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WEEK AHEAD

Monday, April 19

Sen. Martha Scott, D-Highland Park, holds a coffee hour for Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods residents at Caribou Coffee, 19419 Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.

The City of Grosse Pointe Council meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial ballroom. The new owners of the Jacobson's building will present development plans.

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

The Grosse Pointe Board of Education meets in Wicking Library at Grosse Pointe South High School at 8

Tuesday, April 20

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

Wednesday, April 21

Pointes for Peace sponsors its ninth peace talk with Dr. Muli Linder, who will speak on "The Courage to Refuse" at Christ Church Grosse Pointe at 7:30

For more information, call (313) 822-2702 or (313) 882-7732 or e-mail pointesforpeace@yahoo.com.

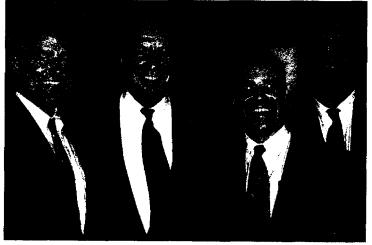
The Grosse Pointe Historical Society and the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House will present "Gas, Food and Lodging: The Design of the American Roadside, at the Ford House at 7:30 p.m.

Admission is free. For more information, call (313) 884-7010 or visit www.gphistorical.com.

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Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano, second from right, led a town hall meeting Wednesday, April 7, at Trombly Elementary School. Pictured with Ficano are Andrew Richner, University of Michigan Regent and former state representative, county commissioner and Grosse Pointe Park councilman; Park Mayor Pro Tem Greg Theokas; and county corporation counsel and Park Councilman Sam

Fifth Third Bank plans fall opening on the Hill

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

Dogs on Radnor Circle who slink out of their yards to weasel cookies from the owner of Standard on the Hill will have to find somewhere else

The station is closing in about 30

After 34 years of working 60-hour weeks, Tom Onofrey -- Grosse Pointe Farms businessman, mechanic and an easy mark for tail-wagging panhan-- is selling his prime piece of property on Kercheval to Fifth Third

"Grosse Pointe's been very good to my family and myself through the years," Onofrey said. "It's going to be tough to say goodbye to my second family, my Grosse Pointe family. It will be difficult to close the door for the last time."

Fifth Third officials hope to start preparing the site for construction of a branch next month, after the purchase is final and the site enclosed with safety walls.

The Standard station will be torn down.

"We'll begin with (gasoline) tank removal and ground restoration," said Jeff Wagner, Fifth Third vice president of corporate real estate.

He's aiming at a mid-October grand

To keep from disrupting commerce on the Hill, construction will halt during special events, such as outdoor

If bankers miss their October goal, they'll have to stop work anyway during the Christmas shopping season Nov. 15 through Jan. 1, 2005.

Workers also must park off-site and be shuttled to the Hill. Farms officials insisted no one can use side streets as parking lots or staging areas.
"We intend to have this project not

be a burden to residents or businesses during construction," Wagner said. The full-service branch will operate

during daylight hours six days per week (including four hours on Saturdays beginning at 10 a.m.). ATM service is planned inside a front vestibule.

Two drive-up windows will exit into the alley south of Kercheval and around to the traffic light at McMillan. Wagner expects drive-up service will draw a combined maximum of 30 cars per day.

"We don't anticipate any problem with traffic backing up onto Kercheval or the sidewalk," he said.

He said teller speakers won't dis-turb neighbors: "Under a worse-case scenario, at a distance of 35 feet the audio of those speakers dissipates to a

See FIFTH THIRD, page 3A nearby counties and federal

County exec Ficano visits the Pointes

Staff Writer

What has been considered a conjoined yet disconnected relationship got a bit of fus-ing when Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano to Trombley came Elementary School for a hall meeting
Wednesday, April 7.
More

More than 100 people attended the first-ever town hall meeting led by a Wayne County executive in the Grosse Pointe area. Ficano, who called the meeting "a learning experience and a dialog," brought 48 department directors and deputy directors and District 1 Commissioner Chris Cavanaugh with him to answer questions from attendees.

Aside from the addition of two constituent service representatives to serve the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods, Ficano did not unveil any new projects or programs targeted for the east side. However, he did take time to expound on accountability measures he and his staff have taken on.

Ficano said much of the \$55 million deficit he assumed when he took office in January 2003 has been "leveled off" pending cuts at

the state level.
Ficano also talked of moving toward regional public service structures. He spoke of possibly implementing a centralized criminal justice center, where criminals could be locked up and arraigned all in one building, regardless of which jurisdiction in Wayne County the arrest took place. He also said such a center could be a source of revenue if it were able to accommodate overflow from

establishing a regional health authority, which may be able to obtain more federal funds for health clinics for uninsured and underinsured patients, and consolidating electronic medical records in order to make patient records more accessible between hospitals in

Ficano also fielded several questions about the Detroit-Wayne County Mental Health Agency, which Ficano has been attempting to bring under county control, instead of having it be run by a 12-member board of officials from Wayne County and Detroit. After a rant of accusations of contracts sealed with handshakes and litigation taking place in Boston, Ficano said, "I don't know how mental health was run before, but it won't be run the same way. I want the power to run this, but I also want the responsibility to do that."

Ficano and his staff also fielded questions about local issues. Hassan Saab, assistant division director of engineering, assured one resident that sea wall repair on Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Shores was on agenda pending funding from the federal government. Deputy CEO Charlie Williams said possible possible enhancement grants could be used to beautify Alter in Detroit. Ficano also said the county register of deeds department has come under compliance in the past 15 months while some lag time in processing title searches was "not unusual around the country.

Members of Ficano's staff also eased concerns about curb cuts that were not

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Fifth Third Bank's Hill branch in Grosse Pointe Farms will replace Standard on the Hill and will abut The League Shop.



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POINTER OF INTEREST Mary Nolan

Home: Grosse Pointe Farms

Family: Widowed. 3 grown children: John, 50; Katy, 46; and Larry. 42; two granddaughters

Occupation: Volunteers at Cottage Hospital three mornings a week; active in Cottage Hospital Auxiliary and several other volunteer organizations.

Quote: "I like being a receptionist. I like people. This is like a paying job."

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Jane Oyler Bodeau

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Jane Oyler Bodeau, 80, died Friday, April 9, 2004, at her home in St. Clair Shores

Mrs. Bodeau was born in Cincinnati, Ohio and moved to Grosse Pointe Park in the 1930s. She graduated from Sacred Heart Academy in 1941, and received her bachelor's degree in social work from the University of Detroit in 1945.

Mrs. Bodeau devoted her life to service in the community. She was a lifetime member and past president of the Bon Secours Assistance League, served on the board of Services for Older Citizens and was a member of the Friends of Vision. She assisted with St. Paul Catholic Church's grief counseling, volunteered at St. John Hospital and was an active supporter of the Grosse Pointe Library.

The Catholic religion was very important to Mrs. Boudeau; she was active in the Children of Mary and looked forward to her yearly retreats at Manresa, Jesuit Retreat House.

Her greatest joy was her family. She was an avid reader, fine bridge player, and she loved music. Some of her favorites were Ella Fitzgerald, Barbra Streisand and Stephen Zontec. She and her husband enjoyed golfing, swimming, bowling and enter-taining at the Country Club of Detroit.

Mrs. Bodeau is survived by her husband, Art Bodeau; daughters, Kathy (Keith C.) Boerner and Maureen "Pinky" (Mac) McPherson; sons, J. Michael Bodeau and William Bodeau; seven grandchildren and one

great-grandchild. She was predeceased by

her son, A. Scott Bodeau. A memorial Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, April 17, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe Farms at 10 a.m. Visitation will take place in the gathering room at the rear of the church for her brothers, Donald and one-half hour prior to the Robert Lesmeister; and sis-

Jesuit Retreat House 1390 Quarton Rd., Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304.



Agnes T. Borchak Agnes T. Borchak

Grosse Pointe Shores resident Agnes T. Borchak, 77, known as "Aggie" by her friends and "Peachy Pie" by her grandchildren, died Friday, April 2, 2004, from complications following surgery at Bon Secours

She was born in Harvey, N.D., the sixth of twelve children to Anne Marie and Joseph Lesmeister. The family later moved to Detroit where as young women Agnes and her sisters were popular performers, singing at local productions and on

the radio.
Mrs. Borchak attended the University of Detroit. where she met her husband in the marching band clarinet section.

Mrs. Borchak was active in the Grosse Pointe commuand enjoyed Grandparent's Day at the Shores park and participating in rendezvous as a member of the Grosse Pointe Power Squadron.

She was an active member of the Women's Auxiliary of the Wayne County Medical Society, the Fontbonne Grosse Points tv Chorus, Society, Community Lochmoor Club group, the Tennis Sociable Scoundrels and a member of Our Lady Star of the Sea parish and choir.

Mrs. Borchak is survived by her husband, Dr. Robert G. Borchak; children, Robert M. (Diane), Deborah (Daryl) Crick, Paul (Patsy), Michael (Janet), Denise (Steve) Gornick and James; grandchildren, Autumn, Alyssa, Clarissa. Benjamin, Courtney, Devon, Lindsay, Bethany, Natalie, Stephanie, Colin and Kaitlyn; brother, Richard Lesmeister; sisters, Delores Kubicki, Catherine Toth. Joann Crawford and

ters, Marie Rawlings, Memorial contributions Margaret Nash, Susan may be made to Manresa, Lesmeister and Rose Mary

She was predeceased by

Patricia Corey.

Mass will be celebrated at ence librarianship was done Our Lady Star of the Sea, Grosse Pointe Woods, on Saturday, April 17, at 11

Interment will be at Resurrection Cemetery in Clinton Township.

Memorial contributions may be made to Wayne County Medical Society Foundation Memorial Fund, 3031 West Grand Blvd., Suite 645, Detroit, MI 48202 (313) 874-1360.



Deborah Jenka Breed Deborah Jenks Breed

Deborah Jenks Breed, 66, died Monday, April 5, 2004, in her San Francisco, Calif. home after a three-year battle with endometrial cancer.

Mrs. Breed was born in Harbor Beach, to Ruth Ferriss Jenks and Jeremiah Jenks. She attended Grosse Pointe University School and graduated from The Masters School, Dobbs Ferry, N.Y., and the University of Michigan. She received her Master of Arts degree from the University of California, Berkeley.

Mrs. Breed was a high school teacher for several years at the Piedmont High School in California and later, editor of the Association for Humanistic Psychology's newsletter, The AHP Perspective. She took early retirement from AHP immediately became involved with several nonprofit organizations. She volunteered with BASOTI (Bay Area Summer Opera Training Institute), an organization for young, aspiring opera singers, and was president of Russian Hill Neighbors and editor of its newsletter.

One of her lifelong joys was singing. She sang with the Rackham Choir in Detroit, the choir at St. Luke's Church in San Francisco, and with the San Francisco Choral Society.

Mrs. Breed is survived by her husband of 35 years, George; her daughter, Courtney; granddaughter, Freja Deborah Niklasson; sisters, Jacqueline McCabe of her husband, a prominent of Grosse Pointe and Susan physician and World War II

held at St. Luke's Church, ing to her career in decorat-San Francisco, on Friday, April 16, at 2 p.m.

may be made to the San Cross, played in a bridge Francisco Choral Society, 236 West Portal #775, San Francisco, CA 94127.

Ursula Fabian, S.C.

Sister Ursula Fabian, S.C. (JoAnn), 70, died Friday, April 9, 2004. She was born to Grace (nee Kelly) and the late Victor Fabian and was a Sister of Charity for 53 years.

Sister Fabian ministered in education, nursing homes and was a librarian for high schools, colleges and hospitals in Ohio, Chicago, Colorado and Michigan. She obtained a Bachelor of Arts degree in elementary educa-tion from Edgecliff College of Xavier University in Cincinnati, Ohio; a master's degree in library science from Spalding University in her husband, Dr. Alfred Louisville, Ky.; and a mas- Edwin Hillenbrand; and ter's degree in education son, Alfred, Jr. Wayne State University, specializing in therapeutic recreation for Catholic Church.

the field of gerontology. Her A memorial service and training for medical referat Emory University, in Atlanta.

Sister Fabian developed

learning centers for elementary schools in Ohio and Detroit, and was Activity Director in nursing homes in the Detroit area. At the end of her career she developed a Parish Library for St. Lucy Church in St. Clair Shores.

She enjoyed outdoor activities, reading, writing, poetry and music, and had articles published in religious and library journals.

Her great sense of humor will be missed.

Sister Fabian is survived by her mother, Grace; brothers, Dick (Gail), Rev. Jack Fabian, Joe (Mary Ann), Jim (Nancy); sisters, Cynthia (Gordon) Whitten and Jane (Dick) Rosemont; and many nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her father, Victor; and broth-er, Edward Fabian.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Tuesday, April 13, at St. Lucy Church, St. Clair Shores.

Arrangements were provided by Kaul Funeral Home, St. Clair Shores.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Sisters of Charity of Cincinnati, Ohio or the Right to Life of



Doris Mary Hillenbrand Doris Mary

Hillenbrand Grosse Pointe Farms resident for over 60 years, Doris Mary Hillenbrand, 87, died Sunday, April 4, 2004, at the Bon Secours Nursing Care Center in St. Clair Shores.

Mrs. Hillenbrand was born on Sept. 23, 1916, in St. Catharines, Ontario, Canada, the only child of Alice and Curtis Lee Blackburn. When she was six months old, her family moved to Buffalo, N.Y., where she stayed until graduating from business school. While on a cruise in her 20s she met her husband, Dr. Alfred Edwin Hillenbrand, and they were married the following year at St. Paul Catholic Church. In 1958, the sudden death

Jones of Bristol, Vt.; and veteran, left her with two brother, Alden Jenks of young children to raise. She Oakland, Calif. A memorial service will be as a secretary, until return-

ing.
Mrs. Hillenbrand was Memorial contributions active in the American Red group for over 30 years, and was a member of the Detroit Boat Club.

> She loved boating, golf and was a gourmet cook, but most of all, Hillenbrand loved children. She spent much time with her own three grandchildren and when they were all in school she became a "special Grandma" to Andrew Glancy, caring for him from birth through part of junior high.

Mrs. Hillenbrand is survived by her daughter, Diane Egan; grandchildren, Kellie (Jamie) Thom, Lori Egan and Dennis M. Egan, Jr.; great-grandchildren, Rowan and Lauren Thom; and cousin, Jack Curtis of North Carolina.

She was predeceased by

A funeral Mass was celebrated April 7, at St. Paul

Arrangements were provided by Chas. Verheyden

Memorial contributions may be made to the Bon Secours Hospital Assistance League, 468 Cadier Grosse Pointe, MI 48230.



Norman Leggat Norman Leggat

Grosse Pointe Park resident Norman Leggat, lost his battle with emphysema Tuesday, March 30, 2004, at St. John Senior Community.

Mr. Leggat was born in Buffalo, N.Y., and raised in Detroit. He joined the Marines in 1950 during the Korean War, and participated in operations in south and central Korea in 1952 and western Korea in 1953. On his return to civilian life he worked at Michigan Bell until his retirement.

Mr. Leggat spent much of his life traveling the world with his wife, Addie, and the Nomads. The high point of their travels was when he took the Concorde to Paris and the Queen Elizabeth 2 home.

He was a member of the Michigan Bell 1964 city champion baseball team, the Grosse Pointe Park Foundation and the Bell Pioneers. He also was an

avid reader and puzzler. Mr. Leggat is survived by his wife, Adelaide; son, Douglas; grandchildren, Douglas J., Tyler and Aubrey; sister, Agnes (Nancy) Ford; brother, Alex

and stepson, Jeffry Bauer. A memorial service will be held Friday, April 16, 11 a.m. at the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Disabled American



James W. O'Grady James W. O'Grady

James W. O'Grady, 60, died Saturday, April 10, 2004, at his Harper Woods Mr. O'Grady was born

Oct. 2, 1943, in Detroit to James A. and Ruth O'Grady. He grew up in Grosse Pointe Park, and joined the U.S. Navy in 1965 during the Vietnam War. He was ranked machinist's mate first class and was awarded a National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, and a Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal. After leaving the Navy, he became a manufacturers representative in the tool and die industry.

He will be remembered for his strong love of life, passion for fishing and boats, storytelling and jokes, his numerous friendships and most of all for being the best husband, father and grandiather.

Mr. O'Grady is survived by his wife, Patricia A. O'Grady (McClanaghan); daughter, Patricia Ellen O'Grady (Oliver) Young; grandchildren, Emma Rose and Oliver James Young; sisters, Kay (Dick) Bordogna, Roe (Joe) Wortman, Margaret (the late Pat) Burns and Mary O'Grady; brothers, Pat (Karla) O'Grady and Mike (Jane) O'Grady. A funeral Mass will be cel-

ebrated Thursday, April 15, at 9:30 a.m. at St. Clare of Montefalco Church.



Mary Belle Pettis

Reed Mary Belle Pettis Reed, 97, died Saturday, April 10, 2004, at her Grosse Pointe

Farms home. She was born on Dec. 21, 1906, in the gold mining town of Cripple Creek, Colo. After a cross country move to Brooksville, Fla., several years later the family finally

settled in Detroit. Mrs. Reed graduated from Southeastern High School in 1924 and worked for the Bell Telephone Company until the Depression. By then, she had met Clarence R. Reed and they married in August 1930.

Having the good fortune to be a two-car family before it was common, Mrs. Reed provided transportation to those in need, from taking a neighbor's newborn to his first doctor's appointment, to driving the parish sisters downtown and all over the area. When her oldest daughter entered the convent of the Sisters of St. Dominic in Racine, Wis., Mrs. Reed was often on the road with her car full of passengers in black and white habits eager for a ride to the motherhouse. Later in life, she continued to be the driver of her group of friends, until age 91, when she decided to hang up her car keys.

Mrs. Reed was a member of the League of Catholic Women, a volunteer for the American Red Cross and active in many church activities.

She devoted her life to being a caring and loving daughter, wife, mother, grandmother and friend.

Mrs. Reed is survived by her daughters, Ruthanne (Carol) Reed, O.P. and Jane Reed Keough (Stephen R.) Davies; grandchildren, Katherine Keough-Jurs (Peter), S. Robert (Emily) Davies, John M. Davies and Brian P. Davies: son-in-law, C. Grant Keough; niece, Susan Pettis (Dominic) Capobiance and other nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her husband of almost 50 years, Clarence R. Reed; and brothers, Wilbur ("Pat"), and Charles Pettis.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, April 15, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Racine Dominican Sisters. American Heart Association or St. Paul Catholic Church.



yesterday's headlines

50 years ago this week

Waid McNight, new mayor of Grosse Pointe Woods, is sworn into office.

He quickly gets down to business by eliminating two committees. McNight says the On-Off Street Parking and Veterans committees aren't needed.

He says the Veterans Committee is not a proper function of the city and cannot be supported by public funds. He says parking matters are already handled through a clause in the city parking ordinance.

A ruling in Wayne County Circuit Court allows Grosse Pointe Shores to condemn property adjacent to community Vernier between and Hawthorn.

The decision clears the way for the Shores to acquire land which extends from 801 Lakeshore to the back of vacant lots on Hawthorne.

Ten churches from the Grosse Pointes, Harper Woods, St. Clair Shores and eastside Detroit will hold joint services on Good Woods Friday at the Theater.

Lakeview High School in St. Clair Shores will provide a 100-voice choir.

25 years ago this week

■ A request for a "scoop and bag" dog litter ordinance is presented to the Grosse Pointe Woods city council by two residents who express concern about proliferation of dog droppings in their neighborhood.

The duo backed their request with a petition they say 29 residents signed within two hours.

■ In light of census projections indicating the Grosse Pointe public school system will lose almost one-third of its enrollment by the end of the decade, members of the board of education approve hanging "for sale" signs on two buildings not used by students.

Trustees will try to sell members requesting fund-

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administrative offices at 389 St. Clair in the City and the instructional material center at old Kerby School, located behind Farms city hall.

Members of the Grosse Pointe Park city council take 5 years ago this week a decisive stance against controversy and approve participation in two federal projects that a group of residents oppose.

The council votes 6-1 to enroll in a federal program to bring commercial buildings up to code. The council also accepts Community Development Block Grants to renovate homes in older sections of the city.

George Councilman Verdonckt votes against both proposals. He calls them "welfare" and "giveaway" programs.

10 years ago this week

■ A new \$25,139 picnic shelter will be built in place of the current shelter at Pier Park in Grosse Pointe Farms.

The new structure will have lights, unlike the present one, and feature a cedar-shake roof, wooden support columns and a concrete floor.

More than seven months of labor negotiations net a 2.75 percent pay raise for teachers belonging to the Grosse Pointe Education Association.

Because the agreement comes in the form of a oneyear contract, negotiations will begin again in May.

What's the Fourth of July like without fireworks?

Grosse Pointers will have a chance to find out this year. The Grosse Pointe Business and Professional Association of Mack Avenue has canceled its annual fireworks show at Parcells Middle School in the Woods due to lack of funds.

Association Robbie Curry says there's not enough time to raise \$30,000 needed for the dis-

play.
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response we hoped for," Curry says. "I've been chair of this event for the past nine years. Funding and insurance have killed it."

Grosse Pointe real estate agents are excited by news that Compuware will relocate its headquarters to downtown Detroit.

The move will put 3,000 employees within a tempting 20-minute commute of the Pointes.

"If people want their children to attend good schools, we're the closest place to downtown," says John Peck of the Jim Saros Agency.

■ William O'Keefe decides not to run for reelection to the Grosse Pointe Shores village council.

O'Keefe has served the Shores for 14 years. In 1984, he accepted an appointment to the planning commission. He was elected to the council in 1989.

Candidates for the Grosse Pointe Shores village council are challengers Dr.

25 years ago this week



Ice storm causes havoc in Farms

Grosse Pointe Farms department of works employees and Shock Brothers crews combine forces after the Sunday, April 6, ice storm to clear debris off McMillan at Charlevoix. McMillan was one of the Farms' hardest hit streets, with many stately elms downed. (From the April 12, 1979 Grosse Pointe News. Photo by David Kramer.)

James Cooper, Dr. Robert E. Lee, Alan Broad and John Rickel.

Piggott and Rose Garland lage clerk. Thornton.

Barbara Duncan will chal-

through cellular telephones.

reelection are Cameron lenge Linda Walton for vil-

— Brad Lindberg

seeking Incumbents **Armed car theft near Mack-N**

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

detectives spent all day Monday searching for a 15year-old gunman who stole a Aviator across Mack onto car in the Farms a few days before.

Investigation centered on neighborhoods of Detroit's westside.

We got a tip," said Detective Mike McCarthy.

The suspect is an escapee from Boysville, a downriver juvenile detention facility, police said.

"We're working with the Detroit Police Special Special Operations Unit to conduct surveillance on several addresses where he's know to reside," McCarthy said.

No shots were fired in the Farms car theft Wednesday, April 7, at 9:34

An armed gunman stole a 1993 Lincoln Aviator SUV parked at a tire store at Mack and Kerby in Grosse Pointe Farms.

The victim, a 69-year-old Park man, was standing near his son's Aviator with other customers when two males in a green Mercury Grand Marquis pulled into the store parking lot from a came very highly recom-

rear alley.

taff Writer "Get back, get back," Grosse Pointe Farms yelled the passenger. He pointed a blue steel revolver. The gunman drove the

Gateshead in Detroit.

One of the customers, a gave chase in his vehicle.

sight of the Aviator in the area of Chandler Park and Whittier.

vehicle had been used in an 42-year-old Eastpointe man, armed robbery and attempted armed carjacking earlier Farms police were notified that day. The later theft "It's not while the Eastpointe and occurred at a drug store at McCarthy said.

Park men kept in contact Mack and Moross in Detroit. Police recovered The Eastpointe man lost Aviator on Tuesday.

"It was involved in a pursuit with Hamtramck police," McCarthy said.

Detroit police said the Police lost the chase but Marquis was stolen. The found the SUV abandoned near the Faygo plant in the area of Mack and I-75 in

drivable,"

Woods names acting assessor

By Bonnie Caprara

Staff Writer The Grosse Pointe Woods

City Council may be spending more of its time as a human resources department in the upcoming months.

City Assessor Bill Knapp rill be retiring on May after 13 1/2 years of service. In his place, the Grosse Pointe Woods City Council voted on Monday, April 5, to retain Kathleen Paul as acting city

assessor through Dec. 31. Paul had been contracted as an assistant city assessor

for the past few months. Paul, a Level 3 assessor with 24 years experience, mended by Knapp. "Keeping Kathleen Paul

would be to our benefit," Knapp said. Knapp will work along-

side Paul through the month of April as a transition period. After that, Knapp said it had been suggested he stay on as a con-

as acting city assessor until the end of the year, Mayor Robert Novitke said, "We do not want to lock ourselves into a decision. We want to measure how well Mrs. Paul does in this position."

The job of city assessor is appointed by the council. which is also expected to select a new city administra-While the council voted tor sometime during the secunanimously to name Paul ond half of this year.

Village events

Upcoming events in the Village include:

• The Paint the Window Contest takes place on 31, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, May 8, beginning each day. at 10 a.m.

• Grosse Pointe's Greatest Garage Sale is on Sunday, May 30 and Monday, May

• The Music on The Plaza

weekly

outdoor concert series begins Thursday, June 3

and continues

through Thursday, August Concerts begin at 7 p.m. • The annual Village Sidewalk Sale and Street Festival takes place Friday, July 30 and Saturday, July 31. Times are from 2 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on Friday and from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

on Saturday. Visit the Village Web site at www.thevillagegp.com for event information.

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The Board of Education of the Grosse Pointe Public School System, Wayne County, Michigan, will receive sealed bids for the corridor flooring replacement at Grosse Pointe South High

Specifications and bid forms will be available at a MANDATORY pre-bid meeting on Tuesday, April 20, 2004 at 9:00 a.m., in the receiving room of Grosse Pointe South High School, 11 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms, MI

Sealed bids will be due Thursday, April 29, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. at the Administration Building of the Grosse Pointe Board of Education, 389 St. Clair Ave., Grosse Pointe, MI 48230, at which time and place the bids will be opened and publicly read aloud. This project will not be funded by federal or state monies.

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

BOARD OF EDUCATION The Grosse Pointe Public School System Steven Matthews, Secretary

G.P.N.: 04/08/2004 & 04/15/2004



School and city leaders team up for change

Staff Writer
Harper Woods is reaching out to its residents in an attempt to address changing needs of changing community.

A committee of dignitaries met last week to discuss this issue and dream of a brighter tomorrow. Harper Woods Mayor Ken Poynter joined forces with city manager Jim Leidlein, Harper Woods Public Schools Superintendent Dan Danosky, high school assistant principal Pete Neuman, counselor and pastor Sam Jackson, and Kevin Early and Deb Williamson, two representatives from the National Council for Community Justice (NCCJ).

"We all want to see Harper Woods continue to be a good city and a nice place to live," Leidlein said. While the meeting was

kept in general terms, all agree it was the first of many to come.

"It's still in the formative While the details are stages," Poynter said. "We unclear, officials are confi-"It's still in the formative

understand how we want Harper Woods to progress."

The changes in the com-munity can be attributed to the loss of longtime residents and the influx of young families, Poynter said, who is one of a declining number of people who spent their entire lives in Harper Woods.

"When people moved here in the '40s, '50s and '60s, they stayed," he explained, adding that just last week, he was in a home which housed the same family since 1945. "That is changing. For one reason or another, those people are leaving Harper Woods. We've got younger families moving in, and we want to reach out to them. We want to be cognizant of what is happening and make positive changes for the future. We want to make sure everyone in the respected and included."
While

know we want to reach out dent in the partnership important to do that." to the entire community and between the city and the Understanding div

"I'm pleased to see this coming together," Danosky said. "It's what the community needs to remain viable. and the schools are a big part of that."

"We'd also like to get a representative from the Grosse Pointe Public School System," Poynter said. "It's

Understanding diversity and working together for the good of the community has been a longtime mission of both the city and the schools.

"When the council was holding its goal-setting sessions in January, this was one of the things we wanted to approach," Poynter said.

The schools have been

affiliated with the NCCJ for school's Diversity Club. some time now and have been focused on addressing these issues within the classrooms.

"We are conducting workshops for staff and students and have planned a variety of activities, some of which got off the ground this year, to promote positive diversity," said Jackson, who is also the adviser of the high

He is thrilled to see a dialogue resonating beyond the borders of the school.

"In the community as a whole, we are seeking to bring various groups of folks together to share their perspectives and expose everyone to the treasure of wisdom," Jackson said. "This will be done through focus groups, dialogue sessions and community events, each with the long term in mind."

But specific actions have yet to be laid out by the school or city officials.

"It may sound so general, but that's where we are right now," Poynter explained. "We're just trying to figure out where we want to go. We are a visionary committee.'

With the good of Harper Woods in mind, city officials have dedicated themselves to following this mission through.

"The meeting resulted in a commitment to pursue further steps in promoting the positive developments and opportunities that characterize the increasing diversity of our community and to broaden the scope of those involved in the process," Jackson said.

Leidlein hopes to create a formal coalition of city leaders and community members and is in the process of proposing a recommenda-tion to the city council to further this cause.

Dr. Suess kicks off Library Week

A tribute to Dr. Suess will kick off National Week Saturday, April 11, from noon to 4 p.m., at the Harper Woods Public Library. Festivities will include readings by Harper Woods dignitaries, Dr. Suess videos, arts and crafts, and a raffle for a Dr. Suess hat.

POLICE AND FIRE REPORTS

Auto thefts

A white 1996 Cherokee was stolen from the corner of Kingsville and Edgefield during the night on Monday, April 5. The vehicle's owner, a Detroit resident, was staying at a friend's house. She parked outside the home at 12:10 a.m., and when she checked the car at 6 a.m., it was missing.

A black 1992 Chevrolet Astro Van was stolen from outside the 21500 block of Sloan on Wednesday, April The vehicle's owner parked the car in the driveway at 12:30 a.m. and noticed it was missing at A resident of the 207 block of Beaufait notification. was \$3,000 in paint and fishing equipment.

Bar brawl

to the hospital and another fleeing down Harper on Wednesday, April 7.

While out for a few drinks at a bar in the 20900 block of Harper, two men got into an argument inside the establishment. After closing up and exiting the premises, the female bartender heard screaming and arguing coming from the parking lot.

She watched as one man pushed the other to the ground and began kicking and punching him in the head. After she screamed for him to stop and phoned Harper Woods police offi-cers, the man jumped into his black Ford Ranger and until it reached I-94. He fled from the scene, northbound on Harper.

al cuts and bruises to his face and had a large bleeding laceration on the top of his head. He reported that his keys and wallet were missing, before being transported to St. John Hospital.

Traffic accident

While traveling at an estimated 70 mph in a 25 mph zone in the 18700 block of Eastwood on Tuesday, April 6, at 3:32 p.m., a vehicle struck the curb, hit a tree and skidded down the street to a stop. The driver was uninjured.

A resident of the 20700 block of Beaufait notified police on Friday, April 2, at 3:35 p.m. after a suspicious person was seen looking in his yard. When the resident A bar brawl sent one man approached, the subject fled north on Harper.

Home invasion

A home invasion was reported in the 18900 block of Kenosha on Thursday,

While housesitting for his parents on an earlier date, a young man witnessed two males try to enter his home. They fled when he approached them, but he noticed a black 2000 Chevrolet Cavalier and a gold Lumina.

While leaving for work the morning of April 1, the boy's father noticed the Lumina and proceeded to follow it reported the license plate number to Harper Woods

The victim received sever- police CITY OF HARPER WOODS WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

APRIL 5, 2004 The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Por 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: All Council persons were present

MOTIONS PASSED ITIONS PASSED
To receive, approve and file the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held March 15, 2004, and furthermore, receive and file the minutes of the Library Board Meeting held March 18, 2004, the Board of Trustees Employees Retirement System Meeting held on March 22, 2004, the Planning Commission Meeting held on March 24, 2004, and the Board of Review Meeting held on March 23, 2004.

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

RESOLUTION PASSED

SOLUTION PASSED

To approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: (1) Approve the Accounts Payable Isting for Check Numbers 70049 through 70310 in the amount of \$868,617.88 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the Isting, (2) Approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick. Inc. in the amount of \$26,699.05 for professional services during the month of February, 2004 for the following projects. Kelly Road Parking Improvements, #180-073, 2004 Concrete Pavement Repair Project, #180-081. Lockmoor Sanitary Sewer Tap, #180-079 and the 2003 Concrete Pavement Repair Project, #180-078 of the Approve payment to Statewide Security Transport in the amount of \$8,442.45 for prisoner lodging and maintenance for the month of February 2004. (4) Receive and file the attached letter of resignation from Mr. D'Alessandro for the Grosse Pointes-Clinton Refuse Disposal Authority.

- To receive the report on the proposed Warren-St Clair Shores Water Plant Feasibility Study submitted by the City Manager and concur that at this time that the City of Harper Woods not participate in the cost of the proposed study, but further, to direct the City Manager to continue to monitor their efforts and report back to the City Council accordingly as appropriate.
- To receive and file the Proposed Update of the 2004 Master Plan, as prepared by the City Planning Consultant, and direct that copies of it be forwarded to adjoining communities, SEMCOG, Wayne County and other entities as mandated by Public Act 265 of 2001, and furthermore, make a copy of said plan available for public inspection during regular office hours in the City Clerk's Office
- To adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing collective bargaining negotiations

Kenneth A. Poynter,

G.P.N.: 04/15/2004

Mickey D. Todd

SADD makes friends Kindness and friendship were promoted last month by Harper Woods High School's Students Against Destructive Decisions. Selling "Friend-a-grams" during lunch, the group spread messages of kindness throughout the school. Along with each of these positive messages, students received a chocolate sucker and a SADD window decal. One message read: "Thank you for being such a good friend. I appreciate the support you give me when I'm faced with difficult choices. Your friendship means so much to me." Another shared a quote from Oprah Winfrey: Lots of people want to ride with you in the lime, but what you want is omeone who will take the bus with you when the limo breaks down. Pictured from left, are seniors Jamie-Lou Galbo and Katie Watt. SADD is sponsored by media specialist Jan Bobak and Sue Smitka, assistant media



Crime takes a plunge in HW during 2003

Staff Writer

If not for a wave of auto thefts throughout Detroit. Harper Woods could boast about a drop in crime across the board.

"We've had a 29 percent reduction in robberies, 47 percent reduction in rapes, 24 percent reduction in assault, and burglary was down 53 percent," said Lt. Randolph Skotarczyk.

The only exception to this good news was motor vehicle thefts, which skyrocketed to a 49 percent increase during 2003. Over the course of the year, 475 vehicles were reported stolen, compared to last year's 317.

But Skotarczyk added that the city cracked down on auto thefts toward the end of the year, joining a task force with area departments to put a halt to the

We've solved it," he said. "But we had a bad period there for a while."

total of \$1,027,460 in losses for victims. But of those stolen vehicles, 143 were later recovered and returned to their owners through cooperation with other community agencies, Skotarczyk reported.

"We'd like to see that number higher, especially with the number of cars that were stolen, but it's not bad," he said.

The decrease in most other crimes can be attributed to effective policing measures. Skotarczyk said.

"With the burglaries, we were getting hit by the same people over and over," he said. "We sent out special surveillance teams, and we eventually captured them. That drastically decreased the number of burglaries we

were getting."

Cases of family abuse dropped from 16 to 10, which Skotarczyk attributes to a new policy that was instituted.

Harper Woods Crime Comparisons

Retail fraud	762	774
Auto theft	475	317
Larceny	371	392
Assault	284	375
Property damage	213	245
Burglary	97	210
Robbery	44	62
OUIL	37	30
Weapons	22	73
Rape	11	21

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effect, and it's reducing the number of domestic violence

incidents we have," he said. Other decreases can be random throughout the state, but Skotarczyk said each year to reduce crime at ered shoplifting, and 97 every level. ered shoplifting, and 97 were from a motor vehicle.

"We monitor specific crimes and go after them," he said. "Sometimes it has as in this case. But some- of vandalism or property

"That's starting to take times it's just a natural decrease statewide.'

In total, there were 44 robberies reported in 2003, 97 burglaries, and 371 larcenies. Of those larcenies reported, seven were purse the department does its best snatchings; 21 were consid-

There were nine cases of arson, 11 rapes, 152 reports of identity fraud, 762 cases an effect in lowering it, such of retail fraud, 213 incidents

es, 42 trespassing violations, made a total of 810 arrests and 37 incidents of driving the influence of

The police throughout the year and had a total of 3,298 reported criminal incidents.



Tyrone jumps for heart

Tyrone Elementary School students are learning about character. Last month, the students raised \$5,258 for the American Heart Association during its annual Jump Rope For Heart event. With support from staff, parents and the community, the school was able to show its students first-hand how rewarding it is to give to others.

Pictured above are Tyrone's top money raisers who combined to raise more than \$1,100 by themselves. In the back row, from left are Dou-glas Wilbur, Katle Kloosterboer (top money-raiser) and Cassie Alfaro. In the front row, from left, are Carly Hedemark and Alex Colista.

'Art in the Woods' showcases students

By Jennie Miller

Staff Writer

Providing art students with a venue to showcase their talents, Harper Woods Secondary School will hold "Art in the Woods" next weekend.

Community members are invited to support Harper Woods students and the hard work each puts into creating masterpieces. Patrons will not offly be able to view the art and meet the students, but they also have the opportunity to purchase

items in a silent auction. In its second year, "Art in the Woods" is a way for students to show off their skills while interacting with the community. Students of all ages, from kindergarten through 12th grade, take part in the show, which also serves as a fundraising venture for the school's art department.

The idea of having this show is in the celebration of the visual arts," said art instructor Jelane Meehan. In my own experience in high school, I participated in an event similar to this, from which I found great benefits."

Meehan is proud of the students for their participation in the event.

"It is completely student-

duced, with my guidance as a teacher," she explained.

Out of 160 students in her classes, Meehan said she received 100 percent participation.

"Each student is volun-

teering two hours of their

time and donated at least one or two pieces of work to the show. They matted all the work themselves," she said.

Pieces on display during "Art in the Woods" will range from every medium in which the students dabble during and after school.

"We've got simple black and white, positive negative space assignments; threedimensional clay and wooden sculptures; oil paintings; acrylic paintings; still-life drawings; conceptual art; abstract art; and murals," she said. "The middle school and high school students also painted old, abandoned furniture in an artistic manner, which will be auctioned off in a silent auction."

Students also will perform live music and give demonstrations of art projects they've done throughout the year.
The event will be held at

the high school on Saturday, April 24, from noon to 3 p.m., and Sunday, April 25, from 1 to 4 p.m. Donations based and student-pro- will be accepted at the door.

CITY OF HARPER WOODS WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MARCH 15, 2004

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: All Council persons were present

MOTIONS PASSED

HIONS PASSED To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held March 1, 2004, and furthermore, receive and file the minutes of the Library Board Meetings held November 20, 2003, December 18, 2003, January 15, 2004, February 19, 2004 and the Planning Commission Meeting held on February 25, 2004.

To receive and file the attached report submitted by the City Manager regarding efforts to increase police visibility in the City.

To receive and file the attached report entitled "Annual Financial Report on the Status of Activities of a Brownfield Redevelopment Authority" submitted by the City

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

RESOLUTION PASSED

ESOLUTION.PASSED

To approve the following items on the Consent Agenda (1) Approve the Accounts Payable listing for Check Numbers (6932) though 70048 in the amount of \$218,555.36 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing (2) Approve payment in the amount of \$7,500.00 to Southeast Macomb Incident Response Team for membership dues for the year 2004. (3) Approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick. Inc. in the amount of \$14,46.34 for professional-services during the month of January 2004 for the following projects. DWSD and NE Wayne Contract Review, #180-080, 2003 Concrete Pavement Repair Project, #180-076 and the 2002 Concrete Pavement Repair Project, #180-076 14]. Approve payment to the City of Grosse Pointe Farms in the amount of \$12,173-28 for Harper Woods proportionals share of the Intermunical Radio System covering the period from July through December 31, 2003. (5) Approve payment to Sound Security in the amount of \$12,214-36 for the various services performed in the change over of our websice Reet for 2004. To approve payment to Wayne County in the amount of \$13,2561 (9) for the operation and maintenance of the Milk River Drain for the first quarter, January through March, of FY 2004.

To approve Change Order No. 2 in the amount up to \$383,062 with Galui Construction Co. of Clinton Township, for the 2004 Concrete Pavement Repair Program, # 180-081.

Kenneth A. Povnter.

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News

New ideas for restrooms examined at Brownell

Staff Writer

A meeting among community members, public safety officials, school officials and Farms councilman Louis Theros to discuss the placement of a storage facility with bathrooms at Brownell Middle School took place at the school on Wednesday, April 7. The consensus reached was that community input is essential and that bond money must be spent responsibly and with ties directly to the education of children.

say there's no crunch if this money doesn't get spent," said resident Ahmed Ismail.

"As a taxpayer, I want to see things directly trans-ferred for student benefit," added resident Nancy Kelley Carrol. "Let every dollar connect with stu-dents."

superintendent for business affairs and support services, was totally amenable to answering the community's concerns both at the meeting and in the future as

board member Lisa Vreede was also at the meeting nance of the outbuilding. absorbing the basic concerns of those present.

Fenton said the board of tect education has the authority to scrap a project if it deems it unworthy.

The preliminary plan to nts." build a free-standing facility
Chris Fenton, assistant in between the Brownell parking lot and Williams Road was shelved following an earlier meeting among residents and Farms councilman Theros. The assembled group had voiced con-

aesthetics, cost and mainte-

At the meeting on April 7, Jennifer Wencel, an archiwith Associates, presented an alternative plan to place the Brownell where a tether ball storage facility onto the back of the soon-to-be-built multipurpose room. The cost would be the same, about \$100,000, and be paid for with bond money.

Other ideas floated at the meeting included opening now-locked existing bath- their outbuilding, and it will rooms at the back of most likely stand alone.

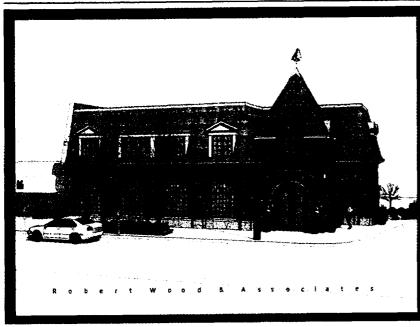
"There has to be a way to bond projects unfold. School cerns about safety, liability, Brownell. Fenton said these might have some safety and ADA problems, but they will be looked at.

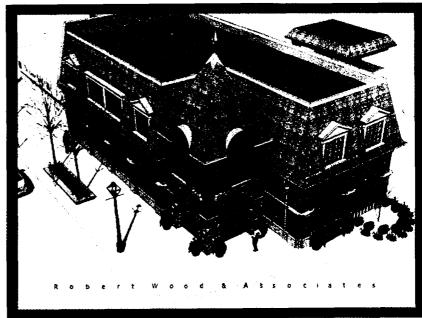
Another idea was placing Ehresman the storage facility in a "mud pit" at the back of stand now exists.
Other schools which will

have bathrooms connected to buildings include Parcells, Ferry and Mason. Pierce will have a stand-alone outbuilding and Barnes is looking at the options of how to place

The desire for a more open process with respect to the use of the bond money as well 88 ascertaining whether a project is a want versus a need was readily established at the meeting and heard by willing school officials.

"We just want the community to be involved. We want an avenue to the projects, said resident Sheila Gormley. "I want the school board to oversee spending and make sure it's spent effi-





Fifth Third

From page 1A

level that is barely audible." To compensate the Farms

for providing a parking lot with only 13 spaces — seven fewer than required for a building its size and function - bankers agreed that:

· the branch's estimated 10 employees will park in spaces leased from Cottage Hospital,

· the bank will validate ticket stubs of customers who park at Cottage, and

• pay \$45,500 to the municipal parking reserve fund.

"We're concerned about future growth of the Hill and its impact on parking," said Shane Reeside, city manager. "The parking reserve is funds set aside to help address potential parking deficiencies in the future.

New design

The branch's latest design was revealed this week. It won unanimous praise from the city council.

Council endorsement included granting minor The architecture is magnifivariances: a cornice about 12 cent." feet high between the roof and first floor projects about two feet over the sidewalk; bas-relief columns extend 10 inches into the sidewalk right-of-way.

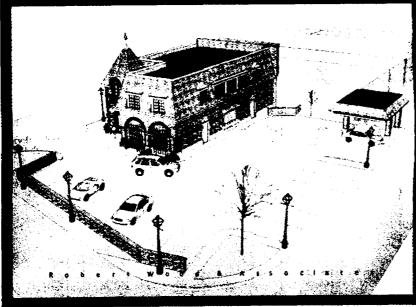
Both features are typical of Hill structures.

Fifth Third's initial proposal had been panned as too commercial.

"(The council) felt it looked too much like a bank, which we found interesting, but we understood," Wagner

Time for plan B.
"We enlisted Rob Wood, a local designer, to lend his expertise to the project," Wagner said.

Wood approached the task with the mindset of a preser-



Above left is the front view of the planned Fifth Third Bank to replace Standard on the Hill, which will be razed. Above, right is a bird's-eye view of the bank from the McMillan-Kercheval intersectcion. Above is an aerial view of the bank from the foot of the Radnor Circle and Meadow Lane walkways

vationists

new buildings is they don't have the character they had in the 1920s or '30s," said Wood, of the City of Grosse Pointe. "One of the reasons we live in this area is that it has wonderful character. cent."

Wood's design maintains the floor plan of its rejected two-story predecessor, but the new building is shorter and more in keeping with human scale.

"As the lead-off building to the Hill, I don't think a two-story structure was appropriate," Wood said. "A story and a-half eases you in (to the Hill). This building will be standing for a long, long time. It important that it looks appropriate to the area.

His design drew on the Pointes' French and English ancestry.

"I've been focusing on tying (the building) into the neighborhood and the history of the area," he said.

Ficano -

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replaced repaying of Jefferson in the City of Grosse Pointe and Grosse Pointe Park last summer.

"Where there is a traffic signal and a sidewalk, then we'll put in a curb cut," said Pat Hogan, director of roads. "If there is no pedestrian signal, we will not do any-

thing."

"The county sought to protect pedestrians," said Sam Nouhan, county corporation counsel and Park councilman. "There were so many cuts, it was becoming unsafe for pedestrians."

Overall, many were impressed with Ficano and his top staff.

Architectural details, such slate roof and set-in win-The objection to most as distressed brick, mansard dows, weren't limited to the



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facade. Features extend around the side to the back, although the back lacks arched windows and in-laid columns.

"It's important to me that all three sides look good," Wood said.

"I think its beautiful," said June Mabarek, a Radnor Circle homeowner who opposed the bank's earlier proposal!

Other aesthetic additions include trees and bushes in planters along Kercheval sidewalk. A fourfoot brick wall will enclose the parking lot. The site is to be ringed with lantern-style

lighting fixtures. Peter Councilman

Waldmeir Jr., who has seen a lot of site plans during his 12 years in elected office, put Fifth Third's effort at the top of the list.
"No one have ever worked

as hard as Fifth Third Bank," Waldmeir said.

In addition to Standard on the Hill being the last remaining service station in the area, it had an air hose as popular with bicyclists as Onofrey's cookie jar was with sweet-toothed canines.

We've had discussions about preserving that air hose," Wagner said. "I don't know if there's a practical way to do it. If there is, we'll figure it out.





Volunteering at Cottage Hospital is Pointer's part-time job

By Margie Reins Smith Assistant Editor

Mary Nolan said it was a good day in the surgical lounge of Cottage Hospital. She was seated behind a desk on a recent Wednesday afternoon. She was wearing the bright blue-green volunteer smock, a smile, a friendly, helpful attitude and a sense of humor.

The surgical lounge is the waiting area for relatives of patients who are in surgery and also a reception room for patients who have appointments at the hospital's pain clinic.

Nolan's duties are varied. She greeted regular visitors by name. She placed a call for a patient who needed a wheelchair van. She directed an older man to the hoscafeteria. answered the phone and relayed messages. She drew a map for a young woman who wanted to find out where Cadieux Avenue was. She checked with a patient who was sipping coffee from a paper cup as he waited for his appointment:

"Are you sure drinking coffee is OK for you?" It was. She greeted nurses and doctors by name. She stamped parking tickets. She smiled a lot and chatted amiably with visitors.

presence was reassuring for those who visited the surgical lounge that afternoon.

Nolan likes activity and conversation. She being busy.

"There are 19 people here for surgery today," she said. "And 11 for the pain clinic.

"I like being a reception-ist. I like people," she said. She leaned closer, lowered

her voice to a stage whisper, cupped a hand beside her mouth and said, "I like telling people where to go."

She approaches her nearly 20-hour a week volunteer job - and life in general with compassion, humor and a determination to be help-

Nolan began volunteering at Cottage Hospital some 20 years ago after her husband, John, began volunteering his time and talent. When John became ill, she got on the volunteer wagon, too. She also joined the Cottage Hospital Auxiliary, an organization that is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year.

"At first I worked in the X-Ray department, transporting patients to different places. Then I began working here in the surgical lounge, where I serve as receptionist and I answer the phone," she said.

This is like a paying job. Cottage is my main work

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now. I have become good friends with members of the nursing staff. All my children were born here at Cottage. It's where I like to

Nolan has logged 6,500 volunteer hours during the last 20 years. In addition to volunteer work, she has also participated in the work of Hospital Cottage Auxiliary's board of directors and has contributed time and talent to many of the group's fundraisers. She has served on the board as secretary, first vice president, second vice president and president.

"I was never treasurer," she said, with a smile. "I'm not good with money."

Nolan also was president the Southeast District Michigan Association of Hospital Auxiliaries, which is made up of 30 hospitals.

"I wanted to be a nurse when I was very young," she said. The graduate of Detroit's Southeastern High School attended Detroit Business College and Wayne State University, where she took business courses. She worked as a secretary and as a statistical clerk for the Detroit Public Schools

She met her husband.

John, when they were both in high school. She is now a widow with three grown children, John, 50; Katy, 46; and Larry, 42; and two granddaughters.

"I was never a stay-athome-Mom," she said. "My kids never knew where I was," she added, with a smile.

"I was usually busy with volunteer work. My husband and I were both actively working for the Boy Scouts when the children were younger."

In addition to the three mornings a week she works in Cottage Hospital's surgical lounge, Nolan also gives time to several other volunteer organizations. The Colony Town Club is an organization that supports the Cancer Loan Closet Foundation of Greater Detroit and furthers the educational, social, cultural and philanthropic interests of its members. She has served on the Colony Town Club board and is currently chairman of its Child Reach Committee. The group supports a young boy, Jason, who lives in a remote part of the Philippines.

"We send money to Jason

and to his village," she said. The Cancer Loan Closet

provides aid and comfort to cancer patients. "For instance," Nolan said, "we provide things like Ensure, hats and jackets for the Barbara Ånn Karmanos Cancer Institute. We do sewing for cancer patients and we have fundraisers for our projects.

Nolan is also a musician. She's an associate member of the Tuesday Musicale and has been active in the volunteer organizations of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and the Grosse Pointe Symphony Orchestra.

She plays the piano. "I like all kinds of music," she said.
"But my favorite is Cole Porter." She plays the piano every day. Her daughter teaches piano.

Nolan is currently serving as legislative chairman for the Cottage Hospital Auxiliary. She keeps members informed about pending health-related legislation that is being discussed in Lansing.

She is concerned about the nation's health care crisis. "There are 220,000 uninsured people in Michigan right now. We have to treat

Nolan encourages anyone

interested in the 196-mem-Cottage Auxiliary or in volunteer opportunities at Cottage Hospital to call Pauline Kramer, Director of Volunteer Services, at (313) 640-2631. The group is especially anxious to attract younger members.

The Auxiliary not only provides volunteers who work with patients, it also offers opportunities for members to help with fundraisers, work in the gift shop and support the work of the hospital by delivering mail, staffing the information desk or donating money.

The Auxiliary's board meets monthly. The whole group meets twice a year. money-raising Popular events include its annual Kitchen Tour in the fall; a flower and book sale in the spring; a Giving Tree in December; and a Tribute Fund year-round.

On Thursday, April 29, Cottage Hospital Auxiliary will celebrate its 50th anniversary with a luncheon at the Country Club of Detroit.

"Cottage Auxiliary is a small, but vital group," Nolan said. "It's an active auxiliary, interested in serving and very entwined with the communi-

Just like Nolan.

Farms: one of top places to relocate

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe Farms has been ranked one of the

nation's top 100 places to The community joins

eight other Michigan cities - five are Detroit suburbs - chosen for having "great people," beauty, safety, quality schools and activities.

Capping the Farms' qualifications for inclusion in the national Internet survey, the city rated as an affordable community in which to buy a house.

"It's a combination of all those factors that makes it a great city, not just one thing," said James Farquhar, mayor and local business owner. "We have a safe community with excellent public safety officers. Members of the community look out for each other."

"This confirms what we already knew - the Farms is a great place to live and raise a family," said Peter Waldmeir, Jr., a Farms councilman.

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tion, location, the Farms was praised for being a 15minute drive from downtown Detroit, a half-hour drive from Detroit Metropolitan Airport and offering one of the most scenic drives in the region -Lakeshore Drive along Lake St. Clair.

St. Paul Catholic School and the Grosse Pointe Academy won special mention among the city's educa-donal offerings. A link to the survey's Web site has a photograph of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, a lakeside meeting place for community events, plays, weddings and a summer outdoor concert series.

In addition to the benefits of home life in the Farms, the Hill commercial district was described as a "beautiful" collection of "wonderful small shops and restaurants."

Gary Kucharski, whose newly opened Freezing Pointe ice cream and candy store on the Hill has become a mecca for young and old, chose the site for its central location.

There's a lot of foot traffic - local employees, shop-pers, students and residents," Kucharski said.

"(The list) is significant if everything is location, loca- you are looking to relocate

and are waiting to find a community that meets your family's needs," said Steve Nickerson, president of HomeRoute, parent companv of Relocate-America.com.

Cities are nominated by people logging onto Relocate-America.com's selftitled Web site. Rankings are based on the number of nominations and quality of associated comments.

Suburban Detroit communities among this year's Top 100 are Grosse Isle, Pleasant Ridge and Westland. Out-state cities are Grand Blanc, Midland and Traverse City.

Huntington Woods lead the state by finishing in ninth place nationally. The top-rated city nationally was Venice. Fla.

Although the ranking is an unscientific and gimmicky way for its sponsor to get media attention, the Farms is no stranger to receiving national and statewide praise.

Last year the Michigan Green Industry Association awarded its Chairman Award to the Farms for stewardship of the urban forest.

Mayor Farquhar accepted the award in recognition of the city's commitment to fighting Dutch elm disease and the emerald ash borer.

This month the city will receive the prestigious their enorts in assisting in Growth Award from the public safety efforts in Grosse Pointe Park. Foundation. In the late 1990s, the Farms was rated by the Robb Report as one of the most luxurious places to live in the nation.

See complete list and select next year's contenders www.relocate-



Seven civilians were awarded for their efforts in assisting the Grosse Pointe Park Department of Public Safety. Pictured at an award presentation are Director of Public Safety David Hiller, Matt Morman, Tom Fraser, Mayor Palmer Heenan, Michael Dodge, Chris Grow and Scott Spindler. Award recipients Catherine Julia Trafton and Keith Banks are not pictured.

Citizens, cops recieve G.P. Park public safety awards

By Bonnie Caprara Staff Writer

Seven civilians were awarded commendations for na on May 18. Two others

Michael Dodge, Catherine Julia Trafton, Thomas Fraser and Christopher Grow of the Park and Matthew Morman of Detroit their roles in rescuing three people from a capsized 14-

foot aluminum fishing boat entering a motor vehicle and Windmill Pointe Park mari- drive away an auto. incident.

Morman entered the water extraordinary responsibilisearch for the individuals. Fraser called attention to the accident and assisted other rescuers in pulling the three survivors to safety. were each recognized for Grow, who also assisted rescuers, acted quickly by gathering life lines.

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Scott Spindler was awarded for his role in relaying information about an attempted car theft on Bedford and Kercheval on Aug. 17. Spindler called the public safety department when he saw suspects trying to pry open door locks. He followed the suspects, giving officers information along the way. The suspects were caught, confessed to the theft attempt and were charged.

resident Keith Banks was awarded in his role preventing an attempted car theft. Banks identified and located two car theft suspects he saw prying door locks on parked vehicles on Dec. 17. Both individuals were charged by the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office with breaking and

off the east wall of the attempting to unlawfully

we expect our public Dodge, Trafton and safety officers to take on in an effort to rescue and ties, that's their job," Hiller said at an award presentation at the Monday, March 22, city council meeting. "When these people take on these extraordinary things to save lives, they're our heroes."

> Public safety officers were also given awards by the department.

Smith, Sgt. Lt. James James Armbruster. Detective David Loch and public safety Michael Najm and Terry Hays were given commendation awards for outstanding performance above the norm.

Lt. James Kretzschamar and public safety officers Robert Roach, Brent Merlington, Michael Narduzzi, Stephen Theil and Hays were given the director's letter for performance that requires official recognition. Smith, Armbruster, Loch, Sgt. Edward Arnold and public safety officers Keith Anderson and Michael Miller each received two director's letters.

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Women's Spheres of Freedom

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Freedom requires the delicate balance of preserving the diversity of spaces where differences can thrive, but simultaneously it must offer all groups common, unified areas and a voice to express themselves in these areas.

Women, so often relegated to spheres of discrimination, have been among the most ardent and colorful proponents of freedom.

During the colonial era, Anne Hutchinson asserted her own ideas of religious

freedom. She believed "that the gift of Heaven was freely bestowed by God and was attained through a direct relationship with the Almighty," according to the book "America's Women" by Gail Collins. Hutchinson, who was highly educated, talked about her ideas while aiding in the healing of the Puritan community. The novelty of her ideas grew among Puritans, and she began discussing her ideas in her home, attracting at one point almost 80 people.

While Hutchinson was eventually forced from Massachusetts into exile to Rhode Island and then New York, her example of voicing her beliefs remains a beacon of freedom on the American political and religious land-

Elizabeth Cady Stanton was a pivotal figure in the fight for women's equality and in particular, women's right to vote. She was a crucial member of the Seneca



Falls Women's Rights Conventions that drafted a "Declaration of Sentiments" based on the model of our country's Declaration of Independence.

The document aired the nanner in which women were discriminated against, namely the ways men some-times eroded women's confidence and self-respect, leading them to conduct lives of dependency.

Perhaps most significantly, Stanton urged that women's suffrage be included in the Declaration of Sentiments. She also later asked a New York legislator

to introduce a bill for women's suffrage and spent many years following the Civil War fighting for fighting for women's right to vote.

Voting is the ultimate expression of freedom, being the foundation on which democracy rests and breathes. It is a place where women's spheres must be connected with men's. While women have differences with men, they should be able to voice their opinion via a ballot about how our country is governed. Stanton was a pioneer in helping to guarantee this right, which was codified into law as the

19th amendment in 1920,

Segregation in the South in the 20th century resulted in the political, economic and social discrimination of African Americans. After the Supreme Court outlawed school segregation in the 1954 Brown vs. Board of Education case, many African American women worked to have racial spheres converge, making the debunking of Jim Crow laws a reality.

Autherine Lucy was the first African American student to enter the University of Alabama and walked into the school despite violent taunts threatening her. Other African American women, as well as men, entered all white schools despite similar harassment.

In the current climate, we as a country are working to transform Iraq and the rest of the Middle East into vital democracies.

In her recent testimony on the tragedy of September 11

to Congress, Bush official Condoleeza Rice explained the administration's role and philosophy in the war on terror.

"We are working with the people of the Middle East to spread the blessings of liberty and democracy as the alternatives to instability, hatred and terror," she said "The defeat of terror and the success of freedom in those nations will serve the interests of our Nation and inspire hope and encourage reform throughout greater Middle East.'

The difficult task of establishing democracy without being coercive is our nation's foremost challenge, and Rice is an eloquent spokeswoman for the necessity of freedom prevailing.

Women have been at the forefront for the joining of spheres of being all while maintaining diversity. They have created spheres of freedom that we should all appreciate.

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The Op-Ed Page





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<u>Streetwise</u>

Question of the Week:

What's your favorite candy?



"Nerds Rope. I like Nerds and licorice. It has Nerds and licorice. Alexandra Pittel, 8

Grosse Pointe Farms

"Nerds. They taste really Molly Paddock, 6 City of Grosse Pointe

"Milky Ways. I love

Mackenzie Paddock, 9 City of Grosse Pointe

"Reese's. They taste good." Chloe Pittel, 9,

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and Reggie, 3



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"Necco wafers. As a kid we Communion played

> Michele Pittel **Grosse Pointe Farms**

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"Jolly Ranchers. They're really sweet and long-last-

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If you have a question you would like asked, drop us a note at 96 Kercheval on The Hill in Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236 or email to editor@grossepointenews.com

Hot author

The hottest selling local author has volunteered to take the successful bidder on an autographed copy of his book at the Rotary Auction next Saturday night to lunch and tell some insider tales about what is in his next offering scheduled for spring 2005 -"Grosse Pointe Inferno."

In a two-hour stint at Border's recently, Mark Steel, author of "Grosse. Pointe Pimp," sold 50 signed copies of his long, semi-fictional confessional about the life of a body builder, boat captain, bodyguard and driver for the east side's rich and famous. The rumor around town a few weeks back was that the wealthy star of the book recognized himself and bought out the first printing. But that was only a rumor. Neither the book stores nor Steel will discuss

The self-published book by the owner of Shores Personal Training at Nine Mile and Jefferson in St. Clair Shores is an entertaining and amusing read about some aspects of life in the Grosse Pointes - particularly if you are not named or identifiable in it.

Breakfast spirit The Ecumenical Men's

Breakfast group which usually numbers between 60 and 80 has met most Friday mornings at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church for more than three decades. The hour from 7:15 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. includes a variety of speakers, a \$5 breakfast and spiritual fellowship.

The speakers range from Catholic and Episcopal priests and various Protestant ministers to Muslim Inmans, Hare Krishna leaders and lay hatin men and women who have a spiritual message to

The Rev. Patrick Halfpenny, St. Paul's, Grosse Pointe, is scheduled to speak tomorrow, Friday (April 16), and Jiri Ghovardhan, president of the Detroit Govinda Hare Krishna Temple (April 23) and Canon Ron Spann, Christ Church, Grosse Pointe (April 23). Like the Marines, the

Ecumenical folks are always looking for a few more "good men" who want to start their Fridays with an uplifting spiritual message. For more information, call George Arsenault, president, at (586) 773-2774.

Knight

Dr. Paul Zavell is a Knight of Malta. It is a Catholic religious organization that traces its roots back to the armored men on horseback who crusaded to open the Holy Land to Christians, but these days it focuses primarily on helping the poor and unfortu-

by Ben Burns

Dr. Zavell's blade of choice until he retired, however, was always a scalpel as he spent a career as a pediatric surgeon trying to save premature babies

He pointed out in an aside during a recent Friday talk on the Knights of Malta to the Ecumenical Men's Breakfast at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church that in the early days of saving premature babies. the success rate was one in 10, and modern medicine now saves a much greater percentage.

The smallest baby Dr. Zavell ever saved weighed 1 pound 10 ounces. That child grew up to attend the University of Michigan and become an engineer. Dr. Zavell is obviously proud of that young man's accomplishments

We all should be proud of Dr. Zavell, a true Knight of Malta even without armor.

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Points about the Pointes

Our senior citizens built what we all enjoy... how are we paying them back?

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neighbors and taxpayers.

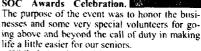
This group of citizens has diligently paid their taxes, built and continue to pay for our schools, paid for our parks and continue to fund our municipalities through their taxes, even though se of us with children are receiving the benefit of the lion's share of their decades of investnent in our community.

Up until recently, the golden carrot for this group was the increase in equity in their homes. The catch up tax valuations when they sell their homes combined with the spread between the quality of our schools and those of other communities narrowing as has been reported in various publications has that golden carrot not look-

ng so golden anymore.

My wife and I had the honor of sponsoring a

gathering organized by the Services for Older Citizens (SOC) this past Sunday, the SOC Awards Celebration.



While being thanked by many for sponsoring the event, I left the event thinking that the awards were flowing the wrong way. ours receiving awards should instead be awarding our seniors. The rest of the non senior population in our community should start feeling and acting the same way and go out of their way to honor seniors in everything we do, and teach our children to do the same.

On our part, we need to make our aisles wider, and our signs more legible. Our cities need to provide better parking, and need to use more of our tax dollars to fund programs like SOC. Parents need to teach children that opening the door for a senior is the norm, not the exception. It's the right thing to do. So what's stopping us

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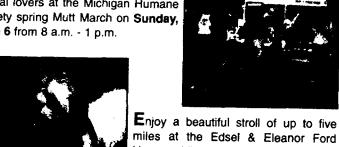
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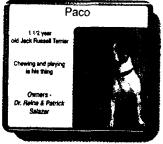




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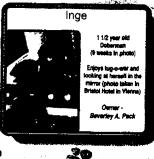




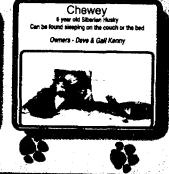








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of responsible pet ownership.

The largest of the three Michigan Humane Society locations, the Detroit shelter cared for 8,870 stray dogs, cats and other pets last year. Of these strays, only 279 dogs and 20 cats were returned to their owners. Had all of these pets worn a visible tag or had a microchip, the number of reclaimed pets would have dramatically increased. The Michigan Humane Society scans all incoming stray animals for microchips.

"The huge number of lost pets without identification is truly a tragedy when an inexpensive ID tag could make it possible for our shelter staff to quickly contact the owners," according to Michigan Humane Society Detroit interim shelter manager Brendan Nolan.

The Michigan Humane Society sends each adopted dog or cat home with a free ID tag and recommends that pets برسوري عيستهج

vear a collan and current ID tag at all times. For extra protection in case a lost pet should slip out of his collar, pet microchipping — a permanent form of identification is available through the Michigan Humane Society's three veterinary clinics during a regular clinic appointment. The fee for microchip implantation and registration is \$44.50.

The Michigan Humane Society also offers microchipping at the time of adoption at the discounted rate of \$34.50. In 2003, the Michigan Humane Society microchipped 2,920 dogs and cats.

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Brownell 'outhouse' shelved

he Grosse Pointe public schools are on spring break this week. We imagine the administrators, instead of tanning on a sandy beach somewhere, are planning all the wonderful things they are building with their \$63 million construction bond passed two years ago and their \$17 million sinking fund approved just last month.

But one thing they won't be planning is a freestanding restroom/storage building at Brownell Middle

At a second meeting with nearby residents last week, Chris Fenton, assistant superintendent for business affairs, said the freestanding restroom and storage facility to be built in the green space between the Brownell parking lot and Williams Road has been shelved.

As an alternative, he unrolled a blueprint that showed the restrooms and storage space globbed onto the end of the proposed multipurpose room. The quickly sketched in addition appeared to be devised at the last minute, which it was, and it looked unappealing. Perhaps that was on

The proposed multipurpose room already has a huge footprint in proportion to the existing school. The restroom/storage add-on only makes it slightly bigger.

However, resident Tom Coyle of Touraine Road came up with another suggestion. He pointed out that there already are existing restrooms with outdoor access. The outside doors to these restrooms, apparently, have been sealed shut for years. Most people are unaware the outside doors

If the outdoor access to the restrooms can be restored and made handicapped accessible, then one goal of the school district has been accomplished. Those using the athletic fields at Brownell would have access to restrooms. The restrooms' doors leading to the interior of the school could be locked during non-school

Farms public safety officials, however, point out that in a post-Columbine era, there are safety issues to consider when the restrooms have both indoor and outdoor access.

Another idea Coyle had was using the "mud pit" area around the tether ball pole as the site for the maintenance storage area.

Brownell's maintenance crew lost its storage room this year when it was converted to classroom space. Currently a semi-trailer parked next to the school serves as temporary storage for maintenance equipment.

Coyle said the tether ball area is about the size of the proposed storage area. Further, two walls of the existing school would serve as those for the storage area, which would save on construction costs by eliminating the need for a four-wall, free-standing

Fenton pointed out, though, that any shared walls with the school would have to be reinforced as fire barriers at considerable expense.

We are not sure if Coyle's suggestions are workable. If they are, it would save money by not having to run utilities out to a free-standing building, and it would address some safety and aesthetic concerns.

It is good to see that options are available when everyone is brought to the table.

This should be good news for those at Pierce and Barnes schools, where similar freestanding restroom/storage facilities are being considered.

In fact, the Brownell facility was to be the prototype for the other schools, at least as far as the combination restrooms and storage layout, whether attached or not.

Residents around those schools are now forewarned and have time to come up with suggestions.

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'Fab Four' in the Woods

hen former Grosse Pointe
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Ted Bidigare saved the city money by not filling a vacancy and, instead, paying existing employees extra pay for extra work, he

Now those same council members the "Fab Four" or "Gang of Four" depending on your point of view who fired the city administrator are crowing about all the money they are saving the city by firing Bidigare and paying the city comptroller extra pay for extra work.

The four agreed last week to pay comptroller/treasurer Cliff Maison \$750 more a week — a 45 percent pay hike — to be acting city administrator until the vacancy is filled.

At the time, Mayor Robert Novitke thought \$750 a week additional was excessive.

The council also voted to spend nearly \$10,000 for a city manager search team through the Michigan Municipal League.

But in a Letter to the Editor in this week's Grosse Pointe News, Mayor Pro Tem Patricia Kukula Chylinski said the city is actually saving \$62,000 a year when one considers that the city does not have to pay the city administrator's salary and benefits until the vacancy is filled.

Here's an idea: Why fill it at all? Let Maison continue to fill both roles and save the city all that money. In fact, cancel the city administrator search and save the city another \$10,000.

And what about Bidigare's original idea of saving the city \$50,000 by not filling the assistant to the city administrator position? The Fab Four rescinded Bidigare's decision and ordered the vacancy filled.

Maybe the former city administrator was right all along. Maybe city hall's payroll can be trimmed through attri-



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Lyn Gordon Grosse Pointe Farms

Letters

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Mayor Pro Tem

Grosse Pointe Woods
City Council

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vehicle turned left onto St. Paul into the Park before making a right at Balfour.

The Jeep reached an estimated 50 mph running a stop sign at Kercheval.

"(I) attempted to follow but was unable to keep up because the scout (car) could not shift out of first gear," said the officer.

The Jeep was last seen by the City officer on westbound Vernor.

Records listed the vehicle stolen March 31 while parked in the 1100 block of Lakepointe in the Park.

Casing the joint?

On Saturday, April 10, shortly after 2 p.m., a City of Grosse Pointe patrolman became suspicious upon seeing a man in a black 1993 Ford Tempo parked and idling in the lot of an office supply store on Mack near

St. Clair.
"Due to recent attempted thefts from the building, (I) checked the vehicle," said the officer. State records linked the Tempo's license plate to a stolen 1994 Eagle Vision.

The officer followed the vehicle when it pulled onto eastbound Mack. During a traffic stop at Woodhall in Detroit, the officer learned the 25-year-old driver from Detroit was wanted in his hometown on three traffic warrants and one public order crime. Bond totaled \$379. The man's driver license had been suspended four times.

Thief returns

A man suspected in the March 31 theft of a laptop computer in the City of Grosse Pointe was caught in the Village shopping district on Monday, April 5, shortly

A citizen notified police wreck the 46-year-old Detroit man was in the area of Kercheval and St. Clair.

The lap top was stolen from the 16800 block of Kercheval.

Murder suspect

A Grosse Pointe Farms policeman didn't know it at the time, but a 44-year-old Detroit man pulled over for driving erratically on eastbound Mack near Calvin on Sunday, April 11, at 1:08 a.m., was wanted in Detroit for attempted murder.

Additional warrants were for conspiracy to commit armed robbery and assault while armed.

Farms police checked state records to learn the man was wanted on unspecified charges in Detroit, but Detroit officers couldn't locate the warrants until later that morning.

By then the man had been arrested for drunken driving. He refused to take a breath test, opting instead to "go for blood," meaning he wanted to have his blood drawn and tested for alcohol content.

"A blood test was not executed due to the circumstances being recorded on in-car video, officer observa-tions, and (the man) failing all standardized field sobriety tests," said police.

Breaks parole

A 24-year-old Detroit man who was on parole for an unspecified crime was caught driving drunk in Grosse Pointe Farms on Saturday, April 10, at 5:26

The man almost ran into a Farms officer who was conducting an unrelated traffic stop on southbound Moross near Beaupre.

Police caught up with the Detroit man's silver 1994 Dodge Intrepid on Moross at Grosse Pointe Boulevard. The vehicle had heavy frontend damage. Police asked the man if he'd been in a

"I don't remember," he reportedly said.

His blood alcohol level measured .138 percent. A 24-year-old male passenger had a .15 percent blood alcohol content.

Police arrested the driver and took the passenger to Mack and Moross where he called someone for a ride

Drugs at school

Grosse Pointe Farms police are investigating a 19year-old Grosse Pointe Park man who was issued a fiveday suspension from Grosse Pointe South High School for smoking marijuana during school hours.

A staff member thinks the Community School student smoked marijuana sometime between 8:30 and 8:50 a.m. on Thursday, April 8. School officials released the teenager to his mother.

Angry drunk

On Thursday, April 8, shortly after 1 a.m., a 62-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods man struggled with Farms police while being arrested for drunken dri-

Officers saw the man speeding his blue 1994 Mercury Grand Marquis on eastbound Mack near Calvin. He sidetracked through a few residential streets before returning to Mack at Shelbourne.

Police said the man had a .14 percent blood alcohol

Pride of Farms

A 31-year-old Grosse Pointe Farms man urinated on the floor of the Farms police department holding room, jail cell and blanket while locked up temporarily for drunken driving during the early hours of Friday, April 9.

Shortly before his arrest, officers had warned him not to drive from a restaurant in

the 100 block of Kercheval.

Assuming he'd ignore police their orders. remained in the area and caught the man driving a blue 1996 Ford Explorer from the Hill to the area of Fisher and Mack.

A 33-year-old male senger took a breath test, registered a .13 percent blood alcohol level and called a friend for a ride home from the arrest scene.

The driver wouldn't consent to the breath test; so police obtained a search warrant to examine his blood at a local hospital.

Officers found a baton on the floor of the Jeep between the driver seat and door. A patrolman has asked detectives to seek a warrant for possession of a dangerous weapon.

Child alone

Grosse Pointe Farms police might seek a warrant child endangerment against a 34-year-old Detroit woman who left her 4-year-old daughter alone in an unlocked vehicle parked in a city-owned lot on the Hill.

A man found the girl in the 1998 Dodge Durango on Tuesday, April 6, at about

"I do not know where my mommy is," the girl reportedly cried hysterically.

Police traced the vehicle registration to indicate who the mother might be. Officers searched the Hill for the woman, finding her with two more children in the waiting room of a clinic.

She reportedly told police she left the younger daughter sleeping in the SUV.

Go on green

On Monday, April 4, at 12:44 a.m., a Grosse Pointe Farms patrolman saw the driver of a blue Lincoln Town Car stop at a green light at East Warren and 52-year-old Mack. The Detroit proceeded man when the light turned yel-

His blood alcohol level registered .091 percent.

.2 percent BAL

21-year-old Shelby Township man registered a .2 percent blood alcohol level while being investigated for drunken driving on Sunday, April 4, at 4:31 a.m., in Grosse Pointe Farms.

The man had been pulled eastbound over on Lakeshore near Provencal for driving a blue 1996 Dodge Intrepid with a license tab that had expired four months ago.

The man's two male pasengers were taken to police headquarters where they arranged for rides home.

M&M report

The following incidents occurred in the area of Mack and Moross:

Purse snatching

A purse snatching in Grosse Pointe Farms has been downgraded from robbery to larceny. The incident occurred in a parking lot behind stores at Mack and

On Friday, April 9, at 5:46 p.m., an unknown man stole 84-year-old Farms woman's purse while she loaded groceries in her car.

(The) suspect stopped his vehicle behind (the woman's car), reached inside her vehicle and took her purse,' a witness told police.

Officers said the drove away in a blue 1987 Oldsmobile 98 four-door. Records showed the vehicle was stolen.

The suspect was described as a white male with medium build, shaved head wearing a gray sweatshirt and jeans.

Targets Chrysler

A 17-year-old Grosse Pointe Farms girl saw a thin man wearing sunglasses smash the driver side window of a 1998 Chrysler Town

Country parked behind a store at Mack and Moross on Sunday, April 4. The incident occurred shortly before

7:30 p.m. The girl ran into a store to notify the van's owner, a Park man, who returned to see the unknown man sitting in a white 1990 Chrysler New Yorker with loud, smoky exhaust and heavy front-end damage. Records showed the New Yorker was stolen from

"I didn't do that," the man said to the Chrysler owner before driving away.

At 7:30 p.m., a City of Grosse Pointe lieutenant spotted the New Yorker being driven on westbound Warren. The officer was instructed not to engage pursuit, per Farms policy.

Failed car theft?

An incident initially logged as attempted car theft has been refiled as vandalism in Grosse Pointe

On Sunday, April 4, 8:05 p.m., a Rochester Hills man discovered molding removed from the driver side window of his Dodge pickup parked behind a restaurant in the 18700 block of Mack. Scratches on the window indicated someone tried to smash it open.

The man had parked behind the restaurant at 6:30 p.m.

Raids refrigerator

On Wednesday, April 7, at 7:18 p.m., a 44-year-old Detroit man who is known to Grosse Pointe Farms police entered a second-floor office in the 18700 block of Mack and began rummaging through a refrigerator.

The man was wanted in Eastpointe on alcohol charges.

He became "uncooperative and aggressive" booking at Farms headquarters, police said.

- Brad Lindberg



2nd Section A

North Choir dazzles

April 15, 2004

Fourteen soloists and two ensembles from Grosse Pointe North High School performed at MSVMA State Solo & Ensemble competition this past weekend. Some 11 soloists received first division ratings, and three received second division ratings. All ensemble and soloists received first division ratings at District Solo & Ensemble in January in order to be invited to the state level. Soloists receiving first division ratings were Jen Bierman, Anne Chapman, Anne Kopf, Ben Lupo, Kelly Ritter, Kyle Serilla, Katle Stochr, Angela Theis, Terrell Thompson and Courtney Wrubel. Receiving second division ratings were Emily Carter Michelle ElHosni and Katle Passamani. Both the Freshman Select Ensemble and the Pointe Chorale received first division ratings.

A 15-member ensemble from the Grosse Pointe North Pointe Chorale was one of two ensembles from southeast Michigan chosen as state finalists to perform at the Michigan Youth Arts Festival Ensemble Invitational Concert on May 14. According to the Michigan School Vocal Music Association, this concert is for the purpose of showcasing the finest ensembles in Michigan. Two judges heard over 60 choral ensembles before selecting the two. The students involved are above. In the front row, from left are Angela Theis, Katie Passamani, Courtney Wrubel, Emma Perry, Stephanie Rinderknecht, Annie Chapman, Angela Dooley, Jennifer Cavanagh. In the back, from left are Terrell Thompson, Ben Gradner, Drew Blohm, Matt Shelton, Ben Lupo, Kyle Serilla and Casey Kitchel

North students partake in Federal Reserve contest

On March 25, 2004, Grosse Pointe North High School participated in the nationally recognized FED Economics Challenge Competition sponsored by the Federal Reserve. The FED Challenge is a team competition, which encourages high school students to further their knowledge of economics, economic indicators and the Federal Reserve System.

Five students completed a 15-minute presentation, in which they described the current conditions of the economy, balanced the risks of monetary policy shifts, and made a recommendation regarding the Fed Funds Rate, which is the target rate for Open Market from Oakland County, who Operations (controls the competed in their fourth money supply). Following FED Challenge. Both the the presentation, the stuquestion-andanswer section, where senior economists questioned the students on their knowledge of the Federal Reserve and monetary policy. Students who competed in this program used knowledge that is equivalent to a staff economist with any major corporation or even the Federal Reserve.

The following students from Grosse Pointe North participated in the econom- ognized as an exemplary gram.

ics program: seniors Kevin learning experience by the Kwiatkowski, Eric Burton and Julie Krugler, junior Kyle Kwiatkowski and sophomore Kara Miller.

The students created a mock FOMC meeting and presented economics as if they were members of the Board of Governors, Fed Presidents, or senior economists. This is the second year that North has participated in the program. Burton and Kwiatkowski were members of last year's team.

This year's team competed against some of the best AP and IB economics programs in the state and finished behind the International Academy demv and included Bloomfield Hills Andover, Troy Athens, Grand Rapids Northview and Detroit's Golightly Technical School. The International Academy will compete next month in the seventh District Championship and challenge for a trip to Washington, D.C., to present before the FOMC and

Alan Greenspan.

Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania, the National Academy Foundation and Conference Board. Each participant will receive a letter of commendation from the Chicago Federal Reserve, a certificate of merit and a letter of recognition from Grosse Pointe North High School. In addi-tion, the Fed Challenge participants will receive the much-coveted

Challenge T-shirt.
All of the students are current or former students in Dan Quinn's economics program at North. The students completed their work as a part of an independent study program, which met before school for several months. Most of the other programs were competing dents engaged in a 10- North beat out a field that as AP classes. Quinn has coached the FED Challenge team for the past two years and has received training from the Federal Reserve in the areas of Monetary Policy, Macroeconomics and Economic Indicators. Quinn has represented North School at several teacher workshops in Chicago and Detroit. Tim Schilling, who controls economics outreach for the Chicago Fed is The Fed Challenge is rec- responsible for the pro-

North student wins scholarship

Ashley Wynne of Grosse Pointe who attends Grosse Pointe North High School is the 2004 state winner of the AXA Achievement Scholarship in association with U.S. News

Wynne has been awarded \$10,000 for use in higher education. AXA Achievement is about celebrating and rewarding those youths who work hard, care about themselves, their family and their community and want to achieve success. The scholarship program is designed so students with demonstrated achievement and a commitment to

succeed have the opportunity to receive a post secondary education. Wynne's achievements include establishing "Safe Rides." a program at her high school in which volunteers provide a safe ride home to students on weekend nights. After her community suffered the loss of three young people in a tragic automobile accident, Wynne decided that she and her peers should have an alternative means of transportation if they felt uncomfortable with a friend's or their own ability to drive

Wynne's name will be published in the U.S. News & World Report's College

Financing issue, dated April 19, 2004.

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Eight parents to be named Distinguished Volunteers

By Carrie Cunningham Staff Writer

Volunteers offer inspiration and much-needed aid to the communities of students, parents and staffs within the Grosse Pointe Public School System. Volunteers have performed everything from assisting our nation, to contributing to local charities, to enhanc ing the welfare of school communities.

Eight volunteers have been chosen by the district to receive a Distinguished Volunteer Award for their incredible assistance to Grosse Pointe Schools. They will be honored at the upcoming Board Education meeting Monday, April 19.

Parent Karen Henning has done copious work for Maire Elementary. She was co-chair of the Maire fair, which is a fundraiser that raises money for school capital projects. At the most recent fair, money was raised to buy a phonic ear sound system.

"It is a wonderful educational tool," Henning said.

Henning was also the chair of the Book Fair, which raises money by selling books, and began the Gleaners Service Project where cupcakes were sold to donate money to the food

She additionally serves on the steering committee for elementary education and the language arts commit-

school community because they've given so much to ly done much work at South will be profiled next week.

me," she said, adding that the award is a great honor.

Parent Wendy Joy has offered much assistance to Monteith Elementary. She started the "No Soldier without a Christmas" project in which students made bags of material including such things as food to Visine to DVDs and sent them to American troops in Iraq.

Joy is also a room parent which entails helping out in the class room, chaperoning field trips, organizing parties and helping with decorations.

Joy says she volunteers because she wants to be part of her children's lives. "It has been the most wonderful thing," she said.

Parent Hollobaugh helps out with special needs children at Mason Elementary. Her son has a disability, and she wanted to get involved with children who face similar issues as him.

She goes to Mason one day a week and works on skills and making projects that are eventually sold.

"I sometimes see some kids for several years. They're so interesting and warm," Hollobaugh said.
"It's the best part of my week. The teachers are phenomenal."

She was very grateful to be given an award for her efforts, and hopes her work will inspire others to get involved with special needs children.

Parent Jayne Valley "I try to give back to the chaired the Kerby carnival in the 1990s and has recent-

as part of the Mother's Club.

She chaired the Spring Benefit which included a luncheon and fashion show. She has served as president-elect and president of the Mother's Club, an entity with a \$90,000 to \$100,000 budget that contributes to scholarships for seniors, preservation and educational enrichment.

"State funding has been cut. (South) looks to us for help," she said.

One area where the mother's program has assisted with educational development is with their gift of materials for the art program. They also donate money for field trips and speakers.

Valley is appreciative that South principal Al Diver recommended her for the award.

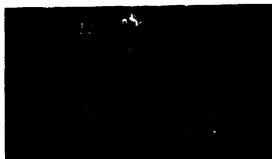
"I'm honored." she said. Parent Karen Fontanive helped Monteith has Elementary as the PTO president, which entails being a room parent, giving building tours and organizing volunteers for projects like ice cream socials and reorganizing parking.

"I'm fortunate to be able to give back to the school. It's a great school," Fontanive said. "It's quite an honor, especially since Monteith has such an active volunteer base."

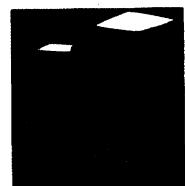
The other volunteers who will receive a Distinguished Volunteer Award Maureen Bennett, Pat Burke and Bill Warner

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Star Girl Scout troop to run thermometer exchange

By Carrie Cunningham Staff Writer

Keeping the environment safe and clean is important, and members of Girl Scout Troop 3970 of Our Lady Star of the Sea School are planning to work on this worthy goal in a drive to replace mercury thermome-

On Earth Day, Thursday, April 22, the scouts will be outside of Star from 7:30 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. collecting mercury thermometers and exchanging them with free digital thermometers provided by the Wayne County Department Environment.

The fifth-grade girls had heard a talk given by Mary Vangieson, a resource Wayne's department, and felt excited about working to lessen the risk of mercury thermometers.

"It's important because if ter," Bruno said.
spills it can go on differ"It's fun, and you get to it spills it can go on different things. It's deadly," Cristina Bruno said.

"It pollutes the environment if it spills in the lake. cury project, the girls have If the fish eat it, and you eat the fish, you can get sick," added Paige Kozak.

have safety suggestions for how to deal with leaked mercury from a thermome-

"If it breaks and mercury comes out, take shaving cream and spray it on the mercury. Put it in a plastic bag," Courtney Rusch said.

The thermometer exchange is limited to one thermometer per family.

safety, the girls have learned valuable planning lessons with their mercury project. They wrote a press release as well as missives in the school and church newsletters. They have printed fliers and made posters about the event.

Service is a crucial aspect recovery coordinator for of the Girl Scouts, and a all your friends," Carolan environment part the girls thoroughly

> "We get to help together and change the world around us to make it bet-

learn," Melanie Carolan said.

In addition to the merparticipated in a blanket drive, planted tulips and daffodils at Star and made

have silver liquid. The girls Services for Older Citizens.

Troop 3970 doesn't just perform service; they have also taken field trips to various places as well as engage in different activities, peppering their work with recreation. They visited Meadowbrook Hall in Rochester, which is the mansion where the Dodge family lived. They plan to experience the outdoors by Aside from promoting going to Camp Innisfree, afety, the girls have and they will practice horseback riding as well as

archery and biking. Yet still, their service work, with the mercury exchange being the most ambitious element, seems the most magical element of their troop's experience.

"You can have fun with

Photo by Kath Usitalo Our Lady Star of the Sea students belonging to Girl Scout Troop 3970 plan to run a merthermometer exchange on Earth Day, Thursday, April 22. Below are Courtney Rusch and Christina Courtney Bruno. In the back are Melanie Carolan and



March students of month

Many members of the patrol requires students to ers assist the librarian Grosse Pointe Public School help cross the streets safely; before class with shelving System were named stu- service squad calls for students of the month for their dents to help with safety dedication and excellent rules inside the school and attendance at their volun- for students to help out with teer jobs. There are three other tasks like office work; areas of service work: safety and the library squad work-



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For safety the following students have been recognized: Defer: Shannon Thomas and Ellie Farber; Ferry: Meghan Williams and Lauren Bogosian; Kerby: Jack Lightbody and Abby Couvreur; Patrick Sattelmeier and Keely Shortal; Monteith: Sean Seaman, Janine Puleo and McNelis; James Trombley: Roby Boggs.

For service the students of the month are: Defer: Brenda Tucker and Elaine Dussurelis; Ferry: Paul Kappaz and Andrew Haubert; Kerby: Katelyn Engel and Sarah Osborn; Maire: Julie Willwer and Alma McCarty; Monteith: Emily Turnbull and Sara Shook; and Trombley: Will Hess.

For library squad, these students were honored: Katie Riddle, Christian Mackey, Maggie Bickerstaff, Kylie Rose, Joe Joe Srebernack and Nathan Erickson; Maire: Erika Arora and Keely Shortal; and Monteith: Jackie Haley and Thomas Gmeiner.



Young scientists achieve

BON SECOURS COTTAGE

HEALTH SERVICES

Brownell Middle School Science Olympiad team took second place overall out of 38 schools in the regional competition on Saturday, March 20, 2004, at Thurston High School in Redford.

The team will now advance to the state final competition, which will take place on Saturday, May 1, 2004, at Michigan State University.

In the back row from left to right are Andrew Lamont, Eva Dou, Tim Mulvihili, Grace Cho, Devin Healey, Nick Schmidt, Emily Bradley, Alyssa Scalvini and Patricia Lawlis.

In the middle row are Eric Cendrowski, Charles Visser, Mike Doyal, Matthew Schmidt and Maurice Hogan.

In the front row are Billy Hogan, John Hogan, David Sloss and Tom Mulvi-



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Social **Studies** olympiad

Governor Jennifer Granholm along with Farmakis George declared April 24, 2004, as Michigan Social Studies Olympiad Day. The Michigan Social Studies Olympiad is held once a year in which Michigan social studies students in grades four through twelve may participate. Farmakis, a former substitute teacher in Grosse Pointe for 12 years, is the director and founder of the Olympiad. This year's Olympiad will take place at Malow Junior High in Shelby Township.

The Grosse Pointe Public Schools have supported the olympiad for many years. Grosse Pointe North hosted the olympiad in 1991, 1992 and 2001. Scott Cooper of Parcells Middle School has taken a group of students for many years to the olympiad. Three Grosse Pointe teachers are coordinators this year for the olympiad. They are Crosby Washburne III, Barry Mulso from North, Jeannie Brosseau from Brownell Middle School and Henry from Pichla Elementray School.

Trumpet taken

A King trumpet was taken from outside the band room of a school in the 15400 block of Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Park at 8 a.m. on Monday, April 5.

Trouble signs

A resident of the 20100 block of Fairway called the Grosse Pointe Woods Department of Public Safety to report two street signs and a "To Thru Traffic" sign were found on her front lawn on Tuesday, April 6.

Officers picked up the signs and took them to the DPW garage.

Quick response Tracking the local public

department's safety response time can get one in trouble as a 59-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods man found out.

The man was questioned by Woods public safety officers after he admitted making a 911 hang-up call from a pay phone in the 20900 block of Mack at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 6. He also admitted he made such calls from pay phones in the 20600 block of Mack and in the 19100 block of Mack in Grosse Pointe Farms. He told the officers he made such calls once a year to check the response times.

Officers advised the man not to make any more hangup calls to 911.

Phone theft

A cell phone and a brief case were taken from a 1998 Mercury Mountaineer parked in the 600 block of Bedford in Grosse Pointe Park during the night of Wednesday, April 7.

Car recovered

A vehicle reported stolen out of Grosse Pointe Park was recovered in Detroit by Park officers on Wednesday,

The vehicle was initially

sported at 8:19 a.m. A chase ensued and was terminated. A half-hour later, investigators found the vehicle in the 1300 block of Marlborough. The driver and a passenger, both Detroit residents, and a second passenger, a Park resident, were arrested.

Bikes taken

A men's mountain bike was taken from a rear yard in the 1200 block of Maryland in Grosse Pointe Park at 9:15 p.m. on Thursday, April 8. Also in the Park, a 26-inch

mountain bike was taken from a house in the 700 block of Pemberton sometime between 7 and 8:48 p.m. on Saturday, April 10.

Woman

followed

A woman called the Grosse Pointe Woods Department of Public Safety after she was being watched by two unknown men in a black 2002 Ford pickup truck on Friday, April 9.

Around 3:30 p.m., the woman said she was tailgated by the men in the truck. They then parked the truck and stood outside of it while watching her unload items from her car into a house in 2000 block of Ridgemont. The men did not respond when she called out to them and asked what they were doing. The men then got back into the truck and were last seen heading

westbound on Ridgemont.

Trouble brewing

Grosse Pointe Woods pub-lic safety officers were called into two different business establishments to ask unwanted patrons to leave.

At 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 7, officers asked a 64year-old Harper Woods woman to leave a coffee shop in the 19700 block of Mack. The woman was swearing

POLICE BRIEFS

and yelling at employees and customers after another customer took a seat across from the woman and began a conversation. The woman told the officers she became irate because she did not wish to be bothered. She was also uncooperative with the officers as they asked her to leave.

Three days later at a grocery store in the 20400 block of Mack, officers were asked to remove a woman who had been coming in to drink free coffee samples. The officers were unable to identify the woman, who ignored them. She was warned she would be arrested for trespassing if she returned to the store for more free samples.

Parolee caught

A Michigan Department of Corrections employee called on the Grosse Pointe Woods Department of Public Safety to help pick up a parole vio-

On Saturday, April 10, the corrections department employee saw the man in question at a store in the 20400 block of Mack at about 11:25 a.m. Woods officers picked the man up and held him for state officials until Monday, April 13.

The man was also wanted on a warrant out of Grosse Pointe Park for failing to appear for a driving while intoxicated hearing.

Purse snatcher gets away twice

A man suspected of snatching a woman's purse evaded Grosse Pointe Woods officers twice on Saturday, April 10.

The man, who swiped the purse at a store in the 20400 block of Mack at 5:20 p.m., fled the area in a silver or gray late-1980s Oldsmobile Olds 88.

A minute later, the car

spotted traveling 49 mph by a Woods radar patrol officer on Vernier just east of the Harper Woods border. A chase ensued along I-94 and the service drive which was called off by the Woods public safety department at Harper and Morang in Detroit.

Caravan caper

A black 2000 Dodge Caravan was stolen in the 500 block of Barrington in Grosse Pointe Park some-time between 12:30 and 8 a.m. on Sunday, April 11.

Statue stolen, recovered

A bronze statue that was stolen was returned to its owner Sunday, April 11.

A resident in the 16000 block of Jefferson in Grosse Pointe Park saw two suspects taking the statue from the driveway. The resident followed the suspects all the way to I-94, where they were apprehended by Park public safety officers.

— Bonnie Caprara

On the lookout

Grosse Pointe Shores police are giving extra attention to a house on Michaux Court where a resident found a coat hanger stuck between the driver-side win-

dow and molding of her 1994 Chrysler Lebaron.

She suspects the tampering occurred sometime between 3 p.m., Thursday, April 8, and about 7:30 p.m. the following day.

Wrong way on Lakeshore

On Saturday, April 10, at 2:11 a.m., a Grosse Pointe Shores patrolman clocked a silver 1992 Pontiac fourdoor being driven by a 23-year-old Detroit man at 46 mph on Vernier toward Lakeshore.

"The vehicle did not slow down for the traffic signal at Lakeshore and proceeded through the intersection, striking the curb," the offi-cer said. "The vehicle (with a flat tire) backed off the curb and proceeded south on Lakeshore in the northbound lane."

The driver was stopped at Willison. He recorded a .14 percent blood alcohol level and was arrested for drunken driving. Police released him at 10:20 a.m., on \$100

Wrong way

A Grosse Pointe Shores patrolman was cruising Lakeshore near Stratton at 10:41 p.m. on Sunday, April 4, when met by a car traveling northbound in the southbound lanes. The driver, an 80-year-old

Detroit man, admitted drinking one beer. His blood

alcohol level measured .143 percent.

Dog gone

A dog who accompanies his master to work as a security guard at the Eleanor & Edsel Ford Estate went on walkabout in the predawn hours of Saturday, April 3.

The dog was on the lam until caught in the area of Lakeshore and Woodland Shores by a resident who notified police at 7 a.m.

Bird feeder

On Thursday, April 8, between 6 and 8:15 p.m., someone destroyed a bird feeder located in the back yard of a house on Cranford Lane in the City of Grosse Pointe. The incident hap-pened while the homeowner was taking a walk.

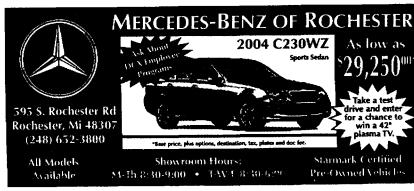
Chase stalls

A broken transmission prevented a City of Grosse Pointe patrolman from chasing a stolen 1988 Jeep Cherokee being driven Detroit toward Wednesday, April 7, at 7:50

But the 29-year-old driver from Detroit was caught by police from Grosse Pointe Park.

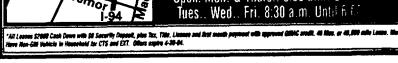
A City patrolman first saw the Jeep's driver and three passengers roll through a stop sign on northbound Cadieux at Maumee. The

See SAFETY, page 20A









Sound, as they see it

Farms man, partners launch acoustic holography company

By Bonnie Caprara

Imagine the possibilities if appearance of having three

You no longer have to imagine. Now, you can see sound.

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Sergio Mazza and his partners, University mechanical engineering professor Dr. Sean Wu and Northville attorney Gary Kendra, announced their company, SenSound has exclusively licensed a patented technology that will allow such a task.

Dubbed acoustic holography, the new SenSound technology picks up noise through a grid of microphones which sorts through a number of computer programs to plot how unwanted sound originates and how it travels through threedimensional space and time. The application is expected to be useful in manufacturing, engineering and architectural applications.

"It's well beyond anything

on the market today," Mazza Wu's work in the laboratory." said.

Mazza began to check out sound could take on the universities in the state for entrepreneurial opportunities when he moved from Greenwich, Conn., to the Farms in March 2003. Business brokers and investment bankers in the area quickly referred him to Wayne State the technology transfer offices at the University of Michigan and Michigan State University. Upon com-ing across WSU in September, he called it "a well-kept secret."

At WSU, Mazza was put in touch with Wu, who developed the technology with his graduate staff, and Kendra, who was looking for a business partner in the acoustic holography venture.

"It's good technology with a good patent," Mazza said. "Not only is it patented, but it also has a very clearly demonstrated technology advantage, and the technology was very close to developed and close to being in product form. Also, it's not just one project; there are other projects based on Dr.

Mazza also credited SenSound's connection with WSU as a "ready source with highly-trained talent."

Although SenSound does not have any clients lined up to use the new technology, Mazza said there are several companies that have been involved in the technical part of the research. He also said SenSound was in active discussions with about a dozen different companies interested in employing acoustic holography.

"The company is moving very quickly," Mazza said.

It was not disclosed how much SenSound paid to acquire the license, but WSU claimed it has funded about \$2.5 million of the research since 1997.

Mazza, who has founded other start-up technology and software companies, is the former president of U.S. operations of Memorex and its computer supplies division and former president of the American National Standards Institute.







Sergio Mazza, Dr. Sean Wu and Gary Kendra announced acquiring the license of a new patented technology developed by Wu at Wayne State University that will record and track sound in a three-dimensional context as shown in this door panel, left.

Technology

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language arts skills such as collecting information and communicating, math skills such as measuring, graphing, estimating and calculating; and social studies skills such as problem solving and analyzing historical trends. You can get more info at www.glrea.org.

Now let's talk about personal computers (PCs).

I have owned IBM, Dell and Gateway computers. It always hought the Dell I was the best, but truthfully, the distance between the three in terms of quality was minimal.

However, when asked about which computer to choose by Grosse Pointe newbies to the PC world, I usually said, "Buy a Gateway.

Why? Gateway was the

only computer manufacturer that had bricks and mortar stores dedicated just to their computer product sales and service. (Yes, I know IBMs are sold through Radio Shack, and Dells through Best Buy, But they're not IBM and Dell stores.) The closest Gateway store was on Gratiot in Roseville. Did I say "was"?

Here is the bad news Gateway has closed all of its 188 retail stores and cut 2,500 jobs effective last bring Gateway's retail venture to an end after nearly

eight years. Gateway said it had to do with its brand distribution strategy and its consumer electronic strategy. In case you don't know, that means the stores were not making money. The company says it will continue taking phone

And last on our agenda is some help.

I received an e-mail from my reader (readers?) complaining that when he booted up (started) his computer, it ran fine. But after he worked on various things throughout the day, the computer ran more and more slowly.

My suggestion is to reboot the computer during the day when you're taking a break. When you use a program like Microsoft Ward or Explorer and these close it, it really doesn't

close completely. It continues to run in the background, waiting patiently for you to call it back. Get enough programs running in the background, and the PC slows down.

Please note that there are other things that can slow your computer down. This is a first stop, easy thing to

check. If it doesn't help, check your manual, look at the "Help" drop-down or call your computer's customer service department.

As for me? I usually reboot at least once per day. I feel the need for speed.

Have a tech question or subject you would like addressed in this column? Want to comment or add your two cents worth? My email address is mtmaurer@comcast.net.

Business People

Everest Software Solutions, a developer of manufacturing software for small to medium enterprise companies, received the Outstanding Partnering Award and Account Mate Software's 2004 Evolution worldwide reseller conference in San Francisco on Feb. 10.

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CORRIDOR FLOOR REPLACEMENT GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

The Board of Education of the Grosse Pointe Public School System, Wayne County, Michigan, will receive sealed bids for the corridor flooring replacement at Grosse Pointe South High

Specifications and bid forms will be available at a MANDATORY pre-bid meeting on Tuesday, April 20, 2004 at 9:00 a.m., in the receiving room of Grosse Pointe South High School, 11 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

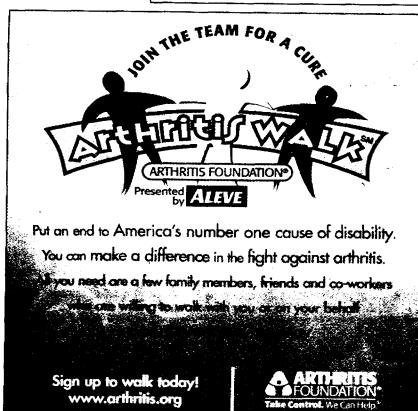
Sealed bids will be due Thursday, April 29, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. at the Administration Building of the Grosse Pointe Board of Education, 389 St. Clair Ave., Grosse Pointe, MI 48230, at which time and place the bids will be opened and publicly read aloud. This project will not be funded by federal or state monies.

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

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Stocks drift lower in holiday-shortened week

Investors and traders were both unwilling to add to their positions last week going into the three-day holiday weekend.

The major indices drifted lower on declining volume. The Dow eased by 29 points, closing at 10,442, while the Nasdaq Composite was negative only 4 points.

First-quarter earnings season is upon us. Overall, last week's announcements were favorable but did little to move stocks to the upside. Some traders are questioning whether this spring's earnings already have been priced into the market?

Terrorist strike; where or when?

The fear of a terrorist strike, somewhere in the United States is weighing on investors' minds.

Cocktail talk often involves guessing where and when. Which target will be most likely? High on the list are the two political convention sites this summer.

Locally, the Detroit-Windsor tunnel and Ambassador Bridge are cited, as are New York City's subways, tunnels and bridges.

One little known potential site is the Houston Ship Channel. One stretch has

four gasoline refineries, two each side-by-side and across the river from each other. A single fire may spread to all four, wiping out one-fourth of U.S. refining capacity and causing immediate gas rationing!

Need income?

Richard Lehman authored an article, "Funds for a Tough Market," in Forbes (March 29). For fixed income, he recommends buying closed-end preferred funds. There are now 27 funds, with combined assets of \$17 billion.

Closed-end funds, with a fixed number of shares outstanding that are nonredeemable, trade like common stocks. The funds are leveraged with about onethird short-term debt at a borrowed cost of 1.2 per-

Lehman favors preferreds that are of somewhat less top quality and trade at a premium because they have high coupons.

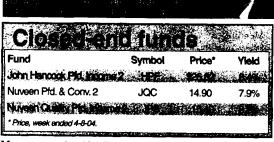
The accompanying chart lists closed-end funds that offer good yields and are less sensitive to rate rises in part because they are likely to be called in a few

'No-load' mutual funds

A couple weeks ago, LTS quoted an article from

Let's talk... **STOCKS**

By Joseph Mengden



Money magazine (April 2004) regarding The Vanguard Group, the grand-daddy of all "no-load" mutual funds. (See LTS, April 1.)

The concept of mutual fund investing in the late 1920s was first introduced as "load" funds. An investment management company sponsored a new mutual fund providing the expertise to select and manage the stock portfolio, for which it received an annual fee of 1 percent of the market value of the assets held.

The management company usually also provided marketing services to "sell" new fund shares to the investing public, for which it received a one-time, upfront fee.

The marketing fee was deducted from the initial purchase cash, which was called the "load." If an investor paid in \$10,000, with an 8 1/2 percent load, the management company deducted \$850 for its sales fee, depositing into the fund the \$9,150 for the actual shares purchased.

The management company, acting as a "sales wholesaler," often signed up NYSE wirehouses and inde-pendent firms and "reallowed" up to 7 1/2 percent of the 8 1/2 percent total load to the selling brokerage.

The concept of a diversi-fied portfolio within the fund became very popular with big and small investors. The sales commissions paid to the selling broker of mutual funds was much more attractive than the sales commission paid

on individual listed stocks, which averaged only about

1 percent.
"Load" funds had been very successfully marketed for about 50 years before John Bogle introduced the cost-savings of the "no-load" Vanguard funds in 1975.

Today, there are 9,500 outstanding mutual funds, with "load" funds making up over three-quarters of the total. Some say this proves the securities are sold" by brokers, not bought by the public.

The biggest attraction of "no-load" funds is that all of your investment is actually invested. A 4 percent yield, not unusual in the "old days," on a \$10,000 investment would earn \$400 per vear. versus only \$366 per year on a \$10,000, 8 1/2 percent "load" fund.

Recently, LTS counted 93 "families" of "no-load" investment companies, supervising over 1,838 different funds. The following ranks the best known "families" by number of funds managed:

A) Vanguard (123); B) Fidelity (67);

C) T. Rowe Price (67);

D) American Century

Stock Market at a Glance

Thursday Close, 4/8/04 Dow Jones Ind.....10,442 Nasdaq Comp......2,053 S&P 500 Index.....1,139 \$ in EUROs1.2096 Crude Oil (Bbl.)..... 37.14 Gold (Oz.)..... 419.90 3-Mo. T-Bills...............0.90% 30-Yr. T-Bonds5.02%

E) Scudder (30);

F) Strong (28); G) USAA Group (28);

H) Columbia Z, formerly Stein Roe (28);

I) Schwab (23); and

J) Janus (21). Other well-known, boutique families include Gabelli (9); Loomis Sayles (9); TIAA/CREF (9); Value

Line (8) and Babson (4).

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.

Video gaming -- it's a guy thing

Although I love working with computers and technology, I never really became a video game enthusiast. After a brief fling with Pong and PacMan (PacWoman?) many years back, I limit myself to the occasional game of solitaire or Mah Jong. Besides, have you seen the new video game controllers can't keep up with 10 but tons and two toggle switch-

So who plays video games these days? If you guessed it is a guy thing, you're right on the mark, but just for now.

New research from Michigan State University shows that boys spend twice as much time playing video games as girls, but the gap is expected to close as more games are designed for girls with their preferences in mind. Bradley Greenberg, MSU

professor of communication and telecommunication, conducted the survey of more than 1,000 fifth-, eighth- and 11th-graders and university students in Michigan and Indiana late last year, with help from the good folks at Purdue University and Boston

The survey showed that playing video games competes for time with watching TV among young people of all age ranges. Oh great! One useless activity competes with another.

They say girls show a consistent preference for classic board games, carddice games, quiz-trivia games, arcade games and puzzle games. Males (no surprise here) prefer fighters, shooters, sports, fantasy role-playing games, action adventure games and strategy games. Yes, but can it make them

do their homework?

While we are on the subject of kids, an energy education program sponsored by DTE Energy, General Motors Corp. and the federal Department of Energy was launched in last year with \$210,000 in grants and funding support from the three organizations. It drew participation from 50 schools in 21 Michigan

counties. That start-up funding has now expired, and local sponsors are needed. The program is managed by the Great Lakes Renewable Energy Association, which offers teachers a training

seminar, educational materials, demonstration kits and support.

The program, for grades four to eight, covers science skills, such as gathering, analyzing and comparing data, experimenting and calculating. It also includes

See TECHNOLOGY, page 18A





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SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES APRIL 5, 2904

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m., beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present on Roll Call: Mayor James C. Farquhar, Jr., Council members Peter W. Waldmeir, Joseph T. Leonard, Charles S. "Terry" Davis III, Louis Theros, Therese M. Joseph.

Those Absent Were: Councilman Douglas Roby.

Messrs. Burgess, City Attorney; Reeside, Also Present: City Manager; Tepper, Assistant City Manager; Brennan, Director of Public Service, Tolliver, Assistant Director of Public Service; Ferber, Director of Public Safety.

Mayor Farouhar presided at the Meeting

Councilman Roby was excused from attending the Meeting.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting held March 8, 2004 were approved as submitted.

The Council, acting as a Zoning Board of Appeals, approved the Minutes of the Public Hearing held March 8, 2004; adjourned the appeal of Mr. & Mrs. Doug Dempsey of 62 Cloverly to May 10, 2004 at 7:30 p.m.; granted the appeal of ivian Day Strob of 118 C

Following a Public Hearing, the Council granted the fence variance request for 151 Merriweather.

The Council adjourned the sign variance request for 131 Kercheval Avenue to May 10, 2004 at 7:30 p.m.

The Council approved the following from the Consent

a. Request to Schedule Public Hearing for Proposed General Fund Budget for FY 2004-2005 on Monday, May 10, 2004 at 7:30 p.m.

b. Arbor Day Resolution.

The Council received the following Reports and ordered them placed on file:

a. Budget & Audit Committee - 5 year Capital Plan b. Public Safety - February, 2004

The Council adopted a resolution to schedule a Special Meeting of the City Council for Monday, April 12, 2004 at

7:30 p.m. 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, MAY 10, 2004 AT 7:30 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS. THE MEETING IS PUBLIC. ALL PROPERTY OWNERS AND RESIDENTS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.

James C. Farquhar, Jr.

Shane L. Reeside, City Clerk

G.P.N.: 04/15/2004

Shape up for spring at Bon Secours Cottage

thinking about getting in shape for summer's swimsuit season and outdoor activities. Sign up for one of the many fitness classes offered by Bon Secours Cottage Health Services.

Nationally certified, experienced fitness instructors all classes. Preregistration and payment are required prior to the start of classes.

The classes are designed for pre pregnant women. Spring health and fitness classes are offered from Monday, April 26, through Saturday, June 12. There are no classes on Monday, May 31.

Registration begins Monday, April 19. For more information or to receive a fitness class registration call Community Health Promotion at (586) 779-7900 between 9 a.m.

and 4 p.m. weekdays.

All fitness and conditioning classes take place at the Bon Brae Center in St. Clair Shores.

Senior Fit

Senior Fit welcomes anyone over age 60 at any fitness level. Both classes include stretching and flexibility to prevent stiffness, strength training for muscle tone and an aerobic movement segment for cardiovascular health. Join the fun while exercising to great old tunes.

Senior Fit - average Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:15 to 10:15 a.m.

Senior Fit — slower paced Monday, Wednesday, 10:45 to 11:45 a.m. **\$**49

(New time) Senior Fit average paced Tuesday and Thursday 10:45 to 11:45 a.m.

Senior Strength and

Conditioning **Program**

Strength training can benefit all individuals as they age. Stretch bands, hand-held weights and chair exercises are incorporated into this class to help strengthen bones, improve muscle tone and increase energy levels. (No floor exer-

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

Tuesday and Thursday 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

Senior VIGOR

By following a regular program, you can help pre-vent bone density loss and build strength needed for everyday activities. This class, which utilizes Nautilus machines especially designed for use by older adults, is geared to all fitness levels.

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 7:15 to 8:15 a.m. 12:15 to 1:15 p.m.

Tuesday and Thursday (includes strength training)

6:45 to 8 a.m. \$64 12:15 to 1:15 p.m.

Better Bones

Research suggests that weight training can help reduce the risk of osteoporosis and improve your muscle strength and bone density. All fitness levels can benefit from this workout. Join us for a safe and effective workout on state-of-the-art Nautilus equipment.

Monday and Wednesday 4:15 to 5:15 p.m. \$53

Tai Chi

This class is for anyone between the ages of 18 and 108. It teaches an ancient

that blends slow movements body, relax the mind and into a standing meditation. Wednesday and Friday

7 to 8 a.m. \$57 (2 days); \$35 (1 day)

Yoga

Learn suppleness and stability from a certified yoga instructor. Work with an energetic spine sensitizer for proper alignment of the spine. Improve your mental and physical abilities. Each class ends with a "flowing" series and full body relaxation.

Tuesday and Thursday 7:45 to 9 a.m. **\$62** (2 days); **\$**35 (1

YogaFit

YogaFit is a nationally recognized yoga program that is fitness oriented. The YogaFit style follows the traditional group exercise FLEXFIT (Stretch, model of warm-up, work, Flex and Ralance) and cool down. You can reap the benefits of YogaFit at any age and any fitness level. Most people continue YogaFit to gain flexibility, strength and balance. This function at maximum capac-

revitalize the spirit.

Saturday 8:45 to 10:15 a.m.

Morning Mat Class (Pilates and Yoga)

Streamline your fitness program with this body, ball and bar technique format. The combined Pilates and yoga approach to your morning stretch improves flexibility and muscle strength as well as mind and body awareness. Learn to create fun, positive energy as you begin to understand proper body alignment through stretch adaptations, form and function. This personal training style of fitness is a great way to start your day.

Tuesday and Thursday 5:45 to 6:45 a.m.

Flex and Balance)

Stretching is a form of exercise that increases your flexibility and circulation. Well-stretched muscles

ity and promote a full range of motion in your everyday movement. Balance work also is included. Start your

day with a good stretch.

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

8:15 to 9 a.m. \$48/\$28 if registered in another fitness class

CardioKick FIT

A great cardio and strength class that utilizes various punches, kicks and foot drills. Come prepared to sweat. A definite stressreducing and fat-burning class. All fitness levels wel-

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 7:15 to 8:15 p.m.

CardioMix

This high-energy class guarantees to keep you challenged and motivated with high- and low-impact aerobics, flexibility, balance and strength training.

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 6 to 7 a.m.; 4:45 to 5:45

5:45 to 6:45 a.m.

Lower back pain, abdominal

By Andrea Renee Wyatt, M.S.S., C.S.C.S.

Q. I experience lower back pain while doing abdominal exercises on the floor. Can I fix this problem, or should I discontinue abdominal exercises on the floor?

- T.D., Atlanta

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First, rule out the worstase scenario of lower back injuries or problems by meeting with your physician. Past or current back injuries can make it difficult to complete abdominal exercises, and ignoring back injuries can cause additional harm.

Next, be sure to practice proper abdominal exercise

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techniques. The effectiveness of an exercise lies in lower back. Once you have your technique. The wrong technique can cause injury and not allow you to work the muscles intended.

Before beginning abdominal exercises on the floor, you must place yourself in the right position. Begin by lying on the floor with your knees bent and arms to your

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it proper positioning. It is extremely important not to advance too quickly with your exercises. Begin with your feet on the floor, and then progress to more difficult exercises such as with your feet off the ground. Since a strong core is necessary, consult a fitness professional to discuss proper exercise techniques

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Hospital volunteers aim high after 50 years

By Jennie Miller Staff Writer

A \$50,000 check made out to Bon Secours Cottage Health Services represents the hard work and dedication shown by the Cottage Hospital Auxiliary over the past 50 years.

Through vast fundraising efforts, volunteerism, patient care and support services, the auxiliary doesn't stop when it comes to giving back.

"It's a wonderful experience to be a part of the auxiliary," said Joan Curto, past president and current adviser. She has been volunteering at the hospital for 12 years. "It's a great way to give

back to the community."

The auxiliary was first established in 1954 at Cottage Hospital by Mrs. Henry Hudson Hubbard II, who was president of the board of trustees at the time. She began a volunteer group to assist with various patient services and increasingly numerous tasks in the hospital. It was comprised of 25 matrons and six high school girls. Through a series of afternoon teas, the group was able to network and recruit new members of the auxiliary.

Over the years, women and men have joined the auxiliary for a variety of reasons. Curto decided to become a member after having a heart attack and bypass surgery at Cottage.

"They did such a wonderful job," she remembered. "I enjoyed the people at the hospital so much that I wanted to give back a little of what they gave me. That was 12 years ago. It is just a wonderful place to be, filled with wonderful people.'

Melissa Maghielse, the auxiliary's current president, decided to join the group over a game of bridge.

"A very good friend of mine was the gift shop manager for more than 15 years," she remembered. "We were playing bridge and she told me how much she liked it, and that was that. Eighteen years later, I still love the people, and I love the fact that we're helping the hospital. It has been a fun place for me to land.

As the auxiliary's director of volunteer services, Pauline Kramer witnesses firsthand the effect volunteers can have

within the hospital on a daily basis. She manages more than 170 volunteers who dedicate as much time as they wish to any area of their choosing within the health system.

"Some volunteers provide services as it relates to patient activities, such as assisting the nursing staff by passing out water, doing chart work, helping with comfort needs, making phone calls, writing letters, sitting and talking with patients, delivering flowers, and transportation," Kramer explained of her staff.



The Cottage Hospital Auxiliary is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year with the hope of acquiring a rush of new members. Participating in this campaign are past president Joan Curto, past president Roberta Lady, parliamentarian Patricia Young, past president Del Jennings and Judy Cooper, assistant treasurer of the Cottage Hospital Gift Shop.

During the summer months. many of the volunteers are teenagers who are interested in pursuing a medical career down the road.

"The students are wonderful to have," she said. "Some simply help with directional control in the front lobby or putting chart packs together, but others can help nurses out in the post-op area. There's a variety of functions in that regard.'

Volunteers are matched with duties that fit their interests.

"I try to suit the individual's needs and try to help them,'

she said.

"It's great because as a volunteer, you can pick and

choose what you might want to do," Curto added. "If you want to work in the gift shop, the information desk, the diagnostic center, it's up to you."

Kramer said her experience directing the volunteers has been

very rewarding.

"It is a wonderful job because it is a win-win situation," she said.
"The people you deal with are those who are giving freely of their time and talents. That's the kind of people you really want to be around. They are wonderful, and it is always a very pleasant experience. These men and women do wonderful things for the hospital."

Many of these wonderful things include fundraising efforts. The auxiliary hosts yearly book sales, bake sales and flower sales, but

the true gem is the annual Kitchen Tour.

"We've been doing that for years," Curto said. "It's one of our biggest fundraising events.

"It accounts for about \$16,000 that we made last year," Maghielse said. "The kitchen tour is a great community event. We feature about seven or eight homes in the community. People come from all over the Metro-Detroit area. There is a preview party, and people are able to go through the remodeled kitchens while talking to the homeowners and builders and contractors. It's set up as a progressive dinner. The next day, the kitchens are opened up to everyone. We have more than 500 people tour through the homes each year."

For the past two years, the funds raised through the gift shop and various fundraisers have been in support of the Women's Diagnostic Center.

In the past, auxiliary funds have been used for such things as purchasing a customized, specially equipped van for the inpatient rehabilitation unit, enhancing the operating room computer system, and contributing to the construc-tion of the Edith McNaughton Ford Center for Radiation Oncology.

Looking toward the future, the auxiliary's vision is to remain committed to the hospital, providing service in every capacity.

A membership tea is planned for June 15 in an effort to pull in new volunteers.

"Our hope for our 50th anniversary is to pull in 50 new members," Maghielse said. "We're hoping for a rush of new blood to work in any of the three guilds: the gift shop, patient services or the general guild. In any of the guilds, you will find wonderful things to do and meet wonderful people. The people are by far the best part of this work."



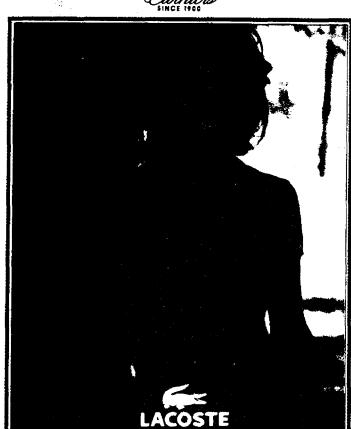
The annual Kitchen Tour is Cottage Hospital Auxiliary's biggest fundraising venture each year. Held in October, the tour features seven remodeled kitchens throughout Grosse Pointe and allows patrons to view designs, talk with owners and contractors, and enjoy a progressive dinner. Sales from the 2003 Kitchen Tour accumulated to more than \$16,000. Pictured is past auxiliary president Joan Curto, Patricia McEvoy, president-elect Elsie Onychuk and parliamentarian Patricia Young.



HOPE's works of art

Project HOPE League's auction will feature works of art, gift baskets, personal items, and a variety of gift certificates. Held at the Bayview Yacht Club on Sunday, April 25, from 1 to 5 p.m., all proceeds from the live and silent auction will be donated to Project HOPE (Health Opportunities of People Everywhere), which currently has 80 programs in 31 countries providing health education and medical humanitarian assistance with an emphasis on serving children. If interested in making a tax deductible item, or making a contribtion, contact Herman Mozer at (313) 885-3953. Tickets for the event cost \$45 and include lunch and entertainment by the Noteworthys. In the front row from left are honorary chairperson Rosemary DuMouchelle, Jacqueline Kendall, co-chair Charlene Wojcik, and Sydrene Epstein. In the back row from left are co-chair Herman Mozer, honorary chairperson and auctioneer Norman DuMouchelle, auctioneer Larry Marco, Dr. Helen Minichelli, and Irwin Epstein.





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Austin-Pohlman

Martha Austin of Detroit and Jon and Patti Austin of Grosse Pointe Farms have announced the engagement of their daughter, Chrissie Austin, to Jeremy Pohlman, son of Mike and Sue Pohlman of Portage. A July wedding is planned.

Austin earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in communication/advertising from Michigan State University. She is an account supervisor with Campbell-Ewald.

Pohlman earned Bachelor of Science degree in environmental geosciences from Michigan State University. He is working on a master's degree in business administration from Oakland University. He is a contract specialist with General Dynamics

Birnbryer-Ptasznik

Anthony and Mary Birnbryer of Grosse Pointe Park have announced the engagement of their daughter, Julie Lynn Birnbryer, to John Hensley Ptasznik, son of Victor and Peggy Ptasznik of Grosse Pointe Farms. A



Julie Lvnn Birnbryer and John Hensley Ptasznik

July wedding is planned.

Valley University with a Bachelor of Science degree in public administration. She is a development assistant at Gleaners Community Food Bank.

Ptasznik earned Bachelor of Arts degree in computer science from Wayne State University. He is a software engineer with



Michael John Mowle and Laura Anne Colbeth

Colbeth-Mowle

Jack and Helaine Colbeth of Grosse Pointe Farms have announced the engagement of their daughter, Laura 'Anne Colbett, to Michael John Mowle, son of Frederic and Mary Jane Mowle of W. Lafavette, Ind. An August wedding is planned.

Colbeth earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Grand Vallev State University. She is a computinstructor at New Horizons Learning Centers. Mowle earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Purdue University. He is a project manager with EDS.

Karber-Birnbryer graduated from Broglin

Robert and Jane Karber of Grosse Pointe Woods have announced the engagement of their daughter, Betsy Karber, to Brian Broglin, son of Donald and Paula Harris of Chase. A July wedding is planned.

Karber earned Bachelor of Arts degree in special education from Grand Valley State University. She teaches elementary school-age children with autism.

earned Broglin Bachelor of Science degree in information drive technology from the University of Phoenix. He is a logistics planner with Worthington Armstrong Venture Enterprise.



Brian Broglin and **Betsy Karber**

G.P. Chamber Music concert April 25

Pointe Chamber Music on Sunday, April 25, at 2:30 p.m. The concert will Pointe War Memorial.

Mezzo soprano Patricia Junker will perform songs from Brahms' Zigeunerlieder with pianist Piano Quartet.

Elsic Incolman. Three young harp students will fill the hall with a trio called "Rhyme or Treason." be held in the Crystal Violinist Terese Edelstein,
Ballroom of the Grosse violist Jamie Dabrowski, cellist Sylvelin Bouwman and pianist Mary Holmes will close the recital with Mozart's famous G Minor

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Families Anonymous meetings are open to the public. The forum is not intended for the individual with the problem, but for concerned friends and family members of a person who is abusing drugs or alcohol and displaying behavior that is destructive to the abuser and those around him or her. Teens age 15 and older may attend, The group is not recommended for those younger than

No dues or fees are required. First names only are used at meetings to preserve individual anonymity. Advance notice or registration is not necessary to attend a meeting. Visitors and support persons are welcome. For additional information, call (313) 882-1921.

Babies

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Health

Laparoscope allows minimally invasive GYN surgery

By Dr. Faleh Husseini Special Writer

The advent of laparoscopic surgery has allowed many individuals to undergo minimally invasive surgery of the shoulder and knee joints, removal of the gallbladder and exploratory procedures of the abdomen, to name a few.

Now, many gynecological surgical procedures can be performed laparoscopically, often with better outcomes than with traditional surgery. Plus, after a laparoscopic procedure women have less pain and scarring and spend less time in the hospital.

What is laparoscopic surgery?

Laparoscopic surgery, also called minimally invasive surgery, is carried out by making about a 1 cm incision under the navel through which the surgeon inserts a tube (laparoscope) containing a small camera and fiberoptic lighting. The camera projects the magnified images onto a television monitor for the surgeon to see.

One or two additional, equally small incisions are then made on either side of the navel to allow the introduction of various small instruments to be used for the procedure.

Not all gynecological surgical procedures can be done laparoscopically, but many of the most common procedures can be. Most tumors and cysts can be removed through these small incisions by first shredding them with special instruments and then remov-ing the material by suction. In some cases, the uterus can be removed this way.

For women experiencing infertility, laparoscopic surgery is often beneficial because it allows for minimal tissue handling, smaller incisions and much less chance of adhesions (scar tissue) forming after proce-

Some common procedures that can be done laparoscopically include:

- Removal of ovarian cysts and uterine fibroids
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Laparoscopic surgical procedures benefit the patient in many ways, ranging from cosmetic (less scarring) to minimal blood loss and less chance of post-operative wound infection, Also, persons considered high risk because of extreme obesity, heart disease or compromised respiratory capacity better tolerate laparoscopic procedures. Additional benefits include:

- Less blood loss and chance of infection with smaller incisions.
- Less post-operative pain due to reduced tissue trauma and minimal handling of adjacent organs.
- Reduced hospital stays (24-hour average stay) and shorter confinement to bed.
- Recovery time reduced from six to eight weeks for conventional surgery
- down to one to two weeks for laparoscopic surgery.
- Quicker return to work and normal activi-

Dr. Faleh Husseini is a board-certified Bon Secours Cottage obstetrician/gynecologist and is trained and experienced in the field of operative laparoscopy. For an appointment, call Bon Secours Cottage Physician Referral at (800) 303-7315.

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Elderly, kids at greatest risk of scalding

year old when she crawled into an empty bathtub to retrieve a toy and accidentally turned on the hot water faucet. Her babysitter was washing a load of laundry at the time, which caused the water temperature in the heating tank to spike and scalding water to pour into the bathtub with Emma in it.

As a result, Emma suffered second- and thirddegree burns. Now 11 years old, Emma has undergone 10 surgeries and is getting ready for another operation to correct her burn injuries.

Emil Malaniak, a resident in a senior living facility, was showering when the warm water suddenly spiked to a scalding temperature. Unable to manipulate the shower valve, he attempted to shield himself with the shower curtain. But within seconds, he received second- and thirddegree burns over his legs and feet. He later died from his injuries.

To prevent these scald burn injuries from occur-ring, the University of Michigan Trauma Burn Center is launching a scald injury prevention campaign to educate plumbing and building trade professionals, landlords and homeowners about how they can take action to stop these unnecessary and preventable burn

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occur in homes in the United States due to scalding from excessively hot tap water, according to the Consumer Product Safety Commission. The majority of those injured are the elderly and children under the age of 5.

Severe damage to an

adult's skin can occur in 30 seconds when exposed to water temperatures at 130 Fahrenheit. degrees However, it takes up to five minutes for a severe burn injury to occur if the hot water heating system is maintained and distributed at the recommended 120 degrees, allowing people time to react and remove themselves from the hot

According to Dr. Paul Taheri, medical director of the U-M Trauma Burn Center, "The exposure time for each temperature can be cut in half for children or the elderly because their skin is thinner and more sensitive. Also, they are unable to react as quickly due to their age or physical limitations."

Instead of just setting the thermostat on the water heater to 120 degrees, the Trauma Burn Center recom-

mechanical devices such as thermostatic mixing valves be installed near the water heater to mix the hot and the cold water to deliver it at the safer temperature of 120 degrees. This is especially important when one system supplies hot water to numerous apartments or units.

In addition, anti-scald safety devices that limit the water flow to a trickle if it exceeds 120 degrees should be installed on shower heads and faucets. These products are inexpensive, easy to install and ideal for older homes and buildings built before code requirements for safe showers and bathtub temperature limits were in place.

Professionals who have the knowledge, ability and power to effect change that enforces existing codes and promotes safety should be made aware of these important scald prevention facts and devices. Passive devices, such as thermostatic mixing valves, can prevent scald injuries from occurring.

"It is important to bring awareness of the potential dangers related to scald injuries," said Jan Jan Malaniak, Emil Malaniak's daughter. "We want to alert others that our father's death could have been prevented had we known to inquire if proper anti-scald devices were in place in his assisted living facility."

scald burns:

• Check if your hot water

• If in an apartment complex, nursing home, or assisted living facility, ask the landlord about temperature control devices and inspect them.

 Use a master mixing valve (ASSE 1017 approved), point-of-use temperature control device (ASSE 1016 approved) on shower valves and maximum temperature limit stops on faucets and shower valves. These anti-scald devices can prevent water hotter than 120 degrees from ever reaching you.

• Set your hot water heater at 120 degrees.

• Make sure the plumbing work has been or is done through the local code official with all the necessary permits and inspections, by a licensed plumber.

 Make sure maintenance is done on hot water heating

 Never leave a child alone while drawing water in a bathtub or bathing

• Test the water temperature before bathing or showering. Be aware that without proper anti-scald devices, the water temperature can spike to scalding temperature.

For more information contact Steffanie Samuels, director, marketing and communications at (734) 763-7757 or ssamuels@umich.edu.

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Renew your 'passion'; MOT announces opera season

A highly anticipated world premiere, the restaging of two classics following a decade-long absence and the return of beloved favorites by Verdi and Puccini highlight Michigan Opera Theatre's 34th season.

The 2004-05 opera season, certain to be among the company's most challenging and exciting, invites audiences to renew their passion for the art form by experiencing new works and timeless classics, alike.

At a recent meeting of the board of directors, Michigan Opera Theatre founder and general director Dr. David DiChiera announced the repertory, singers and creative teams engaged, to date, for the 2004-05 season.

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The five-opera season, scheduled to open Oct. 23, includes Giuseppe Verdi's tragic but masterful depiction of paternal love,
"Rigoletto," Charles
Gounod's classic "Faust," Giacomo Puccini's dark and passionate "Tosca," the world premiere of Richard passionate Danielpour and Toni collaboration, Morrison "Margaret Garner," and Gaetano Donizetti's light-hearted "The Daughter of the Regiment.'

All performances will take place at the Detroit Opera House, which became the home of Michigan Opera Theatre in 1996.

Commenting on the season, DiChiera said, "While Michigan Opera Theatre's

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opera seasons are always a point of pride for the great City of Detroit and our surrounding community, the 2004-05 season, anchored, of course, by the highly anticipated world premiere of 'Margaret Garner,' will, once again, bring Michigan Opera Theatre to the forefront of international attention. This new American Opera, our first world premiere on the grand stage of the Detroit Opera House, is complemented by beloved classics from the pens of Verdi, Puccini, Gounod and Donizetti."

continued. DiChiera

"Michigan Opera Theatre has a long and distinguished history of presenting works relevant to the large ethnic groups that make up our community. By staging the North American premieres of works such as 'Anoush,' 'The Haunted Castle' and 'King Roger,' Michigan Opera Theatre has opened up the world of opera to completely new audiences, garnering international recognition for building bridges throughout our community. This, of course, is in accordance with our mission. 'Margaret Garner' is an and a extraordinary work, which count"

we are certain will only fortify this mandate."

New and renewing subscriptions became available beginning April Subscription benefits include discounted tickets, seating priority, advance purchase opportunities for Michigan Opera Theatre and Detroit Opera House special events and exchange privileges.

A series of new subscription packages have been developed for 2005, including a deeply discounted subscription for "first-timers" and a special "distance disfor

on these and all subscription packages and tickets may be obtained by calling (313) 237-SING (7464).

again, Michigan Once Opera Theatre proudly offers a Family Subscription, which allows families to enjoy the opera together for as little as \$15 per performance! To further accommodate Family Series subscribers, curtain time for Wednesday evening performances is 7:30 p.m.

Single tickets will be out-of-town available in September.

Buy a ticket, send a child to school

Palmer returns to the Country Club of Detroit for the 50th anniversary of his Amateur Championship — a turning point in his life - and to offer Detroit kids an opportunity to create their own turning points through the Arnold Palmer Education Fund. Tickets to the Aug. 29 Arnold Palmer Turning Point Invitational Gala Dinner are now available.

Proceeds from the dinner will provide scholarships to Cornerstone Schools in Detroit. Proceeds from the golf invitational on Aug. 30 also will support The First of Michigan: The

Legendary golfer Arnold Children's Scholarship Fund - Detroit; The ART of Leadership Foundation, and the Warm Up to Reading program, a collaboration between Detroit Public Schools and the Detroit Public Library.

> Gala attendees include many of Palmer's fellow U.S. Amateur Champions. A record number of 27 past U.S. champions also will play in the invitational.

> Tickets for the gala dinner are available at www.turningpointinvitational.org, or through Ticketmaster at (248) 645-6666. Prices range from \$500 to \$1,500. Each

seating and the quantity is limited. The levels are:

• Principal: \$1,500 per person, includes one dinner ticket, one gallery pass to the invitational and a limited-edition commemorative gift. In addition, purchasers of two Principal tickets are entered into a drawing for the chance to play in the Invitational and for 10 gallery tickets. Purchasing two Principal tickets covers one child's tuition at a Cornerstone School for one

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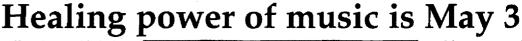
 Mentor level: \$750 per person includes one ticket to the gala dinner.

• Student level: \$500 per person includes one ticket to

the gala dinner. All dinner proceeds will be matched dollar-for-dollar to provide scholarships for stu-

dents to attend Cornerstone For further information regarding the Arnold Palmer Turning Point Palmer

Invitational, visit www.turningpointinvitational.org, or



Have lunch with Andrew Stewart, board certified music therapist, at the Van Elslander Cancer Center (VECC), Monday, May 3, 11:30 a.m. on the campus of St. John Hospital and Medical Center.

Explore with Stewart the fascinating healing power of music. Experience how music, as a complementary therapy, may offer healing benefits to patients by helping to ease pain, anxiety and stress while undergoing medical treatment. Attendees will experience music therapy firsthand as Stewart demonstrates the ocean drum, singing bowl

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and other instrumentation he uses to provide music therapy in the medical envi-

Call the toll-free St. John SeniorLink at (888) 751-5465 to register and for information. Participation is limited to the first 60 pre-registered. Lunch cost is \$5 (\$4 for CareLink members). There

ture only, beginning at noon. The Van Elslander Cancer Center is located behind St. John Hospital and Medical Center at 19229 Mack and Moross, east of I-94. Free valet parking will be available at the entrance to the center.

The program is sponsored by CareLink at St. John. Free CareLink membership is no charge to hear the lec- offers a special link to

health services, education and benefits for those age 55 or better. Health care profescommunity groups address a variety of health and wellness topics for older adults. Call St. John SeniorLink for a Senior Speakers' Bureau listing.

St. John Hospital and Medical Center is a member of St. John Health, a network of community-based hospitals and health care services in Southeast Michigan and one of the largest employers in metro Detroit. St. John Health provides comprehensive prevention, primary care and advanced treatment programs with more than 125 medical centers, and eight hospitals spanning five



April 19 to April 25

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Doug Cordier - Beer Can Chicken Things to do at the War Memorial

Justina Theokas - Yoga

Out of the Ordinary Dr. Yvonne Brown, ND - Acupuncture

Economic Club of Detroit David Brennan - "Revolutionary Discoveries and the State of Healthcare"

<u>Senior Men's Club</u> Chuck Gaidica, WDIV - Weatherman

Inside Art Painting People

The Legal Insider Robert W. Warren - Debt Collection

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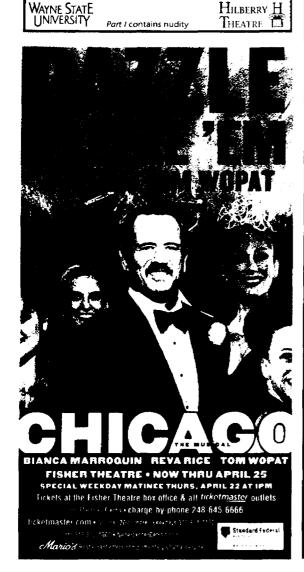
female acrobat are loose at the home of underwear tycoon John Tarleton. Teaming with sexual energy and ideas, "Misalliance" is a giddy clash of generations and gender roles from George Bernard Shaw, playwright, critic, Nobel Prize winner and one of the greatest wits of the 20th century. 'Misalliance" plays in rotating repertory April 8 through May 14.

The 2004-05 season runs from October through May, and subscription tickets are on sale now. With a season subscription to the Hilberry Theatre, you can see all seven shows for as low as Individual tickets range from \$15 to \$22, with student rush tickets available the day of each performance for \$10. Group discounts are also available.

Performances Thursday, Friday Saturday evenings at 8 p.m., with 2 p.m. matinees on select Wednesdays and Saturdays. The Hilberry also provides morning matinee opportunities for school groups

The Hilberry Theatre is located on the corner of Cass and Hancock in Detroit. The box office is open October through May, Tuesday through Saturday from noon to 6 p.m. To purchase tickets or for more information, call the Wayne State University theater box office at (313)

577-2960.



Souper Summer Celebration to be at Comerica Park



Fontbonne Fashion Show

The 39th annual Fontbonne Auxiliary Fashion Show, "A Beary Stylish Affair," will be held on Wednesday, April 28, at Penna's of Sterling. Proceeds will go to provide cuddly stuffed bears to comfort pediatric patients at St. John Hospital and Medical Center.

The committee members are (clockwise, from upper left) Cassie Buccellato, co-chairman of the fashion show; Bernie Loren, manager of patient relations at St. John Hospital; Jo Ann Miller, co-chairman; Peggy Davis, Fontbonne Auxiliary president; and Mary Ann Van Elslander, honorary chairman.

Friends offers 2 more lectures

Pointe Library and the the diversity of Yeats' life University of Michigan and development, emphasiz-Department of English and ing such major poems as Literature will sponsor the "Lake Isle of Innisfree," next classic books lecture at "Easter, 1916," "The Tower," Literature will sponsor the next classic books lecture at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April "Lapis Lazuli" and 22, at Grosse Pointe South Animals' Desertion." High School's library.

Poetry. In this fourth presentation sponsored by the Library Friends, Bornstein will focus on Modernism.

"W.B. Yeats is often viewed as the greatest poet of the 20th century in English and was a major link between Romanticism Camb and Modernism," Bornstein Press.

Friends of the Grosse said. His talk will focus on "Lapis Lazuli" and "Circus

Professor Bornstein holds Dr. George Bornstein will the C.A. Patrides Chair in lecture on W.B. Yeats' Literature at the University Literature at the University of Michigan. One of the country's leading modernist scholars, he has written or edited 18 books on 19th and 20th century literature, including most recently, "Material Modernism: The Politics of the Page," pubyear by University last Cambridge

series will be at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 27, at the Grosse Pointe South High School library. Dr. John Whittier-Ferguson will discuss "Poetry by Robert

All lectures in the series are free to members of Friends of the Grosse Pointe Library, students and teachers. Friends' annual membership is \$25. Nonmembers are welcome for a fee of \$10 per lecture. Register by calling (313) 343-2074, ext. 204. Prior registration is not mandatory but recommended because of limited seat-

Historical Society plans activities

Historical Society and the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House will present "Gas, Food and Lodging: The Design of the American Roadside," at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 21, at the Ford House. Admission

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The speaker will be Daniel Hershberger.

"From flying red horses to soaring golden arches, on the road. design has always played a major role on the American the roadside indus look at some highlights of 20th century roadside architecture, including the suc-

"Gas, Food and Lodging: The Roadside" will look at architecture

stop and buy

The visual slide presentation will include a selection of vintage images taken cessful mass-marketed cor- from postcards, advertiseporate identity packages, ments, road maps and phosome streamlined icons of tographs as well as contemthe machine age, and even a porary views of examples few of the more outlandish found throughout the coun-

Meetings

Windmill **Pointe Questers**

The Windmill Pointe Questers No. 385 will meet at 10 a.m. Monday, April 19, at the Children's Home of Detroit on Cook Road in Pointe Grosse Elections will take place. Dues are payable at this meeting. Beulah Wells will be the hostess.

Women's Connection

The Women's Connection of Grosse Pointe will meet at 6 p.m. Thursday, April 22, at a private club in Grosse Pointe. The program will be makeovers by artists at Salon

Birmingham. Four members will be introduced with their makeovers.

Dinner will begin at 6:30 p.m. For reservations or information, call Nancy Neat at (313) 882-1855 or Marcia Pikielek at (313) 884-4201.

Woman's Club

The Grosse Pointe Woman's Club will meet at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 21, in the Crystal Ballroom of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. The speaker will be David DiChiera, general director of the Michigan Opera Theatre. His topic will be "Opera in Detroit."

All Grosse Pointe women cosmetic and hairstyling are invited. For guest reservations, call (313) 881-6251 before Saturday, April 17.

other upcoming programs sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Historical Society include:

• Saturday, May 1: Adults and children are invited to revel in a rite of spring at a Maypole Celebration at the 7,000 people Provencal-Weir House on Saturday, May 1. The cost is The Capuci \$25 for children; \$10 for Kitchen serves more than adults) includes Maypole 2,400 meals each day and dancing, supplies to make passes along nearly 50,000 roadside," Hershberger said. attempts to attract the May Day baskets and tea "This presentation will attention of passing party fare. For more inforexamine the development of motorists and get them to mation, call Cyndee

> • Wednesday, May 19 at 30 p.m.: Patrick 7:30 p.m.: Livingstone will present a series of tales about the great ships of the Great Lakes and the men who sailed them. The program will be at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial and is part of the Grosse Pointe Historical Society's Dr. Frank Bicknell Educational Series. The lecture is free.

> • Thursday, May 20 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.: The Upscale Sale preview party will be held at the Provencal-Weir House. The donation is \$20.

> The purpose of the Grosse Pointe Historical Society is to preserve and promote the history of the Grosse Pointe community. The Society's Provencal-Weir House, circa 1823, is open for touring from 1 to 4 p.m. the second Saturday of each month. The Society's Resource Center is open for research from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 to 4 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

For more information, call the Society at (313) 884-7010 or visit the Web site at www.gphistorical.com

will hold its annual Capuchin Souper Summer Celebration on Saturday, June 5. This year's fundraiser will celebrate the 75th anniversary of the Capuchin Soup Kitchen. It is also the twenty-third Souper Summer Celebration.

This year's theme will be "Field of Dreams," and the event will take place in Comerica Park.

The benefit is the largest fundraiser in the Midwest that does not charge admission. The nearly \$4 million that has been raised during the last 23 years has been solely from the sale of raffle

This year's event will feature live entertainment by The Johnny Trudell All-Star Band, The Return - The Ultimate Beatles Tribute Band, The Mega 80's, The Three Strikes, Double Play DJ Chuck Yee, Sabrina Shaheen-Asher and more.

The party will feature activities that Comerica Park offers, such as the Tiger Club; Paws, the Tiger mascot; the Big Cat Food Court; a carousel; a 50-foot Ferris wheel; statues of the Tigers' all-time greats; and a fireworks display.

Edmund T. Ahee Jewelers has donated nearly \$30,000 worth of jewelry prizes this year, including a 2-carat center marquise-cut diamond ring, watches by Rolex, Tag Heuer, Baume & Mercier, Bulgari and Raymond Weil.

Raffle tickets are \$1 each, and 100 percent of the proceeds go to the Soup Kitchen. Tickets may be purchased in advance or at the event and winners don't have to be present.

The Souper Summer Celebration offers free admission to everyone 21and-older. There's no charge for the ballpark snacks and food court fare. Special din-ner buffets may chased. Cash bars are located throughout the park. Self-parking is free but valet parking will be available for a fee

The late Edmund T. Ahee, founder of the Capuchin Souper Summer Celebration, grew up in a neighborhood not far from the soup kitchen. His memory of people standing in line, waiting for a meal, prompted his desire to help

people who are in need. In 1981, the first Capuchin Souper Summer Celebration was held. Some 500 people showed up. Last year, more than 7,000 people attended the

The Capuchin Soup Kitchen serves more than articles of clothing each

For more information bout the fundrais

Edmund T. Ahee Jewelers raffle, call Ahee Jewelers at (313) 886-4600 or visit www.ahee-jewelers.com.

> Five miles: The 2004 Grosse Pointe CROP Walk will be held on Sunday, May 2. The 5-mile walk begins and ends at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd. in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Since the walk began some 24 years ago, Pointers have raised nearly \$600,000 to help people around the world sustain themselves.

One-fourth of the funds each year goes to local hunger and relief agencies. For more information, call **Dave Versical** at (313) 881-6516.

Dinner, fashions: Regina High School will hold its 7th annual dinner and fashion show on Thursday, April 29, at the Mirage Banquet Hall in Clinton Township.

This year's theme is "An Evening in the Tropics. Featured will be spring and

summer fashions and a variety of prom fashions for students.

Tickets are \$42 and all proceeds benefit the students of Regina High School.

Reservations are required by Thursday, April 15. Call Maryann Novak at (586) 774-5015.

Parkinson's bene-

fit: The Michigan Parkinson Foundation will be the beneficiary of a fash-ion show sponsored by Roz and Sherm's, L'Uomo Vogue and Park West Gallery. The event will begin at 6 p.m. Wednesday, April 21, at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club.

The fashion commentator will be WDIV-TV's health reporter Lila Lazarus. Models include WJR-AM's Paul W. Smith.

Tickets are \$75 a person. Call (248) 433-1011 or (800) 852-9781 or go to www.parkinsonsmi.org.

— Margie Reins Smith



Tau Beta Spring Market

The preview party for Tau Beta's Spring Market will be held from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 21, at the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club. Party chairmen Carol Jatkoe Peabody, at the left, and Elizabeth Peabody Rentschler promise that preview party guests will get first choice of unique gifts, accessories, jewelry, children's clothing, shoes, bags and more as well as cocktails and hors d'oeuvres. Tickets to the preview are \$65 in advance; \$75 at the door. For tickets, call Patsy Gotfredson at (313) 886-5448.

Market days are Thursday and Friday, April 22 and 23. Admission is \$5 at the door.

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Please donate adult-sized clothing, smaller household appliances, furniture (tables, lamps, chairs), house wares, linens, game room accessories, board games, small televisions - anything that could help NEGC consumers in their quest for independent living.



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Aging brains better than earlier studies showed

that laboratory testing of the brain indicates the ability to think quickly, remember accurately and reason clearly begins its decline in young adulthood. The process accelerates as we

But there's good news. A growing body of new research studies questions that conventional wisdom. The studies provide a more realistic picture of what happens as people age.

The research shows that it's possible for many seniors to work, drive, and live independently well into their golden years. Older studies exaggerated some of the mental declines and didn't reflect that many older adults compensate easily for the modest changes in their brains with greater vocabulary and world knowledge.

Researchers found that simply testing in the morning, when many older peo ple are sharpest, halved dif-ferences between age tests.

Surprisingly, on some tests seniors were found to outperform the young in reading comprehension when the material to be read and remembered was relevant to their lives. Seniors performed just as well as young adults in reasoning tests when the problem to be solved had realworld significance and an emotional element.

The research is going to allay a lot of seniors' fears and help society accept the competency of older adults and older workers, says Fredda Blanchard-Fields, a psychology professor at the Georgia Institute of Technology. Seniors placed in a real-world working context have a wealth of experience to help them do as well or better than young adults.

Ellen Feingold, 73, is an example of how well seniors can compensate for some deficits. She runs an urban Jewish Community Housing

for the Elderly, an 80-person, \$14 million nonprofit agency. She just co-chaired a national commission appointed by Congress to study housing and health facility needs of seniors and serves on the boards of several national organizations.

"I'm a person who never had a good memory,' Feingold says. "As I get older, people giggle at it, but I don't think it's much worse. I don't think I'm as good at multitasking.

"On the other hand, I can work with people nobody else can work with, and my ability not to treat every immediate problem as a true crisis has increased."

Researchers know that some deficits remain real. Most seniors take longer to learn new information and are less able to perform multiple mental tasks at

Learning a foreign language at age 60 remains much more challenging than at age 20.

Older adults with demen-



tia, untreated diabetes, or other illnesses that affect mental capacity will experience significant declines. For others, documented gains in vocabulary and wisdom continue into their 70s and work well to offset most difficulties.

"Cognition is vulnerable to aging, but knowledge is the great protector," says Denise Park, director of the Center for Healthy Minds at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Park has spent many years documenting a steady men-tal decline in key areas from young adulthood on

the deterioration in context.

Processing of material may decline, but the other marvelous part of our cognitive system continues to thrive and expand, she explains.

While the brain loses cells with age, physiological research shows it can grow new cells and add new connections among brain cells that can overcome other deficits.

Both mental exercise and aerobic physical exercise speed this process.

Good nutrition, including fruits and vegetables rich in antioxidants, appears to help, as does reducing stress, getting enough sleep and keeping socially active. Laura Carstensen, a psy-

chology professor at Stanford University, believes that some of the declines in mental ability may also be a sign of the mind successfully adapting to changes in the brain.

Her research found that older people remember emo-

tionally salient information a lot better than neutral or irrelevant information. She suggests seniors are triaging, or focusing on what's emotionally important rather than struggling to

remember everything.
Within a familiar context, such as a longstanding job, these deficits may make little difference, Carstensen

says. A 73-year- old lawyer interviewed by a researcher said his work is no more mentally challenging than it was 20 years ago. He works alongside his 100year-old father who comes into the office every day to

work on trusts and estates.
"Recently I told one of my clients that I wasn't going to be taking any of his new cases because I wanted more free time. He said, "That's OK, I'll use your father."

Much of the new studies mentioned above has been funded by the National Institute on Aging.

Get out there and walk — it's good for you

(ARA) - Walking is good daily activities. exercise for anyone, espe-Americans with arthritis. It's an endurance exercise, which means it strengthens the heart, helps lungs work more efficiently and adds more stamina so individuals do not tire as easily.

As a weight-bearing exer cise (one that puts full weight on the bones), walking helps strengthen bones, reducing the risk of osteoporosis. Walking also helps

"For the one in three adults and nearly 300,000 children living with arthritis, maintaining an active is important because joints become stiff and muscles weaken with inactivity," says Dr. John H. Klippel, president and CEO of the Arthritis Foundation. "As walking strengthens the muscles and tissues surrounding the joints, it helps

In addition to all the physcially for the 70 million ical benefits, walking brings with it a host of psychological perks. Regular exercise helps people sleep better and combat the depression, stress and fatigue that sometimes accompany arthritis.

Walking is often overlooked as a way to keep fit and flexible because it's so simple - most have done it since infancy. The simplicity is part of what makes walkcontrol weight, strengthen ing an ideal exercise for muscles and helps maintain many people. People can joint flexibility. walk anywhere, anytime and at any level they prefer.

The Arthritis Foundation offers the following top 10 walking tips:

1. Remember to check with your doctor before beginning a walking program. 2. Wear comfortable, well-

fitting, and supportive shoes with flexible and non-sticky soles that absorb shock well.

3. Wear loose, comfortable to better protect those joints clothes that "breathe" with and keep them ready for you. Dress in layers so you style or speed

can adjust to the changing

temperature as you walk.
4. Walk at your own pace. Everyone has a walking speed that suits him or her best; so find one that is comfortable for you.

5. Be sure family members know your walking route and approximately how long you'll be gone.

6. Don't go too far too fast. Remember that you still get health benefits whether you take three 10-minute walks or one 30-minute walk.

7. Choose flat, firm, level surfaces — steep grades, uneven ground or stairs could lead to hip, knee or foot pain.

8. Keep it fun! Try listening to music as you walk to add a bounce to your step.

9. Find a partner. Having a regular partner can be a social outlet, a boredom reliever and a commitment reinforcer.

10. Stay motivated by keeping your walks interesting. Change your location,

2004 Senior Celebration

Ahmed Ismail of Grosse Pointe Woods and Lois Warden, president of Services for Older Citizens, welcomed honorees and guests April 4 to the Senior

The event at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial was sponsored by Ahmed Ismail and his wife, Mary Ann, owners of Speedi Photo & Imaging Center on Mack in the Woods.

At the annual event, five All Star Volunteers, 24 Senior Friendly Businesses and five Senior Friendly Employees were recognized among some 110 nominees.

Those awarded from the City of Grosse Pointe were Bon Secours Cottage

Health Services, Bruegger's Bagel Bakery, Damman Hardware, Dawood, James R. Fikany Real Estate, Nature Nook, Notre Dame Pharmacy, JoVona Cisco of the Neighborhood Club and Robert Bedra of Valente Jewelers. Recognized from Grosse Pointe Farms were volunteer Robert Pytell, Grosse Pointe Florists, Farms Market, Krauseneck Carpets & Rugs, Maier-

Werner Beauty Salon, Tiffany's Hair Salon and Gloria Carter of The League Awarded in Grosse Pointe Park were volunteer Louis Perrone, Blue Bay Fish & Seafood Market, Chas. Verheyden Funeral Home, Fairfax Quality Market, The Little Blue Book and Vienna Cafe.

In the Woods, honorees were volunteers Marge Nixon and Bernice Pokorski, Alternative Health Care Center of Grosse Pointe Woods, Breadsmith, Farmer Jack's Food Emporium, Meaghan's, Speedi Photo & Imaging Center, The Great Frame Up of Grosse Pointe, Trattoria Andiamo and Jocelyne e Pointe Audiology.

Awarded in Harper Woods were volunteer Joanne Roose and Home Depot. In Grosse Pointe Shores, employee Jim Cooke, Village parks director, was recognized.

"The one trait that all our winners share is their character," said Sharon Maier, SOC executive director. "When no one is looking, they are doing things that make our community a great place in which to live."

Travel tips for savvy seniors

(ARA) For many Americans, along retirement comes the luxury road in their RV or taking to the skies for a European vacation.

The following suggestions are designed to help seniors have a more organized, safe and cost-efficient trip:

• Leave a detailed itinerary - Give a detailed travel credit card and traveler's itinerary to a friend or family member including the names, addresses and telephone numbers of the people and places where you will visit, plus flight information and airline ticket numbers. If traveling overseas, the U.S. State Department's Bureau of Consular Affairs suggests also including a passport number, date and place it was issued, and carry-on

After decades of tles. retirement comes the luxury of time to travel. After working, seniors rel-decades of working, seniors relish the idea of hitting the working the idea of hit-decades of the cards on your travel checklist. According to the skies for a European are the easiest, simplest and cheapest way to make calls vacation.

check information.

· Pack medications properly — Refill prescriptions before leaving for your travels, and keep phone numbers for doctors and pharmacies close at hand. Also, consider packing a note from your doctor explaining why the medication is needed. If traveling overseas, be sure to pack medications in baggage

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ting the road in their Independent Traveler, a comprehensive online travel RV or taking to the guide, prepaid phone cards when traveling, especially during hotel stays and when traveling internationally. Cards such as the Sprint Prepaid PhoneCard have low per-rate minutes and can be used throughout the United States and internationally.

• Take preventive measures — If traveling overseas, research the country or countries you plan to visit and determine if you should be immunized against any endemic diseases, or if you need a vaccination against diphtheria, tetanus, polio, typhoid or hepatitis A. Aside from your doctor, the travelers' hotline at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is a great resource: (877) 394-8747.

 Avoid overexposing photos - If you are traveling by airplane and returning home with exposed film of your adventures, pack it in your carry-on luggage never check it, as the baggage x-ray machines will overexpose those precious shots. X-ray machines for carry-on luggage are considered safe, but you can always ask for hand inspec-

Take weight loss challenge

reduction group will be Keys to Weight Loss meeting at Services for Freedom," SOC will offer a Older Citizens (SOC) every personal weekly weigh-in Neighborhood Club.

edict of Gro

Tuesday starting April 20 at and a monthly photo journal their weight loss.

With the guidance of Dr. In addition, the Circle of group Phil's book, "The Ultimate Support will help one get fit ages.

ultimate choices to finally take control of one's weight and one's life.

9 a.m. in the library at the to help dieters keep track of bring Dr. Phil's book to the first meeting. The support group is open to people of all

A Celebration of Germany

Services for Germany Monday, April 19.

The celebration is being organized by Philip Mattes, travelogue on Germany will 19, from Dusseldorf, be presented at 11:45 a.m.; Germany, who is doing community service for SOC; and sentation on Germany at Felix Joehnk, 17, from 11:15 a.m.

Older Hamburg, Germany, who is Citizens (SOC) will hold a a Rotary exchange student week-long Celebration of attending Grosse Pointe beginning South High School.

The festivities include: • Monday, April 19,

Tuesday, April 20, a pre-

Wednesday, April 21, an Oktoberfest will begin at 11 a.m. with a German lunch catered by Harvard Grill.

• Thursday, April 22, a trip to Frankenmuth. Friday, April 23, German puzzles will be

given as prizes. For more information, call SOC at (313) 882-9600.

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Needless to say, one of

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spontaneous. On top of that, you don't have to fig-

ure out how to pack 300

friends without children

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spending a weekend in

Friday, April 16

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the most part, they are

the best things about taking

Lo-carb salmon dip also lo-cal!

You just never know when a good recipe is going to come your way via cookbooks, cooking magazines, the newspaper or maybe a brochure from the local grocer. I found this week's feature in a recipe pamphlet put together by Whole Foods Market.

Smoked salmon brandade is a luscious dip with the texture of a pate that can be enjoyed with crackers or vegetables. By definition brandade [brahn-DAHD] comes from the famous brandade de morue of Provence which consisted of salt cod mixed with olive oil, garlic, milk

Smoked Salmon Brandade

- 12 oz. smoked salmon (not lox) cut into large
- 1 15 oz. can cannelloni beans, drained (not

rinsed) 1 large (or 2 medium) garlic cloves, minced

- 1 tablespoon capers 1 1/2 tablespoons lemon
- juice 1/4 cup plus 2 tablespoons extra virgin
- olive oil 1 tablespoon half & half 1/2 teaspoon sea salt 1/2 teaspoon freshly

ground pepper

Place the salmon, beans, garlic, capers, lemon juice and olive oil in a food processor and pulse just until blended, but not pureed. Transfer the mixture to a medium mixing bowl and add the half & half, salt and pepper. Using a spatula, stir and fold until the mixture becomes smooth.

Store tightly covered in the refrigerator until serv-

Serve smoked salmon brandade in a pretty serving bowl and garnish with additional capers and lemon wedges. Surround the brandade with toasted pita chips, crackers and sliced cucumber. Or create individual appetizers by spooning the brandade onto the crackers or into Belgian endive spears topped with a few capers. Arrange the appetizers on



a tray suitable for passing. You don't have to own a food processor to make this flavorful take on smoked salmon.

Simply blend the ingredients together using a wooden spoon. The beans should loose their shape and become a binder for the brandade. If you prefer a creamier texture, add more half & half to the mixture.

My salmon choice: Alder honey cured smoked salmon, which is absolutely delicious. If you use a smoked salmon with a peppery coating, you'll want to go lighter on the salt and pepper as to not have a brandade that is too salty or over seasoned.

Smoked salmon brandade is not high in calories, making it a perfect spring appetizer (even for you boring carb counters!).

Minivacations

Let's face it: becoming a parent radically alters your vacation plans. It's not that you lose your desire to travel or anything like that. It's more that your definition of rest and relaxation changes.

Instead of jetting off to Santa Barbara or cruising across the Caribbean, you are more than perfectly happy to spend five minutes just about anywhere

That's not all that changes. Instead of getting an annual two-week vacation at one time, you now realize you're better off dividing it up into several 45-minute increments throughout the year. My friend Laura fondly refers to them as "sanity breaks," but I prefer to think of

them as mini vacations. Personally, one of my favorite destination spots is the local grocery store. In fact, if I drive under the speed limit and miss all the green lights, I can stretch my outing into two. possibly three hours.

It's not that I don't miss my family back at home, but the minute I enter the store and head toward the deli counter for a mocha cappuccino, I develop a whole new personality.

I am no longer a suburban mother of two. I am a sightseer on vacation.

I stroll down the aisles sipping my coffee and singing the lyrics to the songs playing on the loudspeaker. I saunter to the frozen food section where I enjoy the cool breeze whipping through my hair when I open the freezer door to get a box of waffles. And for entertainment I stop in the greeting card aisle to read the joke birthday cards.

Even though this may sound silly, let me just say I know people who take mini vacations wery seriou ously. Like my friend Peggy, the mother of three children, who puts on a black dress every Friday night and spends the evening at a big discount warehouse wandering the aisles and eating free samples as if she were at a cocktail party.

Or my friend Monika, who goes to the gym just so she can put her children in the free day care and read trashy magazines while peddling the stationary bike. Then, there's my neighbor, Julie, who walks verrrrry slowly down her driveway to get the mail.

Of course, one of the nice things about mini vacations is that sometimes you don't even have to leave the house to take them. Once the children are asleep you can toss all of the Barbie shoes and Hot Wheels into the toy box, then turn on a talk show or catch up on your reading as if you're living in your own little apartment.

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The dead won't go away in the 42nd season opener, Noel Coward's farce "Blithe Spirit," where if one wife is too many, how about two? Charles Condomine's neatly arranged life is turned into a hilarious battle for his affections when his first wife returns from the dead for a duel of wits with his new wife. Coward claimed to have written this play in five days during 1941, one of the darkest years of World War II. "Blithe Spirit" was a smashing success on London Broadway stages throughout the 1940s, and remains an audience favorite today. "Blithe Spirit" plays in rotating repertory Oct. 8 through

Next is the first of two selections from Shakespeare's canon, "The Merry Wives of Windsor." A merry romp about a big man whose big schemes land him in big trouble! Falstaff and his rowdy tavern companions scheme to woo the wealthy (and married) Mistresses Page and Ford for their money. Having discovered the plot, the crafty and fun-loving ladies turn Windsor upside-down when they set out to turn the tables on the unscrupulous Falstaff in this bawdy comedy. Shakespeare's most farcical comedy, "Merry farcical comedy, "Merry Wives" makes full use of physical gags and verbal sparring in a witty view of life in a provincial 1590s English town. "The Merry Wives of Windsor" plays in rotating repertory Oct. 22 through Dec. 18. Bertolt Brecht pits

human virtue against the business of war in his epic masterpiece "Mother masterpiece "Mother Courage." Itinerant peddler Anna Fierling, known as Mother Courage, hopes to prosper from the war. Instead, she loses everything, including her chil-dren. This drama from one of Germany's best-known playwrights is a moving wartime big business is not

conducted by small people. . War is a continuation of business by other means, making the human virtues fatal even to those who exercise them. That no sacrifice is too great for the struggle

against war."

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Mother Courage" plays in rotating repertory Nov. 19

The dead won" to a through Jan. 29. The Hilberry begins 2005

Miller's with Arthur Pulitzer Prize- and Tony Award-winning drama about the downward spiral of a simple, flawed man whose time has come and gone. In "Death of a Salesman," Willy Loman lives somewhere between the American dream and the American nightmare on the fine line between success and failure, while he spends an entire lifetime trying to become the man he sees reflected in his loved ones' eyes. Miller's career as a playwright began in the 1940s, while he was a student at the University of Michigan. Today, Miller is regarded as one of America's greatest literary figures, and Loman is seen as one of American theater's most tragic characters.

"Death of a Salesman" plays in rotating repertory Jan. 7 through March 24.

Paul Rudnick lampoons the Bard in "I Hate Hamlet."

Andrew Rally has just six weeks to win the heart of his true love, get his career back on track, and master the role of Hamlet. Too bad Andrew hates Shakespeare, especially "Hamlet"! Enter John Barrymore's ghost, intoxicated and in full Shakespearean regalia, determined to turn Andrew int the best Hamlet of his time. An unapologetically silly comedy where the tights make the man! "I Hate Hamlet" plays in rotating repertory Feb. 4 through

Out-of-work TV heartthrob

Set amid political instability and violent rebellion, "Henry IV, Part I" confronts the notions of honor and nobility through the coming of age of young Prince Hal. Having embraced the life of the common man, passing his youth as a companion of criminals and low-lifes in the taverns, he must exceed expectations of his father the king and prove himself a hero for the ages. "Henry IV, Part I" is the first play of Shakespeare's Henry trilogy. "Henry IV, Part I" plays in rotating repertory March 4 through May 5.

Adventure literally drops out of the sky in George Bernard Shaw's "Misalliance," a witty collision of parents vs. children and convention vs. innovation, all while a gun-toting socialist and an adventurous

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All-Staters

Four Grosse Pointe South hockey players were named to the All-State team selected by the Michigan High School Hockey Coaches Association. From left, are defensemen Trey Shield, forward Brian Gatliff, goalie Mark Grignon and forward Joey Parke. Parke is a junior, the other three are seniors. The quartet was honored at the team's annual banquet which is sponsored by the South Hockey For-Em Club.

Good start for South baseball

By Chuck Klonke

Blue Devils.

Among South's exponents - South's sweep of are St. Xavier, which is Chippewa Valley featured a

ranked 27th nationally pair of complete game victo-Sports Editor among high school teams; ries by Tom Sawicki and Grosse Pointe South's Moeller, which has several baseball team is spending Division I prospects; "They both threw well," Cincinnati area, but it's not 2002 Ohio state champion; them were keeping their

Groveport Madison. "This is the toughest The Blue Devils took a 3-1 them finish." schedule we've had since record to Ohio, including a 3- Sawicki scattered seven we've been making our 2 and 9-4 sweep of a double- hits, struck out seven and

its spring break in the Cleveland St. Ignatius, the Griesbaum said. "Both of

going to be a vacation for the Dublin Coffman; and pitches down. They both said they felt good, so we let

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North wins boys track opener

successful basketball season.

If last week's 74-58 victory
over Fraser in a Macomb
Area Conference Gold

Area Conference Gold

The in nurgies and the long jump. Klein was also second in the high jump.

Quinn was also pleased by close races in the meet and North was also pleased by the return of assistant.

emerged as team leaders Quinn said. "All of the coach- 8:40.3. and are carrying their winning ways over from basket-ball season," said coach Dan

ses have college experience, and are lifetime educators."

North had several solid

The distance runners continued their good day after the first relay.

Norsemen avenged a late- let the Norsemen rest on season loss to the Ramblers. their laurels.

Marcell Maxwell and David Klein played key roles in Grosse Pointe North's Maxwell had first places in the 100-meter dash and the go," Quinn said. "Following Vince Lombardis rule, our successful basketball sea- the 110 hurdles and the long shared vision will be, We

Division meet is any indica- coaches Sarah Neely, Pat The 4x800 relay team of tion, the two juniors will be just as important to North's fortunes in track.

Wilson and Matt Trombley.

"As I said last year, my staff is one of, if not the staff is one of, if not the Bremer got the meet off to a "Both runners have re- most, valuable in the state," good start with a win in

Quinn. early-season performances risher, a freshman, was Klein and Maxwell were against Fraser, but Quinn able to outlean Fraser's both double winners as the and his staff aren't going to Steve Cullen, a senior and a

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Regina softball off to 2-0 start

By Scb St. John

Sports Writer

Regina's softball team is off and running in the 2004 season, thanks to last week's doubleheader sweep (6-2 and 3-0) of arch rival Birmingham Marian.

The girls are anxious to get outside and play a mean-ingful game," head coach Diane Laffey said after the Macomb Classic Tournament was canceled on Saturday, April 3.

That was supposed to be the Saddlelites' season-opening action, but instead they had to wait until April 6 to begin the campaign

against Marian Sophomore Nikky Nemitz threw a two-hitter in the first game, while junior Andrea Ligotti one-hit the Mustangs in the nightcap.

Our defense and pitching were exceptional in both games," Laffey said. "We could have used some timely hitting in the second game, but we still came out on top."

Offensive standouts were Nemitz (4-for-7), senior Meghan Sweeney (4-for-7) and senior Rosi Wagner (4-

The Regina softball team is 2-0 overall and in the Catholic League Central Division.

Coming up for the Saddlelites are home doubleheaders on Monday and Thursday, April 19 and 22, against Riverview Gabriel Richard and Livonia Ladywood.

Soccer

The Regina soccer team did something last week that it hasn't done in a very long time: beat Madison Heights Bishop Foley.

The Saddlelites won at Bishop Foley 1-0.

"It was an excellent win for us," head coach Matt Naidow said. "We have now beaten Grosse Pointe North and Bishop Foley, which 'The Saddlelites' high gives us a lot of confidence jumpers performed above

An old nemesis but anoth-

er blemish on the record of

Grosse Pointe South's girls

Last week the Blue Devils

traveled to Troy, which beat

South in the state regional

championship game last spring, and dropped a 2-1

Each team was missing

players as a result of

injuries, illness or early

departures for spring break.

to his team, South coach

Gene Harkins warned the

Blue Devils to be aware of

two key players on the Troy

part, in the best interest of the city.

In his pre-game message

decision to the Colts.

soccer team.

Troy booters edge

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team

Kristi Mitchell.

Blue Devils, 2-1

heading into the bulk of our schedule."

Stephanie Sophomore Martin's free kick was mishandled by Bishop Foley's goalkeeper, and senior Ashley Mellor was right there to score the game's only goal.

"Beating Bishop Foley is sweet," Naidow said. "Our girls now know they can beat any team that we face."

Danielle Syrowicki recorded her first shutout of the season, knocking away a dozen shots.

The Saddlelites tied host Dearborn Divine Child 2-2 the following day as Martin and Victoria Kazmirowski tallied early in the second half.

We had a 2-0 lead but fell asleep out there during the final 20 minutes," Naidow said. "Divine Child came at us hard, and they were able to tie the game."
The Regina soccer team

improved to 1-1-1 in the Catholic League Central Division and 2-1-1 overall.

Next for the Saddlelites are home games on Tuesday and Thursday, April 20 and 22, against Farmington Hills Mercy and Hills Mercy Birmingham Marian.

The next two games are huge for us," Naidow said. We can really put ourselves in good position in the Central Division if we can get a couple of wins."

Track

Regina's track and field team competed in the Ladywood Invitational last week, and head coach Gregg Golden couldn't be happier with the results.

"We ran pretty well throughout the meet," Golden said. "We had a nice day to run, and all of our girls were able to get some meet experience behind them as we head into the break.

The Saddlelites' high

- Eileen Larkin and

He also returned Liz

Galea to the vital sweeper

position on defense, where

she had played so well in

South's state tournament

That move was successful,

but Harkins' caution about

Larkin and Mitchell wasn't

heeded as Mitchell scored

unassisted on a breakaway

Seven minutes later, the

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corner kick. South's corner

only 2:18 into the game.

From page 1C

enth to win the opener. Ryan Abraham was hit by a pitch and P.J. Janutol singled to start the rally. The first run scored on McClung's groundout, and after a walk to Drew Bedan, Anthony DeLaura drove in the win-

attack with three hits, including a two-run double in the Blue Devils' three-run sixth inning, and a sacrifice fly in the third when South scored twice.

Chad Murphy hit an RBI single in the sixth.

Blue Devils were awarded a Blue Devils also struck early, scoring three runs in

Ryan Gunderson hit a double and a single for South.

Ben Jenzen finished up in

South's only loss was a 4-1 setback Birmingham Brother Rice.

but he threw real well," Griesbaum said.

Jenzen also had two hits. South scored its only run in the first inning on Bedan's sacrifice fly.

Adam Abraham plays for Mississauga in the Ontario Hockey League, which is in the second round of its play-

expectations as Liz Stone, Sarah Moore, Shaina Buhl and Christina Snieczowski had solid marks.

The 3,200-yard relay team of Buhl, Sara Cholyway, Kiki Barkovic and Katie Eisen ran well, as did the 1,600relay squad of Barkovic, Xiomara Okonkwo, Ashley Couture and Stone.

Stone, Couture, Anita Blount Lauren and Manuszak had a good time in the 800-relay, and the 400-relay quartet of Blount, Moore, Ashley Gregory and Kellen Mackerl-Cooper had a good time.

Machleit, Summer Brittany Crutcher and Jade Sabage were in the top half of the standings in the discus and shot put, and Cheyenne Schultz ran well in the 1,600- and 3,200-yard

Cecelia Vaughn, Bridged Levigne and Renee Keefe had fast times in the 800yard run, while Buhl, Okonkwo and Stone were speedsters in the 400- and 200-yard dashes.

"This was a good meet for us to use as a warm-up," Golden said. "It was strictly an invitational the girls could use to get the kinks

Upcoming for the Regina track team are the Grosse Pointe North Relays on Saturday, April 17, and an away meet on Tuesday, April 20, against Dearborn Divine Child.

South

ning run with a single.

Janutol was the only South player with two hits.

In the second game, McClung also allowed seven hits. He struck out six and walked four and was leading 9-1 going into the seventh inning.

Nick Andrew led South's

The Blue Devils scored three runs in the first inning, highlighted by Bedan's two-run double.

South was helped by nine walks in the second game.

In the Dakota game, the the first inning on a basesloaded double by DeLaura.

They added three more in the second on a sacrifice fly by Janutol and a two-run Fightin' single by Bedan. Andrew drove in South's final run with a single in the fourth.

Murphy pitched the first four innings and recorded the victory. He allowed three hits, struck out four and walked three. DeLaura and

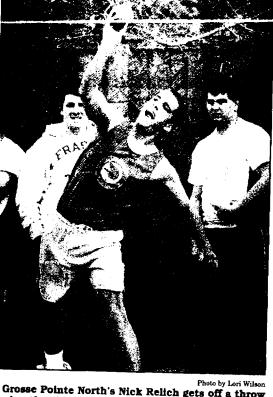
"Ben Jenzen took the loss

Jenzen allowed only two its and one earned run. He truck out six and walked wo.

Starts April 19

The Fitness Firm will begin an eight-week series hits and one earned run. He struck out six and walked

"We're pretty solid all around," Griesbaum said. "Jenzen, Janutol, Bedan, Andrew and DeLaura are back from last year and we'll be deeper when Adam (Abraham) gets back."



Grosse Pointe North's Nick Relich gets off a throw during the shot put competition.

Notre Dame track runs past ND Prep

By Bob St. John Sports Writer

Notre Dame's track and field team won its Catholic League Double-A Division opener last week, beating Pontiac Notre Dame Prep

84-44.
"We had some nice surprises in the meet," head coach Stan Wegrzynowicz said. "Our kids are really coming into their own in track and field, and that is great to see.

Alex Dudley won the high jump and 100-meter high hurdles, beating teammate Chris Jones for the first time in his career in each event

Dudley had a mark of 6feet even in the high jump and a time of 14.62 in the hurdles, while Jones was at feet, 10-inches and 15.15.

Troy Mitchell placed third in the 100-hurdles with a time of 15.31, while Justin Bensett won the long jump with a mark of 17-feet even.

Rod Sanders won the shot put with a mark of 39-feet, 11 1/2-inches, followed by Britt Paige at 38-feet, 5inches, Duran Thomas at 37feet, 9-inches, and Pat 5 overall. Williams at 37-feet, 6-inch-

Shane Gidyard won the discus with a toss of 119feet, 2-inches, while Bensett was second and Paige was

Jelani Nantambu won the 100- and 200-meter dashes with times of 11.7 and 24.3, and Justin Mazzocco won the 3,200-meter run with a time of 11:29.

Other standouts for the Irish Emmanuel Johnson, Jonathan Denys, Edgar Martin, Paul White, Charles Martin, Matt McDaniel, Terry Brown, Jonathan Johnson and Brian Blanchard.

"Alex was a big surprise, beating Chris in a couple of events," Wegrzynowicz said. This should give Alex a ton of confidence heading into the bulk of our season.

was a 4-1 The Irish's 800-meter against relay team of Martin, Jones, Jonathan Johnson and

Aerobics class

of low-impact aerobics classes on Monday, April 19.

Classes will be held on Monday and Wednesday mornings from 9:30 to 10:30 at First English Lutheran Church in Grosse Pointe Woods, and on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6:45 to 7:45 at the JFK Library in Harper Woods.

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Mitchell placed first, while the 3,200-meter relay squad of Denys, Edgar Martin, White and Mazzocco placed second.

The Irish also won the 1,600-meter relay as Blanchard, Denys, Mitchell

and Eric Gant competed.

The Notre Dame track team is 1-0 in the Double-A Division and will compete in the Grosse Pointe North Relays on Saturday, April 17, and will run at Riverview Gabriel Richard on Wednesday, April 21.

Baseball

The Notre Dame baseball team struggled last week, losing 10-0 to Birmingham Seaholm and 8-1 to Madison Heights Lamphere.

"Our pitching didn't do too well, and our offense hasn't been as productive as I want it," head coach Frank "We're a Swaney said. young team, and I know it is going to take some time for our guys to adjust to the varsity level."

The Fightin' Irish fell to 1-

Next for Swaney's baseball team is a home doubleheader on Saturday, April 17, against Warren 17, against Warren DeLaSalle and away games on Tuesday and Wednesday, April 20 and 21, against L'Anse Creuse and U-D Jesuit.

Knights blank tirst net rival

There's a familiar look to University Liggett School's doubles lineup in boys ten-

"Three of our four teams Knights the same as last year's" are the same as last year's," said coach Chuck Wright after the Knights opened the season with an 8-0 victory over Notre Dame.

The experience paid off as ULS didn't lose a game in doubles.

The No. 1 and No. 2 teams of Dan LaLonde and Trevor Stahl and Owen Darr and Peter Spina. The third doubles team of Robbie Baubie and Michael Stefani played No. 4 last season.

This year's No. 4 doubles team of Nithin Natwa and Ankur Verma also got off to a good start against the ULS also won the four sin-

gles matches behind Justin Powell, Rohan Policherla, lain Decker and David Charbonier.

Powell posted a 6-1, 6-4 victory at No. 1 singles.

"Justin played a smart last couple of games," Wright said.

Track:

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regional cross country champion, in the 800 to win in 2:05.8. Cross was third in the mile in 5:05, and Steven Joseph and Eric Burton were 2-3 in the 3,200 run.

Joseph's time of 10:40.3 was the second fastest by a North freshman in the last 15 years.

"Joseph ran a smart race and ended up even-splitting the race," Quinn said, point-ing out that his 1,600 splits were 5:19 and 5:21. "Not too bad for his first high school race. He was neck-and-neck with one of the best distance runners in the division (Mike Storai) to the finish line, and finished second in a leaner, which isn't too common in the 3,200."

The 4x100 relay team of Robert Bailiff, Dan Minturn, Jamal Doggett and Maxwell won in 45.8. Newcomer Mike Pokladek won the 400 in 55.4 and Sexton was second

"Robert Bailiff established himself as a top runner and finished second to Fraser's John Goldwater in 23.5, which is one of the fastest junior times we've had in several years," Quinn said.

Maxwell won the 100 in 11.0, while Doggett was third in 11.1.

Kevin Kwiatkowski had a tough day for North but still won the high jump, was second in both hurdles races and took third in the long jump.

Ryan Stephens won the cole vault, while Spencer Channel and Jake Masinick each had fine performances in the discus to finish second and third to Fraser's Steve Maki, who is one of the pre-

mier throwers in the state. Masinick had a personal best of 107 feet, two inches, while Channel had an excel-

lent throw of 130-8. "We were also encouraged by the performances of Anthony Capizzo and Paul Smith in the mile, Andy VanEgmond in the 3,200 and Grant Ditzhazy in the 300 hurdles," Quinn said.
"Grant is one of the hardest workers we have on the team, and his leadership has

been evident. "We want this season to be rewarding for our athletes and we have been emphasizing the concept of competing to win, no matter the result. Another goal that the coaches have for the season is to make the events fun to watch. If we make the team fun to watch, winning will

take care of itself." North's younger runners will compete in a freshman-sophomore meet at Sterling Heights today, April 15, and the Norsemen will host their invitational invitational meet Saturday, April 17.

Joining North in the invitational field are Sterling Heights, Roseville, Notre Dame, Lakeview, Regina and East Detroit.

Week gets brighter for

A potentially-dismal week brightened considerably for University Liggett School's softball team.

After a season-opening 11-2 loss to Metro Conference power Lutheran North, the Knights trailed Clintondale 6-0 going into the bottom of the third inning of their non-

league game. However, ULS blanked the Dragons the rest of the way and scored a run in the bottom of the eighth inning

to pull out a 7-6 victory.

The Knights' comeback started in the bottom of the third. Rachel Costello and Krista Murray singled, and both scored on Kelly King's single.

ULS tied the game with four runs in the fourth inning. Julie Borushko, Laura Ralstrom, Beth Sylvester and Costello start-

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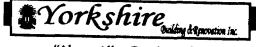
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Triumphant return

Michigan State's Kristin O'Brien, shown here advancing the ball against the University of Michigan, scored two goals but it wasn't enough to keep the Spartans from losing 13-5 in a women's lacrosse game at Grosse Pointe South. O'Brien; her sister Jen, who plays for Michigan, and the Wolverines' Kate Finkenstaedt are all graduates of South.

Harper Woods crushes two Metro Conference softball opponents

By Bob St. John Sports Writer

Harper Woods' girls softball team is off to a fast start, winning its first two games of the season.

"The girls played pretty well, and it's nice to see the girls playing with some emo-tion," head coach Carol Arthmire said.

The Pioneers began the with season Metro Conference games against Hamtramck and Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood, winning 19-0 and 13-5.

Maria Mahon faced only nine hitters in the threeinning victory over the Cosmos, striking out eight, while Meaghan Huot and Angela Wierszewski each had home runs.

In the victory over the Cranes, Sally Smolinski had four hits and three RBIs, while Jade King had three hits, including a homer, and four RBIs.

Coming up for the Pioneers is the Lakeview

Tournament on Friday and 16 Cosmos and gave up only Saturday, April 16 and 17, at Kyte Monroe, followed by away games on Monday and Tuesday, April 19 and 20, Livonia Clarenceville and Warren

Fitzgerald.
"We should face some good teams in the tournament, which will give our girls some competition to get them ready for the rest of the season," Arthmire said. "At least we will be able to get some games in before the kids get back from break."

Baseball

The Harper Woods boys baseball team started its Metro Conference schedule with a 4-2 win over

Hamtramck.
"We are doing well early in the season," head coach De'Andre Cooper said. "We're deep in pitching, and our offense is going to score some runs this season."

Jake Bertges struck out overall.

two hits to lead the Pioneers.

Later in the week, the host Pioneers beat Detroit Martin Luther King as Brian Muller earned the

Jesus Melendez got the home team off and running in the third inning, beating out an infield hit that scored Bertges.

Melendez stole second base and scored on a single by James Slago, who came home on a single by Muller.

Drew Manor also made a sparkling play at first base, scooping up a low throw that prevented a run from scor-

We have big visions this season," Cooper said.
"We think we have a

strong team, but the guys have to focus on playing well mentally as well as physical-

The Harper Woods baseball team improved to 3-1

Pitcher's 12 strikeouts power Trinity Catholic past Finney

Sports Writer

Sophomore Jose Cruz singled home the winning run, helping the Trinity Catholic boys baseball team edge Detroit Finney 3-2 early last

"It was nice to finally play a baseball game," head coach Larry Geromin said. "The guys played very well in the opener."

Junior Chris Geromin (1-0) earned the win, giving up only three hits and striking

Other offensive leaders were seniors Joe Williams, Curtis Pettway and Mike McGarry.

The Lancers were scheduled to open their season a week before the Finney game, but poor field conditions and a school not fielding a team kept them from playing any games that count in the standings.

"We will have a week of practice before getting back on the diamond during the break," Geromin said. "We will get a few more games under our belt before the kids return to school."
The Trinity Catholic base-

ball team is 1-0 overall.

Coming up for the Lancers are away games on Friday, April 16, and Wednesday. April 21, against Detroit Lutheran Urban Warren Immaculate Conception. sandwiched around a home game on Monday, April 19, against Detroit Holy Redeemer.

Softball

So far, so good for firstyear head coach Julie Becker and her Trinity Catholic girls softball team.

They went into the break with a 3-1 overall and league mark after sweeping a doubleheader from visiting Bloomfield Hills Sacred

Heart Academy, winning 7-4 and 13-0.

"We did a good job in both games," Becker said. "Angel (Cooper) pitched better than her previous outing, and we were able to score some runs."

Cooper earned both wins on the mound, while junior Anne Wasukanis hit a home run, and senior Danielle Cooper had two hits in the nightcap.

The Lancers were able to capitalize on the inexperience of Sacred Heart's catcher, who misplayed several pitches that allowed runners to score.

Next for the Trinity Catholic softball team, 3-1 in the Catholic League C-D East Division, is an away doubleheader on Monday, April 19, against Detroit Dominican and an away doubleheader on Wednesday, April 21, against Warren Immaculate Conception.

"It's nice to get off to a good start since we don't have a lot of girls with softball experience," Becker said. "We can use the break to practice a lot and get ready for our next game."

Track

The Trinity Catholic boys track and field team beat Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard 73-42 last week. "We had some very nice

performances from our veterans, and our newcomers were able to experience a track meet for the first time," head coach Michelle Batten said.

The boys were led by senior Quentin Washington, who won the 100- and 200yard dashes and was on the 400- and 1,600-yard relay teams that posted first-place finishes.

Senior Ron Hildreth, a newcomer to the Lancers

with a mark of 5-feet, 10inches and was on the winning 800-yard relay team.

Junior Antonio Hinton won the discus and was second in the shot put, while junior Ahmad Gause was second in the discus and first in the shot put.

Other standouts were Greg Frye, Nick Jones, D'Angelo Lumpkin and Terrence Johnson.

The girls lost 66-56 to Gabriel Richard, though junior Anika Brown won the shot put and was second in the discus.

Ashley Fox and Maureen Porier were also in the top three in both throwing events.

Chrystal Wilson won the 100-, 200- and 400-yard dashes, while Margarie Washington was first in the long jump.

"Our girls did pretty well, but we just didn't have enough runners to match Gabriel Richard," Batten

South freshman on state champ hoops team

Grosse Pointer Kara Trowell was a member of the Oakland Suns under-14 girls basketball team that set a Michigan AAU record with its fourth straight state championship.

The team has been playing together for five years and has qualified for the national AAU girls basket-ball tournament in each of those years. This year's national

championships will be in Monroe, La, in July.

Trowell is a freshman at Grosse Pointe South.

Knights win baseball opener

By Chuck Klonke

Sports Editor University

Liggett School's baseball team got off to a good start last week, then slowed up just a bit, but coach Dan Cimini isn't concerned.

The Knights opened the season with a 24-6 victory over Westland Huron Valley Lutheran, but then dropped a doubleheader to Center Line St. Clement by scores of 10-0 and 11-1.

building something here, so I'm not that concerned with the scores," Cimini said. "I want to see us improving, and I want to see us be competitive against the better

Although the scores might not indicate it, ULS was competitive against St. Clement, especially in the first game.

That contest was scoreless until the Crusaders pushed across a run in the sixth inning on a mental mistake by the Knights. St. Clement broke the game open in the

"Cameron Ducsay was locked in a great pitching duel with their pitcher," Cimini said. "Through six innings he gave up one run on three hits."

Ducsay was helped by some excellent defense.

Charlie Litch was great at third base and Stone Hazlett saved at least two runs with a catch in center field." Cimini said.

St. Clement scored eight runs in the first inning of the second game, but Cimini was encouraged that the Knights held the Crusaders in check the rest of the way.

Jonathan Wright had three hits in the doubleheader and is 6-for-11 in

ULS's first three games Everything was working for the Knights in their

opener with Huron Valley

"They walked a lot of people, but we followed those walks with some timely hits," Cimini said.

Winning pitcher Mike Posby drove in five runs with a double and triple. Wright and Hazlett each collected three hits and three

through four innings. Ducsay pitched the final inning of the game that was halted by a mercy rule.

The play of Wright and

catcher Antonio Evangelista

From page 2C

ed the rally with singles. Murray and King also had RBI singles.

Borushko got tough on the mound and allowed only one hit through the next five innings, while striking out

ULS loaded the bases in the seventh with one out, but failed to score when a soft liner to the pitcher was turned into a double play when Borushko was caught between third hase and home.

The Knights loaded the bases again in the eighth with one out on two singles and a walk. This time Borushko was at the plate, and she lined a single to left field to drive in Alex Houghtalin with the winning run.

In its loss to Lutheran North, ULS managed seven hits but the Knights couldn't overcome six errors and 11

has impressed the ULS coaches.

"Antonio has been great behind the plate," Cimini said. "It really makes a difference when you have a catcher like that. Jonathan is our leadoff man and has been outstanding for somebody who's playing the game for the first time, but he's a great athlete.'

Soccer -

specialist, Hilliary Inger, launched a perfect boot into the box area, and Megan Switalski headed it into the

It was her third goal of the season and also the team's

For the next 20 minutes, play went back-and-forth. Troy controlled most of the flow, and Larkin scored on a 28-yard kick over goalkeeper Laura Danforth to break the 1-1 tie.

South played with greater intensity in the second half and the Blue Devils controlled play for portions of the 40 minutes. However, they weren't able to get any shots on goal.

Troy had six shots on target to go with its four in the first half. Colts goalie Flo Atar made one save, with Danforth had 10.

"We have a lot of work to do," Harkins told his team. which won't play its next match until it hosts Rochester Adams Monday, April 19 at 4:30 p.m. at the South stadium.

The last meeting between the Blue Devils and the Highlanders was in the 1999 regional final, which Adams won 7-1 on its way to the state championship.



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St. Clare posts 20 victories

It was a 20-win season for girls basketball.

The Falcons won the Catholic Youth Organization Northeast Division title both ends of the court. with a 10-0 record, then won In regional play, St. four games in the CYO city playoffs before losing in overtime to Eastside champion Warren St. Anne.

St. Clare had to beat Grosse Pointe rivals St. baskets and eight rebounds. Paul, St. Joan of Arc and Our Lady Star of the Sea twice on its way to the division championship. The Falcons also swept Detroit St. Juliana and St. Clair Shores St. Margaret.

St. Clare opened the city playoffs with a 60-14 win over Detroit St. Luke. All 12 Falcons scored. Hannah Srebernak, Katie Hamm, Alexandra Chomma and Hannah Quaranta combined

the St. Clare eighth-grade game, the Falcons posted a convincing win over Hazel Park St. Mary as Dayna Cole had a strong game on

In regional play, St. Clare edged Rochester Holy Family 26-23. Kelly DeFauw led the Falcons in assists, steals and points. Candace Hurt had two important

The regional championship game against Star of the Sea was also a tight one, and St. Clare held on for a 20-18 victory.

The Sailors came back from a 12-6 halftime deficit to lead 18-16 late in the fourth quarter, but St. Clare's Caitlin Butler tied the game at 18-18 with a basket, and Kate Brennan won it with an 18-footer with 53 seconds left.

In the Eastside champi-

In the second district onship game at Star of the Sea, St. Anne won 40-35 in overtime. St. Clare finished 20-2.

St. Clare also won a Thanksgiving tournament. The Falcons beat St. Paul and St. Germaine to reach the championship game against Holy Family.

DeFauw, Alyssa Carr and Brennan led the scoring attack. Maria Butler and Clare Conway controlled the tempo, and Caitlin Butler pulled down 10 rebounds in the thrilling 33-32 victory for St. Clare.

The Falcons were coached by Mike Shapiro. He was Morris assisted by Blackwell.

The coaches DeFauw the most valuable player. Hurt and Carr were the most improved players, and Quaranta won the Sportsmanship Award.



The Grosse Pointe Spartan Bantam A hockey club repeated as state champions. In front, from left, are Rocco Benvenuti, Justin Ross, Michael Blazoff, Eric Rohrkemper and Robert Wilson. In the second row, from left, are Lance Lucas, Alec Thedia, Chris Peters, Brandon Dries, Bobby Barrett, Danny DeKeyser, Steve Wiechec and Kevin Gibson. In the back row, from left, are coach John Sklarski, Andrew Chovich, Frank Asztalos, coach Rob McIntyre, Justin Garofalo, coach Jimmy Coates, Jack Sklarski, Jeremy Gave and coach Bob Barrett. Not pictured are Rocco Cinqueranelli and Rick Chovich.

Spartans repeat as state champ

Spartan Hockey Club's Bantam A team liked winning a state championship so much last year that it decided to do it again.

The Spartans, who took third place in the USA National Hockey Tournament last year, competed a 10-0 run through the Michigan Amateur Hockey Association state playoffs with a 4-1 victory over the USA Eagles at the Detroit Skate Club.

The Spartans also opened the state tournament against the Eagles and came away with a 2-1 victory after scoring the winning goal with five seconds remaining.

In other round-robin games, the Spartans beat

Head coach Keith Sprow

has only eight girls to work

with and 14 boys for the

kids running, but the kids

who are competing are doing

well so far in practice," Sprow said. "The smaller

numbers will make it tough

to win dual meets, and that

Eagles' 4 X 100 relay team.

is a little discouraging."

"We don't have a lot of

talent.

2004 campaign.

Pointe pion Traverse City North games. Club's Stars 4-0.

In semifinal games, the host Eagles won 3-2 on a cagles played the Arctic late third-period goal. Eagles played the Arctic Pond Penguins and the Spartans met the Grand Rapids Griffins.

Earlier, the Spartans beat he Griffins in a Thanksgiving tournament, and nothing seemed to change in the months that followed. In a fast-paced game with a lot of up-anddown action, the Spartans pulled away in the third period to win 7-2.

The difference in the game was the Spartans' ability to excel physically because of their dedication to an off-ice training proimplemented gram strength and conditioning

Throughout the season,

In the other semifinal, the

The championship game between the Eagles and Spartans was a matchup between old friends. Eagles head coach Jeff Lank assisted in coaching the Spartans defense last year and he is a former teammate Spartans head coach Rob McIntyre.

The game started with fast and furious action and lots of body checking that caused both teams to change lines at least every 30 seconds.

The Eagles scored the first goal and had momentum on their side, but the Spartans' experienced calm, skill and determination eventually took over.

Special teams were a factor, and both teams' penaltykilling units generated good scoring chances off out-standing forechecking.

The Spartans tied the game early in the second period as a result of a fine passing play. Late in the second period, the Spartans broke the tie after a

turnover. In the locker room during the second intermission, the Spartans showed a quiet confidence.

They had unselfishly, sliding in front of pucks, taking heavy checks to make plays, and doing an excellent job of skating and passing.

The Spartans added two more goals by the midway point of the third period to ensure their second straight state championship.

The St. Clare eighth grade girls basketball team won the CYO Northeast Division championship with a 10-0 record. In front, from left, are Hannah Srebercoach Jimmy Coates. the Port Huron Screaming nak, Clare Conway, Katie Hamm, Kelly DeFauw and Maria Butler. In back, from Eagles, who won the District left, are Hannah Quaranta, Alyssa Carr, Alexandra Chomma, coach Mike Shapiro, Candace Hurt, Kate Brennan and Dayna Cole. Not pictured are Caitlin 5 championship, 8-1 and the boys worked out twice a blanked the District 7 chamweek before practice or East softball looks for improvement in 2004

Spring preview

By Bob St. John

Sports Writer

of Lutheran East's girls soft- eral years. That experience this season but loaded with ball team.
"I'm excited about coach-

ing this team," Schurig said. "The girls are familiar with Kathy Schurig is ready for me since I was East's assisher first year as head coach tant coach for the past sev-

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has helped me a lot. Schurig's daughter Sarah

is the team's pitching coach, and that should also help the program try to get back to the .500 level.

"We have a young team," Schurig said. "The girls have worked hard in the offseason, especially hitting, which we need to be a better

The Eagles have struggled to post wins during the past few seasons, but they have the potential to finally get to the .500 level.

Seniors Megan Maestri and Kavlie Gerds are the only upperclassmen on the squad, while sophomores Crystal Pendell and Jessie Kollar, and freshmen Jade Toth and Erica King are set to shine at the varsity level.

"We should be able to be a more competitive because the girls have worked harder this off-season, and I'm confident that will pay off in the long run. Schurig said.

The Eagles are long shots to win a Metro Conference title as Macomb Lutheran North and Harper Woods

are the favorites.
"We will give our opponents a better game this year," Schurig said. "We lost some close games last year because we couldn't hit, and I'm hoping to turn those into wins this season."

Baseball

Nick Capoferi is back for his third year as head coach of Lutheran East's boys varsity baseball team.

He has done a solid job of keeping the Eagles competitive, and they should be a good ballclub this season.

Seniors Matt Johnson and Tom Kempinski are two of the team's top returning players, and should put up some good numbers this sea-

Track

The Lutheran East track and field teams are small (second in last year's Division IV 100-meter dash in the state finals) and Quemisha Goss join sopho-mores Kim Stevenson and Celia Lee to form a solid group of runners.

Freshman Taylor Friedel has also done well during the first couple of weeks of track practice.

"It will be very difficult for the girls to win dual meets because of the small number For the girls, senior Ashley Schult is one of the of runners, but the girls should be able to post some solid times," Sprow said.

Metro Conference's top high jumpers and pole vaulters, The boys are led by seniors Chris Jurczak, Matt plus she will compete on the McCuen, Robert Carlisle Juniors Shana Pritchett and Justin Sommers.



The St. Paul Lakers eighth grade boys basketball team won the Eastside CYO championship with a 10-0 record. In front, from left, are Eric Allison, Jack Monark, Ryan Gallagher, Evan Hall and Joe Kurily. In back, from left, are Chet Simmons, Blaise Liederbach, Stephen Reaume, Nicholas Waller, Alexander Jones, Ryan O'Laughlin, Jerry Peoples and Joel Gilpin. Not pictured are David Cassleman, DaRon Greason and coach David Dempsey.

Lakers perfect in league play

team recently completed an outstanding season.

The Lakers won Eastside Catholic Youth Organization championship with a 10-0 record and won three more games in the CYO city playoffs before losing in the quarterfinals, 39-37, to eventual champion St. Patrick of White Lake Township.

Nicholas Waller led the off the bench and provided 13.8 average-per-game, blocked shots and rebounds. Jerry Peoples (10.0 pointsper-game) and Evan Hall (6.4 ppg) also provided scor-

ing and reliable playmaking.

Reaume, Stephen Alexander Jones and Blaise rebounding and scoring.

Jack Monark, Eric Allison onship in four seasons. and Joe Kurily played well

eighth grade boys basketball Lakers in points scored with defense, ballhandling and scoring.

David Cassleman, DaRon Greason, Joel Gilpin, Ryan Gallagher, Ryan O'Laughlin and Chet Simmons also contributed to the Lakers' success.

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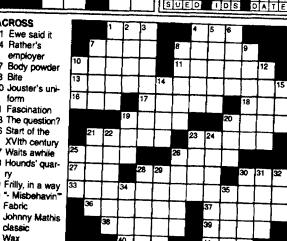
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