VA terms. This home has new berber carpet. A \$101,100,900 GP33HUN 313-886-5040



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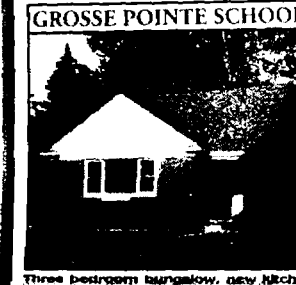
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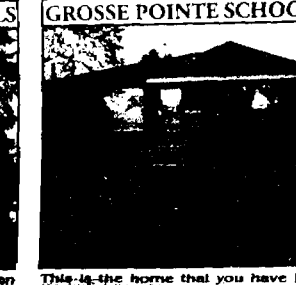
**GROSSE POINTE PARK**

Five bedroom brick with two full baths. Beautifully restored throughout. Refinished hardwood floors and natural woodwork. Located on Quiet cul-de-sac. Professionally painted throughout. Perfect for the growing family. \$189,900 SC99BEA 586-778-8100



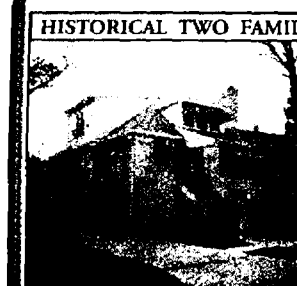
**GROSSE POINTE SCHOOLS**

Three bedroom bungalow, new kitchen in 2003, new air conditioning and furnace in 2002, new roof in 2001, two car garage, newer windows, fenced yard, natural fireplace, half bath in basement, beautiful landscaping. \$169,900 GP03NOR 313-886-5040



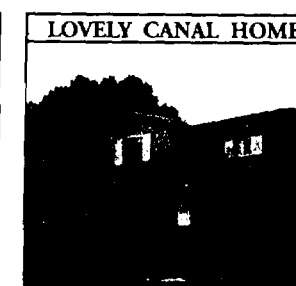
**GROSSE POINTE SCHOOLS**

This is the home that you have been waiting for! Beautiful three bedroom ranch on quiet street. Newly decorated kitchen: oak cabinets, custom tile, recessed lights and cathedral ceilings. Cedar paneled and glass room. \$178,000 GP45LOC 313-886-5040



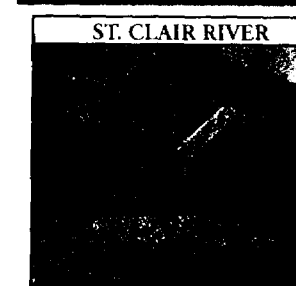
**HISTORICAL TWO FAMILY**

Unique limestone home. Newer bath 2003, new carpet, copper plumbing, central air and furnace, newer cherry cabinets, sun porch. Two bedroom apartment on second floor with separate utilities and entrance. Private beach. \$219,900 GP68MIL 313-886-5040



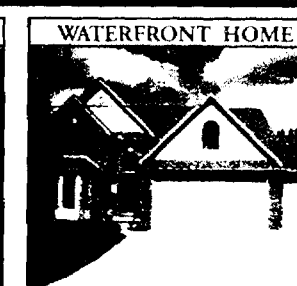
**LOVELY CANAL HOME**

Wonderful waterfront, totally redone. Addition in 2000 has a master suite, doorwall balcony overlooking water, skylights, gorgeous master bath jacuzzi, standup shower, cathedral ceiling, ceramic tile. Finished basement. \$289,900 GP35MAP 313-886-5040



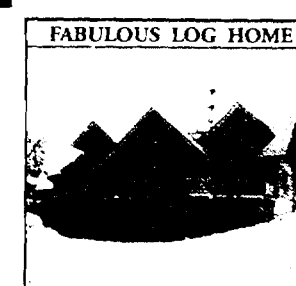
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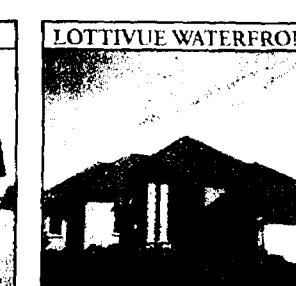
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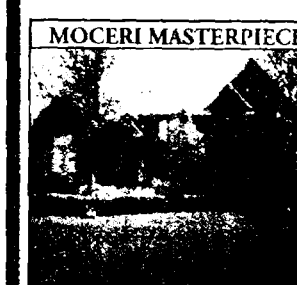
**FABULOUS LOG HOME**

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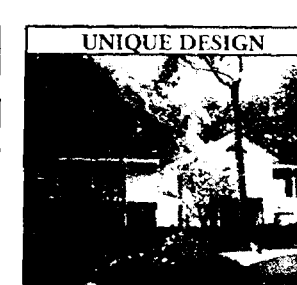
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Spacious four bedroom ranch offers walk-out basement, two car attached garage, large country kitchen. Beautifully landscaped with mature trees all sitting on approximately three acres backing to Maybury State Park. \$539,900 PL25WES 734-455-5600



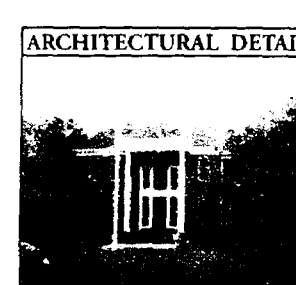
**EXCLUSIVE COLONIAL**

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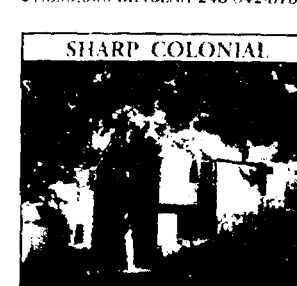
**ST. CLAIR RIVERFRONT**

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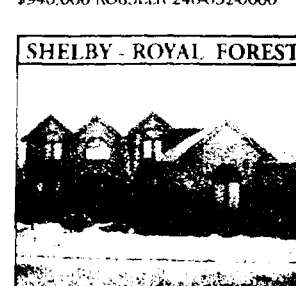
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