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#### THURSDAY, MAY 4

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Methodist women are hosting a rummage sale from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the church, 211 Moross Road, Grosse Pointe Farms. For information, call (313) 886-2363.
- ◆ The Grosse Pointe Artists Association holds it semi-annual fundraiser, the Attic Treasure sale, through May 6. The presale party runs from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. on Thursday with a \$10 admission fee. There is free admission 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday, May 5, and from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, May 6. The sale will be at the Grosse Pointe Artists Association Art Center, 1005 Maryland, Grosse Pointe Park. For information, call (313) 821-1848.
- ◆ John Whittier-Ferguson, professor of literature at the University of Michigan, will discuss Virginia Woolf's "Mrs. Dalloway" at 7:30 p.m. at Grosse Pointe South High School. This is a presentation of the Friends of the Grosse Pointe Public Library.

#### SUNDAY, MAY 7

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Community Chorus presents its 54th annual Spring Concert at 3 p.m. in Parcells Middle School Auditorium, 20600 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Tickets can be purchased at the door; \$10 for adults, \$3 for children. For information, call (313) 882-
- ◆ The public is invited to this year's CROP WALK, a fivemile walk around Grosse Pointe Farms to raise funds for the hungry and homeless. Registration begins at 12:30 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church. The walk begins at 1 p.m. For information, call (313) 882-5330.

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 10

◆ Local attorney Duane S. Weed will discuss "Estate Planning Safeguards to Protect You and Your Family" at Grosse Pointe Library's Senior Symposium from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Weed is a member of the State Bar of Michigan, Probate and Estate Planning Division.

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PHOTO BY ANN L. FOUTY

### Ferry's Fuzzy Pickles

The Fuzzy Pickles are on their way to the Destination ImagiNation Global Competition in Knoxville, Tenn., on May 20. The team of Casey Wizner, Rhys Williams, Jordan Radke, Thomas McCarter, Courtney Veneri and Katie Dalman, who are fourth- and fifth-graders at Ferry Elementary School, are more than thrilled to be going because it's the first time they have competed and it's the first time Ferry has had a Destination ImagiNation team. The community is asked to help offset the \$10,000 needed to send the team to the international competition. See story, page 17A.

### St. John performs closed-chest bypass

By Susan Bollinger Staff Writer

Roger Ricci got nervous when he turned 56.

"I have a family history of heart disease," he reveals. "My dad died of it at 57." So the Grosse Pointe Woods resident started having a stress test every year, worked out and ate a healthy diet.

scheduled his regular stress test and an echocardiogram. "I had no symptoms of heart disease and both tests showed no changes, so I thought my heart was getting enough blood."

But Ricci's physician, Thomas LaLonde, M.D., director of the cardiac catheterization lab at St. John Hospital and Medical Center, thought additional testing might be worthwhile. He suggested Ricci have a new procedure, a smoking, and — as with Ricci 64-slice CT scan, which would

give them a more accurate ease. view of Ricci's heart. Although insurance, Ricci decided to spring for it.

"Was I one surprised guy to find out my left coronary artery was 95 percent blocked," he reported.

to Steven Harrington, M.D., chief of cardiovascular surgery Last January, at age 69, he at St. John. According to Harrington, "Ricci was at significant risk of having a major heart attack with the blockage

he had." Heart disease is the No. 1 killer in the United States. Americans suffer approximately 1.5 million heart attacks annually and about half of them prove fatal. Almost all victims have at least one risk factor, which include high blood cholesterol, high blood pressure, It can be done with the heart - a family history of heart dis-

Ricci's artery needed treatthe \$700 test wasn't covered by ment, and the best option in his case was bypass surgery. It turns out he was again one surprised guy — this time to become the first person in Michigan to undergo a Totally **Endoscopic Coronary Artery** LaLonde referred his patient Bypass, or TECAB, on April 28 at St. John Hospital and Medical Center.

Unlike traditional bypass surgery, which involves opening the patient's chest by sawing through the breastbone and spreading it open to gain access to the heart, TECAB is performed through four small holes in the chest. A healthy blood vessel is taken from inside the chest wall and grafted onto the heart to "bypass" the blocked section of the artery and restore normal blood flow.

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CITY OF GROSSE POINTE

# Sunrise likely on St. Clair

#### Planning commission OKs senior condominium project

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

John Denver made him so happy he wrote a song about it.

The idea of Sunrise Development's condominiums looming over wood-frame farm houses bordering the Village made neighbors so mad they hired an attorney to

block it. Sunrise got the message and changed its tune.

Company planners have 2005. scaled-down their condo complex proposed for 1.93-acres

What's next

Sunshine on the shoulders of The matter moves to the next council meeting, Monday, May 8, at 7 p.m. Unless something causes planning commissioners-cum-councilmembers to do an about-face, Sunrise will be approved for construction.

> on St. Clair a few hundred feet south of Kercheval in the City of Grosse Pointe. The latest incarnation is shorter and smaller than versions dating to July

> > See SUNRISE, page 3A

**GROSSE POINTE WOODS** 

### Master Plan gets final OK

Lengthy document years in the making

By Bob St. John Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe Woods' Master Plan was given its final approval last week during Monday night's city council meeting.

"It's a road map of the present and future of Grosse zoning in our city," Novitke Pointe Woods," Mayor Robert Novitke said. "This lengthy

works for a number of years. It is nice to see its completion. I have to thank everyone who helped make this Master Plan come to light."

State law requires each city to have a master plan. It is to be reviewed every five years.

'The Master Plan will give all of us something concrete to look at when it comes to residential, commercial and retail

See MASTER PLAN, page 11A

#### POINTER OF INTEREST

'Grievng is hard work. You will always miss the person you lost, but it does get easier.'

### Helen Clay



Home: Grosse Pointe Park Family: Husband, Bill; children, Gillian and Graham Claim to fame: Facilitator for New Hope Center for Grief Support workshop at Christ Church

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#### NEWS

#### Yesterday's headlines

50 years ago this week

◆ Population and the number of dwellings in Grosse Pointe Shores have practically doubled since expanding the sewer system two years ago.

2,000 residents and 500 dwellings.

Home construction had been stalemated since 1921 because Michigan law forbids communities to subdivide and build if they lack an adequate sewer system.

◆ The City of Grosse Pointe fire department is called to the rescue three times in one day.

First, a cat is retrieved from a every department. tree. Second, a boy is freed after accidentally locking himself in an upstairs room. Third, firefighters release a pigeon that refuses to vacate a resident's garage.

◆ City of Grosse Pointe police respond to the report of a body covered by a blanket on the Kercheval sidewalk outside Jacobson's department store.

Investigators peel back the display mannequin.

25 years ago this week

◆ The Grosse Pointe public school board awards a threeyear, \$49,000 contract to new Superintendent Dr. Kenneth

Brummel of Westport, Conn. Brummel replaces Dr.



Williams Coats, who after five years with Grosse Pointe schools will leave the district this summer to teach in the University of Michigan school of education.

◆ A Grosse Pointe Woods man suffers a gunshot wound to the chest early on a Sunday morning when three men attempt to rob him in the drive-The village now hosts about way of a friend's house in the City of Grosse Pointe.

The victim is rated in good condition at an area hospital.

City Public Service Director Bruce Kennedy says this is the first reported attempted armed robbery in the City in 20 years.

◆ During these times of high inflation, Grosse Pointe Woods officials prepare a 1980-81 budget with cutbacks in almost

◆ Grosse Pointe Park Mayor Palmer Heenan ponders a campaign for Wayne County Commissioner.

"After council commission blanket to discover a window districts were redrawn in the early 1990s, the Park was separated from the rest of Grosse Pointe," Heenan says. "We worked hard to make sure the Park was not separated from its natural constituents."

◆ Ed Shine formally submits his resignation as superintendent of Grosse Pointe public schools. Shine will become superintendent in Rye, New York.

◆ Film crews record a Chevrolet-GEO television commercial at a house on the corner of Jefferson and University Place in the City of Grosse

The advertisement is targeted for airing in northern California but could be shown nationally.

◆ City of Grosse Pointe voters



### 1956: Hungry Five to be featured at Sunday concert

The Hungry Five, comprised of, from left, Dewey Kalember, Wayne Smith, Tom Moore, Frank Tunks and Gil Stammer, get in some hot licks during practice for the Community Chorus Concert to be held at Parcells Junior High School. (From the May 3, 1956 Grosse Pointe News.)

approve by a 819 to 189 margin group by writing a \$100 check Growth rings counted by City the sale of \$2.6 million in bonds to renovate Neff Park.

the park's 30-year-old swimming pool is out of date. A new bathhouse also will be built.

◆ Grosse Pointe Shores trustees, while praising the Grosse Pointe Historical Society for helping preserve the community's heritage, deny a request to donate \$5,000 to the organization.

Trustee Dr. Brian Hunt tells society representatives he is uncomfortable using residents' tax dollars for the donation, yet underscores his support of the

as a personal donation.

 ◆ Vandals chop down a 40-Supporters of the bond say foot evergreen tree at Patterson Park in Grosse Pointe Park.

Forester Brian Colter show the Norway spruce was 53 years

Colter plants a replacement

tree next to where the spruce had grown since 1948.

"It will be better than ever," Colter says.

— Brad Lindberg

GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC LIBRARY

### Senior Symposium comes to end with lecture by 'Live Now' author

The Grosse Pointe Public Library ends its sixth annual Senior Symposium with a lecture by Dr. Isadore Rosenfeld on "Live Now, Age Later: A Look at Modern Aging," at 1:30 32 Lakeshore, Memorial, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Rosenfeld, professor of med-public. He is health editor and icine at New York Hospital widely recognized as one the country's pre-eminent doctors. Sunday "Housecall." With nine best-selling books to proponents of the medical enlightenment of the American

columnist Weil Cornell Medical Center, is Magazine and makes regular appearances on Fox News

Tickets are free of charge p.m. Wednesday, May 17, at his credit, Rosenfeld is one of and can be picked up at the the Grosse Pointe War the leading and most effective Grosse Pointe Central Library, 10 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe

> For more information, call (313) 343-2325.

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### Rabaut's gets its new look

a makeover that was approved by the Grosse Pointe Woods Planning Commission last

"Rabaut's is continuing with improvements that will continue with its Colonial theme of

Rabaut's Interiors is getting the city's business area," Woods Building Inspector Gene Tutag said. "It's going to look great when the construction is complete."

Owner Sandra J. Rabaut has been in business in the community since 1951.

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#### THURSDAY, MAY 11

◆ The Grosse Pointe South Jazz Band's Spring Concert begins at 7:30 p.m. in the South High School Auditorium. Admission is \$3 for students and seniors and \$5 for adults.

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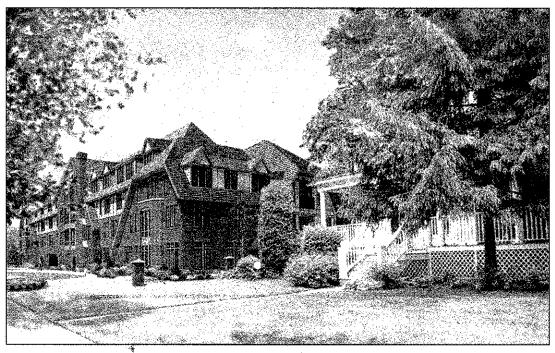
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#### **SUNRISE: Number of** units reduced

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"We've lost nine (condominium) units to this configuration," said Laura Hester, Sunrise senior vice president for development in the Midwest.

Hester's loss meant gaining nearly unanimous support from the City planning com-

Commissioners, who double as the mayor and city council, voted 6-1 Monday to approve Sunrise's latest site plan as regulated under the recentlyadopted planned unit development ordinance.

The matter moves to the next council meeting, Monday, May 8, at 7 p.m. Unless something causes planning commissioners-cum-councilmembers to do an about-face, Sunrise will be approved for construc-

In the meantime, city officials directed Sunrise representatives to meet once more with neighbors to smooth out concerns, such as landscaping and the height of a brick wall

along the Neff property line. "Assuming all goes well, we'd like to break ground in the summer of 2007," Hester said. A grand opening could happen 16 month later.

"It will be a real asset to our Village," said Commissioner the ordinance along our prop- The mayor knew, the city man-John Stevens. "It would fit into erty line. But we're still looking our total picture of the Grosse at a four-story building." Pointes quite well."

#### Money; got to have it

149,761-square-foot complex about money for Sunrise. It's

would generate additional annual tax revenues of \$277,000 for the City, \$300,000 for Grosse Pointe public schools, \$30,000 for the library and \$295,000 for Wayne County.

Construction, if approved, will take place on a municipal parking lot for which Sunrise paid \$2 million.

Upon issuance of a building permit, Sunrise will pay \$175,000 for improvements to an adjacent municipal parking lot, according to John Jackson, vice president of McKenna Associates, the City's commercial planning consultant.

In addition, the company will pay \$25,000 toward a traffic study of the Village; spend \$200,000 beefing up a water main that will result in better service to the area; and extend the Village streetscape down a portion of St. Clair at a cost of \$80,000.

"Sunrise has a track record that blows away other developers we're looking at (in the Village)," said Commissioner Chris Walsh. "The financial benefit is substantially better than other projects we're looking at in the Village. It is potentially five-fold better than Kercheval Place."

Not everyone is thrilled.

It appears that Theresa Murphy, a St. Clair resident and litigant whose injunction failed to cancel Monday's meeting, will find herself living next door to the complex.

"We appreciate they've tapered off (the size)," Murphy said. "It's at the height that fits

She said the whole concept is based on making money.

"This is about money for the City officials projected the city," Murphy said. "This is

not about money for us. It's about our home."

Donna Rebidas, another St. Clair resident, wasn't swayed by the proposed building's pretend-Tudor architecture.

"It's an eyesore in the middle of our neighborhood," Rebidas said. "It's Tudor — like it dropped off from Frankenmuth. It's going to uglify Grosse Pointe even more."

Commissioner John Stempfle cast the lone vote against recommending site plan approval.

"I kept asking myself if I would want to live next to this four-story condo," Stempfle explained. "I could live with three stories, but four stories seemed too massive and overwhelming. Architecturally, I think it's beautiful, just not in character with the neighborhood."

Stempfle asked Hester if the structure could be reduced even more to fit even better into the neighborhood. Hester said further reconfiguration would be too expensive this late in the process.

"It took all my strength not to scream out," said Duncan MacEachern, another St. Clair resident and litigant. "We had been telling the city, the mayor and (the former) city manager for months and months since this whole process started - that we wanted the building lowered. It was a disgrace to hear that something could have been done if the city had insisted long ago that they ager knew. They didn't relay it to Sunrise. The mayor has

completely let us down." MacEachern has started petition drives to repeal the planned unit development ordinance and allow voters to de-



DRAWING: PERKINS EASTMAN ARCHITECTS

Four perspectives of Sunrise Development's latest proposal for senior-living condominiums on St. Clair. The complex contains 79 living units and an underground garage. Above, left, is a view looking up St. Clair toward Kercheval and the Village commercial district. Above, right, is a view looking down St. Clair from the Village.

cide if it should be reinstated.

#### Senior living

Sunrise will restrict residents to at least 55 years old and capable of independent living. The multi-national company also operates assisted living condominiums on Mack near Brys Drive and an Alzheimer care facility on Vernier south of Mack, both in Grosse Pointe Woods.

"Over 10 percent of the community is over 75 years of age," said Hester, citing 2004 Claritas demographic data. 'There are no other (independent) senior living options in the community. We want to bring that option."

The building slated for the Village is rated 46 feet tall overall, compared to an earlier version that stood 54 feet. The side facing back yards of homeowners on Neff has a midpoint

shortened to 35 feet. "They (Sunrise) have revised the design based on concerns of residents to the height adjacent to the property," said John Jackson, vice president of McKenna Associates, the City's commercial planning consultant. "(Sunrise) has reduced the height of the southern portion of the building which would be closest to ex-St. Clair."

Changes are in keeping with the sizes of condominium complexes that have operated in the City for decades.

"Sunrise has reduced the building height to 2 1/2 stories adjacent to the single-family residential uses which is consistent with other multiple-

family developments in the more. Buildings in the district City (on Crawford Lane. Cadieux and St. Paul)," Jackson said.

He said Sunrise is targeted for an area near the city's commercial hub in which structures are allowed to reach four stories and stand 54 feet tall.

"Both Maire Elementary School and Bon Secour Hospital have heights of 45 feet," Jackson said. "Future projects in the Village may have similar heights to establish the critical mass to achieve the objectives of the City to maintain and enhance the Village."

With Sunrise no longer bursting at the seams, Jackson sees it functioning both as a domicile and as a gateway between the Village's south side residential neighborhood and downtown business district.

"The proposed building provides a transition from the potential higher density and taller buildings permitted in the Village to the adjacent singlefamily residential areas," he

#### Exceeds limits

Although a somewhat deflated Sunrise no longer ranks as a super-sized commercial structure, it's still a whopper in isting single-family homes on terms of the City's residential needed for its construction. zoning ordinance:

> 35-foot, 2 1/2-story height limits. Peaks on Sunrise's fourth ing, story reach 46 feet.

residential areas is 35 percent. Sunrise covers 45 percent.

complex exceeds normal limits of the single-family district.

◆ The building's setbacks aren't in keeping with its height on the 84,387-squarefoot lot. Proposed front and rear setbacks are 25 feet, while side setbacks are 20 feet. The applicable ordinance requires

are supposed to be set back from adjacent property lines by 20 feet or the height of the building, whichever is greater.

"In the case of the proposed building, the rear and southside setbacks would be required to be 35 feet and the front and north-side setbacks would be required to be 45 feet," Jackson said.

◆ Every residential unit in the City, whether a single-family home, townhouse or apartment, must have two parking spaces. Sunrise's proposed underground parking garage is designed for only one space per unit, or 79. Even with an additional 17 spaces provided for employees and 25 spots for visitors, the garage's grand total of 121 parking spaces averages just 1.5 per residential

"We don't want Sunrise residents parking in our (municipal) lots," said Commissioner Jean Weipert.

Hester said residents will be required to sign a condo association agreement to have only one vehicle per dwelling, thereby avoiding infringement on commercial parking space.

City officials ruled the project's overall public benefits outweigh zoning compromises

Jackson cataloged benefits

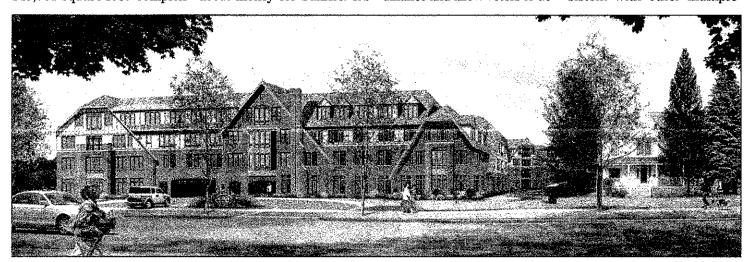
• providing additional hous-

 generating foot traffic for ◆ Maximum lot coverage in Village businesses and activi-

◆ adding an exceptional ex-◆ Proposed density of the terior design that complements the City's architectural heritage, and

> • generating increased tax revenue.

City officials decided that increased traffic resulting from Sunrise would be "consistent with development that meets zoning requirements."



Above is a front view of the proposed Sunrise development from across the street on St. Clair. Below is a view the residents on Neff Road would see from their back yards.



**GROSSE POINTE FARMS** 

### New optical scan voting machines on the way

So much for government ef- the new election machines are ficiency.

New voting machines mandated last year by the state have been such dogs that Grosse Pointe Farms officials are already lining up reinforcements.

"After using these machines during the November 2005 election, it was determined that stantial number of ballots."

much slower than the older machines," said Shane Reeside, Farms city manager. "The state, after realizing this,

has provided (a) grant opportunity so communities can obtain additional machines for the Absentee Voter Counting Board, which processes a sub-

used during general elections, gubernatorial and presidential primaries.

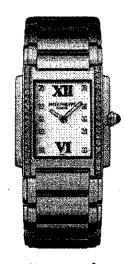
"During other elections, these machines will serve as backup in the event of equipment failure," Reeside said.

The 2005 mandate came coupled with state grants to purchase optical scanning vot-

The new machines will be ing machines that complied with the Help America Vote

> The act was an outgrowth of remedies to problems reported during the 2000 presidential election. Some Democrat voters in Florida said their ballots were so confusing they selected Republican George W. Bush by mistake.





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#### **NEWS**

POINTER OF INTEREST

Helen Clay had a wonderful life. Her husband landed a good job in Florida, and together the had two children and a home on Siesta Key. Then her husband was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.

# Park woman returns home to fight grief

By Kathy Ryan Special Writer

Helen Clay has taken many journeys through life as a daughter, wife, mother and, sadly, a young widow. It is her journey through the grief process that followed the death of her husband she now shares with others as a facilitator with the new grief support program at Christ Church Grosse Pointe.

"The most important thing for people to know who are grieving is that they are not alone," said Clay. "A support group provides a safe place for people to come, to share with others who know and understand the feelings you have."

Christ Church's associate rector for Outreach and Pastoral Care, is the organizing force behind the grief support pro-

very long time," Dieter ex- with her husband, Chris plained. "Grief and the issues Rabbitt, and their two chilit brings were not being addressed very well in the community. Hospitals try, but oftentimes people don't want to students go back to where their sadness began. We wanted to give people a safe place to come."

Coordinated by New Hope Center for Grief Support in Plymouth, the program offers an eight-week course that explores the stages of grief. It offers separate sessions for chil-

The Rev. David Dieter, dren, teens and adults. A certified grief counselor speaks to each group, then facilitators lead participants in sharing experiences, insights and tears.

Clay's journey began in "I saw a need for this for a 1994. She was living in Florida dren, Gillian who was 11, and Graham, who was 7.

"I met Chris when we were Western Michigan," Clay said. "We married; Chris went to work for the Eaton Corp., and we moved to Florida. There were several more moves before we settled back in Florida on Siesta Key. We had Gillian and Graham and a wonderful life."

Then tragedy struck. Chris was diagnosed with pancreatic later. He was 37.

Though the family had received counseling during his illness, nothing prepared them of Grosse Pointe a year after are afraid they will make for the reality of life after he her husband's death. was gone. And while Clay had to deal with her loss and her own grief, she also had two children that needed her to support them through their grieving process.

"We were so fortunate to have received counseling before Chris died," she said, "and I felt it was very important that it continued after he died so that Gillian and Graham could work through their grief in their own ways. Though he wasn't able to verbalize very well what he was feeling, Graham used artwork to express his thoughts. Gillian started a journal, and through it all she just kept writing."

And Clay? "I would get the children off to school, then go back to bed and stay there until they got

Clay and her children hesitate to talk about their loss moved back to her hometown and their feelings because they



cancer and died eight months Helen Clay and the Rev. David Dieter, Associate Rector for Outreach and Pastoral Care, who brought the New Hope Center for Grief Support program to Christ Church.

adults sad. A support group

other children who are just

like them and to know they are

pants through the stages of

grief, including anger, loneli-

ness, guilt and coping with

every day life as well as special

events, such as birthdays and

one's life," Dieter explained.

"And no one experiences it the

same way as someone else.

Some people do it well; some

don't. We're not here to give

therapy or counseling; we are

here so people can share their

pain with people who will sup-

port them and help them

'Grief affects every aspect of

The sessions take partici-

not alone in their loss."

holidays.

through it."

"Chris' family lives in gives them a safe place to Chelsea and I wanted Gillian share their feelings, to be with and Graham to have a sense of continuity and to have his family nearby and be a part of their lives," she said.

Between the loss of their father and the move, Clay wanted to make sure her children had the support they needed to cope with the changes in their young lives. She became involved with grief support offered in Plymouth through New Hope Center, and then began volunteering through a local program, Open Arms, offered through St. John Hospital. Now she is back with the New Hope Center program as a facilitator.

"It is so important for children to have a place where they can go to share their feelings," she explained. "Children

make sure people understand it will get better in time. "You never get over your

teers in the program want to

loss," Clay said. "It is always there with you. There is always a scar on your heart. You will always miss the person you lost. But it is so important for people to know that it does get easier with time."

Clay is proof of that. Following her move to Grosse Pointe, and her participation in grief support workshops, she began to put her life back together. She became active in her children's school activities and joined community groups like the Junior League of Detroit and The English Club. Along the way she watched as Gillian and Graham graduated from Grosse Pointe South High School. Gillian followed her parents' footsteps to Western Michigan University, graduating in 2005. Graham is just completing his freshman year at Purdue University.

And she met Bill Clay.

A mutual friend introduced Bill, a physician and anesthesiologist, to her, and slowly her heart healed, and she was able to think again about marriage and moving on. They married in 1998 and live in Grosse Pointe Park,

"You never get over your loss," Clay said, "but it does get easier. You will find that life goes on and that it does get easier over time. That's the message I want to give people. I know that personally. You do heal, you do go on. You will be happy again.

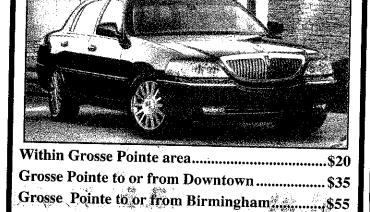
Information on the grief support workshop may be obtained from David Dieter at Christ Church, (313) 885-4841, or New Hope Center, (248)

And that is the one message that professionals and volun- 348-0115.  ${\it `Children hesitate to talk about their loss and }$ their feelings because they are afraid they will make adults sad. A support group gives them a safe place to share their feelings, to be with other children who are just like them and to

know they are not alone in their loss.'

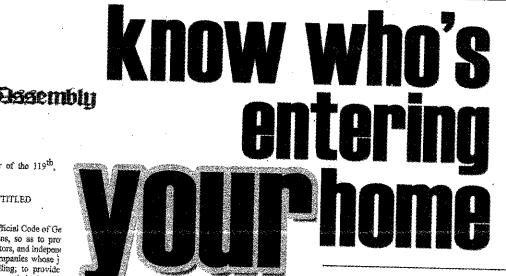
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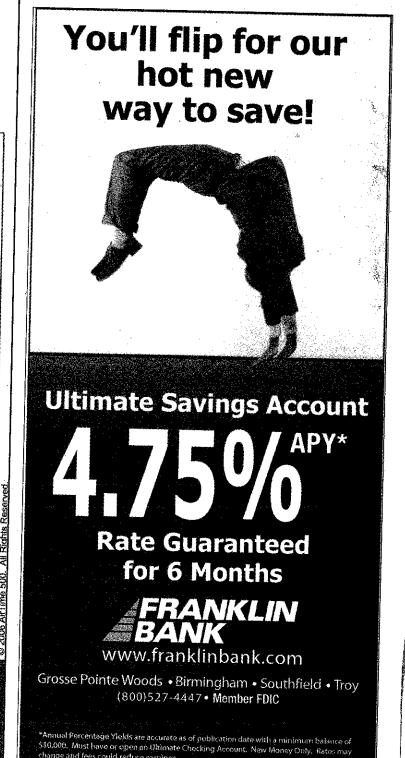
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#### ST. JOHN: **Golfing within** a few weeks

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pumping or stopped, which requires the use of a heart-lung machine.

At a separate console, with joystick-like controls for hands and an additional foot control, Harrington manipulated the surgery, dissecting an artery from Ricci's chest wall and sewing it to the blocked one.

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The surgeon could see inside his patient's chest via two cameras, again inserted through tiny incisions. Because two cameras are used instead of one, a three-dimensional image with realistic depth of field results. Even Harrington, who has been training with minimally invasive techniques for 10 years and robotics for five years, calls the technology and its capabilities "amazing."

It was originally planned that Ricci's surgery would be a hybrid of robotic, laparoscopic robotic instruments during surgery and conventional surgery involving a three-inch incision between his ribs on the left side of his body.

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"We made a last-minute deci- take things too easy. sion that Mr. Ricci was the right candidate and proceeded with totally endoscopic surgery," says Harrington. "This saved him from a relatively large incision, and instead, he has no incisions at all." The only signs of having TECAB are the fingertip-size holes in Ricci's torso, which served as ports for the instruments.

surgery took four hours to complete, but as he and the surgical team at St. John perform more of them, that time will decrease to under two hours.

This new approach to help-strict criteria - those needing ing people with coronary artery disease offers options to patients that weren't available before. Often surgeons — and patients — were reluctant to for a single bypass, but TECAB gives the same result as an open chest bypass without the trauma and recovery time.

"Generally, with an open chest bypass a patient spends five to seven days in the hospital with a total recovery time of six to 10 weeks. With TECAB, a two- to three-day hospital stay is normal, and in two or three weeks, total recovery is achieved," explains Harrington.

Because there is minimal disturbance to the chest wall, patients can return to their normal activities so much sooner than they expect that Harrington says some patients err on the side of caution and

ly as possible," he says. "In fact, if Mr. Ricci were a golfer, I'd tell him to play golf this weekend."

Ricci has opted to take walks Just one week after surgery, he According to Harrington, the times a days for several blocks each time.

Harrington has performed more than 250 other operations using the robot. Currently, he only performs TECAB on patients meeting a single bypass of the main coronary artery - but sees a promising future for this type of surgery.

"I see a progression, with take on an invasive operation more and more applications for the technology. But, like anything else that's new, it's crucial to maintain patient safety by starting out with straightforward cases and progressing to more complex ones. In other words, crawl before you walk, and walk before you run."

> While TECAB is innovative, it's not experimental, having received FDA approval. It has been used successfully in other parts of the country, and now Michigan can be added to the

For Ricci, his experience still brings on a rush of emotion.

"I have a wife, two good kids, grandkids... It was an awful big decision to have the surgery.

"Healing is really very minimal, and it's important to start functioning normally as quick-

Since he's not one for golf, several short ones every day. was already walking three

> Ricci's heart-shaped pillow serves as a diagram of the heart with additional illustrations showing where his artery was bypassed. It's also a memento of the experience,

> > When it's you and your body, it hits home pretty hard that it could turn out either way."

signed by his surgeon and

TECAB surgery.

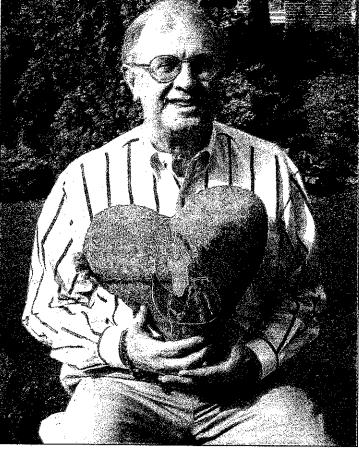
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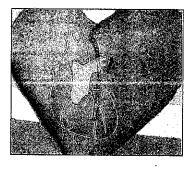
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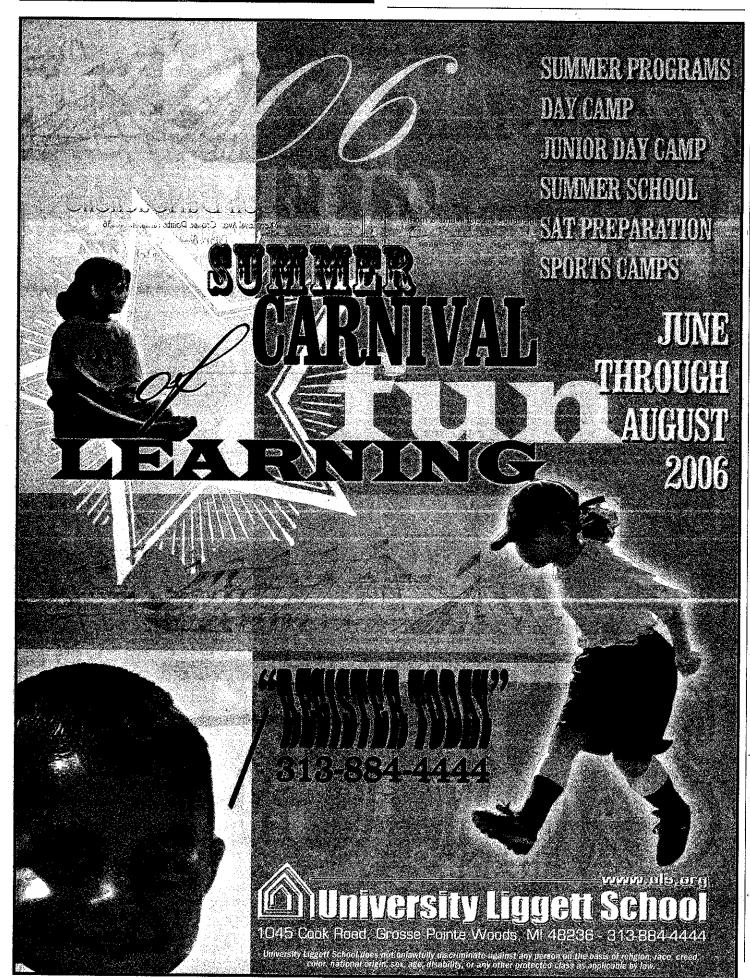
Ricci said he feels special being the first person in Michigan to benefit from TECAB, and stresses that his path was lined with excellent physicians, the blessed, and seems to be treacaring medical team at St. John suring each day with "heart-Hospital and Medical Center felt" gratitude.

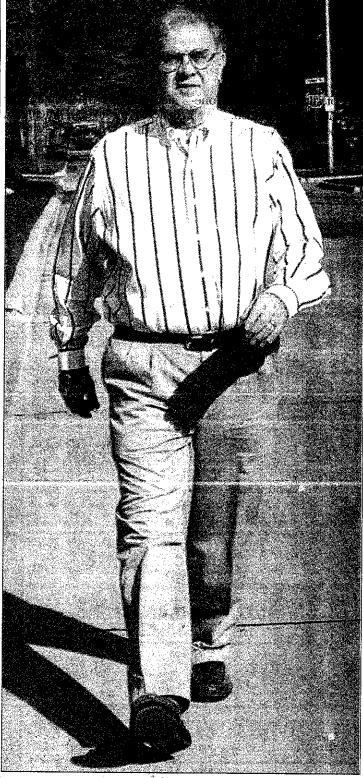
and some luck - namely having the 64-slice CT scan and being referred to the Michigan physician with the equipment and knowledge to perform

But mostly, he says, he feels









Roger Ricci, the first patient in Michigan to undergo Totally Endoscopic Coronary Artery Bypass (TECAB), is out walking three times a day just one week after the surgery to repair his clogged artery.

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### Secretary Land wrapping up first term

By John Minnis

Terri Lynn Land is ending her first four-year term as Michigan secretary of state just as she started it - by addressing her friends at the Eastside Republican Club.

Her April 20 address in Sindbad's Sohar Room was at least the third time she has spoken to the local GOP club. The occasion was the Eastside Republicans' annual buffet dinner fundraiser for its political action committee.

"Terri Lynn Land is our West Michigan member of the Eastside Republican Club," said master of ceremonies Tom McCleary of Grosse Pointe Farms, "and she is current on her dues."

proved efficiency of the secretary of state branches throughout Michigan among Land's accomplishments in her first term in state office.

"She has reduced expenses by \$1.3 million," he said, "and she has installed optical scan machines in every precinct in Michigan."

"I can't believe it's been four years already," Land told a roomful of fellow Republicans. "It's been an opportunity to serve you, and I look forward to doing it again."

Not a typical politician, Land arrived early, as always, to the event and greeted everyone at the door. She spent the day in the Detroit area visiting branch offices.

Land said she fulfilled her campaign pledge to visit all 174 branch offices in Michigan. As a result, she found she could not support all branches. She closed some, created five super centers and expanded Web site capabilities.

"Almost I million folks are using our Web site," the secrey of state said; "and at onethe cost of a branch.

Land is also working on setting up self-serve kiosks in branches and then in city cen-



McCleary pointed to im- Michigan Secretary of State Terri Lynn Land recently addressed a political fundraiser for the Eastside Republican Club Political Action Committee. From left are 13th District Chairman Ed Joseph, Land, Eastside Republican Club Vice Chairman Tom McCleary, Eastside Republican Club Chairman Marti Miller and PAC Chairman Lita McKeehan.

lot. Currently, those with spe-

cial needs have a poll worker

complete a ballot for them, thus

eliminating the possibility of

Land, as one of a few senior

election officials, was intimate-

ly involved in the recent Detroit

mayoral recount. She related

how, in the middle of the night

in downtown Detroit, she was

hand-carrying boxes of ballots

to be recounted.

privacy.

ters and malls.

She and her staff are also in the midst of getting a new \$30 million computer system that will bring the secretary of state into the 21st century.

Four years ago upon Land's arrival in Lansing, the Michigan Department of the Secretary of State was scattered among five office buildings near the capitol. She consolidated her department in the treasury building, thus saving taxpayers \$1.3 million in rent annually.

The Republican secretary of state then did a class act. She asked the Legislature to name the former treasury building after Richard Austin, her longtime Democratic predecessor as secretary of state. The Republican Legislature followed suit and complied.

Land is also continuing her efforts to get optical scan systems installed and running statewide so that "no matter where you live in Michigan you will have the same system. A \$100 million federal grant is paying for the machines

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She is also looking at a syssaid of the Detroit controversy. tem where the vision, hearing "The recount went through. and otherwise impaired can be That's the important thing.' assured the right to a secret bal-

She also pointed to consolidated elections in Michigan as improvements for voters, thus eliminating "stealth elections," primarily by school districts.

A looming problem for Michigan and other states with an international border is the Real ID Act.

Currently, driver licenses in Michigan are not proof of residency or citizenship. The Real ID Act will require proof of residency and citizenship, such as

or return from Canada. Rather than require everyone to endure the time and expense of getting a passport, Land is suggesting the state provide driver licenses and Michigan IDs that are proof of citizenship and at a fraction of the cost of a pass-She said Canada is also con-

cerned in that it does \$1 billion a day in business with Michigan.

Land's most recent success is her organ donor campaign, which saw organ donor participants reach the 500,000 mark. She said those wishing to sign up should do so in person at a branch office or online so they will be on the statewide data-

planes, enter federal buildings base. Beginning Jan. 1, registered donors will have a heart embossed on their driver licenses.

GOP and civil officials attending the PAC fundraiser included Eastside Republican Club Chairman Marti Miller; 13th District Chairman Ed Joseph; Grosse Pointe Farms council members Terry Davis, Therese Joseph and Doug Roby; Grosse Pointe Park Mayor Palmer Heenan; State Rep. Ed Gaffney, City of Grosse Pointe Councilman John Stempfle and Grosse Pointe Woods Councilman Pete Waldmeir.

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# Council sets 3-minute speaking limits

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

You can talk to the City of Grosse Pointe council as long as you want. You can repeat yourself. You can delve into detail. You can drift off course.

Your time is the council's time, as long as you wrap it up before they gong you out.

Council members last week enacted a three-minute time limit on individual public comment.

"It's my suggestion that we use (limits) during larger meetings to avoid what happened last time, which was an absolute embarrassment to sit here and have guys yelling and taking on a mob mentality," said Councilman Chris Walsh, proposing guidelines.

He referred to a well-attended meeting in March at Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church. City officials often use the venue, on Maumee across from City Hall, to accommodate large audiences.

Walsh said, "At the meeting, one woman in the corner blurted out on every single comment. It was ridiculous. We didn't have any structure in place to address that,"

During Dale Scrace's years as a councilman and two terms as mayor, he's prided himself on letting people speak their piece. But too many speakers crossed the Rubicon at last month's meeting about planned unit developments.

One resident, taking legal action to block Sunrise Development from constructing a multi-story, 54-foot tall condominium complex for senior citizens on St. Clair south of Kercheval (which has since been redrawn smaller), commandeered the meeting and commenced a rant.

Scrace called him out of order As the mayor's wooden gavel echoed through the sanctuary-turned-council chamber, some members of the audience mimicked Al Pacinio's portrayal of a feisty lawyer in "... And Justice for All."

"You're out of order," came cat-calls in affected Brooklynees. "You're outta of oraan,

Scrace summoned a public safety officer to stand by. It was the first time an officer had been called to a council meeting in at least eight years, except for a couple of months ago when police dog Raleigh made his debut.

City officials based their speaking limits on policies of the Pointe school board and Grosse Pointe Shores trustees.

From now on, public comment portions of meetings will be preceded with a preface by the mayor:

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The fight against hunger continues Sunday, May 7, at 1 p.m., when the CROP Walk kicks off in Grosse Pointe Farms. Rain or shine.

The five-mile walk is hosted by Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Farms, as part of a 20-year effort against hunger both in the metro area and worldwide. Funds raised go to state hunger agencies.

Walkers are invited to arrive early for registration. There will be water and healthy snacks.

For more information, visit cropwalk.org to learn about Michigan Church World Service or call (313) 882-5330 for more information about the May 7 walk in the Farms.

est microphone and kindly readdress after all those who recognized. give your names and address. We ask that you limit your comments to not more than three minutes in order that others present may have an opportunity to speak. If time al-

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◆ Comments are limited to Someone representing an agenda items and matters ing officer. within City jurisdiction.

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be addressed to the chair, not anyone else except with permission of the mayor or presid-

◆ The chair may call to order Speakers shall follow a speaker who is vulgar.

"The chair may order the ◆ Public comments should sergeant at arms to remove the

person from the meetings," according to the rules.

"This is not intended to deny anybody's right to anything,' Scrace said. "It's just to get more structure when trying to preside over a meeting with 300 people (in the audience)."



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**GROSSE POINTE FARMS** 

## Hydro power could rev up the Hill in July

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

We've all heard stories to the showers. about people sitting so close to could almost bathe in the she was going to smash into

rooster tails.

Dan LaLonde remembers the day a hydroplane took him

"During time trials in 1993, the Gold Cup hydroplane race Miss Budweiser came wide on the Detroit River they around the turn and I though

first 10 rows. Drenched — I mean drenched. That was

trials all wet, but the self-described hydroplane fan is

the wall," said LaLonde. "She working on an unfinished deal run-up to July's Gold Cup River drenched everybody in the that a lot of people think holds water.

As vice president of the Hill Association in Grosse Pointe LaLonde returned from the Farms, LaLonde is helping organize a festival of thunderboats on the Hill during the

weekend, July 14-16.

Peter Birkner, advertising manager of the Grosse Pointe News, suggested the idea last month during a meeting of the Hill Association.

"Members of the Detroit

Regatta Association, which hosts the Gold Cup series, were looking for advertising to promote the race," Birkner said. "I thought we could go a few steps better and have a full-blown festival. We hope to have hydroplane drivers on the Hill to sign autographs and talk about what it's like to drive a boat faster than most race cars."

Space has already been reserved on the Hill during July 10-13 to display two, 3,000horsepower unlimited hydroplanes.

They will be joined by about 25 ultra light hydros (scaleddown unlimiteds powered by 750-horsepower automobile engines), antique wooden racing boats and outboard powerboats.

Display areas include:

♦ the north parking lane of Kercheval from Hall Place to Fisher and

• between the curb and sidewalk on the dead-end stretch of McMillan.

Plans call for boats to be on official display from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., yet kept on the street overnight.

Private security guards will make sure nobody tries to take a midnight cruise.

#### Good business move

"These events bring people to the area who aren't aware of the area," said LaLonde, owner of LaLonde Jewelers & Gemologists. "When people come to the area they might see our shopping, the park system and quaintness of the area. They'll see that it's a good place to raise children. It could benefit everyone from merchants to real estate."

Boats will occupy 40 parking spots on Kercheval. LaLonde said handicap spots will remain unblocked for their prescribed use. Overflow parking is being arranged at South High School.

Farms officials last week endorsed the work in progress.

"It's great for the community," said Mayor James Farquhar, a boater. "The Grosse Pointes and boating go hand-in-hand."

Farquhar looks forward to taking his wife and daughter on a bicycle ride to the Hill, strolling the sidewalk looking at boats, having dinner and maybe ice cream.

"It will be a nice, family adventure," he said. "I think hydroplanes will attract people to our businesses. Maybe we'll draw people from other cities who haven't been here for a while who will see it's neat to live on the eastside."

Hill business representatives have signed off on the

Sandy Gillespie, owner of Something Special Gifts, joined Farquhar and LaLonde in seeing the event as a way to

promote the Pointes. "It presents a great opportunity," Gillespie said. "If we can get people here to see what we have, I think they'll be interested in coming back. We need things to let people know there are things going on in Grosse Pointe."

As with last summer's successful Pointe-wide Frogs-Fur-Friends display, the as-yet unnamed hydroplane show will have a charitable fundraising component.

"Merchants or individuals can sponsor a boat," LaLonde

Sponsor fees haven't been

determined. In addition, an auction

might be held for pit passes to the Gold Cup race, a boat ride around the course, racing shirts and more.

beyond what it costs to produce the event, including porta-john rentals, will be donated to the ICU Critical Care Unit and Healing Garden renovation at Bon Secours Hospital. "The Hill Association is

LaLonde said money raised

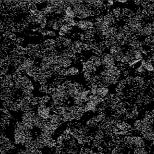
non-profit," LaLonde said. 'We are not in the moneymaking business." LaLonde said the event re-

quires a lot of planning. "I've already done a lot of work," he said, "Now the work begins."

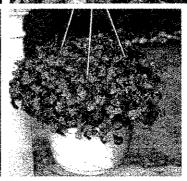


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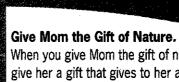


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### Looks great!

Former Grosse Pointe natives Joan and Myron May gave a thumbs up to the new look of the Grosse Pointe News while enjoying a vacation on the island of Abaco in the Bahamas and reading about old friends.

**GROSSE POINTE WOODS** 

### Vernier affecting Brys

project is creating more traffic problems for residents in the north end of Grosse Pointe Woods.

The projected traffic increase was addressed by city officials and public safety officials before construction be-

"We have had increased police patrols in the areas of Brys,

The Vernier construction Anita, Hampton and Roslyn,' Woods City Manager Mark Wollenweber said. "The number of tickets issued is up because of the patrols doing their

Residents on Brvs have complained for years about traffic, and it won't be any better during the Vernier construction.

It is scheduled to be completed in early September.

#### **MASTER** PLAN: Goals set

Continued from page 1A

said.

Woods Building Inspector Gene Tutag said the Master Plan was passed without hesitation.

"It's a solid blueprint of how all aspects of the city should run," Tutag said. "It spells out details of zoning ordinances and other similar items. It is definitely a positive thing for

The plan to revamp the master plan has been in the works since the latter part of the

Novitke and city council member Vicki Granger continued to push for the new Master Plan. The push was strengthened by former and current city council members, as well as members of the planning commission, including John Vitale, Douglas Hamborsky, Carroll Evola, Grant Gilezan, Nancy Hames, Ahmed Ismail, Ross Richardson, Thomas Vaughn and Michael Zolik.

"We had a tremendous

amount of support from our city council, planning commission members, city administrators and the residents of Grosse Pointe Woods," Novitke said. "Creating this Master Plan was truly a community effort."

During the last Planning Commission meeting, Vaughn acknowledged the tremendous amount of work put into creating the document. He also expressed appreciation for the contributions made by all Planning Commission members, including past members Joe Sucher, Mary Mitts, Bob Frederick and Phil Patanis.

Fellow council members Allen Dickinson, Lisa Pinkos Howle, Dona DeSantis-Reynolds, Darryl Spicher and Peter N. Waldmeir gave their full-fledged backing to the document, which was prepared by Carlisle/Wortman Associates Inc. Community Planners and Landscape Architects in Ann

"The Planning Commission put in a lot of time and should be appreciated for their efforts," Pinkos Howle said, They put in a lot of time with out any compensation

Commission, the Master Plan is a guide for making future decisions regarding land use, development, redevelopment and preservation of property and improvements in the city. It is an official city document that sets forth policies for the future

of the community. The document includes a zoning plan to control the height, area, bulk, location and use of buildings and land.

How is the Master Plan to be

The Master Plan is a general statement of the city goals and policies, providing a single, comprehensive view of the community's desires for the future; serves as an aid in daily decision-making; provides a balance of land uses, and an orderly process for land use planning; and serves as an educational tool and gives citizens, property owners, developers and adjacent communities a clear indication of the city's direction for the future.

"This Master Plan has been discussed for the past couple of years," Granger said. "I feel very good about the Master Plan's contents. It gives our community a blueprint to work What is exactly a Master with for years to come."

The Master Plan's final sec-According to the Planning tion sets the goals and objec-

tives of the city of Grosse Pointe Woods which are to maintain high quality neighborhoods and attractive

homes. More specifically, the city will maintain and enhance the single-family character of existing neighborhoods with quality parks, commercial areas, public services and schools. It also encourages the development of new, high quality senior housing opportunities, such as attached condominiums, multi-family or assisted living complexes.

The document also states the city must strengthen and protect the viability of residential neighborhoods by separating commercial areas along Mack Avenue from residential areas with well-designed buffers and transitions. In addition, the city encourages the development of commercial businesses along Mack Avenue that primarily offer the types of goods and services used by local resi-

"All of the commitment to put this document together is greatly appreciated by all of us here on the council," Novitke concluded.



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**EDITORIAL** 

### It's a Sunrise

he City of Grosse Pointe Planning Commission voted Monday night to approve the Sunrise condominium project for independent-living seniors. Given that the planning commission consists of the entire body of the city council, it appears the project will be ap-

We note that many changes have been made to accommodate residents. Let this be a new beginning.

proved by the council next Monday night.

GUEST EDITORIAL By Mark Taylor

### Lack of health care coverage: An issue for our community

over the Uninsured Week (May 1-7) is the largest nonpartisan effort to urge U.S. leaders to make health coverage for Americans their top priority. During the week, thousands of events will take place across the country and locally in Southeast Michigan, including health and enrollment fairs, business events, and campus and interfaith activities, to raise awareness about this growing problem.

Nearly 46 million Americans, including more than 1.1 million in Michigan, are living without health care coverage. Having a job, even a full-time job, doesn't necessarily guarantee coverage. Eight out of 10 of the uninsured are in working families that, despite their hard work, still can't afford health coverage. This is a critical problem for the Metro Detroit area, as the number of uninsured and underinsured continues to rise in all three counties.

The growing numbers of uninsured in our area are not strangers; they are our neighbors, friends and family members. The issue of the uninsured is growing worse as more employers lay off workers, scale back benefits or eliminate health care coverage all together.

St. John Health is determined to meet the healthcare needs of the communities we serve. We believe we have a responsibility to provide our patients with accessible health care. In fiscal year 2005 alone, St. John Health provided more than \$142 million in community benefit and care for the poor and uninsured.

Whether patients are admitted to the hospital or receive outpatient or emergency care, financial counselors are now available at all St. John Health hospitals. The counselors work with uninsured patients to identify government and other insurance programs they may qualify for and assist them in completing and submitting those applications.

For patients who do not have health insurance coverage, St. John Health also offers special hospital-sponsored discounts, including an Uninsured Patient Discount and a Needs-Based Discount for patients with low incomes and limited assets.

St. John Health is providing access to care through a variety of programs and services to those in need in our community -an important part of our mission, to ensure that no one who needs our services is ever left behind. The Physicians Who Care project, expands the services offered through the Voices of Detroit Initiative and gives specialty physicians a chance to volunteer and provide services to unisured working poor. More than 400 St. John physicians are currently volunteering in the program.

But even with all of these support programs offered, the fact is, there are too many people living without health insurance. And that affects their access to care — care that everyone deserves. Organizations in our communities are doing what they can to expand coverage, but this is a national problem that demands national solutions from our leaders.

Make your voice heard about this important initiative. Contact your representative in Washington by visiting covertheuninsured.org and tell Congress that health care coverage must be their top priority. Let's get Michigan residents cov-

Mark Taylor, of Grosse Pointe, is president of St. John Hospital & Medical Center.

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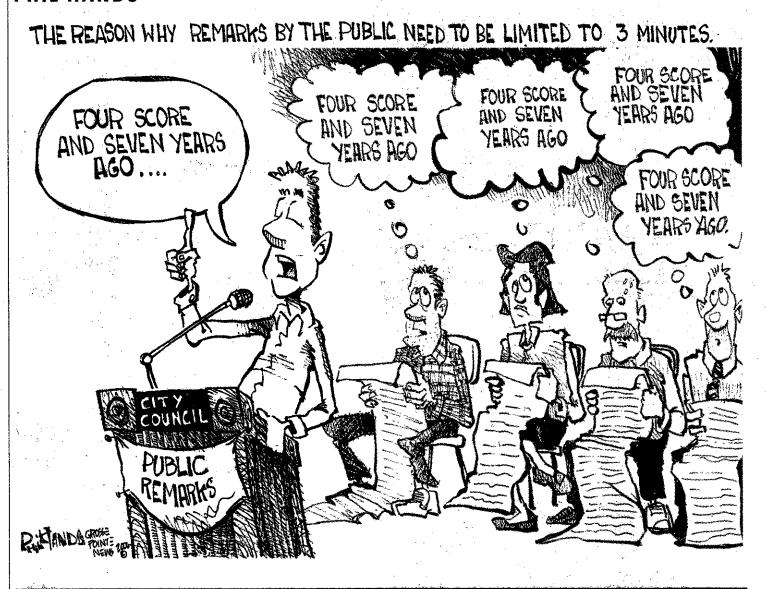
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#### Government, citizens together

To the Editor:

The article, "Fed Funds 'Reprogrammed' for SOC," in the April 20 issue of the Grosse Pointe News, regarding SOC funding, misrepresented our relationship with Wayne County.

through federal funding cuts. Fisher Price 123, my grand-Wayne County to help us provide necessary services to our seniors.

I am very proud of the way our cities and county work together toward a common goal in these tough economic times.

Our Minor Home Repair program is celebrating 28 vears of helping seniors because of the dedication of county officials, local government and concerned citizens. In many ways, our organization exemplifies government and citizens working together for the greater good.

SHARON MAIER Executive Director Services for Older Citizens

#### PUD proposal through the wall

To the Editor:

It is unbelievable to me that the Grosse Pointe City Council has the arrogance to say that the people of this community want the infamous PUD to proceed. They do not.

I was at the meeting of irate citizens when the council shoved the PUD proposal through.

What all of us in the Grosse Pointes want is a vibrant, beautiful, tasteful business district that is economically successful; not a huge four and one-half story building for seniors such as the Sunrise on Mack, with very little green space and rocking chairs pulled up to the street for tenants to watch cars speed by.

What is the Grosse Pointe City Council thinking?

ELAINE HARTMANN Grosse Pointe Farms

#### Label children's toys recommended

To the Editor:

On Thursday, April 20, at Rotary Park, the very busy playground for tots on Waterloo, a young blond woman with toddlers in tow, mistook my grandson's favorite bike for one belonging and there; missing the beauty

to her own child.

The Fisher Price 123 is a popular product. This bright plastic tricycle with its low seat and high back handle for adult steering is a good transition between stroller and real tricycle. It is common to see caretakers pushing, with little ones riding in and around the park.

At the moment this woman Wayne County has been in- told her young charge to get strumental in helping us work on our newer version of the All of the Grosse Pointes and son's nanny objected. The Harper Woods have worked woman, of course, denied that closely with us and with the old, battered toy was the one she brought and insisted that the new one was hers. She then left the park quickly without much more thought. Again, she had little ones demanding her attention.

Had I or my daughter been at the park, we could have resolved the matter easily. Our young nanny has been living in the United States for only a few months, and her labored English might have been part of this misunderstanding.

I strongly advise parents to label your children's toys. But remember, use an identifiable label such as initials, not the child's name.

In the meantime, when the blond lady realizes her mistake, we would appreciate it if she would exchange the Fisher Price 123 whenever she sees hers at the park. Ours was a Christmas gift from my grandson's favorite aunt.

PATT KOLLER Grosse Pointe Woods

#### Remembering **Grosse Pointer**

To the Editor:

On the morning of April 21, Fred Khalil, Grosse Pointer for 33 years, was remembered at a memorial Mass celebrated at Star of the Sea Catholic Church.

I rode down Jefferson, where Fred could be spotted day after day walking the lakeshore. The morning sun shone like diamonds floating by. Daffodils waved in their spring attire and the traditional Canada geese were strutting in their usual style. All that was missing today was Fred.

He cast a big shadow as he walked. Everyone he met received a big smile and a warm "hello." The pastor at Star of the Sea proclaimed him "Ambassador of the Grosse Pointes" - the Grosse Pointe he loved and enjoyed every day, no matter what the weather would be.

The rest of us rush off here

of the lake and the "silent meditation" Fred enjoyed everyday.

When you ride down the lake way or run or walk, you'll miss seeing the large shadow of the man that was Fred, and passing will wave, or toot their performance! horn, remembering to bid you a "good day."

A close friend of Fred's lost her son recently, and I guess Kept my interest Fred just didn't want him to walk "that peaceful way" alone.

The music of the water and songs of the birds remind us all of a peace we, too, can find grow and be.

MARGHERITA J. WISZOWATY St. Clair Shores

Editor's Note: The following letters were submitted to the Grosse Pointe News from students in Wendy Demartini's fifth-grade class at the Grosse Pointe Academy. Several students took a field trip to see Good play "West Side Story" at Grosse Pointe South High School to get costume ideas for their performance of "Romeo and Juliet" set in the 1950s.

#### **Great production**

To the Editor: A number of my fellow

classmates and I have just recently seen the play "West Side Story" performed by Grosse Pointe South High School. While watching this play, I forgot that this was a high school performance; I walked out feeling like I had just seen the next greatest Broadway production. I then remembered I had just seen one of the best Direction plays of my life.

My opinion on this play is that it was great. After the first half of the play, when it came for intermission, it took me a while to figure out that the play was taking a break because all I had seen came rushing back to me. My only regret is that I saw the last performance because I could see this play a hundred times over.

JEFFREY WOOLSTRUM Grosse Pointe Academy

#### Awesome

To the Editor:

I'm writing to you about the wonderful play "West Side Story." My class is performing "Romeo and Juliet" set in the '50s, so my teacher, Mrs. D, invited us to go see the play with

I personally thought "West Side Story" was awesome. I felt like I was standing in the play. It felt so real.

LAUREN SCHALLER Grosse Pointe Academy

#### **Fantastic**

To the Editor:

I went to see "West Side Story" with some of my classmates because my class is going to perform the play, "Romeo and Juliet," except set in the '50s. I am a costume de-

signer so I came for some ideas. I was stunned and thought the play was fantastic. I couldn't believe that was high school! I absolutely loved the play! The orchestra was amazwith any luck at all, someone ing. I can't wait 'til their next

**ALEXA YATES** Grosse Pointe Academy

To the Editor:

I would like to tell you about "West Side Story." I went because my class is doing "Romeo and Juliet" in school. if we would but listen, love, I'm in fifth grade and I play Lady Capulet.

I like the play because it keeps my interest and I like the songs. Grosse Pointe South did it like professionals. Thank you for taking the time for my letter. They truly are talented!

JACQUELINE LEE SOMES Grosse Pointe Academy

To the Editor:

I am writing to you about "West Side Story." I'm in fifth grade and I went to this high school performance because my class is doing the play, "Romeo and Juliet." We went to see how we could improve our play which is also in the '50s.

I thought that the play "West Side Story" was as good as a professional play. It was the best play I had seen in a long

CONOR TILY Grosse Pointe Academy

To the Editor:

I went with some of my fifthgrade classmates to see "West Side Story" performed by Grosse Pointe South High School. We are doing a production of "Romeo and Juliet," in the '50s. I am the director and I went to get some ideas of words and other useful information about the time period.

The play was excellent! It was very professional and could have been on Broadway. I will remember the songs for the rest of my life. I will go to many other South plays.

LIBBY WATSON Grosse Pointe Academy

#### Great play

To the Editor:

I am a fifth-grader at the Grosse Pointe Academy and I would like to express my feelings about "West Side Story." I went to see the play with some of my classmates because we are performing a performance of "Romeo and Juliet" in the

"West Side Story" was a great play. The high schoolers do a great job. I felt like I was at a Broadway show.

MORGAN WESTWOOD Grosse Pointe Academy

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I SAY By Bob St. John

### Daughter's 1st-grade teacher applauded



s my daughter's first grade school year quickly slips into summer vacation, I have to say I'm proud of the progress she's made.

My wife and I owe her dramatic scholastic and emotional improvement to her teacher, Pat Zaranek, Our Lady Star of the Sea Principal Patricia Stumb and Assistant Principal Julie Aemisegger.

We saw our daughter endure a horrific kindergarten vear at a different school; so we took

measures to improve that and transferred our daughter to Star of the Sea.

We knew she would be attending school with two of her cousins, who helped make the transition smoother than antici-

Our daughter learned very little in kindergarten due to a classroom ruled by the unruly and a teacher who had no control of the situation.

It was tough to send our child to school where she would cry each and every morning during the final three months of the school year.

She dreaded sitting in the classroom day-in, day-out. The decision to change schools was an easy one to make, but we, as parents, are always optimistically cautious when it comes to our daughter.

Would she continue to strug-

gle academically and emotionally? We didn't think so, but the thought was always in the back of our minds.

The first day of school was upon us and our daughter was nervous. She was meeting a brand new set of classmates in a totally different environment.

My wife and I walked our daughter to her new classroom, and boy what a shock it was calm.

No more children bouncing off the walls. Each child was sitting in his or her seat, quiet as a mouse. It was a relief as we hugged our daughter. She was welcomed with open arms by Mrs. Zaranek.

She shed tears for the first week or two, but that didn't stop Mrs. Zaranek, Mrs. Stumb and Ms. Aemisegger from giving her a comforting hug and several calming words each day.

In no time at all, my wife and I in a conversation. noticed a positive change from defensive to confident. She was striving academically and earned the friendship of all of her classmates.

It was amazing how Mrs. Zaranek had molded our daughter into a first-grade reading machine. Her learning skills were rocketing off the charts, hitting not just Jupiter but Pluto

Mrs. Zaranek created a confidence in our daughter. Her math skills are solid. Her vocabulary has increased at a normal rate, as have her writing skills. She is printing better and she has learned a little handwriting.

It's great to hear our daughter speak a little Spanish. It's nice to see her talk with her classmates. It's like she is speaking a foreign language when her first-grade friends get involved

She is now excited about school and about learning many different things that entice her learning ability.

The religious backbone to her education has also made a difference. Grades one through eight celebrate Mass each Friday, and each grade takes a turn leading the Mass in song each week.

Pastor Rev. Kenneth Kaucheck and Associate Pastor Rev. Roger Lumbre have been great with the students. They approach each Mass as a learning tool.

They enjoy interacting with students, calling them out to answer questions.

Each has a different way of interacting with the students, but both are effective.

My wife and I feel very relieved knowing our daughter is ready for second grade. We also don't have to monkey around with her wardrobe, as she

wears a uniform. I think our daughter's confidence in the classroom has spilled out into her other activi-

She is a competitive figure skater, winning gold medals against girls nearly twice her age, and this weekend she begins softball.

It's nice to know we can enjoy this summer and not worry about what the next school year brings. We know Mrs. Zaranek has done a pro's job at transforming our daughter into a true student and soon-to-be second-grader.

Thanks Mrs. Zaranek, Mrs. Stumb and Ms. Aemisegger for helping our daughter become an Our Lady Star of the Sea student.

#### STREETWISE

### May 1 was May Day. Do you recall what May Day was about?

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



'I don't really recall what it was about.' DENISE CAMERON Livonia



'I'm not a history buff, and I don't really re-DONNA TUTHILL St. Clair Shores



'To commemorate the labor movement.' INGRID ZAROBE Grosse Pointe Shores



'We made flowers, put them on front doors and then rang the doorbells. We also danced around May Poles.'

CONNIE AUSHERMA Grosse Pointe Park



workers.

DIMITRI ZHUK Hamtramck



'May Day is the day of 'When I was a little girl in England, we had little girls come around with flowers, and we'd give them money as they danced.'

ANN KOHL Grosse Pointe Park

# Turnbull can play a pirate, redneck...



When Michael, L. Turnbull was touring the nation's radio and television talk shows a few years back pitching his 2001 book, "The Best of Dot Com

Humor," he heard voices. No, he wasn't losing it. He was listening to folks doing voice-overs for commercials, political ads and documentaries. He thought to himself, "I

can do that." That epiphany launched the former Grosse Pointer, who now splits his time between Harbor Springs and Juno

Beach, Fla., on a new career. And this year he was honored as the "Voice-over Actor of the Year" by the school where he went to learn the art.

Turnbull, 58, spent 2002 training his voice.

"It isn't as easy as just having a great voice," he said in an interview with the Palm Beach Post. "It's acting in the purest form because you don't have your face to convey what you want to say. You've got to learn how to act, emote, use the microphone and use the equip-

Behind the voice, Turnbull has a rather nice face, looking like your favorite, genial, balding uncle who always has a good joke to tell. Turnbull quotes his grandfather, who reared him for his first decade. "He had a lifelong love of the

comic side of life." he said. "Those who miss the joy in life, columns across the land, he miss all," his grandfather would sav.

Turnbull, who is married to Patty Petzold Turner, lived in the Pointes from 1973 until 2003. He attended Grosse Pointe Country Day and Grosse Pointe University School until going to Culver Military Academy and on to Vanderbilt University, where he graduated in '69. His main career was with Purchase Parts Group, a logistics/distribution company he started in 1976. He grew it in the next 24 years from \$1 million in revenues to \$100 million before

In his early 50s and "pretty young to retire" and with the heady feeling generated by being featured on national televi-

he sold out in '02.

sion and radio shows and in decided to make himself over.

Now he has done pirate voices for Disney, narration for presidential candidate John Kerry, commercials posing as a Florida cracker, the voice for Blue Cross Blue Shield and Medicare commercials and also hospitals and nursing homes. In fact, he has established a bit of a niche in the area of senior care.

"Michael has all the right voice characteristics and emotional connection to resonate with this important segment of our population," his voice coach told the Palm Beach Post. "His voice is warm, friendly, believable, sincere and soothing. His delivery is natural, caring and convincing."

Turnbull, however, doesn't want to get categorized as the friendly voice for old folks. He has done one book, "The Devil and Daniel Webster," and hopes to do more books and documentaries, but feels he is not yet ready to do the 25 different character voices he might have to control for some books.

He won some additional voice coaching sessions with his national award and plans to spend them working on diversifying his offerings so he can do more documentaries and longer books.

If you would like to hear some of his voice-over work, you may access it at mlturnbull.com.

Incidentally, his book is still selling via the Internet. It jumped 7,000 places last week

on the Amazon.com top-sellers list, and you may buy it new for \$31.99 in hardback, \$21.99 in paperback or \$1.08 used.

The book includes an interesting essay on the importance of humor to civilization and also this caveat by E.B. White: "Humor can be dissected, as can a frog, but both die."

#### Volunteers

The Detroit Historical Museums and Society need a few good women and men. Well, that's not exactly right. The cultural institution, which was recently largely cut loose by the city to chart its own course through the state's troubled economic waters, can use many adults interested in helping preserve the history of

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**GUEST OPINION** By Lee Hamilton

### Congress wants to give up power?

Politicians like power. The more they have, the better they can set public agendas, create policy, help their constituents, and affect the direction of gov-

Members of Congress are politicians, and most of them like power just as much as you'd expect of someone holding high federal office. That's why they jockey for assignments to powerful committees, seek to gain seniority, and strive to rise in the leadership. If they're in the House, they often have their eye on the Senate. If they're in the Senate, they can't help but glance over at a governorship or the White House. This is the nature of the

So, one of the more perplexing and important mysteries of life in Washington right now is this: Why, if they hunger after power, have members of Congress been so willing to hand it off to the executive branch? Why have they been party, over the last three or four decades, to weakening

Congress as an institution? While many members over

the years have sought individual power on Capitol Hill, they seem to have fallen over one another to give power to the president and his Cabinet, or to get out of the way as the executive branch reaches for power.

They have effectively ceded to the president the ability to declare war, a responsibility the Constitution unambiguously lays on Congress' shoulders. They have largely handed to the White House the power to set their legislative agenda. They have weakened their oversight of the executive branch, too often giving the president and administration officials unchecked authority to implement scores of laws without robust scrutiny. They have permitted the president to authorize clandestine surveillance of Americans in the name of national security with-

out any review by judges. And now, as it happens every so often, they are seriously entertaining giving the president

even more power of the purse another responsibility vested in Congress by the Constitution — by granting him an extensive line-item ve-

I can't pretend to understand this development fully. I watched it unfold during my three decades in the U.S. House, and I've watched it accelerate since I left office in 1999, and it still perplexes me. Our nation's founders had good reasons for creating a system that balances an energetic executive branch with an equally forceful and powerful legislative branch. Why undo their work?

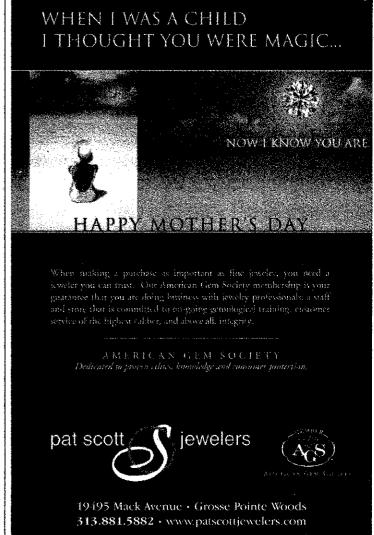
Part of the reason, I believe, is quite simply that times have changed. As complex as the affairs of state must have seemed in 1789, they are exponentially more complicated now. On issues from national security to. say, the safety of our food, there is only so much that can be accomplished by passing legislation. Much of the hard work of carrying out public

policy is in the implementation of policy, which is the task of the president and the executive branch, not the Congress. So to some extent, members of Congress have had no choice but to allow a vigorous executive branch to stretch its wings.

Yet that does not entirely explain the timidity of Congress over the past few decades. There is more at play here than simply a change in the substantive nature of the federal workload. It is, in a word, poli-

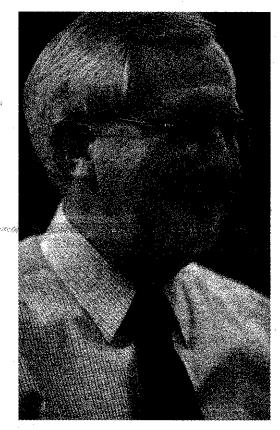
It is not easy to make Congress work well. It can be difficult and time-consuming to develop a legislative consensus among 535 representatives and senators who have many competing interests and agendas. This means that Congress works in shades of gray and in long increments of time. Many members, as a result, wonder whether Congress can be effective or efficient in dealing with the complex issues of the

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### Council makes own library board pick

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

There's talk around town of changing the way people achieve seats on the Grosse Pointe public library board.

If board members aren't to be elected at large, the thinking goes, then at least municipalities from which property taxes are drawn to pay for the library's existence should decide their individual library repre-

Grosse Pointe Farms council members last week chose a resident they want to oversee the city's interests on a library board of trustees that currently has no direct accountability to taxpayers.

School board members, not voters, appoint the library board.

The school district's role in appointing library trustees stems from a 1994 agreement between the Pointes, Harper

brary board to have one trustee from each Pointe, one from the Harper Woods portion of the Kercheval and Fisher. Pointe school district and one at-large trustee.

action was freelance and speculative. School leaders aren't bound by the council's unsolicited offer of guidance.

Time will tell if the council's nomination of Mary Ann Short cance. as library trustee will be accepted and set a precedence.

Councilmember Therese Joseph hopes so. Joseph headpicked Short from three candidates interviewed to be the Farms representative.

"She is marketing director for Crain's," Joseph said. "She has a strong business background. She has strong leadership skills and a good vision for the library and marketing the library."

Farms officials want their Woods and Pointe public voices imprinted on the library Reeside, city manager.

schools. The agreement re- board regarding plans to exquires the seven-member li- pand, renovate, relocate or do nothing with the Central Branch at the corner of

Two large branches have replaced older ones in the Park As such, the Farms council's and Woods. Next up might be 50-year-old Central, which is widely considered both too small for modern operational needs yet is a post-war structure of architectural signifi-

"A concern of Grosse Pointe Farms is what is going to happen to the Central library," Joseph said. "(Short) is fiscally ed a special subcommittee that responsible and open to ideas and concerns regarding the Central library."

Councilmembers mously supported the subcommittee's recommendation. Farms officials have notified the school board in writing "that Short be nominated to serve as an appointee to the library board of trustees," said Shane

**GROSSE POINTE FARMS** 

### Fourth carjacker at large

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

The search continues for a fourth Detroit teenage male wanted in a March 31 attempted armed carjacking on Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Police said the 19-year-old suspect's father hasn't been any help locating the youth.

'(The father) stated his son has not returned home since April 2," according to Mike McCarthy, Farms detective. son) is currently staying."

McCarthy and two officers suspect's last known address tion in Farmington Hills.

waived this week in Wayne County Juvenile Court for two of the three Detroit 16-year-old males arrested shortly after the failed midnight carjacking.

McCarthy said the suspects are being charged as juveniles.

"The shooter is charged with assault with intent to commit murder, attempted carjacking and felony firearm violations,' McCarthy, said, "The second teen is charged with attempted cariacking, he said."

Charges were dropped "He does not know where (his against the third 16-year-old, but they may be reinstated.

The quartet is suspected of conducted surveillance at the carjacking a 2001 Jeep Cherokee on Belle Isle shortly in Detroit and at a second loca- before cruising to the Pointes in the Jeep. One handgun had and targeting a 1997 Jaguar been reported stolen.

A preliminary hearing was sedan driven by a 28-year-old Dearborn man.

> The victim and his female passenger had just turned around at a traffic island from east-to-westbound Lakeshore near Tonnocour when the attack began.

> The victim said the Jeep driver cut him off in the left lane and slammed on the brakes.

> The victim reported three males exited the Jeep, One male with a handgun fired a round that passed through the Jaguar's right front bumper. The victim, an army veteran, sped away in reverse and called 911.

Officers recovered two loaded semi-automatic pistols

#### **LETTERS:** Students like 'West Side'

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#### **Amazing**

To the Editor:

the performance of "West Side Story" by Grosse Pointe South High School. I am in fifth grade and I saw it because my class is doing "Romeo and Juliet" in the

I think that "West Side I am writing to comment on Story" was as good as a Broadway play. The costumes amazed me and now I know how to be a good nurse in "Romeo and Juliet."

> GIOVANNA POSSELIUS Grosse Pointe Academy

#### **FYI: Famous** tenor to sing for benefit

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southeast Michigan. There are volunteer opportunities to accommodate almost any schedule at both the main museum on Woodward in the Cultural Center or at the Dossin Great Lakes Museum on Belle Isle.

You may assist at the information desk, special events or become a museum guide. The next adult volunteer orientation is set for this Saturday,

May 6, from noon to 2 p.m. Call (313) 833-7979 to RSVP.

You'll discover that a lot of your Grosse Pointe friends and acquaintances are already there. For more information, you may check the Web site, detroithistorical.org, or call the above phone number.

#### Renowned singer

A benefit for the Fire Restoration Fund of the Assumption Greek Orthodox church in St. Clair Shores and Grosse Pointe Woods will feature the first appearance in Detroit of tenor Mario Frangoulis at the Detroit Opera House at 8 pm. Saturday, May 6.

Frangoulis has appeared in

concert halls around the world and was raised in Greece. He has recently performed benefit concerts in Washington, D.C., and Cincinnati.

Tickets range from \$20 for students and \$65 for adults to \$200 for orchestra pit and boxes. You may get tickets through the Assumption Greek Orthodox Church and Cultural Center at (586) 779-6111 or by calling Ticketmaster or the Opera House box office.

Ben Burns of the City of Grosse Pointe is director of the journalism program at Wayne State University. He can be reached at burnsben@comcast.net or by

phone at (313) 882-2810.

#### HAMILTON: Need checks, balances

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day. They have come to believe, perhaps because of the difficulty of legislating, that the president can do things better.

Add to this the media's natural propensity to focus on the president - and, in this soundbite era, to shy away from reporting on the complexities of congressional policy-making - and you get a gradual loss of confidence in Congress.

At the same time, letting the

president take the lead makes life much easier on members of Congress. When the same party controls both branches, as has been the case recently, there is a natural tendency within the congressional majority to defer to the president's

But even without that, taking a position on a difficult issue leaves a member of Congress politically exposed and complicates his or her next election. The far easier route is to delegate the tough decisions to the president; if he handles them well, you applaud him, and if he does not, you condemn him. Either way, you don't have to take political responsibility.

There is a severe cost to this,

however, and it is measured in the erosion of the checks and balances and the constitutional structure envisioned by our founders. For our system to work, Congress needs to balance the president: If it hands him power with one hand, it needs to exert greater oversight with the other. That has not been happening. As a result, the people's body, the Congress, is a weakened institution, and is no longer playing the role of a separate and coequal branch of government that our founders envisioned.

Lee Hamilton is director of the Center on Congress at Indiana University. He was a member of the U.S. House of Representatives for 34 years.

### Curis, Big Boy help celebrate 70 years

By Bob St. John Staff Writer

Dan Curis, owner of the Big Boy restaurant on Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods, is helping the company celebrate its 70th anniversary.

"It wasn't long ago Big Boy restaurants were struggling, but now we're doing great thanks to Bob Liggett and Anthony Michaels, who came in and turned the company around," Curis said. "We have a wonderful patron-base here in the Woods. We're happy to see the anniversary."

Big Boy announced it is celebrating the anniversary by introducing 11 new menu items designed to meet the demands of changing consumer

The company said the new menu reflects Big Boy restaurants' desire to create quality menu items that are "deliciously fun and irresistibly original." The new menu includes all of the popular Big Boy favorites and soon-to-be new favorites including two new appetizers, two seafood selections, three salads, a burger and pasta dish, as well as a twist on chicken and pot roast. The new menu arrived the week of March 27 in Big Boy restaurants in Michigan, Ohio, California, Florida and Nevada.

a great business organization," Curis said. "It's all about

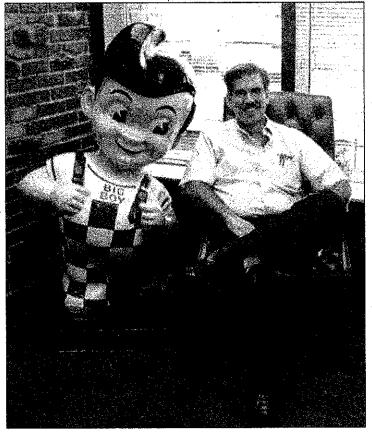


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Dan Curis, owner of Big Boy restaurant on Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods, is helping the company celebrate its 70th anniversary.

serving the public and meeting new friends."

The menu's design includes two revamped sections dedicated to soups and salads. These new sections put an emphasis on the Big Boy "made from scratch" special-"We're thrilled to be part of recipe soups as well as highlighting new salads.

meet our customers' desire for fun food and dishes with a variety of flavor profiles," said Michaels. "Our goal is to keep the menu offerings relevant to also giving them new taste experiences. These new additions to our menu give our

The new appetizers are roasted garlic chicken quesadilla — roasted garlic-seasoned chicken covered with grilled red onions, grilled mushrooms and grilled diced red pepper and melted mild pepper jack cheese in a grilled flour tortilla served with salsa; and the appetizer trio — a combination of all white meat chicken tenders, cheese sticks and onion rings deep-fried and served with choice of

The new seafood offerings are the cod and shrimp combination — lemon-pepper cod and shrimp cooked to perfection and served with penne pasta, garden vegetables, cole slaw or tossed salad and Texas toast; and jumbo shrimp 'n' chips — seven pieces of shrimp, sauce, french fries, garden vegetables, Texas toast and cole slaw or tossed salad.

The three new salads are a fiesta salad - a choice of grilled chicken breast or grilled shrimp with south-ofthe-border seasonings on a crisp salad mix with Cheddar cheese, tomatoes, black olives, red peppers and red onions served with seasoned tortilla chips and Big Boy's our customers who love the salsa ranch dressing on the Big Boy signature items, while side; roasted garlic chicken pasta salad - roasted garlicseasoned chicken breast grilled, sliced and served on "We're constantly striving to customers the variety they de- tri-color rotini pasta tossed

not able to pay, the co-signer is

responsible for the debts,

whether that person made any

purchases or not.

tomato and spice dressing, diced red peppers and red onions, black olives and Cheddar and Parmesan cheese; and blackened shrimp or chicken Caesar pasta salad - a choice of blackened grilled shrimp or chicken with a blend of herbs and spices served on tri-color rotini tossed with Big Boy's Caesar dressing, Parmesan cheese and diced red and green peppers.

The new burger and pasta dishes are the big bleu cheese half-pound burger — sauteed mushrooms, melted mozzarella and Cheddar cheese, roasted garlic seasoning and Big Boy special-recipe bleu cheese dressing; and the pasta Florentine Alfredo — penne

with Big Boy special-recipe pasta with spinach, fresh sliced mushrooms and garlic herb seasoning sauteed in olive oil, covered with Alfredo sauce and sprinkled with Parmesan and parsley. This dish is also available with roasted garlic shrimp.

The new chicken dish is the chicken salsalito — chicken breast covered with a zesty salsa, red peppers, red onions and Cheddar cheese served with rice and seasoned tortilla chips.

For beef lovers, there is the pot roast - tender pot roast covered with brown gravy served with a choice of potato or rice, garden vegetables, Texas toast and cole slaw or tossed salad.

For more information, visit www.bigboy.com.

# Credit card myths exposed

collections from your credit re- will be noted on the report. port? What happens to your credit after you tie the knot? These are just a couple of credit questions that are often answered incorrectly.

turn to an expert for help.

your credit, see a credit counselor or financial planner for the most accurate answers," he said. "We all have varying levels of financial security. What's best for your sister or co-worker, may not be the best percent solution for you."

Sullivan said the largest problem is many consumers confuse the functions of their credit score and their credit re-

"Your credit score is a three your credit report," he said. "An 800 means life is good, 400 means you won't be buying a car this year."

myths about credit:

Myth 1: Settling your debt will remove it from your credit

easy. Late payments and collections generally stay on your and they can still affect your

How hard it is to erase debt have paid the debt in full, that it score. To obtain a credit re- the primary loan recipient is

Myth 2: Too much debt? Just file for bankruptcy to erase it. New bankruptcy laws passed last fall make it harder to file for Chapter 7, which Mike Sullivan, director of completely erases debt. This is education for Take Charge forcing more people to file for America, a nonprofit credit Chapter 13, which requires a counseling company, said the 5-year repayment plan. All remain the same, your credit credit system is complex, and debtors are also required to score will not improve. that's why it is important to complete credit counseling "If you have questions about ruptcy remains on your credit credit score.

report for 10 years. credit cards will improve your credit score. If you have \$50,000 in available credit and owe \$10,000, then you owe 20 of your available credit. If you close an account with a \$30,000 credit limit, you will then owe the same \$10,000 but it will be 50 percent of your available credit. That lowers your credit score.

Myth 4: Your credit score is digit number that summarizes the same at all three credit bu-

Lenders are not required to report to all three of the major credit bureaus, Equifax, To help sort the confusion, Experian and Trans Union. Sullivan has laid out the top 10 Each agency may have different information on your report, and, therefore, a different

Myth 5: Continually check-Unfortunately, it's not that ing your credit report will lower your score.

You can check your report credit report for seven years, from the three credit bureaus as many times are you want, credit score. However, if you and it will not affect your cred-

visit port, annualcreditreport.com.

Myth 6: Your salary helps determine vour credit score.

Your credit score is based on the amount of credit and debt you have, not how much money you make. If you receive a raise, and your credit and debt

Myth 7: Shopping around prior to filing. Moreover, bank- for a loan can damage your

While inquiries do show up Myth 3: Canceling your on your credit report, they do not necessarily damage your score. If the same types of inquiries are made within 14 days of each other, they only count as one inquiry on your credit report. Keep in mind that this applies to loans, not credit cards.

Myth 8: Using cash for everything helps increase your credit score.

Your credit score is determined by the amount of credit you use, not cash. A steady, responsible use of credit is the best way to build your credit score.

Myth 9: Tying the knot means tying credit scores.

Credit scores, for better or worse, remain separate after you are married.

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Myth 10: If you co-sign on a loan, you don't owe anything on delinquent accounts if you didn't make the purchases. If

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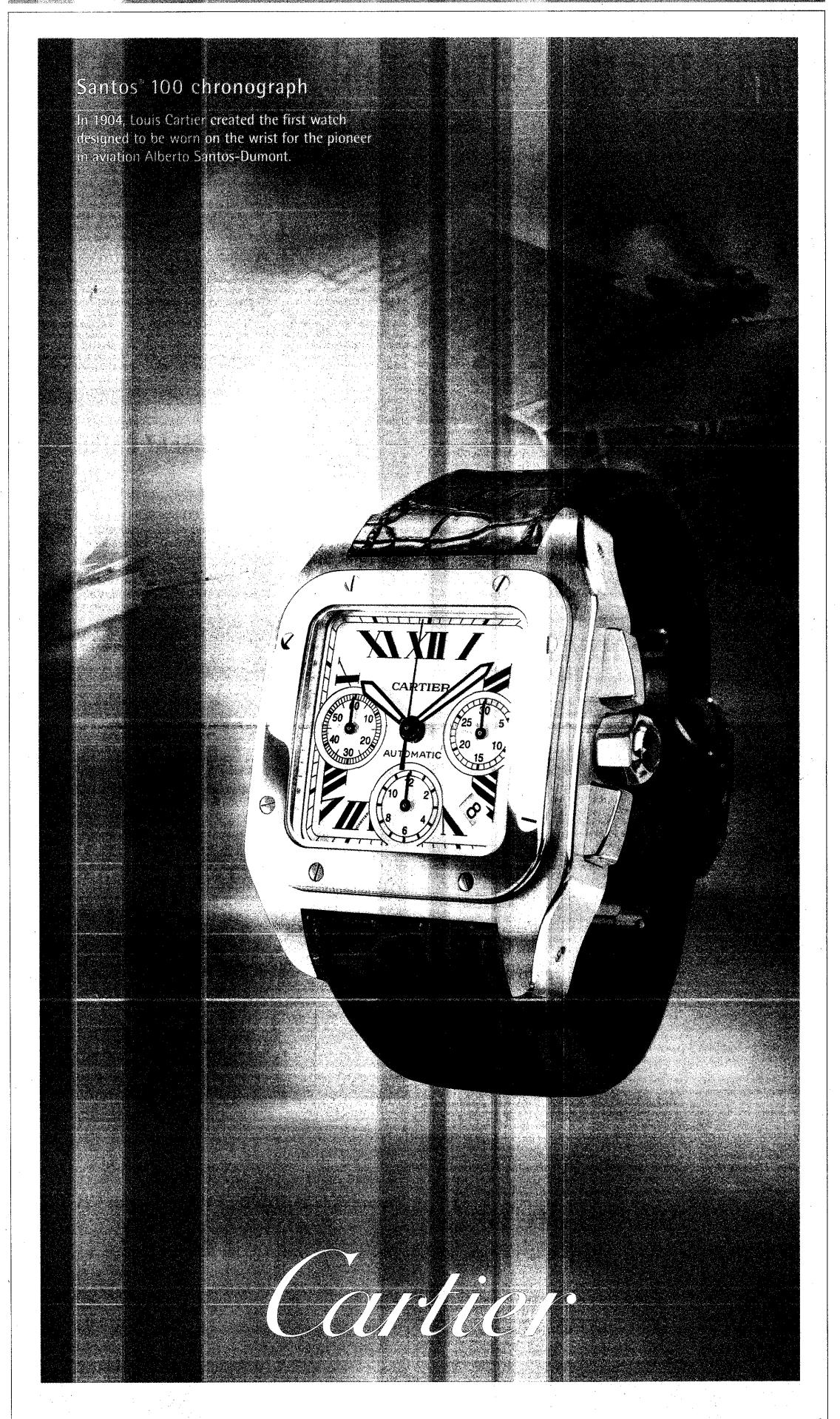
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#### **NEWS** Trial stays in county

Murder suspects to be tried jointly beginning May 24. PAGE 27A

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## Solved: Leaning Tower of Pisa's mystery

A long-standing mystery has ImagiNation (DI) in the been solved.

Elementary's Ferry **Destination ImagiNation Fuzzy** Pickles team has explained how the Tower of Pizza (Pisa) came to be leaning. It's quite simple - someone took a bite from one of the pizzas used to

build the famous structure. Incorporating original songs, theater arts, a magical hat, research, international studies. design process and teamwork, these fourth- and fifth-grade amateur anthropologists are now charged-up and ready to present their performance for the global representatives at the Destination ImagiNation Global Finals 2006 tournament the week of May 20 in Knoxville, Tenn.

With only a few weeks to raise \$10,000 to make the trip, the team will be sponsoring a number of fundraisers asking for community support.

Using a name from a class soccer team, the Fuzzy Pickles members barely knew each other six months ago. Now they are fast friends, making up songs and learning how to solve problems together.

And that's the coolest part of being a Fuzzy Pickle, said fourth-grader Katie Dalman.

She along with Casey Wizner, Rhys Williams, Jordan Radke, Thomas McCarter and Courtney Veneri in Ann Passino's split fourth- and fifthgrade are The Fuzzy Pickles Destination ImagiNation team and have been declared state champions for Destination "How'd That Happen" catego-

This team, coached by Leslie Wizner, beat out 26 other regional champion teams to take first place in the category.

DI challenges kids in this category to write a play in a specific genre that incorporates theater arts, research, international studies, innovation, design process and teamwork.

This is student-driven, said Sheri Kam, parent and DI coach for early elementary students. Coaches can ask questions of the team and buy from a \$125 budget only what team members request.

Specific limitations of the coach's role are reinforced by a contract that all team members must sign. Any suggestion or solution proposed by a person not on the team may not be used in the final solution.

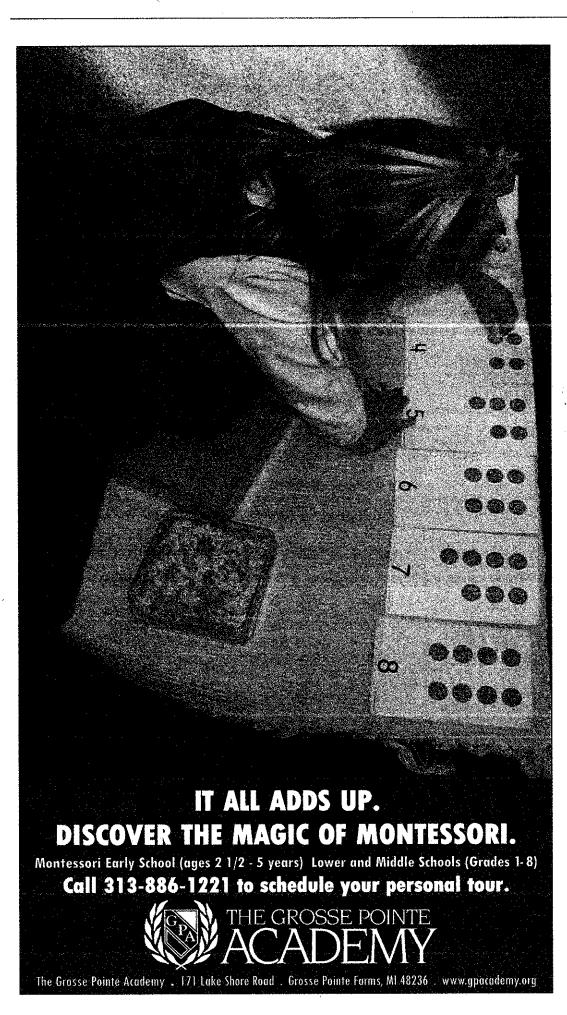
The team had previously won first place in the regional competition in Utica in March to qualify for the state competition which sees more than 260 teams from all parts of Michigan involved in elementary, middle and high school categories.

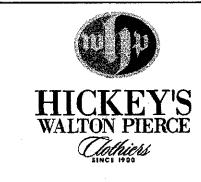
The Fuzzy Pickles won by performing an original play describing how the Leaning Tower of Pisa came to lean. They created the script, incorporating elements they researched about Italy and made the costumes and wrote original music. In addition, they had



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After the Destination ImagiNation Fuzzy Pickles team presented its skit on how the Leaning Tower of Pisa came to be leaning. state Rep. Ed Gaffney (R-Grosse Pointe Farms), center, presented the team with a proclamation signed by Gov. Jennifer Granholm. The team won the state competition in "How'd That Happen" and will now compete in the Destination ImagiNation Global Finals 2006 tournament in Knoxville, Tenn. In the back from left are parent Sheri Kam, Gaffney, Ferry Elementary Principal Gloria Hines, coach Leslie Wizner and Casey Wizner of the City of Grosse Pointe. In the front from left, Jordan Radke of Grosse Pointe Woods, Courtney Veneri of Grosse Pointe Woods, Thomas McCarter of Harper Woods, Rhys Williams of Grosse See DI, page 19A Pointe Woods and Katie Dalman of Grosse Pointe Shores.





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# One-day restaurant serves up satisfaction

By Ann L. Foutv Staff Writer

day. Judging by the crowd, it could have been a success.

However, the staff had to get back to their seats and study.

economics lesson for the style noon meal on Friday, fourth-grade students in Jim April 28. Fisher's class at Monteith Elementary School.

Sporting a Mexican shirt, Fisher was beaming as he moved about his classroom turned into a dining room meeting and greeting patrons. He paused to accept compliments and explained the crossover lessons students were learning including geometry as they laid out the room for optimum seating, art for designing the menus, little bit of Spanish, both the culture and the language and math as they counted money and determined how many pounds of cheese and ground beef needed to be purchased.



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"This is excellent," said cus-fresh." tomer and parent Carly Semack of her meal. "It's fresh. It's a shame the El Torrito It's flavorful. It's great portions Restaurant was only open one for the money. The service is excellent."

Semack, her husband, their children and a friend, Josh Coraci, were a few of the more El Torrito was a hands-on than 200 served a Mexican-

"I love Mexican food," said Beth Ahee, whose niece is in Fisher's class. She gave her taco salad a thumbs up.

said, "The food is fantastic. It's tions.

Kim Baker chimed in that he was on his second plate of food, it was that good.

Andy Vyletel, whose daughter was on the El Torrito staff, said he didn't mind waiting for his burrito and hard taco because the wait staff was so polite. He was also impressed with the organization of the event and colorful decorations.

Each student had to put up collateral to procure a \$10 loan from their parents. The funds went into the class budget to Another diner, Beth Baker purchase food and decora-



Waitress Dayle Maas said she had one of the hardest jobs in the restaurant because she had to get the order right and serve the customers quickly.

Super Bowl hardcover book.

"I like it a lot," he said of the book he used as collateral. "Mom said it had to be worth something."

Sue Austin's daughter, Michelle, gave up her favorite pillow for the loan.

From the loans, students cal-

Tyler Nelson put up his culated how much they would have to spend on food, decorations and supplies. Children filled all the restaurant positions and parents cooked the food and helped decorate the

Mom Leslie Nelson said the project was a lesson in economics and in practice because Make-A-Wish Foundation.

students had to practice their jobs so everything would run smoothly

From the proceeds, students will pay back their loans and donate the rest to a charity of the children's choice. On the short list, Fisher said, are Habitat for Humanity and the



Jim Fisher's fourth-grade classroom at Monteith was transformed into a Mexican restaurant on Friday, April 28. He was teaching a lesson in economics and exposing students to the restaurant industry and careers.

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### Computer program fits in palm of a hand

dents in grades three through eight are using new Palm One hand-held computers with high internal memory and wireless portable keyboards.

St. Paul is the first school in the area to have them.

All teachers are outfitted and the school has 120 handhelds, provided by an anonymous donor.

The school will use the handheld computers to meet the goals of writing across the curriculum, in addition to classroom differentiation and technology integration. Teachers have completed onsite training in the implementation and evaluation of this project and most students have been trained and are ready to use this technology.

Hand-held computers include a set of software programs called HLE (Handheld Learning Environment) from GoKnow in Ann Arbor, the premier developer of educational software for hand-held computers. The software includes a word processor, spreadsheet, graphic organizers, animation software and presentation software. Also in-

download Web sites and synchronize the pre-screened Internet content with the handheld computer.

Eliot Soloway, University of Michigan professor and grade. He came home thrilled founder of GoKnow said, "That which will change education is that which fits in the palm of a child's hand; a pencil, a book and finally now, a home." computer."

Joan Capuano, school committee chairperson and parent of four said, "The world is becoming more oriented toward technology.

Through the use of these hand-helds, which are used in access to technology early on, a cooperative manner with the teacher, students are able to beam up the information in frightening," said third-grade class and beam it to the teacher Betty Lalich. "Then the teacher.

their progress.

"Also, being connected to a large screen for full class viewing helps as well as the manual dexterity and the teacher can download sites from the Web sites she or he thinks are appropriate for the classroom and age. They really get a feel

St. Paul Catholic School stu- cluded is "Fling-It," an applica- for searching the Web and for tion that allows the teacher to going to preselected things. This is huge for the kids. It is exciting, safe and allows for the teachers' judgment to be

"My son, Brendon, is in third to be a part of the technology journey. He wanted to know if he can get one for home. They are not allowed to bring them

Hand-held computers allow the classroom teacher to give flexible digital learning, oneto-one computing for students and collaborative classroom

"Anytime a student can have it will help using the technology seem more natural, less student can focus on assign-They can instantly monitor ments and real learning. These tools are the future. Students should feel comfortable with them as soon as possible."



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Hannah Satterlund, left, and Ben Obriot practice on the new hand-held computer given to St. Paul Catholic School.

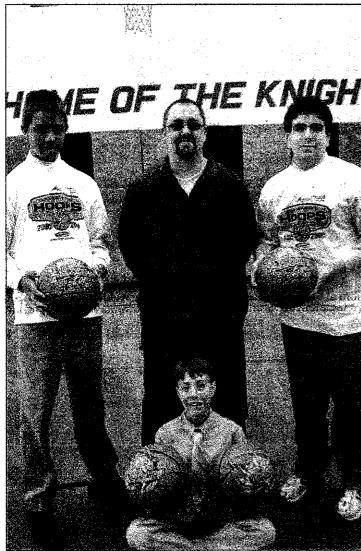


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### **ULS** hoops

University Liggett School middle school students raised nearly \$6,000 for the American Heart Association in "Hoops for Heart." Raising more than \$500 each were sixth-grader Brendan Clancy. front; seventh-grader Tucker Shield and eighth-grader Pierce Rogg. Athletic director Dan Cimini stands at center.

#### DI: Bound for Tennessee

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to create a mechanical device which would incur a bizarre happening during the production. Another element of the judging involved an instant challenge where the team is given a problem to solve and less than five minutes to come up with a team solution. They are scored on various elements including teamwork and cre-

It was a group effort, Veneri said. "Coming up with a theme was the easiest. Most of us are from Italy."

"This was our first year," Wizner said. "It was a real surprise to all of us.

"The look on the kids' faces when they realized they earned another championship was priceless," Wizner said.
"These six amazing students have worked through grueling three- to five-hour weekly practices since January, forming unforgettable friendships and having invaluable experi-

ences. They deserve the honor of representing the young minds of Grosse Pointe and its amazing public schools (at the Global Competition)."

"It's been a good experience," Veneri said. "I would do it again."

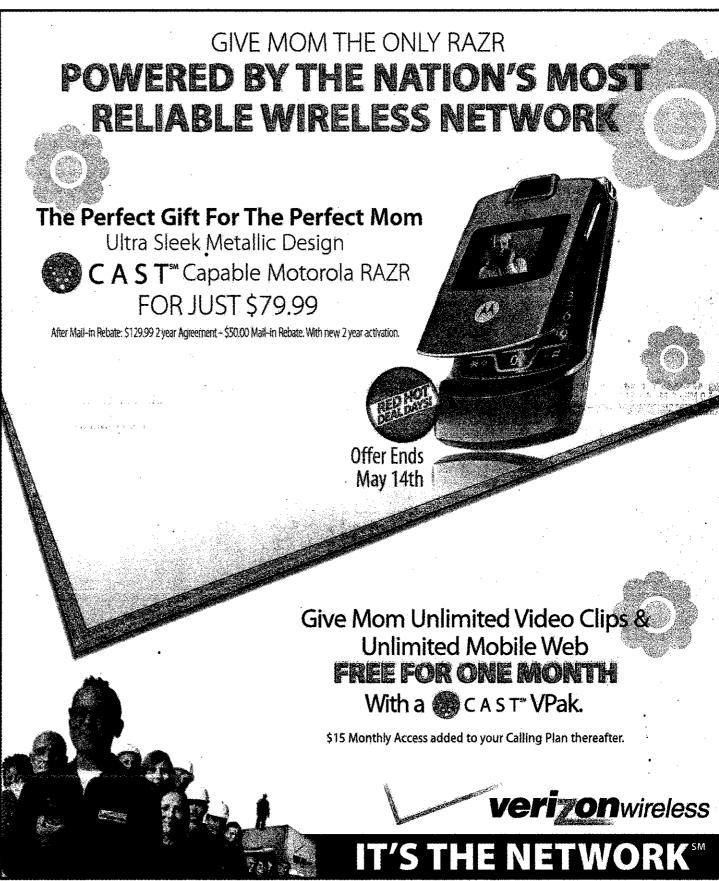
DI, the largest nonathletic team competition in the world, offers kindergarten through university level students a unique opportunity to participate in challenging and motivating activities both inside and outside their regular cur-

The Global Competition includes teams from all 50 states and several foreign countries.

This is Ferry's first year sponsoring participation. At the regional tournament, the school was represented by Team Pizza, Team Raptors, Super Cheesy Cheese Puffs, Team Crickets and The Fuzzy Pickles.

Of the five, three — Super Cheesy Cheese Puffs, Team Crickets and The Fuzzy Pickles — went to the state lev-

Other Grosse Pointe schools at the state tournament were Grosse Pointe South High, Pierce Middle School, Trombly and Defer elementarys.



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## Poupard recognizes Michigan Arbor Day

Arbor Day is day not many people recognize. However, the students at Poupard Elementary took notice when they were each given a blue spruce on Michigan's Arbor Day, Friday, April 28.

Amee St. John of the Macomb Conservation District reminded children how trees benefit life by providing oxygen, shade, animal habitats and food.

along with Judy Sheehy and trees and would like to plant tree the following day.

another million across the in Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods.

At St. John's suggestion, Sheehy, the grandmother of three Poupard students, St. John and Rodgers handed out Colorado blue spruce trees to each student. St. John said the tree was well suited to Michigan's climate and could be planted in the ground or in a She was a Poupard guest pot. Most importantly, she told the students the seedling had Ellie Rodgers of Shaklee to be cared for and watered. Company. Shaklee has spon- She suggested students even sored the planting of 3 million name their tree and plant the

Harper Woods Mayor Ken United States, including those Poynter told the students as he drives through the city, he notes how much trees play a part on the overall appearance of the city, thus he was looking forward to seeing the trees planted and growing. "I'm looking forward to seeing a lot more trees. As you grow, you can watch these trees grow," he said.

Principal Penny Stocks said the blue spruce would be measured three times - April 28, in September and in April 2007. She wants to witness the growth of both the students and their trees.



Planting a tree at Poupard Elementary School in honor of Michigan's Arbor Day were from left, Harper Woods Mayor Ken Poynter, fifth-grader Robert Ritchie, Principal Penny Stocks, fourthgrader Mariah Pulliam, State Rep. Ed Gaffney (R-Grosse Pointe Farms), fourth-grader Max Sheehy, Judy Sheehy and Amee St. John of the Macomb Conservation District.

### Incentive deemed success

The early retirement incen- en until April 3 to decide. The Retirees mean a shorter lay off tive offered by the Grosse package was offered to help re-Pointe School District has been duce the projected shortfall of deemed a success.

Some 53 staff members in five different areas accepted fice personnel, plant and cafethe plan.

Larry Lobert, human resources director, said he was hoping for 40 teachers to retire and 38 have submitted their intentions to retire at the end of the school year. Five office employees, four administrators, five classroom assistants and one plant employee have also handed in their retirement pa-

The incentive package was approved by the board in February and members of seven employee groups were givthe 2006-07 budget.

Teachers, administrators, ofteria workers, support personnel, non-instructional supervisors and central office administrators were offered the incentive. Teachers will be given \$45,000 over three years (\$15,000 per year). The money will be deposited in a retirement account. The other groups are being offered a onetime \$10,000 check, also deposited into a retirement ac-

The offer is "cost neutral," Lobert said.

The affect is two-fold.

list and the second. Lobert can begin his search for new hirees.

"I'd rather be hiring than laying off," he said.

Lobert has been to one job fair already and will be posting the opening in the coming weeks.

More than 1,300 years service have been accumulated by the teachers, administrators and staff who are retiring.

The board of education will be accepting, with regret, those who are retiring during its Monday, May 8, meeting. The regular board meeting will be held at 8 p.m. in South High's Wicking Library.

### St. Clare student receives scholarship

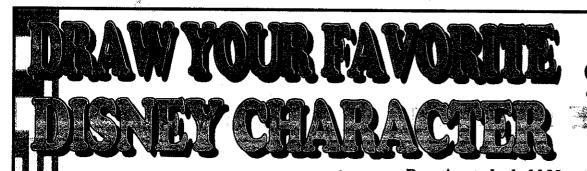
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gift card from a local book-

Rotary Club Grosse Pointe's when she attends college to be used for books and supplies. She is president of St. Clare

The award includes a \$50 of Montefalco Catholic School's National Junior store. She will also receive a Honor Society, winner of the

Challenge and made the finals to compete against 99 other state finalists in Flint and she performed in St. Clare's spring production of "Beauty and the



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#### Guest reader

Students at Our Lady Star of the Sea School in Grosse Pointe Woods celebrated National Reading Month throughout March. Highlights included "guest readers" who shared special stories with classrooms and visits by storybook character Clifford, the Big Red Dog. Seventh-graders shared stories and snacks with their second-grade "little sisters" and "little brothers" and met Clifford. From left are Olivia Askimakis of Grosse Pointe Shores and her "big sister" Bridget Berns of Grosse Pointe Woods with Taylor Graham of Grosse Pointe Park and his "little brother" Ryan Reveley of Grosse Pointe Woods.

### Junior on way to festival

For the second year in a row, will perform the Presto move-Grosse Pointe South junior Sami Entenman has been invited to compete in the semithe Michigan State Band and member Mary Siciliano. Orchestra Association at Central Michigan University five summers in Mount Pleasant.

one of 12 invited pianists from phony band and orchestra. around the state to compete. She is also a member of the Recognized for her technical. South Lady Blue Devils' varsi-

ment of Mendelssohn's Piano Concerto in G Minor.

A classical piano student for final round of the Michigan 11 years, she studies with Youth Arts Festival hosted by Oakland University faculty

She has studied piano for at the Interlochen Arts Academy Both years, Entenman was and plays the oboe in the sym-

abilities and style, Entenman ty hockey and softball teams.



Sami Entenman

### Richard is wild about walking

dents will be tying up their walking shoes Thursday, May 18, for several reasons. They will be promoting physical fitness during the annual field day and help raise funds for Richard's building improvements.

"Walk on the Wild Side" uses the same format of walk-aand marathons. thons Students are being encouraged to walk or run an age appropriate distance and time to the

Richard Elementary stu- beat of the music and cheers of like to be part of a real volunteers.

Students will be asking family, friends, former alumni and future Richard families for pledges to help reach their

As with any walk/run, students will be given T-shirts to wear. There will be an official first aid/water station and pop- complete the school's air consicles to cool them off while ditioning project. walking on South High's track.

This experience will not only let the students feel what it is

"marathon" but will help them participate in the improvements of their school on its 75th anniversary.

Early elementary-aged students will walk in the morning and higher grade students will walk in the afternoon.

Funds raised will be used to

To support Richard's efforts, contact the PTO at Richard's Web site at gpschools.org.

### St. Clare students appear in movie

See you in the movies.

What an appropriate statement when talking about local school children.

St. Clare of Montefalco students can be seen on the silver screen at the AMC Star Gratiot 21. An ad for the Blue Ribbon school is shown in nine of the 21 theaters and three times between each movie, said principal Patti Ferguson-Chaney.

August and appears between the trivia question and its an-

Ferguson-Chaney chose this venue to reach a large audience and tell them about the school located in the City of Grosse Pointe.

Using a limited number of Ferguson-Chaney worked on the script during Christmas break. She settled The ad will run through on using the school's mission

statement - "to educate the whole child spiritually, academically, creatively, physically and socially."

Developed in New York, the ad features fifth-grader Leah Peipszowski as she played an angel in a school production. The ad company inserted a background of sky and clouds.

"The kids have seen the ad and are excited," Ferguson-Chaney said.

### Reunions slated for North, South

◆ Grosse Pointe North Class class1976.com. of 1976 has scheduled a class reunion at 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 12, at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club.

For more information, call (313) 885-6377 or go to gpn-

◆ Grosse Pointe South Class of 1971 will hold its 35th reunion on Saturday, Aug. 12, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

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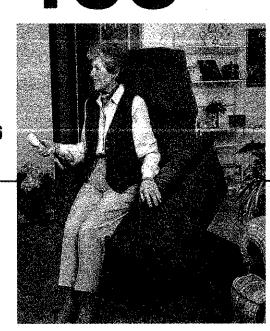
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"I am very pleased that Dan of Michigan, Axford holds a the University of Maine. He Axford will be leading our bachelor's degree from held similar positions at school's admissions effort," said ULS Head of School Axford has more than 10 University of Southern Maine, Matthew H. Hanly. "Dan has years' experience in college at Carthage College in the interpersonal skills, knowl- said. "Working in college ad-

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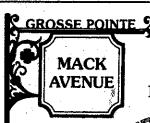
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"Even more notable is the tremendous response my colleagues within very competitive New England universities

expressed to me in regard to their knowledge of ULS and their excitement for me to have this opportunity to carry the school's outstanding message into the Grosse Pointe community and beyond," he added.

Axford will assume his new post at ULS on July 1.



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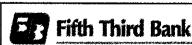
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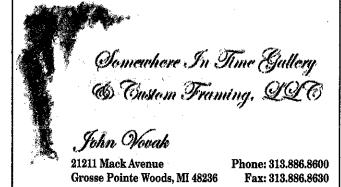
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Brendon Wilson, a freshman, received a nomination for the cello. They performed at Michigan Conference in Grand Rapids.

Emma C. Foley has been awarded the Scripps Howard Foundation Merit Scholarship. She will graduate from Grosse

Pointe South High in June.

Gillian Markwick, 16, of Grosse Pointe Farms and South High School student, attended a two-day conference for young bassists in Madison,

She studies with John Kennedy and is the daughter of Connie and Jeff Markwick.





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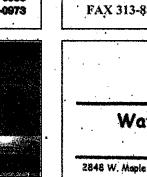


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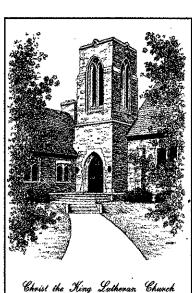
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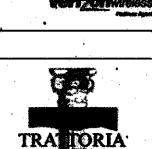
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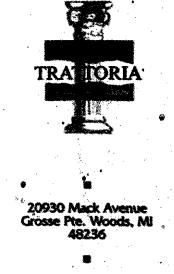
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# BITUARIES

Obituary notices are purchased and often prewritten by family or friends. While we try to run obituaries as submitted, we nevertheless reserve the right to edit for accuracy, style and length.

#### John H. Burrows, M.D.

John H. Burrows, M.D., 73, died on Friday, April 28, 2006, at his home in Seneca, S.C.

Until his retirement in 2000. he lived in Grosse Pointe.

Dr. Burrows is survived by his wife, Kathleen "Kitty" Kubalak; daughters, Elizabeth (Bill) Chapin and Abigail Burrows; son, Stephen Burrows; grandson, Spencer Maine, with her daughter and Chapin; brother, Burrows; and sister, Beverly Preston. Burrows.

Memorial donations may be made to a nonprofit bioethics research center: The Hastings Center, 21 Malcolm Gordon Rd., Garrison, NY 10524-4125.

#### Florine Elizabeth Flynn

Florine Elizabeth Flynn, 81, of Grosse Pointe Farms, died on Friday, April 28, 2006, at St. John Hospital.

Mrs. Flynn was born in Denver, Colo., where she lived until 1950 when she married Mr. Flynn and moved to New Orleans, La. They moved to Michigan in 1950.

Mrs. Flynn was a manager at Jacobson Stores Inc., from the early 1960s until 1975. She and Mr. Flynn retired to Cape Cod for 10 years before returning to Grosse Pointe Farms.

Mrs. Flynn was an active member of Grosse Pointe Congregational Church for more than 50 years, where she served on many committees. She was a volunteer for Cottage Hospital Auxiliary and Cancer American Discovery Shop.

She is survived by her children, Sheila Flynn (Randy) Potter and Sheldon (JoAnn) Flynn II; and three grandchildren, Sheldon III, Katie and Ethan.

planned.

She was predeceased by her

husband, Sheldon Flynn. Farms, MI 48236 or Cottage Hospital Auxiliary, Tribute Fund, 159 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

#### Mary Beresford Owens

Mary B. Owens, 78, of Alna, Maine, formerly of Grosse Pointe and Lakeland, Fla., died on Monday, April 17, 2006, at the Miles Memorial Hospital in Damariscotta, Maine.

She was born on Oct. 30, 1927, in Los Angeles, Calif., to Lester T. and Luella E. Beresford. She and her parents moved and spent several years in New York, before moving to Michigan where she graduated from East Lansing High School in 1945.

In 1950, she graduated with her Bachelor of Arts degree from Michigan State College where she was also an active member of Pi Beta Phi sorority. Later that year, she married her beloved John Douglas "J.D." Owens. They remained together until his passing in 2004.

Mrs. Owens became the first postmistress at the Grosse Pointe Post Office, which opened next to Jacobson's Department Store in 1953.

She valued education and children and in the 1950s she taught in the Lakeview School System. After raising her children, Mrs. Owens returned to her teaching career at Richard Elementary School in Grosse Pointe Farms where she taught



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her master's degree in children's literature from Wavne State University in 1981.

Mr. and Mrs. Owens shared a passion for family, travel, theater, tennis and were active 1100s. members of the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club and Indian Village Tennis Club. They retired to Lakeland, Fla., in 1993. Mrs. Owens recently moved to Alna, Robert son-in-law, Amy and Michael

Mrs. Owens is survived by her son, James E. Owens of Florida; daughter, Amy (Michael) Preston; half-sister Lesley B. Dannelley of Irving, Texas; and many nieces, nephews and grandnieces.

A memorial service will be held at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, May 12, at the Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, 17150 Maumee. Grosse Pointe. Interment will be at 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 13, Greenwood Cemetery Fowlerville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Kno-Wal-Lin Homecare and Hospice, 170 Pleasant St., Rockland, ME 04841 or the hospice of one's

#### Walter Briggs Robinson

Walter Briggs Robinson, 76, died Friday, April 21, 2006, in Vero Beach, Fla.

He was born in Detroit on Dec. 1, 1929. He and his wife, Toni, moved to Vero Beach in

Mr. Robinson graduated from Portsmouth Priory School in Rhode Island and Georgetown University, Washington, D. C. He served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War.

Mr. Robinson was vice presi-A private family service is dent of McLouth Steel Corp., until he retired in 1983.

He was an avid sportsman who enjoyed sailing, fishing, Memorial contributions may boating, duck hunting, tennis, Redmond Cornell, Lisa Davis be made to Grosse Pointe skiing and goil. He relished va-Congregational Church, 240 cations with his family and Smith; sons, Richard Redmond Honolulu, Hawaii. Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe summers at his northern home at Birchwood Farms in Harbor Springs.

Bayview Yacht Club and sailed in many Mackinac Races. He was a member of the Country Club of Detroit having served on the board of directors, and was a past chairman of the Grosse Pointe Club. He belonged to the Riomar Bay Yacht, the Yondotega, the Question, Birchwood Farms Country and the Quail Valley Golf clubs.

Mr. Robinson was a loving husband, father, grandfather and friend. He was a parishioner at Holy Cross Catholic Church in Vero Beach.

He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Lee "Toni" Robinson; four daughters, Lee R. (John) Moore, Julie R. (Donald) Sprinkle, Grace R. (James) Maloy and Lynn R. (Brian) Pruitt; and seven grandchil-

A funeral Mass was celebrated on Tuesday, April 25, at Holy Cross Catholic Church.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Indian River Land Trust, 350 U.S. Highway 1, Vero Beach, FL 32962.

#### Virginia Marie **Palombit**

Virginia Marie Palombit, 81, died Tuesday, April 18, 2006, in the Bon Secours Place Assisted Living facility in St. Clair Shores. She was a former Grosse Pointe Woods resident for more than 30 years.

She was born in Detroit to Clovis and Virginia (Payette) Sevigny. She was a graduate of Annunciation High School.

She was very proud of her French Canadian heritage. Genealogy became a "hobby" that had her spending hours at The Burton Collection of the Detroit Public Library in downtown Detroit, as well as traveling to Ontario and Montreal.

She and her husband of 63 Great Lakes. years, Peter, whom she mar-

from 1968 to 1984. She earned ried during World War II, traveled extensively throughout the United States and Europe. They visited France several times, which enabled her to trace her roots back to the

She was a member of the French Canadian Heritage Society of Michigan. Its July journal will feature a tribute to Mrs. Palombit along with one of her ancestral charts.

She was a fan of the Detroit Red Wings, Detroit Tigers, Notre Dame football and figure skating. She was an avid reader, especially of historical books about American settlers.

She was predeceased by her husband, Peter L. Palombit, and a grandson, Michael Van Assche. She is survived by her daughters, Suzanne (Michael) Van Assche and Elaine (Vincent) Peseski; sons, Peter (Carol) Palombit and Anthony (Janyce) Palombit; grandchildren, Amy (Anton) Fedorov, Nicholas Palombit, Marissa Elaine E. Micklethwaite (Greg) Garczynski, Jonathan Van Assche and Paul and Alaina Peseski; a great-grandchild, Nicolette Fedorov; a sister, Elizabeth DeMars; and a brother, Ted Sevigny.

A funeral Mass officiated by the Rev. Roger Lumbre was celebrated Saturday, April 22, at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church. Interment is at St. Paul Catholic Church columbarium.

#### Constance Redmond

Constance Redmond, 73, of Grosse Pointe Park, died Wednesday, April 26, 2006, in the Bon Secours Nursing Center.

She was born in Detroit to Thomas and Katherine Baker, now deceased. Mrs. Redmond was a mem-

ber of the Jefferson Yacht Club. She was predeceased by her husband, Richard Redmond, She is survived by her daugh-Lettang and Suzi Redmond Jr. and Bill Redmond; and 16

grandchildren. Visitation will be held Friday, He was a former member of May 5, 2 to 4 p.m. and 5 to 9 p.m.; funeral is Saturday, May 6. at the A.H. Peters Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Woods.

> Memorial contributions may be made to the Hospices of Henry Ford, P.O. Box 02220, Detroit, MI 48202-0220.

#### The Rt. Rev. Richard W. Ingalls

The Rt. Rev. Richard W. Ingails, 79, of Grosse Pointe Park, died Monday, April 24, 2006, at Bon Secours Hospital.

Bishop Ingalls served in the ministry for nearly 60 years, the last 41 were as rector of Mariners' Church of Detroit, the independent Anglican church founded in 1842.

"The Maritime Sailors' Cathedral" of Gordon' Lightfoot's ballad, "The Wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald," referred to Bishop Ingalls ringing the church's bell "29 times, for each man on the Edmund Fitzgerald," early the morning after the ore carrier sank with all hands during a fierce storm on Lake Superior on Nov. 10,

Bishop Ingalls became rector of Mariners' Church in 1965, and began building an active, worshiping parish, from a faithful few in 1965, to more than 400 families today. He became well known in Detroit's maritime and civic communities for creating annual public services, such as the Blessing of the Fleet, Navy League Sunday and the Edmund Fitzgerald Memorial Service. These services bring congregants and the community together in remembrance of God's love and care. The Blessing of the Fleet, which Bishop Ingalls celebrated for his 41st consecutive year this past March 12, is the prototype for similar services around the

The 31st annual Navy



John H. Burrows, M.D.



League Sunday was celebrated Sunday, April 30, six days after his death, by his son, the Rev. Richard W. Ingalls Jr., who was elected rector of Mariners' Church on Jan. 15, 2006.

Bishop Ingalls was born in Ft. Dodge, Iowa, and graduated magna cum laude with a Bachelor of Arts degree from Olivet College in Kankakee, Ill., in 1950. His seminary training was at Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary in Evanston, Ill., and at St. Luke's Seminary, University of the South, in Sewanee, Tenn.

Bishop Ingalls was a life chaplain of the International Shipmasters' Association, Detroit Lodge No.7; the United States Propeller Club, Port of Detroit; the American Legion, Cadillac Post 333; and Fire Box 12.

Command at Mid-Pac winner Headquarters at Ft. Shafter.

He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Wilma (nee Cross) Ingalls; sons, the Rev. Richard W. (Lynn) Ingalis Jr. and Dr. Brian K. Ingalls; daughters, Anne (Sean) Gillespie and Bette (Don) Wisniowiecki; grandchildren, Richard III, Brian J., Robert, Andrew and Rebecca; his siblings, John (Libby), Wayne (Joyce), Jim (Lois). Virginia, Carol. David. Sharon and Bonnie; and nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his son, Craig Ingalls.

Visitation will be held from 2 to 8 p.m. on Friday, May 12, at Verheyden Funeral Home, 16300 Mack, Grosse Pointe. A Requiem Eucharist will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 13, at Mariners' Church of Detroit, 170 E. Jefferson in Detroit. There will be free parking available in the Ford Auditorium Underground Garage. His ashes will be interred in the Upper Room Columbarium in Mariners' Church.

Memorial contributions, in lieu of flowers, may be made to Mariners' Church of Detroit, 170 E. Jefferson, Detroit, MI 48226-4327.

#### Winifred M. Ennis

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Winifred M. Ennis, 84 died on Friday, April 14, 2006, in Upland, Calif.

She is survived by her sons, (Bobbie), Dennis (Francesca), Rob (Kathleen). Mark and Paul Ortman; her grandchildren, Taylor and Gavin Ortman; and her sisters, Virginia (Guy) Montalbano and Evelyn McCarthy, both of California.

She was predeceased by her husbands, Jack Ennis, Victor Mansor and John Ortman.

A memorial Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. on Friday, July 21, at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, 467 Fairford, Grosse Pointe Woods.



**Mary Beresford Owens** 



Winifred M. Ennis

#### **Dorothy Duggan** Mengden

Dorothy Duggan Mengden, 82, died Tuesday, April 25, 2006, at her home in Grosse Pointe, from complications associated with cancer.

Mrs. Mengden was born on Oct. 28, 1923, to Louis Earl and Ethel Burridge of South Bend, Ind. She was an only child who was always known by her nickname, "Dottie."

She graduated from Central High School in South Bend, Class of 1941. She attended member of the Navy League of Hanover College in Madison, the United States. He served as Ind., on the Ohio River, where she was a member of Phi Mu Sorority (Rho Chapter).

In 1944, she was married in South Bend to James Jackson "Jack" Duggan, who died in

She was always a "hands-on" He served in World War II as person, playing bridge whena sergeant first class in the U.S. ever possible and forever digters, Kim Davis Johnson, Patty Army Port and Service ging in the garden. She was of the 2005 tion City of Grosse Pointe for the courtyard on Boulevard. Mrs. Mengden was also a master gardener, National Flower Show judge, past president of the Greater Detroit Flower Arrangers Guild, past president of the Grosse Pointe Shores Garden Club and recipient of the Life Membership Certificate of The Federated Garden Clubs of Michigan.

As a member of Nomads, she and her husband, Joe Mengden, participated in its 1996 Round-the-World Trip, with stopovers in Hong Kong, Macao, Bangkok, Katmandu, New Delhi, the Taj Mahal, Bombay and London.

She is survived by her husband of 14 years, Joseph M. Mengden of Grosse Pointe; her son, Michael (JoAnn) Duggan of Kalamazoo; her daughterin-law, Nancy of Howell; and grandchildren, Seann Duggan of Novi, and Matthew and Adam Duggan of Howell.

She was predeceased by her younger son, Richard (Nancy) Duggan, who died on Wednesday, April 19; and her first husband, James Duggan.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, May 4, and 5 from 2 to 8 p.m. at Chas. Verheyden Funeral Home, 16300 Mack Ave., Grosse Pointe Park. A



Walter Briggs Robinson



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**Dorothy Duggan Mengden** 

memorial service will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Friday, May 5, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. John Health Foundation (Hospice), P.O. Box 673271, Detroit, MI 48267, or the charity of one's choice.

#### Elaine E. Micklethwaite

Elaine E. Micklethwaite, 87, of Boulder, Colo., Saturday, April 20, 2006.

She was born in Isle, Minn. She graduated from Denby High School in Detroit in 1936. She was a homemaker and mother.

She was president of the Lincoln Study Club and a member of the Handweavers Guild of Grosse Pointe. She enjoyed weaving, sewing, knitting, painting, basket-making, spinning, square dancing, golfing and cake decorating.

She was predeceased by her husband, Stuart Micklethwaite; a sister, Arletta Courech; and brothers, Jess and Cliff Carlson. She is survived by her daughters, Linda L. Miller and Sandra E. Jeffries; her "devoted" son-inlaw, Donald E. Miller, grand children, Brynn Miller, Bryce Miller, Elaine Covault and Janet Leidal and great-grandchild, Brett Leidal.

A memorial service will be held in Boulder, Colo.

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# Ford Crossover is great as an SUV

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Most cars, if they inspire any emotion at all, are polarizing. People either love 'em or hate 'em. Take Chrysler's PT Cruiser. The people who buy PTs are passionate about them, talking about their car like they'd talk about their loyal golden retriever that died in 1974. They absolutely love their car and want everyone to

On the other hand, you've probably met people who hate the PT just as passionately, saying it ought to be tossed in the compost pile with over-ripe bananas and moldy grass clippings. They think it's the ugliest car on the road. Rarely, though, do you find a vehicle that's wildly contradictory within itself.

That's the problem I faced while driving the Ford Freestyle, a so-called "crossover" vehicle that's half SUV and half station wagon. As an SUV, I absolutely love it because of its smooth ride, refined handling, good gas mileage, practical interior and ease of entry and exit. It's an SUV that doesn't behave like

At the same time, I hate the Freestyle whenever I think of it as a station wagon. It feels bloated and sloppy compared with other unibody cars, and the ride and handling that I think are so great compared to SUVs seem downright mediocre - if not disappointing — compared to most pas-

senger cars. The overall experience left me lukewarm, but not in an "I really don't care" kind of way like you experience behind the wheel of a boring family sedan. It was an odd sort of thing where I'd go from elation one moment to loathing the next, never deciding if I ought to lust after the Freestyle as a terrific SUV or toss it on the trash heap as a cruddy car.

This Ford simply has an identity crisis.

If you can look beyond the nebulous emotions inspired by the Freestyle, though, you'll see it's actually a wonderful vehicle for anybody with a family. While it can't do serious off-road driving or heavyduty towing — things most SUV drivers don't do anyway - it's a downright perfect ve-

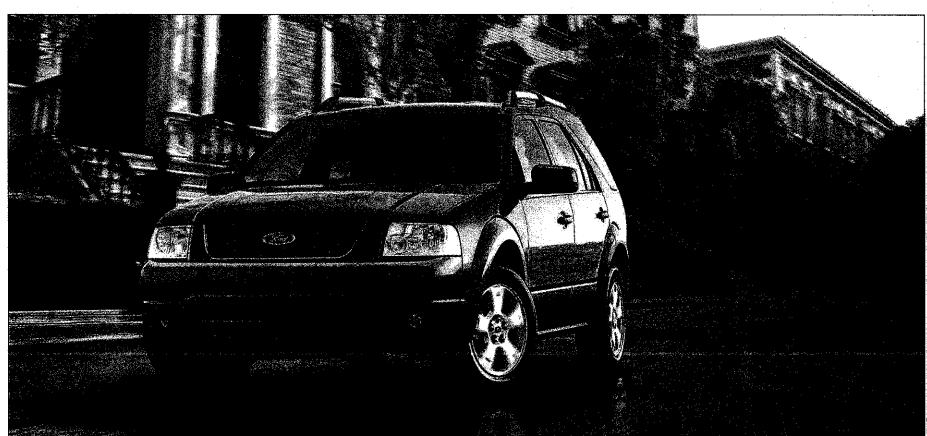


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2006 Ford Freestyle: LTD.

hicle for fulfilling its primary mission of moving people and their masses of stuff in relative

Inside, the Freestyle is configured like an SUV with three rows of roomy seats and a nice size cargo area in the back. The back seats easily fold flat for hauling really big stuff. The overall appearance is much more like a sedan than an SUV, complete with high-quality materials and tight construction tolerances. Also, thanks to its low ride height, getting in and out is a breeze.

Driving the Freestyle is remarkably similar to driving a regular family sedan, albeit one that's a couple of years old. There's nothing truly spectacular about its performance other than its totally smooth, continuously variable transmission that never shifts.

My only complaint is that it lacks the crispness and sense of being attached to the asphalt like today's best new sedans offer, instead settling for a fairly mushy, uninspiring ride. It's great as an SUV but lackluster as a car.

Only one engine is offered in the Freestyle. It's a 203-horsepower V6, which is a good compromise between performance and efficiency as it gets up to 27 miles per gallon on the highway according to EPA ratings. It doesn't have the grunt of a V8 or the utter efficiency of a wheezy fourbanger, but it does its job well enough to scoot the Freestyle comfortably though city traf-

Pricing starts at \$25,105 for the SE model with front-wheel drive or \$26,955 with all-wheel drive. This includes more standard equipment than you'd expect, including a six-way power driver's seat, tilt steering wheel, cruise control, fourwheel antilock disc brakes and traction control, along with the regular goodies like power windows, power locks and air conditioning. That's a lot of car for the money.

Add about \$1,500 for the SEL model, and you get a sixdisc CD changer, automatic headlights, heated mirrors, a leather-wrapped steering wheel with audio controls, built-in garage door opener, extra sound insulation and a few other luxuries.

At the top of the range, the Limited (\$28,530) and Limited AWD (\$30,580) add a better stereo system, heated front seats with memory, adjustable rear seats and woodgrain trim. Options include leather seats, dual-zone climate control, a rear-seat DVD player, power moonroof, reverse sensing system and adjustable pedals, all of which can combine to make it feel more like a fullblown luxury car than a simple family hauler.

All in all, despite my mixed emotions, I wouldn't hesitate to recommend the Freestyle to anybody who wants an SUV but doesn't want to live with the downsides. While it's not quite as refined as you'd expect a station wagon to be, it does offer a great alternative to the big, lumbering SUVs and is a great value for the money.

What was tested: a 2006 Ford Freestyle Limited AWD (\$30,580). Options: auxiliary climate control with heat (\$650), navigation system (\$1,995), reverse sensing system (\$295), safety package (\$695), memory adjustable pedals (\$195) and a DVD player (\$995). Price as tested: \$35,405.

Why buy it? It offers the advantages of an SUV without many downsides. It gets decent gas mileage, handles well and has a wonderful, versatile, high-quality interior.

### **Local Mercedes-Benz**

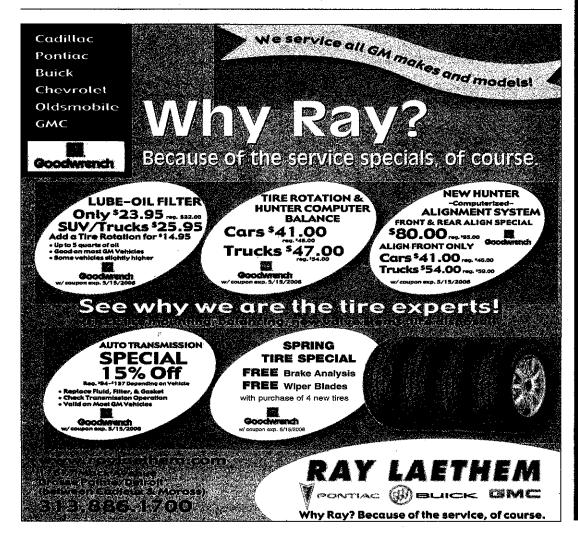
member of the Prestige Automotive Group. The group, based in the area, represents 11 dealerships throughout Michigan, Ohio and Florida, and is among the top 100 auto dealers in the United States.

Group said recently that Shores is on schedule to open metropolitan Detroit.

Mercedes-Benz of St. Clair for business in May, employing Shores, metro Detroit's newest a new staff. The dealership is Mercedes-Benz dealer, is a located in the automotive hub of St. Clair Shores between I-94 and Harper on East Nine Mile Road.

> Mercedes-Benz is planning its Grand Opening ceremony at a later date.

Mercedes-Benz of St. Clair The Prestige Automotive Shores' outlook is to provide "top quality service, unlike any Mercedes-Benz of St. Clair other" to the east side and all of





# PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

**City of Grosse Pointe** 

#### Third drunken driving arrest

A 25-year-old City of Grosse

has a record of two drunken Paul near St. Clair. driving arrests was picked up at 5:45 p.m. Saturday, April 29.

An officer said the man was squealing the tires and speedfrom a bank parking lot on Officers said while searching Pointe man who police said Notre Dame to eastbound St. the Jimmy they found suspect-

Police said the man denied drinking, failed a series of field sobriety tests and refused to take a Breathalyzer test to deing a white 1999 GMC Jimmy termine his blood alcohol level.

ed marijuana in a cigarette

A search warrant was obtained to draw the man's blood at a local hospital for alcohol content.

"(He) began to be very vulgar at the hospital," police said.

man's vehicle and are seeking to confiscate it under the state's forfeiture law.

#### Theft of Chrysler van fails

Three unknown men in a white 1993 Camaro with orange stripes and a blacked-out brake light are suspected of trying to steal a 2006 Chrysler van Monday, April 24, at 11:08 p.m., parked in the 700 block

Officers impounded the of Lincoln in the City of Grosse Pointe.

A resident reported hearing a pounding noise shortly after the Camaro passed the vehicle and parked on southbound Lincoln.

"Something alerted the (suspects) and they took off," the man told police.

The van's ignition had been punched out. The resident attempted to follow the Camaro but lost the trail due to its speed.

#### Village shoplifter appears drunk

On Monday, April 24, at 8:30 p.m., a woman described as short, heavyset and smelling of alcohol reportedly shoplifted up to five shirts from a store in the 17000 block of Kercheval.

"(A) clerk reports that (the unknown suspect) distracted her and had her checking shoe sizes in the back," police said.

The employee saw the woman leave the store with shirts draped over her arms.

"When the (woman) was told to stop, she continued and entered (a nearby coffee shop)," police said.

The clerk followed and called police but the suspect got away.

-Brad Lindberg

#### **Grosse Pointe Farms**

#### Woman's Olds has Honda plates

On Sunday, April 30, at 4:18 a.m., a Grosse Pointe Farms patrolman at Mack and Moross arrested a 31-year-old Oak Park woman for driving a 1990 Oldsmobile Cutlass with a license plate registered to a 1996 Honda Civic.

"She claimed that she was selling the vehicle to a friend and that the license plate belonged to that friend," police said. "She admitted she does not have a drivers license."

Officers impounded the Cutlass and released the woman at the scene.

#### Weaving driver rated drunk

On Friday, April 28, at 2:42 a.m., police arrested a 31-yearold Detroit man for driving drunk in Grosse Pointe Farms. A patroiman spotted the

man weaving a blue 1985 Cadillac on southbound Moross near Kercheval. The license plate was expired. "(I) observed the vehicle

nearly strike the curb with the right-side tires," said the officer. "(The) driver stated he was lost."

The man recorded a .12 percent blood alcohol level.

A friend posted \$500 and the man was released at about 10:30 a.m.

#### Bike thieves rough-up victim

On Tuesday, April 25, at about 6 p.m., two unknown male teens reportedly hijacked a \$125 Rhino BMX bicycle being ridden by a 15-year-old City of Grosse Pointe boy on Fisher near the athletic field of a high school in Grosse Pointe

Farms. "While riding on the sidewalk near the grandstands a male approximately 15 (or) 16 years old wearing a red hoodie jumped in front of (the victim) causing (him) to stop," police said. "Then a second male approximately 15 (or) 16 years old wearing a gray hoodie pushed him off his bike."

Both suspects hopped on the bike and rode away on northbound Fisher.

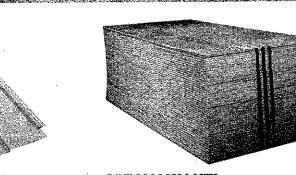
#### Thief takes state lottery tickets

A handful of Michigan lottery tickets were stolen during the break-in last week of a store in the 18600 block of Mack in Grosse Pointe Farms.

On Monday, April 24, at 3:23 a.m., police responding to the store's burglary alarm discovered a hole slightly larger than a fist punched through a front window.

"It appears (the perpetrator) broke glass from (the) front display window and then broke through drywall creating a hole large enough to

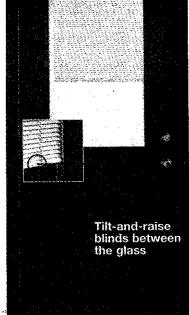
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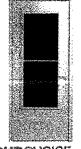


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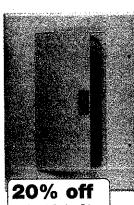
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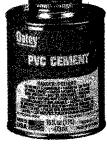
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#### **NEWS**

#### SAFETY: May I see your license?

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reach in and grab instant lottery tickets from (a) case on top of (the) counter," police

Broken glass littered a flower bed near the sidewalk.

"No blood evidence was found, indicating that gloves may have been worn," police said.

#### Bronco stereo stolen

Someone smashed the driver-side window and entered a brown 1986 Ford Bronco parked during the night of Monday, April 24-25 behind an automobile repair shop in the 18700 block of Mack in Grosse Pointe Farms.

The vehicle belonged to a shop employee.He said a \$200 Kenwood was removed from the vehicle.

#### From micro brewery to jail cell

A 63-year-old Grosse Pointe Park man registered a .12 percent blood alcohol level during a drunken driving investigation in Grosse Pointe Farms on Tuesday, April 25, at 12:52

An officer stopped the man for allegedly driving 38 mph in a 25 mph zone of southbound Moross near Earl Court.

"He stated he was on his way home after shooting pool in Royal Oak and then drinking at a micro brewery in Warren," police said. "As (he) spoke, the odor of intoxicants became stronger and he slurred his words.'

-Brad Lindberg

#### **Grosse Pointe Park**

#### Stolen items

Beginning on Saturday, April 1, four large potted plant containers and a cement bench were stolen from the front and rear of a rental property in the 1100 block of Cadieux in Grosse Pointe

#### Bike stolen

On Sunday, April 23, at approximately noon, a blue boys BMX was taken from an unlocked open garage of a home in the 1000 block of Audubon in Grosse Pointe Park.

#### Trailer taken

April 27, at 9 a.m., a black 2005 R&R enclosed trailer was taken from inside the rear vard of a home in the 1200 block of Maryland in Grosse Pointe Park.

#### Bikes gone

On Friday, April 28, at approximately 7:08 p.m., two taken from the rear yard of a home in the 1200 block of Three Mile in Grosse Pointe

#### City equipment stolen

Overnight on Thursday, April 27, a Grosse Pointe Park city dump truck was broken into as it was parked in a fenced-in lot in the 1000 block of Wayburn.

An unknown suspect took a Clarion AM/FM/CD player.

#### Home invasion

On Monday, April 24, between 7:30 a.m. and 7:50 p.m., a home in the 1400 block of Bedford in Grosse Pointe Park was broken into as the suspect gained entry through the milk

A Minolta digital camera and \$50 in coins were stolen.

#### Jeep stolen from parking lot

On Monday, April 24, a Grosse Pointe Park resident reported that at 10:10 p.m., on Saturday, April 22, a 2001 Jeep Cherokee was stolen Bad check from a municipal parking lot in the Mack/Somerset area.

The vehicle was later found by a Detroit Police officer on patrol.

#### Caravan stolen, found in Detroit

Overnight on Friday, April stolen from the driveway of a home in the 1200 block of Berkshire in Grosse Pointe Drunken driving

It was recovered the next day by a Detroit Police officer. — Bob St. John

#### **Grosse Pointe Shores**

#### Woman discovers attempted I.D. theft

A Grosse Pointe Shores woman last week was checking her credit history and discovered someone November had tried to open a charge account in her maiden name. The fraudulent applicant gave a Detroit address.

Police said the Shores credit theft. She tries to pro-Between Wednesday, April tect herself from future crime

once per year.

#### Speeding driver tests drunk

67-year-old Detroit woman was arrested for drunken driving in Grosse Pointe Shores on Wednesday, April 26, at about 10 p.m.

An officer patrolling the boys Mongoose bikes were 1100 block of southbound Lakeshore paced the woman's white 1992 Mercury at 50 mph, 15 mph over the limit. The woman registered a .11 percent blood alcohol level. — Brad Lindberg

#### **Grosse Pointe Woods**

#### Bad guy picked up

On Sunday, April 30, at 2:51 p.m., Grosse Pointe Woods police were called to pick up a 29-year-old Sterling Heights man who had an outstanding warrant for failure to appear in court

The man was picked up in the 20000 block of Mack and taken to police headquarters for booking.

Besides the Grosse Pointe Woods warrant, the man had two warrants out of Detroit for a traffic violation (\$100 bond) and moving traffic violation (\$100 bond), one out of Ann Arbor for driving with a suspended license (\$100 bond) and another out of Center Line for the same charge.

The man was released after posting the \$244 bond.

On Monday, April 24, a 36 year-old Grosse Pointe Woods woman working at a business in the 20100 block of Mack reported to police someone had written a bad check for the purchase of beer totaling \$29.94.

The bank called the woman 29, a Dodge Caravan was to notify her of the bounced

On Saturday, April 29, at 8:19 p.m., an 18-year-old Harper Woods man was clocked driving 44 mph westbound on Anita, which is a 25 mph zone.

The man was pulled over for speeding and gave the officer his driver license, proof of insurance and registration. While speaking with the

man, the officer could detect a strong odor of intoxicants in coming from the driver's facial area and his eves were He was asked if he had been

drinking. The driver said no. A LEIN (Law Enforcement woman is a past victim of Information Network) revealed the man's license was

one prior alcohol-related con-

The driver refused to take a Portable Breath Test (PBT). The officer was able to attain a search warrant to have the man transported to the nearest hospital to give a blood sample

The man was arrested.

#### Woman didn't stop at red light

On Wednesday, April 26, at 1:39 a.m., a 23-year-old Detroit woman was pulled over for disregarding the red light at Harper and Allard.

The driver told the officer she never noticed a light at the intersection. During the investigation, the officer noticed the woman's speech was jumbled and her eyes were glassy.

While sitting in his patrol

26, at 8:30 p.m. and Thursday, by checking her credit at least suspended until his reinstate- car, the officer noticed the Drinks too much ment fee was paid and he had woman dumping out an unknown liquid onto the pavement.

The officer asked the woman what she was dumping out and she replied she had urinated into a container and was dumping it out.

The officer asked the woman if she had anything to drink. She said she had one drink at a strip club earlier in the evening.

She was asked to take a PBT and obliged. The results came back at .214 percent blood alcohol level. She was arrested for operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol. The passenger in the vehicle, a 21-year-old Detroit woman, was checked through the LEIN system. She had an outstanding warrant out of ed, but was notified of the the influence of alcohol. warrant.

On Tuesday, April 25, at 12:11 a.m., a 48-year-old Southfield man was pulled over for disregarding the red light at Harper and Allard.

The officer noticed the man had trouble closing his door and never produced his driver license, proof of insurance or registration.

The officer could detect a strong odor of intoxicants coming from the man's facial

The driver was asked if had anything to drink and he said he had, "5, 6, 7 or 10 beers because his brother had just passed away and he was out to drink to relieve stress."

The man was asked to perform a PBT, which came back at .229 percent blood alcohol level. He was arrested for op-Romulus. She was not arrest- erating a motor vehicle under

— Bob St. John

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE

## Murder trial stays in county for now

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

Two alleged former partners in last year's hit-style murder of Barbara Ann Iske will square off against each other when trial begins May 24 in Wayne County Circuit Court.

"Our client is not only going to get on the stand and say he didn't do it, our client is going to say (he) was the victim of ongoing extortion," said Philip Thomas, one of the attorneys for Joseph Michael Marasco, 51, of the City of Grosse Pointe.

Marasco faces mandatory life in prison if convicted of first-degree murder and conspiracy to murder Iske, his mother's bookkeeper for more than 10 years.

Marasco is accused of conspiring with Derrick Anthony Thompson, a 47-year-old career criminal from Detroit, to hire a gunman to kill Iske as the Marasco home at 21 Dodge Place, a private drive.

Thompson's lawyer, Antonio Tuddles, concedes nothing.

"My client is going to testify he had nothing to do with it and was not even there that day," Tuddles said. Prosecutors allege Marasco

wanted Iske dead because she was influencing his mother to block access to an inheritance and trust fund.

"That shows how little the prosecution know about this case," Thomas said outside court. "Miss Iske was not the trustee of Ms. Marasco's trust. Ms. Iske was co-trustee, which means she could not have absolute control of the trust. Secondly, the trust laid out all terms of payment that the trustee and co-trustee had to follow." Thomas said Iske's murder

stemmed from Thompson and confessed gunman Andre Lamar Williams, 36, trying to intimidate Marasco for money over a real estate deal gone bad. Williams' confession and

agreement to testimony for the prosecution earned him a reduced sentence of 22 to 32 years in prison. Marasco and Thompson remain in the Wayne County Jail without

she arrived for work outside Thompson's innocence depends on the other being guilty, their lawyers during a day-long hearing on Monday motioned the court to have their clients tried separately.

"A jury would have to believe one defendant to the detriment of another," Thomas said.

Robert A. Stevens, assistant prosecuting attorney, cited judicial economy when arguing for a joint trial.

"There are overlapping witnesses in this case," Stevens said. Judge Gregory D. Bill re-

fused separate trials but ordered separate juries to be selected for each defendant in the joint case. "În Michigan there's a

strong policy favoring joint trials," Bill said. "By utilizing separate juries and (issuing jury) instructions, I'm confidant both defendants will be given a fair trial." Bill postponed ruling on a

defense motion to move the trials outside Wayne County. "A change of venue might be

a little premature," he said. He'll make the ruling after a

jury is seated, beginning May Thomas wanted the change

Because Marasco's and of venue due to "extremely prejudicial (retrial) publicity. Thomas said due to "exten-

sive coverage" of the murder in at least 51 newspaper and television reports, with the Grosse Pointe News leading the way, Marasco "cannot get a fair trial from a jury selected in this county."

#### City of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan

#### **SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES APRIL 24, 2006**

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m., beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present on Roll Call: Mayor James C. Farquhar, Jr., Councilmembers Douglas F. Roby, Jr., Peter W. Waldmeir, Therese M. Joseph, Joseph T. Leonard, Charles S. Terry Davis III Louis Theros.

Those Absent Were: None.

Also Present: Messrs. Burgess, City Attorney; Reeside, City Manager; Tepper, Assistant City Manager; Jensen, Deputy Director of Public Safety; Ferber, Director of Public

Mayor Farquhar presided at the Meeting.

Based upon the recommendation of the Library Sub-committee and the candidates qualifications, the Council approved the nomination of Ms. Mary Ann Short of 24 Windemere Place to the Grosse Pointe Library Board

The Council, approved the Gold Cup Thunderfest Boats display On-the-Hill from July 10 thru July 13, 2006, as submitted, subject to specific requirements.

The Council approved the grant application for the two back-up election machines.

The Council accepted the Public Safety Department Reports for February and March, 2006, and ordered them placed on file.

Upon proper motion made, supported and carried, the Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL WILL BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 90 KERBY ROAD, GROSSE POINTE FARMS, MICHIGAN 48236, ON MONDAY, MAY 15, 2006 AT 7:00 P.M. THE MEETING IS PUBLIC. INTERESTED PROPERTY-OWNERS AND RESIDENTS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND. RESIDENTS MAY ALSO VIEW THE AGENDA AND MINUTES ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE: WWW.CI.GROSSE-POINTE-FARMS MILIS/ WWW.CI.GROSSE-POINTE-FARMS.MI.US/

James C. Farquhar Jr. GPN: 05/04/2006

Shane L. Reeside City Clerk

#### **GROSSE POINTES - CLINTON** REFUSE DISPOSAL AUTHORITY MEETING SCHEDULE

May 9, 2006 ......7:00 p.m. .....City of Mount Clemens

One Crocker Blvd. Mount Clemens, MI 48053-2537 (586)469-6803

July 11, 2006 ......7:00 p.m. .....City of Grosse Pointe Farms 90 Kerby Road Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236-3100

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September 12, 2006......7:00 p.m. ......City of Grosse Pointe Woods 20025 Mack Avenue Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236

November 14, 2006 ....7:00 p.m. ......Village of Grosse Pointe Shores 795 Lake Shore Road Grosse Pointe Shores, MI 48236 (313)881-6565

January 9, 2007 .......7:00 p.m. .....City of Harper Woods 19617 Harper Avenue Harper Woods, MI 48225

For further information, please contact our General Counsel:

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#### City of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Proposed 2006-2007 City Budget

The City Council of the City of Grosse Pointe Farms will hold a Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, May 15, 2006 in the City Hall at 90 Kerby Road, on the proposed 2006-2007 City Budget. The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of the Public Hearing. The proposed Budget is on file in the Office of the Clerk for public inspection during regular office hours, 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The following is a summary of the proposed Budget:

GENERAL FUND

ESTIMATED REQUIREMENTS

Municipal Court	\$315,070
General Government	1,104,400
Public Safety	4,644,628
Public Service	492,050
Public Works	1,658,800
Parks & Recreation	1,173,297
Other Functions	1,872,286
Contingency	142,380
Transfer - Other Funds	1,329,942
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Total MEANS OF FINANCING

Taxes \$9,578,453 Licenses & Permits
State-Shared Revenue
Charges for Service 274,700 811,600 1.145.300 Fines/Forfeitures 419,000 Interest Income 345,000 Other Revenue 158,800

Total \$12,732,853 Public comments, oral or written, are welcome at the Public Hearing on the proposed City Budget.

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# FEATURES

#### HEALTH

Treating varicose veins

New technology allows for outpatient surgery. PAGE 5B

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From the hands of children to the hands of experienced craftsmen, the **39th annual Grosse Pointe Academy Action Auction** offers practical and sentimental items. Bidding is fun. But the atmosphere is the payoff.

# Set Sail For Future

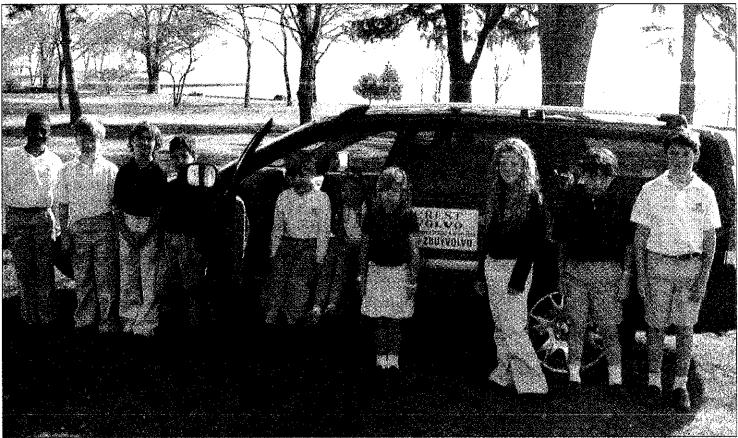


PHOTO BY ANN L. FOUTY

Debby Wolney's third-graders stand by the limited edition Volvo X70 which is one of the items available during the Grosse Pointe Academy's 39th annual Action Auction.

By Ann L. Fouty
Staff Writer

The "Set Sail For the Future" theme befits the 39th year of Grosse Pointe Academy's Action Auction. It sums up the educational path the Academy provides for its students from preschool through eighth grade and pays tribute to the community.

"This is the first year we have had a nautical sailing theme," said auction general chairman Mary A. Kosmalski. "It makes sense for our shoreline community."

Action invitations featuring a sailboat breezing along blue waters with full red and white sails welcome the community to attend the silent and live auctions with master of ceremonies Paul W. Smith. The preview silent auction begins at 6 p.m. Wednesday, May 10. The Action Auction on Saturday, May 13, begins with a silent auction from 5 to 7 p.m. A sit-down buffet dinner begins at 7 p.m.

Between 8 and 10 p.m., the live auction takes place at the Academy, 171 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Items to be auctioned range from travel, sports, restaurants, items for the home, art, entertainment and children's parties. Kosmalski is pleased with the selection of items and the range of prices, which start at less than \$100.

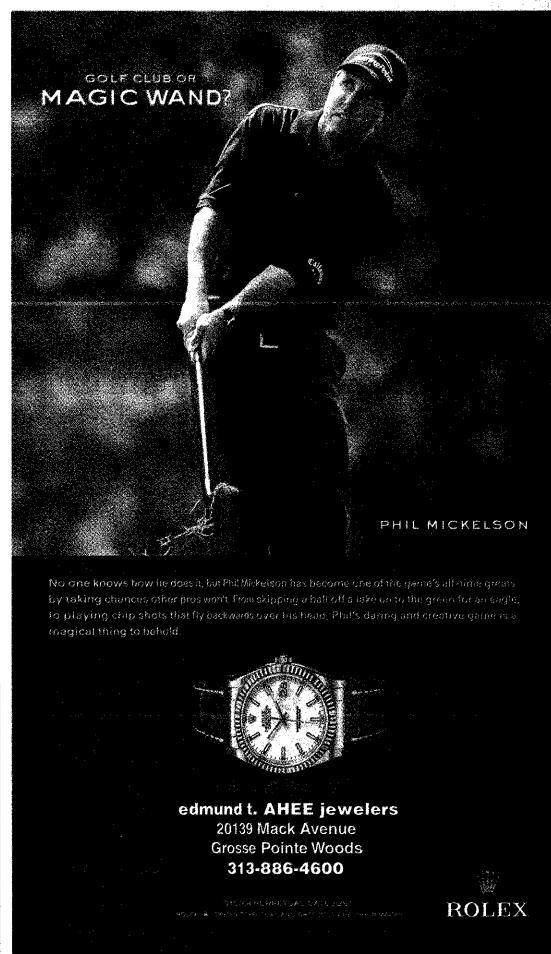
Among the 900 items are student-made articles which are always a hit. This year, seventh-grade students painted a chess table with nautical sails on each square. The eighth-graders designed a ceramic nautical place setting for eight with mug, salad and dinner plate.

The artists in the early school offer trays with their thumbprints. Thumbprints of first-graders also accent a ceramic lamp, their offering to the auction.

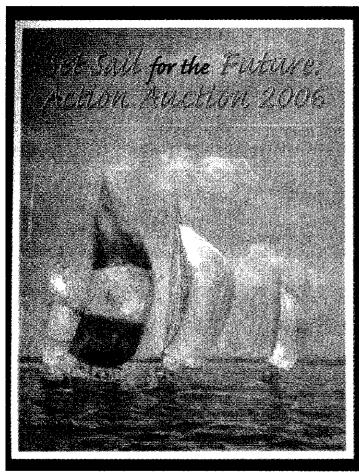
Saturday, May 13, begins with Sixth-graders created a a silent auction from 5 to 7 p.m. backgammon table with each

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Academy graduate Meg Mercier donated her talents to the program cover, a fleet of five sailboats under full sail to emphasize the auction's theme: Set Sail for the Future: Action Auction



Students at the Academy painted these two tables in a nautical

#### SAIL: **Heading for** the future

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triangle having a different illustration. One child painted a pumpkin, another a flag and yet another painted a musical note.

Works of art from other grades and professional artists will also be included in the auction.

A head and shoulders oil portrait has been donated by Laurel Egnew and Academy graduate Meg Mercier donated her talents to the program cover, a fleet of five sailboats under full sail.

Coincidentally, two tall ships, Providence, Rhode Island's flag ship, and the Unicorn. based in New Jersey, will be sailing in tandem on Lake St. Clair this summer and 12 children will have a chance to learn to crew Aug. 21-25, should their parents procure this item.

Providence is known for its 'Classroom Under Sail" program and is featured in the movie "Pirates of the Caribbean Dead Man's Chest," starring Johnny Depp.

day "Sisters Under Sail" program for children 11 to 19 who will sail from Port Huron throughout Lake Huron and Lake St. Clair to the Detroit Yacht Club. Each ship will host six children. Underwriting the ship's costs of \$9,600, consortiums are forming to bid on this item, Kosmalski said.

Closer to home, both Bayview and Crescent Yacht II chest of drawers from the Clubs have donated sailing lessons to the auction which supports the operation of the school with its historic campus and scholarships for children.

"This is a great event," said Kosmalski. She and general chairs Jeff Woolstrum, and Anne and Thomas R. McCarren began their work in Italian home.

#### **Set sail**

Grosse Pointe Academy: 171 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms

**PREVIEW AUCTION:** Wednesday, May 10 Silent auction from 6 to 8:30 p.m.

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Saturday, May 13 Silent auction from 5 to 7 p.m. Sit-down buffet at 7 p.m. Photo viewing at 7:45 p.m.

September.

Success of the event depends on 150 volunteers on 39 committees who are working on everything from acquisitions and operations to decorations and setup. The intangible benefit is becoming acquainted with other parents.

Cathy Nowosielski and Jeff Lutz are honorary chairmen of the auction.

In another aspect of the sailing into the future, the thirdgraders of Debby Wolney's class are following the Volvo Ocean Race and Crest Volvo has donated a two-year lease on a Volvo X70 limited edition. The car, painted a special blue metallic, is No. 432 of a limited 500 made for this round-theworld race.

"This is a great event. It's a Also on the block is a four- lot of fun. The shopping is wonderful. It's right before Mother's Day, Father's Day, graduations and weddings. There are pots and pans, keepsake items, Gucci bags, kids items. There are such a wide variety of items," Kosmalski said.

Perhaps mother would like a blue topaz cross pendant, a Tag Heuer watch or a Charles Josephine F. Ford estate. Auction items which might interest dad include the 1950 replica Chris Craft 14-foot wooden Zephyr built by Academy fathers, a year's lease on a 2006 mini Cooper convertible, a fly-fishing expedition or a week's stay in an

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The Grosse Pointe South Mothers' Club Flower Sale, Bursting into Bloom! From the Ground Up, will be held from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, May 12, and 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, May 13, on the lawn at Grosse Pointe South High School.

A Master Gardener will be on-site during the sale to help purchasers select flowers and plants for gardens or contain-

Garden accessories and gift items are also available.

The sale features traditional favorites, including impatiens, double impatiens, petunias, wave petunias, begonias and geraniums. Also available will be ground covers, such as pachysandra, ivy and myrtle, and hanging baskets.

Purchases support the Grosse Pointe South Mothers' Club scholarship, enrichment and preservation projects.

For information, call Annette Law-Siwak, (313) 821-2154

VICTORIAN TEA: The sixth annual Victorian Tea will be held at The Whitney restaurant from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, May 13. The event features lunch, sweets, a silent

Co-chairs of the Grosse Pointe South Mothers' Club Flower Sale are, Annette Law-Siwak, left, and Jane Bashara.

to meet the Civil War First Family of Michigan, all for the benefit of the Autoimmune Diseases Association.

"Pointers looking for that special treat in honor of

auction and raffle and a chance Mother's Day are urged to consider spending the afternoon at The Whitney," says Barbara Willett, a member of the committee organizing the event. "It's a great way to honor a mother, grandmother, daughter, favorite aunt or dear friend while supporting a worthwhile cause. A number of our guests admit that the tea is a gift they give themselves!"

Victorian Tea guests are encouraged to wear hats or Victorian apparel. Prizes will be awarded for the best hats and ensembles. Aggie Usedly, Michigan Lottery hostess, will be mistress of ceremonies. Music will be provided by harpist Susan Paree.

Honorary chairpersons are former Grosse Pointers Chuck and Susan Gaidica. Other committee members include Pointers Mrs. Edmund T. Ahee, Pat Barber, Denise Cotter, Donna DiSante, Eula Hoover, Mr. and Mrs. Richard W. Lambrecht, Dr. Kim and Mado O. Lie, Arthur and Pam Schaupeter, Dr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Schneider, Dr.

Carolyn Ugval, Sandra and James Vandenberghe, Gail and Lois Warden and Howard

Tickets are \$55 for adults and \$30 for youth (ages 5-17). The Whitney is located at 4421 Woodward at Canfield in Detroit. Call the Autoimmune Diseases Association at (586) 776-3900 for tickets and information.

One of 100 disorders categorized as "autoimmune," such as rheumatoid arthritis, type 1 diabetes, Crohn's disease, multiple sclerosis, lupus, vasculitis and psoriasis, affect more than one in five Americans. They are the fifth-leading cause of death in women aged 15 to 45.

More information may be found at aarda.org or by e-mail to aarda@aarda.org.

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Werner and Anne Spitz, Association's semi-annual fundraiser, Attic Treasure Sale, is planned for Thursday, May 4, through Saturday, May 6, at the GPAA Art Center, 1005 Maryland, Grosse Pointe Park.

The sale features furniture, collectibles, linens, jewelry, art supplies, books, household items, attic treasures, artwork, gifts, new and used rummage items in good condition and baked goods.

A presale party from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Thursday, May 4, kicks off the event followed by the sale from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, May 5, and from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, May 6.

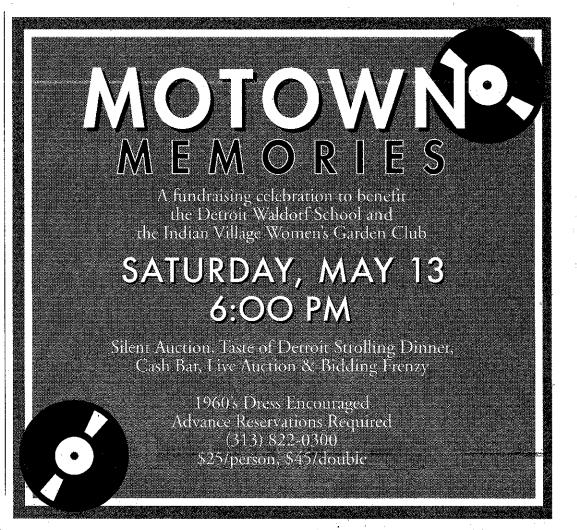
Admission to the presale party is \$10 and includes appetizers and refreshments. There is no charge the following two days of the event.

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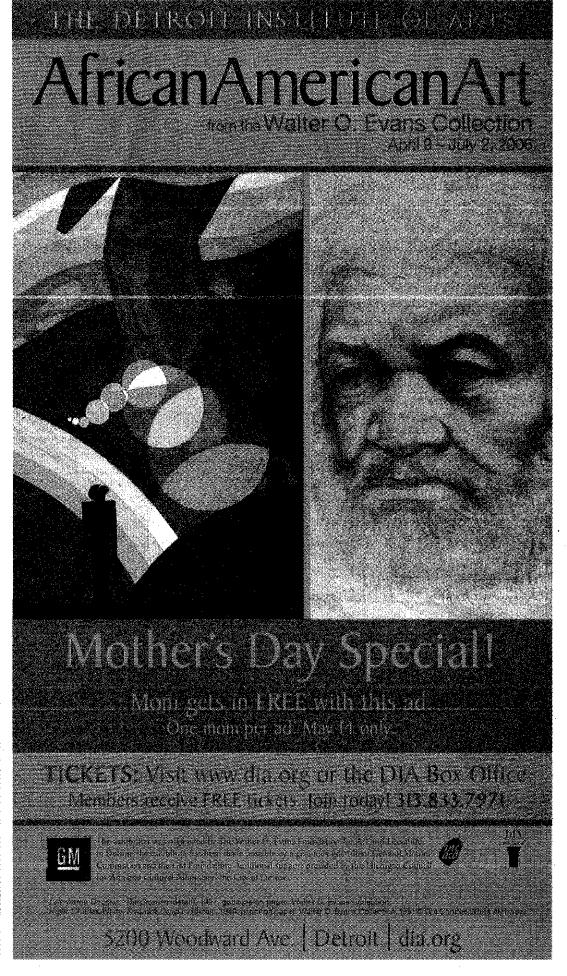




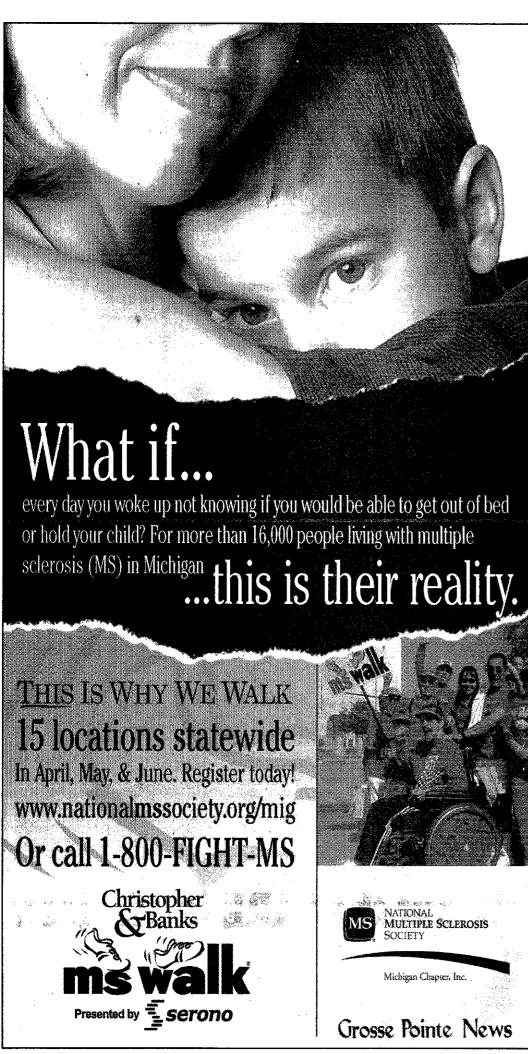
Patricia Barber, left, and Barbara Willett pour a cup of tea in preparation for the Victorian Tea. There will be prizes for hats and ensembles at The Whitney on Saturday, May 13, for the benefit of the Autoimmune Diseases Association.







### Join area churches for a retreat, a film or walk



◆ The family film "Wide 12:30 p.m. Awake," directed by M. Night Shyamalan of "Signs" and "Sixth Sense" fame, will be shown at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 7, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Following the film about a 10year-old boy who loses his grandfather and wonders if God exists, book reviewer and movie buff Doris Brucker will lead a discussion "where do you find God" and "are you wide awake."

A freewill offering will be taken at the door. This is an offering of the Lay Theological Academy series.

◆ The Presbyterian Women of Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church, 19950 Mack, are sponsoring "Celebration of Tables" Saturday, May 6. Viewing of 25 themed tables and bidding for

Tickets are \$25 and net proceeds will benefit Crossroads.

To purchase a ticket, call (313) 886-4301. Tickets will not be sold at the door. ◆ All women are invited to

the Mad Hatter's Tea Party and silent jewelry auction at 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 9, at the Grosse Congregational **Pointe** Church. Lothrop Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms. There will be a \$5 donation. Reserve a table by calling (313) 884-3075. Babysitting is offered.

◆ A Mosaic of Mary: Fitting Her Pieces Together is the title of the 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Thursday, May 11, weekday retreat in the Christ Church Spirituality Center.

There will be a catered lunch by reservation only, and child care is available.

Contact the Rev. Canon silent auction prizes begins at Ronald Spann by May 8 at 11 a.m. followed by lunch at (313) 885-4841, ext. 113. A reg-

istration flier is available at the www.christchurchgp.org/spirituality.

◆ The Episcopal Church Women (ECW) of St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 20475 Sunningdale Park, Grosse Pointe Woods, presents a concert by the Kischuk Jazz Trio at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 9, in the church sanctuary.

Donations will be accepted for the support of the Music Ministry at St. Michael's Church. For more information, call the church at (313) 884-

**♦** Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore Drive, Grosse Pointe Farms, hosts this year's CROP WALK five-mile walk at 1 p.m. Sunday, May 7. Visit www.cropwalk.org to learn about Michigan Church World Service, or call (313) 882-5330 for more information about the walk.

Registration will be on-site.

#### PASTOR'S CORNER

By Ned I. Chalat, M.D.

### Time to care for others

he local Ministerial Association has invited me to write an article for the Pastor's Corner. My first impressions were that perhaps I am a poor choice.

Religion is a much too personal factor in my life to trundle it out in front of everyone. Basically, I am a titular and secular Jew. I believe in the one God of Abraham and am inclined to leave it at that. When I confront God, it is enough to cope with myself let alone the guy next to me without offering advice to him. In America, each of us defines his own level of participation. It is enough to 3 satisfy personal needs and let the other fellow do the same.

"My Pastor's Corner" is very

In fact, I am not a pastor at all; rather a physician.

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even within the Hebrew, religions to expect faith to Christian and Muslim faiths is so fragmented they cannot be expected to cope with the equal diversity of social needs.

After we emerged from World War II we were the unquestioned world leader for having contributed our youth, finances, time and resources in defense of righteousness and morality. We have fallen far! Unabashedly, we defend tor-

Without shame, when exposed, we abrogate habeas corpus and worse, we would hide behind flimsily defended secret incarcerations. Will it be purges and extermination camps next?

It once seemed apparent our government could shoulder the responsibility of providing and coordinating equal opportunity of care and supervision. Americans believe in free- We dreamed of a great society. dom of religions, which by na- But, jails are not a solution for ure become increasingly di- mental problems and there is verse. The diversity of beliefs, too much diversity among the one else.

cope.

A trouble is, today, communities have excessive needs. The poor will always be with us. Mental health is an ever increasing problem.

Faith-based charities and and charter schools are often divisive, uneven, and have gaps. Noble efforts have been made to bring poverty, age, mental and sexual problems under the aegis of government, but these problems beg for more monies than the current government is willing to provide - what with the war and

Let us get back to the business of caring for each other as a communal responsibility through well-meaning, honest and organized responsible government.

Editor's note: These opinions are of Ned I. Chalat and do not represent those of the Grosse Pointe Jewish Council or any

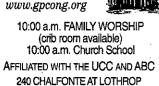
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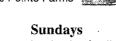
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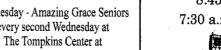
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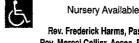
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# New technology treats varicose veins

#### Upcoming educational seminars May 5, 10

By Patti Theros Special Writer

Look outside and you will see every indication of spring warmer weather, bright flowers and more people enjoying the outdoors.

Summer is just around the corner, and while most of us long for the days to put away our heavy clothing, others those with varicose veins, are often hesitant to wear shorts or a swimsuit in the hot summer months.

According to the American College of Phlebology, it is estimated that more than 80 million Americans suffer from some form of venous disease, which includes spider, reticular (medium-sized blue veins below the surface) and varicose method for removal of varicose

Heredity is the No. 1 contributing factor causing varicose and spider veins. Women are more likely to suffer from abnormal leg veins. Some 25 to 33 percent of women and 10 to 20 percent of men have varicose veins, according to the April 2005 issue of the Cleveland Clinic Journal of Medicine.

Varicose veins are the more complex problem veins. They are the large ropey veins that concern, patients with varicose veins can also experience leg fatigue, heaviness, and throb-

"Many people think removal of the veins is cosmetic surgery," says general surgeon Dr. Drew Georgeson. "But in reality, varicose veins are a medical condition. It is a progressive disease and the problem veins can become painful and eventually ulcerate."

Patients often delay surgery on their varicose veins because traditional surgical treatment options for varicose veins can be invasive and sometimes require a long recovery period.

One traditional method is called "stripping" that often requires several incisions, a long operation and a recovery period up to several weeks.

According to Georgeson, "The traditional surgical veins requires a surgeon to mark with an ink pen the patient's problematic veins while the patient is standing up prior to surgery. When the surgery takes place, however, the patient is lying down, and the surgeon cannot identify the problem veins without relying on what has been shown to be the unreliable markings.

A relatively new technique for removing varicose veins is gaining in popularity and was recently cited in an April 2005 protrude above the skin. Not Cleveland Clinic Journal of only do they create a cosmetic Medicine article, "Varicose Newer, Better Veins: Treatments Available."

The surgical technique is

called transilluminated power phlebectomy, and it is a minimally invasive surgical technique for varicose vein removal. The technique is performed using the TRIVEX System that uses a transilluminating light that "lights up the problem veins" during the

type of surgery at Grosse Pointe's Bon Secours Cottage Hospital. To date, Georgeson has performed this surgery on some 350 patients.

"The idea for this surgical method came when we (surgeons) felt there had to be a better way than the traditional tedious method for removal of veins," says Georgeson. "This method allows surgeons to see says Georgeson. the problem veins rather than rely on pen markings.

"Basically the new surgery technique requires fewer incisions with less scarring and better results. I was involved with the development of the product and watched it evolve into a very successful proce-

After practicing medicine for Georgeson moved back to the Grosse Pointes in 2002 with his family, bringing this technique to Bon Secours Cottage Hospital. This was an easy transition as Georgeson grew up in Grosse Pointe Woods and graduated from Grosse Pointe North in 1976.

was FDA approved in 1999 and it is being used around the world as a safe and effective method for removing varicose veins," says Georgeson.

Georgeson is the only surgeon in southeast Michigan specializing in this technique. He is a board-certified surgeon with extensive training in minimally invasive surgery (tiny in-Georgeson is performing this cisions that translate into a quick recovery and better cosmetic results), an absolute prerequisite in safely performing this procedure.

"For years, minimally invasive surgery has been applied to many aspects of general surgery including gallbladder, appendix and hernias to name a few. But it hasn't been applied to varicose veins until recently,"

"Being a surgeon allows me the ability to look at the problem and immediately help the patient by removing the disease. The wonderful thing about specializing in minimally invasive techniques is that I can improve a patient's quality of life without interrupting their way of life."

And while Georgeson was 12 years in the Chicago area, happy to move back to Grosse Pointe, he missed his trained surgical team that helped him perform the surgery in Chicago. To solve the problem, Georgeson flew his Detroit team to Chicago to obtain the training. Judy Dettloff, RN, formerly of Grosse Pointe; Nancy Wittenberg, RN, of Grosse Pointe Woods; and Trena Behlow, a surgical technician, said the training was "a great learning experience," and they have seen great patient results.

> "Since there are fewer incisions, patients have less or no pain, and they are moving

"The vein removal technique around more quickly as com- the technique of choice for aspared to traditional surgery techniques," said Dettloff. "The surgery itself is shorter because the surgeon can better see the problem veins."

> The new treatment option is outpatient surgery and requires light anesthesia.

"My patients can walk to their car after the procedure. And the first few days after surgery a patient wears soft bandages that do not limit mobility," says Georgeson.

While this technique is appropriate for varicose veins, other nonsurgical options, such as TES (tumescent enhanced sclerotherapy), do exist for smaller varicose and spider veins.

Georgeson recommends some basic guidelines to follow varicose veins:

1) Do your research and get a noninvasive diagnosis of your vein system. This is often done with a simple ultrasound in a doctor's office. The evaluation will allow the doctor to map out any vein issues. Georgeson uses Duplex Doppler ultrasonography that "is the most advanced technique currently available and has emerged as

sessing the anatomy and physiology of the venous system."

2) Decide on the best treatment option(s) with your physi-

3) Review your health insurance benefits. Some health insurance plans will cover the procedure for medical reasons

4) Evaluate the side effects of the procedure and recovery

5) Before the procedure, get referrals to a surgeon. Find out the surgeon's credentials. Find out if the surgeon is board certified in surgery and his or her level of expertise.

But before even looking at treatment options for your varicose veins, here are some steps you can take to minimize the when seeking treatment for risk of contracting varicose veins in the first place:

> Avoid crossing your legs when sitting since this impedes the flow of blood.

> Avoid standing for long periods of time.

Elevate your legs when

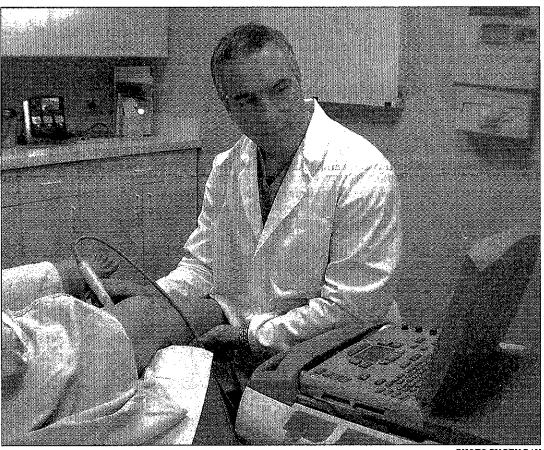
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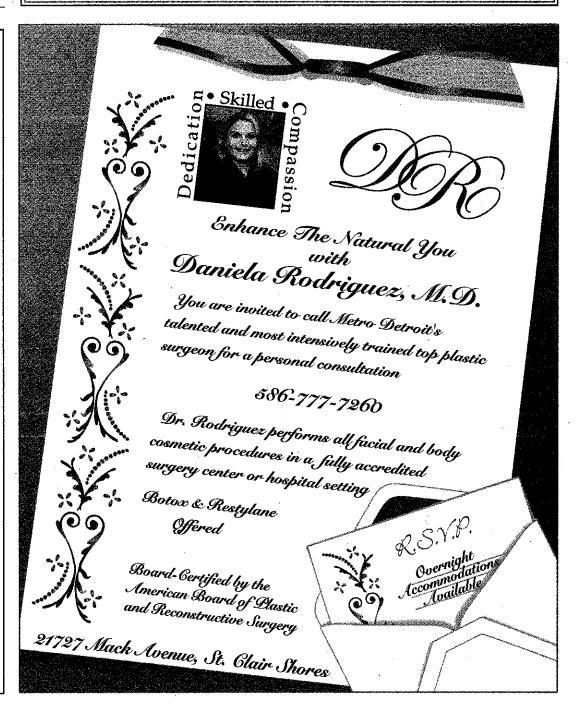
James Landers, M.D., FAAP owner of Pointe Pediatric Associates (formerly known as "Grosse Pointe Pediatrics") proudly welcomes Sarita Kini, D.O. to his professional staff.

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#### **HEALTH**

X-TRA SPECIAL ADVICE By Theodore G. Coutilish and Mary Beth Langan

### Seizure makes our hearts seize



Approximately 15 to 20 percent of males with FXS have seizures." Fragile X Syndrome: Diagnosis.

Treatment, and Research, 3rd Edition, Edited by Randi Jenssen Hagerman, M.D., and Paul J. Hagerman, M.D., Ph.D.

We've known the statistics regarding Andrew's chance of having a seizure since he was diagnosed with Fragile X Syndrome in October 2002. We also knew he had entered the age range where first seizures often occur. Knowing these things did not prepare us for the actual occurrence in the early evening of a recent average Wednesday.

What prepared us for waking our son from a nap and finding him staring at nothing with his eyes open but unresponsive?

What prepared us for seeing he cannot sit unsupported, his head held stiffly to one side and his arms and legs are held in a rigid, odd way?

Nothing could have prepared us for that.

But as with many other things in life, we handled it as best we could.

We got him to the closest ER: St. John Hospital, Detroit - the closest one connected to a pediatric ICU since we knew that might be needed.

We watched as doctors looked a bit puzzled, as it took three medications to control the seizure that continued for 30 to 40 minutes. We were told a ventilator was necessary to help him breathe. When we next saw him, three hours later, he was on that ventilator, but we spoke to

him as if everything was going to be OK, especially since we and Andrew needed to believe it.

We handled it as best we

The next morning we allowed more tests. By the end, he'd had a CAT scan, EEG, MRI, spinal tap and miscellaneous blood tests. Thankfully, he stayed completely sedated through them all.

It's a comfort that, throughout it all, we were cared for by a strong team of professionals. From the ER to the PICU to Pediatrics. It was comforting to know the critical care doctor recognized him from this column. Andrew wasn't just a new face to her; she already knew him from our photos and stories.

The experience reminded Mary Beth she once admitted to a friend whose daughter has frequent seizures, she was scared of Andrew having a seizure. She asked the

friend, "How do you handle it?" The friend told her not to worry about it; she would get through it if it happened.

We now realize the answer was right on.

It tends to be the similar answer we give to people who ask such questions as "How do you handle having a child with Fragile X?" "How do you handle having a child with autism?" "How do you cope with all the things involved with having a child with special needs?" as they believe they could never do it.

You handle it all as it happens as best you can.

Grosse Pointe residents Theodore G. Coutilish and Mary Beth Langan created this column to share experiences from their journey as parents of a child with Fragile X Syndrome (fragilex.org and fraxa.org). Send your questions or comments to ag5046@wayne.edu or mblangan@hotmail.com.

**HEALTH COLUMN** By Richard Perry, M.D.

### Arthroscopic not limited to knees

rthroscopic surgery is a common, minimally invasive way to evaluate and treat joint problems. This technique is most commonly performed on the knee and shoulder joint, but specially trained orthopedic surgeons are now able to treat the wrist, elbow, ankle and even the hip using the arthroscope.

It's common for group practices to be comprised of specialists who concentrate on a particular joint. Specialists become adept at maneuvering the arthroscope through the small spaces within their "joint of choice." They, therefore, are able to repair damaged joints with minimal disruption of surrounding tissues, resulting in shorter recovery times and better long-term outcomes.

The knee and shoulder are better suited to arthroscopic procedures because they are large enough to manipulate the instruments around. Almost all generalist orthopedic surgeons are comfortable doing arthroscopic procedures on the knee. Not as many orthopedic surgeons are proficient on the shoulder, and even fewer are skilled on the wrist, elbow and ankle because of the limited space within these small joints.

#### Rotator cuff repair becomes less invasive

Arthroscopic techniques of the rotator cuff in the shoulder have undergone the most significant evolution in recent years. In the past, all rotator cuff repairs were done with open surgery, leaving patients with big scars and long, painful recovery times. Today, half of all shoulder operations are done arthroscopically, and half are done using the mini-open technique, which uses an incision that is 1/3 the length of traditional open incisions.

These mini-surgical procedures are made possible because of advances in instruments and surgical techniques such as microsurgery, which magnifies the surgical site, allowing surgeons to use smaller instruments with reduced incisions.

There are only a few centers in the nation proficient at arthroscopy of the hip, again, because of restricted space within the joint. But this technology is developing. To arthroscope the hip, the joint must be manipulated to provide adequate joint space. This requires a special operating table and a highly trained surgeon. But like arthroscopy of the knee and shoulder, over time hip arthroscopy will become more common.

#### Open surgery not obsolete

Not all orthopedic joint surgery can be done arthroscopically. Two years ago a medical study done in Texas found that arthroscopy to treat severely arthritic knees is not effective over time.

Entering the knee joint with an arthroscope to shave and smooth damaged joint surfaces just buys time for the patient. After surgery, the joint will continue to degenerate due to arthritis. The Texas study found that all patients who underwent arthroscopic repair of an arthritic knee still needed knee replacement surgery at a later date.

Worn out arthritic knees cannot be replaced through small arthroscopic scope holes. Replacing entire joint surfaces requires at least a small incision. But today incisions for total knee replacement average five to six inches compared to 12 inches in years past.

Thanks to medical research and advances in microsurgery and other techniques like arthroscopy, physicians now can repair or resurface only the damaged joint surfaces, leaving healthy tissues intact to serve as shock absorbers in the joint.

Dr. Perry is a Bon Secours Cottage board-certified orthopedic surgeon with St. Clair Orthopedic & Sports Medicine. For an appointment, call Bon Secours Cottage Physician Referral at (800, 303-7315. Learn about partial knee replacement with the Uni-Knee prosthesis at a free seminar from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 24, at the Bon Secours Connelly Auditorium, 468 Cadieux Rd., at Jefferson. For a reservation, call Community Health Promotion at (586) 779-7900.

### Researchers eye genes in leukemia treatment

sociated with how well an acute lymphoblastic leukemia sponds to treatment?

Ge, Ph.D., researcher, developmental therapeutics at the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute, addressed in his study, Gene Expression Profiles in Childhood Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia Identify Prognostic Roles for Multidrug Resistance-Associated Protein 2 and Reduced Folate Carrier, which was conducted in collaboration with Jeffrey Taub, M.D.

ALL is a form of cancer that starts from white blood cells in the bone marrow and quickly moves through the blood. The cancer commonly spreads to other parts of the body including the lymph nodes, liver,

and testes.

Statistics indicate ALL af-(ALL) diagnosed child re- fects nearly 4,000 people a year, with most cases occurring That's the question Yubin in children under the age of 10. According to Larry Matherly, Ph.D., researcher, Karmanos Cancer Institute, professor of pharmacology, Wayne State University and the senior author of the study, 80 percent of children diagnosed with ALL are long-term survivors.

> Acute leukemia differs from chronic leukemia because acute forms of the disease involve bone marrow cells that are unable to mature properly. Immature leukemic cells, often called blasts, continue to reproduce and accumulate. Without treatment, most patients would live only a few months. In chronic leukemia, cells are able to mature, but not com-

typically fight infection as well as normal cells do, but they live longer, build up and crowd out "normal" cells.

at Researchers the Karmanos Cancer Institute were interested in looking at the varying effects of cancer drugs and how they work in the human body. When studying ALL, Institute scientists looked at 144 leukemia samples from patients diagnosed with the disease. Half of the patients "failed" (relapsed after therapy) and half "did not fail" (did not relapse after therapy). By measuring the activity of the genes within the leukemia cells, the researchers studied 22 genes widely considered important to a patient's therapeutic response. Of those genes, two, encoding the reduced folate carrier and mul-

Are there specific genes as- spleen, central nervous system, pletely. Chronic cells do not tidrug resistance-associated protein 2, were found to beprognostically important to treatment, and could answer why the 20 percent of childhood ALL patients relapse after cancer therapy.

To validate their findings, the researchers will now have to confirm the importance of these genes in a normal (not case-control) population of patients. In the future, Ge, Matherly and Taub hope the two genes identified in their study could be valuable in determining what therapies would be most appropriate when treating children diagnosed with ALL

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HEALTH SERVICES

#### **GEORGESON:** Seminars will be presented

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• Engage in light exercise, such as walking to improve leg and vein strength.

• Eat high-fiber foods to avoid constipation which can contribute to varicose veins.

◆ Cut salt intake to avoid swelling in your legs.

Georgeson and his work with AmeriVein will be featured at the

International Women's Show' in Novi at the Rock Financial Showplace with his presentation on "New Treatments for Spider and Varicose Veins" on Friday, May 5, at 12:30 and 3:30 p.m. on the "Focus on You Spotlight Stage."

Georgeson will also speak at an upcoming seminar on Wednesday, May 10, in the Connelly Auditorium at Bon Secours Hospital in Grosse Pointe from 7 to 8 p.m. The seminar is open to the public at no charge.

For more information or to register for the seminar, call (586) 779-0220 or visit the Web "Michigan site, amerivein.com.

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### PRIDE OF THE POINTES

ter grade point average for first Michigan semester 2005-06 have been Engineering. named to the dean's list at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio: Jami Lee Morris, Mark James Hempstead, Callie Anne Blatt, Rachel Nicole Costello, James Buckner Fox, Meghan Elizabeth Miller, Lauren Brigid Reinhard, Laura Elizabeth Lepczyk, Andrea Marie Paradise and Stephanie Anna Kostiuk. +++

Laura Robertson, John Trupiano and Adam Burns, all of Grosse Pointe Woods, were named to the dean's list in the School of Education for the fall 2005 term at the University of Michigan-Dearborn.

Edward Klacza of Grosse Pointe has been named to the Engineering and Computer Science for the fall 2005 term at the University of Michigan-Dearborn.

the dean's list in the University of Notre Dame's Mendoza son of Dr. Catherine Nordby

and Dr. Gerard Martin.

The following at the University of Detroit Mercy for having a cumulative grade point average of 3.50 or . better through term 1 for the 2005-2006 academic year: Andrew Loosvelt. Lawrence Sledz, Juliana M. Tworek and Robert McKeon.

\*\*\* Catherine Burk, daughter of Charles and Nancy Burk of Grosse Pointe Woods, was named to the dean's list in University of Michigan. recognition of outstanding aca-

The following Grosse demic achievement for fall Pointers achieved a 3.5 or bet- 2005 at the University of School

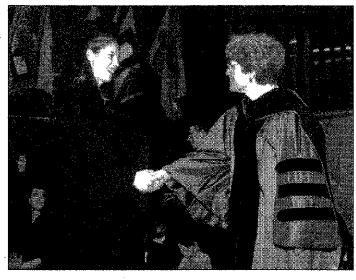
Philip Black, son of James Black and Maj-Britt Black of the City of Grosse Pointe and graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School, made the dean's list at Michigan State University for the 2005 fall semester. The dean's list honors all full-time undergraduates who earn a 3.5 or better grade "point average. \*\*\*

The following Pointers were named to the Michigan-Dearborn for the fall 2005 term: Edmond Kotwick, Laura Wilton and Ian Kennedy.

Cassie Weaver of Grosse dean's list in the "College of Pointe was named to the dean's list for the fall 2005 term at the American University.

Lindsay Brownell, daughter of Jana and Steve Bownell of Gerard Martin of Grosse Grosse Pointe Farms and a se-Pointe Park has been named to nior at University Liggett School, was recently awarded a Benjamin Rush Scholarship College of Business for out- from Dickinson College in standing scholarship during Carlisle, Pa. The Benjamin the fall 2005 semester. He is the Rush Scholarship, worth \$12,500 per year, is awarded to the top first-year applicants to the Dickinson College in Grosse recognition of superior acade-Pointers were honored April 2 mic achievement and leadership in high school.

> Marisa Anne Ventimiglia of Grosse Pointe Woods was named with University Honors at the March 19 Honors Convocation, for having 14 credit hours with 12 of those with a grade rather than passfail and a 3.5 grade point average for one term during the winter or fall of 2005 at the



dean's list at the University of Lauren Hirt of Grosse Pointe Park was one of 15 undergraduate students to earn special recognition at the University of Michigan.

> Lauren Hirt, daughter of Don and Priscilla Hirt of Grosse Pointe Park, was given special recognition at the March 19 Honors Convocation for achieving a 4.0 for seven or more consecutive terms as a student at the University of Michigan. Of the 5,000 students graduating this year, she is one of 15 undergraduate students to achieve this award. She will graduate this April with a degree in history from the college of LSA, and a teaching certificate in social science from the School of Education.

Nicole Diesing, daughter of John and Jeanne Diesing of Grosse Pointe Woods, was named to the dean's list at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Peck School of Arts. A student must achieve a 3.75 GPA or higher to qualify for the dean's list.

Michael B. Wilborn, son of Giles and Jacqueline Wilborn of Grosse Pointe Woods, graduated from Northern Michigan University on Dec. 18, 2004. He earned a Bachelor of January.

Science degree in microbiology. Since then, he awaited his Peace Corps assignment and left Jan. 22 for Zambia for two

Colin J. Edwards of Grosse Pointe Farms was named to the winter term honor roll at The Gunnery.

David McCoy, son of Mary Anne and David McCoy of Grosse Pointe Park, was awarded the dean's award for study abroad from the James Madison College at Michigan State University. McCoy will travel to Thailand this summer to study and immerse himself in the issues of political and economic development as seen from the perspective of Southeast Asia.

Andrew Hamilton, son of Bob and Karen Hamilton of Grosse Pointe Shores, was named to the dean's list for both winter and fall terms at New York University. He also was chosen and participated in the dean's travel colloquia in Athens, Greece, this past

### MEETINGS

Fox Creek Questers

The Fox Creek Questers will meet at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 4, at the home of Carol Sauter.

Co-hostess is Marie Lane. A program on Noah's Ark will be presented by Nancy Bierley.

#### **Toastmasters Club**

The Toastmasters Club No. 573 will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday, May 8, in the cafeteria of Brownell Middle School, 260 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms.

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#### **Herb Society** of America Grosse Pointe Unit

The Herb Society America Grosse Pointe Unit (HSAGPU) will meet from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, May 10, at Children's Home of Detroit, 900 Cook Road, Grosse Pointe Woods.

The speaker is Helene Eagan of HSAGPU. Eagan's topic is "Sweet Dreamzz Pillows."

Visitors are welcome.

For more information, call Kathleen Peabody at (313) 886-2797.

The deadline for meeting announcements is 3 p.m Friday prior to publication. Send notices to Editor, 96 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236; fax, (313) 882-1585; ore-mail editor@grossepointenews.com.

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Sam August Adams

Marc and Meagan Adams are the parents of a son, Sam August Adams, born Feb. 23, 2006. Maternal grandparents are Walter and Carol Gray of Grosse Pointe Woods.

Paternal grandmother is Judy Adams of Grosse Pointe Woods.

Great-grandparents are Donald Lindow of Grosse Pointe Woods and Catherine Albert and Carol Nault.

Reeb of Columbus, Ohio.

#### **Morgan Emery** Harrison

Thomas E. and Kathryn Harrison of Orleans, Mass., are the parents of a daughter, Morgan Emery Harrison, born March 25, 2006.

Maternal grandparents are

### Mother's Day brunch at Ford House

at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores.

Brunch seatings are at 10 redesigned wedding gown disbrunch and tour is planned for a.m. and 2 p.m. in the Ford play worn by the Ford family Mother's Day Sunday, May 14, House Activities Center followed by a scenic tour of the grounds and through the his-

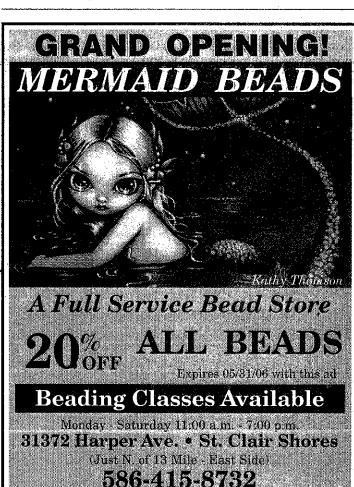
women.

The menu includes honey dijon bean salad, pesto potato toric home, featuring a newly salad, stuffed pork loin with

roasted pineappie and pro sciutto, coq au vin, egg custard strata with roasted asparagus, red pepper and mushrooms in a mornay sauce, bananas foster, French toast, lemon garlic vegetables, three potato gratin and gourmet macaroni and cheese. A variety of fresh fruit, pastries and chocolate raspberry torte are offered for dessert.

Tickets for the brunch and tour are \$28 for adults and \$15 for children. Without the tour, the brunch is \$23 for adults and \$11 for children. Reservations are required and can be made by calling (313) 884-4222.

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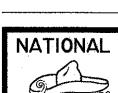
panels add to the comedy. Tickets are \$10 for adults

purchased at a savings of \$2 each.

A buffet dinner will be offered prior to the May 6 performance. Dinner is offered at 6:30 p.m. Tickets for dinner and the show are \$20. Dinner reservations are required.

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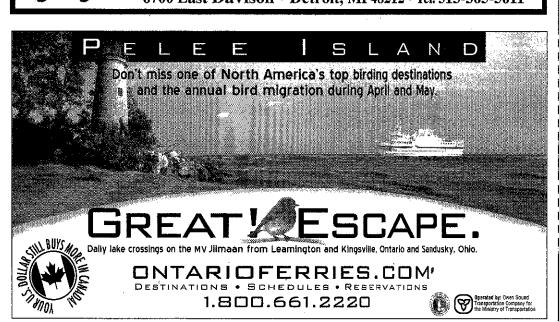


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### Exhibit to explore legacy of Rosa Parks

In celebration of Rosa Parks, boycott that followed. the Detroit Historical Museum is hosting a traveling exhibit from Saturday, May 6, to Sunday, July 16, that chronicles the events starting Dec. 1, 1955, in Montgomery, Ala., that forged the modern Civil Rights Movement.

"381 Days: The Montgomery Bus Boycott Story," a four-year traveling exhibit, commemorates the 50th anniversary of

Developed by Institution Smithsonian Traveling Exhibition Service in collaboration with the Troy University Rosa Parks Library and Museum, the exhibit exignited the Civil Rights Movement.

"We pride ourselves on sharing the achievements of our residents at the Detroit Rosa Parks' arrest and the bus Historical Museum, and Rosa

Parks was a long-standing, dethe voted and caring citizen of Detroit," said Dr. Dennis Zembala, director of the Detroit Historical Museums.

"The museum is proud to be a part of this tribute, showcasplores the historic events that ing the fight for justice and equality for the metro Detroit community. Rosa Parks was truly a catalyst for change."

The exhibition is a multi-dimensional collage of photographs, quotes and historical texts that chronicle the days following Parks' Dec. 1, 1955, arrest for refusing to give up a seat on a bus. The arrest sparked a one-day boycott of city buses in which about 50,000 people are estimated to have participated. Organizers later formed the Montgomery Improvement Association, electing a young Martin Luther King Jr. president, and devised a strategy of grassroots organization and legal challenges that eventually broke the city's ability to maintain segregated buses after 380 more days of the boycott.

With the help of a group of attorneys led by Fred Gray, suits were filed and in November 1956, the U.S. ruled Supreme Court Montgomery's segregated bus seating unconstitutional. The boycott ended once the ruling.

The Detroit Historical Museum, located at 5401 Woodward in Detroit's Cultural Center area, is open from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday through Friday; from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday; and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for seniors 60 and older, students and youth ages 5-18, and free for children ages 4 and under.

For more information, visit detroithistorical.org



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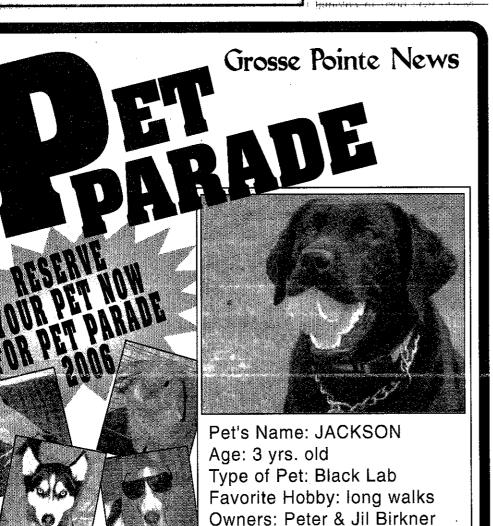
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A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

## Cinco de Mayo para mi sobrina!



omorrow is Cinco de Mayo (May 5) and the second birthday of my redheaded fire cracker of a niece, Maria Marguerite

To celebrate the occasion, "Aunt" A la Annie is preparing a Mexican feast fit for a princess. The little ones will enjoy tacos in a bag while the adults will be sampling cilantro chicken meatballs with a simple, nutty mole sauce served with "homemade" refried beans.

Cilantro Chicken Meatballs with Mole Sauce and Refried **Beans** 

#### Cilantro Chicken Meatballs

1/2 cup panko (Japanese

1 lb. ground chicken

cilantro (packed) 1 can chicken broth Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Combine all ingredients except

the chicken broth in a medium bowl. Shape the mixture into two-bite meatballs and place on a rimmed baking sheet that has been coated with nonstick spray. Pour the chicken broth onto the baking sheet. Bake the meatballs (in the

bread crumbs)

1/2 teaspoon pepper

1/4 cup chopped fresh

1 teaspoon salt

1 teaspoon ground cumin

1 teaspoon ground coriander

1/4 cup finely chopped onion

broth) at 400 degrees for 15 minutes. Using tongs, carefully flip the meatballs over. Cook at 400 degrees for another 15 minutes. Transfer the meatballs to a serving platter and discard the chicken broth.

#### **Nutty Mole Sauce**

3/4 cup Mexican style diced tomatoes from a 15-oz. can (save remaining tomatoes for the refried bean recipe) 1 4-oz. can chopped green

1/2 cup chicken broth 1/4 cup toasted walnuts, chopped

1/4 cup toasted sliced al-

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monds, chopped 1/2 cup chopped onion 1/4 cup chopped fresh cilantro, packed

Salt and pepper to taste Combine all ingredients in a food processor. Pulse several times until the mixture becomes smooth. Transfer to a small saucepan and bring to a boil over medium-high heat. Lower heat and cook and stir for a few minutes. Spoon over cilantro chicken meatballs and

#### Refried Beans

2 tablespoons olive oil 1/2 cup finely chopped onion 3-4 cloves garlic, minced

1 fresh jalapeno pepper, seeds removed, finely chopped (optional)

2 15-oz. cans pinto beans, drained but not rinsed

3/4 cup Mexican style diced tomatoes from a 15-oz. can (remaining from mole sauce) Salt and pepper to taste

1 to 2 cups shredded jack cheese

Heat the oil in a large skillet over medium-high heat. Add the onion, garlic and jalapeno and saute for 5 to 7 minutes until the vegetables soften and begin to brown. Add the drained pinto beans and the

America with his CD,

ballads, arrangements of fa-

"Follow Your Heart" was re-

Alejandro Fernandez.

diced tomatoes. Cook and stir (medium-high heat) for a few minutes. Continue to cook and stir and begin to mash the beans with the back of a wooden spoon or a potato masher.

Lower the heat to medium and mash the beans until they reach the desired consistency. Taste the beans and season with salt and pepper. Gather the beans to one side of the skillet and top with the shredded jack cheese. Turn off heat and cover the beans for a few minutes to allow the cheese to melt. Serve as a sidecar to the meatballs with mole.

Garnish your dinner plate with shredded lettuce, sour cream, a tomato wedge and avocado slices. A sprig or two of fresh cilantro will finish the presentation nicely.

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sister in Greece, at the age of 4, at a time when the political sitvorite classical melodies and a uation in Africa was explosive duet with Latino superstar and dangerous. Raised by his aunt in Greece and separated from his older brother. Mario leased in Europe just before was surrounded with a large the tenor performed at the extended family.

Mario Frangoulis has performed in some of the most prestigious concert halls in New York, London, Berlin, Helsinki. Paris, Cannes, Brussels, Moscow, Stockholm and throughout Greece.

Mario Frangoulis, a worldrenowned tenor, will be making his first appearance in the Saturday, May 6.

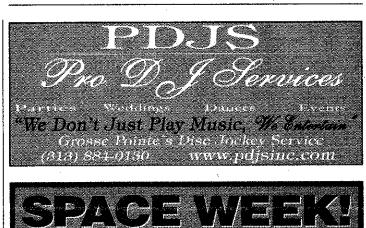
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Frangoulis has performed in some of the most prestigious concert halls in New York, London, Berlin, Helsinki, Paris, Cannes, Brussels, Moscow, Stockholm and throughout Greece. On April 6 and 7, he performed concerts to benefit the Horatio Alger Association in Washington, D.C., and April 9, he performed another important solo benefit concert for the Yellow Ribbon Soldiers Campaign in Cincinnati.



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HEAT oven to 350°F. Spray 13 x 9-inch baking dish with cooking spray.

COMBINE salsa & cheese, sour cream and chiles or peppers in large bowl; stir until blended. Gently stir in hash browns. Spoon mixture into baking dish. SPRINKLE with crushed taco shells.

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- 1/4 teaspoon salt
  - pound sirloin steak
- (15-ounce) can diced tomatoes
- (4-ounce) can Ortega Diced Green Chiles
- **Ortega Taco Shells** lime wedges

Sour cream (optional)

COOK rice. Meanwhile, combine cumin, garlic powder, taco sauce, salsa and salt.

and rub over both sides of steak.

SPRAY broiler pan with cooking spray. Place steak on pan. Broil 4 minutes on each side or until desired degree of doneness. Cut steak into thin slices.

COMBINE rice, tomatoes and chiles. Place mixture in shells. TOP rice mixture with beef slices. Squeeze juice from limes over beef. Top with sour

cream, if desired.

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SOUTH BASEBALL

# Griesbaum gets 500th victory

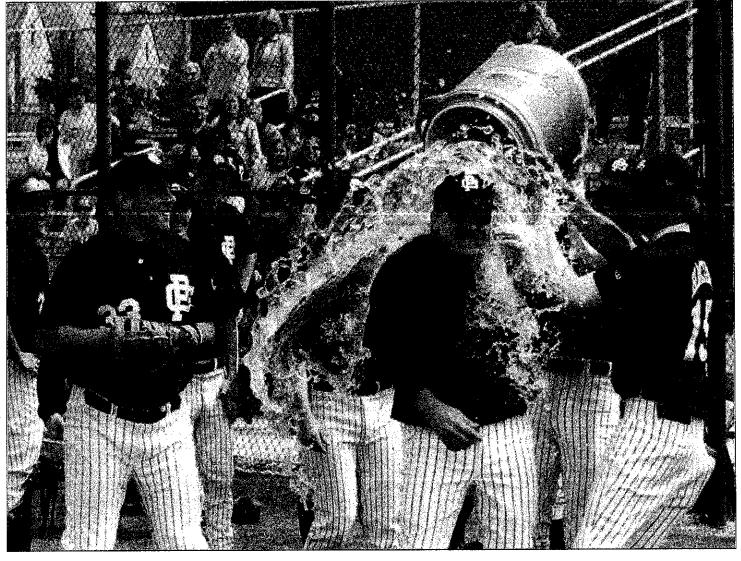


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Grosse Pointe South's baseball players celebrate coach Dan Griesbaum's 500th career victory by dousing him with water after the 5-4 win against L'Anse Creuse North.

## Blue Devils win all three games in own tournament

By Chuck Klonke Sports Editor

Saturday was a time for Dan Griesbaum to reflect.

As the Grosse Pointe South baseball coach sat in the bleachers having a cup of coffee before the Blue Devils' first game in the tournament they were hosting, he thought about made in heaven. his 23 seasons at the school.

Later that day, Griesbaum would join a select group of high school baseball coaches with 500 victories.

"It's been a lot of good years and a lot of good kids," Griesbaum said. "I was sitting there thinking how very fortunate I am to be able to coach

"I don't look at it as 500 wins. for a coach, but it's 500 wins for the program. That includes the kids, the parents and the community. So many people have been such a big help to me over the years — the Dugout Club, the announcers, the scorekeepers and statisticians, the people who work on the field and the ones who sell the hot dogs."

After Griesbaum ended an

outstanding playing career at Central Michigan University, he hoped to get into college coaching. Budget cutbacks at many universities resulted in staffs being cut, and fewer job openings.

Instead of coaching in college, Griesbaum wound up at South. It's been a marriage

"I'm so thankful for the way things happened," Griesbaum said. "This has been a great place to work, and I've been surrounded by great people, especially my assistant coaches through the years. They've been a big part of our success here. They don't get the credit the head coach does, but they should.

"And I never would have been able to do this without the support of my family, especially my wife, Paulette."

Griesbaum has taken his South baseball teams to the state final four in five seasons, and in 2001 the Blue Devils won the Class A championship.

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NORTH BASEBALL

# Stays unbeaten in MAC White

By Chuck Klonke Sports Editor

The sign of a good pitcher is one who can win without having his best stuff.

That would make Grosse Pointe North's Michael Kaiser a pretty good pitcher.

"He didn't have his best stuff, but he was still outstanding, and probably should have had a shutout," North coach Frank Sumbera said after Kaiser threw a five-hitter Monday to hand Utica Ford II its first defeat in the Macomb Area Conference White Division.

The Norsemen's 3-1 victory improved their league record to 4-0. North, 17-1 overall and ranked third in the state Division I poll, is the only unbeaten in the MAC White.

curve," Sumbera said of Kaiser's performance, which included nine strikeouts.

fourth inning.

The Norsemen added two Ramblers' Eli Boike. runs in the fifth. Mike D'Agnese singled, stole second and scored when Kaiser ripped a hard grounder off the shoulder of the Falcons' shortstop. Kaiser stole second, moved to third on a passed ball and scored on Adam Miller's sacri-

"Ford had a pretty good pitcher, too, but we managed to score enough runs to win," Sumbera said. "We just have to keep playing hard and we'll be

Ford got its run in the sixth "Michael had a good fastball on a double steal, although the and his change was good but lead runner probably would

the plate hadn't been dropped.

North picked up two more MAC White victories last Bill Matouk's double drove week. The Norsemen beat in North's first run in the Fraser 2-1 in a fine pitching duel between Kaiser and the

North scored a run in the second when Brad Herman, who had singled, came home on Jon Chapel's groundout. Chapel also drove in the Norsemen's other run in the sixth when he hit a sacrifice fly after singles by Kaiser and Laurence Briski.

Kaiser pitched a three-hitter and struck out six.

Herman was the winning pitcher in North's 5-2 win against Anchor Bay. He allowed three hits and struck out eight, including two in each of the last three innings.

"We told Kaiser and Herman

they'd be 1-2 in our rotation, and they've both pitched well," Sumbera said. "So have the other two in our rotation — Tom Ziemiecki and Matt Koppinger."

North scored a run in the second when Koppinger was hit by a pitch, Matt Lombardi singled and Miller hit an RBI double.

The Norsemen played "small ball" in a three-run sixth inning. D'Agnese, Koppinger and Matouk each reached on bunt singles.

Lombardi followed with another bunt single and a second run scored on an overthrow. Miller drove in the final run with a single.

North's added a run in the seventh on a walk to Chapel, a groundout and Koppinger's

North won the Lake Orion

against Warren Cousino and Utica Eisenhower.

The Norsemen scored three runs in each of the first three innings to beat Eisenhower, which was ranked sixth in the state in Division I, 10-2.

Singles by Miller and Kaiser started the first inning outburst and both scored on Briski's double. Briski scored on Koppinger's single.

A single by Matouk and walks to Jeff Rohrkemper and Kaiser loaded the bases in the second. Two runs scored on Briski's single, and the final run came home on a double by

In the third inning, Miller hit a two-run single after a hit by Koppinger and a walk to Matouk. Kaiser drove in the third run of the inning with a

North scored its final run in five batters he faced.

he had some trouble with his have been out if the throw to before the season started that Invitational with victories the sixth on a bases-loaded walk to Matouk.

> Ziemiecki pitched a five-hitter and struck out five to earn the victory.

> In North's first game of the tournament, the Norsemen had to come from behind for one of the rare times this season to beat Cousino 4-3.

> After the Patriots scored twice in the first inning, North came up with three runs in the bottom of the frame. D'Agnese and Matouk walked, and Rohrkemper hit an RBI single. After a walk to Miller, Kaiser drove in two runs with a single.

> North added another run in the third when Herman singled and scored from first on a throwing error.

Koppinger went 5 1/3 innings to pick up the win. Jamie Sheppard got the save with a strong relief effort, retiring all

#### City of Grosse Hointe Moods, Michigan

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING** ON THE PROPOSED 2006-07 GENERAL BUDGET AND THE VARIOUS OTHER FUND BUDGETS

NOTICE IS HERBY GIVEN, that the Mayor and city Council of the City of Grosse Pointe Woods will be meeting on May 15, 2006 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 20025 Mack Plaza, for the purpose of conducting a public hearing on the proposed 2006-07 General Fund Budget as well as the various other Fund Budgets of the said City.

The property tax millage rate of 10.7512 proposed to be levied July 1, 2006 to support the proposed General Fund Budget will be the subject of this hearing. If adopted, the proposed millage will increase total operating revenue from ad valorem property taxes for all funds to \$10,905,000 which is a \$341,000 or 3.23% increase compared to the 2005-06 total tax collection of \$10,564,000.

Classification	Millage	Revenues Generated (rounded)
1) General Operating	8.1890	6,865,000
2) Concrete Replacement	.9999	838,000
3) 1997 Park Bond	.5656	475,000
4) ACT 359 - Public Relations	.0596	50,000
5) ACT 345 - Police & Fire Retirement	.9362	800,000
Total General Fund Levies	10.7512	9,028,000
6) Solid Waste	1.8807	1,577,000
7) A.E.M.S.	.3578	300,000
Total - All Levies	12.9897	10,905,000

The City Council expects to take action on the proposed millage rates as well as taking action to approving the aforementioned budgets at the council meeting immediately following the public hearing. The taxing unit publishing this notice, identified below, has complete authority to establish the number of mills to be levied from within its authorized millage rate. The following is a summary of the proposed budgets:

#### General Budget

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Budget	Requirements

General Government	2,670,000
Public Safety	5,505,000
Public Works	3,326,000
Parks & Recreation	2,299,000
Subtotal	13,800,000
Total General Fund	13,880,000

#### **Special Revenue Fund**

#### **Budget Requirements**

Major Street Fund	1,885,000
Local Street Fund	2,595,000
Ambulance	505,000
Act 302 Training	10,000
Solid Waste	1,630,000
CDBG	82,000
911 Service Fund	105,000
Total Special Revenue Funds	6,812,000

#### **Debt Service Fund**

Budget	Requi	rement

2002 Park Refunding Debt	475,00
Grosse Gratiot Drain (Milk River)	3,567,00
Total Debt Fund	4,042,00

**Capital Projects Fund** 

#### **Budget Requirements**

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Municipal Improvement Fund	I <u>335,00</u>
Total Capital Project Funds	335,00
Enterprise	<u>Fund</u>
Parking Fund	317,00
Water/sewer	5,785,00
Boat Dock Fund	228.00

Commodity Sales Fund

Total Enterprise Funds

#### **Internal Service Fund**

105,000

6,435,000

#### **Budget Requirements**

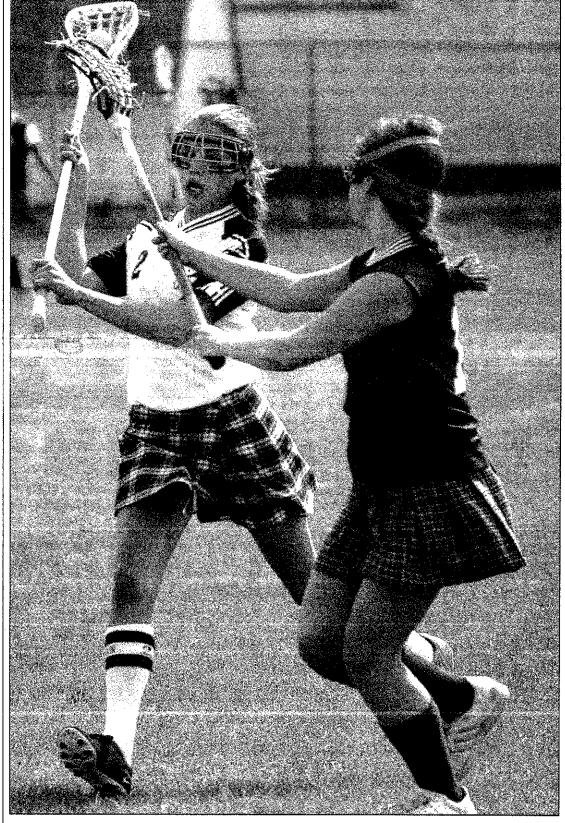
Grand Total All Funds	33,204,000
Total Internal Service Funds	1,780,000
Management Info. Systems	<u>400,000</u>
Motor Vehicle Fund	1,175,000
Workmen's Compensation	205,000

A copy of the proposed budget will be available for inspection during regular business hours at the office of the City Administrator. Public comments, oral and/or written, will be welcome at the public hearing on the aforesaid proposed General Fund Budget and the various other Fund Budgets.

> Mark Wollenweber City Administrator

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Grosse Pointe South's girls lacrosse team defeated crosstown rival University Liggett School.

**GIRLS LACROSSE** 

## North, South beat Knights

By Bob St. John Sports Writer

Grosse Pointe South's and Grosse Pointe North's girls lacrosse teams beat city rival University Liggett School last week.

The Lady Blue Devils won 21-3 and the Lady Norsemen won 18-4. The Lady Knights were the visitors in each contest.

"We weren't able to gain control of the ball very well in either game," ULS head coach Tamara Fobare said. "Playing both North and South gave the girls a good learning experience that helped us later in the week."

Sam Troyanovich was the Lady Knights' top performer in each game.

For South, Pearce Pavle had five goals, followed by Ashley Thibodeau with three. Aimee

Alison Park each scored two.

For North, offensive standouts were Natalie Tocco, Lauren Lynch, Vanessa Tocco, Kate Zemenick, Phelicia VanOverbeke, Quinn Wulf, Colleen Ryan, Erica Gaitley, Ellen Rewalt, Jill Seaman and Marissa LaValley.

The Lady Norsemen breezed in their game last weekend, beating L'Anse Creuse 18-3.

The Lady Blue Devils tied Birmingham Detroit Country Day 11-11 as Pavle and Page Louisell each had three goals.

"Goalie Jessie Pogue came up with an amazing save with seconds left," South head coach Debbe Pavle said. "Defensive standouts were Melissa Oddo and Michelle Martinelli, who held Detroit Country Day's all-state player to only two goals."

ULS rebounded from the proved to 6-0 overall.

O'Brien, Alissa Tassopoulo and losses to city rivals to edge visiting Bloomfield Hills Lahser 7-6 last weekend.

The home team jumped out to an early lead and held on in the final minute as Lahser had possession in the Lady Knights' zone.

"It was a very nice win for us," Fobare said. "The girls worked hard and were able to gain control of the loose balls better than in our previous games. I'm proud of the girls."

Julie Stockmann and Ebony Williams each had two goals. Simone LaHood, Anna Zinkel and Lauren Strickland also tallied for the Lady Knights.

Troyanovich stopped 17 shots as the Lady Knights' firsthalf goalkeeper. Jamie Bowman made 12 saves in the second half.

ULS improved to 2-4 overall. South is 3-0-1 and North im**SOUTH SOCCER** 

# First league win is 2-1 thriller

soccer team got its first victory in the tough Macomb Area Conference Red Division when it edged Utica Ford II 2-1.

Although the score indicated otherwise, the Blue Devils dominated the match.

South outshot the Falcons 23-6. Blue Devils goalkeeper K.T. Tietjen had to make only one save, while Ford netminder Sarah D'Angelo had to make 13 stops.

After a scoreless first half in which South outshot Ford 11-3, play continued in a similar way for more than 26 minutes. Finally, on South's only corner kick of the second half, Kara Trowell headed home a ball that was booted perfectly into

Grosse Pointe South's girls break the scoreless deadlock.

Three minutes later, South found out the hard way that it was too soon to relax. A ball toward the Blue Devils' goal was flicked out by Ford's Emily Joseph to Lauren Saigh, who one-timed an 18-yarder for the neighborhood tying goal.

The next 5 1/2 minutes featured frenzied play by both teams. South spent most of the time in the Ford end of the field ball far downfield in hopes of a breakaway opportunity.

With Stanczyk and midfielder Anna Cunningham augmenting the attack, a South score seemed imminent.

It wasn't that easy, however, the box area by Katie Galea to but with encouragement from

Cunningham did so. She threaded through several defenders to go one-on-one with D'Angelo and scored the winning goal with 4:48 to play.

Last weekend, in the annual "friendly" against defending Division IV state champion University Liggett School, South posted a 5-0 victory.

The Blue Devils displayed until the Falcons cleared the excellent passing and speedy offensive thrusts while Knights coach David Backhurst was defender Sarah handicapped by the absence of four players, leaving him with only two substitutes.

South, meanwhile, had nine players in reserve.

"It's a much quicker game on artificial turf and we weren't used to that," Backhurst said. "We played Hamtramck on turf, but it didn't make as much difference because (the Cosmos) aren't as talented as South."

South sweeper Meghan Cary was the only field player to play 75 percent of the match, and her defensive corps kept the Knights in check. Tietjen had to make only three saves, en route to her third shutout of

Stoppers Katharine Zurek and Elisabeth Carrier, along with outside defenders Galea, Meryl Ethridge and Danica Stone, thwarted ULS's offense.

The diminutive Stanczyk also played a key role on defense and had an assist, starting a

Emily McLaughlin, to Emma Brush to Lindsay Krall for the decisive second goal of the

South launched 30 shots toward Knights goalie Grace D'Arcy, who played well. Amy Hathaway's fourth goal of the season started the scoring, followed by Trowell's third tally of the year. Michele Arthur added two goals.

Others earning assists were Trowell, Cunningham, Emily Walton and Liz Lightbody.

Jae March, Lisa Repicky and Marian Schmidt contributed strong midfield play. Schmidt had two shots.

Earlier, South played well but dropped a 3-1 decision to unbeaten Novi, which was ranked No. 1 in the state in Division I.

Blue Devils coach Gene Harkins began the match with an unusual 3-6-1 formation, and it worked as the Wildcats, who scored 29 goals in their first six games, failed to score for the first eight minutes.

Then All-State forward Stephanie Crawford headed home a perfect corner kick from Emily Esbrook. Two minutes later, Esbrook scored on a hard 25-yard shot that sailed over goalkeeper Alyssa Carr's head.

The two goals got South out of its defensive scheme and the match was even the rest of the

Crawford scored her second

to the second half.

The Blue Devils continued to battle and Cunningham and Stanczyk kept the Novi defenders on constant alert.

Stanczyk finally scored with just under six minutes remaining. It was set up by Erin

the sidelines to control the ball, bang-bang play with a ball to goal less than four minutes in- Hughes, who played aggressively in the midfield.

It was only the fourth goal of the season allowed by Novi's freshman netminder Erin Zerio.

The two victories last week improved South's overall mark to 5-4-1.



PHOTO BY DR. J. RICHARD DUNLAP

Grosse Pointe South's Marian Schmidt and University Liggett School's Elizabeth Palmer battle for possession.

ULS SOCCER

## Knights nip Metro rival, 1-0

By Chuck Klonke Sports Editor

> There wasn't much room for error when University Liggett Conference rival Cranbrook Kingswood last Backhurst said. week.

"We have quite a rivalry with Cranbrook and last year in the league tournament we handed them a 7-1 drubbing," said ULS coach David Backhurst after the Knights remained unbeaten in the league (4-0) with a 1-0 victory.

"We knew after that they'd be focused, and it was an even game with a lot of midfield play."

There was a lot of perfection

on the Grosse Pointe North

softball field last week.

with the Cranes was no excep-

Cranbrook) "Monique Squiers was the

star of the game. She saved us numerous times when we had a breakdown and a Cranbrook player was going one-on-one with her. She made several slide tackles and came up with the ball. That can be a dangerous play in the penalty box area because if you don't get the ball, it's a penalty shot but she got the ball every time."

Backhurst also said that Defense has been the freshman defenders Charlotte

season and the showdown also had strong performances against Cranbrook.

"Our young defense did a only goal of the game with School's girls soccer team met good job of controlling (the about seven minutes remain- ing nine minutes into the game ing in the second half.

> just entered the game to play at one of the midfield positions, one-timed a ball toward Leonard. Cranbrook's goalie came out, the ball went behind her and Leonard knocked it into the net.

ULS had a 10-3 advantage in shots.

Grace D'Arcy recorded her second shutout of the week.

win last week wasn't quite as harrowing an experience as

strength of the ULS team this Waldmeir and Clare Peracchio the Cranbrook game.

ULS built a 4-0 halftime lead and coasted to a 7-0 victory Jessica Leonard scored the over Lutheran Westland. Waldmeir opened the scor-

when she came up from her Lindsay Brownell, who had defense position and scored off a corner kick. Rachel Goldberg, who

> sition on defense because Leonard was sick, scored three goals. "I wish I could play Rachel

moved to forward from her po-

up front, but she's too valuable on defense," Backhurst said.

Chelsea Baumgarten, Elizabeth Palmer and Kate The Knights' other league Fridholm scored the other ULS

See NORTH, page 4C

**SOUTH: Improves to**  $13-\overline{3}$  overall

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League, Babe Ruth, Federation and CYO programs in the community," Griesbaum said. "When the kids come to South, they have a solid foundation."

South is having another outstanding season this year.

The Blue Devils won all three games in Saturday's tournament to improve to 13-3 overall.

South opened with a 3-2 victory against Ann Arbor Huron. Ryan Abraham pitched a five-hitter and struck out sev-

James Bertakis provided all the scoring with a three-run homer in the first inning. Abraham reached on an error, Will Owen singled and Bertakis followed with a drive over the fence in left-center field.

Griesbaum's 500th victory was a 5-4 victory against L'Anse Creuse North.

The victory celebration was nearly put on hold as LCN rallied for three runs in the sixth inning to cut South's 5-1 advantage to a single run before Brendan Howe relieved starter Evan Pearson and got the final out on a grounder to second

Pearson went 5 2/3 innings to record the victory. He also drove in South's final run with a suicide squeeze.

Buzz Palazzolo had an RBI triple, Bertakis knocked in a run with a double, and Alex Barnett and Abraham had RBI

singles. first inning by winning pitcher II.

Pete Stoepker turned out to be all South needed as it beat Troy Athens 10-1 in the tournament

PHOTO BY DR. J. RICHARD DUNLAP

Grosse Pointe South baseball coach Dan Griesbaum is con-

500th victory at the helm of the Blue Devils.

gratulated by his wife Paulette and son Dan after recording his

Pat Lewandoski also drove in three runs with a double and a single. Jeff Remillet, Pearson, Owen and Tim Smolenski had RBI singles.

Stoepker allowed three hits and struck out four in five innings. Howe pitched the final inning of the six-inning game and struck out two.

"Our pitching continues to be outstanding and our hitting is starting to come around,' Griesbaum said. "We're batting .275 as a team, but our opponents are hitting only .193."

Earlier, South won its first two Macomb Area White Division games, defeating Anchor Bay 8-2 and Warren-Mott 10-2.

In the Anchor Bay game, Remillet had three hits, including a double, and drove in four

Derrick Hacias went the distance and pitched a four-hitter for his third win of the season. He struck out six.

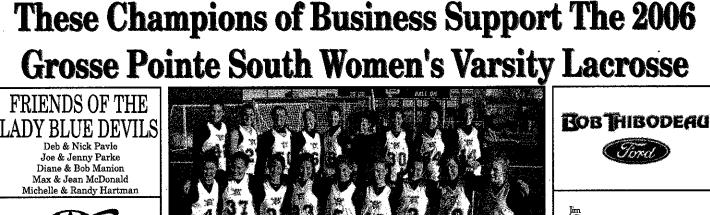
South scored three runs in the first. Bertakis drove in two runs with his first of two singles, and he came in to score

on a hit by Hacias. Abraham also had two hits, while Palazzolo hit a two-run

Against Mott, Frankie DeLaura broke open a close game with a three-run double in the fifth inning to give South a 7-2 lead. DeLaura drove in another run with a single in the sixth.

Abraham also had two hits. Bertakis pitched the first five innings to record the win, while Howe pitched the last two frames.

South has a key MAC White A three-run double in the game on Friday at Utica Ford



Brittany Bate pitched a per- in the



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North pitcher perfect in MAC victory

fect game and the Norsemen Conference White Division

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SAILING CLASS

# Crescent class is successful

Sail (AltS) program has been a success any way you look at it.

The mission of the program, which is entering its fourth year, is to provide a safe, fun and highly-effective entry point for adults wishing to enter the sport of sailing.

Dozens of students have graduated from the program in the first three seasons, and a some of the graduates of the Natter said.

Association's Adult Learn to have been issued a skipper's card, which allows independent use of the club's fleet of first class in 2003.

> now sailing on a regular basis. Some have chosen to simply enjoy being on the water with friends and family. Others have become active racers.

> It is interesting to hear how

Crescent Sailing significant number of those class have made sailing part of their lives.

Liz Natter was in Crescent's

She is a school teacher and Many former students are enjoys being on the lake during the summer.

"Lake St. Clair is beautiful, and on a sailboat you are able to enjoy the water in ways that a powerboat, or sitting on the shoreline, just doesn't allow."

"Through the program, I have made a lot of friends, and we now have the opportunity to go out and enjoy the lake to-

Natter takes care of registration and student administration for AltS.

Bob Truman, an information technology manager, took the class in 2004 and enjoyed it so much that his wife Cindi became a 2005 student. Meanwhile, Bob started crewing on various boats ranging from dinghies to 40-footers, including a Cal 25 during the North American Offshore One-Design (NOOD) regatta, and became hooked on racing.

"We get students out for club racing, which is a pretty controlled environment, but the first time I was on the start line with 22 boats in a major regatta - wow, what a rush," Bob Truman said.

He and Cindi purchased their own Cal 25, Valkyrie, at the end of the 2005 season and they look forward to sailing it this summer.

Bob stays active with the AltS program by driving a chase boat for the evening classes.

"I had no sailing experience and was amazed at how much I learned," said Cindi Truman. 'The program is a wealth of information. I was impressed with the knowledge of the instructors, all of whom obviously love to sail. The camaraderie with the other students was great because we were all there for the same reason. Plus, it was a ton of fun.

"We are very excited about her for the day. our new boat and couldn't wait for winter to be over."

The Trumans have their first overnight trip planned as a cruise to Belle Isle over Memorial Day weekend, accompanied by a boat from Crescent owned by a more-experienced sailing couple.

Dr. Randy Schmitt, a local periodontist, took the class in

"I knew absolutely nothing about sailing when the summer started and in just three months I was able to handle a Flying Scot by myself," he said. "I'll never move away from the lake. The class was a wonderful experience and a perfect way to enter a great water sport."

Schmitt finished the summer crewing on a Cal 25 for the Bayview distance and North Channel races and is looking forward to the coming season. His wife Val is taking the class this summer.

April Benson is the mother of three young girls and she made the trek from Canton to participate in the class.

"I loved the class and the camaraderie," she said. "The education and knowledge gained grew along with my enthusiasm each week. It was great to be so welcomed and be so much a part of the sailing community in such a short time."

At the end of last summer she celebrated her 15th wedding anniversary by taking her husband Paul, a non-sailor, for a Lake Erie outing on a San Juan 21 that a friend loaned

The 2005 program had 33 students and was successful because of the participation of 29 Crescent members who volunteered as instructors, chase boat operators and organizers.

Jerry McNamara heads the program and cited the members' hard work.

"Crescent is based on a true spirit of cooperative volunteerism," he said. "The membership has really gotten behind this program and put in atremendous effort to make it successful."

Classes are one evening per week from June through August for 12 weeks of on-thewater sessions with a preseason shore class and swimming test in May. Students sign up for either Monday, Tuesday or Thursday.

Makeup sessions are available on Saturday mornings and students are encouraged to crew for Crescent members during club racing on Wednesday evenings and Sunday mornings.

Prospective students can go to Crescent's web site (www.crescentsail.com) and fill out the on-line request form, or inquire directly by emailing alts@crescentsail.com.

The fee for the 2006 season

The number of applicants has exceeded the number of available spaces in the program each year, and with the preseason activities starting this month, it is important to register as soon as possible.

Cindi Truman skippers her Flying Scot across the finish line during a class racing session.

**NORTH GIRLS TRACK** 

## Team is first at Port Huron Relays

The first month of the season mances by North athletes. has been a good one for Grosse

three of their dual meets. They opened with a 117-20 victory against Roseville, then defeated Marysville 95-42 and followed with a 88-49 win against East Detroit.

North is also unbeaten in its two invitational meets.

The Norsemen won the Grosse Pointe North Relays, and last weekend took first place in the Port Huron Relays.

In the Port Huron meet. North had 100 points while runner-up Port Huron finished with 92.

There have been several excellent individual perfor-

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Betsy Graney won the 1,600 Pointe North's girls track team. run in 5:26 against Marysville The Norsemen have won all and she had a 2:23 800 split in 4-11 against East Detroit and the Sterling Heights freshmanthe 3,200 relay against East Detroit. That relay team, which included Jennie Brescoll, Katie Graves and Lauren Major, ran

a season-best time of 10:15. Graney also had a seasonbest 11:50 in the 3,200 run against East Detroit. Not only did she beat all the girls in the meet, but she posted a better time than all of East Detroit's

Korene Jones is undefeated in the 110 hurdles with a season-best of 16.32 against Roseville. She also had strong performances in the shot put (35-feet-6) and long jump (15-

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7) at the Macomb Indoor 13.0. Championships.

Lauren Flanagan threw the Huron Relays.

Danielle Hubler, Rebecca Pollard, Jones and Kelly Defauw have made up a strong 400 relay team. The season best was 51.4 at Port Huron, which took first place. The 800 relay team of Defauw, Pollard, Hubler and Anitra Peoples won the event at Port Huron with a time of 1:49.3, just missing the meet record of 1:49.08 set by Detroit Mumford.

Peoples, a freshman, won the 100 at East Detroit in 12.9, while Hubler was second in

This year, a novice start will

sailors without past racing ex-

perience to participate.

Defauw won the 400 dash Christine Klein high jumped for the second year in a row at sophomore meet with a time of discus 104-10 at the Port 1:02.54. She has also been strong in the 200 with a season-best of 27.1. Defauw, Hubler and Peoples finished 1-2-3 in the 200 against East Detroit.

Promising freshman talent includes Peoples (sprints and long jump), Allison Liddane (400 and pole vault), Kiyonna Jones (hurdles, long jump and shot put), and Avida Johnson (hurdles).

North faces its toughest dual meet of the season on Thursday, May 4 when it travels to Marine City.

ed to the top three finishers in

Race entry applications are

available at the main gate of

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each class.

**ULS TENNIS** 

# Knights unfazed by tough matches

By Chuck Klonke Sports Editor

University Liggett School's tennis team took on some tough competition last week, and coach Chuck Wright liked what he saw from the Knights.

"We had some really good matches," Wright said. "We didn't win all of them, but the kids competed well. We're improving."

In an 8-0 loss to Detroit Country Day, which is ranked No. 1 in Division III, ULS got good performances from its top two doubles teams.

"We had five great matches," Wright said.

Robbie Baubie and Billy Costello lost 6-2, 7-5 at No. 2 doubles, and the No. 1 doubles team of Joe DeLaura and Ankur Verma also played well.

In a 6-2 loss to Ann Arbor Greenhills, DeLaura and Verma won 6-2, 6-2 at No. 1 doubles, while Costello and Baubie lost 7-5, 6-4 at second doubles.

"Our No. 1 and No. 2 doubles teams are both playing well," Wright said.

Zach Keith and Davis Logan had a strong performance at No. 3 doubles, and in fourth doubles, Alex Brooks and Matt Hames lost a three-set match.

Andrew LaLonde won in straight sets at No. 1 singles and Sanjay Rama took his fourth singles match to the limit before losing 2-6, 6-3, 6-1 to a strong player from Greenhills.

ULS finished third in the East Grand Rapids tournament and the Knights won six matches.

One of the highlights of the tournament came from Mike Zukas at No. 3 singles. Zukas won two matches, including one where he battled back from a 5-0 deficit in the first set against Holland.

"He changed his style when he was down 5-0," Wright said. "He started using more lobs. He didn't just sit back, he went to the net, but the lob was effective and he won nine straight games."

Baubie and Costello also provided some thrills at No. 2 doubles. They lost 6-4, 6-3 to East Grand Rapids, then beat Whitehall 6-4, 6-2 and defeated Holland 6-4, 4-6 and 22-20 in a super tiebreaker.

"Everybody was watching that last set," Wright said. "The super tiebreaker is supposed to go to 10 points."

Matt Witkowski won a match at No. 2 singles, as did the No. 3 doubles team of Logan and James Dickinson.

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## **ULS gets first victory**

After the conclusion of each Park, the Pier Park office or by

By Bob St. John Sports Writer

necessary.

The University Liggett School boys lacrosse team won its first game of the season, beating visiting Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard 5-3.

'We were able to look at the mistakes we made during our first few games and work on fixing those during practice," head coach Chris Hartley said. "We played a complete game today and it's nice to get a victory. The guys worked hard for

working hard.' The Knights took a 1-0 lead on a Steven Coval goal in the opening period.

this, but they have to continue

next two goals to take a 2-1 lead, but midway through the second period Mike Burchi tallied to tie it.

The Fightin' Irish once again took a one-goal lead, 3-2, and again the Knights tied it.

This time, Charlie Warren scored on a man advantage with only 1:48 left in the second quarter.

With 42 seconds left in the third quarter, Adam Rock scored what turned out to be the game-winning goal. He added an insurance goal with 40 seconds left in the final peri-

"This was a nice win after consecutive overtime losses." Hartley said of the victory that Gabriel Richard scored the improved the Knights to 1-3.

## North grad does well for college team

Grosse Pointe North grad Brenna Przeslawski had an outstanding first season for the Albion College softball team.

Przeslawski started all 40 games for the Britons and finished with a .360 batting average. She hit five doubles, seven triples, four home runs and drove in 24 runs.

In Albion's season finale, Przeslawski had a double. triple and home run and drove in three runs.

Albion finished 20-20..

#### **NORTH:** Still perfect in MAC White

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Bate struck out 13 in improving her overall mark to 6-0.

North scored the game's only run in the bottom of the fifth inning when Alyce Kulek doubled home Melissa Monacel.

Earlier, Bate pitched a twohitter with 14 strikeouts and helped her own cause with two hits, including a solo homer as North blanked Lake Shore 4-0.

Rachel Lentz also homered for North, while Kulek collected a pair of hits.

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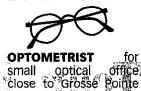
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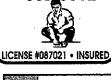
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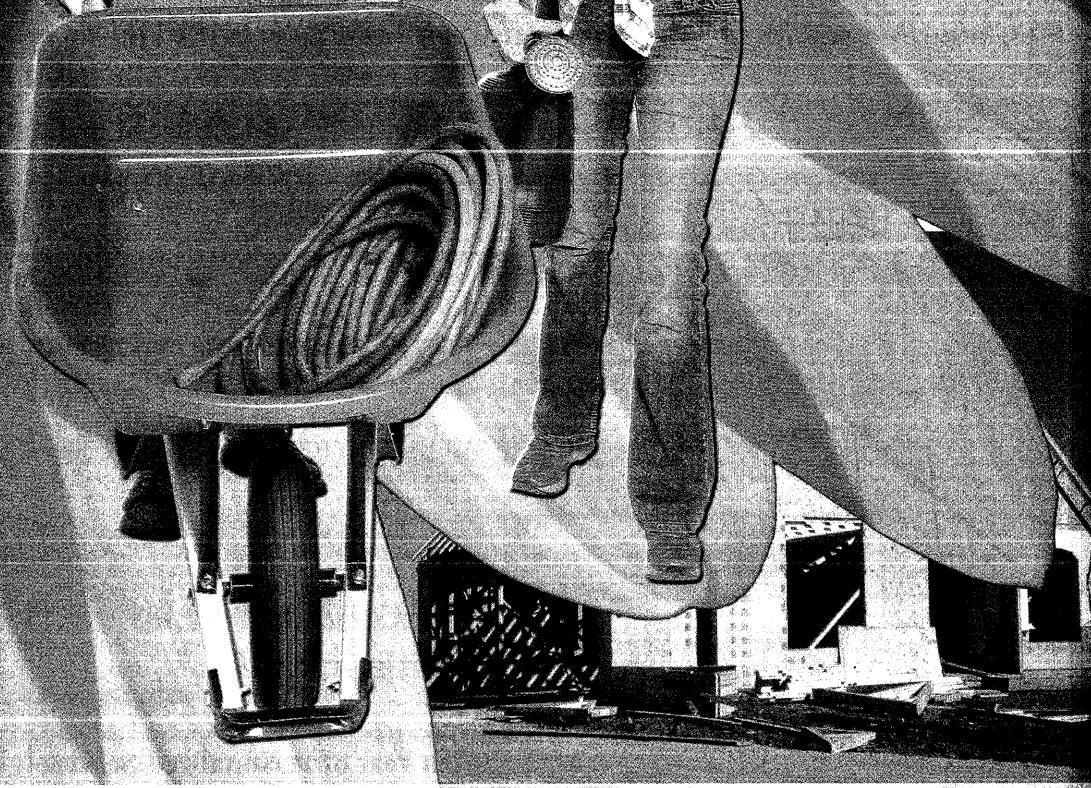
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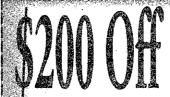
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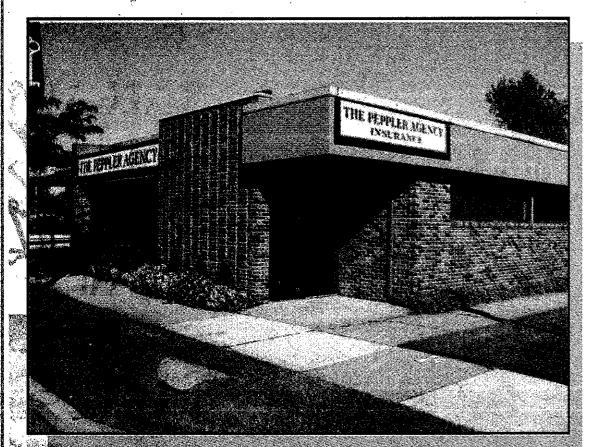
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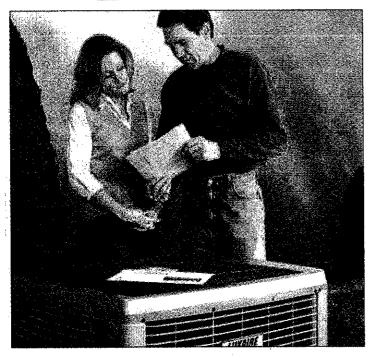
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## Replace or repair your AC system



There may come a time when homeowners need to repair or replace their air-conditioning system.

Since newer systems are more energy efficient, it may make more sense to replace a system rather than spend money on costly repairs. Industry averages suggest an air conditioner should last 12 to 15 years, as long as you have a qualified technician perform regular preventative maintenance and service.

When a system is young, it may be cost-effective to make simple repairs that can prolong the life of the system. However, replacing a system may be the best solution for the bigger problems that can result from an older system.

Comparing the price of re- a new system. pairs to replacement fees may help homeowners decide what

Today's new air-conditioning systems are as much as 60 percent more efficient than systems manufactured 10 years

Repairs that require the replacement of system components may result in a mismatched system. Components that do not match can decrease system efficiency, compromise your comfort and shorten the lifespan of the compressor.

If repairs to an immediate problem will not address ongoing comfort issues, such as cold spots, drafts, humidity issues or air quality concerns, it may be a good time to consider

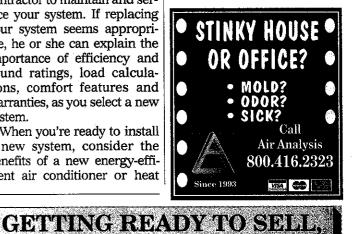
Today's systems offer new features, including two-stage cooling, humidifiers and ultraviolet lights, designed to increase comfort and improve indoor air quality.

Rely on a qualified, licensed contractor to maintain and service your system. If replacing your system seems appropriate, he or she can explain the importance of efficiency and sound ratings, load calculations, comfort features and warranties, as you select a new system.

When you're ready to install a new system, consider the benefits of a new energy-efficient air conditioner or heat

pump system such as the Acclimate Series from Luxaire Heating and Air Conditioning.

To avoid getting hot under the collar, the right answer to whether to repair or replace your A/C system is necessary.



## Enhance your backyard with a few bird feeder basics

Enjoy the up close and per- dow with a window feeder that enjoyed by chickadees, grossonal sights and sounds of mounts like a window box. beaks, cardinals and finches. birds by welcoming them into your backyard. Providing food will attract neighborhood birds and those who need a quick bite during migration flights.

While pouring seed or tossing bread crumbs on your lawn will suffice, you'll have a better chance of attracting a wide variety of birds if you choose a quality bird feeder and fill it with the seeds enjoyed by different species.

There's a few things to know about bird feeders. Consult this primer to get started.

When shopping for bird feeders, you'll discover there is quite a variety. Keep in mind that ease of use (for both you and the feeding birds) should be a top priority, followed by size and quality.

A bird feeder is an investment, and some range in price from \$30 to more than \$100. Rather than having to replace meal, choosing a seed they're the feeder each year, make really fond of will guarantee a sure it is sturdily built and will better turnout at your feeder. be able to withstand the out door elements. Look for a feeder that can feed at least 12 birds of various sizes and species at one time.

Consider the following different types and shapes of feeders:

• Tray (platform) feeders are simply a big, open tray that's easy to fill and easy for birds to access seed. They can accommodate several birds at one time. Most birds will jump at the chance to feast at a tray feeder. There are some who will be reluctant, including doves, quail, sparrows and other ground feeders. They can dine on any seed that gets

tic or glass enclosures that dole out seed as needed. This is a smart choice since seed isn't wasted and it's protected when not being eaten.

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to the window.

u Tube feeders: are self-contained, the seed stays dry, and they hold a large amount of seed, making refilling an infrequent job. They also can feed a good number of birds at one

· Birds such as hummingbirds, orioles, house finches and some woodpeckers, prefer sweet nectar or sugar water over seed. Use a nectar feeder to satisfy their sweet tooth.

picky when it comes to a free

seed and attractive to sparrows in the winter. Other birds, such as house finches and pine siskins, like thistle seed, also known as niger.

There are commercially made nectar products for nectar feeders. Simply mixing a batch of sugar and water will suffice as well. Tint it with food coloring so you can easily see how much has been depleted.

Place feeders where you can watch them easily and gauge if Although most birds aren't they need to be cleaned or refilled. Feeders come in freestanding, pole-mounted and hanging varieties.

> Try to hang feeders by nearby trees or shrubbery so birds

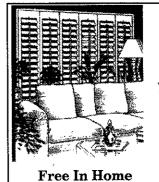
will have a quick place to retreat to if they feel threatened. In extremely windy areas, consider a sheltered location for your feeder.

Birds will not be the only animals attracted to the feeder. Squirrels are notorious pillagers, as are raccoons and rats, especially if seed is knocked over onto the ground and not cleaned up promptly. Squirrels are particularly dexterous and can scale bird feeder poles and raid the easy loot.

There are bird feeders that feature a cone-shaped shield with an 18-inch radius on the post below the feeder (at least four feet above the ground), geared toward stopping pests in their tracks.

As your welcoming backvard expands, consider adding more feeders of different sizes, nesting containers and bird-





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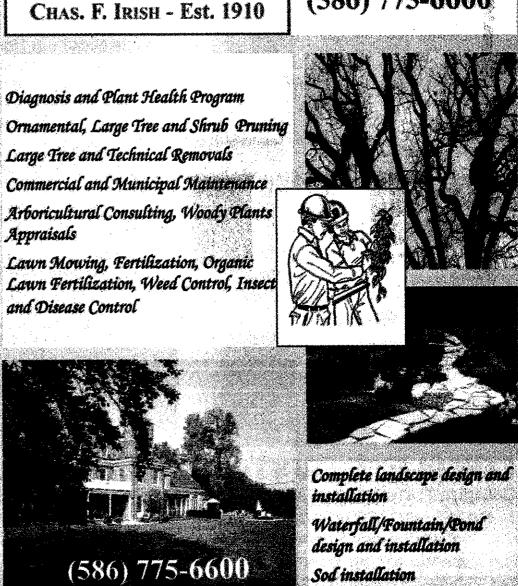
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## Helpful hints before converting your basement

One of the most popular vators. trends of late among homeowners is converting the basement into something more, be it a basement apartment, a home office or a personal recreation area.

such a revision can be both satisfying and rewarding, crossing that finish line is by no means an easy task and might take months, if not years, for even the most devoted of reno-

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Remove moisture

Perhaps the foremost thing to consider for anyone thinking about basement remodeling is checking for moisture While the end product of have been damaged by floods or heavy rains, so securing your basement should be the very first thing you do when embarking on a remodeling job. Tending to moisture problems can range from the simple to the complex, depending on a variety of factors. Either way, you should take whatever steps necessary.

> The popular way to go about solving moisture problems in your basement seems to be coating the inside walls. Though this is a solution, it's not a very good one. Coating only masks the problem, as opposed to other methods that will get rid of it. Regardless of how much coating costs — it

will be less expensive – and is safer from flooding. how it may seem as though it's working, your moisture problem will still be there; it just won't be as intrusive.

Getting rid of the moisture problems. Many basements problem entirely is your best option, especially if you plan on keeping your basement serviceable after the first major rainstorm has hit.

> Before examining exterior causes of moisture, removing any excess interior causes as humidity — is a good idea. If you choose to use a dehumidifier, be careful, as overuse and air that is too dry can lead to moisture being drawn into the basement too rapidly, causing all sorts of unwanted prob-

> After you've done what you need to do internally, examine your gutters and the surface area outside your basement. If your gutters and drain spouts are channeling water in the direction of your basement, redirect them away from the house. If need be, slant the drain spouts diagonally away from the house so water will travel in that direction. Also, if the surface area around your basement is slanted inward toward the house, dig up the areas outside the foundation walls and slant them away from the house. This is a timely and involved process, but it

Ready to remodel

Once you've solved your moisture problems - it is a basement, so you'll never truly get rid of all moisture — it's time to start some room remodeling. To help create an atmosphere that lets you forget you're in a basement, install some closets around the utilities, such as heating units and water meters.

These closets need not be big, just enough to conceal the utilities. Also remember to keep these closets accessible when arranging furniture.

The next thing you'll want to do is work on the ceilings. If you really want to create an escapist's paradise, drywall your ceilings rather than installing drop ceiling tiles, to make the room feel less like a basement.

Make sure you do this before installing any carpeting or moving anything into the basement so drywall fibers don't dirty your carpet. Also, make sure you leave spaces for light fixtures as well as a smoke detector, something you will definitely need to install if your basement is not already equipped with one.

After installing the drywall on the ceilings, if there are any areas on the walls that need to be drywalled, use any excess you might have from the ceilwill ensure that your basement ing or go out and purchase

more. When doing this, remember to cut holes for all electrical or cable television outlets as well as phone jacks.

Also keep in mind that your basement should have at least one window with easy access to outside, in case of a fire or another emergency that might leave you trapped. If there is no window in your basement, install one before putting up any drywall.

Once your walls are installed, you're free to carpet your basement if you so choose. If you're not carpeting

your basement but just laying down a rug here or there, keep the rugs in a corner or upstairs until you've moved all appliances in, as you're liable to slip on a rug that's not secured to the floor.

Once you're ready to start moving items such as a refrigerator bar, furniture or television into your new basement. keep in mind before purchasing anything how accessible your basement is. Similarly, don't assemble anything you don't have to before moving it into the basement.



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The typical bland and stained concrete garage floor suffers from years of heavy foot and car traffic.

Professional concrete epoxy garage 1100r, make garage vent the need for future costly floor repairs.

Here's how to restore your of the garage. floor:

Tools of the trade To restore your garage floor,

homeowners will need Quikrete Epoxy Garage Floor Coating Kit (including instructional DVD). This all-in-one, easy-to-use kit beautifies and protects concrete garage floors from hot tires, gasoline, oil, scuffs and wear and tear with a coating twice as strong as concrete. You'll also need a flat, stiff bristle brush, plastic watering can, garden hose, push broom, a 3/8-inch roller with extension handle, roller tray and a 2-inch, solvent-resistant brush.

What to do Careful preparation of the garage floor is essential. Using a push broom, sweep the entire area to remove all dust

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Wet the concrete surface, add Bond-Lok concentrate to three quarts of water in a watering can to degrease, clean and etch in one step. Working in sections, sweep

the watering can back and forth while pouring to ensure proper coverage. Use a bristle brush to thoroughly scrub stains and spread cleaner. Once each section is

coatings can revitalize a cleaned, rinse away the dirt with a garden nose, Repeat cleanup easier and help pre- the process until the entire surface has been cleaned, following with a final hose-down

Wait until the concrete is completely dry — at least four hours — before applying the

Combine Part A of the product with Part B, and allow the epoxy to sit for 30 minutes before use.

Starting at the back of the garage, spread the epoxy coating in smooth, even strokes across a 2- by 6-foot

If using color flakes, they must be applied to wet paint. After covering each 2- by 6foot section with the epoxy coating, lightly sprinkle the flakes onto concrete.

Continue the process, working in sections, until the entire garage surface is covered.

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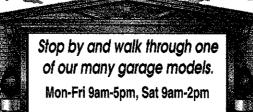




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## Improving curb appeal with tile roofing

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may want to take a look at tile. Contractors say adding a tile roof is one of the most cost-effective construction projects available. The stylish roofs can toughest elements - wind, hail, rain and fire - and roof tiles usually carry a slightly longer warranty than other roofing surfaces.

Tile roofs are an environmentally friendly building choice.

#### Cost Benefits

tile, making it an economical and styles designed to accen-

If you're looking for ways to choice for many homeowners.

Tile roofs reduce direct heat the value of your home, you transfer. As a result, a tile roof can lower air conditioning costs in hotter climates and produce more constant temperatures in colder regions.

The constant temperature endure some of nature's reduces the odds of ice accumulation on the roof.

#### Styles

Tile roofing offers a number of architectural style choices and they come in a variety of colors and shapes that can help set your home apart.

Concrete and clay tile roofs are as unique as the homes Tile has a life cycle of 50 to they're installed on and 100 years, depending on the they're available in finishes

tuate a home's look.

#### Weight

A common misconception is that roof tile is too heavy for many structures. Most modern buildings are strong enough to support the weight of a tile roof. Most older structures can handle the weight of standard tile, provided all previous roofing materials are removed first. Many roof tile manufacturers now offer lightweight

Asia's first roofing choice for well-known, reputable compacenturies, with many tile-nies. That's one reason experts roofed structures requiring lit- say a tile roof's higher installatle or no maintenance. Tile's tion cost, when spread over

demonstrated by how well it ally an investment that will inhas withstood the test of time, weather and natural disasters.

#### New Types Of Tile

Today, homeowners can find new types of stronger, more energy-efficient tile roofs. Some new tile is Class A firerated and able to withstand high winds, hail and earthquakes better than any other roofing material.

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## Roofing disasters and how to avoid them

the first line of defense driving rains. Also walk against the elements of na- through each room of the



heavy rain, sleet and snow. Conducting a complete inspection-inside and out-each spring can help avoid costly problems later on.

Look for these key danger signals that indicate your roof is not adequately protecting your home:

the attic. This can occur and should be replaced. Cracked

The roof on your home is be most obvious after heavy, or curled shingles should be home inspection-inside and ture, such as high winds, house and inspect walls and roof deck and the interior of ceilings. Ceiling spots can be another warning sign your roof needs repairs. And peeling of interior or exterior paint or wallpaper, sometimes from excessive moisture or high humidity, can be a sign of possible inadequate attic ventilation. If more ventilation is needed, it can be relatively easy and inexpensive to install - even if you don't need a new roof.

u The most common leak sources on the outside include cracks in flashing around the chimney and vents, or worn-out, decayed or missing shingles. Check your gutters for debris, including granules in the gutter. If you find an excessive u A home inspection should amount of granules, it may instart with a check for leaks in dicate aging shingles that

replaced quickly to avoid structural damage to your your home. If any shingles are blistered, decayed or "dirty looking," they need to be replaced, too.

If you find any of these potential problems and are in need of repairs, the first and most important step to take is to find a competent roofing contractor.

Poorly installed or constructed roofing systems waste American homeowners billions of dollars every year, according to GAF Materials Corp. Most risks can be avoided with a professional roofing system that's correctly installed, maintained and/or repaired.

Conducting a thorough

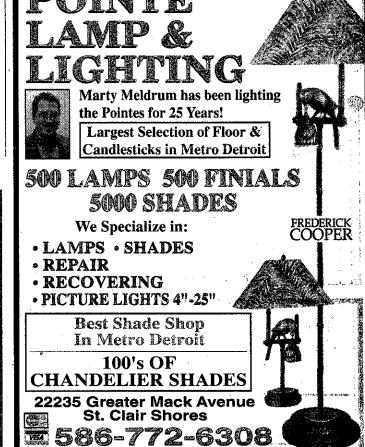
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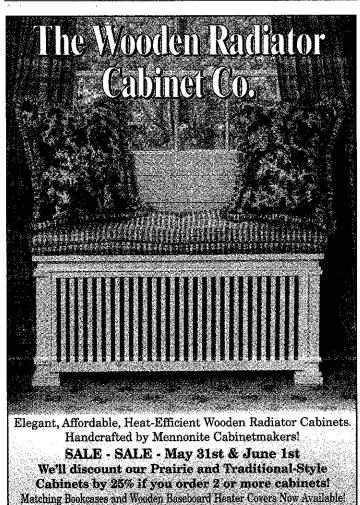
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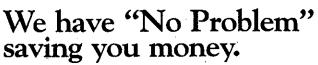
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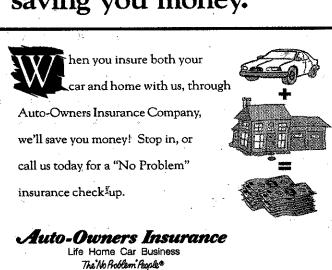




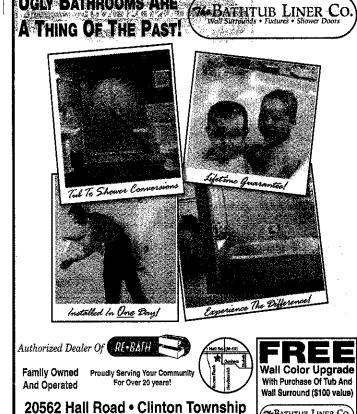




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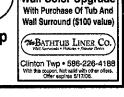


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## 10 tips for tackling remodeling projects

Remodeler Danny Lipford, host of the television show. "Today's Home-owner with Danny Lipford" and resident home improvement expert on The "Weather Channel" and "The CBS Early Show," has identified 10 easy steps to tackling home improvement projects.

"Remodeling your home should be an exciting venture, not a trek through alligator-infested waters," says Lipford, who has operated his Alabama-based remodeling company for more than 20 years. "Knowledge is powerful. Understanding how contractors work and especially how you can work as a team list of at least 10 — and look at

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successful start-to-finish remodeling project."

Based on his extensive remodeling work, Lipford has identified the following tips for homeowners who are overseeing either large or small remodeling projects.

1. The most critical factor in any remodel is your contractor without him or her, nothing happens. First check out whether your candidates have current licenses and insurance, and how reputable they are in business. Next, talk to several past clients — from a

best step towards having a you are comfortable with how this person works with you. Does he or she answer your questions? Pay attention to details? Listen to your wants and concerns?

> 2. It's tempting to go for the lowest price, but this isn't like shopping for an item online or in a store. Every contractor offers a different level of service and skill. In most cases, the lowest bidder is offering the lowest level of these key ingredients — not sufficient for many homeowners when the inevitable complications start piling up.

3. To maintain both your finances and your sanity, don't try to turn your dreams into reality all at once. Stage your project by deciding which things you need to correct first in your house — it may not always be the fun stuff like redoing a kitchen or creating a master bath. Start with proiects that involve the structure including basics like windows and major systems; and then move on to updating finishes.

4. The finishes are what the structure, insulation, and you can do about the former es, and ceiling medallions are

with your contractor is your their work. Finally, make sure electrical, plumbing, and heat- — you don't always know that ing/cooling systems that make your home safe and comfortable long after the finishes wear out. Spend the extra dollar here, and everything else works better. If you don't spend, it is very expensive to go back and correct your mistakes later.

> 5. Windows and exterior doors can be a big part of your remodeling budget, but they aren't the place to cut costs. When you research window options, for instance, look for the brands with the best energy efficiency and lowest maintenance possible. A good example is Simonton Windows, which makes quality vinyl windows that can be used in any climate and can be ordered with Energy Star approval. For both doors and windows, pay attention to how well they operate, how they seal to the weather, and the quality of the hardware used.

6. If you've talked to friends, family or neighbors about their remodeling efforts, you know that the final bill always costs more than the estimate. Why? Undiscovered surprises you'll be showing off to and the "While we're at it..." friends and neighbors, but it's decisions. There's not much

there's an electrical line running through the wall where you wanted an opening - and the latter is laced with both good opportunity and overspending danger.

7. The key to how well your remodeled home will "live" is the new floor plan you create. There are lots of standards that need to be applied that will help you size rooms effectively and create a traffic flow that works. Contractors who work with designers (designbuild firms) are a great source for this information. So are independent designers, who sometimes set up their own offices, but more typically work with a kitchen and bath showroom or even home centers. Architects, though more expensive, should be considered if you're considering major changes to your home.

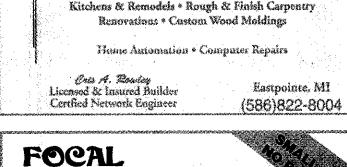
8. Many of today's lookalike materials have been engineered to be better than what they replace. Mediumand high-density fiberboard (MDF and HDF), for instance, are stable, dense substrates used in the best cabinets, furniture, and flooring. Interior trim like moldings, walls nich-

another example. Urethane pieces, like those from Fypon, are lighter in weight and less expensive than plaster, and aren't affected by moisture or insects like the same products available in wood.

9. It's fun to create a kitchen with the latest look, but if you keep the trendiest elements to easily replaceable finishes, it will be easier and less expensive to update in the future. Better yet, use classic materials, styles, and colors throughout the room and updating won't be a topic anytime soon.

10. Contractors, like anyone in business, are anxious to please their customers in order to secure the next payment. It's important to keep this leverage so your contractor's attention doesn't wander. (Remember that you are competing with your contractor's other clients to a degree.) Always withhold 10 to 15 percent of the job cost at the end of the remodel to make sure your contractor completes everything to your satisfac-

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The new growth is usually little red buds or shoots that will turn into new leaves and stems. Don't wait much longer than that or you'll start interfering with flower production. Pruning roses is an art, even

a beginner can do it as long as you follow a few rules. The basic principle for all rose pruning — except climbers — is to direct all growth outward and upward in a regular and even fashion, keeping the center of the rose bush open so air can circulate, thereby preventing disease and allowing in maximum light to produce maximum flowers.

Having the right tool for the job is also essential. Be sure to choose a tool that helps reduce the stress and strain often associated with pruning

15- or 25-inch handles, these pruners feature a narrow profile, even with the handles fully open, so gardeners can reach deep into dense and thorny rose bushes without risking injury.

Tips for pruning

Deciding what to cut out from a rose bush is an art. Follow these steps in order:

1. Cut out all completely dead wood, which is black.

2. Cut out any branches that are rubbing against each other, are crossing each other, or are damaged or diseased.

3. Choose three to six canes shape.

dles are ideal. Available with a at least as thick as a pencil -

nor too thick and old. They should also spread outward from an open center.

4. Cut those "keeper" canes to a height of from 1 to 3 feet, depending on how high you. want your rose to grow that year. As a rule, cut the rose canes about one-fifth as high as the desired mature height of the rose stalks, longer in warm climates (Zones 7 and warmer).

Note: Make the cut at the top of the cane so it's at a 45degree angle and 1/4 inch above an outward-facing bud. This assures that new growth will be outward and upward, creating a healthy, pretty



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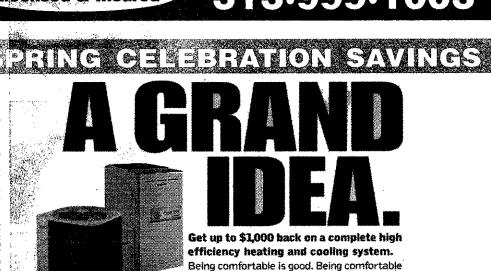
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# Tips to cut your cleaning time

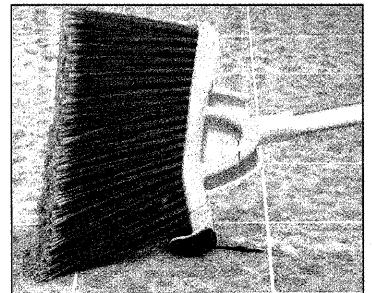
over half of Americans admit clean later. that they feel a sense of accomplishment after cleaning their homes — even though they don't necessarily like having to houseclean. The good news is cleaning doesn't have to be laborious or take loads of

"My advice to people is 'clean smarter, not harder," says Laura Dellutri, author of "Speed Cleaning 101." "By following a few simple tips, you can properly clean your home in less time, thereby freeing you up to do the things you'd rather be doing."

Here are a few speed-cleaning tips from Dellutri:

Keep dirt and grime from accumulating. Did you know that 85 percent of all dirt that comes into the home is on the home so people can wipe their

by home cleaning experts, the amount you'll have to ucts. A cleaning caddy, five- clean 90 percent of the surgallon pail, cleaning apron or



bottom of shoes? By placing supplies nearby while cleanmats at the entrance of your ing. This will shave time off your cleaning routine, because

Have all of your cleaning laundry basket can all be used to transport cleaning supplies from room to room — and they make great storage con-

faces in your home - over your shoulder to save time running back and forth to the sink. Hang smaller cleaning supplies from your belt or the vacuum, or put them in your pockets.

Look for products with "two-in-one" benefits. For example, glass cleaner with disinfectant can be used on a variety of surfaces, thereby eliminating the need for multiple spray cans - and the time to fumble for them. The O-Cedar Power Corner Plus with Scuff Eraser is a great two-in-one cleaning tool, because its 25,000 bristle tips pick up dust and debris quickly, while the built-in scuff eraser eliminates the need to bend down and remove unsightly marks.

Clean from top to bottom. Dust and dirt fall to the floor while you clean, so start at the top to avoid having to reclean shoes, you'll reduce the you won't have to stop to re-tainers. Carry a few damp lower areas twice. For the

According to a recent survey amount of dirt coming in-and trieve missing tools or prod-cloths — which can be used to same reason, always dust first chore — vacuuming, dusting, and vacuum last.

> Don't clean what's already clean. You can shave hours off your routine by cleaning only the dirty areas of furniture, fixtures or appliances, and shining the rest of if with a slightly damp cloth.

Get the whole family involved. Assign everyone in the family a particular cleaning

trash removal, sweeping and have each person complete his or her task in each room of the home. When everyone helps in an organized fashion, the house can be cleaned in practically no

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tices can make your home healthier and more comfortable. But how do you incorporate green materials into your

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green is to look for building materials that are indigenous to your area. For instance, use stone that is quarried local-

· Bamboo and natural cork flooring. These renewable, fast-growing woods are long-lasting and naturally termite-resistant. They come cotton and natural hemp,

· Natural fabrics and car-

• Non-toxic paints, stains, sealants and glues. Look for products that are low in volatile organic compounds, or VOCs. Check a product's la-

bel for VOC information. Energy-efficient lighting. The use of low-voltage lights and newly developed fluorescent lights can help reduce energy use.

 Energy Star appliances. When replacing washers, dryers, refrigerators and dishwashers, look for products with the Energy Star label, which use less energy and help reduce energy costs.

These are relatively simple improvements, but there are more complex improvements you can make to your home

gases that can affect indoor air sults. For instance, you can heat your water using a solar energy system, install energyefficient windows, upgrade your home's insulation, and choose roofing, siding or decking products made from composite or recycled materials.



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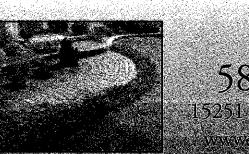
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> Now, thanks to innovative technologies, it's possible to capture this energy, concentrate it, store it and convert it into electricity.

electricity using solar cells. cells were first developed in ing blackouts. the 1950s for use in American

tions to rural electrification. items we use daily, such as calculators, flashlights, radios, landscape lighting and children's toys.

Portable PV units are also available for emergency and Sunlight is converted into disaster use, such as keeping cell phones and small appli-Solar cells are also called pho- ances charged when the user tovoltaic cells (PV). These is away from the grid or dur-

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cient and durable.

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Sunlight isn't only used to generate electricity. It is also used to heat water, which can be used to warm homes and businesses. Solar-powered radiant heating systems run some industrial processes and drive turbines to generate electricity. Many solar thermal technologies have been used in homes for decades and can last more than 15 to

Experts believe that solar energy technologies can benefit this nation in many ways. They have the potential to help diversify this country's energy supply, reduce the dependence on imported fuels, improve air quality, offset greenhouse gas emissions and stimulate the economy by helping to create jobs in the manufacturing and installation of solar energy systems.

For more information, visit eere.energy.gov/solar.

## How safe is your home from electrical dangers?

May is National Electrical electrician to make a thorough use outdoors are plugged into Safety Month and now is a good time to find out how safe your home is from electrical

According to the National Fire Protection Association, each year between 1999 and 2002, nearly 32,000 home fires were caused by faulty house wiring or wiring devices. These fires resulted in 220 deaths, 950 injuries and \$674 million in property damage annually.

There is something you can do to safeguard your home from dangerous electrical hazards. The Leviton Institute recinspection of your house and grounds every 10 years. You yearly inspection a part of your cal shock. regular spring chores.

The following safety inspection check list is offered by the Leviton Institute:

#### **Outdoor GFCIs**

Make sure all outdoor receptacles are protected by Ground Fault Circuit Interrupters (GFCIs) and a weatherproof cover. With warmer weather, are going to start getting a lot of use. Make sure pool pumps, ommends you hire a qualified hot tubs and appliances you ments for these devices this

GFCI-protected outlets. These will safeguard your friends and should also make your own family from dangerous electri-

> GFCIs detect when current is leaking from an electrical circuit to ground and automatically shut off the power at the receptacle. They have saved hundreds of lives since they were first introduced in 1972 according to the National Electrical Safety Foundation.

When choosing a GFCI, it's pools, hot tubs and barbecues important to note that Underwriters Laboratories (UL) is updating its require-

summer. New models will be water source within six feet of introduced that offer greater protection by automatically blocking the reset button (ensuring that no power is available) if they are improperly

All GFCIs produced after July 28 will include these new features, although GFCIs made before then may still be offered for sale after that date.

With both newer and older models, it is important to periodically test (according to the manufacturer's instructions) your installed GFCIs to make sure they are still working properly.

#### Indoor GFCIs

Kitchens, bathrooms, laundry rooms, or any other place around the house that has a

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the receptacle needs GFCI protection. Remember: water and electricity are a potentially deadly combination. Keep appliances like radios or hair dryers away from sinks, tubs, and

#### Faulty wiring devices

Check outlets and switches for cracks, broken parts or loose-fitting plugs. Replace defective devices immediately, as well as those that feel hot to the touch.

#### Overloaded outlets

Make sure outlets are not overloaded. Most household outlets are typically rated around 15-20 amps. Plugging too many appliances into one outlet can exceed that rating and create a fire or shock hazard.

Add ornamental vegetable in your landscape

Visual inspections

Inspect all power cords and extension cords: those showing signs of cracking, fraving or obvious wear should be replaced immediately.

#### **Extension cords**

Never run extensions under rugs, carpets or furniture where damage might occur unseen and start a fire.

Also, to avoid a shock when using an extension cord, always plug the appliance into the extension cord first before plugging the extension cord into the outlet.

#### Light bulbs

Be sure to replace a burnedout light bulb with one that doesn't exceed the recommended wattage for the lamp socket.

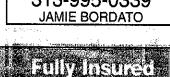
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vary in texture from frilly to crinkled to upright and crisp. Plant them among your spring flowers, such as pansies or violas, or weave them through daffodils and tulips.

Here are some of the most Swiss chard has large, up beautiful vegetables to use to create your own ornamentalkled leaves highlighted by bright red or white stems. The Lettuce comes in many varinew variety Bright Lights is even more colorful, with stems

wherever there's space. It allook great in flowerbeds. ways looks good. Peppers are distinctively up-

leaves, small, attractive flowers and brightly colored fruit. Most peppers turn red as they mature but there are also yellow and purple varieties. Smallfruited varieties look especially good because they produce many bright red peppers. For

something really unusual, try

one of the metallic purple Thai peppers.

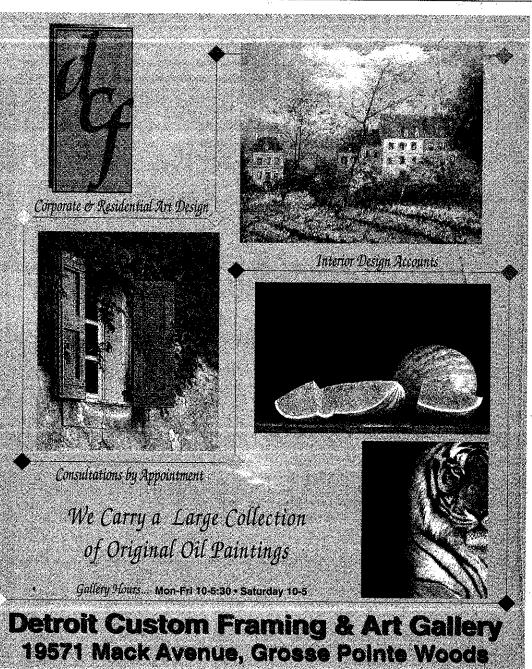
Scarlet runner beans are produced on a vigorous, twining vine that's ideal for growing on a fence or trellis. It produces beautiful scarlet flowers are ong right, deep green, often crin- deep green leaves.

Eggplants come in many shapes, sizes and colors beyond the standard supermarket purple. The purplish leaves and in various shades of yellow, or- flowers are also beautiful, makange, pink, red, purple, green ing it one of the top ornamental and white. Plant Swiss chard edibles, Plants are upright and

Other edibles to consider for an ornamental-edible garden right plants with dark green include kale, cabbage, rhubarb, sweet potatoes and herbs such

as garlic, rosemary and thyme. Most vegetables grow best in full sun and well-drained soil. They also need regular water and fertilizer. To protect against damaging insects, you can use Bayer Advanced Complete Insect Killer for Gardens.





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## Modern skylights improve quality of natural light

you may picture them as unattractive, inefficient, fading plastic bubbles that leak. If so, you're probably thinking of, to paraphrase an old auto commercial, "your father's sky-

According to Joe Patrick, product manager with Velux America, a skylight manufacturer, today's skylights, when properly installed, don't leak. "Matched flashing systems and other improvements have done away with the No. 1 fear that people have who are con-

sidering a skylight is cutting a

When you think of skylights, hole in a perfectly good roof," Patrick says.

> mostly used in bathrooms and kitchens. According to a recent American Standard sursay if they had a choice of accessories for the ultimate dream bathroom, the primary option would be a skylight to bathe the room with more natural light. Add the privacy factor of light from above, plus insufficient daylight. the additional ventilation availgraded one of the most-used home? The research firm

rooms in the home.

Traditionally, skylights are benefits of natural light, there are health-related considerations. Studies show that 20 percent of our population sufvey, American homeowners fers varying degrees of Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD). Individuals with SAD may experience depression, lower energy, an increased appetite, and a need for more sleep. SAD is directly linked to

There are other light-related able with skylights, and you've health considerations. Are quickly and economically up- there older adults in your

McFarland and Fisher reports higher in reading and 20 per-Aside from the aesthetic that to accommodate the adaptation of the aging eye, the amount of light required for visual acuity doubles for each 13 years after the age of Low-E energy-efficient glass, 20. More natural light equals better sight.

> Students perform significantly better in environments that are lit with natural rather than artificial light. A study directed by Heschong Mahone Group, in California, tracked test scores for 21,000 students in California, Colorado and Washington, and found that screening, and automatic rain learning rates were 26 percent

cent higher in math in rooms with the most natural light.

Another plus for today's modern skylight units is their which is durable, reduces external noises, and won't discolor as did older plastic bubble skylights.

Light and heat gain or loss through skylights can be controlled as never before. Electric-venting models are available with remote control, blinds, shades, awnings, insect

Skylights are available with electrochromic glass that can be lightened and darkened by

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homeowners can protect their families is by installing a residential fire sprinkler system. There is no better tool at saving lives and protecting prop-

erty than fire sprinklers. National The Protection Association recently revised its Life Safety Code to require all new oneand two-family homes constructed in the United states to include a fire sprinkler sys-

Tyco Fire and Building Products, recently introduced Rapid Response, the industry's first branded fire sprinkler system designed for homes.

"In 30 years of fire service, I have never pulled a lifeless body out of a home where fire burning toast can set off home. Fire sprinklers are less

One of the best ways new sprinklers were installed," says Roy Marshall, a retired state fire marshal and president of the Residential Fire Safety Institute. "I urge homeowners to ensure the next home they build has a fire sprinkler system. Your family's safety depends on it."

> Still, fire sprinklers fall victim to some common myths:

Myth No. 1. The entire system could go off accidentally and ruin my house. All the sprinklers in a system do not activate at once. Only the sprinklers closest to the fire activate, and quickly suppress the fire while it is still small. In 90 percent of cases, fires are controlled by a single sprinkler.

Myth No. 2: Smoking or

activated by extremely high temperatures, not by smoke. generate enough heat to activate a sprinkler.

Fire sprinklers can save lives in a home fire

Myth No. 3: The water from the sprinkler system will create more damage than a fire. The average property loss in a fire contained by sprinklers is \$2,200, while the average loss in a home fire without sprinklers is \$45,000.

Myth No. 4: Smoke detectors are enough fire protection for my home. Smoke detectors are excellent at detecting smoke and alerting homeowners, but they cannot suppress a fire, as sprinklers can.

Myth No. 5: Fire sprinklers will ruin the look of my new

sprinklers. Fire sprinklers are obtrusive and no more notice- selves in home insurance disable than light switch plates.

Myth No. 6: Fire sprinklers Only a threatening fire can are expensive. A home fire sprinkler system costs roughly 1 to 1.5 percent of the cost of building a new home, or less than \$2 per square foot. Systems often pay for them-

counts over the life of a mortgage.



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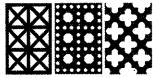




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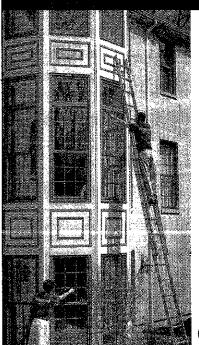
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