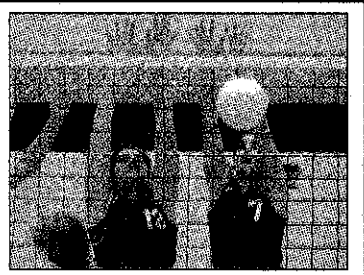


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## WEEK AHEAD

### Thursday, Jan. 26

The Grosse Pointe Public School System will hold a public forum in the gymnasium at Monteith Elementary School at 7 p.m. about the proposed elementary rotation schedule changes.

### Friday, Jan. 27

The Grosse Pointe Artist Association sponsors the "Poets' Follies" from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe Art Center, 1005 Maryland in Grosse Pointe Park. The evening's entertainment includes reading, music, dance and award-winning art work.

Open to the public. No fee; requested donation is \$5. For more information, call the GPA Art Center at (313) 821-1848.

### Saturday, Jan. 28

The dedication and ribbon-cutting ceremony of the new Woods branch of the Grosse Pointe Public Library starts at 2 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

Susan Macdonald, an artist and director of the Grosse Pointe Art Center, will conduct a handmade book workshop from noon to 4 p.m. at the GPA Art Center, 1005 Maryland, Grosse Pointe Park.

The cost is \$40, plus \$15 for additional supplies. Call to register and for a supply list at (313) 821-1848.

### Sunday, Jan. 29

St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic School will hold an open house from 1 to 3 p.m. The school is located at 16231 Charlevoix in Grosse Pointe Park.

### Monday, Jan. 30

The new Woods library opens. Hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

### Tuesday, Jan. 31

Grosse Pointe South and North high schools' basketball teams play each other in North's gym. The varsity game begins at 7 p.m.

### Wednesday, Feb. 1

Brownell Middle School presents the musical, "Annie Get Your Gun," in the school's auditorium. Evening performances are scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 2, and Friday, Feb. 3, at 7 p.m.

Tickets are \$7 for general admission and are available by contacting the school or at the door.

The Grosse Pointe Public School System is holding a public forum to familiarize the community with the draft of the new grade K-8 mathematics curriculum. It will start at 7 p.m., in South

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Photo by Beth Quinn

The new Grosse Pointe Woods branch library at Mack and Vernier will open to the public on Saturday. Dedication ceremonies begin at 2 p.m.

## Community to celebrate Woods library's opening

By Beth Quinn  
 Staff Writer

On Saturday, Jan. 28, at 2 p.m., a large crowd is expected as community members gather for the dedication of the new Woods branch of the Grosse Pointe Public Library. The ceremony is opened to the public.

For most residents, this will be the first opportunity to explore the 27,000-square-foot building which has been under construction at one of Grosse Pointe's busy intersections: the corner of Mack and Vernier.

The ceremony will commence with a rendition of "The Star-Spangled Banner" performed by the Grosse Pointe North High School Pointe Chorale. The group will also close the event by singing "Hope is A Thing with Feathers."

Former Detroit News columnist, Peter Waldmeir of Grosse Pointe Woods, will be the master of ceremonies.

"The new library is a marvelous looking building," Waldmeir said. "I am very honored they asked me to be a part of the dedication."

Waldmeir recalled using the library as a young child who couldn't afford to own too many books.

"One of my most vivid memories as

a kid on the east side of Detroit, is sitting by the fireplace at my local library and listening to books being read," Waldmeir said.

Waldmeir thinks that libraries will continue to play an important role in the community for years to come.

"The library is a vital tool in the neighborhood for its hardbound copies of books and the use of computers," he said.

A blessing of the building by the Rev. Randy Boelter of Christ the King Lutheran Church and a video presentation produced by the Grosse Pointe Library Foundation will follow Waldmeir's welcome.

The keynote speaker is Grosse Pointe Woods resident Gloria Whelan, author of numerous award-winning children's books.

"I grew up in Grosse Pointe where the first library I went to was just a small building in the Village," she said. "I remember when the Pierce, Central and Woods libraries opened; and now to see this wonderful library in the Woods, where I live, is very exciting."

"It is a wonderful addition to the community. It will make everyone in the Woods very proud."

Whelan and Waldmeir both noted that, as professional writers, they frequently used the library's resources to do research.

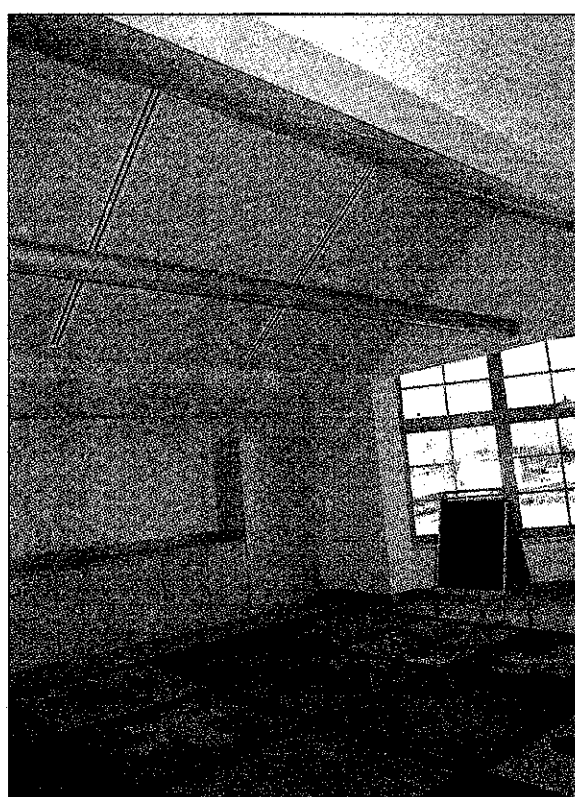
"As a writer, I use the library all the time for reference work, and for my own personal pleasure," Whelan said.

In addition to Waldmeir and Whelan, Harvey Weaver, library board of trustee president; Vickey Bloom, director of the public library; Bill Rands, president of the Grosse Pointe Library Foundation; and

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The first-floor story room of the new Grosse Pointe Woods library is designed to be used for a wide variety of children's programs. See related story on page 3A.

Photo by Beth Quinn



## Kercheval Place site plan gets conditional OK

By Brad Lindberg  
 Staff Writer

It was far from an unconditional surrender, but city leaders have granted the developer of the former Jacobson's building a partial victory.

A unanimous City of Grosse Pointe council Monday night opened the door for the structure's new owner to welcome a limited number of tenants.

Cullan F. Meathe, a Grosse Pointe Farms entrepreneur who bought and renamed the property in August for a reported \$11 million, received limited site plan approval to renovate the two-story building's facade and prepare the ground floor for retail tenants.

Meathe's vision for Kercheval Place exceeds facades and floor plans. He wants to transform the former department store and

anchor of Village vibrancy into a place where people can live, work, shop, dine and park their cars under the same roof.

Renderings by Meathe's architect, Paul Bowers, show the existing building transformed into first-floor retail and second-floor office space topped by a total of 24 condominiums averaging 1,830 square feet on third and fourth stories to come.

Bowers presented plans to renovate the existing 90,000-square-foot building (currently divided equally between two levels) into 63,800 square feet of ground and basement level commercial space. Office space planned for the second story measures 45,000-square-feet.

Bowers laid out a first-floor containing clothing

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## Police chief named temp City manager

By Brad Lindberg  
 Staff Writer

Dale Scrace didn't have to go far to find an interim manager for the City of Grosse Pointe.

Scrace, mayor of the City, simply walked across the City Hall parking lot to public safety headquarters and collared Al Fincham, department director and 32-year City employee.

Scrace's action, made more figuratively than literally and with consent of city council, fills proactively the pending vacancy when current interim manager Brian Vick leaves at the end of this month for his new job as city administrator of DeWitt.

Vick replaced Mike Overton, who resigned last

month after five years as city manager. Overton accepted an offer to administer Cheboygan County.

Overton replaced Thomas Kressbach. Kressbach retired in 2001 after 34 years as city manager. Now he's back in the saddle as assistant to the interim city manager, Fincham — when Vick leaves.

Kressbach is coming out of retirement to help Fincham handle special projects such as three of the City's largest commercial developments in memory, all targeted for the Village.

"We have a very full plate," Scrace said.

Fincham's post in public

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## POINTERS OF INTEREST

### Helen and Dr. Clyde Wu

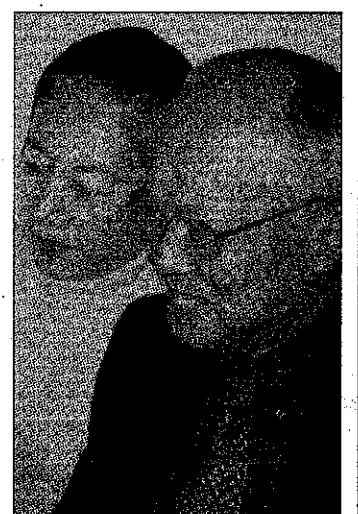
**Home:** Grosse Pointe Park

**Family:** two grown sons and three grandchildren

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**Quote:** "Music is the glue that holds us together."

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Helen and Dr. Clyde Wu

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## yesterday's headlines

## 50 years ago this week

■ A small majority of Grosse Pointe voters approve a nearly \$3.5 million bond issue to construct a new middle school on Chalfonte in the Farms, plus add swimming pools to Pierce and Parcels middle schools in the Park and Woods, respectively.

■ Earnest Grueling, governor of Alaska from 1939 to 1953, will be featured speaker at next month's installment of the Grosse Pointe Celebrity Series at the Esquire Theater on East Jefferson in Grosse Pointe Park.

Grueling will discuss Alaskan statehood.

■ Grosse Pointe Farms council members deny a request by Grosse Pointe Shores trustees to provide water service through 1956.

Last November, Farms officials announced service to the Shores would end May 1, 1956.

The Shores obtains about 5 percent of its fresh water supply from the Farms, with the balance coming from Detroit.

## 25 years ago this week

■ A 27-year-old Detroit man, arrested by Grosse Pointe Shores police as a burglary suspect, hangs himself with his shirt in his cell.

■ After two years of more than 20 percent increases in the prices of Grosse Pointe houses, the real estate market cools during the early 1980s.

In 1980, sales drop 10 percent compared to 1979. Prices rise only 7 percent.

Information comes from a report by the Grosse Pointe Real Estate Exchange.

■ A young woman is kidnapped, robbed and beaten by an armed robber in Grosse Pointe Farms.

The woman, employed at a Mack Avenue ice cream parlor, is released by her captor behind a bowling alley on Mack in Grosse

Pointe Woods.

She tells police she had been carrying \$811 in receipts to a bank when a man driving a Pontiac Bonneville pulled up and forced her into his car, hit her and took the money.

## 10 years ago this week

■ By 2020, there will be fewer residents of the Grosse Pointes. However, more people will be working in the community.

This forecast comes from a SEMCOG study saying the seven-county region of Southeast Michigan will gain 13 percent more people and 18 percent more jobs over the coming 25 years.

The report predicts the five Grosse Pointes will lose a collective 6 percent population through 2020.

■ Grosse Pointe Park officials order a parking lot built at the intersection of Mack and Beaconsfield. Traffic between Mack and Beaconsfield will be routed around the parking lot.

■ Thomas Fahrner, a Grosse Pointe Woods councilman, proposes a proclamation honoring the good work of Detroit Mayor Dennis Archer.

"All too often Detroit and its suburbs have been at odds," Fahrner says. "It would be nice to do something to let Mr. Archer know there is support for an improved Detroit out in the suburbs."

## 5 years ago this week

■ City of Grosse Pointe council members interview candidates to replace Thomas Kressbach, retiring after 35 years as city manager.

Candidates include current assistant city manager Christine Bremmer. Also interviewed is Mike Overton, the city manager of Roosevelt Park, a 4,100-resident community near Muskegon.

■ Samuel Nouhan is appointed to complete the

term of Stephen Safranek, who resigned from the Grosse Pointe Park city council.

Safranek recently accepted a new job teaching at the Ave Maria School of Law in Ann Arbor.

Nouhan is assistant corporate counsel for the Wayne County office of corporate counsel, which handles the county's civil matters.

■ Due to even greater population increases elsewhere in the nation, Michigan along with most other Great Lakes states will lose one Congressional seat.

As chairman of the Michigan House Redistricting Committee, Rep. Andrew Richner, R-Grosse Pointe Park, will oversee reconfiguration of the state's 15 remaining congressional districts.

"The block-by-block (census) count will allow us to redraw boundaries of congressional districts so each member (of Congress) represents 662,000 people," Richner says.

—Brad Lindberg

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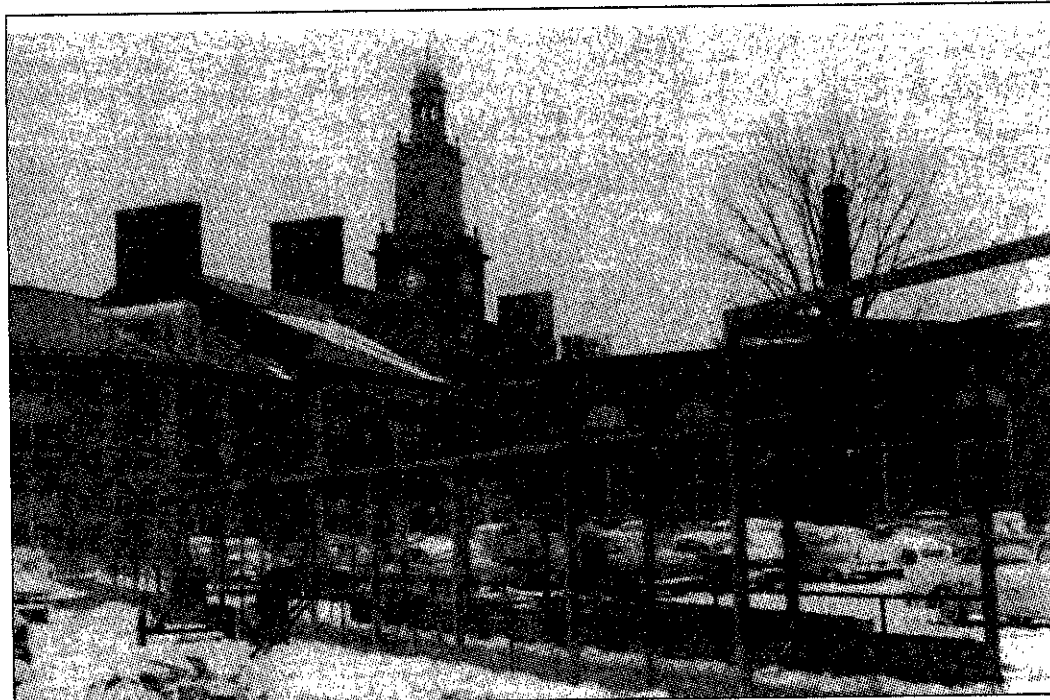
High School's Wicking Library.

Thursday, Feb. 2

The first session of the Van Elslander Cancer Center's grief recovery program begins at 6:30 p.m. The nine-week long session is designed to help those experiencing many different kinds of loss. The center is located at 19229 Mack Ave. in Grosse Pointe Woods.

The program is limited to 12 people. For more information or to register for the Grief Recovery Series, please call Monique Willett at (313) 647-3004.

## 50 years ago this week



## Covered walk to connect school buildings

Workmen are erecting a covered walkway to link the Grosse Pointe High School main building and former Country Day School structure, located off Grosse Pointe Boulevard. A gateway permits cars to enter and exit from the boulevard parking lot between the two buildings. (Photo by Fred Runnells. From the Jan. 26, 1956 Grosse Pointe News.)

## Kercheval Place

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stores Coldwater Creek, Jos. A. Bank and Acorn. He said an additional 20,000 square feet of first-floor area is being eyed by The Fresh Market, a North Carolina produce, fish and meat market.

For comparison, the Kroger store in the Village occupies 17,000 square feet.

Grosse Pointe would be Fresh Market's first store in Michigan.

"We are talking to quite a few other tenants," said Cameron Piggott, Meathe's attorney.

Piggott said a date hasn't been set to begin renovations.

Council members' action

this week stopped far short of giving Meathe free rein.

"It gives a clear signal to the developers of the direction they and we have taken on the project," said Mayor Dale Scrace. "It will allow them to start doing some work while we are working on remaining issues."

Those issues include:

- terms of acquiring city property to construct a two-bay loading dock located off Notre Dame where the Jacobson's had a single-bay dock,

- requiring special use approvals for tenants such as The Fresh Market and Coldwater Creek that wish to occupy more than 5,000 square feet of floor space,

- requiring window awnings to be made of canvas.

Two more issues concern the municipal parking structure built about 30 years ago behind then-Jacobson's:

- Meathe's group has proposed a new, three-story deck (with one level underground) standing only five feet from residential property on Notre Dame. Although the proposed structure would be about eight feet shorter than the existing deck, City code requires a 15-foot setback from adjoining residential property.

- Meathe must enter into a development agreement with the city regarding the parking structure.

Piggott said a new parking facility has been demanded by tenants lined up to rent space in Kercheval Place.

"The deal depends on the parking deck," Piggott said.

"The deck would have to

come back for site plan approval," said John Jackson, vice president of the City's commercial planning consultants McKenna Associates. "They won't be able to start construction on the project's residential component until the parking issue is resolved."

It's not clear yet whether the existing city parking structure will be renovated or replaced.

"It depends on what the financial commitment is going to be," said Councilman John Stevens. "I'd like the owners to pay for the garage. Why should residents pay for a developer's structure?"

Other concerns regarded traffic. Fresh Market requires five to 10 deliveries per day, according to Bowers. City officials and nearby residents are concerned about congestion, although no one at the meeting spoke of delivery problems during the decades before Jacobson's went bankrupt.

Meathe's parking design includes more spaces than the existing structure, but lacks room to cluster residential parking in the underground level.

Pressure to get things going has come from Village promoters.

Beverly Leinwebber, a Village ambassador and unabashed booster, is tired of people talking about bringing the old Jake's building back to life. She wants action.

"How long do you think retailers are going to sit around and wait for something to happen with this building?" Leinwebber told council members. "There's a 90,000-square-foot elephant in the middle of our living room. (Meathe's) development company deserves the right to get started. We deserve the right to see something done."

## Farms nixes Winterfest

Winterfest is kaput in Grosse Pointe Farms.

So is the chili cookoff. Lack of consistent winter weather forced cancellation of the annual event originally scheduled for Kerby Field on Saturday, Jan. 28.

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## New Woods library is one for the ages

By Beth Quinn  
Staff Writer

The corner of Vernier and Mack has a new look. The new Woods branch of the Grosse Pointe Public Library with its soaring roof breaks up series of endless flat one-story buildings that surround the intersection.

The library's eclectic facade of glass, Mankato stone and brick makes a dramatic statement for all who enter the five Grosse Pointes at the north end of town.

"The building is to be a gateway to the community which is why it is moved as close as possible to the cor-

ner," wrote the building's architect James Mumby of Fanning Howey & Associates.

"Building is three pieces to reduce the overall scale and reflect the past present and future of the area. Mack Avenue reflects the past and houses the traditional func-

tions of a library. The northeast corner is the present and has proportions reflective of the residential area it faces. This houses the multimedia and current periodicals and is the "living room" for the community. The southeast corner which faces the school is the future. This area houses the youth collection and homework center on the second floor. The architecture responds to the middle school and has a more contemporary feel."

The exterior materials of brick and stone extend inside through the library's main entrance.

The main lobby's glass and stainless steel staircase directs patrons past a wall of windows over looking Vernier. The stairs' thick Coke-bottle green glass panels are a series of overlapping spheres ascending to the second floor. Due to complexity of the design, the panels were delivered to the library individually and then assembled on-site. Installation took approximately three weeks.

The first floor is home to the children's area, which faces Parcels Middle School, is bright, airy and very kid-friendly. Deep vibrant yellows, oranges, purples, blues and reds in geometric shapes are repeated in the carpet, and in the librarian's desk and the shoulder-high bookcases' the maple cabinetry and Corian tops.

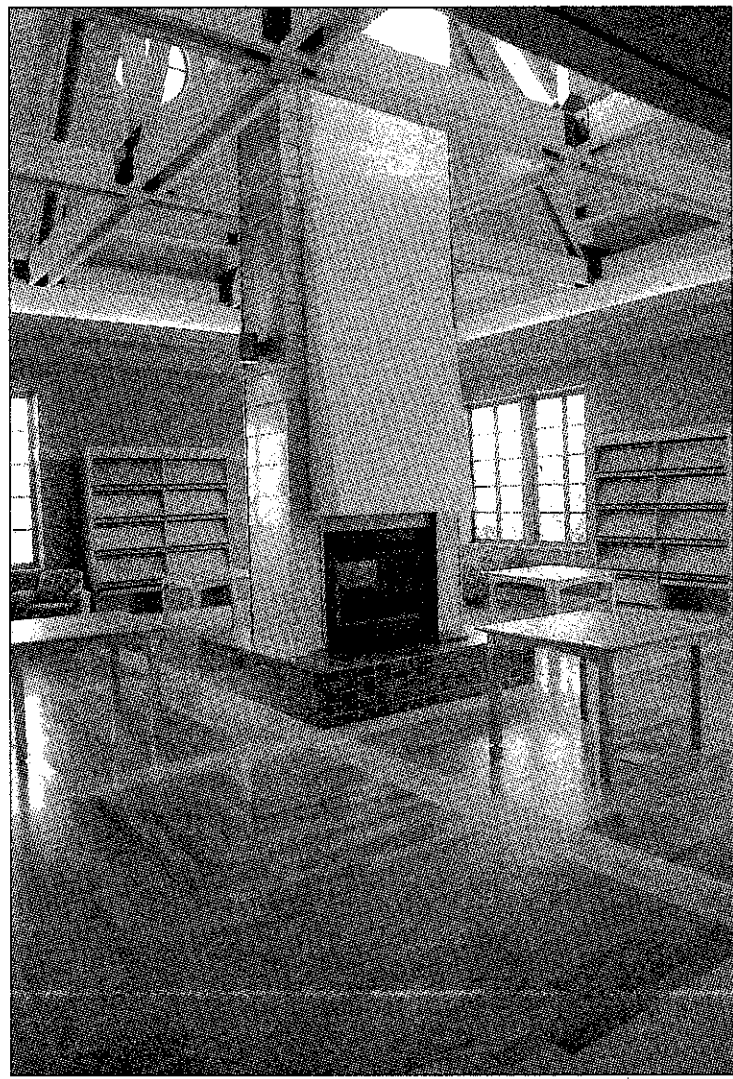
The colors are repeated in the children's story room facing the corner of Mack and Vernier. The wow-factor in this room comes from the recessed lights that are programmed to gradually cast the colors fuschia, green, red, orange and yellow onto the ceiling.

At the top of the stairs, two semi-circular maple desks comprise the reference librarian's station. This shape allows the librarian to have a 360 degree view of the entire second floor.

"From the reference desk, I can see all directions," said librarian Peggy Kitchel. "There is light all around."

From the desk, Kitchel has a perfect view of the periodical room which is destined to be a favorite spot for library patrons. It has a see-through brick fireplace that soars to a wooden-beamed ceiling. Porthole dormer windows provide natural lighting.

The library's main book collection is housed on the second floor and spans the



The second floor periodical room is light and airy despite the presence of the soaring see-through fireplace and massive beamed ceiling.



Photos by Robert McKean

Mixing traditional and modern architectural features, as seen in the audio-visual room, is a common theme throughout the new library's interior and exterior.

entire length of the Mack Avenue side of the building. Light streams into the area through rectangular bay windows. Each of the bays has "living room style" furniture with two club chairs flanking a table. A curved vaulted ceiling with raised wood panels is reminiscent of those found in New England town halls.

The second floor also contains a media area with 11 computer cubicles and a printing center. Residents will be able to obtain their 2006 income tax forms from the neatly stacked cubicles located in the area. According to Woods branch manager Lesley Wutzke, the Woods library received more than 100 cartons of tax

forms last year. "We had very few forms left over," Wutzke said.

The new library has brought a renewed spirit to staff members who have been busily unpacking during the past three weeks and getting ready for the dedication on Saturday, Jan. 28.

"It's absolutely beautiful — architecturally stunning," Kitchel said. "It's very exciting. This community deserves a library of this caliber."

"During the tour for the staff, many said that this would make a great house. That they would like to live here," said Betty Kellogg, Grosse Pointe library operations manager.

### Library

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Woods Mayor Robert Novitke will address the audience.

A bronze plaque will be presented in honor of John Bruce, library board president from 1994 to 2005, and Ted L. Bidigare Sr., Grosse Pointe Woods city manager from 1999 to 2004. The plaque commemorates the

efforts of the two men to bring the idea of the library to fruition.

The new library will symbolically open with a ribbon-cutting ceremony, followed by an open-house and refreshments.

The library will be opened for business on Monday, Jan. 30 from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

## Brian Vick's farewell in City

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

It was like a New Orleans funeral where celebrants cheer the memory of someone they didn't want to leave.

Brian Vick, resigning as interim manager of the City of Grosse Pointe to become administrator of DeWitt, received a warm send off during his final City council meeting Monday night.

His goodbye gift from the mayor and council was a resolution extending "grateful appreciation" for a decade of service.

"It's been a pleasure working for the City of Grosse Pointe," Vick said.

His first job out of Michigan State University was as an intern with the city.

"I've had the opportunity to be involved in all kinds of projects," Vick said.

Switching to the audience, Vick said, "You have a great council, great mayor, and the department heads are the best you could expect. Thank you for the 10 years I served here."

Scrace praised Vick for work on the Village streetscape project during the late 1990s, renovation of Neff Park a few years later and recent acquisition of platform tennis courts at

Elworthy Field.

Vick, married with a son and wife who is due again this spring, starts in DeWitt on Jan. 31.

### City

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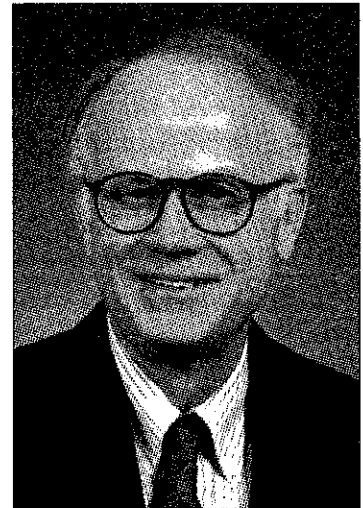
safety has been issued temporarily to Lt. Jim Fox, head of the detective unit and 22-year department veteran.

Fox will continue serving as acting public safety director until a full-time city manager is hired. At that time Fincham will return to his former duties. Kressbach will retire a second time.

"We expect that to be sometime in April," Scrace said.

"We're all going to work hard to make this as seamless as possible," Fincham said.

Fincham, who had already taken on duties of assistant public safety director upon retirement of



Former City Manager Tom Kressbach

Dennis Van Dale, is receiving an additional \$500 per week in his new role. Fox will earn an additional \$350 per week. Kressbach is forecast to work 20 hours per week at \$50 per hour.

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# Park couple passionate about DSO for children

By Margie Reins Smith  
Special Writer

Helen and Dr. Clyde Wu are united by more than 43 years of marriage, two grown sons and three grandchildren. They also share intense passion for music.

"But I can't play a note," Clyde said.

Helen, on the other hand, earned a master's degree in piano. "Music is the glue that holds us together," Clyde said. A genuine love for children and young people also unites the Grosse Pointe Park couple.

Clyde and Helen were both born in Hong Kong. He earned an undergraduate degree from Johns Hopkins University and a medical degree from Columbia. The couple came to Detroit in

## POINTERS OF INTEREST

the early '60s when Clyde accepted a job at Wayne State University. Later he was the director of medical education at Grace and Oakwood hospitals. He went into private practice as a cardiologist for a while. Now, he said, he is 90 percent retired.

For many years, Clyde and Helen Wu were involved with programs promoting and encouraging medical professionals in the People's Republic of China and the United States. They supported and funded promising academics through Mrs. Ivy Wu Fellowships. Hand-picked academics received funds to attend prestigious medical

schools, such as Duke, Temple and Columbia University and the University of Michigan.

"So far, we have trained 29 people," Clyde said. "Of these, 25 are now chiefs or vice chiefs of medical facilities."

They supplied the funds for the lab of Dr. Wang Zhun-Yi, a Shanghai professor who developed a successful treatment for a certain kind of leukemia from an old Chinese medicine extract, retinoic acid.

"Our philosophy is to plant the seeds. Once the seeds proliferate and grow, we move on and explore other areas," Clyde said.

Since 1992, the Wus have concentrated their energy on music and local issues such as the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and the DSO's educational programs.

Because he grew up during the turbulent years of World War II, Clyde attended eight different high schools. "It was a trying time," he said, "and high schools in China were deficient in material things."

One teacher, however, sparked his interest in music.

"That's all it takes — one teacher," he said. "The first Western symphony I ever heard was Schubert's Unfinished. The teacher explained what we were hearing and what to listen for. I loved it."

Helen and Clyde Wu are troubled whenever school administrators and curriculum directors talk about cutting art and music programs. "Music and art and literature are gifts from heaven," Helen Wu said.

The couple demonstrate their passion for music and for young people by actively working on Detroit Symphony Orchestra projects to bring music and musical experiences to the young people of metropolitan Detroit.

When asked if they could be called philanthropists, they both shook their heads, "No. No."

"We are not philanthropists. We are very hands-on," Clyde said. "We are activists. When we think something has to be done, we do it. We have no agenda. We do what is needed. We are not wealthy, but we give money, and we derive pleasure in giving."

They are currently focusing their energy on the Detroit Symphony Civic

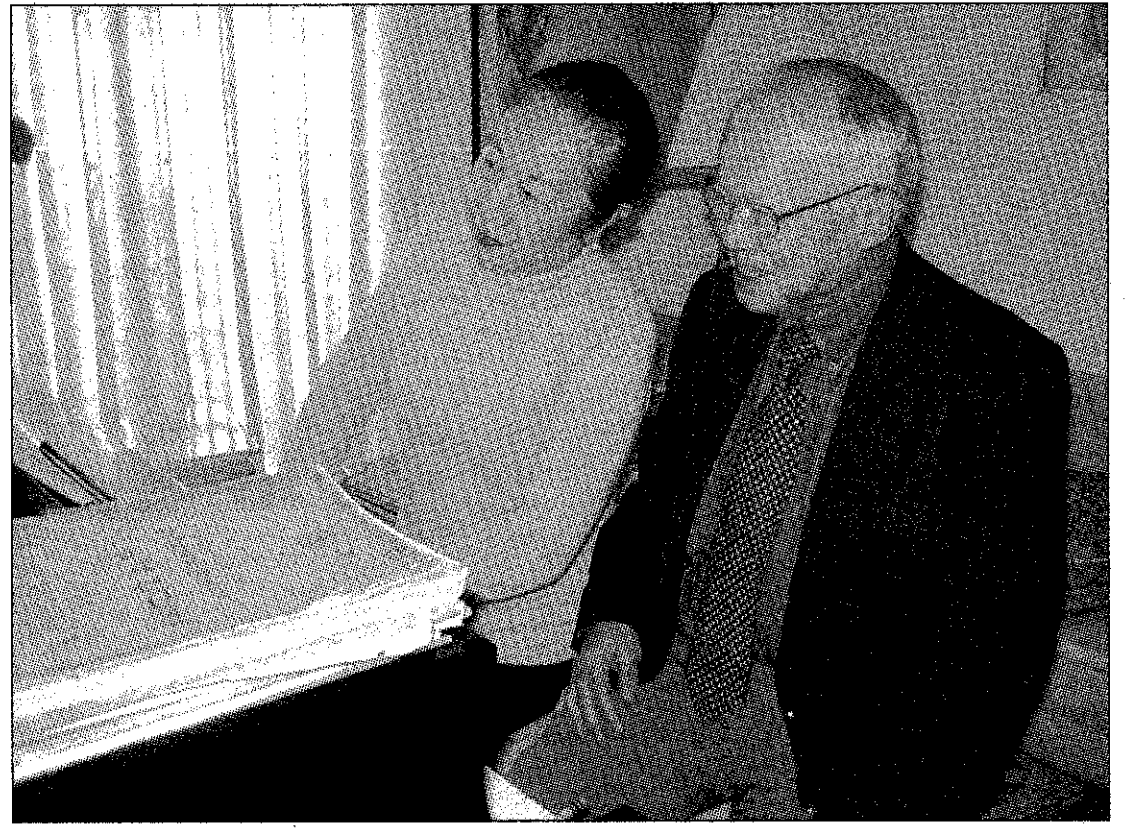


Photo by Margie Smith

**Dr. Clyde and Helen Wu are passionate about music and young people. They are deeply involved in the Detroit Symphony Orchestra's civic ensembles and children's concerts. Here, Helen Wu plays the piano, while Dr. Clyde Wu serves as page-turner.**

Ensembles, a program that offers young musicians a chance to learn and perform with other youngsters, all under the watchful eye of world-renowned musicians.

Seven years ago, when Clyde Wu was a member of the executive committee of the DSO, Peter Cummings, then chairman of the board of the DSO, asked him to become chairman of the DSO's education committee. "Cummings insisted," Clyde said. "I reluctantly accepted the challenge."

"The programs at that time were lethargic and anemic," Helen said. Together, they researched what other city orchestras were offering to children and young people. They consulted their friends in the world of music; they looked at Web sites, and they talked to educators and musicians.

"We came away with the conviction that we had to grow our own program. We couldn't copy what other cities and other orchestras were doing," Helen said.

When they decided to revamp the existing DSO young people's program, they established three criteria for the project. They wanted to:

- Provide meaningful concert experiences for metropolitan Detroit children.
- Increase children's participation in the Youth Orchestra.
- Hire a permanent conductor for the children's ensembles.

The program currently

has seven ensembles for young people. These include the Civic Orchestra, pre-professional training for the most advanced young musicians; the Civic Philharmonia, a program for intermediate-level middle and high school students; the Civic Sinfonia, an entry-level orchestral program; the Preparatory Strings Ensemble, for novice string players; and three jazz bands: Civic Jazz Band I, II and III.

Participants in these ensembles are between the ages of 8 and 22. Ensembles rehearse on Saturdays, and they all perform at Orchestra Hall three times each year. Some 26,000 metropolitan Detroit children attend these concerts and other children's programs at Orchestra Hall each season.

"We now have a permanent conductor for the children," Clyde said. Music Director Charles Burke is a former teacher. The Jazz groups are coached by Rodney Whittaker, chairman of jazz studies at Michigan State University and a civic orchestra alumnus himself.

"These kids are exposed to world-class musicians and conductors," Helen said. "Itzhak Perlman, Neeme Jarvi, Pamela Frank and Pinchas Zukerman have given their time to work with the students."

Clyde and Helen Wu explain their commitment to the importance of musical education for young peo-

ple. "Group activities are important for young people," Clyde said. Sports activities are one way for youngsters to learn the give and take, to learn the teamwork and the subtleties of working harmoniously and productively as members of a group.

"Playing (an instrument) together with others in an ensemble is also about as good a group activity as you can get," Clyde said. "Not every child is fit for athletic prowess. Other activities can serve the same purpose as sports. Music is one of them."

The Wus believe in the Mozart effect, which claims that music and the arts improve one's health, memory, awareness, learning ability and creativity, and that the earlier music becomes a part of one's experience, the better.

"We believe that art and music serve to develop an affinity for intellectual activities. The music experience needs to be instilled

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## DSO for youngsters

The Detroit Symphony Orchestra offers two series of concerts especially for children and their families and one series for children and teachers. Young People's Concerts are designed for children 4-11, and Tiny Tots Concerts are for very young children. The Educational Concert Series concerts are held on school days and are designed for children and their teachers.

The next Young People's concert will be at 10 a.m. and again at 11:30 a.m., Saturday, Feb. 25, at Orchestra Hall. The program, "Artists and Authors," will bring the DSO's instruments to life as they paint musical portraits of familiar children's stories and fairytales.

The next three Tiny Tots concerts, on Saturdays, March 18, April 8 and May 6, are sold out.

The DSO's Educational Concert Series is for children in grades 3 through 12 and their teachers. Participating teachers receive suggestions for lesson plans to prepare children for what they will hear. The next concert is "An American Quilt" and will be held on four mornings in March. Thomas Wilkins is the conductor.

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# Michigan wetlands are not sacred ground

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

Melvin Purvis and his G-Men were untouchable. Wetlands aren't.

Wetland soil can be groomed, its grasses mowed and trees cut down. The whole mucky concoction of sand, dirt, decaying vegetation and critters can be dug up and hauled away.

All it takes is permission.

The revelation surprised people worried that sediment washing up on parts of the Grosse Pointe shoreline would be anointed hands-off status if wrapped within protection of a wetland designation.

It surprised John Booth.

Booth, a Grosse Pointe Shores lakeside landowner, expected government environmental regulators to deny his request to dredge

80 acres of accretion north of Vernier because the target area is or might become wetland.

"Once that happens, you're dead," Booth assumed.

"That's not true," said Andrew Hartz, of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality land and water management division. "I have been working for the DEQ approximately 11 years. We issued roughly 800 permits that impact wetlands from Northville to Gibraltar to Harrison Township."

The Wetland Protection Act requires a permit before wetlands can be altered.

"We issue probably 90 percent of wetland permits," Hartz said. "I caution everybody about getting caught up on the wetland issue."

Hartz spoke last week to nearly 200 people attending a forum on accretion. Sen. Martha Scott, D-Highland Park, organized the forum at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

Government environmental officials have authority to modify applications before issuing permits. Not every applicant gets what he or she wants.

"However, most wetland permits are issued in one form or another," Hartz said.

Aerial photographs of the shoreline north of Vernier show accretion has been developing for decades. Except for distant perspectives of the area from Shores Osius Park, the area of concern is out of public view behind houses on Lakeshore.

The matter has been achieving increased awareness in recent years due to highly visible accretion and tall weeds overtaking lake-side views above Pier Park at the foot of Moross in Grosse Pointe Farms.

"Accretion is a public nuisance," said Paul Koch, longtime Farms resident. "Under ordinances of Grosse Pointe Farms, it should be removed."

Koch remembers when views of Lake St. Clair were unobstructed from Lakeshore, the Pointes' signature avenue.

"There's no excuse for permitting this to continue," he said of the growing wall of weeds and invasive plants taken root near Pier Park.

Koch called for legislative action to change laws that might prevent reclaiming the shoreline.

"Whether state or federal law, they're manmade laws, and they can be changed," he said.

"The legislature has authority to change the definition of a wetland," said

Rep. Edward Gaffney, R-Grosse Pointe Farms and former Farms mayor. "I don't know if that's the problem, from what the DEQ is saying."

Soil washed up on the shoreline isn't necessarily wetland.

Hartz defined wetland as "an area dominated by vegetation adapted to grow in moist soil conditions, saturated soil conditions during

normal presence of water at or near the surface of the earth."

Wetlands host willow trees instead of oak trees and cattails instead of honeysuckles.

"There's a whole suit of plants that have adapted to grow in those saturated soil environments," Hartz said.

"I don't think it's a wetland," said Becky Booth, John's wife. "I think it's an emerging sand dune."

Hartz is familiar with the area the Booths want dredged above Osius Park. Hartz has been dealing with the area since late 1999, when Grosse Pointe Yacht Club officials needed a permit if they wanted to expand their marina.

"Actually, the potential wetland area constitutes five acres out of an 80-acre box that's requested to be altered," Hartz said.

Either way, the whole area sits below the ordinary high water mark of Lake St. Clair. It is therefore state property, or bottom land, held in trust by the DEQ. The area is subject to state regulations for the enjoyment of everybody who uses that section of lake.

"Whether it is wetland or Lake St. Clair bottom land, a permit is still required to alter that area," Hartz said.

There's also a federal component.

"Lake St. Clair is an international body of water," said Ken Debossart, director of the Office of the Great Lakes and former state senator representing St. Clair Shores. "We also operate under federal guidelines of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The federal level has to be addressed."

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## Seminar set for Feb. 5

The National Rifle Association's Refuse To Be A Victim program will conduct a crime prevention seminar at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 5, at Top Gun Shooting Sports, Inc., in Taylor.

The seminar is three to four hours long and is open to the public. The cost is \$20. Pre-registration is required, and may be done by contacting certified instructor Michael Barbour at [contact@topgunshootingsports.com](mailto:contact@topgunshootingsports.com) or by calling him at (734) 282-8470.

Refuse To Be A Victim seminars teach methods to avoid dangerous situations and prevent criminal confrontations. Experts agree that the most important factor in surviving a criminal attack is to have an overall safety strategy before you need it.

Seminar topics address personal safety issues, as well as home, automobile, phone, technological, travel, and personal security. Seminar participants are presented with a variety of common-sense crime prevention and personal safety strategies and devices they may integrate into their daily lives. Firearm instruction is not included.

## Boy and dog involved in hit-&-run accident

By Bob St. John  
Staff Writer

The Grosse Pointe Woods department of public safety is looking for an elderly woman with white curly hair in connection with a hit and run accident at 3:53 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 19.

A 12-year-old boy on rollerblades was taking his dog for a walk and was crossing Mack at the light located at the intersection of Mack and Torrey when he was struck by a pale green 4-door Mercury Tracer or Sable.

The vehicle ran directly over the boy and his dog and kept on traveling south on Mack.

The boy, a Woods resident, was rushed to the hospital where he was released the following day. He sustained cuts and bruises, but no bones were broken. The dog sustained a gash and was

taken to a pet clinic. It is not known how the dog is at the moment.

"The boy is OK and back home," Grosse Pointe Woods director of public safety Mike Makowski said. "It's a miracle nothing was broken."

Makowski said they are looking for a vehicle that has several stuffed animals in the back window.

"We don't know exactly who is at fault, but we just want the driver to come forward and answer some questions," Makowski said.

If anyone has information about the driver, contact the Grosse Pointe Woods detective bureau at (313) 343-2412, or if you wish to remain anonymous, contact Crime Stoppers at 1-800-SPEAKUP.

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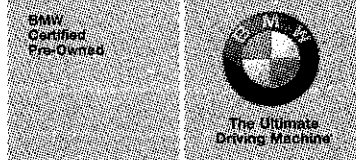
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# G.P. Woods City council honors Patricia Kukula-Chylinski

By Bob St. John  
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Patricia Kukula-Chylinski was honored by Mayor Robert Novitke, city council members, Wayne County Commissioner Chris Cavanagh, and State Rep. Ed Gaffney, R-Grosse Pointe Farms, for her eight years of service as a city council member and Mayor Pro-Tem.

In addition, Gov. Jennifer Granholm sent a letter to the city council, honoring Kukula-Chylinski, 49.

Kukula-Chylinski received a commemorative vase for her years of dedication to the city council. The vase was given to her during Monday's city council meeting.

"I'm honored that so many people took time out of their schedules to come by and help me celebrate this nice honor," Kukula-Chylinski said. "It was nice for my husband, daughters, family and friends to be here to see me receive a nice gesture on behalf of the city of Grosse Pointe Woods."

Cavanaugh and Gaffney spoke, each thanking Kukula-Chylinski for her eight years of service to the residents of Grosse Pointe Woods.

**At right, Patricia Kukula-Chylinski is joined by her daughters, husband James Chylinski and Grosse Pointe Woods Mayor Robert Novitke during an award ceremony honoring her eight years on the Woods city council.**



## Slip rentals up at Osius Park

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

Rent is rising on floating cottages docked at Grosse Pointe Shores municipal marina.

Trustees have approved a 5 percent increase in boat well fees effective this year. Prices are up across the board for all well sizes.

Changes mean last year's rate of \$2.40 per square foot is now \$2.52 per square foot.

Additional revenues generated by the fee increase will be poured back into the harbor.

"A 5 percent increase would handle our needs, especially with additional dredging come spring," said Trustee Karl Kratz, council liaison to the park and harbor committee. "Secondly, we're trying to raise cash necessary to move forward with harbor renovation and repairs."

Shores officials are planning a three-phase upgrade of the harbor at Osius Park. Phases could be completed sequentially in incremental fashion, or work could stop after only one phase,

depending on how much money and desire exists for partial or full-scale renovations.

Work is to include repairing sections of deteriorating breakwall, reconfiguring wells to accommodate modern boat design, upgrading docks and harbor utilities.

Shores officials want a new northern breakwall designed with openings to let lake water flush the harbor.

Also, flow-through openings would allow shoreline currents to pass downstream relatively unimpeded rather than hitting a blank wall, depositing sediment and adding to accretion and sandbars north of the harbor.

Overall goals include making the harbor a more attractive place to rent slips.

Only 64 percent of the harbor's roughly 210 slips were rented last year.

"The reasons we're down in occupancy are because wells are in such poor shape and they're missized," said Jim Cooke, park director. "If we fix up the harbor and make it a better product, I believe we'll get better usage out of it."

## Wetland

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The Booths, fellow dredging advocates and many other people say the Pointes' accretion problem is man-made. They cite visible evidence of accretion wedged against landfills and marinas blocking the path of shoreline currents. Such projections interrupt, slow or stop shoreline currents (called littoral currents) which deposit sediment rather than carrying it downstream.

natural, we need to return the littoral currents so we can have a natural shoreline once again," said Becky Booth.

Debate extends to what is and isn't a natural shoreline.

"Manmade structures stopped the water; so how can accretion be natural?" said Rankin Peck, another Shores lakeside homeowner.

"That's nature's reaction to man's manipulation of the lake," Hartz said. "It's not an easy problem. There's not an easy solution."

Regular rent increases are relatively new to Shores boaters.

"Years ago we never did increase boat well fees," Kratz said. "It put us in a very really bad position."

Rent generated \$160,000 last year. Five percent adds \$8,000 to the figure.

Kratz and Trustee Glenn Peters would have preferred a 7 percent rent hike, which would have grossed an additional \$11,000 increase based on occupancy.

But a majority of council colleagues didn't want to risk turning away boaters by raising rent beyond what the market would bear.

"The last thing we need is fewer boaters," said Trustee Linda Walton. "That would be counterproductive."

Osius harbor needs dredging on average once every three years, according to Mike Kenyon, village manager. Dredging costs about \$80,000.

The amount of dredging

needed this year will be determined by engineers at The Abonmarche Group, a Benton Harbor-based worldwide coastal design firm retained last year to plan the new harbor.

"We have to start planning because we don't know what dredging cost is going to be," Kratz said. "We have to have some kind of cash reserve to help us out."

Shores officials are committed to renovating their harbor, which shares breakwalls, fairways and a com-

bined entrance and exit with the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club.

Club officials have until March to partner with the Shores on renovating the entire facility.

"Last (week) we had a meeting with the Yacht Club," Kratz said. "They're still trying to figure out what they're going to do. I let them know our master plan has been approved for the Shores portion (and) we have approval to go ahead on our own."

## Top gun Tassie

Jim Tassie can't fly fighter jets, but he's a top gun.

Tassie, a Grosse Pointe Shores public safety officer, won his department's annual marksmanship contest.

"Officer Jim Tassie is our top gun," said Stephen Poloni, department director. "He scored 250 out of a pos-

sible 250."

Contestants shoot targets ranging from four to 15 yards away.

"We shoot 24 rounds on the course," Tassie said.

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— Brad Lindberg

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# Kercheval Place site plan OK'd

It was time for City of Grosse Pointe Mayor Dale Scarce to pay his debts, and he did so Monday night by forcing the unanimous approval of a site plan for the former Jacobson's building, now known as Kercheval Place.

Mayor Scarce was aggressively supported for re-election in November by Grosse Pointe Farms taxi baron Cullan F. Meathe, the new principal owner and developer of the Village shopping district's largest single property.

During the special hearing held Monday evening in the Unitarian Church, Mayor Scarce seemed to be at odds with five members of his city council and with his city attorney.

The super-majority of the council and the attorney wanted key items — such as the use of city property and the building and financing of a proposed or renovated parking structure — settled before granting site plan approval.

Earlier, we suggested to Mayor Scarce that he recuse himself from

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voting on Kercheval Place matters because of his close association with the property's new owner. But he obviously did not agree with our suggestion. In fact, he took the opposite tack. He is one of Mr. Meathe's most outspoken supporters.

The site plan approval Monday night covers the former Jacobson's property. It allows for retail on the ground and basement levels, offices on the second level and 24 condominiums on the proposed third- and fourth-floor levels.

The council was careful to put a lot of conditions in place. Grosse Pointe St. Clair Associates (Mr. Meathe's partnership) can continue interior renovations and begin facade alterations. The site plan approval also permits women's clothing Coldwater Creek to occupy 6,700 square feet at Notre Dame and Kercheval.

Cameron Piggott, Mr. Meathe's attorney, also sought approval for two other mall-type clothiers, Jos. A.

Bank and Acorn. The anchor of Kercheval Place is apparently slated to be The Fresh Market, a North Carolina-based fresh produce/fish/meat and health food chain. It would occupy 20,000 square feet.

Coldwater Creek has seven stores in Michigan. A spokesperson for the Idaho-based company said last week that he could not discuss a property without a signed lease. A Grosse Pointe location would be The Fresh Market's first location in Michigan. As of press time, the company did not return a phone call from the Grosse Pointe News.

Mr. Piggott indicated that retailers were lined up to acquire space in Kercheval Place, but they all demanded a new parking structure. He did not produce the names of any other prospective tenants, nor has he provided any leases or letters of interest.

Councilman John Stevens, an oppo-

nent of spending City money to build a new parking deck or to renovate the existing one, said he voted in favor of the site plan because, he said, it met zoning and master plan requirements for the block. He said he has nothing against retail, offices and third- and fourth-floor condominiums. He just wants to ensure that the developer pays for anything that is required in addition to what is currently available.

With that in mind, we would like to point out that Grosse Pointe St. Clair Associates has yet to fulfill the city council's year-old request for financial information regarding Kercheval Place and its officers and shareholders. We think the City should hold off any further dialog concerning Kercheval Place until it has received the information it requested a year ago.

Also, we would suggest the developer supply the City with a security bond to assure completion of the project once it has begun. The last thing the City needs is the project to be stalled due to financial difficulties, bankruptcy or incapacitation of a key shareholder.

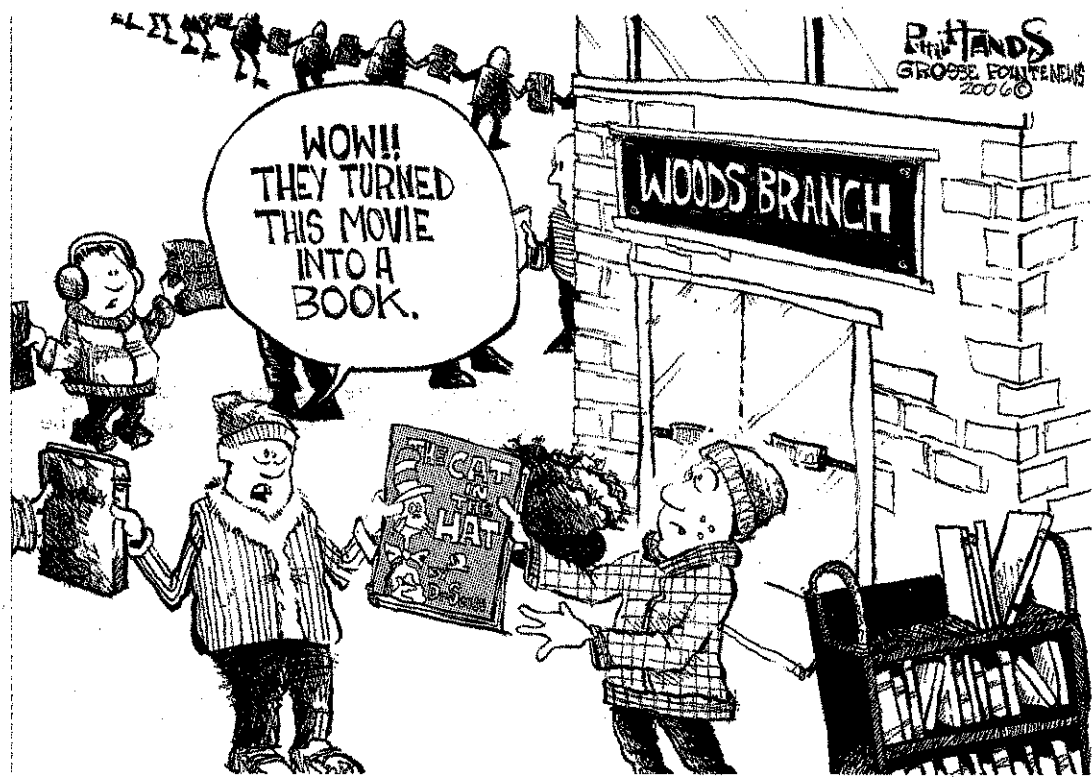
The site plan approval was greeted with enthusiastic applause Monday night. We, too, wish the best for the former Jacobson's site, as well as the Village. Let's hope a year from now we have something to cheer about.

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# Letters

## Thanks for recovered camera

**To the Editor:**  
I would like to thank Lt. James Fox of the City of Grosse Pointe Police Department for running a picture in the Jan. 19 Grosse Pointe News, "Camera recovered," of my son and me from the stolen camera they recovered.

What a great surprise to open up the paper and see a picture from my camera that I thought was gone forever.

My family and I are lucky to live in a community where we have a police department that goes the extra mile in not only protecting its citizens, but also returning little things like digital memories.

**Leo Salvaggio**  
City of Grosse Pointe

## Drastic school changes

**To the Editor:**  
I was disappointed that the Jan. 12 Grosse Pointe News article "Board adopts new middle school day" was placed on the back page of the schools section.

Many parents, including myself, almost missed the article. I feel something as significant as this should have been given more attention, even placed on the front page.

I also think the Grosse Pointe News could have better informed community stakeholders in advance of the Grosse Pointe Board of Education meeting about the intention of the school board to make such drastic school changes.

I believe parental input and attendance at that meeting would have been greater if more parents had been aware of the agenda

beforehand.

The board is considering many more cost-cutting measures, including teacher layoffs and program cuts — choir, practical arts and more — in the upcoming months. These cuts can affect the quality and perceived quality of our school system.

Presenting an article on this before the next meeting would be a good way to get the information out to the public.

This community expects our school board to maintain the highest level of education and opportunities for our children in this school system. Any change or perceived change to the quality or quantity of this educational experience will not only affect our students, but also will affect property values and those considering a move to our area.

As stakeholders, we need to be kept informed and need to write or call the board members with our opinions, or attend the upcoming board meetings. Our voices need to be heard before decisions are made.

**Lisa Decker**  
Grosse Pointe Woods

## Thanks medical facilities and service

**To the Editor:**

In recent years and especially the last four months, we have had to repeatedly rely on the assistance of our police officers, the EMS, Bon Secours Hospital emergency room and critical care unit; as well as Bon Secours Nursing Care Center, and St. John Senior Community services and rehabilitation. We were never disappointed. Instead, we were repeatedly impressed by the services provided.

Help arrived within min-

## Letters welcome

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The deadline for letters is 3 p.m. Monday.

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utes and life-saving devices were applied with speed and efficiency. We were overwhelmed by the skill and professionalism, as well as the care and concern of the follow-up teams of nursing and rehabilitation staff.

When it comes to long-term recovery and rehabilitation therapy, St. John Senior Community is an outstanding facility. They not only care for the patient but also the concerns of the family. It was the concentrated, well-coordinated care received at this facility that made it possible for our loved one to welcome the new year at home.

Thank you, one and all, and continue the great work. You are all much appreciated.

Our community is very fortunate to be surrounded by facilities that provide such wonderful services when we need them most.

**The Koch Family**  
Grosse Pointe Farms

# Fired up

I supposed if I bothered to do the research, I would find all kinds of documentation about fire and its impact on humans. However, I'm reluctant to tarnish my own observations and questions with actual facts. The truth is a contained fire has always been a source of comfort to me.

Our parents always had a fire in the fireplace. My Dad was almost obsessed with fires and firewood. He was particular about the mixes of hardwoods he ordered and the lengths of the logs. He always ordered a minimum of two face cords, and fires roared on his hearth from early fall until late spring. Our cottage has fireplaces in every room, and when Dad was in residence, he wanted them all lighted.

The apples not having fallen far from the tree, his children also enjoy fires going as often as possible. This obsession with fires has now passed to the next generation, and three male members of our family drove to Pennsylvania last fall to cut and load a truck full of firewood for the cottage and also extras to bring back to Michigan. The family lumberjacks compare the age and seasoning of their various stockpiles and power saws as only urban chest-thumping boys can do.

Thankfully, this obsession with logging only takes place once or twice a year when the men in the family turn into the woods surrounding the cottage and begin muttering about how it looks as if the trees need a little thinning out. The wives say silent prayers as our foresters don sunglasses, spurning the goggles and helmets offered, and head into the woods with their saws. Mixed emotions are expe-

rienced as we hear the loud buzzing noises outside our quiet retreat as the macho men in the woods assault our silent reveries. However, as long as we hear the noises, we are comforted that no one has lost a limb (pardon the pun) or finger.

The facts remain that all generations have been drawn to hearths for centuries. We hang our finest paintings above our mantels and decorate our fireplaces with fenders, baskets and screens. Our special treasures adorn our mantels, and they are the focal point of most rooms. Conversations are more intimate by the fireside. Family pictures often are posed in front of the fireplace.

Animals like to stretch out in front of a fire. The most sought after seats in a restaurant are near the fireplace.

We have come way past caring about the heat thrown from a fire and are more concerned about the ambience thrown into the room. People are buying fireplaces that are free standing and require no messy logs. We are simply hypnotized by the flickering flames that seem to comfort and relax us.

Campers gather around bonfires to sing and tell stories. Hunters and hikers use fires for cooking and safety from intruding animals, which fear fire as much as we love it.

So many reactions and feelings are involved with this strange and tantalizing phenomenon of fire. Anyone with any sense should have a healthy fear of fire and an enormous respect for its capacities for devastation. But, for now, give me a good book and a cozy fire, and I'm a happy camper in my own living room.

— Offering from the loft

# Shores chili fest contest Feb. 12

It's almost chili cookoff time in Grosse Pointe Shores.

Entries will be judged Sunday, Feb. 12, from 2 to 4 p.m., at Osius Park.

"I hope we get a good turnout like last year," said Jim Cooke, parks and recreation director.

Judges will include village officials.

"We'll get a council member or two," Cooke said.

Trophies are awarded for the top three recipes.

Cooke is planning a smorgasbord of activities to coincide with the cookoff.

"Weather permitting, we're going to hold a golf shootout, putt-putt and other events," he said.

time recently to plan the cookout and other special events.

"Things have been kind of slow due to the weather," he said. "Vernier Hill is not open. The ice rink is not open. There's no ice fishing. Things are kind of quiet for us."

— Brad Lindberg





## Wayne State to host immigration symposium

A symposium on immigration and ethnic relations in European and North American cities will be held Thursday, Jan. 26, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; and Friday, Jan. 27, from 9 a.m. to noon at Wayne State University's David Adamany Undergraduate Library third-floor community room, 5155 Gullen Mall in Detroit.

Wayne State University's Center for Peace & Conflict Studies, together with the university's Society of

Active Retirees (SOAR) and the Free University of Brussels, will host the symposium.

"Given the recent upheavals about immigrant relations in cities of Europe, Australia and the Middle East, it is crucial to discuss successes and failures in the integration of immigrants," said Fred Pearson, director of the Center for Peace & Conflict Studies. "This seminar will feature a delegation of European policy-makers and scholars,

who will compare experiences with their Detroit counterparts. The presentations will focus on police-community relations, housing, health, education and social relations. This is an opportunity for each side of the Atlantic to learn from the other."

European and American scholars, public officials and health practitioners will discuss immigration and ethnic relations. The issues include policing in diverse communities, immi-

grants, health, policy perspectives and the integration of immigrant populations in the United States and Europe.

Richard Lewis, senior research fellow at the Institute for European Studies of the Free University of Brussels, will be the keynote speaker. Lewis, the former head of the Asylum and Immigration Unit at the European Commission, will give two presentations, "Belgian Exceptionalism,"

and "The European Perspective on the Integration of Migrants." The commissioner of police for Brussels North; the senior adviser on social affairs for the city of Rotterdam; and Fulbright Scholar Melissa Schnyder, with the Institute for European Studies Vrije Universiteit Brussel (The Free University of Brussels), who is researching European immigration, will accompany Lewis.

Metro Detroit partici-

pants include several Wayne State faculty members; Southfield Police Chief Joseph Thomas; and representatives of two local, non-profit organizations — the Arab Community Center for Economic and Social Services (ACCESS) in Dearborn, and the Piast Institute, a Hamtramck-based think tank and resource center for Polish and Polish-American topics.

For more information, call Jason Lane at (313) 577-8270.

## Ash trees due for booster shots in the Shores

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

Ash trees are due for booster shots in Grosse Pointe Shores.

Municipally-owned trees injected in 2004 with a two-year insecticide are due for a follow-up dose this spring.

To withstand emerald ash borer infestation, ash trees must be injected every year or two. Injections can cost up to \$200 per tree.

"In spring and fall of 2004, we were offered a generous

chance to inject our trees by a local tree company at no cost to us," said Brett Marshall, head of the village tree board. "We are currently looking at all treatment options available to us."

He'll choose a strategy in time for spring applications. Cost will be an issue.

"We're going to look at phasing out some trees and phasing injection rates," Marshall said. "We're going to make it cost effective for the village."

"There would be some money in next year's budget for that," said Mike Kenyon, Shores manager.

Marshall plans to apply for a \$20,000 matching grant from the state to help pay tree costs associated with the emerald ash borer invasion.

Emerald ash borer took North American tree experts by surprise when it arrived in western Wayne County during the mid-to-late 1990s as an invasive species from

southeast Asia.

Regular ash tree injections of Imidacloprid thwart borer infestation. In many cases, treatments have returned infested trees to health. Success breeds imitation.

"There are different types of Imidacloprid now," Marshall said.

"Manufacturers are promoting their own delivery method along with their own formulation."

Imidacloprid requires annual injections.

"It's not water soluble," Marshall said. "It's not going to last as long inside the tissue of the tree."

Last year the tree board

helped the Shores win its first-ever Tree City USA award from the National Arbor Day Foundation.

This year Arbor Day is celebrated April 30.

The theme will be "Removal and replacement — the right tree for the right place."

## Woods city council fills committee appointments

By Bob St. John  
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe Woods' Mayor Robert Novitke and city council members filled the numerous open spots on the city's committees during the last two council meetings.

The members of the Historical Committee reappointed were John Parthum, Mary Kay Ferry, Colleen D'Agostino and Sean Murphy. Gordon Michaelson was appointed.

Novitke reappointed John Donahue, Wilson Rogers,

Robert Greening, and Ken Peterson to the Community Tree Commission, and reappointed to the Beautification Commission were Angelo DiClemente, Janette Duster, William Allemon, and James Kedich.

The Senior Citizens Commission member reappointed was Mary Zedan, while Mary Mitts, Bill Wilson, and Mary Rose Nelson were appointed.

City comptroller Cliff Maison was reappointed to the Building Authority.

The members reappointed to the Downspout Board of Appeals were Kevin Hendrick and Scott Lockwood, and the Construction Board of Appeals' members reappointed were John Vitale and Walter Kiehler. Donald Morrisett was appointed to that committee.

Dennis Zak was appointed to the Local Officers Compensation Commission, and Leland Allcut and Nicholas Kondak were reappointed to the Board of Canvassers.

## Park OKs block grants

By Bob St. John  
Staff writer

Residents of Grosse Pointe Park are the big winners of the 2006-07 Wayne County Community Development Block Grant.

Park city council members and Mayor Palmer Heenan unanimously approved \$71,000 in CDBG funds during Monday's city council meeting.

The city's financial officers will use these funds for a parking enhancement program (\$50,500), and for Services for Older Citizens (SOC).

The SOC programs benefiting from the funds are minor home repair (\$10,500), case coordination (\$1,500), information/referral service (\$1,000), and Meals on Wheels (\$8,000).

These are estimated

amounts.

"Our funding has dropped significantly from last year, but SOC remains the same," Grosse Pointe Park director of public service Chris Reimel said.

"We have been able to use

these funds to improve several areas around the city, and our senior citizen programs continue to get funding."

Grosse Pointe Park received nearly \$82,000 from CDBG a year ago.

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when we are young."

They also believe that every young person needs the chance to develop an area of excellence, which instills confidence, something all children need.

"We've seen many children for whom music has changed their lives," Helen said.

Clyde Wu praises the parents of civic ensemble children. Members of The Association of Civic Ensembles (ACES) are the parents and supporters of these children," he said. He also offers high praise to Grosse Pointers Jim Nicholson, chairman of the DSO board, Bruce Ferguson, chairman of ACES, and three Grosse Pointe residents who are active on the education committee: Anne Parsons, Doug Rasmussen and Ahmed Ismail.

"If the world had no children and no music," Helen said, "we would sign out."

She is looking forward to appearances by violinist Midori, who will be in Detroit for concerts with the DSO Thursday through

Sunday, Feb. 9-12. Midori will stay with the Wus while she is in Detroit. "She will be performing the sublime Tchaikovsky violin concerto," Helen Wu said.

The Wus are enthusiastic about many other cultural activities that are available in Detroit. In addition to their DSO activities, Clyde Wu and two other Grosse Pointers are charter members of the Friends of Asian Art at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

"Our house is magic," Helen said. "So many great musicians have been here — Isaac Stern; my children grew up with him; Yo Yo Ma; Neeme Jarvi; he was here every Monday. Our kids want us to sell the house, but it is so special, we would have to interview the buyers first."

Clyde and Helen Wu have two grown sons, Roger, a child psychiatrist, and David, a pulmonary physician. Roger plays the piano, trumpet and cello, and David plays the violin. They have three grandchildren, Nicholas, 9 1/2, Madeline, 6 1/2, and Caroline, 2. The two oldest grandchildren play the piano.

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Photo by Margie Smith  
Helen Wu plays the baby grand piano in her living room whenever she gets the chance. She majored in piano when she was in college. Dr. Clyde Wu is a cardiologist, now 90 percent retired. He doesn't play an instrument, but he supports the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and its programs.

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# Farms couple exemplify the meaning of 'team work'

By Bob St. John  
Staff Writer

Richard and Peggy Beadle have been "coaching" CEOs for the better part of two decades.

If you equate the Beadles' success rate to the sporting world, they would be the Super Bowl champ every season. They're like the hometown Red Wings or Pistons, bringing business championships to the Metro Detroit area.

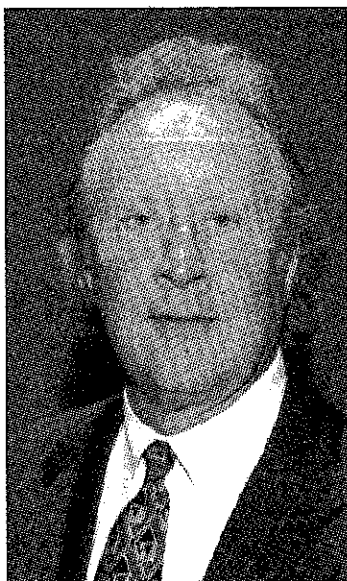
The Grosse Pointe Farms couple owns TEC Detroit, Inc., which is located in St. Clair Shores, and it's their quest to provide business leaders with the tools necessary to give their perspective business the winning edge.

"We have won a lot of games if you go with the sports theme," Richard Beadle said. "We help business people get a better understanding of what it takes to improve the many aspects of what running a successful business is about, and Peggy and I really enjoy working with these CEOs."

Richard, who was teaching in the Grosse Pointe Public School system, bought the company from Robert Nourse in Milwaukee, Wis., in 1957 when it was called The Executive Committee, and moved it to Detroit in 1975. Peggy is a graduate of Grosse Pointe High School, and enjoys living close to their employment and family.

He recently celebrated TEC's 30th anniversary here in the area, and TEC is stronger than ever.

In fact, TEC has gone



**Richard Beadle, above, is the executive vice president of business development of TEC Detroit, Inc., and was a teacher in the Grosse Pointe Public School system before embarking on his business career.**

international with companies located in Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Germany, Ireland, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Singapore, South Africa, United Kingdom, and recently to China.

"There are 11,000 TEC members around the world," Peggy Beadle said. "We have met many wonderful men and women during our time here at TEC, and our job gets better all the time. Dick and I love our job, but we make sure we balance our time spent at the office and home."

The Beadles have been married for 50 years. They met while attending Western Michigan University, and their relationship blossomed from there.

They have two daughters: One lives in Grosse Pointe

Park, and the other lives in Royal Oak, and they have four grandchildren who add energy and excitement to their lives.

"We are family-oriented," Peggy said. "We have always been supportive of our two daughters, and we're equally supportive of our grandchildren (two boys and two girls). We love spending time with them."

Their formula for success revolves around strong family bonds, love, trust, and a strong religious background.

Richard was the company's president until a few years ago when he stepped aside and passed that title to Peggy.

"Peggy and I have the utmost respect of each other, our kids, our grandkids and all of the people we work with," Richard said. "We really enjoy what we do, and we like to bring happiness to people's lives. It's interesting because technically Peggy is my boss; however, we work as a team, and that is what creates a better functioning business."

Executives have turned to TEC to accelerate the growth of their business — and themselves. That growth comes from a unique combination of elements, including candid problem-solving sessions with a local group of trusted peers, one-on-one executive coaching with a highly-trained TEC Chair; fresh ideas from a corps of expert speakers (that include Richard and Peggy); and entree into a worldwide network of more than 11,000 business leaders, the Beadles said.

The key components to



**Peggy Beadle, above, is the president and CEO of TEC Detroit, Inc., and a Grosse Pointe High School graduate.**

the individual's growth as a leader are making better decisions, faster; accountability; growth, for the CEO and the company; isolation, a solution; and change, starting it and managing it.

The Beadles have hosted several meeting sessions in their conference room, and these brain-storming sessions have also been hosted by other TEC members.

Statistics demonstrate that TEC member businesses grow, on average, 2.5 times faster than they did prior to joining. Annual growth rate before joining TEC is 4.6 percent, compared to 11.6 percent after joining TEC.

The proof is in the pudding, and the Beadles have shouldered the responsibility of helping men and women become role models within their companies just as athletes have been to millions of youngsters around the world.

Pele is revered by soccer players around the world, and locally Steve Yzerman and Ben Wallace have taken the torch as Detroit's sports icons.

The Beadles are the business-version of Yzerman and Wallace. They don't seek the attention, but they get it with their professionalism and strong family ties.

The encouragement of CEO interaction is crucial to building success. The Beadles want CEOs to be a team, instead of fierce competitors.

"It's easier to be part of a team; to get advice from peers on how to handle situations and create better, more effective businesses," Richard said. "We understand the business world is highly competitive, but it's easier to create success if you have more peers on your side."

TEC's programs allow CEOs of established small to medium sized companies, to share their expertise nine times a year to help each other reach better performance and greater profitability.

The Key Executive Program assists senior executives gain experience and share insights that help them build their leadership skills and enhance their companies.

TEC Gatekeeper Forum Program encourages executive assistants to hone their skills and learn new ones that directly relate to their role as key assistant to the CEO, president or executive of their company.

TEC Associate Program

has professional service providers, such as lawyers, accountants, and bankers, meet quarterly to improve the services they provide to their CEO clients and to run their businesses more profitably and efficiently.

"We want our members to feel comfortable sharing concerns and ideas with their peers in the business world," Peggy said. "It's the sharing of ideas and thoughts that our members can use in their own business that will eventually make a positive difference."

The Beadles and TEC have been applauded in some of the nation's most prolific publications, such as The Wall Street Journal, Atlanta Business Chronicle, Utah Business, the USA Today, Inc., Entrepreneur, and San Jose Mercury News.

"We thoroughly enjoy what we do for a profession," Peggy said. "We love going to work every day and enjoy helping others make a difference in their lives. People want to be excited and happy when they go to work, not unhappy. Productive employees are happy ones."

Richard and Peggy Beadle can be reached at (586) 443-5880.



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## Cafe NiNi open again

By Bob St. John  
Staff Writer

Cafe NiNi, located on the Hill in Grosse Pointe Farms, is ready to reopen.

Owner Ed Barbieri transformed his newest establishment from a coffee house into a full-service restaurant that has a full menu, as well as a full beer and wine list.

He received city council approval to receive a liquor license in May 2005, but it wasn't until November that the state of Michigan gave Barbieri the liquor license approval, and he actually held the document in his

hand.

"We're ready to go after a few minor adjustments," Barbieri said. "There are some changes from my other restaurant (Da Edoardo)," Barbieri said.

Cafe NiNi closed during the first week of September in order to begin the transformation from coffee house to restaurant. A bar was built, and the kitchen area had to be restructured to handle the more complex lunch and dinner dishes.

"It has taken a while, but we're ready to go," Barbieri said.

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## Gas 'n' go

On Saturday, Jan. 21, at 6:30 p.m., a City of Grosse Pointe service station attendant in the 17500 block of Mack reported an unknown man pumped more than \$61 worth of gasoline into a white late-model Chevrolet Suburban and drove away without paying.

## Unimprezzed

On Saturday, Jan. 21, at about 2:30 a.m., a 26-year-

old Troy man almost fell while being administered drunken driving tests in the City of Grosse Pointe.

"(He) was very unsteady on his feet," police said.

The man registered a .236 percent blood alcohol level.

An officer had witnessed the man speeding a 2002 Subaru Impreza 10 mph over the limit on eastbound Mack near Fisher.

## Wrong turn

On Saturday, Jan. 21, at

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3:47 a.m., Grosse Pointe Farms police saw the driver of a white 1997 Ford Explorer make an illegal turn from eastbound Mack to southbound Moross.

The driver, a 19-year-old St. Clair Shores man, was arrested for registering a .14 percent blood alcohol level.

"He stated he had been drinking at a friend's house on Kerby," police said.

## Takes drugs

Prescription drugs were taken out of an unlocked vehicle parked behind stores in the 17000 block of Kercheval in the Village on Friday, Jan. 20, between 9:15 and 9:30 a.m.

The victim, a Grosse Pointe Woods man, told City of Grosse Pointe police the prescriptions were for mor-

phine and Vicodin.

## Hit and run

A 39-year-old Grosse Pointe Farms man admitted leaving the scene of an accident last week on Kercheval near a restaurant on the Hill in Grosse Pointe Farms.

On Saturday, Jan. 21, at a few minutes before midnight, the man told police he was driving his black 2004 GMC Yukon to the police station to report the incident when he was pulled over on

Grosse Pointe Boulevard near Moross.

"His eyes were bloodshot and glassy," police said. "(He) was not able to follow simple instructions and showed poor coordination. An empty bottle of wine was in the center console of (his vehicle's) rear seat."

The man registered a .26 blood alcohol level, more than three times the legal limit.

He is accused of hitting a parked Jeep owned by an off-duty 28-year-old female Detroit police officer.

"While in the booking room (at Farms headquarters, he) admitted he struck the (woman's) Jeep and that he saw and heard her yelling at him," police said. "He claimed he became scared and did not want to confront her because of her emotional state and because she was 'black.'"

Police described the man as uncooperative.

See SAFETY, page 19A

## GPF PD eye man in B&Es

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe Farms police have a suspect in at least one of a series of recent home invasions.

"We're focusing on a known drug addict living on the streets," said Detective Mike McCarthy. "His mother lives in the Farms. We know he's been frequenting pawn shops in the downtown Detroit area."

Until an arrest is made, McCarthy cautioned homeowners to be extra vigilant and keep their doors locked.

"If you see anything suspicious, give us a call," he said.

The break-in that tipped police to their suspect occurred Tuesday, Jan. 17 on Muir. Sometime between 8:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m., a burglar finessed open a rear-door deadbolt lock and stole a \$1,500 Apple laptop computer.

Other cases are, in order of occurrence:

- During a 24-hour period following 7 a.m. Monday, Jan. 16, thieves stole \$40,000 worth of rare coins from a house on Country Club Lane. Coins consisted of Indian head pennies, buffalo nickels and Roosevelt dimes.

- A resident of the 100 block of Ridge thinks her German shepherd guard dog took a bite out of crime.

On Tuesday, Jan. 17, the woman reported dried blood smeared and splattered on her home's steps, vestibule and foyer. The family has two dogs.

"(The woman) believes her German shepherd may have done what it is trained to do and thwarted a would-be thief," police said.

Police checked area hospitals for dog bite cases but found none.

- On Thursday, Jan. 19, at 11:46 p.m., a resident of the first block of Moross said a security chain prevented an unknown burglar from sliding open a side door of his house.

"(The homeowner) forced (the) door closed, locked the handle and went to call 911," police said.

Police described the suspect as a 20-something black male wearing a dark coat and jeans.

- On Mapleton, one block from Muir, on Friday, Jan. 20, at 8:28 p.m., a husband and wife were startled to hear the knob rattle on their front door. The husband opened the door to see an unknown man standing in the driveway.

"I've got the wrong house," the man reportedly said and ran away toward Grosse Pointe Boulevard.

Police described the suspect as white, thin, 6-foot-tall and about 20 to 25 years old. He wore a brown jacket and white baseball cap turned backwards.

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### Creative fourth-grader makes toys from duct tape

By Ann L. Fouty  
Staff Writer

There is more than one use for duct tape, according to fourth-grader Matthew Dunnell.

The 10-year-old is turning duct tape into toy monsters. He has boxes full of monsters. He has bags full of duct tape monsters. And they all have special powers. They can squirt poison or command the animal kingdom. They can walk on land, swim in the oceans and fly through the sky. Whatever shape, power or color of these toys it all comes from the creative mind of Dunnell who attends Ferry Elementary School.

On this gray January day, this budding toy monster creator's latest invention is Magnetic Cyber dragon with wings. Dunnell walks down the hall with the dragon flying through the air, accompanied by sound effects supplied by Dunnell.

His teachers, who are trailing him, tell how this activity has helped the young boy with autism spectrum disorder. They say his speech and social skills have improved through this creative outlet.

"This has been a huge asset to his growth. He usually builds one a day. His motivation to do it is incredible," said his teacher Lisa Amrhein.

"He has made progress in the areas of speech and social skills, but his academic skills, confidence and enjoyment of school have all skyrocketed through his creative outlet," she explained.

"Every day Matt completes his work and then is rewarded by having time to create his toy monsters. He is working so hard on his academics to earn toy monster time that he sees the progress he is making."

Dunnell has seen how the extra work has paid off academically and he comes to school excited to learn, as well as creating new



Photo by Ann L. Fouty  
**Nar-a-butah is perched on Matthew Dunnell's shoulder, and he holds the Pumpkinator. Climbing up his sweat shirt is Magnetic Cyber Dragon. All creatures are made with duct tape and colored tape.**

monsters, she added.

The toys have paid off in another way — student interest.

Ferry students are drawn to him and his compositions.

"They love it," Amrhein continued. "They stop and watch. They stop to look. He likes to give them to his friends."

"His peers love his toy monsters and really value Matthew for being able to create them. That makes Matt feel great about him-

self and his abilities."

His talents are known throughout the school. The Ferry PTO put an order in for Dunnell to create spiders, scorpions, a fire monster and Pumpkinator for the Halloween Haunted House. His monsters have been raffled off or brought in for show and tell and Dunnell has given monsters to his friends. When someone asks, Dunnell is more than glad to teach his friends how to wrap the tape to

create the body, head, tails, legs and arms. Dunnell also uses aluminum foil or cardboard to form some of the larger monsters' bodies.

"I will teach them anything they want. I tell them to do whatever comes to mind," he said.

Before committing his monsters to tape, he draws them and uses bright colors to bring them to life whether it will be a sea creature, one that moves on land or in the air. Once that step is completed it is a short 15 minutes until he has a three-dimensional figure.

Dunnell creates them both at home and at school when he has a few moments.

His interest in creating these monsters came about from missing his brother.

According to his mother, Michele Dunnell, "The night I noticed the tape monsters was a Friday night when Matt had a problem with his brother spending the night at a buddy's house. I was working afternoons and got home about 1:30 a.m. He told me he had a new brother. On the top bunk was a life-size tape person. It had a necklace, legs, arms, etc."

Creating someone to keep him company has turned into a creative outlet for him. To some, getting duct tape and colored tape for Christmas wouldn't be much fun. For Dunnell, possessing multiple rolls of tape is satisfying and a creature yet to be born.

In addition to creating the monsters, Dunnell will make up stories centering around the latest creation.

Every monster has specific powers, said Dunnell, who has been making toy monsters for about three years. Some have lasers, others shoot flames, and yet others have long tentacles.

Displayed in the Ferry School showcase near the office are some 15 monsters including the Robo Puppet with a scythe, the alien

cowboy and King Scorpion, and his personal favorite, the Skeleton King because it can rule the world.

King Scorpion, according to Dunnell, is king of the night, king of the light and one who is able to shoot poison from its tail. Joining King Scorpion in the showcase are King Pharaoh, Pumpkinator who rules Halloween, a sea serpent and the Skeleton King which shoots flames.

There is a Ninja which can shoot and a Nar-a-butah, the alien creature.

This one, Dunnell explains, can self-destruct or "he can become four different things."

Other monsters in the showcase can control electricity or juggle people, or like the horned Zana which contains a microchip, it can flood cities and control animals.

Ideas for these creatures may have come from cartoons that Dunnell watches on television, Amrhein explains, but now he has a brand of toys all his own.

"Matt lives in a very normal household setting with his big brother, little sister, stepfather and mother and overcomes his challenges on a daily basis," said his mother. "By achieving those challenges, Matt gets rewarded with the satisfaction of achievement."

She continues to say that her son was the 2001-02 poster child for the Foundation for Exceptional Children annual report.

"That was when Matthew realized that children were different. I think that is when Matt set his goals for himself to get the most that he could out of life."

"Matt is going to grow beyond my expectations as he already has so far," Michele said.

Dunnell has expectations, Amrhein said. "He wants to be a toy maker when he is older and have a business. This can be part of it."



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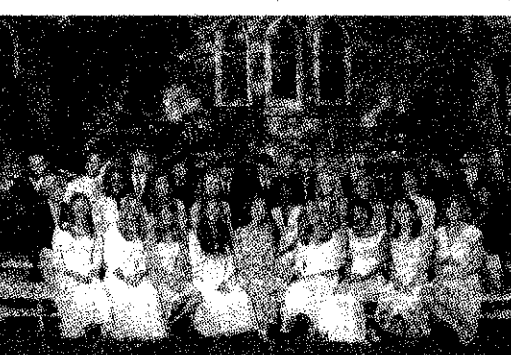
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# Fine arts adds dimension to St. Clare's curriculum

By Ann L. Fouty  
Staff Writer

Children are endowed with a multitude of talents. Teachers at St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic School are tapping those talents not only in the core curriculum but through the fine arts offerings.

## Art

Art draws from a different part of the students' brains, said Gabriela Moustardas, the art teacher. It enhances creative problem solving and an opportunity for hands-on learning by experimenting with different materials, such as metal and ceramics.

While all students come to her during the day, Moustardas invites about 30 fifth- through eighth-graders to her Art Attic.

During a normal silent reading time, Art Attic students come to her sunny classroom to move beyond what she presents during regular class periods. Most recently, they have experimented with different painting techniques to produce a one-of-a-kind journal cover.

Moustardas went on to say that the Art Attic students are also involved in school projects, including the Christmas carnival, making props for the upcoming school musical and items to be sold at the school auction.

"Gabriela has a way of tapping into the talents of students," said principal Patty Ferguson-Chaney. She is building self-esteem and confidence through her teaching methods, framing student art work once a month and putting it on display.

## Radio

There is Falcon Pride

going out over the airwaves at 89.7 FM.

The radio station, sponsored by Platz Animal Hospital, has a narrow wave length, said Kay Burnett, the program's coordinator.

"It's picked up in the parking lot and a couple of surrounding blocks," she said.

Once a week, students tape their four-minute broadcast. The continually looping broadcast notes birthdays, recognizes students for their achievements and a schedule of upcoming fund raisers. Authors read their original works on the air. When a special speaker comes to St. Clare, students produce an interview-style show for airing over 89.7 FM.

Announcer spots are open to anyone who can read, Burnett said. "It gives them a speaking opportunity."

## Music, drama, performance

Kim Korba is the teacher who helps bring out the music in the souls of St. Clare students. She oversees the schools' three choirs, the bell choir, the annual Christmas concert for first through sixth grades and the annual musicals, including the upcoming 2006 presentation of "The Beauty

and the Beast."

Her music classes teach the children the importance of music in telling a story, Korba said.

Students are given a taste of the classics in music classes, Ferguson-Chaney added, and learn discipline which can only help in the future.

She explained that being involved in musical productions helps students stick to a schedule, learn time management and develop a strong sense of discipline. More than 100 students are involved in the musical productions, including the art students.

This year's performance will again be held at the War Memorial where it will open up to audiences of parents and community members. The 2005 performances were sold out and seen by more than 1,000 people.

Drama, Korba said, contributes to the over-all well-being of each student. They acquire skills of stage presence, vocal projection, public speaking, character development.

Her puppet ministry hones the skill of storytelling.

## Spanish

The introduction of a sec-



Photo by Ann L. Fouty  
Sixth-graders Taylor Barrow, left, and Hannah Robar are seasoned radio announcers. They say they enjoy the experience but don't want to pursue it as a profession.

ond language was one of Ferguson-Chaney's goals that came to fruition this school year.

Backed by the PTO, Spanish teacher David Slusser comes into all the classrooms to teach a language that is becoming prominent in the United States.

There are statistics, Ferguson-Chaney said, that when children learn a second language, it helps them with their native language. Students also notice the similarity of many English and Spanish words. She also likes the rich culture from which the language comes, helping the children see a wider vision of the world.

## Puppet ministry

For three years, fifth-through eighth-graders

have been bringing Scripture-based stories to life through puppets.

These six to eight students dressed in black take the Muppet-style puppets to classrooms to talk about childhood hindrances, such as bullying and selfishness.

Sue Reik, who has been a puppeteer for 25 years, said, the children are bringing cartoons to life to teach a lesson on a child's level and based in Scripture.

This is part of the religious education at St. Clare.

## Dance and gymnastics

For dance and gymnastics teacher Barbara Thomson, her after-school classes center on self-esteem.

Through the stretches, crab and bear walks, forward and backward somersaults, head stands and

hand stands Thomson is teaching the kindergartners through third-graders to become more flexible and sure of themselves.

During dance classes which stress ballet steps, Thomson encourages proper body posture.

She is also teaching them a 3-minute routine for a spring recital.

Both classes are held once a week during the school year.

It's all part of her lessons on taking care of the body through proper nutrition, exercise and improved self-esteem.

Ferguson-Chaney is proud of the offerings at St. Clare; her staff and parent volunteers would like to expand and enrich the selection and are investigating funding and grants.



Photo courtesy Irene Noseda

## Varsity forensics

The varsity forensics tournament held on Dec. 10 at St. Thecla Catholic School yielded another year of great results for St. Clare of Montefalco School. A special congratulations goes to Ed Lewis, left, for a perfect score of 15 in the declamation category and for earning first place. Christa Balow, second from left, received a second place overall in the storytelling category. One of St. Clare's new students, Morgan Roberts, second from right, earned a first place by having the highest number of points among all the schools participating in the poetry category. Thomas Ridella, right, earned second place in the declamation category. Other student participants were: for prose — Jackson Robar, Dominique Crump, Maya Cain, and Juanita Jackson; for impromptu — Carl Billingsley and Grace Ward; for multiple interpretation — Miles Hubbell, Taylor Glover, Jerry Vedua, Chris Guyon and Alesia Alexander; for drama — Meilani Wilder, Elexus Hardge, Tracelyn Freeman and Emmanuelle Baker; for duos — Mary Platz and Renee Noseda, Marlon Berger and Elise Lowell, and Alexis Mabry and Timmie Mackie; for storytelling — Lindsey Chapman and Isabel Peck.



Photo courtesy Kathy Usitalo

## Sound of science

The study of sound was the project and a variety of instruments were the result of a recent science class segment for the fifth-grade students at Our Lady Star of the Sea School in Grosse Pointe Woods. "You can have fun with your instrument even if it looks bad," said Jesse Ajlouni, who recycled shampoo bottles into maracas. Jammin' on their homemade instruments, students crafted drums, chimes, pan pipes, tambourines, a squeeze box, a guitar, and a gong. Standing from left are Andrew Amine and Annie Lash of Grosse Pointe Woods, Kosta Toliias of St. Clair Shores, Taylor Moses of Detroit, Claire Bouret of St. Clair Shores, Jesse Ajlouni of Grosse Pointe Shores; kneeling from left, Jake Kowalski of Grosse Pointe Shores, Thomas Anter, Sam Randazzo and Christopher Jakob, all of Grosse Pointe Woods. Fifth-grade teachers are Linda Ascencio and Ann Plotzke.



Photo courtesy Chris Cullen

## The teacher's gift

When room parents asked Monteith fifth-grade teacher Ruth Wilson how they should answer parents who asked, "What would Mrs. Wilson like for Christmas?" she replied that she would like donations made to Children's Hospital in lieu of any gifts. The class collected more than 500 items for Children's patients and their parents.

## Git goin' to 'Annie'

Brownell Middle School presents, "Annie Get Your Gun" on Feb. 2 and 3, in Parcels Middle School auditorium.

This is Irving Berlin's musical about the legendary Buffalo Bill, Annie Oakley and Bill's Wild West Show.

The curtain rises at 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 2, and Friday, Feb. 3. Tickets are \$7 and can be purchased at the door or by calling Brownell at (313) 432-3900.

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# Boll YMCA dedication enhanced by Blue Dolphins

By Ann L. Fouty,  
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe's Blue Dolphins plunged into the gala opening of the Boll Family YMCA in downtown Detroit on Saturday, Jan. 21.

Though their synchronized routine was not fully prepared, the team put on its three-minute routine for those who attended the black tie and tennies opening festivities.

This year, the 21-member unified team chose a Broadway theme program and were preparing for the season.

Little more than a week prior to the event, Grosse Pointe Public School Assistant Superintendent Chris Fenton asked the team's coach Robin Hartnett if the team would be available to not only show off its program but

also initiate the YMCA's pool.

With a little extra effort, a little extra practice time, and a seamstress who pitched in to complete the costumes, the team was ready.

It's three weeks early, Hartnett said. Nonetheless, the girls were excited for the opportunity. She is hoping that when YMCA officials see the program it will plant a seed to offer synchronized classes there.

"This is a good opportunity to swim at the Y. It's an opportunity to show and grow," she said of the sport which is now considered a varsity sport, and members will be able to earn a letter.

Aside from being able to swim, these athletes must be flexible both physically and mentally, said Hartnett, who has been the coach for the past four

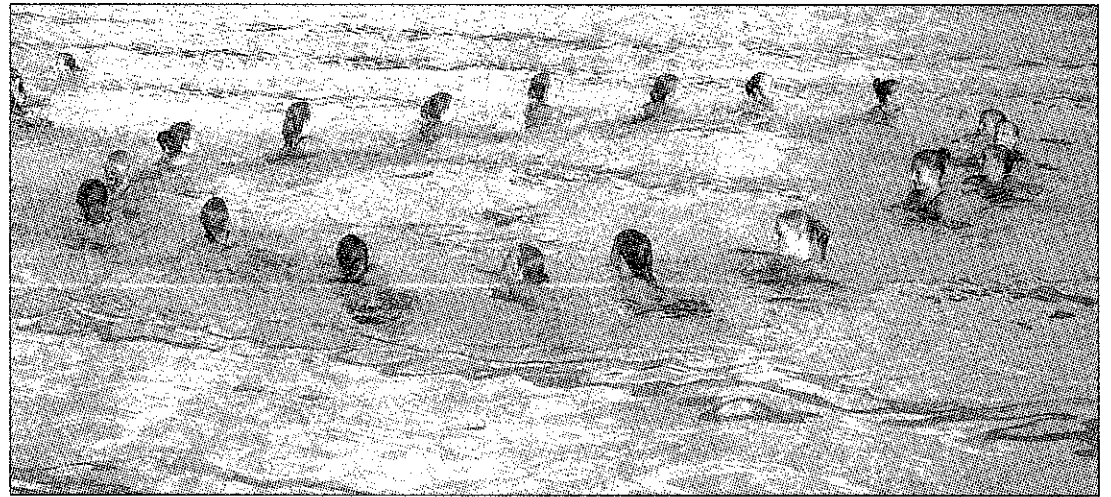
years. She, along with her coaches

Anastasia Bordyukova, Kate Briske and Bridget Skorupskas watch over the girls who are as graceful as ballerinas, as athletic as figure skaters and as physical as gymnasts. They can hold their breath up to 20 seconds.

"It's not unheard of to hold your breath 20 to 30 seconds. For the most part it's not that long," she said.

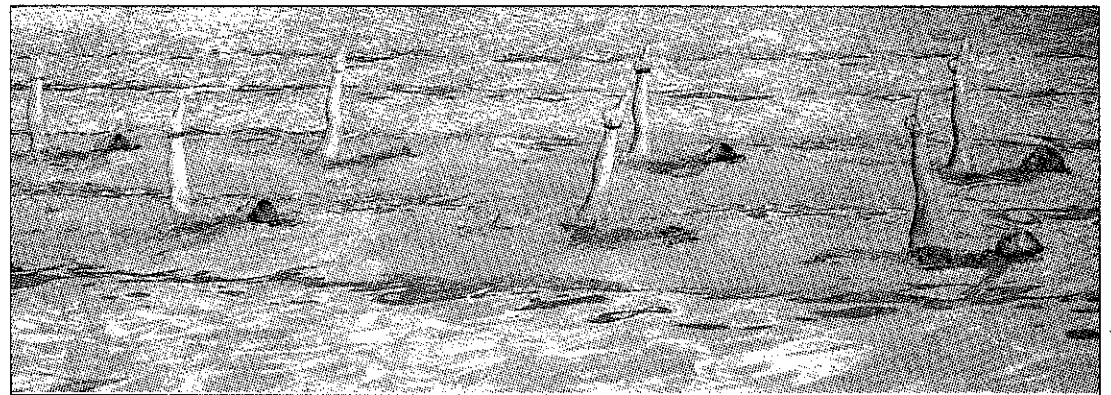
She has high hopes for the Blue Dolphins this year who will be competing against the five other high school synchronized swim teams in the state. They are all located on the east side of the state — Monroe High School, Troy High, Troy Athens, Ann Arbor Pioneer and Ann Arbor Huron.

The Blue Dolphins show will be March 15-17 in South's pool.



Photos courtesy Suzy Berschback

The Blue Dolphins, Grosse Pointe high schools' unified synchronized swim team, were featured at the opening of the Boll Family YMCA in Detroit on Jan. 21. The 21-member team chose music from Broadway shows for this year's show. They can be seen in their annual show on March 15-17 in the South pool.



## Elementary rotation discussed

There will be a public forum at 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 26, in the gym at Monteith Elementary School to discuss proposed changes to the elementary rotation schedule.

In addition, several meetings with staff and the Educational Planning Leadership Council will be held to ensure there is opportunity for discussion before a proposal is presented to the board of education.

The current elementary block rotation features daily 45-minute periods that schedule art, general music, library skills, and physical education every four days. Since this schedule was put in place in 2003, most teachers have considered the rotation a significant improvement in school organization with many benefits for students and staff.

Modifications are being proposed to reduce costs while maintaining or improving the quality of education.

Adding a foreign language to the elementary curriculum will also be discussed.

## Math curriculum

As part of continuing efforts for inclusion of public opinion in curriculum development the Grosse Pointe Public School System will hold a public forum to familiarize the community with the draft of the new kindergarten through eighth-grade

math curriculum at 7 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 1, in Wicking Library at South High School.

The mathematics committee will present the product of its study and its recommendations for the direction of instruction for students in grades kindergarten through eighth grade. The public forum is the first step in the adoption process for the new curriculum.

Following this opportunity for public comment, the curriculum will be presented to the district Educational Planning Leadership Council later in February and finally to the board of education in March.

## Middle school curriculum change

At 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 8, in Wicking Library at South High School, a public forum regarding middle school curriculum changes will be held.

The board of education has approved the change to reduce the number of school-day periods from seven to six. This change will help the school system reduce its costs during the 2006-07 school year.

Under the new program, essential components of the middle school program will remain: In addition, students will have increased time in each core class.

## Two board seats up for election

Two Grosse Pointe Board of Education seats are up for election this year.

President Jeffrey Broderick said he has yet to decide if he will run for another four-year term.

Newcomer Brendan Walsh indicated he has already filed to run for a one year term. He was appointed last fall to fill a seat vacated by Joan Richardson.

The deadline to file to be on the May 2 ballot is Tuesday, Feb. 7.

Two choices are available for those who are considering running. The first is a nominating petition with a minimum of 40 signatures. Those signing must be located within the Grosse Pointe school district. The second choice is to pay \$100 to the

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## Names in the news

Johnson & Wales University student **Anne Milazzo** of Grosse Pointe, who is pursuing an associate degree in fashion merchandising from the College of Business at the Providence Campus, has been named to the dean's list for the 2005 fall term ending in November. To receive dean's list commendation, students must earn a cumulative grade point average of 3.4 or above.

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## North teacher to take center stage at Music Hall

By Ann L. Fouty  
Staff Writer

Mary Jane is single. She wants a husband and sets down a few specifications. He must be rich and famous and want to end her loneliness. She is Catholic. She is a member of St. Agnes Parish in Detroit where Father O'Neal, Father Bingo, is the priest.

Mary Jane will be brought to life in four performances through the singing and acting talents of Grosse Pointe North's Michelle Stackpoole in the production "Father Bingo," an original musical about risks and miracles and written by Langston Hughes.

"Father Bingo" is set in Detroit and comically weaves political intrigue and mistaken identity into the stories of several people looking for salvation. A parish priest fights to save his church; a mayor tries to win the hearts of his voters in support of casino gambling, and Mary Jane searches for a man to end her loneliness.

Stackpoole said her students and staff are anxious to see her on stage, as opposed to her behind the scenes involvement at North, where she teaches acting, dance, public speaking, debate and film literature. Since 2001, she has



Michelle Stackpoole

also directed and choreographed all of North's productions. This year, due to her commitments, Stackpoole is assisting with this year's musical. However, that doesn't stunt her love of the stage.

"I act because I love it," she said. "It is a great way to escape from my everyday life and pretend to be someone else. I love to be creative and express myself on stage."

Acting, singing and dancing burst forth early in her life when she started dance classes at the age of 4 years and singing lessons in high school.

"I always sang around the house and started taking voice lessons in high school, which I continued through college and still take with Grosse Pointe Park voice teacher Tam Lehew Whitty.

"I started studying dance when I was four and still occasionally take a class at the Turning Pointe. I danced with Sandra Brewer's Encore Dance company in Flint for six years. I have been doing shows, mainly musicals, since I was eight and played a Munchkin in "The Wizard of Oz."

Her credentials continue and include "Crazy for You,"

"Grease," "Damn Yankees," "West Side Story," the radio version of "It's a Wonderful Life," "The Diary of Anne Frank," "Don't Dress for Dinner," "Good News" and "St. Amnesia... Jamboree."

Stackpoole has a Bachelor of Science degree from Central Michigan University in communications/theater and a master's in teaching from Marygrove College.

Between her job of teaching at North and rehearsals, Stackpoole's days are filled. Organization is key to keeping on schedule, she said.

"I have to be very organized to balance everything. I try to get as much done during the day as I can so that I can have some down time to myself before I go to rehearsal at night," she said.

After teaching all day, Stackpoole and the cast of 30 practice three nights a week, plus some Saturdays. She also said she must spend time rehearsing music and lines.

"My goal is one day to make a living as a full-time actress," she said. "I would love to be able to do that here. I am doing more work in voice-overs and narration and I really enjoy that. Plus with the advancements in technology I can record things here to be sent anywhere in the world. With each experience I am getting

### Singing in 'Father Bingo'

Annie Reinholz, 23, of Grosse Pointe Woods and 2000 graduate of Grosse Pointe South is in the chorus of "Father Bingo." The production is slated for Feb. 10, 11 and 12 at the Music Hall Center in Detroit.

The audience will see her in the ensemble and singing the "Bingo Mama" number.

A senior at the University of Michigan - Dearborn, she was an athlete before coming to the stage.

"I was an athlete, playing ice hockey and lacrosse. I developed a singing voice in high school," she said. Since then she has taken voice lessons and has been in 25 shows, one after another, she said.

"I love to sing and act and dance, as well," Reinholz said.

She loved it so much, Reinholz approached her parents about taking a music theater major in college. Talking it over, she decided to get a degree in education and pursue acting on the side. "At this time, I enjoy it on the local level, the semi-professional level."

The best part of acting for Reinholz is being able to lose herself in another person's character. She went on to say that being awarded a part in the locally-written show was something of a fluke. She was searching on the Internet for Detroit-area theaters and ran across "Father Bingo" try-out dates.

Between acting gigs, she is doing her student teaching in French classes at South High. She will graduate in June with a bachelor's degree and will be certified to teach French seventh grade through 12th grade.

closer to fulfilling my dream."

For now she will hopefully fulfill Mary Jane's dream of ending her loneliness.

"Father Bingo" performances are at 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 10, Saturday, Feb. 11, and at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb.

11, and Sunday, Feb. 12, at the Music Hall Center, 350 Madison Ave., Detroit.

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Photo courtesy Marisa Collins

### All aboard

During December, Poupard Elementary Principal Penny Stocks, staff and parents prepared a surprise for all students. All 20 classrooms met the teachers challenge of earning 25 blue ribbons per classroom for respect and responsibility. At 1 p.m. Dec. 20, a train whistle was heard throughout the school. Teachers distributed train tickets and Santa stopped by to congratulate students on their good behavior. He invited each classroom to board the Poupard Polar Express. As students were escorted downstairs by official train conductors, they heard cries of "All Aboard." The children's tickets, were punched, and they were ushered to seats in the gym which had been transformed into a giant railway car, with a blizzard of snowflakes filling the windows. Children were treated to hot cocoa and train cookies while watching a juggler. The movie "The Polar Express" was shown. Conductors included, Emily Archambeau, Kim Bahr, Carolyn Sevin, Paula Touhey, Cindy Larue, Sharon Steen, Sheila Russo, Lena Angott, Renee McBride, Michelle Rees, Cathe Kurtz, Cheryl Gawel, and Maryjane Gaspar.

### Teachers pull out of MEA Local 1

By Ann L. Fouty  
Staff writer

Grosse Pointe's teachers union pulled out of MEA-Local 1 last week citing a difference of philosophy.

"The goals of Local 1 MEA MABO (Multiple Association Bargaining Organization) are not the same as the

Grosse Pointe Education Association (GPEA)," said Rosalie Bryk, president of GPEA.

Thirty percent of the membership asked for a vote on whether to remain in Local 1, and 83 percent of the 624 teachers voted to withdraw their membership.

GPEA had been in the local since 1978.

GPEA has asked the Michigan Education Association to contact the Michigan Employee Relations Commission to guide them to the union's next step. The union is still a part of the Michigan Education Association (MEA).

Being a part of Local 1 was counterproductive, Bryk said. "There were several things playing into it."

Most recently, Local 1, according to Bryk, was dissatisfied with GPEA for having approved a contract last year. Local 1 held hearings to remove Bryk from her position as president of the union.

"We settled in the best interest of the teachers and the community," she said of membership approving the 2005-06 contract. "We felt we got a contract to be proud of and we looked at the resources of the district."

It's not unheard of for teachers unions to pull out of their local unions, Bryk said. Traverse City teachers voted to pull out of its local.

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**Gerald Eugene Bodendistel**

### Gerald Eugene Bodendistel

Gerald Eugene Bodendistel, 70, died on Thursday, Jan. 12, 2006, in Ft. Myers, Fla.

He was born in Guelph, Ontario, Canada, to Dr. Justin and Mary Bodendistel.

He graduated from the University of Toronto in 1958 and the Pharmacy College at Wayne State University in 1963.

Mr. Bodendistel worked at Wilson & Wolfer Pharmacy before becoming the owner of Beacon Pointe Pharmacy in Grosse Pointe Park. After he sold the pharmacy, he worked for Bon Secours Hospital, and later in Florida on a contingent basis.

He was involved in many organizations including Wayne State University Pharmacy Alumni Association (past president), Metropolitan Detroit Pharmacy Association (past president), Michigan Pharmacists Association (past president), the Ancient Order of Hibernians—Father Solanus Casey Division, and the Grosse Pointe Park Business Association (past president). He was a member of the Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club, and Club 55 in Windsor, Ontario, Canada. He was a former member of the board of directors for the Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology.

Mr. Bodendistel was an avid golfer and a member of Herons Glen Golf Club. He was proud of the fact that he had two holes in one.

He is survived by his wife of 45 years, Mary Ann Bodendistel; his daughter, Monica (James) Taubitz; his son, Timothy (Jennifer) Bodendistel; his grandchildren, Lauren, Melissa and Stephanie Taubitz, and Kirk and Sean Bodendistel; his sister, Sister Patricia Bodendistel, O.S.U., and Helen Kefalas; and his brothers, Kenneth (Christa) and Paul (Margaret) Bodendistel.

He was predeceased by his children who died as infants, Margaret, Paul and Thomas Bodendistel.

A funeral Mass was celebrated on Wednesday, Jan. 18, at St. Joan of Arc Church in St. Clair Shores. Interment is at Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Detroit.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Father Solanus Casey Guild, c/o Capuchins, 1820 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207.



**Carlton M. Higbie Jr.**

In 1946, he joined a company which would later become the Higbie Manufacturing Co., a maker of small-diameter steel tubing for automotive and other applications based in Rochester. He became its president in 1953 and continued as chief executive officer until the company's sale to International Telephone & Telegraph Corp. in 1972.

Mr. Higbie served on the board of directors of several Detroit area companies, including Ex-Cell-O Corp., Stroh Brewery Co., Smith-Morris Co., McCord Corp., City National Bank of Detroit and Northern States Bancorporation, as well as Comerica Trust Company of Florida. He also was on the board of the California Life Insurance Co. and Michigan Gas Utilities.

Through his work with Higbie Manufacturing Co., Mr. Higbie advised several foreign companies and served on the board of Sanoh Industrial Co., Ltd., a Japanese company.

A Detroit area resident his entire life, Mr. Higbie tirelessly served his community through leadership roles in several organizations. He became president of the board of trustees of the Henry Ford Hospital, and was also chairman of the Henry Ford Health Care Corp., and of the Fund for the Henry Ford Hospital. Mr. Higbie served as a trustee of the Cottage Hospital in Grosse Pointe Farms, which later became part of the Henry Ford Health System.

He was also a trustee of the McGregor Fund, a Detroit-based charitable foundation. Mr. Higbie was a chairman of the board of trustees of the Merrill-Palmer Institute, president of Leader Dogs for the Blind in Rochester, trustee of the Detroit Orthopaedic Clinic and member of the advisory board of the United Foundation.

Mr. Higbie served several educational institutions, notably as a board member of University Liggett School, and of Claremont McKenna College in Claremont, Calif.

Mr. Higbie had a second home for many years in North Palm Beach, Fla., where he served locally as a trustee of St. Mary's Hospital.

He was a member of the Yondotega Club, and a mem-

ber and past president of the Country Club of Detroit and the Detroit Club. He was also on the board of the Grosse Pointe Club. In Florida, he was a member of the Everglades Club in Palm Beach, where he also served on the board.

Mr. Higbie was a change agent in every organization he was involved in, whether corporate or charitable. But his greatest impact was felt by others on a personal level. He was seen as a mentor by many and a friend by all. Mr. Higbie energized others and others energized him. Some of his favorite roles were with service organizations which help other people — hospitals, schools, charitable funds. He was at home with large challenges, working toward solutions with people of varied backgrounds, skills and perspectives.

Mr. Higbie is survived by his wife, Constance; sons, Carlton of Greenwich, Conn., Harry of Chicago, Ill., and John of Ann Arbor; and three grandchildren.

A memorial service was held on Wednesday, Jan. 18, at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Memorial contributions may be made to the McGregor Fund, 333 W. Fort St., Suite 2090, Detroit, MI 48226; Henry Ford Health System, One Ford Place, 5F, Detroit, MI 48202 (attn: Brian Gamble); Bon Secours Cottage Health Services Foundation, 159 Kercheval Ave., Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236 (attn: John E. Danaher); or to the Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

### Virginia "Didi" Thibodeau Hughes

Virginia "Didi" Thibodeau Hughes, 50, a lifelong resident of Grosse Pointe Farms, died on Sunday, Jan. 22, 2006, after a two-month battle with pancreatic cancer.

She was born on Dec. 18, 1955, to the late Virginia Roney and the late Robert L. Thibodeau.

Mrs. Hughes attended the Convent of the Sacred Heart in Grosse Pointe Farms and Grosse Pointe South High School. She graduated from Pine Manor College and from Babson College where she earned, with honors, a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration.

Her business career was spent at J. Walter Thompson and Campbell Ewald before she became a full-time mother.

She was very active in the local school community and many charitable organizations. She was past president of Sigma Gamma Association and recipient of the Laura Butler Higbie Memorial Award for Outstanding Service.

She was a board member of the Detroit Institute for Children and a member of the Garden Club of Michigan.

An avid skier, Mrs.



**Virginia "Didi" Thibodeau Hughes**

Hughes spent many weekends in northern Michigan. She also enjoyed tennis, paddle tennis and any activity that included family and friends.

Boating with her father was always a highlight of her summers in Grosse Pointe. She shared her mother's love of entertaining — the door to her home was always open.

Her enthusiasm, passion and respect for others touched and inspired all who knew her.

Throughout her battle with cancer, she never lost her wonderful sense of humor or her optimistic love of life.

Mrs. Hughes is survived by her husband, Dan; sons, Winston, Spencer and Hunter; siblings, Suzie (Jay) Standish, Katie (Jeff) Dinsmore, Woody (Julie) Thibodeau, David (Charlotte) Thibodeau and Bobby (Andrea) Thibodeau; and eight nieces and nephews.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, Jan. 26, at 2 p.m. at St. Paul Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Sigma Gamma Foundation, P.O. Box 36373, Grosse Pointe, MI 48236, or Bon Secours Cottage Health Services, 159 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.



**The Rev. Canon James A. McLaren**

### The Rev. Canon James A. McLaren

The Rev. Canon James A. McLaren, 74, died in Detroit on Monday, Jan. 16, 2006.

He was born in Flint but had Canadian roots that he appreciated throughout his life. He graduated from seminary at Huron College at the University of Western Ontario. The Rev. McLaren and his family spent vacations at their cottage in Rondeau Park, Ontario, Canada, not far from where his father grew up.

Although Rev. McLaren left his imprint on the many hundreds of people who knew him, he was probably best known as the founder of Crossroads of Michigan. A social service outreach agency with two locations in Detroit, Crossroads is dedicated to serving the poor of the Detroit metro area with counseling, advocacy and material aid. In 1971, Rev. McLaren, in conjunction with The Cathedral Church of St. Paul, became aware of the pervasive need that existed in the neighborhood surrounding the cathedral.

He first opened the doors to Crossroads in a small office in the cathedral. Today, after 34 years, Crossroads has touched more than 86,000 social service clients, countless thousands of the hungry in the Soup Kitchen, and thousands of individuals, churches, organizations, and

private foundations which have generously supported Rev. McLaren's promise to obey God's command to "Love thy neighbor."

He is survived by his children, Elizabeth (Gregory) Gregorowicz, Mary (John) Honsel, Sarah (Patrick) Kirkwood, James Ian (Eva) McLaren and Robert (Marissa) McLaren; and seven grandchildren.

He was predeceased by his wife, Kathleen.

Funeral services were held Friday, Jan. 20, at The Cathedral Church of Saint Paul in Detroit.

Memorial contributions may be made to Crossroads, c/o The Cathedral Church of St. Paul, 4800 Woodward, Detroit, MI 48201.

### Joanne L. Penoyar

Joanne L. Penoyar, 80, died of natural causes on Sunday, Jan. 15, 2006, in Shelton, Wash.

She was born on Dec. 3, 1925, in Michigan to Nixon and Dorothy (Webb) Lawhead.

Mrs. Penoyar lived in South Bend, Wash., for many years and considered it to be her permanent home. In more recent years, she has lived with her children for short periods of time.

Before moving to Shelton, Mrs. Penoyar lived with her daughter in Seattle, Wash., helping to raise her grandchildren. While living there, she did volunteer work at their elementary school.

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### Carlton M. Higbie Jr.

Carlton M. Higbie Jr., 89, Detroit industrialist and community leader, died at his home in Grosse Pointe Farms on Saturday, Jan. 14, 2006. His death followed illness due to stroke and heart attack suffered in November 2005.

Born on Dec. 3, 1916, in Detroit, he was the son of Carlton M. and Laura Butler Higbie.

Mr. Higbie, known to his friends as "Bud," was educated at Cranbrook School and Phillips Academy in Andover, Mass.

He also attended Yale College before becoming a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy.

Mr. Higbie's industrial career began at Vultee Aircraft in Pasadena, Calif.

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## '06 Chevy HHR LT Sedan's ready for the battle

By Greg Zyla

We had the opportunity to drive two 2006 Chevy HHRs recently, one for a week on the flatlands of sunny Orlando, Fla., and the second in snowy Pennsylvania. Regardless of Mother Nature's menu, the all-new HHR responded well — base price: \$16,425; price as tested: \$19,030.

Built on the front-drive Cobalt chassis, the HHR merges styling cues from the popular 1949 Chevy Suburban and the SSR Roadster. In addition to its good looks, the HHR offers low cost, great gas mileage and a unique aesthetic impression. Move over PT Cruiser, Chevy is ready for battle.

The five-passenger HHR is available in two models: base LS and upgraded LT. Both come standard with a 2.2-liter four-cylinder Ecotec engine that puts out 140 horsepower and 150 pound-feet of torque. However, both our testers came with the optional 2.4-liter, 172-horsepower High Output Ecotec powerplant, a \$650 option we highly recommend. Both also came with the standard Getrag five-speed manual transmission, adding to the driving fun. (Automatics are optional.)

One area where Chevy lacks in comparison to the PT Cruiser is in power. Cruisers offer 180 and 220-horsepower turbo four-cylinder options. That's not saying HHR is out of the ballgame, by any means. The 172-horsepower HHR is quite peppy, and capable of more. GM engineers have developed the Ecotec four-cylinder engine for drag racing and produced a reliable 1,200-horsepower, so adding a turbo should be no problem.

Noteworthy standard equipment includes air conditioning, power windows



2006 Chevy HHR LT Sedan

and locks, six-speaker CD stereo with MP3 player, remote entry, six-way power seat with power lumbar, 16-inch aluminum wheels, cruise, battery rundown protection, dual-stage air bags, rear defogger and wiper, and

fold-flat front passenger seat. The only negative is that ABS is a \$400 option (both our testers had it), except on the top-of-the-line LT.

The comfort factor is good, thanks to a touring suspension that features MacPherson-strut front suspension with a semi-independent, torsion-beam rear. Our Pennsylvania tester came with a sport-tuned suspension with monotube shocks as part of an \$1,800 preferred equipment group that also included the bigger engine, four-wheel anti-lock brakes, fog lamps, chrome trim, Pioneer stereo and 17-inch aluminum wheels and tires. The final tally of tester No. 2 came in at \$20,350, including \$565 destination.

Both cars, however, were similar.

The HHR is fully competent on any road. Back in Pennsylvania with almost 10 inches of snow on the ground, HHR pulled right out of my unplowed driveway, much to everyone's surprise. Sure, it spun the tires a little here and there, but overall it performed wonderfully considering the snow shovel never left our home. It gets an "A-plus" for this maneuver.

Inside, HHR is functional, comfortable and sporty. There's lots of room and then some, as the front passenger seat folds flat to extend the total load length from the lift gate to the instrument panel.

The rear seats are 60/40 and fold under to allow a flat

surface. Cargo area ranges from a low of 45.7 cubic feet to more than 100 depending on seat configurations.

Important numbers include a wheelbase of 103.5 inches, 22 miles per gallon city and 30 mpg highway EPA numbers, 16 gallon fuel tank, and an estimated curb weight of 2,900 pounds (actual weight not yet released by GM).

We rate the new HHR a deserving nine on a scale of one to 10. Yes, it's that good.

Likes: Price, looks, functionality, gas mileage, ease of handling.

Dislikes: ABS not standard on lesser models, some have drum rear brakes.

— King Features Syndicate

## The longer, wider and powerful '06 VW Jetta 2.5

By Greg Zyla

This week, we're test-driving the popular Volkswagen Jetta 2.5, a lower-priced compact that gets up to 30 miles per gallon highway — base price: \$20,290; price as tested: \$22,505. The Jetta is completely redesigned for 2006 and looks to keep its "most popular European" moniker, as Jetta is still the No. 1-selling European nameplate in North America with more than 2.2 million sold in the United States and Canada since 1980.

The new Jetta is sportier-looking, thanks to its imposing front grille, although the rest of the car is somewhat tame for a complete makeover. It's in its dimensions, however, where this VW really shines. The new Jetta is 7 inches longer and 1 inch wider than its predecessor, resulting in more head- and legroom for all passengers (although a fifth passenger in the rear seat makes it tight for all three). The

wheelbase is extended by 2.5 inches over last year, and the added comfort in ride and extra cargo space is welcome.

Under the hood sits a 2.5-liter, five-cylinder inline engine that produces 150 horsepower. It's much better than the previous 2-liter four-cylinder, which was considerably down on power. With 151 cubic-inches of fuel-injected power available, this front-wheel-drive Jetta moves out quite well, especially when mated to the five-speed manual transmission our tester offered. The bottom line is a responsive, although not overly powerful engine that can merge, accelerate and pass other vehicles well while still producing impressive 22 mpg city and 30 mpg highway EPA numbers. If you choose an automatic, you'll lose some of this performance.

We were especially pleased with what VW engineers have done with the chassis. A high-tech, fully independent

front and rear suspension replaces the old twist-beam rear axle that was responsible for less-than-noteworthy handling. Add four-wheel ABS disc brakes, electronic stabilization, anti-slip rear and nice 15-inch wheels and tires, and you've got a Jetta that holds in the corners like never before.

The cabin is also well-done. We liked the fit and finish of the accessories, the look of the instrumentation and the comfortable seating. Standard features are numerous, including climate control with under seat ducts (cooling or heating), a premium AM/FM stereo with in-dash six-disc CD/MP3 player, 10 speakers, cruise control, all the powers, integrated key/remote, keyless entry, three 12-volt power outlets and rear defroster.

The Jetta's safety features are most impressive, including dual front and side air bags, Side Curtain Protection for first- and second-row pas-



2006 VW Jetta 2.5

sengers, overhead air bags and more. Other important safety features include deformable front and rear crush zones, active front head restraints, foot pedals designed to move downward during an impact and height-adjustable head restraints for all passengers.

Our tester came with a \$1,600 Option Package, featuring a power sunroof, cold-weather package (heated seats) and XM Satellite radio. With \$615 added for destination, the final tally came in at \$22,505. This is a

very fair price for what you get to park in your driveway. Important numbers include 16 cubic-feet of cargo space, a 102-inch wheelbase, 17.9-foot turning radius and a 3,230-pound curb weight.

VW's new Jetta five-cylinder receives an 8.5 on a scale of one to 10. We're impressed.

Likes: More power, good mileage, lots of air-bag safety, front grille.

Dislikes: Front seat armrest too small, more options could price it too high for compact class.

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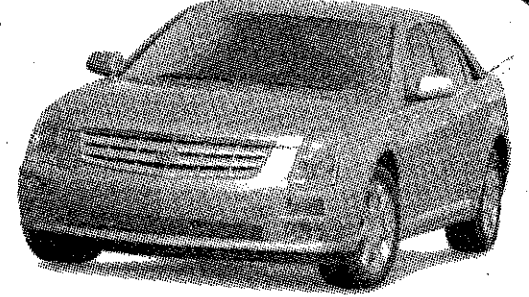
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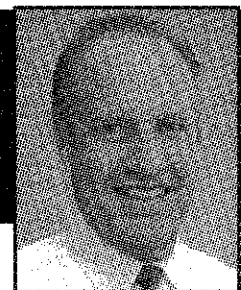
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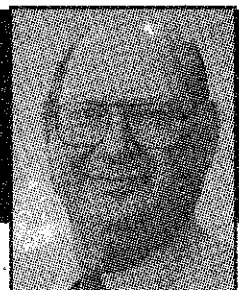
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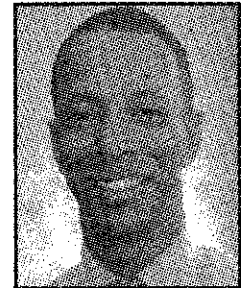


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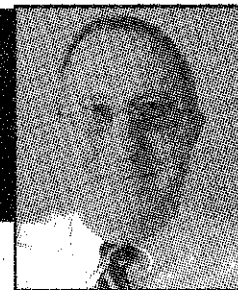
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## Top-of-the-line '06 Wrangler Unlimited Rubicon 4x4

By Greg Zyla

This week, we jump into one of America's most recognized vehicles, the Jeep Wrangler — base price: \$28,465; price as tested: \$31,150. And, it's not the "usual" Wrangler. Our tester is the longer, made-for-any-adventure, top-of-the-line 2006 Unlimited Rubicon 4x4.

This modern version still looks much like its ancestors, but is loaded with new technology and toughness. It's also a vehicle that isn't a bit scared to take to the mountains, and still be "the ultimate cool" at the beach.

But is it worth its price in today's competitive 4x4 market?

Looking at the list of standard equipment, we'd have to answer yes. This small package has big features for off-roading, including Tru-Lok locking differentials on both axles to pull through tough terrain; heavy-duty Dana 44 front and rear axles to bear the bends and twists; a 600-amp maintenance-free battery; transfer case and fuel-tank skid-plate shields; two front and one rear tow hooks; front and rear stabilizer bars; high-pressure, gas-charged shock absorbers; swing-away mirrors that fold nice and tight to the body; fog lamps; and black diamond-plate sill guards.

This list tops the off-road features of most \$40,000 SUVs — and you probably can't take the soft top off a \$40,000 SUV.

In the power department, Rubicon features a 4.0-liter Power Tech I-6. In our tester, it was mated to a four-speed automatic transmission for an extra \$825; a six-speed manual is standard.

The Wrangler's need to be hip as well as tough is addressed inside, with tilt



2006 Wrangler Unlimited Rubicon 4x4

steering, AM/FM stereo with CD player and CD changer controls, seven speakers with subwoofer and tweeters, easy-access tip-and-slide seats, rear folding seat, courtesy lamps and auxiliary 12-volt power outlet.

Jeep even points out that it has carpet in the front seat area and the rear seat/wheelhouse/cargo area. And this is where we come to that "fine line" between the worth of a Wrangler versus competing SUVs.

Most drivers today — even those with adventure in mind — would expect their vehicle to be carpeted, yet the Wrangler still has plenty of bare metal exposed inside. It creates a tossup between rugged looks and 21st-century turn-off.

A few other thoughts about the Wrangler Unlimited: Regular Wranglers measure 155.4 inches in length, but the Rubicon is stretched to 167 inches, almost a full foot longer. This results in great legroom up front, but there's still limited console space (where's the modern adventurer to put his GPS?). And while Wranglers do have next-generation front air bags, they lack any side-collision protection due to their build design.

Additional options included the Security Group with Sentry key theft-deterrent system and auto-dim mirror with lamps, compass and outdoor temperature, \$295; Smoker's Group, \$30; front floor mats, \$30; engine-block heater, \$35; AM/FM CD six-disc radio, \$300; Sirius Satellite Radio, \$195; and locking fuel cap, \$15. A \$660 destination charge brings us to the final tally.

Important numbers include a 19-gallon fuel tank, 14 miles per gallon city and 18 mpg highway EPA numbers, 3,776-pound curb weight, 93.4-inch wheelbase and an impressive 10.3-inch ground clearance.

Wrangler gets style points for throwing back that top and cruising, whether at the beach or in the mountains. But with what's offered in modern SUVs in terms of off-road ability, luxury and toughness, the Rubicon simply outprices itself. With that, we drop its rating to a 7 on a scale of 1 to 10.

Likes: Rugged good looks, off-road package.

Dislikes: Wind noise; \$30,000-plus simply too much.

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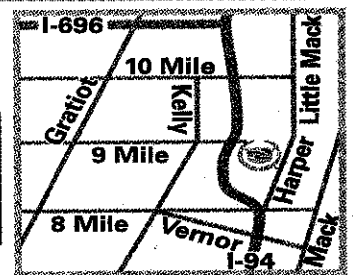
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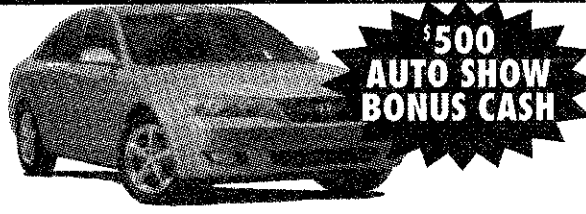
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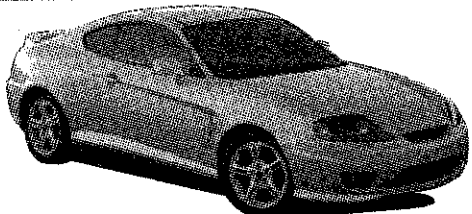


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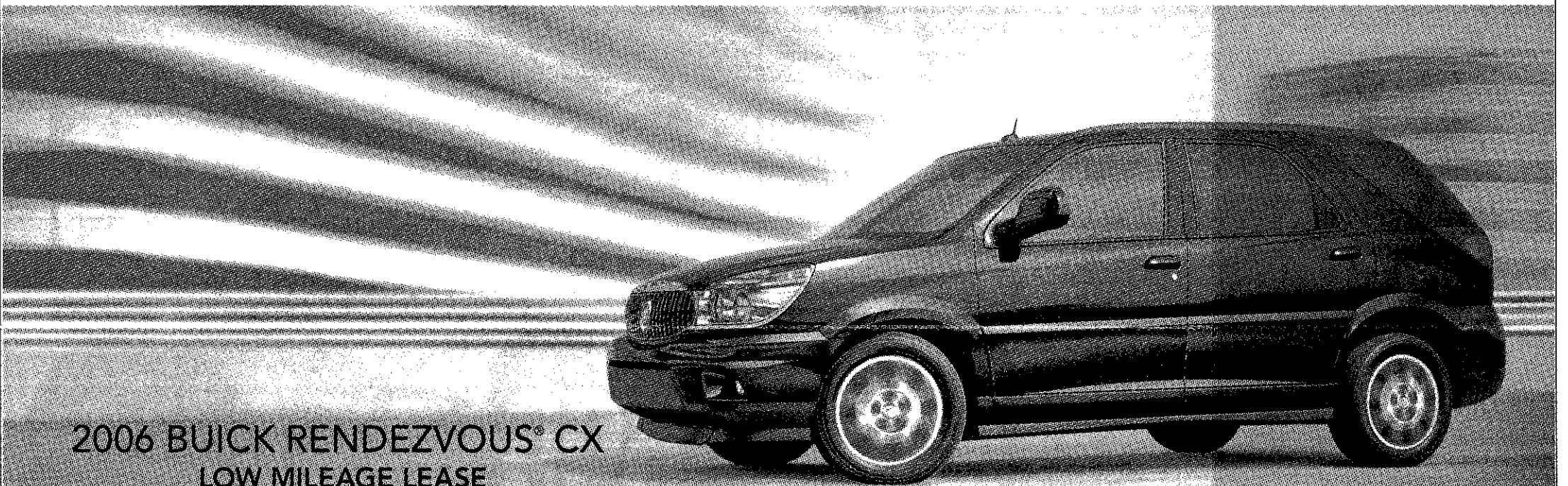
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January 26, 2006

## Super Michigan foods make Super Bowl menu

By Ann L. Fouty  
Staff writer

Super Bowl XL is on its way to Michigan.

Hosts and hostesses are planning super parties, hence this is the best time to prepare and show off Michigan's best foods and commodities.

The list from which to plan an all-Michigan menu is super long. From the Upper Peninsula's contribution of fish to the fruit from Michigan's west coast to the soybeans, carrots and dairy on the east side of the state to the vegetables and meat in the southern part of the state, every palate will be satisfied. The great variety of super commodities produced in Michigan rivals all other states, except California.

From the tantalizing appetizer of Claudine's black bean salsa and Caesar dip with Parmesan and anchovies to the dessert topped with Sanders hot fudge, the super meal will be, well, super.

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Who doesn't know **Sanders**? Fred Sanders set up shop in Detroit in 1875, serving ice cream, soda, fudge topping, baked goods, and those mouth-watering hot fudge cream puffs.

Now the beverage aspect of our menu. There are many choices, wine of the Leelanau Peninsula, Old Mission Peninsula, the shores of Lake Michigan or smaller wineries around the state.

Apple cider is another super choice. Cider comes from Macomb County, the Upper Peninsula or any number of counties in southern Michigan.

A cold, frosty mug of beer is tasty, as well. **Stroh Brewing Co.** had a 150-year-old tradition of making beer in Detroit, hence it's still thought of as a Michigan product.

However, there are any number of microbreweries here in the state that would make a super companion drink for Super Sunday's meal.

For the designated driver, stock up on **Vernor's**, that special flavor of ginger ale that was created by a Detroit pharmacist. The story is well known. James Vernor mixed 19 ingredients together, left for a four-year stint in the Civil War and came back to a new drink.

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### Claudine's Organic Black Bean Salsa

1 - 15 oz. can Eden organic black beans  
1 3/4 cups frozen organic corn, thawed

1/2 cup diced red pepper  
2 Roma tomatoes, diced  
1 garlic clove, minced  
Juice of 1 lemon and 1 lime  
1 to 2 tablespoons olive oil  
Salt and pepper to taste  
1/2 cup chopped fresh cilantro, or more to taste.

Combine all ingredients in a large bowl and fold together. Store covered in refrigerator for at least 3 hours before serving. Stir again just before serving. Serve with Better Made corn chips.



Claudine's organic black bean salsa



Caesar dip with Parmesan and anchovies



Photos by Tony Scheriff

Chef Neil's Michigan dried cherry chutney and pork tenderloin sandwiches

### Caesar Dip with Parmesan and Anchovies

1 cup mayonnaise  
1/2 cup sour cream  
1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese

1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice  
1 tablespoon fresh chopped parsley  
2 medium garlic cloves, minced  
2 anchovy fillets, minced  
Dash or two fresh-ground black pepper

Combine all ingredients in a medium bowl and stir until smooth and creamy. Transfer dip to a serving bowl and cover with plastic wrap. Chill for at least one hour before serving or up to 2 days. Serve with Better Made Crunchy Kettle Kooked potato chips.

### Motor City Pork Tenderloin Sandwiches with Chef Neil's Michigan Dried Cherry Chutney

2 tablespoons butter  
1/2 cup diced onion  
1 large apple (Granny Smith), cored and diced

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# Students find flexibility, exercise in yoga

By Sandra Svoboda  
Special Writer

With high blood pressure and a slightly overweight physique that prevented bending over to tie his shoes, Jim Hartnett was an unlikely health and fitness role model.

But when the 62-year-old Grosse Pointe Park marketing consultant committed to 60 consecutive days of an

intense program at the Bikram Yoga studio across the street from his house, nine other Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods residents followed his lead.

Once a day they make time to breathe, sweat, balance, stretch and flex through a series of 26 postures including "camel," "rabbit," "triangle" and "standing forehead to knee" during a 90-minute class.

"I was sitting there watching TV and living a rather sedate life," Hartnett said of his years before daily yoga. "It became so simple to me: If you do yoga, you will get a benefit from it."

Hartnett, a golfer and sailor during the summer, will complete his 60 days at the end of January while the others trail him by as much as a month. He said he began the 60-day challenge after reading about Bikram yoga online.

A native of India and nearly lifelong yoga practitioner, Yogiraj Bikram Choudhury, known simply as "Bikram," designed his series of postures based on an order of stretching and strengthening muscles, tendons and ligaments. Designated studios around the country and a growing number internationally teach the method.

The Bikram series begins with breathing and standing poses and progresses to work on the floor concen-

trating on the back. It ends with the deepest forward and backward bending and a final breathing exercise.

"Yoga is a process," said Mary Ella Jones, who owns the Grosse Pointe studio at 15000 Kercheval. "It's not just a physical challenge. I think what it is is a mental challenge, an emotional challenge where it really just makes you figure out your body has limits, but if you're going to surpass these limits, you've got to make your mind open up."

Reading Bikram's Web site shortly after his 62nd birthday in December, Hartnett found the recommendation to do a 60-day program, which costs \$290 at Jones' studio.

"It said after 60 days there will be some transformation," Hartnett said. "I have seen significant change. ... I bend over back-

ward and grab my ankles. I could never do that before." Daily checks of his blood pressure show it's dropped from 180/110 to 140/80, and he can tie his shoes.

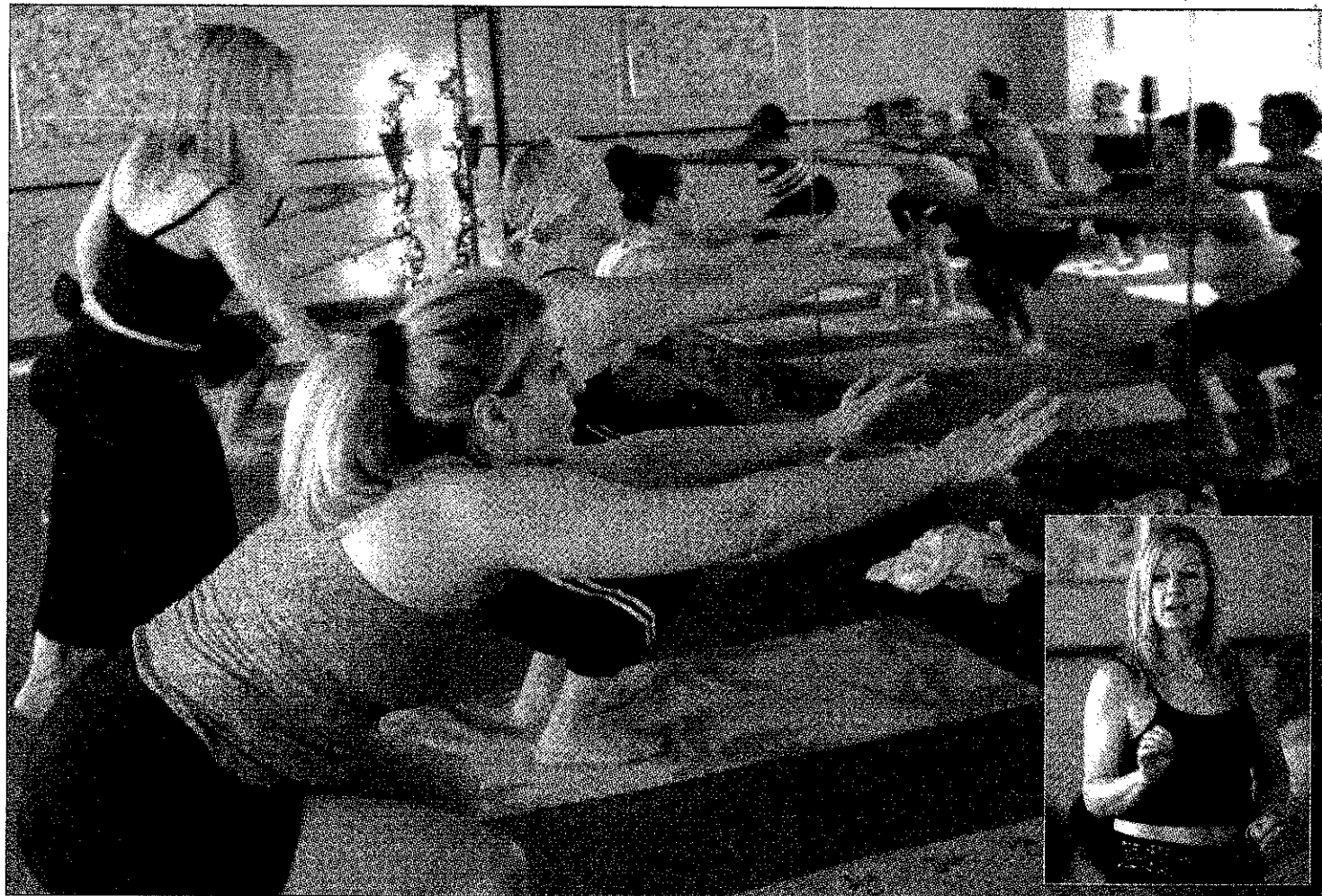
Jones, who studied with Bikram in Los Angeles for nine weeks before opening her studio in 2002, said the 60-day recommendation is based on giving people a mental and physical challenge as well as providing a consistent program to help their bodies optimize the benefits of yoga.

"It's pretty powerful, like anything that's a tough challenge," she said. "To give your body a fair try at this, you have to do this for 60 days just to open yourself up."

After Hartnett started his two-month program, other yoga students met him, saw his picture on the wall, watched his number of consecutive classes grow, and followed suit themselves.

"He makes me want to do it," said Jay Curtis, a 22-year-old former college hockey player who has worked out regularly since high school. "Just to see somebody that's three times my age, he's doing it. It's like, if this guy can do it, there's no reason I can't do it, besides my schedule maybe."

Veronica Paiz, of Harper Woods, also joined the challenge after the holidays. A



Karen Miller of Grosse Pointe Woods works out with her classmates in 90-degree heat at the Bikram Yoga studio in Grosse Pointe Park. It is owned by trained instructor Mary Ella Jones, inset.

Photos by Robert McKean



Jim Hartnett of the Park has learned that he can teach his old body new moves.

stressful job and busy schedule had her neglecting her health. She made time for two consecutive classes at New Year's and heard about Hartnett.

"As I was standing there, I realized how exhausted I was from work. I needed something that would pull me out of the office. I really needed to put in something that physically made me feel better," she said.

Paiz used to have a regu-

lar program of cardiovascular work and weights, but her diagnosis with lupus 18 years ago limited what activities she can do. Yoga works.

"It's nice to be able to do this and not hurt my body," she said.

Jones warns students that the Bikram classes aren't for everyone. The excessive heat and sometimes strenuous postures aren't for people with some

persistent injuries, heart conditions or high blood pressure. Pregnant women modify the classes, and instructors also ensure that students are doing the poses correctly.

"You're always listening to your body," she said. "If somebody has a chronic injury, they just do what they can do."

Hartnett is the perfect example of that, she said. She's seen him overcome

some of the shakiness from tired muscles and gain better breathing control during class.

"He really has become a lot more open," she said.

She's seen students draw energy and inspiration from Hartnett.

"They figure, 'Look at him. He's trying. His poses aren't picture-perfect.' I think they're inspired that he does what he can do," she said.

## Meetings

### Pointe Knitters

The Pointe Knitters will meet Thursday, Jan. 26, at 7:30 p.m. at the Children's Home of Detroit in Grosse Pointe Woods.

The program will be a knitted heart sachet using mitered squares. Knitters of all skills are welcome. Dues are \$12 a year.

For more information, call Shirley Paczkowski at (313) 885-9034.

### Ski Club

The Grosse Pointe Ski Club has a general meeting at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 1, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. The meeting will center on upcoming ski trips.

Snacks and beverages will

be provided.

The Boyne Highlands Ski Trip is scheduled for Feb. 7-9. Call John at (586) 293-6779 for more information.

Call Paul at (586) 899-0331 for information about the March 4-11 Lake Tahoe trip.

### Women's Connection

Women's Connection of Grosse Pointe will meet Thursday, Jan. 26, at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club for "Come Fly With Me" by Katherine Levin.

Socializing begins at 6 p.m. with dinner at 6:30 p.m. The program runs from 7:45 to 9 p.m. The cost is \$27 for members and \$29 for nonmembers. A cost of \$5 is charged for the program only and is payable at the

door.

For more information, call Marcia Piekielek at (313) 884-4201 or Nancy Neat at (313) 882-1855.

### Pettipointe Questers to meet Feb. 2

Isamay Osborne, needlework expert from Dearborn and member of the Michigan Hall of Fame, will present "The History of Quilts" at the next meeting of the Pettipointe Questers Chapter No. 243 on Thursday, Feb. 2, at 11 a.m.

Luncheon will be served followed by the presentation.

To make a reservation, contact Irma Stevens by Monday, Jan. 30, via e-mail at Irma1585@aol.com.

### AAUW-G.P.

The American Association of University Women, Grosse Pointe branch, offers a presentation titled "Exploring the Silk Road" at 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 29, in the Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center at City Hall, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Community members are invited to this free program. In the interest of international exploration developed through summers of teaching in China, Py Wolfe of the Birmingham branch of AAUW and her husband, Jim, will take attendees, via a slide lecture, inside China that few know.

Call Pat Petro, program vice president at (586) 776-6429, or access ppetro@wowway.com to reserve a seat.

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## Visions to Remember/Eyes on Antiques show

The Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology (DIO) will host its 9th annual antiques show, Visions to Remember/Eyes on Antiques, on Friday, Feb. 10, through Sunday, Feb. 12, at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House Activities Center, 1100 Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Shores.

The show, one of the Midwest's finest, is managed by Friends of Vision, DIO's volunteer group. Proceeds from the show benefit the visually impaired and blind throughout southeast Michigan.

Over 25 dealers from around the country will display and sell fine furniture, quilts, Asian items, jewelry, crystal, silver and other antique pieces. While the majority of the 1,500-plus attendees live in the Pointes, others come from Bloomfield Hills, Birmingham, Ann Arbor, Franklin and from across the state to purchase items from this exceptional show.

A preview party will be held Friday, Feb. 10, from 6:30 to 10 p.m. This year's theme is The Year of the Dog, sponsored by Northern Trust, Hour Detroit Magazine, Mr. and Mrs. William Rands, and The Grand Hotel.

Tickets are \$75, \$100, and \$150. Reservations are required. The Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society will have adoptable dogs at the preview party.

The show and sale opens to the public Feb. 11 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Feb. 12 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. General admission is \$8. A silent auction and door prizes will be available. DuMouchelle Art Galleries will provide verbal appraisals of hand-carried small items for \$5 per item both days from 1-3:30 p.m.

For more information, call (313) 824-4710 or visit the Web site [eyeson.org](http://eyeson.org).

**DCC benefit:** Take a twirl around the dance floor to benefit the Detroit Concert Choir.

A gala dinner/dance from 6:30 p.m. to midnight on Saturday, Feb. 11, will be held at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial ballroom, 32 Lakeshore Dr., Grosse Pointe Farms.

Reservations must be made by Friday, Feb. 3, by calling (313) 882-0118. Make checks payable to Detroit Concert Choir, P.O. Box 24558, Detroit, MI 48224-0558. The cost per person is \$60.

A silent auction and cash bar will open at 6:30 p.m. and dinner will be chicken with almond sauce.

Dinner music will be provided by Tom Norager. Cabaret entertainment will be by the Dear Hearts of the concert choir. The Couriers will provide the Big Band sound for the remainder of the evening.

A Caribbean cruise will be raffled off. Tickets are \$10 each and may be purchased with the reservation. Only 1,000 will be sold.

**Raise the roof:** St. Michael's Episcopal Church

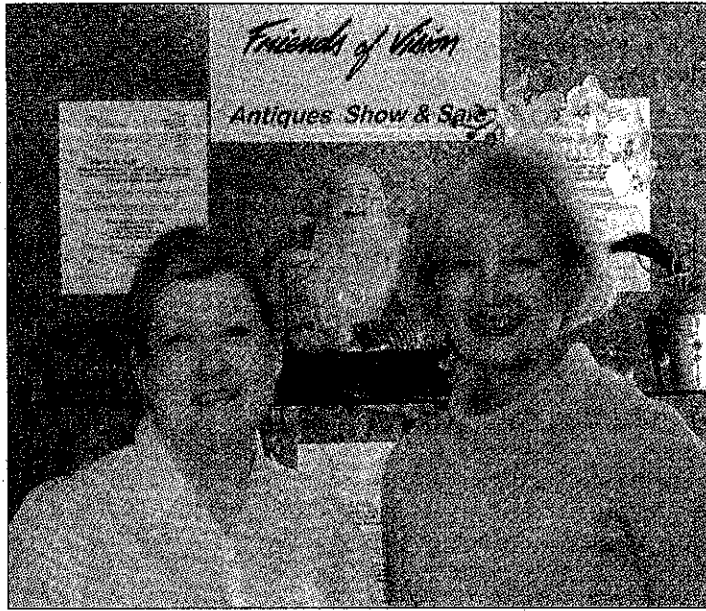
in Grosse Pointe Woods will hold an auction gala from 6 to 11 p.m. on Saturday, March 4, at Eastpointe Manor, 24611 Gratiot Ave., Eastpointe.

The first two hours will be entertainment and a silent auction with many items to be bid upon. Just before dinner, there will be a short program that will enlighten everyone on how this event is benefiting the church. Dinner will be served at 8 p.m. in conjunction with a 50/50 raffle, followed by the live auction with 25 to 30 items. Included in the ticket donation of \$45 is dinner, an open bar and valet service.

All proceeds from this event will go toward the financing of a new roof for the church building.

St. Michael's was founded in 1947 by the Vestry of Christ Church, Grosse Pointe. The first service was held on Sunday, Oct. 26, 1947, in the old caddy house of the Renmore Golf Club. The church property in Grosse Pointe Woods was a gift from Christ Church and construction began in October 1950. Additions to the church were constructed in 1954 and 1960 to complete the existing church building, fellowship hall and church school.

Some of St. Michael's service and outreach programs include: The Little Thrift Shop, Crossroads Food Collection, Magazine Ministry, involvement and sponsorship of Food Kitchen programs, the Messiah Community Christmas Project, and the "Warm Fuzzy Tree" program and participation in various



diocesan programs, activities, boards and committees.

For more information on the "Raise the Roof" St. Michael's Auction Gala, call Bob Bashara at (313) 824-5286, Kristen Skaff at (586) 202-3722 or Drew McSkimming at (313) 418-4646.

**Mosaic at the Max:** DTE Energy Foundation is again sponsoring Mosaic's Magnificat Gala, Mosaic Singers in Concert, Thursday, Feb. 16, at 6 p.m. in the Music Box at the Max M. Fisher Music Center.

President and CEO of Henry Ford Health System, Nancy M. Schlichting, and attorney Reuben A. Munday, senior partner of Lewis & Munday, as honorary chairs, along with Maggie Allessee and Sue Nine as event chairs, will host the exclusive sneak preview Gala to raise funds for Mosaic Youth Theatre of Detroit.

The Mosaic Gala at the

Max will feature a strolling dinner catered by Epoch Events, and include a silent auction of one-of-a-kind treasures, along with a special preview concert performance of Magnificat, directed by Artistic Director and Mosaic alum Kenneth Anderson.

The celebrated Mosaic Singers will demonstrate their vast range, fluidly segueing from traditional works — including choral music and classical pieces such as those of Mozart — to more contemporary outings such as material from Broadway musicals.

After the concert, patrons will have an opportunity to meet the young artists of Mosaic as they join everyone for signature desserts, tea and coffee and the announcement of the silent auction winners. Complimentary valet parking is available for all guests. Business attire is recommended. Tickets are \$200 per guest.

For further information regarding Mosaic's Magnificat Gala at the Max, or to purchase tickets, call Paul Collom at (313) 872-6910, ext. 4012.

The annual Magnificat-Mosaic Singers in Concert presented by the Ford Motor Company Fund will continue Feb. 17, 18 and 19. Friday and Saturday evening performances are at 8 p.m., and matinees are Saturday at noon and Sunday at 4 p.m.

Magnificat is a two-hour performance with a 15-minute intermission. General admission is \$18 per person. Senior and student discount rates are \$12 per person. For tickets to the Magnificat performances, call (313) 576-5111.



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At left from left, Friends of Vision co-presidents and Grosse Pointe Park residents, Darlene Sulad and Ellen Chapin thank the Grosse Pointe Central Library for use of its display case to promote this year's Visions to Remember/Eyes On Antiques Show and Sale. In its ninth year, the event will be held Feb. 10, 11 and 12, at the activities center of the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House in Grosse Pointe Shores.

The theme for this year's preview party is the Chinese New Year — Year of the Dog. Reservations are required, and tickets range in price from \$75 to \$150 per person. Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society will be present with several dogs available for adoption. Plus, DuMouchelle Art Galleries will be at the preview party to do informational appraisals. The show and sale opens to the general public on Saturday and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. General admission is \$8. There will be a silent auction, luncheon café, and door prizes. DuMouchelle Art Galleries will return to do informational appraisals of hand-carried items (limit two items, \$5 each appraisal) from 1 to 3:30 p.m. Friends of Vision is the volunteer arm of the Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology, a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization. All proceeds benefit the DIO's programs for the visually impaired. For more information call (313) 824-4710 or visit [eyeson.org](http://eyeson.org).

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## Bon Secours Cottage offers community support groups

Bon Secours Cottage Health Services offers a variety of support groups to the community. Meetings take place at Cottage Hospital, 159 Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Farms; Bon Secours Hospital, 468 Cadioux in the City of Grosse Pointe; or the Bon Secours Nursing Care Center, 26001 Jefferson in St. Clair Shores.

If you or someone you

know are in need of the understanding and advice of others with similar concerns, attend the following support groups:

- Alcoholics Anonymous — Meetings take place at 1 p.m. Sundays in Connelly Auditorium at Bon Secours Hospital. For more information, call (313) 885-1888.
- Al Anon — Meetings take place at 10:30 a.m. Saturdays in Conference

Rooms 1-4, first floor, at Cottage Hospital. For more information, call (313) 242-0300 or (248) 706-1020.

- Alzheimer's/Dementia — Bon Secours Nursing Care Center. Community caregivers are invited to attend monthly sessions that focus on coping with these debilitating conditions and place emphasis on caregivers "caring for themselves." Meetings are held

from 10 to 11:30 a.m., the second Monday of each month in the In-Service Room at the Bon Secours Nursing Care Center. For more information, call (586) 779-7032.

- Emotions Anonymous — Emotions Anonymous meetings take place at 7 p.m. on Tuesdays at Cottage Hospital, Conference Rooms. Emotions Anonymous follows a 12-step program similar to Alcoholics Anonymous, but is intended for those recovering from emotional difficulties. Individuals suffering the effects of depression, anger, grief, low self-esteem and other emotional issues are encouraged to attend. The group's purpose is to help members become well

emotionally. Registration is not necessary. For more information, call Rosemary at (586) 776-3886.

- Families Anonymous — A 12-step, self-support help program for parents, grandparents, relatives and friends who are concerned about and affected by a loved one's substance abuse or behavioral problem, meet from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Thursdays at Cottage Hospital, Conference Rooms. The group is not recommended for those younger than 15. The forum is not intended for the individual with the problem. For more information, call (313) 882-1921.
- Bereavement Support — Any adult who has experienced the death of a loved

one is welcome to attend a free support group at Cottage Hospital in the lobby Chapel. The group meets the first Thursday of each month from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. For more information or to register, call (313) 343-1656.

• Breastfeeding Connection — The Breastfeeding Connection is a Bon Secours Cottage free support group for mothers who breastfeed. Call the Women's HealthCare Line at (586) 779-7909 for meeting times and dates.

In addition, the LaLeche League meets from 7 to 9:30 p.m. every third Monday at Bon Secours Hospital. For more information, call Mary Ann Godzwon, (313) 343-1705.

## St. John Hospital center offers support groups

St. John Hospital and Medical Center offers the following support groups:

- Breast Cancer Support Group, held the first Wednesday of every month, beginning Feb. 1 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Van Elslander Cancer Center, 19229 Mack Avenue in Grosse Pointe Woods.

This group is for any woman currently diagnosed with breast cancer. Focus is on issues related to treatment and recovery, both physical and emotional. Facilitated by Gilda's Club.

The cost is free. For more information, call (313) 647-3004.

- Wellness Support Groups, held at the Van Elslander Cancer Center (second-floor Infusion Center for day meetings), 19229 Mack Avenue in Grosse Pointe Woods.

The group meets during the month of February every Wednesday from 1 to 2 p.m.; every Thursday from 10 a.m. to noon; every Monday from 11 a.m. to noon; and the first and third Tuesday of the month, Feb. 7 and 21, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

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support group for anyone diagnosed with cancer. Facilitated by Gilda's Club.

The cost is free. For more information, call (313) 647-3004.

## Medicare Part D seminar

The Henry Ford Health System will hold a free insurance seminar on Friday, Jan. 27, from 10:30 a.m. to noon at the Henry Ford Medical Center, 24725 East Jefferson in St. Clair Shores.

Terina Clark, insurance specialist at Henry Ford Health System, will talk about Medicare Part D, the new Medicare prescription drug coverage, as well as other aspects of health insurance.

Light refreshments will be served.

For more information or to make a reservation, call (800) 436-7936. Space is limited.

## Individualized nutrition counseling

Bon Secours Cottage Health Services offers individualized nutrition counseling sessions with a registered dietitian at Cottage Hospital, 159 Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Farms.

This time of year, many "New Year" dieters give up their plan to lose weight because they fail to see results, are lacking energy, or are just plain hungry all the time. For many, a session with a registered dietitian can set them on the path to healthy eating and lifestyle changes that will lead to long-term weight loss.

In addition to weight reduction meal planning, the dietitians are also skilled at low cholesterol, diabetes and cardiac diets.

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## Emeritus status awarded auxiliary members

The Nursing Care Center Auxiliary board has selected three auxiliary members and awarded them with emeritus status.

This designation was based on several qualifications, including 10 years of active membership and outstanding commitment and service to the auxiliary and the mission of the Sisters of Bon Secours.

The auxiliary raises funds for the Nursing Care Center through proceeds from Nursing Care Center Gift Shop sales, and events such as the Christmas Fair Extraordinaire, benefit dinners and auctions, and a spring flea market. The auxiliary's donations support programs and services that benefit the center's elderly residents.

For information about joining the Nursing Care Center Auxiliary, call the center gift shop at (586) 779-7018.



Pictured from the left are emeritus member Dorothy Dolan of St. Clair Shores, auxiliary president Marge Guinlan of Grosse Pointe Woods, emeritus member Jeanne Bruen of Grosse Pointe Park, and Nursing Care Center Administrator Julie Maher. Not shown is emeritus member Margarete O'Connor, formerly of Grosse Pointe Woods.

## Bon Secours center seeks volunteers for elder care

If you have time to give, consider volunteering at the Bon Secours Nursing Care

Center (NCC) or Charlotte's Place Senior Day Care Center. Both are located on Jefferson at Lakeland, between 10 and 11 Mile roads, in St. Clair Shores.

Individuals of all ages and abilities are needed to assist specially-trained music, art, and recreation therapists, dietitians, chaplains and other professionals.

There is a particular need for Eucharistic ministers and transporters to take wheelchair-bound residents to various locations and activities within the facility. Community service opportunities are also available for high school students.

"Volunteering is a terrific way to explore areas of interest and even identify potential career paths," said Julie Maher, administrator at the NCC. "The older population will continue to grow significantly in the future and will flourish between 2010 and 2030 as 'baby boomers' reach age 65. There will be many rewarding career options in the elder care field. And for individuals of all ages, simply offering the gift of time and companionship to another human being is a rewarding experience."

Because recreation and

social interaction are important components of elder care, volunteers can assist with transporting residents from the NCC, and guests at Charlotte's Place, to group singalongs, arts and crafts, and structured activities, or assist in pet therapy sessions and outings to local restaurants and areas of interest.

There also are opportunities for volunteers with domestic pets to visit with residents and guests.

Volunteers are needed weekdays, weekends and evenings.

For more information, call Hilary Kuretych at (586) 779-7011.

## Be prepared for winter storm hazards

By Keith Wilkinson, M.D. FACEP

When winter temperatures drop significantly below normal, staying warm and safe can become a challenge.

Although staying indoors as much as possible can help reduce the risk of injury, there may be indoor hazards to be addressed. Many homes will be too cold — either due to a power failure or because the heating system isn't adequate for the weather.

Exposure to cold temperatures, whether indoors or outside, can cause serious or life-threatening health problems, such as hypothermia. Infants and the elderly are particularly at risk, but anyone can be affected.

A person who develops hypothermia is unable to sustain a regular body temperature. Prolonged exposure to the cold can lead to confusion, memory loss and drowsiness, especially if the body temperature drops below 95 degrees Fahrenheit. More than 100,000 Americans are treated for hypothermia each year; so if you notice any of these signs in someone who has been exposed to the winter cold, seek medical attention immediately.

Perhaps the best way to plan for winter emergencies is to stock up on supplies in both the home and the car. The Michigan College of Emergency Physicians recommends that emergency supplies include:

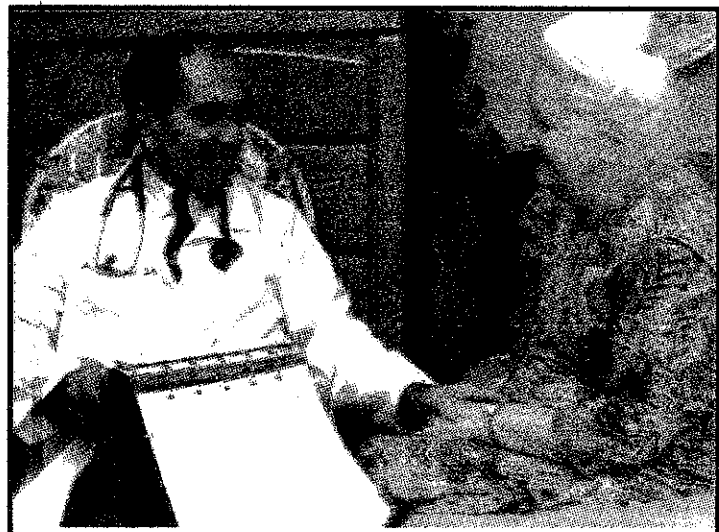
**For the home:** A safe alternate heating source in case of power failure — dry wood for the fireplace, wood stove or space heater; blankets; matches; multipurpose, dry-chemical fire extinguisher; flashlights with extra batteries; battery-powered radio; extra nonperishable food; bottled water; home first-aid kit; battery-powered clock or watch; non-electric can opener; snow shovel; rock salt; and special needs items — diapers, medicines and batteries, etc.

**For the car:** Blankets; first-aid kit; a can and waterproof matches, to melt snow for water; windshield scraper; jumper cables; medications; road maps; compass; tool kit; bag of sand or cat litter, for added traction; tire chains, in areas with heavy snow; collapsible shovel; high-calorie canned or dried foods and a can opener; flashlight with extra batteries; canned compressed air with sealant, for emergency tire repair; brightly colored cloth; tow rope; extra clothing to keep dry; and a cell phone.

Fully check and winterize your vehicle before winter begins.

To keep yourself and your family safe this winter, it's important to know how to prevent cold-related health problems and what to do if a cold-weather emergency arises.

Dr. Keith Wilkinson is a Board Certified Emergency Physician and a member of the Michigan College of Emergency Physicians.



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## Center of Lifelong Learning for Older Adults offers classes

The Center of Lifelong Learning for Older Adults offers "Be Healthy" fitness classes and computer classes at St. Peter the Apostle Church, 19851 Anita in Harper Woods.

Fitness classes are designed for the mature adult. All fitness levels are welcome. Classes are offered on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday morning from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. in the Heart Academy High School gym, 19800 Anita, across the street from the center.

Class cost is \$5 for walk-ins or \$25.50 for a six-class membership card.

For more information, call the Center of Lifelong Learning at (313) 886-1770.

Computer classes are designed to provide individual attention to each older adult student. Whether you are a curious stranger to the world of computers or are looking for easier ways to surf the Internet, help is available to move you to the

next level.

For more information, call Nancy at (586) 421-1193.

### Nursing volunteers needed

Volunteer health-care workers are needed at the Heart Academy High School

to coach high school students in clinical lab during school days. Students will practice taking vital signs, making beds and working with patients.

For more information or to volunteer, call (313) 886-1770.

## SOC hosts Popcorn & Movie matinees on Fridays at noon

Services for Older Citizens (SOC) offers Popcorn & Movie Day for seniors on Fridays at noon at the SOC offices, 17150 Waterloo in the City of Grosse Pointe.

The following movies are scheduled:

- Feb. 3, "Notorious."
- Feb. 10, "Treasure of Sierra Madre."

- Feb. 17, "Tuesdays With Morrie."
- Feb. 24, "Hope Floats."

Services for Older Citizens is a nonprofit organization that provides comprehensive services for seniors in the five Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods.

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by Lisa A. Manz-Dulac, MD



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To learn more about CRP, contact your dermatologist or call us at **Eastside Dermatology, Dr. Lisa A. Manz-dulac and Associates, (313) 884-3380**

**Patrick Michels Jr.**, son of Pat and Lisa Michels of Grosse Pointe Farms, recently graduated from Western Michigan University with a degree in mechanical engineering. He is a 2001 graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School. He has taken a position with Armstrong International based in Three Rivers and has been sent to Beijing, China, for extensive training for three years and plans on continuing his employment with Armstrong in the United States upon his return.

**John Stevens** has been elected alumni liaison and historian for Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity at Albion College. Stevens is a sophomore at Albion College and is a member of the Gerald R. Ford Institute for Public Policy and Service. He is the son of Lee and Barbara Stevens of Grosse Pointe Park and a graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School.

**Celia Mengel**, a graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School, is the recipient of a Kodak Young Leaders Scholarship at the University of Rochester. The scholarship is awarded for outstanding leadership qualities and academic achievement. Mengel, a freshman, is the daughter

of Christopher Mengel of Grosse Pointe Woods and Sandra Mengel of Grosse Pointe Park.

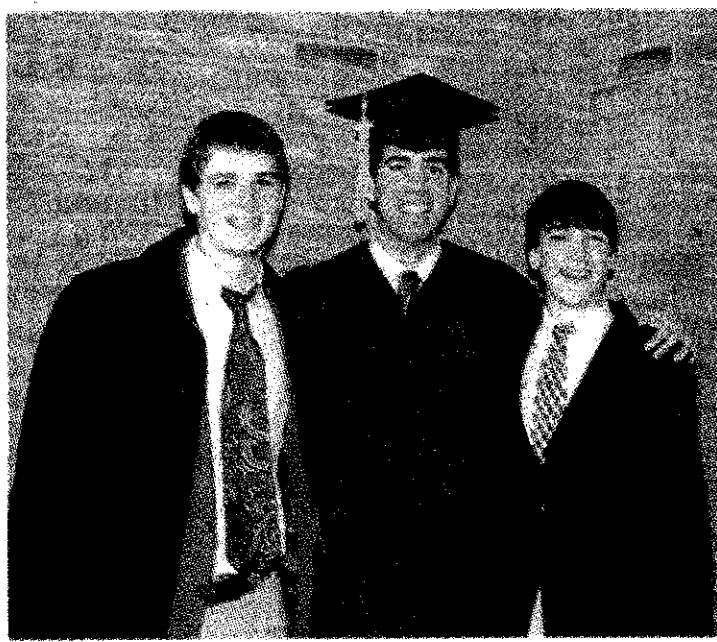
**Erin MacLeod** has been elected historian for Alpha Chi Omega sorority. MacLeod is a sophomore majoring in speech communication and German. She is the daughter of Donald and Lynn MacLeod of Grosse Pointe Woods and a graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School.

**Lauren Michels** has been elected new member education chair for Alpha Xi Delta sorority. Michels is a junior majoring in art and minoring in art history. She is the daughter of Thomas Michels of Harper Woods and Marguerite Michels of Grosse Pointe Woods and a graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School.

**Andrew Vlasak** of Grosse Pointe, **Erin Kenney** of Grosse Pointe Shores, **Lauren Kenney** of Grosse Pointe Woods and **Jill Bramos** of Harper Woods (G.P. North) were named to Hope College's dean's list. To achieve this honor a student must have a minimum 3.5 grade-point average on a 4.0 scale.

**Margaret Elisabeth Batten**, a senior at Washington and Lee

## Pride of the Pointes



Pictured with Patrick are proud brothers Matthew and Mitchell Michels.

University, has earned honor roll status for the recently ended fall term. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Batten of Grosse Pointe Farms. Honor roll status at Washington and Lee represents a term grade-average of at least 3.75 on a 4.0 scale.

Several students have been named to the Albion College dean's list for the fall 2005 semester:

**Jeffrey Moore** is a junior majoring in economics and management and minoring in cell and molec-

ular biology. He is the son of Donald and Sandra Moore of Grosse Pointe and a graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School.

**Eric Backman**, a sophomore, is the son of Carole Backman of Grosse Pointe Farms and a graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School.

**Christopher Blunden**, a first-year student, is the son of Paul and Elizabeth Blunden of Grosse Pointe Shores and a graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School.

**Erin MacLeod**, a sopho-

more majoring in speech communication, is the daughter of Donald and Lynn MacLeod of Grosse Pointe Woods and a graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School.

**Darren Mantyla**, a senior majoring in music and minoring in chemistry, is the son of Karl Mantyla and Melanie Nowc of Grosse Pointe Woods and a graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School.

**Lauren Michels** is a junior majoring in art/Bach Fine Arts and minoring in art history. She is the daughter of Thomas Michels of Harper Woods and Marguerite Michels of Grosse Pointe Woods and a graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School.

**Frederic Moore** is a senior majoring in economics and management and is a member of the Gerstacker Liberal Arts Program in Professional Management. He is the son of Donald and Sandra Moore of Grosse Pointe and a graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School.

**Anne Nichols**, a first-year student, is the daughter of Bruce and Mary Nichols of Grosse Pointe Shores and a graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School.

**Brittany Seiter** is a sophomore majoring in psychology and is a graduate of

Grosse Pointe South High School.

**Brian Still**, a sophomore, is the son of Judith Still of Grosse Pointe Woods and a graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School.

**Elizabeth Lawlis**, a first-year student, is the daughter of James and Susan Lawlis of Grosse Pointe Farms and a graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School.

As well as making the Albion College dean's list, **Stephen Zmyslowski** was further named an Albion College Fellow at the completion of the fall 2005 semester. To be designated a Fellow, a student must maintain a 3.7 grade-point average for three consecutive on-campus semesters and successfully complete four units of credit during each of those semesters. Zmyslowski is a senior majoring in history. He is the son of David and Kathleen Zmyslowski of Grosse Pointe Woods and a graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School.

Students named to the Albion College dean's list must achieve a grade-point average of 3.5 or above at the completion of the semester. This GPA must be based on at least three units in graded courses and a minimum of four units completed.

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eating, allowing you to choose from a variety of options in each food group to meet your needs based upon your age, gender and level of physical activity.

Adding soup to your menu plan is a quick and simple way to help you meet the new recommendations. Most prepared soups are moderate in calories, low in fat and provide a good source of nutrients, as well as vegetables, lean meats and grains. There are also many varieties of soups to choose from, including reduced- and low-sodium selections, so you're sure to find a soup that's right for you!

Visit Campbell's Center for Nutrition & Wellness at [www.campbellwellness.com](http://www.campbellwellness.com) for articles on ways to choose foods that meet the new MyPyramid recommendations. And get a FREE copy of Campbell's Soup for Life Plan, a flexible meal plan that you can customize to help you to meet your individual MyPyramid requirements.

## "Souper" Ways to Meet Your MyPyramid Goals

### Guide to MyPyramid based on a 2000 calorie reference diet\*

**Vegetables:** 2 1/2 cups  
**Fruit:** 2 cups  
**Grains:** 6 ounces (make at least 3 ounces whole grains)  
**Dairy:** 3 cups of milk or milk products  
**Meat & Beans:** 5 1/2 ounces  
\*Visit [www.mypyramid.gov](http://www.mypyramid.gov) for your individual needs.

Soup has been called a "secret weapon" for weight loss success because you can actually eat more to weigh less. Because soup is a "low-calorie-dense" food, you can fill up on fewer calories and stay satisfied longer.

#### Why does soup work?

- **More for less!** You can eat larger portions of water-rich foods, like broth-based soups, which have relatively few calories per serving.
- **Variety!** With so many soup options, you can enjoy a different soup every day.
- **Satisfaction!** No matter what your personal goals, soup can add taste, variety and satisfaction for a plan you can stick with.
- **Nutrition You Need!** Cutting calories can often result in cutting nutrients your body needs. Choosing foods like soup that are low in calories but provide fiber and important vitamins and minerals, such as calcium, iron and vitamins A and C, can help ensure that losing pounds doesn't mean losing nutrition.



To get a FREE copy of Campbell's Soup for Life Plan, customize your own meal plans or obtain product information and recipes, visit [www.campbellwellness.com](http://www.campbellwellness.com).

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Following are some "souper" delicious ideas that can help the whole family put MyPyramid into practice!

#### Chicken & Vegetable Stir-Fry

Prep/Cook Time: 25 minutes  
Serves: 4

- 2 tablespoons cornstarch
- 1 3/4 cups Swanson Chicken Broth (Regular, Certified Organic or Natural Goodness)
- 1 tablespoon low-sodium soy sauce
- 1 pound boneless chicken breast, cut into strips
- 5 cups cut-up vegetables (use a combination of

broccoli florets, sliced carrots and green or red pepper strips)  
1/4 teaspoon ground ginger  
1/8 teaspoon garlic powder or 1 clove garlic, minced  
4 cups hot cooked rice, cooked with out salt

MIX cornstarch, broth and soy sauce. SPRAY nonstick skillet with vegetable cooking spray and heat 1 minute. Add chicken and stir-fry until browned. Remove chicken. ADD vegetables, ginger and garlic, and stir-fry until tender-crisp.

STIR in cornstarch mixture and cook until mixture boils and thickens. Return chicken to skillet and heat through. Serve over rice.

**Calculated Nutritional Values per Serving (with Swanson Chicken Broth):** Calories 413, Total Fat 4g, Saturated Fat 1g, Cholesterol 74mg, Sodium 633mg, Total Carbohydrate 59g, Dietary Fiber 4g, Protein 33g

**Calculated Nutritional Values per Serving (with Swanson Certified Organic or Natural Goodness Chicken Broth):** Calories 413, Total Fat 4g, Saturated Fat 1g, Cholesterol 72mg, Sodium 469mg, Total Carbohydrate 59g, Dietary Fiber 4g, Protein 34g

#### MyPyramid contributions (per serving)

- Vegetables: 1 1/4 cups
- Grains: 2-ounce equivalent (Substitute whole grain brown rice for white rice in this dish and you add 3 grams of fiber and whole grain to your meal.)
- Meats & Beans: 3-ounce equivalent

#### Soup & Sandwich Lunch

Serves: 1

1 serving (8 ounces prepared) Campbell's Healthy Request Tomato soup

**Turkey Sandwich:** 2 slices Pepperidge Farm 100% Whole Wheat Whole Grain Bread, 2 ounces sliced turkey breast, 1 teaspoon mayonnaise, 2 pieces leaf lettuce and 2 tomato slices

1 cup total carrot sticks, celery sticks and red pepper strips

**Calculated Nutritional Values per Serving with Campbell's Healthy Request Tomato soup:** Calories 457, Total Fat 9g, Saturated Fat 2g, Cholesterol 50mg, Sodium 869mg, Total Carbohydrate 67g, Dietary Fiber 10g, Protein 29g

#### MyPyramid contributions (per serving)

- Vegetables: 1 1/2 cups
- Whole Grains: 2-ounce equivalent
- Meats & Beans: 2-ounce equivalent

#### Breakfast Omelet Sandwiches

Prep/Cook Time: 15 minutes  
Serves: 2

- 1/2 cup chopped fresh mushrooms
- 1/4 cup chopped green pepper
- 1/4 cup chopped tomato
- 2 tablespoons finely chopped onion
- 1/2 cup cholesterol-free egg substitute
- 2 teaspoons freshly grated Parmesan cheese
- 4 slices Pepperidge Farm 9 Grain Natural Whole Grain Bread

SPRAY nonstick skillet with vegetable cooking spray. Heat skillet over medium heat. Add mushrooms, green pepper, tomato and onion. Cover and cook until softened. Remove from skillet. Wipe out skillet with paper towel. SPRAY nonstick skillet with vegetable cooking spray. Heat skillet over medium heat. Add 1/4 cup egg substitute and top with half the cooked vegetables. Cook until set but still moist on top, lifting edges of omelet with spatula. Sprinkle with half the cheese and fold in half. Place on 1 bread slice and top with another. Repeat with remaining ingredients.

**Calculated Nutritional Values per Serving:** Calories 236, Total Fat 3g, Saturated Fat 0g, Cholesterol 1mg, Sodium 430mg, Total Carbohydrate 35g, Dietary Fiber 7g, Protein 16g

#### MyPyramid contributions (per serving)

- Vegetables: 1/2 cup
- Whole Grains: 2-ounce equivalent
- Meats & Beans: 1-ounce equivalent



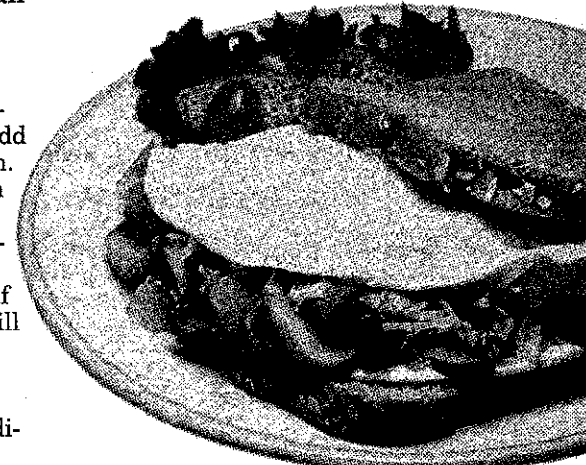
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The Grosse Pointe Symphony Orchestra members are, standing left to right, Lynne Hadley Bacon, Paul Koch, Gerry Leone, Pamela Francis, Russell Nahat, De Shaheen, Sam Stanley and Robert Koenig; seated left to right, Jeanne Salathiel, Arlene Hendrie, Terese Edelstein, Laurie Strachan and Irene Burchard; not pictured, Erich Hintzen, Joe Bauer, Carol Beninati and Ann Kirk Warren.

## Mosaic takes to the Max for 3rd year

The Ford Motor Co. Fund joins the Mosaic Youth Theatre of Detroit to present the Magnificat Concert — Mosaic Singers in Concert on Friday, Feb. 17, through Sunday, Feb. 19, at 8 p.m. Friday, noon and 8 p.m. on Saturday, and 4 p.m. Sunday at the Music Box at Max M. Fisher Music Center in Detroit.

The Mosaic Singers will demonstrate their vast range and versatility as they perform traditional works, including choral music and classical pieces, to more contemporary and theatrical act titled "The Land of OZ," featuring works from "The Wizard of OZ" and "The Wiz."

The Mosaic Singers have performed at the White House, the Kennedy Center

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Kenneth Anderson, artistic director and Mosaic alum.

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For more information, call Margaret Smith at (313) 872-6910 extension 4004.

## Celebrate Lincoln's Birthday with the G.P. Symphony

The Grosse Pointe Symphony Orchestra will perform "A Lincoln Portrait" on Sunday, Feb. 12, at 3 p.m. at Parcels Middle School Auditorium, 20600 Mack Ave. in Grosse Pointe Woods.

"A Lincoln Portrait" will be conducted by Kevin Miller. Aaron Copland (1900-1990) wrote the work as an orchestral piece with narration. The Rev. John Corrado, pastor of the

Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, will narrate Lincoln's words.

The program will also feature "Brahms' Symphony No. 3," and oboe soloist Nancy Ambrose King performing Sir Eugene Goosen's "Concerto for Oboe," and Vivaldi's "Concerto for Oboe and Strings." King is a former Grosse Pointe and graduate of the University of

Michigan with a Bachelor of Music degree. She was the recipient of the school's Stanley Medal and received her Doctor of Musical Arts, Master of Music, and Performer's Certificate from the Eastman School of Music. King has appeared as soloist throughout the United States and abroad and has recorded three CDs for Boston Records. She is associate professor of oboe

at the University of Michigan and president of the International Double Reed Society.

Prior to the concert, Dr. Jack Dubois will offer a free lecture at 2 p.m. in the Parcels Middle School choir room.

Ticket cost is \$15 for adults, \$12 for seniors and free for students age 18 and under.

For more information, call (313) 882-0077.

## GPAA to hold spring writing workshops

The Grosse Pointe Artists Association (GPAA) will hold a series of writing workshops at the GPAA Art Center, 1005 Maryland in Grosse Pointe Park.

On Friday, March 17, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., Mariela Griffor will teach writers how to write a query letter. Topics to be discussed include the true purpose of a proposal and why 90 percent of proposals are rejected based on the cover letter alone.

Griffor, of Grosse Pointe Park, is a publisher, writer and poet, who edits manuscripts, critiques proposals, and advises on how to launch a writing career. She was formerly a Detroit Urban Woman Writer-in-Residence at Wayne State University. She speaks frequently for organizations on publication and how to find agents.

Royal Oak-based artist, musician and writer Anita Schmaltz will lead a three-day workshop on "The Box and the Word: Approaching Art and Writing Through a Personal Symbolology" on Saturdays, March 25, April 1, and April 8, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

By looking to the artists Joseph Beuys, Joseph Cornell and Betye Saar, participants will conceive intimate artistic visions within the visual space of the box through a collaboration of words and imagery as representations of experience, history and belief. As a means of self-exploration, words dot the path of the inexplicable and the recurring, and the box becomes a window: a treasure, a sepulcher, a cry for the miraculous, and a shrine to your soul.

On Friday, April 14, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., Trenton-based writer Peter Markus will lead a fiction writing workshop, "Language Changed With Meaning." There are, in each

of us, words in the language that are charged with a singular meaning. As writers, it is in that singularity where the most potent of our lingual artifacts reside. In this workshop, writers will make every effort to locate the origins of the words, sounds, places, and the sensual

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2:00 pm	The Legal Insider / Consumers Corner	
2:30 pm	The John Prost Show	
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4:00 pm	Vitality Plus (Step/Kick Boxing)	
4:30 pm	Young View Pointes	
5:00 pm	Positively Positive	
5:30 pm	Watercolor Workshop / Senior Men's Club	
6:00 pm	The Legal Insider / Consumers Corner	
6:30 pm	Who's in the Kitchen?	
7:00 pm	Vitality Plus (Tone Exercise)	
7:30 pm	Things to do at the War Memorial	
8:00 pm	Positively Positive	
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9:30 pm	Pointes of Horticulture	
10:00 pm	The John Prost Show	
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11:30 pm	The S.O.C. Show	
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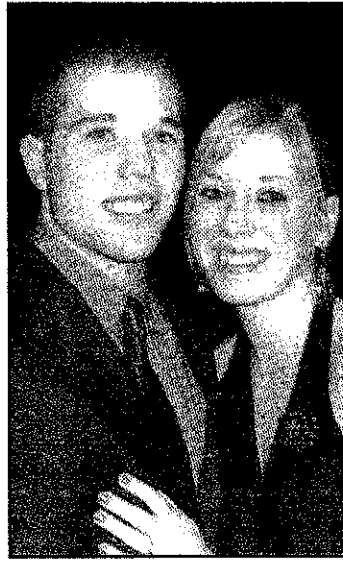
## Jeffs-Marks

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jeffs II of Boca Grande, Fla., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Caroline Scott Jeffs, to Michael William Marks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Marks of Grosse Pointe Woods. An August wedding is planned.

Jeffs earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in English composition from DePauw University. She is an account supervisor for strat@comm Public Relations.

Marks earned a Bachelor of Science degree in civil engineering from Michigan State University. He is a senior engineer for Giffels-Webster Engineers Inc.

## Kronner-



**Janice Kronner and Mike Spencer**

## Spencer

John and Jane Kronner of Grosse Pointe Woods have announced the engagement of their daughter, Janice Kronner, to Mike Spencer, son of Steve and Julie Spencer of Richmond. A June 2007 wedding is planned.

Kronner will graduate from Albion College, Fritz Schumer Education Institute, with a major in English and a concentration in elementary education.

Spencer will also graduate from Albion College, Fritz Schumer Education Institute, with a major in psychology, a minor in physical education and a concentration in secondary education.



**Shelly Ann Solon and David Frederick Darby**

## Solon-Darby

John and Jean Solon of Wauconda, Ill., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Shelly Ann Solon, to David Frederick Darby, son of William and Carolyn Darby of Detroit. A fall wedding is planned.

Solon earned a degree in journalism from Kansas University. She is an assistant metro editor with the

Detroit Free Press.

Darby earned a degree in political science from the University of Michigan. He is a sports copy editor at the Detroit Free Press.



**Christine Kelly and William Kieft**

## Kelly-Kieft

Richard and Gloria Kelly of Grosse Pointe Woods have announced the engagement of their daughter, Christine Kelly, to William Kieft, son of Sue and William Kieft of Grand Haven. A September wedding is planned.

Kelly is a graduate of Aquinas College with a degree in language arts and a minor in reading. She is currently working to finalize her teaching certification in the state of Michigan.

Kieft is currently finishing his degree in general business at Grand Valley State University.



**Molly Erin McKenzie and Todd Joseph Dunlap**

## McKenzie-Dunlap

Dr. and Mrs. Michael McKenzie of Grosse Pointe Park have announced the engagement of their daughter, Molly Erin McKenzie, to Todd Joseph Dunlap, son of Dr. and Mrs. J. Richard Dunlap of the City of Grosse Pointe. A July wedding is planned.

McKenzie earned a Bachelor of Science degree in elementary education from the University of Dayton. She is a third-grade teacher at the East Maine School District in Glenview, Ill.

Dunlap earned a Bachelor of Science degree in finance from Miami University. He is a manager in the real estate advisory group of Stout Risius Ross Inc., a financial advisory firm in Chicago.

## Makar-Jeannette

Christine and John Makar of Gahanna, Ohio, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Karen Suzanne Makar, to Joseph Frank Jeannette II, son of Claudia and Joseph Jeannette of Grosse Pointe Farms. An October wedding is planned.

Makar earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in history from the College of Wooster. She is seeking a master's degree in school counseling at George Washington University.

Jeannette earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in speech rhetoric at Hillsdale College. He is seeking a master's degree in crisis and



**Karen Suzanne Makar and Joseph Frank Jeannette II**

emergency management from George Washington University. He is employed as a security planner for the U.S. Senate Sergeant-at-Arms Office of Security and



**Theresa Ann Nolan and Michael John Thomas**

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## Nolan-Thomas

Dr. David and Donna Nolan of Canadian Lakes have announced the engagement of their daughter, Theresa Ann Nolan, to Michael John Thomas, son of Mike and Linda Thomas of Grosse Pointe Farms. A May wedding is planned.

Nolan earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in advertising from Michigan State University. She is employed as an associate media director.

Thomas earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in telecommunications from Michigan State University. He is employed as a TV producer/writer and musician.



**Catherine Hiltz and Matthew Hymes**

## Hiltz-Hymes

Catherine Hiltz and Matthew Hymes have announced their engagement. Hiltz is the daughter of Margaret Hiltz of Grosse Pointe Woods and the late Gene Hiltz. Hymes is the son of Carol Brown and Gary Hymes. A spring wedding is planned.

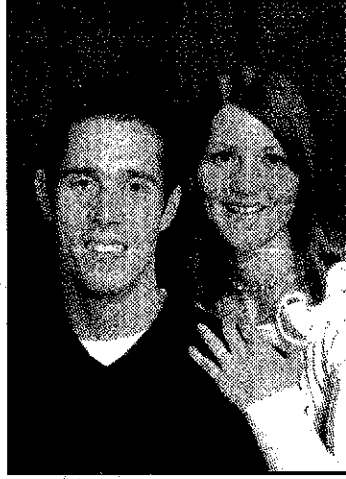
Hiltz is working on her doctorate in clinical psychology and is a university research associate.

Hymes earned his master's degree in molecular biology and is a research scientist.

## Mikosz-Burkett

Joanne Mikosz of Canton has announced the engagement of her daughter, Melanie Mikosz, to Jeremy Burkett, son of Glen and Sharon Burkett of Grosse Pointe Farms. A November wedding is planned.

Mikosz earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from



**Melanie Mikosz and Jeremy Burkett**

University of Michigan-Dearborn in English and psychology and a master's degree in special education with an emotional impairment endorsement. She is a special education teacher for autistically impaired students.

Burkett earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in supply chain management. He is a buyer for Ford Motor Co.



**Dena Marie Zavakos and Demetri Basil Inempolidis**

## Zavakos-Inempolidis

Mr. and Mrs. James Zavakos of Dayton, Ohio, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Dena Marie Zavakos, to Demetri Basil Inempolidis, son of Evelyn Inempolidis of Grosse Pointe Park and the late Basil Inempolidis. A June wedding is planned.

Zavakos earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology and chemistry from Indiana University. She is a teacher at the University of Dayton and is applying to graduate school for forensic science/pathology.

Inempolidis earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in economics and business from Kalamazoo College and a Master of Accounting degree from the University of Michigan Business School. He is an accountant with Deloitte & Touche.



**Suzanne Kary Holmes and Jeffrey David Case**

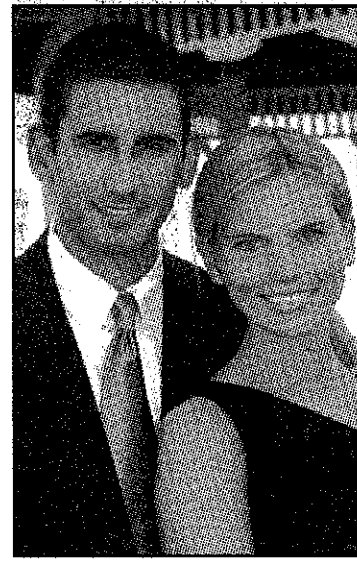
## Holmes-Case

Diana and Richard Holmes of Virginia Beach, Va., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Suzanne Kary Holmes, to Jeffrey David Case, son of David and Joanne Case of Grosse Pointe Farms. A July wedding is planned.

Holmes earned a master's degree in special education from Longwood College in Virginia. She is a special education teacher in Seattle.

Case earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in elementary education from the University of Michigan and

is pursuing a master's degree in school administration. He is an elementary school teacher in the Seattle Public Schools.



**Jessica Howlett and Paul Hathaway**

## Howlett-Hathaway

Tim and Suzy Howlett of Harrison Township, formerly of Grosse Pointe Park, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Jessica Howlett, to Paul Hathaway, son of George and Elaine Hathaway of Grosse Pointe Woods. A June wedding is planned.

Howlett earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Michigan State University in elementary education with minors in English and communications. She is a third-grade teacher in the Walled Lake Consolidated School System.

Hathaway earned a degree in supply chain management from Eli Broad School of Business at Michigan State University and an MBA from Oakland University. He is a component buyer at Jabil Circuit Inc. in Auburn Hills.



**Cristina Anne Grassi and Mark Ader Sullivan**

## Grassi-Sullivan

Frank and Teresa Grassi of Grosse Pointe Woods have announced the engagement of their daughter, Cristina Anne Grassi, to Mark Ader Sullivan, son of John and Georgette Sullivan of Higham, Mass. An October wedding is planned.

Grassi earned a Bachelor of Science degree in biology and humanistics from St. Mary's College, Notre Dame, Ind. She is a special events associate at N.Y. Presbyterian Hospital in New York City.

Sullivan earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in television, film, and radio production and marketing from Syracuse University. He works in television commercial productions at Hungryman Productions in New York City.

## Tobin-Salive

Patricia and Edward D'Herde of Grosse Pointe Woods and Allan J. Tobin of Harrison Township have announced the engagement of their daughter, Stephanie Pierce Tobin, to Andrew Marcell Salive, son of Susan and Patrick LaFrate of Sterling Heights and Lawrence and Donna Salive of Sterling Heights. An October wedding is planned.

Tobin will complete her bachelor's degree in business with a major in finance from Wayne State University in July. She is



**Stephanie Pierce Tobin and Andrew Marcell Salive**

assistant manager of the Gap.

Salive earned a bachelor's degree in communication at Oakland University. He is chief engineer of broadcast for Clear Channel in Ann Arbor.



**Melissa Wahl and Joel Bumpus**

## Wahl-Bumpus

Jane and Phil Wahl of Grosse Pointe have announced the engagement of their daughter, Melissa Wahl, to Joel Bumpus, son of Thomas and Janell Bumpus of Jackson. A September wedding is planned.

Wahl earned a bachelor's degree in marketing from Walsh College of Troy. She is a zone manager for Ford Motor Co. in Seattle.

Bumpus earned a bachelor's degree in marketing from Michigan State University. He is a zone manager for Ford Motor Co. in Irvine, Calif.



**Lindsay Kathryn Hawkins and Mark Steven Verdova**

## Hawkins-Verdova

Douglas and Kathleen Hawkins of Grosse Pointe Woods have announced the engagement of their daughter, Lindsay Kathryn Hawkins, to Mark Steven Verdova, son of Mark and Stephanie Verdova of Westlake, Ohio. A September wedding is planned.

Hawkins earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science from the University of Dayton. She is a service representative at Celaris Brokerage in Cleveland.

Verdova earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in marketing from the University of Dayton. He is a sales counselor at Pulte Homes in Cleveland.

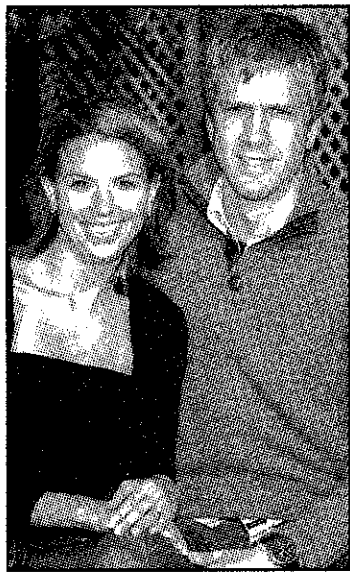
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Engagement and Wedding announcements are published in the last issue of each month. The deadline for the Thursday, Feb. 23, issue is 3 p.m. Friday, Feb. 17. Call (313) 882-0294 for information.



## Engagements

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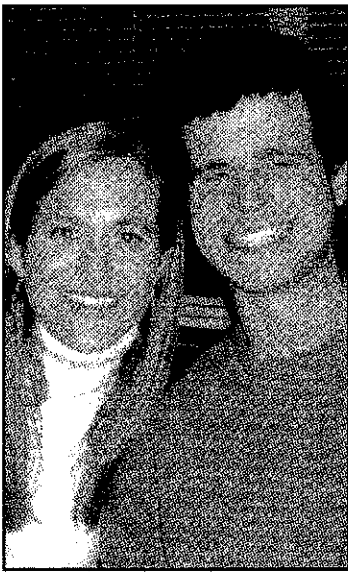
**Beth Anne Bonbrisco and Matthew Clay Rainbolt**

### Bonbrisco-Rainbolt

John and Peggy Bonbrisco of Grosse Pointe Woods have announced the engagement of their daughter, Beth Anne Bonbrisco, to Matthew Clay Rainbolt, son of Marilyn Rainbolt of Searcy, Ark., and Allen Rainbolt of Sherwood, Ark. A July wedding is planned.

Bonbrisco earned a master's degree in education from Harding University in Searcy.

Rainbolt earned a bachelor's degree in general studies from Harding University. He plans to attend medical school.



**Tracy Ann Gehlert and Nathaniel F. Bradley II**

### Gehlert-Bradley

Ken and Barb Gehlert of Grosse Pointe Farms have announced the engagement of their daughter, Tracy Ann Gehlert, to Nathaniel F. Bradley II, son of Lisa and Brad Bradley of Grosse Pointe Shores. An August wedding is planned.

Gehlert earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology from Indiana University. She is a preschool teacher.

Bradley earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science and business administration from Western State College of Colorado. He works in hotel management with Resort Quest.



**Mr. and Mrs. Mark McCarthy**

### Butterly-McCarthy

Kristin Robbins Butterly, daughter of Carla Butterly of Grosse Pointe and Mr. and Mrs. Vincent E. Butterly of Grosse Pointe, married Mark McCarthy, son of Mr. and Mrs. John McCarthy of Arlington Heights, Ill., on Aug. 20, 2005. The wedding and reception were held at the Grand Lake Lodge in Grand Lake, Colo.

The maid of honor was Lisa Smith of Seattle.

Bridesmaids were Molly Butterly of Denver, Megan Butterly of Jupiter, Fla., both sisters of the bride, and Sherie Valk of Grand Ledge. The flowergirl was Grace Savoca of Denver.

The groom's brother, Tom McCarthy of Basalt, Colo., was the best man.

Groomsmen were J.B. McCarthy of Carbondale, Colo., Brian McCarthy of Wilmington, Del., both brothers of the groom; and Stephen Butterly of Grosse Pointe, the bride's brother.

The ringbearer was Caleb Lewis of Grosse Pointe Park. They live in Denver.



**Mr. and Mrs. Aaron James Franklin**

### Kelly-Franklin

Erin Marie Kelly, daughter of Richard and Gloria Kelly of Grosse Pointe Woods, married Aaron James Franklin, son of James and Margaret Franklin of Rochester Hills, on Oct. 1, 2005. The wedding and reception were held at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

The bride wore an ivory, A-line, strapless gown. She carried a bouquet of roses, calla lilies and berries in autumn colors.

The maid of honor was Christine Kelly, the bride's sister, of Spring Lake.

Bridesmaids were Laura Dettloff and Laura Martin of Grosse Pointe Woods and Charlotte Franklin of Rochester Hills.

The attendants wore burgundy, floor-length, satin, V-neck, empire waist gowns. They carried bouquets of roses and berries in autumn colors.

John Turpening of Cincinnati was the best man.

Groomsmen were Noel Franklin of Rochester Hills and Dane Wittrup of Chestnut Hill, Mass.



**Dr. and Mrs. Philip J. Martin**

### Bunn-Martin

Jennifer Bunn, daughter of Edward and Jeanne Bunn of Grosse Pointe Farms, married Dr. Philip J. Martin, son of Dr. Philip L. and Joan Martin of St. Louis, on Oct. 28, 2005. The ceremony was held at Maria Lanakia Catholic Church in Maui, Hawaii, and the

reception was at Kapalua Bay, Maui.

The bride wore a Vera Wang white satin, V-neck dress and carried a bouquet of ivory and light pink roses. The ceremony included the traditional exchange of Hawaiian leis between the bride and groom.

The matron of honor was the bride's sister-in-law, Nadia Bunn of Boston.

Dr. Scott Martin, the twin brother of the groom, of St. Louis, was the best man.

The scripture readers were James Bunn, the brother of the bride, and Elizabeth Martin, sister of the groom.

The bride earned a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Michigan and a master's degree in physician assistant studies from Wayne State University. She is a neurosurgical physician assistant at Providence Hospital.

The groom has a Doctorate of Medicine from American University of the Caribbean and a doctorate of anesthesia from Wayne State University. He will finish his anesthesia residency in July 2006.

They live in Huntington Woods.

## Optimist host dinner and boxing evening

The Lakeshore Optimist Club of Grosse Pointe presents its 12th annual wild game dinner and boxing classic on Friday, March 3, at the Barrister Gardens, 24225 Harper, St. Clair Shores.

General admission is \$85, or \$90 at the door, and ring-side seats are \$100.

Doors open at 6 p.m. and dinner begins at 7 p.m. Boxing provided by the Detroit Fight Club, is from 8:30 to 10 p.m. Corporate tables are available.

Raffle prizes will be a part of the evening. They include celebrity signed sports memorabilia, guns, bikes, barbecues, televisions, electronics, artwork, sporting goods and tools. The proceeds will benefit the local youth-oriented organizations.

For tickets and more information, call Nancy at (313) 408-0108 or at (313) 885-0108.

To order by mail, send to Lakeshore Optimist Club, 32 Lakeshore Dr., Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.



Photos courtesy Carole Sulad

### Woman's Club benefit

Community service chairman Fran Ahee, left, presented a representative gift to Major Donna Miller, pastoral care administrator of the Salvation Army's Evangeline Center in Detroit. In all, 325 gifts and \$325 were presented to the center. Since the Grosse Pointe Woman's Club (GPWC) is the only organization that supports the center at Christmas, both givers and receivers were pleased. The Evangeline Center is a haven for abused women and their children.

As an added attraction, Dr. Tony DeLuca, and his guitar entertained the group with holiday music. Pictured below are Ruth Naegel, Jean Azar, Betty Knop, Beverley Pack and DeLuca. The women provided an impromptu backup group for DeLuca. The GPWC audience enjoyed the opportunity to sing-along as a group.



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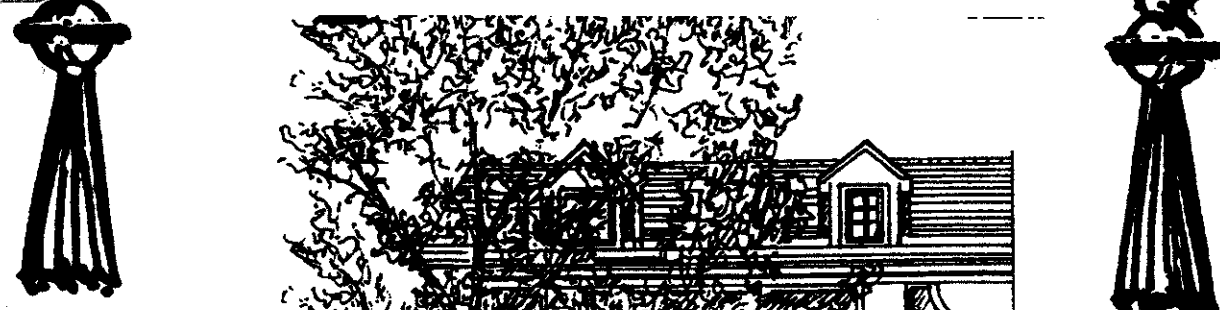
and March 1 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Internet connection classes will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 1 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

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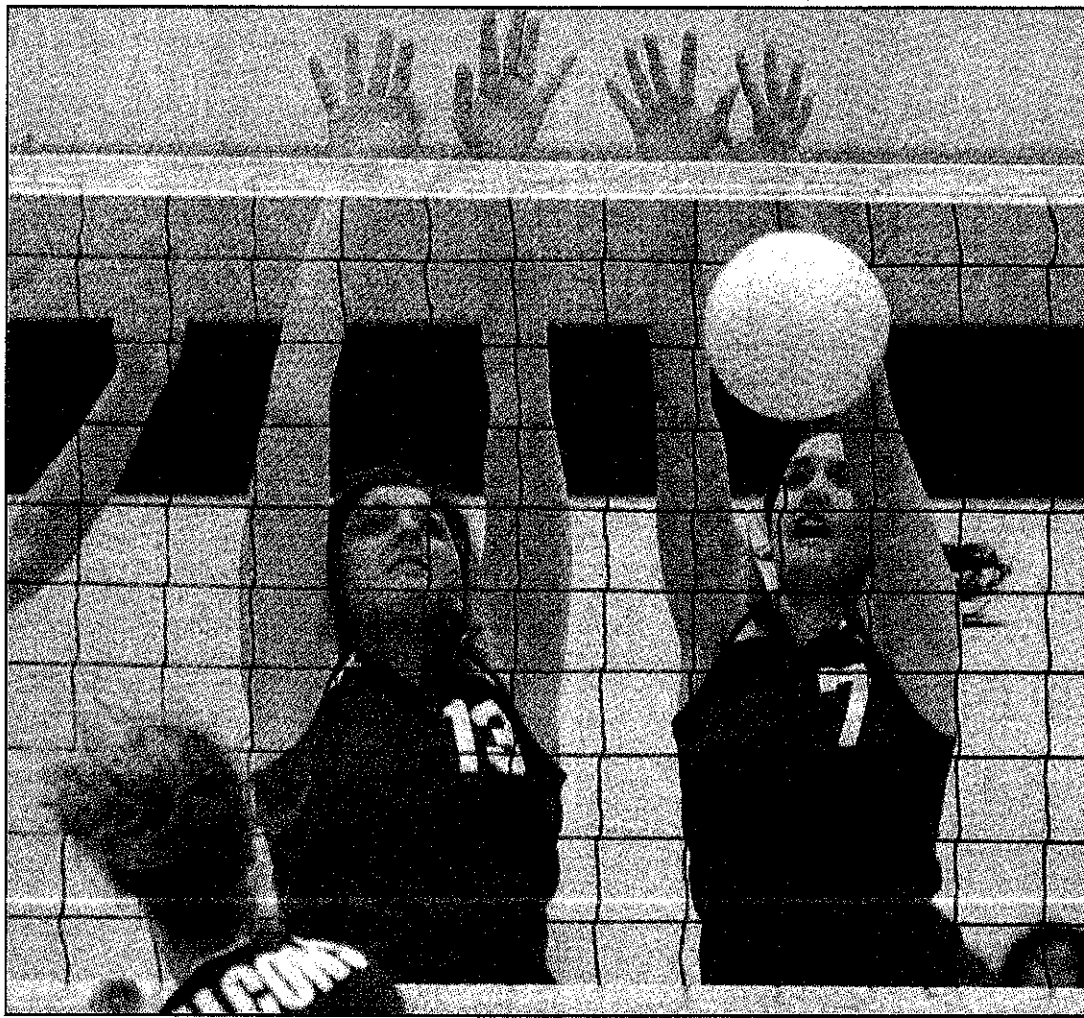


Photo by Bob Bruce

Grosse Pointe North's Andrea Bedway, left, and Erica Gaitley go up for a block during the Fraser Invitational. This week, Bedway and Gaitley each set school records in the Norsemen's victory over L'Anse Creuse.

## Record-setting win for North

Monday was a record-setting night for Grosse Pointe North's volleyball team. Two school records fell in

the Norsemen's 25-17, 12-25, 25-19, 23-25, 15-10 victory over L'Anse Creuse in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division.

Andrea Bedway's 14 blocks broke the old mark of 10 held by Jill Bramos.

Erica Gaitley's 29 digs were one better than Liz Andary's previous record.

Gaitley also had 18 kills, 28 serve receptions and three ace serves.

Danielle Zohrob had 42 assists and four aces. Caitlin Bennett collected 14 kills, 14 digs, two aces and two blocks. Colleen Ryan had eight kills and 15 digs.

The victory improved North's record to 3-2 in the MAC Red and 15-5-4 overall.

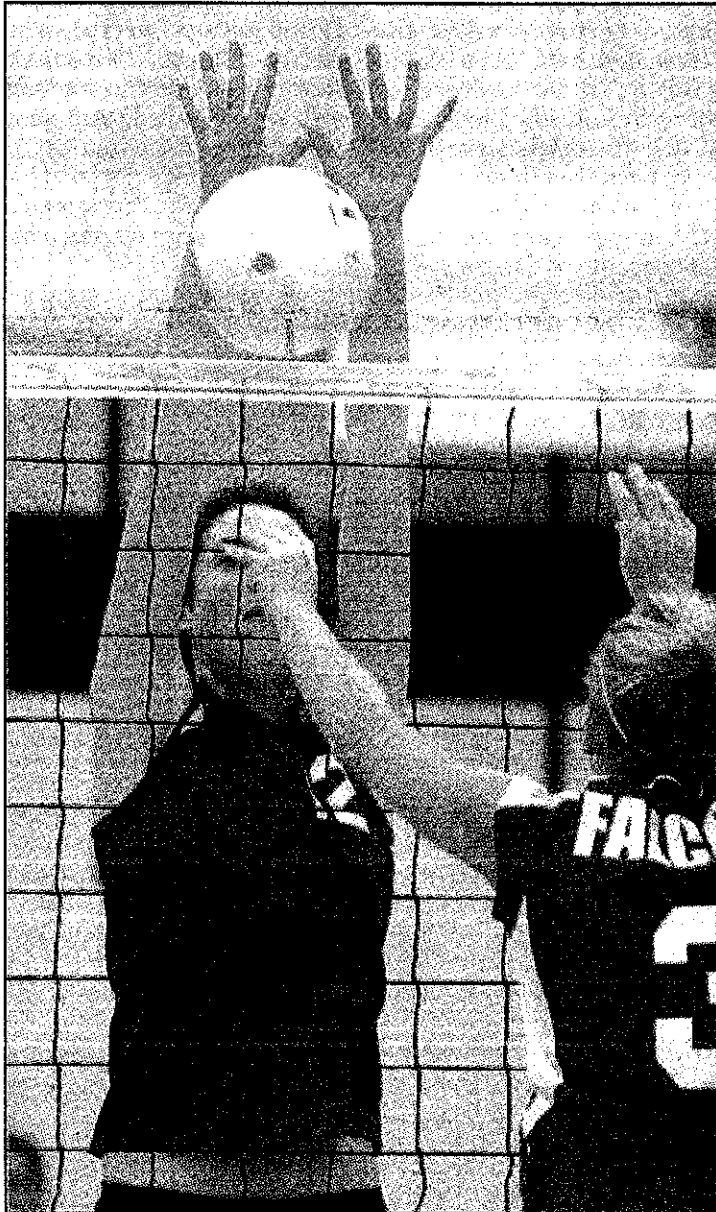


Photo by Bob Bruce

North's Meghan Potthoff blocks a shot during the Fraser Invitational.

## South swimmers stay undefeated

Grosse Pointe South's swimming team continued its undefeated season last week with victories over Novi Catholic Central and Romeo.

South hadn't competed against Catholic Central in more than five years so the Shamrocks were a bit of an unknown factor to the Blue Devils.

South had no trouble against CC, however, as the Blue Devils rolled to a 127-54 victory in the non-league meet.

South's 200-yard medley relay team of Casey Browning, Michael Manos, Danny Pogue and Jon Sax got the meet going in fine fashion, winning in the state qualifying time of 1:43.87. South's B team of Danny Basile, Beau Yavor, Joe Ryan and Andrew Graham

was second.

Browning also earned a state cut in the 500 freestyle, which he won in 4:53.77. South swept the 500 with Riley Sherer finishing second and Graham third.

South also swept the 100 butterfly. Sax touched first, followed by David Cockell and Tim Denton.

Cockell, a freshman, got his first victory as a Blue Devil when he won the 200 individual medley in 2:14.85. He just touched out Manos in an exciting race to the wall.

Alex Bordyukov, Denton, Cockell and Pogue won the 200 freestyle relay in 1:40.65, finishing nine seconds ahead of CC.

Pogue also won the 100 freestyle with Ryan taking

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## South's hoops week has its ups and downs in MAC White

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's week in basketball could be called a "Tale of Two Cities."

In Grosse Pointe Farms last Tuesday, the Blue Devils looked like they could be a title contender in the Macomb Area Conference White Division with an impressive 68-37 romp over L'Anse Creuse North.

In Port Huron on Friday, the Blue Devils struggled to score points against a Port Huron team that was missing two of its starters, and suffered a 45-40 defeat.

South was nearly perfect in all phases of the game against a solid LCN squad.

"We passed the ball. We were unselfish and we shot well," Blue Devils coach Jay Ritchie said. "When we do those things, we'll probably be successful."

South led 21-13 at the end of the first quarter and never let the Crusaders get back into the game.

"Each quarter we kept building our lead," Ritchie said. "We had a size advantage and our big guys did a good job of attacking the offensive glass."

David DeBoer, David Baldwin and Brendan Howe combined for 17 points with many of them coming as a result of offensive rebounds.

A 15-3 run in the second quarter, highlighted by a pair of three-point baskets by Jimmy Saros, helped the Blue Devils open a 38-19 halftime lead.

"Saros hit those four threes in the first half," Ritchie said. "He was more assertive tonight on offense."

South kept adding to its lead in the second half. By the end of the third quarter the margin had grown to 54-32. In the fourth quarter, the Blue Devils outscored the Crusaders 14-5.

Christian Conroy, who limped off the court late in South's previous game with a sprained ankle, returned to action and led the Blue Devils with 18 points although he didn't start.

"Conroy gave us a big lift off the bench," Ritchie said.

Moments after the senior guard came into the game, he hit a pair of free throws, then drove to the hoop for another basket. He started

the third quarter with a pair of three-point baskets.

J.C. Cruse had 14 points and six rebounds, while Saros finished with 12 points. Baldwin had six points and a team-high nine rebounds. Melvin Malone grabbed four rebounds before leaving the game after being accidentally hit in the nose while battling for a

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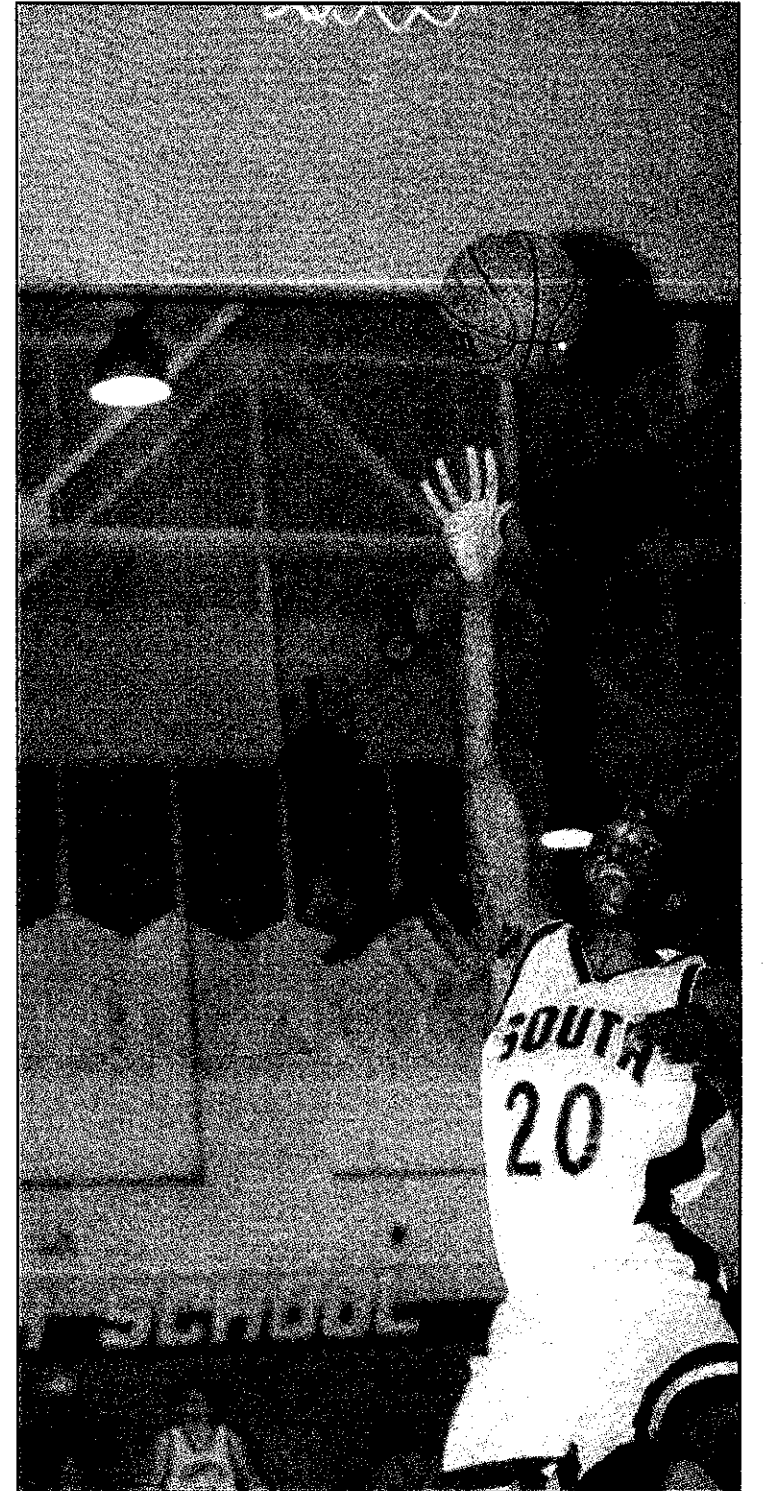


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Grosse Pointe South's J.C. Cruse drives for two against L'Anse Creuse North.

## South, Divine Child skate to 2-2 deadlock

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

There are good ties in hockey. And there are bad ties.

It all depends on one's perspective.

Last Saturday's 2-2 draw with Divine Child in a Michigan Metro High School Hockey League game was a bad tie in Grosse Pointe South's eyes. The Falcons, however, were delighted with it.

"We're disappointed with the outcome," said South coach Bob Bopp. "Especially after such a big win the

week before.

"We're a good team, but a great team finds a way to win a game like that and take the two points in the league. We should have found a way to win that game. Divine Child is a decent team, but we think we're better."

At the beginning, it looked like it was going to be a game that the Blue Devils could put in the win column.

South dominated the first period and Ryan Abraham scored a power-play goal

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## Norsemen second at Bulldog Relays

Grosse Pointe North's swimming team had a successful weekend with a second-place finish at the 13-team Romeo Bulldog Relays.

Romeo won with 150 points, while North had 137. Marysville was third with 109 points, and fourth-place L'Anse Creuse had 102.

North won five of the 11 swimming events.

North's team of Stephen Van Beek, Michael Lane, David Castile and Chris Cullen won the 200-yard rookie medley relay in 1:58.93. Van Beek, Lane and Castile are freshmen, while Cullen is a junior.

The Norsemen took first place in the 400 freestyle relay. The team of Alex Hunt, Ryan Boury, Eric Jorgenson and Lane had a winning time of 3:35.28.

North's team of Mike Kedzierski, Castile, Max Hunt and Boury won the 200 butterfly relay in 1:47.36.

The 200 rookie freestyle relay team of Max Hunt, Van Beek, Castile and Aaron Egan posted a winning time of 1:47.13.

North's other first came in the 200 freestyle relay. The team of Alex Hunt, Boury, Karl Tech and Lane won with a time of 1:35.41.

The Norsemen were second in the 200 breaststroke relay with the team of Chris Bill, Max Hunt, Jeff Moore and Andrew Fly touching in 2:08.25.

The 200 medley relay team of Mike Walton, Fly, Kedzierski and Tech finished fourth, as did the 400

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Photo by Bob Bruce

Ryan Abraham scored one goal and set up another in Grosse Pointe South's 2-2 tie with Divine Child.





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**Grosse Pointe North junior Emily Nelson, above, is the Norsemen's leading goal scorer this season, which has helped put the team in the top three of the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League standings.**

## North's comeback fails in loss to PCS

By Bob St. John  
Sports Writer

Grosse Pointe North's girls hockey team lost 4-2 to undefeated Plymouth-Canton-Salem last week.

It was a battle between two of the top three teams in the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League.

"We have to keep an eye on PCS' top forwards (Katie Zimmerman is one of the top players in the league) because they make their offense click," North head coach Tim Van Eckoute said before the highly anticipated showdown.

The Norsemen didn't execute the game plan as Zimmerman recorded a natural hat trick in the first period, leading the Penguins to a 3-0 lead.

She scored just 1:47 into the game and added a short-handed tally at the 4:03 mark. She finished off the hat trick with a goal with only 46.6 seconds left on the clock.

PCS made it 4-0 1:03 into the second period, but that would be it for the visitors.

Van Eckoute's troops gathered together and stormed back, getting two goals in the middle of the third period to make it a game.

"We knew North would make a comeback, and I told my girls to stay focused and keep their head in the game because it wasn't over," PCS head coach Lori Callahan said.

Senior Christina Sandmair and junior Emily Nelson scored the Norsemen goals, and the duo continued to deliver scoring chances during the final five minutes of the final period, but PCS goalkeeper Kristie Kowalski made the key stops.

"I wish we would have played the first two periods like we did in the third peri-

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fifth and sixth, respectively.

Carrie Morris of the Park was four in the female 19-29 group.

In the female 30-39 division, Amy Treder Kelliher of the City was seventh, and City resident Anne Vanker was eighth.

The female overall winner was Martina Hauptmann of Ferndale in 57:37.

The event benefitted the Special Olympics of Michigan.

## Academy honors top fall athletes

Grosse Pointe Academy eighth grader Ian Flick and sixth graders Emmy Boccaccio, Somers Brush and Grace Rentschler were named Athletes of the Fall Season at a school assembly.

Each student was chosen based on athletic achievements, leadership ability, academic performance and citizenship.

Flick was co-captain of the cross country team and winner of the Bulldog and Spirit awards. He is a scholar athlete, member of the National Junior Honor Society and is on the Academy's high honors roll, citizenship list and Head of School list.

Boccaccio and Rentschler battled throughout the season for the No. 1 singles spot on the girls tennis team and were co-winners of the most valuable player award.

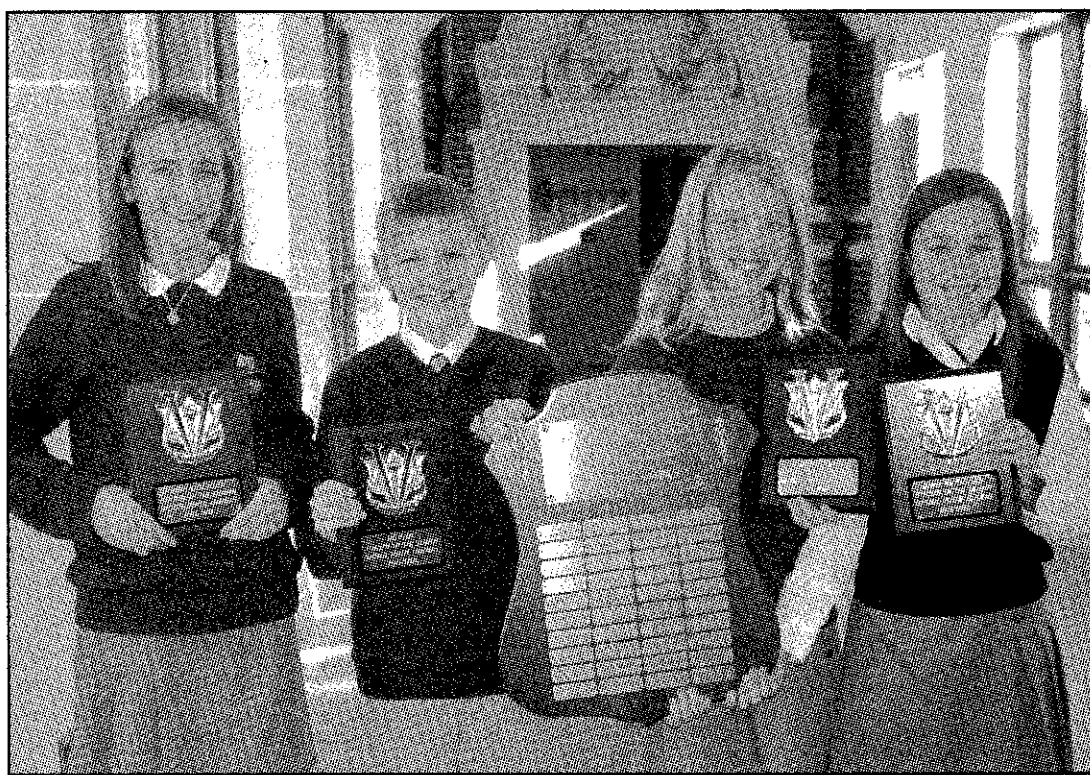
Somers was the leading runner on the girls cross country team and was selected as the most valuable runner by her teammates and coach.

The three sixth graders all played junior varsity basketball. Rentschler was the MVP, Boccaccio won the Bulldog award, and Brush received the Spirit award.

All three are scholar athletes and are on the high honors roll, citizenship list and Head of School list.

"While sometimes two girls or two boys might be named in a given season, it's rare for three athletes to share this distinction," said athletic director Michael Fultz. "It's also rare for this award to be given to a sixth grader.

"These three young ladies distinguished themselves athletically in their respective sports, but were so evenly matched that the coaches thought all three deserved to be recognized."



The Grosse Pointe Academy's Athletes of the Fall Season were, from left, Emmy Boccaccio, Ian Flick, Somers Brush and Grace Rentschler.

## Red Barons schedule board meeting

The Grosse Pointe Red Barons youth football organization will hold its annual board of directors meeting on Thursday, Feb. 16 at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 375

Lothrop, Grosse Pointe Farms.

All parents, coaches and current board members are invited to attend.

Nominations for new

board members are being accepted.

To become a candidate for the 2006 board, contact the Red Barons at (313) 207-8047 before Feb. 16.

For more information on the Red Barons, visit the website at [www.gpredbarons.org](http://www.gpredbarons.org).

## Former South swimmers do well

Two former Grosse Pointe South swimmers did all they could to help Albion College's men's swimming team in its recent Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association meet with Hope College.

John Fodell won the 200-yard breaststroke in 2:16.36 and he was runner-up in the 200 individual medley with a time of 2:07.66.

Ryan Gunderson sprinted his way to second in the 50 freestyle with a time of 22.33 seconds, and he was third in the 100 freestyle in 50.55.

Despite the efforts of the two former Blue Devils,

Albion lost 130-92.

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with 1:16 remaining. The Blue Devils had a 10-2 shot advantage in the opening period.

Abraham's goal, which was assisted by Frankie DeLaura and Scott Maxwell, came at the end of some excellent puck movement by South's power-play unit.

The next time South had a man advantage it scored again. This time, Tim Shield was the marksman.

Once again, Abraham figured prominently in the goal.

"He's been a big scorer for us," Bopp said. "He made a great play to get the puck to Shield."

Abraham took the initial shot on goalie Jeff Cain, got his own rebound and slid a pass across the crease to Shield, who made no mistake in putting the puck into the open corner of the net at 4:34 of the second period. DeLaura also assisted.

"Shield has been one of our top players since Day One when he joined us as a freshman," Bopp said. "He's tough. He plays both ends of the ice. And he puts the team first in everything he does."

South continued to control the play until Divine Child's Matt Rauschenberger scored on a 3-on-1 break at 11:41 of the second period.

That changed the whole complexion of the game. The Falcons seemed energized, while South stopped playing with the same passion it had

earlier in the game.

"We got away from our intensity in our team defense," Bopp said. "We didn't backcheck as hard. That's what led to their first goal."

Divine Child started putting on pressure in the South end and one of the Falcons players fanned on a point-blank shot with 10 seconds left in the second period.

South goalie Trevor Sattelmeyer made a fine glove save on Divine Child's Phil Siedlik early in the third period to preserve the slim lead, but at 10:36, the Falcons tied the game when Casey Pachota slipped the puck in on the short side.

Abraham was tripped on a breakaway attempt with 3:16 left in regulation. Divine Child drew a second penalty at the same time, giving the Blue Devils a 5-on-3 advantage for two minutes.

Bopp called a timeout to map out some strategy.

"We did what we talked about," he said. "We had a lot of good chances but we couldn't score."

South, which killed off a penalty in the overtime, had an excellent scoring opportunity in the extra period but shot wide of the net.

South will play in the East Kentwood tournament this weekend. The Blue Devils return home for a non-league game against Brother Rice on Wednesday, Feb. 1.

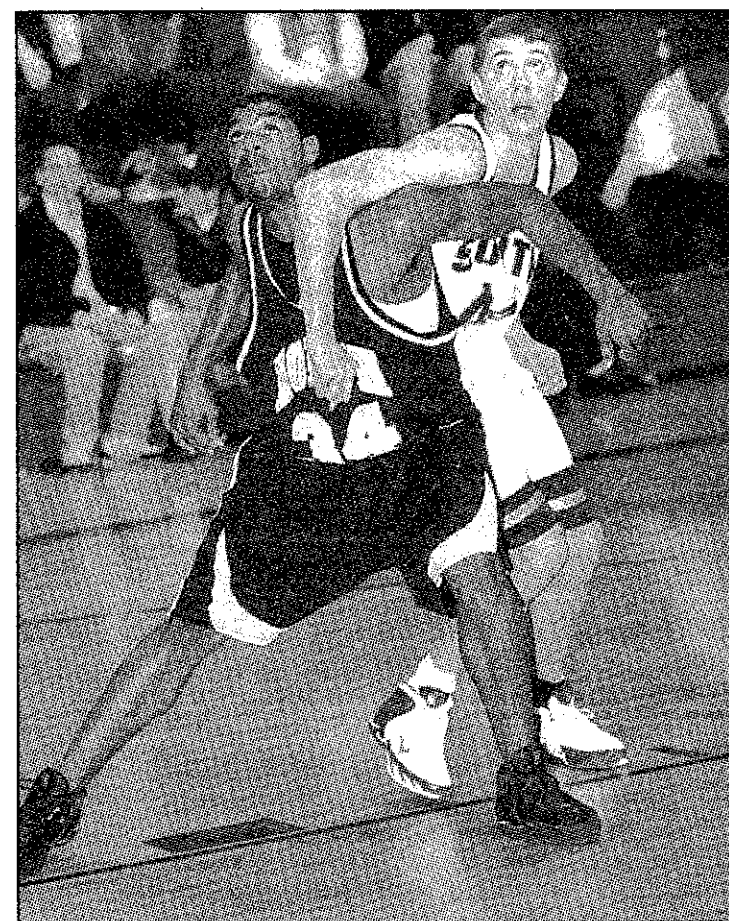


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Grosse Pointe South's Jimmy Dixon battles for position with Tracy Jackson of L'Anse Creuse North.

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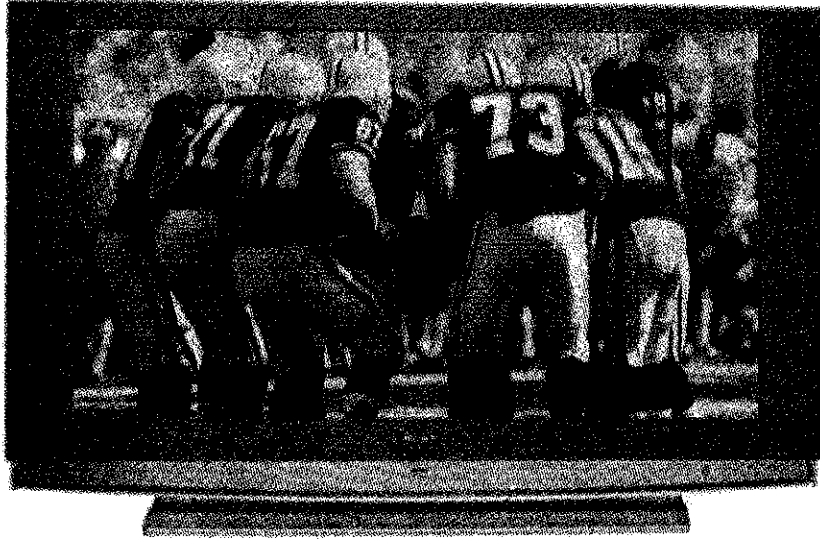






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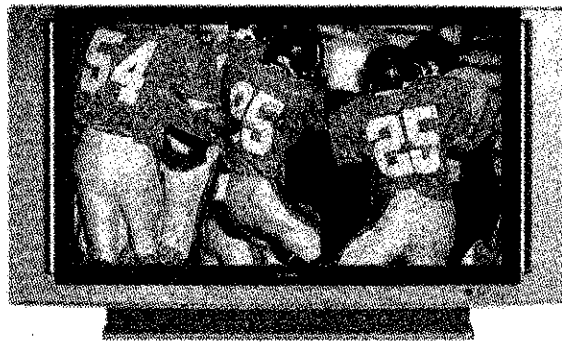
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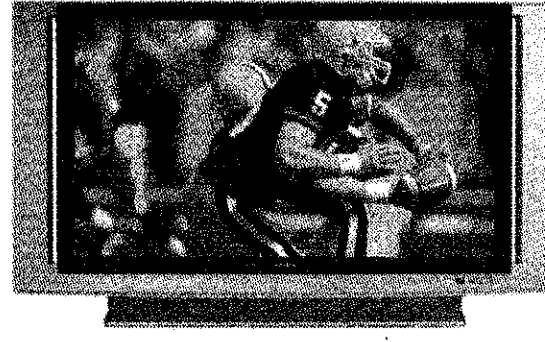
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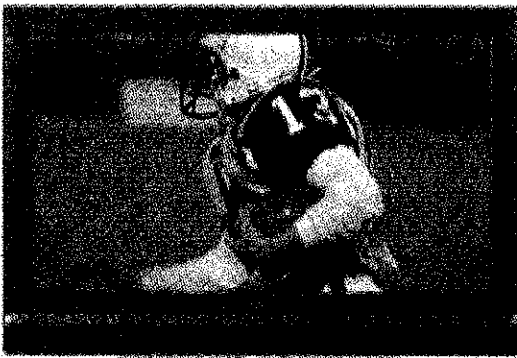
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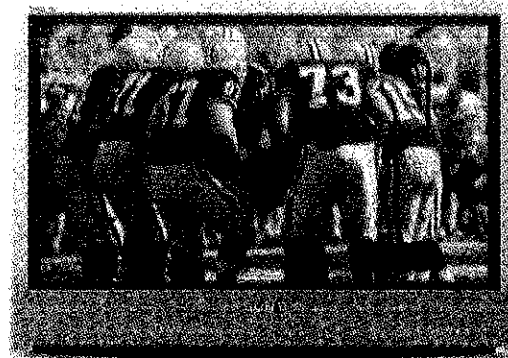
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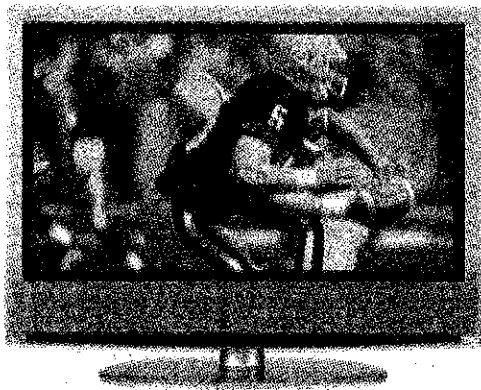
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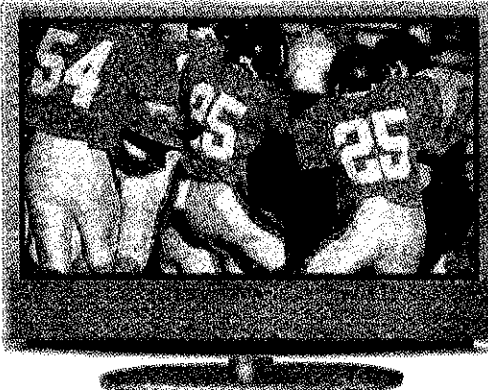
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