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SUNDAY, DEC. 3

◆ A holiday concert featuring Mel Stander and His Gentlemen of Swing will run from 3 to 4:30 p.m. in the Fries Auditorium of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.
 ◆ "Light My Fire," is the theme for the 17th Palmer Woods Holiday Home tour from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tickets for the tour are \$20 and available at the Western District Police Station, 1441 W. Seven Mile. For more information, call (313) 670-0893.

MONDAY, DEC. 4

◆ Grosse Pointe Woods City Council meets at 7:30 p.m. in council chambers, 20025 Mack Plaza.
 ◆ Grosse Pointe Board of Education meets at 8 p.m. in Grosse Pointe South High's Wicking Library.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 6

◆ Don Mayberry and Friends will perform at 8 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, 17150 Maumee. Tickets are \$12 in advance and \$15 at the door. For more information, call (313) 961-1714.
 ◆ Grosse Pointe Shores Planning Commission meets at 8 a.m. in council chambers, 795 Lakeshore.

THURSDAY, DEC. 7

◆ A barbershop a Capella Christmas concert featuring the Lakeshore Chorus, Grosse Pointe South a Capella Singers and Fermata, will be held at 8 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Advance tickets are \$15 for adults, \$8 for students and are available at Posterity — A Gallery in the Village or by calling Al Montag at (313) 881-7517. Tickets at the door are \$18 for adults and \$10 for students.

FRIDAY, DEC. 8

◆ Grosse Pointe South High School Choir, in groups of eight to 10, may be hired between 5:30 and 8:30 p.m. to sing in homes, at parties, nursing homes and hospitals. For more information, call (313) 432-3638 or visit gpsouthchoir.org and look under forms. Reservations must be in by Nov. 30.

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PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Santa comes to town!

For the second year in a row, the jolly old elf, Santa Claus, stole the show with his awesome sleigh pulled by eight flying reindeer. Santa with a load of toys brought up the rear of the annual Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade on the day after Thanksgiving. Spectators young and old lined the sidewalks from the Hill to the Village to see the 130 groups, banners and floats making up the parade, which took more than an hour to pass. More photos are on page 4C.

GROSSE POINTE WOODS

Hollywood residents seek answers

Shots fired have many up in arms

By Bob St. John
 Staff Writer

Residents packed Grosse Pointe Woods' council chambers Nov. 20, hoping to get answers to their questions about shots fired after a Nov. 11 party in the 900 block of Hollywood.

"We're all concerned about this, but I am confident our public safety department, building department and city

administrator are doing everything possible to find out what exactly happened and to make sure it doesn't happen again," Mayor Robert Novitke said.

"Our officers are promptly responding to every call we get. It might have seemed like a long time, but it wasn't," said Woods Public Safety Director Mike Makowski in response to a resident who said it took the police too long to respond to the incident.

According to police records, the call came in at 11:55 p.m. and Woods officers were at the

scene at 11:56 p.m. Grosse Pointe Shores police officers also responded, arriving at 11:57 p.m. after receiving the call at 11:56 p.m.

"Our detectives are talking to folks who were at the party and they're gathering information. We will get to the bottom of this."

Residents said they're concerned about city officials not doing their job, allowing too many people to live in the rental property on Hollywood. In addition, they said the police weren't doing their job

properly.

Woods Building Inspector Gene Tutag said, "We had to do a thorough check of the Hollywood rental property. It is a new house; so there is nothing structurally wrong and the landlord correctly filled out all of his paperwork. At this time, there is no ordinance that is being violated in connection with that property."

Other residents brought up the fire at Grosse Pointe North

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G.P. NORTH H.S.

Arrests made in fire

\$80,000 to \$100,000 damage cited

By Bob St. John
 Staff Writer

Two Grosse Pointe Woods teens face several charges in connection with the Sunday, Nov. 5, fire at Grosse Pointe North High School.

"Today (Tuesday, Nov. 28) at 10:30 a.m., our department arrested one 15-year-old and one

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PHOTO BY BETH QUINN

Let there be art

All people can use a little more art in their lives, from their homes to their offices. The Grosse Pointe Public Library Central Branch's second floor contains a plethora of art you can check out to adorn your home or office. Behind library operations manager Betty Kellogg hangs one of several pieces art that can be checked out for a small fee by patrons. See story on page 1B.

POINTER OF INTEREST

Jazz is an uplifting thing. Generally you come away feeling better.

Jim Ruffner

Home: Grosse Pointe Park
 Age: 75

Family: Wife Trenna; sons Michael and Christopher

Claim to fame: Head of the Grosse Pointe Jazz Forum

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Yesterday's headlines

1956
50 years ago

◆ **FARMS PARKING LOT PLANS ON HOLD:** The Gabriel Richard School District Improvement Association filed suit in Wayne County to block the proposed parking lot expansion into the back section of the school's playground.

The Farms city council had recently announced the expansion, but it met with immediate resistance from parents from the school. The suit claims that since the property is state-owned, the Farms has no right to lease it. Farms officials countered that the city had negotiated a deal with the state board of education to expand onto the site.

◆ **MEN'S NIGHT DRAWS A CROWD:** The Pointe's 11th annual Men's Night drew the largest crowd in its history, with up to 10,000 community males turning out to shop the stores of the Village shopping district in the City of Grosse Pointe.

The event is organized to encourage men to engage in holiday shopping.

◆ **MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY DRIVE NETS RECORD CASH:** Volunteers, mostly Pointe public safety officers, collected more than \$5,000 during the recent fundraiser for Muscular Dystrophy. The amount is three times the amount collected from the previous year.

Twenty-five percent of the collections will be distributed locally, and the remainder will go to the National Muscular Dystrophy headquarters in New York.

◆ **WOODS, DETROIT OFFICIALS TO MEET:** Engineers from Grosse Pointe Woods and the Detroit Water Board are scheduled to meet to see if they can work out an agreement regarding the proposed transfer of the city's water supply station.

The proposed transfer, from



PHOTO BY TOM GREENWOOD

1981:
Braking
away

Grosse Pointe Farms Cpl. Otto Glannert surveys the damage after a car smashed through a display window of a Cadillac showroom on Mack. The driver, a City of Grosse Pointe resident, said his brakes failed and the car accelerated over the curb into the plate glass fronting of the building. No one was injured and no citations given. Glannert was the first officer on the scene.

the Northeast Pumping Station on Eight Mile to Waterworks Park on E. Jefferson, has met with resistance from Woods council members.

1981
25 years ago

◆ **PARK RESIDENTS SEEK FEE RELIEF:** Residents from Grosse Pointe Park, who pooled their funds to fight off a state home for the mentally impaired, have petitioned the Park for help paying more than \$10,000 in legal fees. The lawsuit successfully stopped the state's Department of Social Services plan to purchase a home on Bedford to house six mentally impaired adults.

The Park council said it would consider the request if the residents could find a loop-

hole in the city charter that will allow it to make payments.

◆ **WOODS MAN BOUND OVER FOR TRIAL:** Allegedly involved with up to 13 armed robberies, a Grosse Pointe Woods man was ordered to stand trial for two of the crimes.

The man, suspected in other eastside armed robberies, was arrested Nov. 4 following a raid on his house on Mack. During the raid, police found 19 knives, two sets of metallic knuckles, a revolver and a shotgun.

◆ **PRIVATE SCHOOLS SEEK ACCESS TO CABLE TV:** Non-public schools from the Pointes and Harper Woods are seeking access to the new medium called cable television. The purpose is to promote and encourage the medium by member schools; to coordinate the training of faculty and students in television production

techniques; and to produce television programs under its supervision.

1996
10 years ago

◆ **FIRE DESTROYS PARK HOME:** Despite public safety officers best efforts, a fire engulfed and destroyed a home on Maryland in the early hours of Nov. 20.

Fire officials believe the fire was started in the home's fireplace and it went out of control. No one was hurt in the blaze, but an elderly woman, who started the fire, was taken into protective custody for a mental examination.

◆ **STATE LOBBYIST SOUGHT TO PROTECT LOCAL INTERESTS:** Several Pointes cities are considering

the retention of a full-time lobbyist in Lansing to promote local interests. Grosse Pointe Farms officials like the idea, but have so far balked at the plan.

The cost of a lobbyist would be about \$25,000 a year. Pointe officials like the idea because hiring a lobbyist last year effectively blocked the state's plan to abolish the area's municipal court system.

◆ **SCHOOL AUDIT RETURNS CLEAN:** The annual audit of the Grosse Pointe Public School System's finances resulted in a "clean report" with only a few minor recommendations.

The accounting firm recommended the district comply with a federal regulation that FICA and federal withholdings be electronically deducted monthly rather than being sent through the mail.

tract from the beauty of the park, and ground any future plans to further enhance the area.

Council members also said the park is quickly becoming a year-round facility, with walking, cross-country skiing and sledding.

◆ **COMMITTEE SUGGESTED FOR LIBRARY'S EXPANSION:** With proposals in for the construction of new library branches for the Park and Woods, an oversight committee has been proposed to supervise the activity.

The role of the committee during the construction would be to advise on the overall direction and basic parameters of the design and construction programs and to submit for final approval budgets and contracts to the board of trustees.

2001
5 years ago

◆ **CITY COURT, POLICE TO SEPARATE:** The City of Grosse Pointe's municipal court moved from the public safety building to city hall. The move was made to afford both departments more room. In addition, several residents expressed concern over paying parking fines to public safety officials who issued them.

The move includes a new judge's chamber next to the courtroom.

◆ **WOODS SAYS NO TO WINTER BOAT STORAGE:** To help maintain the beauty of Lake Front Park in Grosse Pointe Woods, the city council has rebuked any suggestions that the marina be reserved for storing boats in the winter. Council members said that having boat stored would sub-

FIRE: Youths
turned over
to the county

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16-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods resident (also Grosse Pointe North students) for the crimes of arson, malicious destruction of property, and larceny from a motor vehicle," Grosse Pointe Woods Department of Public Service Director Mike Makowski said. "The two youths were photographed, fingerprinted, and turned over to the Wayne County Juvenile authorities."

Responding firefighters found a section of the roof over the new school addition on fire. The fire was quickly extinguished. The school sustained moderate damage to the roof and two classrooms, Makowski said.

The fire-cause investigation indicated that road flares were used to start the fire. Several road flares had been ignited and placed at different roof locations but only one area began burning.

"Our subsequent investigation revealed that juveniles were involved in the incident," Makowski added. "Road flares were stolen from University Liggett School buses and one mailbox was burned by a flare prior to the fire being started at the high school."

"I want to thank all of our firefighters who responded to the scene, Grosse Pointe Woods Fire Inspector Jim Lafer, Grosse Pointe Shores Fire Inspector Bill Nicholson, our detectives, (Detective Sgt.) Andrew Pazuchowski, Kevin Bonk, Dan Koerber, Wayne County Prosecutor's Office Juvenile Division for their cooperation and the staff at GP North High School," Makowski said. "We organized and worked on the case together. The information came together quickly. Everything is out of our hands now and the case is in the hands of the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office Juvenile Division."



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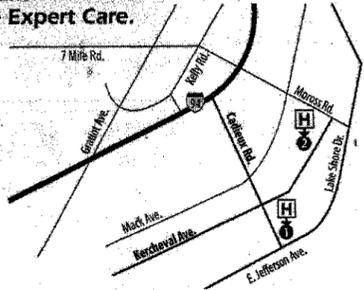
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City of Grosse Pointe Mayor Dale Scrace, right, took time to make a congratulatory toast with Kercheval Place principal Frank Torrey. Fittingly on Wednesday, Nov. 22, the day before Thanksgiving, City officials, Village merchants and residents attended a ribbon cutting marking the opening of two stores in the former Jacobson's building.

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE

Kercheval Place outpaces Jacobson's long shadow

By John Lundberg
Staff Writer

The redevelopment of Kercheval Place in the City of Grosse Pointe received a formal kickoff with a ribbon-cutting ceremony and reception Wednesday, Nov. 22.

Officials from the city and Kercheval Place property owners promised a new era of cooperation after several previous plans for redevelopment failed.

"There are some old wounds here that will be healed tonight," said Cullan Meathe, developer from Grosse Pointe St. Clair Associates. "We are looking forward to the next 100 years of good tenancy and good relations."

The city council formally agreed to the redevelopment plan at its last council meeting. Under the agreement, the city will be responsible for demolishing the existing parking deck and constructing a new one behind the former Jacobson's department store, said Peter Dame, city manager.

The new garage is planned to have two stories, with level ground floor parking to accommodate a specialty grocery store, which is tentatively slated to be Trader Joe's East.

Total cost to the city is expected to be \$3.5 million, which will be paid by city-wide parking revenues.

The developer is obligated under the agreement to refurbish the entire building, Dame said. In addition, it will pay the city \$100,000 to use city-owned



Those attending the Kercheval Place open house enjoyed wine and food in the floorspace that may be taken by specialty grocer Trader Joe's at the rear of the former Jacobson's building in the Village, provided a new parking deck is built and other provisions met.

property behind the building, which is now primarily used as a loading dock. There are also plans to have a collection area there for grocery carts.

"We're ready to roll," said Frank Torrey, principal developer. "We plan to hit the ground running."

The developer is also responsible to make that area a "nice, decorative walkway" to match the current streetscape in the area, Dame said. The developer is responsible for the area's continued maintenance, he added.

The city has hired Rich & Associates of Detroit, an architectural firm specializing in municipal parking garages, to design the new facility.

Construction will not begin until an executed lease agree-

ment is reached with the specialty grocer, Dame said.

"This is a great night for the Village and the city," said Mayor Dale Scrace.

So far, two retailers have committed to setting up shop at Kercheval place: Coldwater Creek, which opened in September, Jos. A. Banks, which opened its doors Nov. 20. Traders Joe's East has signed a letter of intent to occupy the rear part of the building, but has not yet signed a lease

agreement. Dame said he hopes that will be formalized soon.

Meathe singled out Scrace, the city council and the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce for their efforts in reaching an agreement.

"They did a terrific job embracing this project," he said. "Speaking for Frank and I, this was the right thing to do for the community."

"And we look forward to paying taxes."

GROSSE POINTE FARMS

Downspout disconnects to be checked

By John Lundberg
Staff Writer

The city of Grosse Pointe Farms will begin exterior inspections of houses to comply with the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality Stormwater Separation Program.

The program, enacted in 1999, requires the elimination of all roof drain downspouts from homes and businesses that are directly connected to a sanitary sewer.

Shane Reeside, Farms city manager, said inspectors initially canvassed the neighborhoods after the Farms city council adopted the disconnect project. The current inspection is part of the city's goal to ensure complete compliance.

"The objective is to reduce the amount of storm water entering the sanitary sewer system," Reeside said. "Storm water that enters the system has to be treated."

"Not only is this good for the environment, but it saves resources."

The inspections are planned because city officials from the Public Service Department have noticed that some houses have re-connected their previously disconnected downspouts.

Reeside said some of these reconnections could be "not intentional," but made by homeowners who have put in new gutter systems and were not aware of the regulations. He also said that some non-complying homes could have been missed in earlier inspections.

The inspections will be conducted by the city's

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City Manager Shane Reeside

Department of Public Services. Director Terry Brennan could not be reached for comment.

Reeside said that some homes will be exempt from the program's requirements because downspouts are "necessary to avoid hazardous water running over walkways and driveways."

The inspections are to be random and the inspector will not have to enter any homes. A general inspection will include checking the downspouts, grading and the placement of downspouts. The purpose is to ensure that storm water is being properly drained away from the house.

Regulation compliance requires that storm water must be directed away from the house by using downspout extensions and splash blocks. In addition, houses should have proper grading and landscaping to prevent the trapping of water in and around the house.

Winter inspections allow corrections to be made prior to the spring rains.

SHOTS: Why are suspects still in school?

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High School saying they're disgusted that the three juvenile students are still attending classes.

"You have to take that up with the school board, not with city officials," Novitke said. "We can't answer for what is a

school matter. Our school officials are the best source for those answers."

Novitke invited the residents to come back for the Dec. 18 council meeting, adding city officials should have more concrete news on the Hollywood incident.

"Director Makowski and his staff will find out who shot that weapon into the air," Novitke said. "We want everyone to know Grosse Pointe Woods is a safe community and we will do our best to make sure our residents feel safe at all times."



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POINTER OF INTEREST

With a science background and a love of jazz, Grosse Pointe Park's **Jim Ruffner** uses both sides of his brain and sees the world in more than black and white.

Jazz Forum led by man of science

By Carrie Cunningham
Special Writer

Jim Ruffner has relished jazz for more than 60 years, and he compares the art form as his own child growing up in America. The child embraces love and endures hardships, and grows through success, failure and experimentation. Like America, the child is spontaneous and forever changing.

As head of the Jazz Forum in Grosse Pointe, Ruffner shares his love of jazz with area residents by means of concerts held six times a year. Local musicians play once a month at the Unitarian Church in October, November, December, March, April and May. Some of the local jazz artists that perform include Marion Hayden, George Benson, Matt Michaels and Charlie Gabriel.

Ruffner has had a scientific career for the bulk of his life. He attended Ohio State University and earned a Bachelor of Science in physics. He then went to the University of Michigan, where he earned

a master's degree in meteorology, and later a Ph.D. in the history of science from Indiana University.

With his vast knowledge of science, Ruffner worked as a meteorologist for the Air Force during the Korean War and afterwards as a science teacher at the now defunct Monteith College at Wayne State University.

He then served as a librarian at the science and engineering library at Wayne State, retiring nearly 10 years ago.

Listening and exploring jazz always coincided with Ruffner's scientific career, and he sees similarities between both entities.

"You've got to have bright ideas," he said. "It's a matter of being immersed in a particular way of dealing with reality."

Ruffner was introduced to jazz as a high school student working as a band promoter in Ohio. He discovered he adored the art form.

When he moved to Detroit after his stint in the Air Force, he attended many clubs in the area where jazz artists performed their music with pas-

sion and emotion. He said he thinks Detroit has been an integral part of the growth of jazz. Musicians such as the Jones brothers, Milt Jackson, Kenny Burrell and Yusef Latif played in the city.

When musicians trained for jazz, Ruffner says Detroit delivered great results.

"There was a first-class musical education system in the city. Money went into musical education. People had private teachers (as well as education at) Cass Tech and Northern High School," he said.

While some musicians left the city in the 1950s to perform on the road, many came back to raise families. They subsequently played at clubs like the Blue Bird Inn.

Ruffner said he has followed and appreciated jazz musicians across the nation in addition to ones from Detroit. Some of his favorites include Miles Davis, Louis Armstrong, Duke Ellington and Count Basie. Swing and bebop are his favorite styles of jazz.

In terms of race relations, the evolution of jazz has mirrored the reality of America,

Ruffner said. African American jazz musicians who were talented were embraced by both blacks and whites and thereby achieved a part of the American Dream.

Paradoxically, they faced discrimination when, for instance, they played in hotels but were barred from staying over night.

This contradiction played out in the course of jazz history and is recounted by Ruffner as well as Ken Burns in his documentary, "Jazz," and author Eric Hobsbawm in his book, "Jazz Scene."

Jazz musicians enchanted white audiences at places like the segregated Cotton Club in Harlem, N.Y., and after long nights of performing, they would go to a black club such as the Minton or a quiet place away from the crowds to freely experiment and develop their art.

"The artist (would) take somebody's idea and embellish and make it their own," Ruffner said. "There were a lot of influences."

The idea of improvisation and transforming the music

'(Jazz) is an uplifting thing. Generally you come away feeling better after hearing a good performance.'

JIM RUFFNER,
Grosse Pointe Park

was a central way the art form grew and flourished. Jazz had genius performers, and the art form became an apotheosis of the human condition.

While jazz songs about love, hope and relationships thrilled jazz's public, other actions and songs challenged the racism African Americans had to endure.

Singer Bessie Smith, known as the Empress of the Blues, was playing in North Carolina in the 1920s when the Ku Klux Klan approached her. Unintimidated, she ran toward the Klan members and they fled.

Billie Holiday, one of the best known female jazz performers, also engaged in social protest when she sang

"Strange Fruit," a song about the lynching of blacks.

"It was daring," Ruffner said about Holiday's performance. "It was recorded (but) banned from the radio."

The performing of music about love and sadness, acceptance and discrimination, hope and despair and good and bad seems to integrate the music, making it transcendent. It reflects America with its well-coming promise and painful flaws.

Ruffner sees and hears the polarities within the music, favoring its happy emotions and bearing songs about the ill treatment of African Americans.

While he is opinionated about the social context of jazz, Ruffner mostly favors the musical genre for its entertaining value, as art for art's sake.

"(Jazz) is an uplifting thing. Generally you come away feeling better after hearing a good performance," he said.

Like a growing American child, jazz is still nascent and evolving, qualities that ensure the art form will last in the future.

John and Marlene Boll Family YMCA

By Margie Reins Smith
Special Writer

Kenji Jumanne-Marshall, a Detroit artist and part-time teacher at the College for Creative Studies, welcomed Antonio Stewart, 11, and Joshua Stewart, 9, to his Monday afternoon class in cartooning at the downtown Detroit's new Boll Family YMCA.

Antonio's favorite cartoon characters are SpongeBob SquarePants and Jimmy Neutron. The boys peered over Jumanne-Marshall's shoulders as he sketched a cartoon figure on paper.

"Cartooning is one of the most popular classes here,"

Jumanne-Marshall said. "The first thing we do is identify their interest and skill levels. Then we work on the kinds of cartoons they like."

He teaches two classes of young people: a group of 4- to 10-year-olds and a group of 11- to 17-year-olds.

In another part of the new \$32 million, 100,000-square-foot building at the intersection of Broadway and Grand River, kindergarten teacher Abbie Pavlov encouraged Cherish Pitman, 4, to join the other children at a small table for a snack of sliced apples and oranges. Cherish came to the table in a yellow raincoat and a bright red fireman's hat.

In another wing of the build-

ing, preschoolers were napping under the watchful care of their teacher, Beverly Jones, and Lisa Rankin, director of child development.

Teenagers and young adults drifted into the Boll Y's glass-walled three-story lobby, carrying gym bags and athletic shoes. As the afternoon wore on, parents escorted younger children to after-school activities.

Members may choose from a variety of activities: swimming, basketball, volleyball, African dance, ballroom dance, jazz dance, creative drama, family art, digital photography, ceramics, Pilates, introduction to improvisation, yoga, fashion design, painting, Web design, music technology, film making and more. Parenting workshops will soon be offered, and a drop-in center for teens is in the planning stages. Most classes run seven weeks. The Y's busiest week hours are from 4 to 8:30 p.m.

The Boll Family YMCA has been open for business since last December. Grosse Pointe Shores residents Marlene and John Boll's names are on the

building because of their generous gifts, their solid, practical input and their desire for fostering activities that strengthen families and build bodies, minds and spirits.

"Although we were not a part of the original planning phases of the YMCA, we were excited to hear of the opportunity to support them," John Boll said. "The C in YMCA stands for Christian and (the YMCA's) mission statement is to put Christian principals into practice."

"Because the YMCA is a Christian organization and also involves the arts, we felt that it was an organization we wanted to be part of," he said. "We also saw this as an opportunity to participate in the growth and renewal of downtown Detroit."

In spite of the Y (young) and the C (Christian) in its title, YMCAs welcome people of all faiths and ethnic backgrounds. The Y's Web site states that the organization is for all ages, races, genders, faiths, abilities and income levels.

"I'm excited about our programs," said Bridgett Lomax,



PHOTO BY MARGIE REINS SMITH

John and Marlene Boll of Grosse Pointe Shores have contributed funds, time and energy to Detroit's newest YMCA. "Our family has been blessed," John Boll said. "We hope our gift will bless others."

vice president of arts, humanities and culture for the Boll Family YMCA. "We're offering a hybrid of fine arts and higher-end crafts at the Boll Family Y. Until now there was no arts center in downtown Detroit. Now we can fill that bill."

"We need to get the word out," she said.

The Boll Family Y has an NBA-sized basketball court, two courts for racquetball and squash, a four-lane 25-meter pool, a water-play area for younger children, a running track, a 38-foot high rock climbing wall, fitness studios, a child development center, a theater that seats 200 people, rooms for art and ceramics classes and a members' lounge with wireless Internet accessibility. A cafe featuring soups and sandwiches will open soon.

Lomax said the new Boll Y currently has about 2,000 members. "We'd like to increase that to 4,000," she said. "Most members are Detroiters, but we have some from the suburbs as well."

Emphasis

The Boll Family Y emphasizes activities that families can participate in together. Marlene and John Boll said they favor programs that strengthen existing families, support new families and improve relationships among family members. They recently celebrated their 52nd wedding anniversary. They're parents of three; grandparents of nine.

"Our family has been

blessed," John Boll said. "We hope our gift will bless others."

"Marlene has many fond memories of going to the YMCA as a young girl," he said. "She would take a bus to her local Y and enjoy the many activities, especially swimming. And, after we were married, I volunteered to be a board member for the YMCA."

John Boll founded Chateau Estates, a development company for communities of manufactured homes. In 1993, Chateau Estates went public and became Chateau Properties Inc., a Real Estate Investment Trust that is listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

Marlene Boll grew up in New Jersey and was trained as a dancer. She was a member of the Radio City Music Hall Rockettes in New York City. The Marlene Boll Theater, which seats up to 200 people, is part of the new Boll Y. Its name is a tribute to Marlene's theatrical background.

Before giving a gift to a specific organization, the Bolls said they consider their choices carefully.

"First off, we want to give to an organization that is Christ-centered," John Boll said. "That is where our hearts truly lie. We then pray about it and discuss it at great length before we make a decision."

John Harris, YMCA district vice president and the new Boll Y's executive director, said, "This is a destination where people of all ages can share experiences and learn new things," he said.

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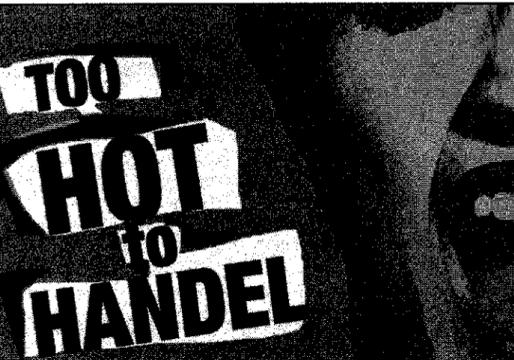
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—Lynn, via e-mail.

A. No one has more influence over your child's motivation than you. Your actions can help your daughter develop a "can do" attitude.

Here are some ways you can motivate your daughter that will lead to success in school — and in life:

◆ Teach your daughter to set goals for herself. Start small. For young children, goals might include tying their own shoes or learning to spell their

names. Older children may want to learn a list of spelling words or learn how to ride a bike. Celebrate each success. Remember — kids who feel successful in one area are more willing to try to learn something else.

◆ Buy an inexpensive photo album for your daughter. Help her use it as a place to store awards, ribbons, honor roll certificates and photos of school events. When she puts something in the album, talk with her about how proud you are of her accomplishment.

◆ Talk about schoolwork every day. Ask your daughter questions about the school day. Try to be specific: "What was the funniest thing that happened in school today?" Then really listen to her answers. When you show an interest in schoolwork, she will pay more attention so she can share her experiences.

◆ Give your daughter your undivided attention. The time you spend listening and talking with her will make her feel good about herself — and encourage her to do her best.

◆ Show your appreciation. Children try harder when they know their parents appreciate hard work. You can show your appreciation with words of encouragement.

When your daughter feels motivated, not only will she do her schoolwork (and her household jobs) without a lot of nagging, she will do better in school, try her best and enjoy the challenge of learning something new.

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Newbery Medal winner connects with fans

By Beth Quinn
Staff Writer

You can't judge a book by its cover.

Case in point: bestselling and award-winning children's author, Christopher Paul Curtis, looks and acts like a regular guy. But perhaps he is just a regular guy who is extremely talented in writing novels that delight readers, both young and old.

When he was in town on Wednesday, Nov. 15, for a Grosse Pointe Public Library appearance in the Pierce Middle School auditorium, he proved that he is also extremely talented at connecting with people, both young and old.

At the Ewald branch library before his appearance, Curtis met with a group of middle school children who read his bestselling book, "The Watsons Go to Birmingham, 1963" in a discussion group facilitated by the library in anticipation of his visit.

If asked to pick the famous author among the crowd, one might not pick Curtis clad in a plaid flannel shirt and blue jeans quietly chatting with students while munching on a sandwich and potato chips.

He broke the ice with the children who were initially shy meeting the famous author. He good-naturedly teased one tall and lanky boy about his height. He also interjected little anecdotes about his family and himself.

"When I was in sixth grade, I wore a size 12 shoe," he said. "I looked like an 'L'."

During his talk, he connected with the audience of approximately 300 fans by telling funny stories about his life, demonstrating he was an ordinary guy who has succeeded in a very competitive field.

"I followed a dream I had and a lot of wonderful things happened because of that," Curtis said.

The Flint native demonstrated how he would attach doors to cars during his 13 years working on an automobile assembly line. He and his friend devised a plan in which they would alternate installing doors and taking a break in 30-minute intervals.

"I was very lucky. I found out that if I sat down for that half hour -- first I would read and I learned to love books. I was always a good reader, but I was never a book person," Curtis said. "Then I would

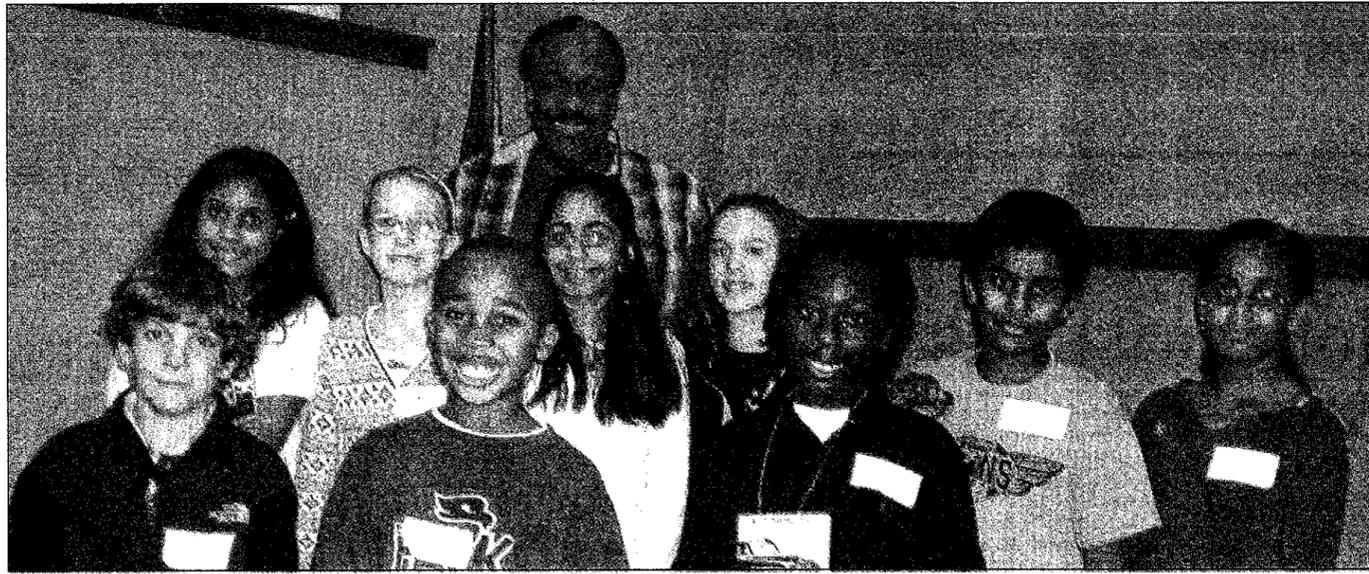


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Children's author Christopher Paul Curtis met with a book group of Grosse Pointe students who discussed his award-winning book, "The Watsons Go to Birmingham, 1963," prior to Curtis's Nov. 15 appearance sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Public Library. Front row, left are Andrew Cornwall, Anthony Green and Myles-Amir Harlen. Back row, left are Mariah Patrick, Elizabeth Marck, Leena Raza, Hannah Awraut, Bobby Mulpuri and Maya Patrick.

think 'I think I can write better than this,' and I was really lucky because I found out that if I was sitting down and writing, time went really quickly for me. I was practicing writing and I didn't even know it.

"I tell young people all the time, you got to write every day. You need to practice everyday. It's like everything. It's like dribbling a basketball. At first it doesn't bounce right but, slowly and incrementally, it gets better and better every day."

Curtis credits his wife, Kay Curtis, as the one who saw his potential to be an author and who encouraged him to take a year off work to write a book.

"I would go to the Windsor Public Library and I would sit in the children's section. I would write every day," he said. "In a rare burst of good sense, I said to myself 'you have to look at this as a job.' Every day, rain or shine, I was in that library, sitting down writing."

During that year, he wrote his first novel, "The Watsons Go To Birmingham," which received both a Newbery Honor and the Coretta Scott King Medal awards.

Curtis said when people ask him which of his books is favorite, he says "The Watsons."

"Because of that book, I am not longer working in a warehouse unloading trucks," he said.

Curtis went on to defy the odds when his second novel, "Bud, Not Buddy," once again

won the King award and the top prize in children's literature -- the Newbery Medal Award.

He told a humorous anecdote about meeting J.K. Rowling, author of the Harry Potter series, when they were both speaking at a Washington, D.C. book conference. While they were in the green room waiting to go on stage, his wife approached and introduced herself to Rowling.

"I was gloating a little. There was a two-hour period on Amazon.com right after the Newbery's were announced that "Bud, Not Buddy" outsold all the Harry Potter books, so I figured she

should come and say 'hello' to me," he said. "She didn't so I finally went over and introduced myself."

Curtis said he told Rowling, the wealthiest woman in England, about an old tradition among African American authors "to show mutual admiration for one another was that we exchange our next royalty check."

"I'm still waiting." Curtis ended his talk by reading a chapter from his newest book "Mr. Chickee's Funny Money."

Afterwards, he signed copies of his books for fans who stood in a line that weaved around the auditorium aisles.

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EDITORIAL

Just in time for Christmas

With the ribbon-cutting last week for Kercheval Place, the former Jacobson's building, it appears a four-year saga is finally coming to an end.

Jacobson's, the former upscale retail department store, was a fixture in the City of Grosse Pointe for decades before it closed Aug. 30, 2002, due to bankruptcy.

With the venerable store's closing, so ended a Grosse Pointe tradition. To many merchants, the Jacobson's closing also doomed the Village, a shopping destination and threatened their livelihood.

With the Jacobson's stores on the block through U.S. bankruptcy court, purchasers were sought. The top bidder for the Grosse Pointe store was Rhode Island-based CVS Pharmacy, which offered \$10.7 million for the property.

CVS then proceeded to attract several development partners, hoping to rebuild the site for retail, office and condominiums. When all proposals failed to materialize, a new suitor, Cullan Meathe of Grosse Pointe Farms, along with partner Frank Torrey, offered to buy the property from CVS for an undisclosed amount.

Under the guise of Grosse Pointe St. Clair Associates LLC, Meathe and Torrey also hoped to fulfill CVS' former plans of a mixed-use development, dubbed Kercheval Place, topped off with condominiums. But, again, the numbers did not add up.

Initially, Grosse Pointe St. Clair Associates requested the city build a new, \$10 million parking deck to replace the two-decade-old structure. The developer also wooed several residential development partners with, apparently, none willing to say "I do."

The city council wisely refused to commit to the \$10 million parking deck proposal as too costly for the city and its taxpayers.

Those early fits and starts were under the direction of Mr. Meathe, who was apparently the go-to guy with Grosse Pointe St. Clair Associates. However, earlier this year it seems the other Kercheval Place partner, Mr. Torrey, took charge and things started to happen.

First, a lease was signed with womens clothier Coldwater Creek, which opened a store in September at the Notre Dame and Kercheval entrance of the former Jacobson's building. Joseph A. Banks, a mens clothing store, just opened at the opposite entrance at St. Clair.

During the summer, Grosse Pointe St. Clair Associates began knocking out openings in the front and back facades for windows and doorways for new retail and office tenants.

Also, specialty grocer Trader Joe's has signed a letter of intent to open an eastside store in Kercheval Place, subject to the city providing flat parking to accommodate grocery carts.

To that end, the city council at its last meeting approved a development agreement with Grosse Pointe St. Clair Associates that calls for the City to raze the existing parking structure and build a new, two-level, 225-space deck.

The developer will pay a one-time \$100,000 fee to use municipal property for a loading dock and will maintain the city-owned rear walkway, D'Hondt Way. The cost to the City is to not exceed \$4.013 million, and will be paid out of the City's parking fund.

The agreement calls for the City to begin construction on the new parking deck by July 7 or the development agreement will be voided. But the City will need to place a bond referendum before voters at its next regularly scheduled election, which most likely will not be until the primary election in August, if needed. If a special election is needed, the developer must pay the \$7,000 cost of holding the unscheduled vote.

The development agreement also includes a laundry list of some 200 acceptable tenants for Kercheval Place. The list includes the usual suspects seen in any upscale shopping mall across the country.

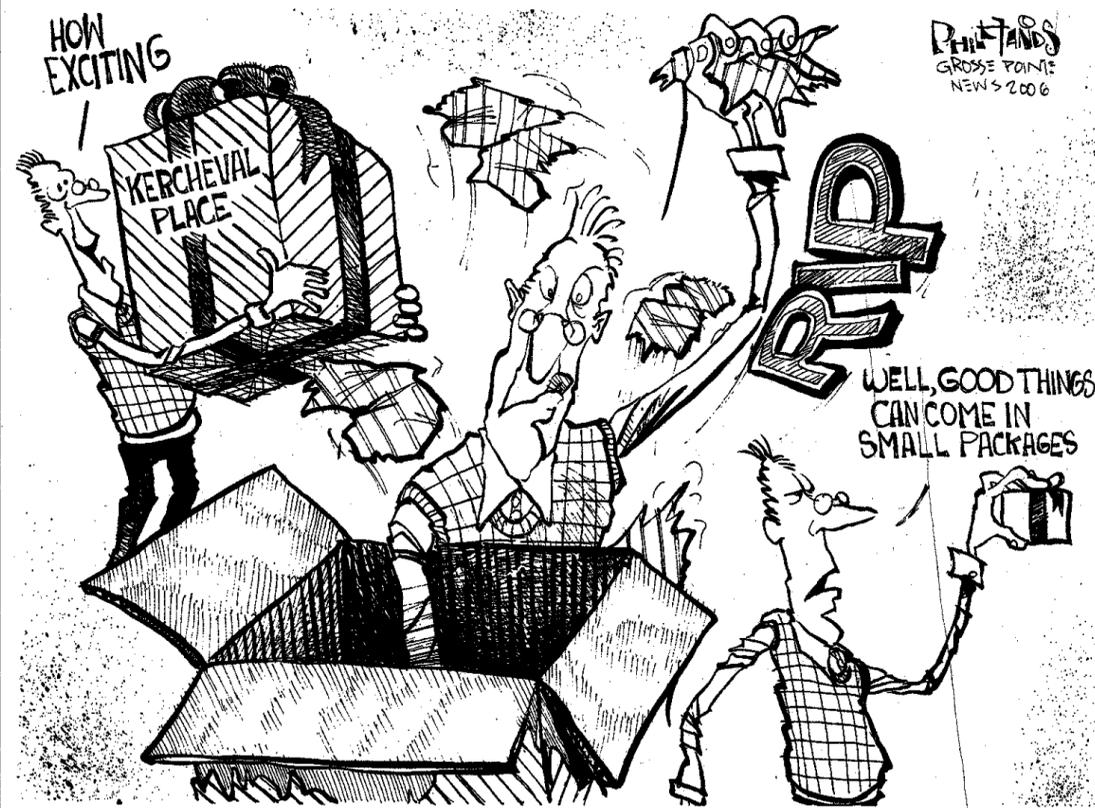
There is also a list of prohibited retail tenants, including beauty salons, check cashing operations, discount and outlet stores, FedEx Kinko's, massage parlors, shipping and mailing stores, tanning salons, yoga studios and office supply stores.

The redevelopment of the former Jacobson's building could have been started four years ago. Much of the blame for delay, and the resulting blight in the Village of a vacant block, goes to CVS for paying too much for the property to begin with and then trying to overdevelop the site.

Grosse Pointe St. Clair Associates then prolonged the process by trying to do the same thing with inadequate funds and, almost, on the backs of City taxpayers. Fortunately, the city council rejected the \$10 million plan and instead accepted the more modest — and doable — \$4 million proposal.

In any case, it is good to see things getting accomplished in the heart of the Village. It bodes well for the holiday shopping season and the longterm future of Grosse Pointe.

PHIL HANDS



LETTERS

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Crossroads Soup Kitchen thanks

To the Editor:

On Nov. 19, 1,000 hungry men, women and children enjoyed a delicious turkey dinner at the Crossroads Soup Kitchen, thanks to the generosity of hundreds of people, most from the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods.

This year marked our 10th pre-Thanksgiving dinner at Crossroads, located in Detroit's midtown area. We are thankful for the outpouring of love, time and talent given without hesitation by so many in this community.

Prior to the dinner, the Grosse Pointe News printed an article detailing our project and need for turkeys to be donated. As in the past, the response was incredible. Not only did

we have enough meat to serve large portions to every dinner guest that day, we also were able to bag up the remaining turkey and distribute it to clients in our social service unit on Monday. This was a tremendous gift for those living on such meager budgets that any meat is a luxury.

The Kordas family, Grosse Pointe residents and owners of Metropolitan Baking Company, graciously provided 1,100 bread rolls for the dinner. We are extremely grateful for this very generous donation. And, Farmer Jack Food Emporium, again, came through with 125 pumpkin pies at a very attractive price. Bakery manager, Lynette, as well as store employees Joe, Bob and Caroline made light work of our job of picking up

and packing so many pies into our cars. We have counted on the Farmer Jack crew for many years, and they never let us down.

Most of our volunteers have worked with us time and time again. However, we always welcome some new friends to the ranks.

All work hard to provide the determination and spirit that make this huge project a success each year. They cook and donate turkeys; help collect food; offer storage space; provide transportation to haul the food to Crossroads' kitchen; show up in the early morning to prepare the meal; stand for hours in our hot, cramped kitchen serving the food, washing dishes; and, as always, they treat our guests with compassion, dignity and respect.

Each year we are amazed at the outpouring of generosity given by so many involved in pulling this meal together.

The current economic situation in Detroit is dire. Thousands of people who struggle daily just to survive are facing ever more difficult challenges as unemployment, a lack of affordable health care, and the rising costs of just about everything leave them with precious few resources.

In too many cases, food is a

scarce commodity. Oftentimes, we have seen young men and women rummaging through the trash bins in Crossroads' parking lot, looking for discarded food. Shamefully, half of Detroit's children live in poverty. The physical and emotional effects of extreme hardship at such a young age can last a lifetime. The coming winter will only increase the heartache of those with not enough food, inadequate shelter, too few clothes, and frostbite a constant threat.

With this in mind, it was an inspiration to see such a spirit of giving on Nov. 19.

The Detroit metro area is well known for its generosity, and at Christmastime we are especially aware of the needs of the poor.

It is our hope, however, that those of us who have been blessed with abundant gifts will remember that poverty and despair know no season. Need exists all year long.

We are proud to have had an opportunity to work with the many, many friends and neighbors who gave so selflessly to our Thanksgiving project. Thank you. We couldn't do it without you.

YOLANDA AND CHARLIE TURNER
Grosse Pointe Farms

GUEST EDITORIAL By John Palffy

Teacher compensation reform

If the Grosse Pointe Board of Education handles next year's teacher negotiations as well as it did the high school trimester proposal, then we might as well just hand over the district checkbook to the Michigan Education Association (MEA) and cram more kids into each classroom.

Trimesters are the kind of dramatic reform Proposal A demands, but the board tried to rush it through, failed to sell its merits to key constituencies and then caved to mob democracy.

Historically, the teachers' union has been masterful in persuading parents to support their demands for higher compensation; even though it means teacher layoffs and larger class sizes. All the sound policy in the world won't be worth spit unless every member of the board "pounds the pavement" to sell it to taxpayers in advance.

Teacher compensation may be the third rail of public school politics, but either we touch it now or the whole train derails. Despite the constraints of Proposal A, Grosse Pointe teacher salaries grew from 19th highest in the state to sixth highest between 2000 and 2005 and more than 30 percent faster than inflation and revenues.

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reasonably successful in cutting most other budget areas, but "do the math." An equation with revenues increasing at less than inflation and two-thirds of the budget increasing faster than inflation does not have a finite solution.

It is critical to the economic viability of this district; and thus academic excellence and affluence of our community; that we achieve more for less.

We must be revolutionary because we can not afford the alternative. Proposal A equalizes spending across districts. Distinction thus requires innovative leverage of equal dollars and exploitation of local attributes. Grosse Pointe teacher positions are in high demand and we have an educated and charitable community that highly values education.

How revolutionary? Very, and here are just some of the ideas that should be on the table:

1) Tie compensation to revenues. Fundamentally, there must be an automatic trigger that rolls back teacher com-

pensation to the rate of revenue inflation. Proposal A ties per pupil spending directly to state grant revenue. Teacher compensation should be too. If health insurance increases or state funds decrease; wages should be automatically trimmed. It's called living within your means; a demand placed on every taxpayer every day.

2) Private foundations to reward excellence. The community should compensate union concessions by establishing an independent donor-funded foundation rewarding teacher excellence. Endow chairs in honor of excellent teachers in critical subjects or pay honorariums for outstanding teacher performance in the classroom.

3) Discipline differentiated pay scale. Significantly increase pay to high school math and science teachers. Eliminating \$1 of pay increases for other teachers can fund over \$10 of increases to attract premium talent for these disciplines which are critical in the

global economy and in which teachers have attractive private sector alternatives.

4) Merit pay. Current salaries are dictated solely by tenure and degree. Union arguments against merit pay are a Trojan Horse. Merit pay isn't perfect, but it is much more fair and efficient than arbitrary union wages or periodic buy-outs of senior teachers. The union leaders may not grasp the concept, but teachers sure do; they apply it every time they grade a quiz.

5) Health care. The Grosse Pointe Public School System's health insurance is so generous that many employees turn down their spouse's corporate health care. Innovative benefit approaches can have compounding perks by encouraging migration to spousal benefits and reducing the cost of remaining covered employees.

6) Creative use of teacher aids. We have dozens of college adjunct professors, thousands of willing qualified professionals, a market full of underemployed young teachers, and local universities with eager interns willing to work in our school system pro bono or for low wages. By leveraging this talent as teacher aids to grade homework, monitor tutorials, and aid in the classroom we can reduce teacher load and decrease effective

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I SAY By John Minnis

The evolution of Thanksgiving traditions



Thanksgiving has to be one of the best holidays. You are not required to spend hours shopping, buying and wrapping gifts. You only have to show up on Thanksgiving and, well, eat.

Of course, this is from a male's perspective. My mother always did the Thanksgiving cooking, though we kids had to do the dishes afterward. That was quite a chore, but well worth it.

My childhood Thanksgiving memories are from living on a farm, the perfect place for a harvest celebration.

Much of what we ate, we grew or raised. Our

Thanksgiving table included potatoes, squash, beets, carrots, turnips, cucumbers, corn, green beans and tomatoes — all from our garden, fresh or canned.

We didn't raise turkeys, but if we featured a ham or roast, it came from our farm.

After morning chores — watering and feeding the cows, horses, pigs, rabbits and chickens — we would watch the Detroit Thanksgiving Day parade. When we were little kids, before we moved to the farm, we lived in Detroit and actually went to see the parade on Woodward.

Since the farm was some 60 miles from the city, we watched the parade on our black-and-white TV via a rooftop antenna. All our stations — 2, 4, 7 and 9 — came in snowy, but we were happy to have any TV at all. My dad did not buy a color TV until after I had moved out on my own.

(As a side note, one day in

early summer after school was out, my dad came home early from work and caught us all watching TV instead of being outside on a beautiful, sunny day. He didn't say a word. He just got some scissors and snipped the power cord off the back of the TV. He did not fix it until school started in the fall. As I recall, I was about 10 years old and it was one of my most memorable summers.)

But back to Thanksgiving. I remember one year when I was older (18, I think) I had a car in which the engine blew. Prior to the long Thanksgiving weekend, I drove down to Michigan Motor Exchange on Eight Mile and bought a rebuilt short block.

Early Thanksgiving morning, I pulled the engine to install the new block. I was well along on the job when Mom called us for Thanksgiving dinner. While eating, snow began to fall. When I finally returned to the work at hand, the cylin-

ders were full of snow!

We have an annual Thanksgiving tradition in our family that I was not conscious of. My wife, during her first Thanksgiving with us, picked up on it right away.

After dinner — feeling that warm, full, sleepy, puppy feeling — all of the boys, including Dad, disappeared. It wasn't to shirk dish washing duties, though if you were quick it worked. Rather, the hasty departure was to secure an unoccupied bed!

Terry looked high and low before finding me fast asleep in my sister's bed. I think there may have been another brother with me. (With seven boys and one sister, the guys were used to sharing bedrooms.)

My wife and I now have our own Thanksgiving traditions. More accurately, I have incorporated most of hers.

One of her major Thanksgiving musts is doughnuts to eat while watching the

parade. They can't be just any doughnuts or any amount.

I made the mistake once of getting doughnuts at 7-Eleven instead of Dunkin' Donuts. Big mistake. I heard about it for years afterward.

Another time — years after we were married so I should have known better — I decided to be frugal. Big mistake.

I figured, Hey, there are only two of us, so why get a dozen doughnuts? We only eat two apiece, so if I just get six, we will have fewer to throw away.

When I returned from Dunkin' Donuts carrying a puny bag instead of the customary box, Terry looked at me as if I had lost my mind!

She didn't make me go back to fill the rest of the dozen, but I should have anyway. At least I would have been spared the grumbling while she nibbled on one of her two nutty doughnuts. I still hear about it.

This year, I got up early without complaint and went to

Dunkin' Donuts before they were all picked over. I got two of each of her favorites and a few of mine. Alas, I made another mistake.

While making my choices, I spotted some jelly-filled doughnuts. I hadn't had jelly bellies since I was a kid! I figured I'd get a couple. Big mistake.

Terry hates jelly doughnuts. No matter that there were 10 others in the box she likes. She raised her eyebrows at the two offending doughnuts taking up space in the box where two more palatable selections could have found residence.

This morning, I figured it was a safe time to discard the doughnut box from last week. (I asked, first, to be safe.) I shook the box; there were few left, including one sorry jelly belly. I said nothing, which was smart.

I'm learning.

Happy holidays to you and yours!

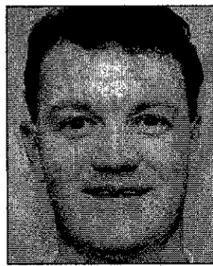
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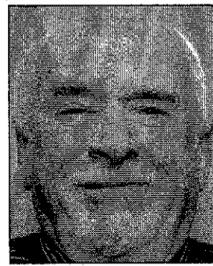
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'No, why, is it Dec. 24th?'
SEAN WAGNER
East Lansing



'I have not. Are you kidding?'
TOM WILLIAMS
Chesterfield



'Of course not, it's too early.'
BRIAN RADFORD
Shelby Township



'I am almost finished.'
SHERI GLOVER
Harper Woods



'I started last year when everything went on sale on Dec. 26th.'
KATHI CROWLEY
Grosse Pointe Park



'I am all done.'
HELEN LANDUYT
Grosse Pointe Park

FYI By Ben Burns

Shores woman gets car for 170th birthday



When Judge Marianne O. Battani and the Children's Home of Detroit development officer Lisa Mower Gandelot pulled the winning raffle ticket for a 2007 Ford Escape Hybrid at the Cook Road facility's 170th birthday celebration at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club recently, they turned up a familiar name — Marlene Boll.

Marlene and John A. Boll are noted philanthropists in the Pointes and supporters of community charities.

Money raised from the event will help purchase "Wheels4Kids," three 15-passenger vans to provide transportation and bikes, trikes, scooters and other wheel-driven equipment for the children at CHD facilities.

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proves the statement.

Her latest book of poems "Exiliana," published by Luna Publications, is on the market. But Griffor is more than a poet. She is a publisher of other poets with her Marick Press. She was co-founder of the Detroit Institute for Creative Writers at Wayne State, where she served as a writer-in-residence in 2003, and she is the poet-in-residence at the Grosse Pointe Artists Association. She was the Pablo Neruda International Poetry prize winner in 2004. She is profiled in the current issue of Signature magazine.

Aside from that she is the mother of two, the wife of mathematician Edward Griffor and the happiest, friendliest poet I've ever run across.

Perhaps that has something to do with her being a survivor of terror. She has seen the worst as well as the best in her fellow man. She fled her native Chile after a fiancée was killed by the Augusto Pinochet regime and spent more than a decade in Sweden, where she met her Detroit-native husband.

Although I once tried to pen poetry in my callow youth, I don't pretend to be a critic of others' work. Here are a couple of lines on the promotional card for "Exiliana," which sells

for \$15, and you can be the judge.

"A butterfly flying in the streets of Santiago on a September day."

— From "How Chaos Begins"

"A house united to the ground, a laundry room of nostalgias, a window clouded by little sleep a coat of memories we remove every February. A simple grin and a Sanders chocolate box, Then, we grow to the light like sweet peas."

— From "Valentine's Day in Detroit"

No school

Carol Marks was giving the children's sermon at Grosse Pointe Memorial two weeks ago and her lesson for the youngsters was focused on how much we all have to be thankful for.

"What is happening this Thursday," she asked.

Hands shot up. She selected a young man to answer. "We don't have to go to school," the youth said proudly.

Can't hear you

My audiologist, Dr. Ginette Lezotte, informs me via her newsletter that four out of 10

hearing aids sold are behind the ear and 90 percent now are digital and that women have better high frequency hearing than men. I wonder if that last is a preservation mechanism in men so they can't hear a spouse asking them to do chores?

Learn to sing

The Lakeshore Chorus, which meets weekly on Tuesday nights at the Neighborhood Club from 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., is looking for "men" from 10 to 90 to become part of their happy throng.

The group has been active for more than 50 years, and its barber-shoppers are members

of the International Barbershop Harmony Society.

The group offers free singing lessons and no obligations, and its seniors group, the Good News Singers, suggests you join them to:

"Have fun. It's impossible to be angry while singing.

"Sing your heart out.

"Sharpen your performance skills.

"Establish new friendships with 80-plus great guys.

"Enrich your life. Give your life more balance."

That sounds pretty inviting, but the last time I attempted to sing with a group I was a sophomore studying Russian at Michigan State. We practiced for several weeks to sing

"Moscow in the Moonlight" for an ethnic festival.

The week before our performance, Dr. Poltaratsky asked me to stay after class and informed me that it would not be necessary for me to actually make any sound when we performed. When I asked why, he informed me that my singing was so bad it caused the rest of the class to be distracted. Heck, I thought that in Russian no one could tell that I couldn't carry a tune.

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Points about the Pointes Privatization and a \$3.5 million shortfall... what's our responsibility to our children?



Once again the School Board is looking at a \$3.5 million potential deficit for the coming 2007-08 school year. Once again we are trying to leave no stone unturned in an effort to continue to offer our students what we all have come to know as a "Grosse Pointe" education. The School Board has charged the administration to explore every possible savings avenue, to weight the pros and cons and to give the School Board their recommendations for consideration. One of the items the administration is looking at is privatizing portions of and/or all of our custodial staff.

All of us on the School Board have received

dozens of pre-printed post cards from former and present staff in the district urging us not to privatize the custodial staff. Unverified sources have told me that the cards were printed up and distributed by the MEA, the union that represents the custodial staff. In my mind, their effort was premature.

No administration recommendations have been received, no savings numbers have been provided and no discussions have been held to date. I am sure that every member of the School Board will do a lot of soul searching should the administration come to us with any staffing change recommendation of ANY kind, as we have all experienced the kindnesses of our entire staff. Real life tells me that with 86% of our budget coming from payroll, something payroll-related will have to give somewhere to fund a \$3.5 million deficit.

Through all of this, we can't lose sight of the fact that our primary responsibility is to our children. We must preserve their safety and their learning experience, making sure that the "Grosse Pointe" education that we give them allows them to be the best they can be as world citizens.

...Ahmed Ismail (ahmed.ismail@comcast.net)



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PALFFY: Board must 'sell' change

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class size. These policies will increase academic performance and maintain fair compensation and incentives for teachers with less dollars. We have the economic need and leverage to negotiate these reforms now; tight funding demands it

and there is a line of teachers begging for jobs in our district. Taxpayers need to be educated so that they will support the board — and their own interests — and not the union leaders, as has historically been the case.

The board needs to begin laying the political groundwork now, vetting new teacher compensation and utilization proposals through community committees, then develop an active political agenda to sell the program to taxpayers well in advance of contract negotiations.

If the board takes the political lead on developing and selling teacher compensation reform, our schools and community will excel and prosper.

If they let the union play "politics as usual" then the distinction and affluence of our schools and our community will be short-lived; in which case, please let me post my "For Sale" sign before yours.

John Palffy is a Grosse Pointe Park resident and adjunct professor at Wayne State University and former senior political appointee in the Reagan administration.

GUEST OPINION By John Whitehead

Is the military draft a form of slavery?

Rep. Charles Rangel, D-NY, is right: If the United States intends to provide its military might to the world — and continue to take on Iraq and Afghanistan and potentially Iran and North Korea — we will have to do something about signing up more servicemen and women.

Rangel has voiced his intent to sponsor a bill next year to reinstitute the draft, more technically termed "conscription," as a way to alleviate the disproportionate burden the current

all-volunteer military places on minorities and lower-income families. But that's where Rangel went wrong. Reinstating the draft is not the solution, for a number of reasons.

First, it's a question of constitutionality. Author and research analyst Anthony Gregory believes that forcing citizens to take up arms and fight involuntarily violates the Constitution. "Every major instance of the U.S. government's implementing the draft since the Civil War has stood in

clear violation of the Thirteenth Amendment," said Gregory.

Indeed, the 13th Amendment to our Constitution protects Americans from slavery and involuntary servitude. Passed in 1865, this amendment was targeted at ending an oppressive chapter in American history: the slavery of African Americans. Yet many contend it also extends to other instances of government oppression — particularly the military draft.

Also, many view conscription as a loss of all liberty. After all, what is left of the right to free speech, due process of law and other fundamental rights enshrined in our Constitution if the government can force you to pick up a gun to fight with no right to refuse?

Second, it's a matter of morality. Although the Supreme Court ruled in 1918 that a government draft does not violate the Constitution, many see a moral problem with the government forcing citizens to take up arms against their will. In fact, as compelling as the constitutional arguments against the draft may be, they are secondary to the moral issues.

As Gregory states, "The draft is a form of slavery. Forcing a person to fight, kill, and possibly die in a war — and threatening resisters with imprisonment and deserting conscripts with death — is a particularly immoral brand of enslavement, and it is murder for all conscripts who do not survive the war."

No less strident in his opposition to conscription, Rep. Ron Paul (R-Tex.) insists that "the draft, whether for military purposes or some form of 'national service,' violates the basic moral principles of individual liberty upon which this country was founded."

To those who suggest that young Americans owe it to their country to fight as conscripts, Paul responded, "Hogwash! It just as easily could be argued that a 50-year-old chickenhawk, who promotes war and places innocent young people in danger, owes more to the country than the 18-year-old being denied his (or her) liberty." He goes on to state that a real sacrifice exists by "forcing a small number of young vulnerable citizens to fight the wars that older men and women, who seek glory in military victory without themselves being exposed to danger, promote."

Third, it's a question of attitude: "want to" vs. "have to." With an active list of more than 15 million names (an estimated 93 percent of all men in the United States between 18 and 26), the U.S. Selective Service System has already announced its readiness to institute a draft should it become necessary.

But as someone who served in the military as an infantry officer during the Vietnam era, I know the difference between a soldier who chooses to fight

and one who is forced to do so. And I know which one I'd want to have covering my back. As Ivan Eland, national security analyst at the Independent Institute in Oakland, Calif., stated, (a draft) "contradicts the principles of a free society by coercing people to fight for freedom. Soldiers who want to be in the military do a better job than those who don't, and the military services know it."

Finally, it comes down to what we want America to stand for: If individual freedom, self-government and the rule of law are our primary concerns, then it's clear where we should stand on the draft.

History has a funny way of circling back on itself. Thirty-some years after the Vietnam War, the U.S. government is once again engaged in a foreign war, pitted against a shadowy and elusive enemy. As the prospect of success in Iraq grows bleaker, the calls increase for U.S. troops to either pull out or stay the course and send for reinforcements, which would inevitably require instituting the draft. But if history has taught us anything, we should have learned that forcing Americans to serve in the military and fight a foreign war will not ensure victory — nor will it maintain our freedoms.

As President Ronald Reagan stated in a 1979 article in Human Events, (the draft) "rests on the assumption that your kids belong to the state. If we buy that assumption then it is for the state — not for par-

ents, the community, the religious institutions or teachers — to decide who shall have what values and who shall do what work, when, where and how in our society. That assumption isn't a new one. The Nazis thought it was a great idea."

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G.P. WOODS

Kosanke promoted

Sgt. John Kosanke was promoted to lieutenant last week. Members of city council honored the 16-year veteran with a presentation in front of family, friends and city officials.

"John is a very hard worker and quite an asset to our commanding staff," Grosse Pointe Woods Public Safety Director Mike Makowski said. "He is well deserving of the promotion."

"We put an emphasis on protecting our residents and Lt. Kosanke does a great job of helping keep our streets safe," Mayor Robert Novitke said.

City of Grosse Pointe, Michigan

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ZONING VARIANCE REQUEST

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of Act No. 110 of 2006 the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, as amended, and the Grosse Pointe City Code, that a Public Hearing will be held on Monday, December 18, 2006 at 7:00 pm at the Grosse Pointe Council Chambers at 17147 Maumee Ave., Grosse Pointe, MI. The Zoning Board of Appeals will consider the variance request for the following property owner:

Ilya & Josiane Snyder -- 354 Rivard - side yard and accessory building variances

Public comment is welcome. If you are unable to attend the hearing, written comments will be accepted until 12:00 noon on Dec. 14, 2006. If further information is needed, please contact the Grosse Pointe Building Dept., 17147 Maumee, Grosse Pointe, MI 48230, Mon.-Fri., 8:30 am to 5:00 pm, 313-885-5800.

Julie E. Arthurs,
City Clerk

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Physician Organization Gain-Sharing Program

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan is accepting applications for participation in a program in which BCBSM shares with selected groups of Michigan TRUST physicians who meet performance criteria, a portion of the savings in cost for patient care that are attributable, in part, to their collective efforts.

The program is designed to link and align economic incentives of BCBSM and physicians to specific clinical, quality and efficiency goals while maintaining or improving care and to share in the resultant costs savings through increased professional fees for selected services and/or in direct payments to the physician organization.

Goals are to:

- Modify the delivery of services to improve quality, coordination, or cost-effectiveness
- Promote relationships with physicians that support improved care outcomes
- Support the delivery of services in the most cost-effective location by the most appropriate provider type
- Ensure that the fees paid contribute to quality, affordability, and accessibility to health care in Michigan

Physician groups must meet the following standards to apply for participation:

- A physician organization, preferably with 30 or more TRUST physicians that specializes in oncology or other areas which BCBSM identifies in the future*
- A partnership, association, corporation, individual practice association or other legal entity that has its own Tax ID and can receive and distribute income from the practice among members.

* BCBSM will be accepting applications from physician organizations that specialize in oncology. In the future, BCBSM may expand the gain-sharing program to include organizations with other specialties. Any expansion will be announced in BCBSM's provider publications or other communications.

When determining participation in the program, BCBSM will consider, among other things:

- The number of BCBSM members served by the applicant
- Ability to provide performance reports to individual physicians within groups and initiate processes to improve performance
- Willingness to learn about and refer to BCBSM care management programs
- Commitment to assess and improve overall group prescribing performance according to established pharmacy performance measures
- Ability to coordinate and facilitate practice improvements and program administration on behalf of group physicians
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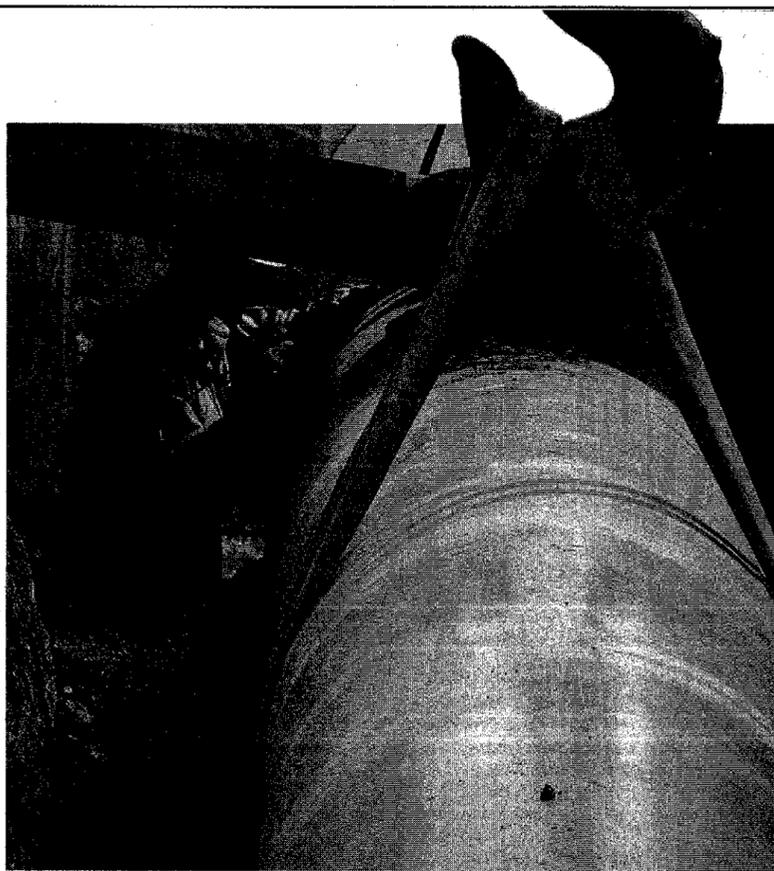
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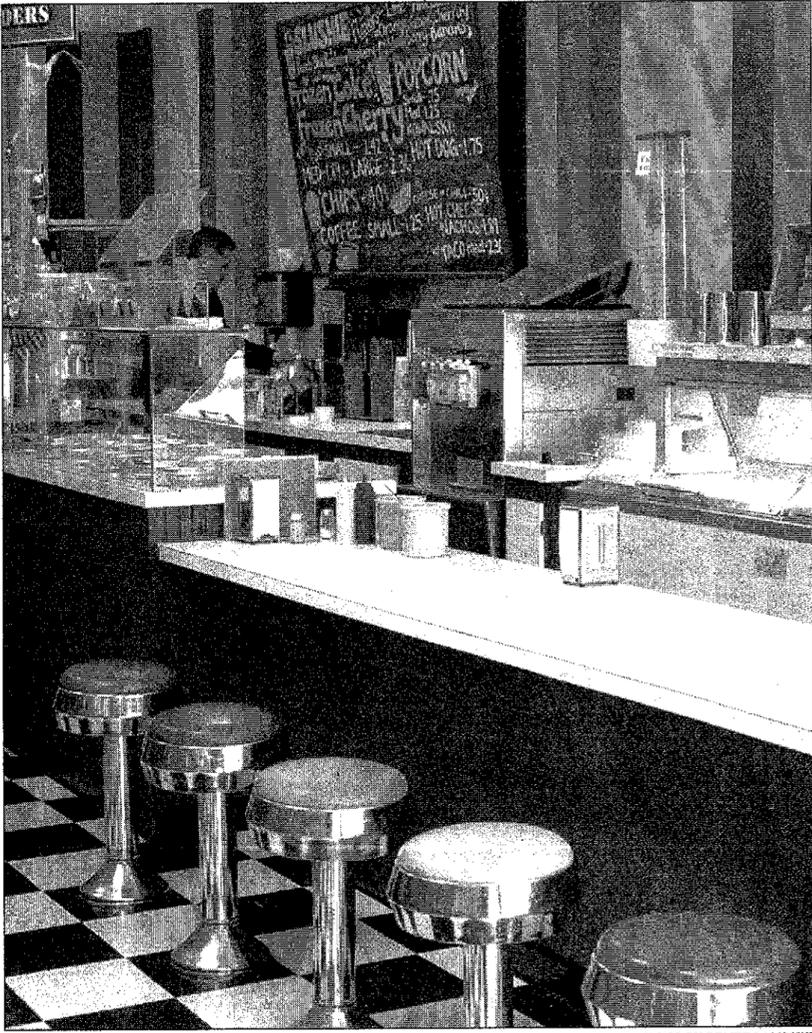


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Ice cream delight

Freezing Pointe ice cream parlor in the Hill shopping district in Grosse Pointe Farms moved to Kercheval between Nottingham and Beaconsfield in Grosse Pointe Park. Children from the Children's Home of Detroit were invited by the owner, Gary Kurcharski, to visit the shop during its final night at the old location, to eat as much ice cream as they could.

GROSSE POINTE WOODS

Scallopini's gets transfer

By Bob St. John
Staff Writer

The new Salvatore Scallopini restaurant coming to Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods will offer its patrons a full alcohol menu.

City council used a 5-2 vote to approve the transfer of a Class C liquor license to Scallopini owner Larry Bongiovanni.

Mayor Robert Novitke and councilmembers Al Dickinson, Vicki Granger, Darryl Spicher and Pete Waldmeir voted for the transfer, while Lisa Pinkos Howie and Dona DeSantis-Reynolds voted against it.

"I'm not against Salvatore Scallopini's opening up a new business here in Grosse Pointe Woods, because it's good for business, but I'm against the transfer," Pinkos Howie said. "If he passed all of the stipulations, then why can't he apply for one of the two liquor licenses we have available to purchase?"

Bongiovanni and business

partner Mark Wise of Grosse Pointe Ventures, LLC, bought the liquor license for \$150,000 from Mohamad Naserdean, president of Celebrity Bar & Grill Inc., according to the purchase agreement with the Michigan Liquor Control Commission.

John Lamia, owner of Lamia & Lamia hair salon and the owner of the building which Salvatore Scallopini's will call home, spoke in favor of his tenant obtaining the liquor license transfer.

"Some 20 years ago I tried to get him (Bongiovanni) to come here," Lamia said. "He has a very family-friendly restaurant and it will be an asset to the Mack business community."

"I think Grosse Pointe is a great community for my business," Bongiovanni said. "I just want to come in and serve good food to my customers."

"I think Mr. Lamia's support of this is important in my decision to vote for the transfer," Granger said. "I have visited another Salvatore Scallopini's and it was a nice experience. I

think this one will be good, too."

"The reputation of Salvatore Scallopini's is too good to pass up," Dickinson added. "It's a good opportunity for our business community."

"Times have changed," Spicher said. "It's a chance for a good business to come into our community and add something positive to it."

Champs Rotisserie and Spirits owner Jim Champion spoke against the transfer, saying, "The city has two liquor licenses; so why can't he apply for one of those? I'm not against the business coming to Mack, but I do think he should have to apply for one of the licenses available through the city."

There is no cap on the number of liquor licenses that can transfer into the city, but they do have to come from other Wayne County communities, according to city officials.

Salvatore Scallopini's is undergoing construction. An opening date hasn't been given.

PEOPLE



MARLA STONE was appointed as administrative manager in Wayne State University's Eugene

Applebaum College of Pharmacy business office. She has also served as administrative officer for WDET-FM. Stone joined Wayne State University in 1985 and has held positions of increased responsibilities in administrative management, human resource/staffing levels, cost projections, budget planning, labor negotiations, contract administration, project management and procedure management.

She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in business administration with a minor in accounting from Ferris State University. Stone is a Grosse Pointe Woods resident.

JOHN D. ROARTY, MD, has been appointed to the Committee for State Organizational Development in the Secretariat for State Affairs by the Board of Trustees of the American Academy of Ophthalmology. Roarty will be the secretariat's regional representative for Michigan, Illinois, Ohio and Wisconsin.

He is a pediatric ophthalmologist practicing at Children's Hospital of Michigan, Kresge Eye Institute and Children's Eye Care of Dearborn. He received a master's degree in public health in Epidemiology from the University of Michigan and his medical degree from Wayne State University School of Medicine. He completed a residency in pediatrics at the University of California-Davis in Sacramento where he served as chief resident.

He was then granted a fellowship in ophthalmology pathology at the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology in Washington, D.C. He subsequently completed a residency in ophthalmology at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit as chief resident. He completed an additional residency in pediatric ophthalmology at the hospital for sick children at the University of Toronto.

Roarty has been an active leader in many professional organizations and is currently immediate past president of the Michigan Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons. In 1986, he was selected as Teaching Resident of the Year in the Department of Pediatrics at UC-Davis and in 1995 received the distinguished teaching award from the Department of Ophthalmology at Wayne State University. He is a graduate of the American Academy of Ophthalmology's Leadership Development Program.

Roarty is a Grosse Pointe Shores resident.

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Bruno, of the City of Grosse Pointe, is in business/corporate law; Buydens of Grosse Pointe Shores, practices employee benefits/ERISA law; Hancock, Jr., of Grosse Pointe Park, works in employment and labor law; Hudson, of Grosse Pointe Farms, works in securities and corporate law; Kasiborski, Jr., of Grosse Pointe Woods, practices in employment and labor law; Klimko, of Grosse Pointe Woods, works with mergers and acquisitions; Miller, of Grosse Pointe Woods, works in employment litigation.

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Village of Grosse Pointe Shores

NOTICE OF ENACTMENT OF ORDINANCE NO. 240

Notice is hereby given that at its regular meeting on November 21, 2006, the Grosse Pointe Shores Village Council passed new Ordinance No. 240.

Ordinance No. 240 amends the Village Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 40 of the Village Ordinance Code, to enact regulations governing Village's Park/Club zoning district, and to repeal inconsistent ordinances. Ordinance 240 was ordered to take effect upon the publication of a synopsis of the ordinance in a newspaper circulated in the Village of Grosse Pointe Shores.

Copies of Ordinance No. 240 are available for public inspection at the Village offices.

Victoria J. Boyce,
Village Clerk
Village of Grosse Pointe Shores

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City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PUBLIC NOTICE

A Public Hearing will be held on Monday, December 18, 2006, at 7:30 p.m., in the Council Room of the Municipal Building, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan, to hear comments regarding the Program Year 2007/08 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Proposed Estimated budget as shown below:

2007/08 Proposed Estimated CDBG Budget

1. Services for Older Citizens (SOC)	\$ 7,790
a. SOC Minor Home Repair	\$ 40,000
2. Pointe Area Assisted Transportation Services (PAATS)	\$ 7,790
3. Improved City Hall Handicapped Accessibility	\$ 18,220
4. Administration	\$ 8,200
Total	\$ 82,000

Mark Wollenweber
City Administrator

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SOS taking care of state motorists

Michigan motorists who have filed complaints against auto dealers and repair facilities were refunded a total of \$3.4 million since fiscal year 2003.

"It's reassuring for consumers to know that they have someone in their corner," Secretary of State Terri Lynn Land said. "Michigan is fortunate in that the vast majority of dealers and repair shops operate with professionalism and integrity. But in those instances when a customer is wronged, the Secretary of State's office will work to resolve the problem. The fact that we've helped to put more than \$3 million back in consumers' pockets shows that we take our responsibilities seriously."

Land pointed out that the number of complaints filed with the Department of State has gradually declined during the same four fiscal-year period.

Complaints typically involve alleged misrepresentation, unsatisfactory repairs or unnecessary service delays.

Land advised consumers to try resolving their complaints with the dealer or repair shop before seeking department assistance. She also encouraged motorists to visit the department

Web site at Michigan.gov/sos for information about their rights when buying a vehicle or having one repaired.

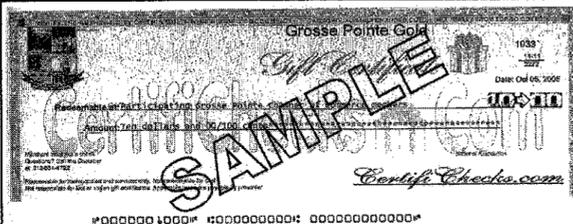
The site also has a consumer's automatic information and complaint kit. It includes a complaint form that can be submitted to the department, as well as contact

information to address specific problem.

The department's Bureau of Regulatory Services can be reached toll-free at (800) 292-4204.

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Moonlight serenade
A drunken Detroit man is found singing on the porch of a Prestwick house **PAGE 18A**

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St. Paul middle schools students visit the Islamic Center of American, in Dearborn, the largest mosque in North America.

St. Paul learns about Islam

St. Paul middle school students recently visited the Islamic Center of America in Dearborn, the largest mosque in North America.

The purpose of the visit was ongoing study and respect for other cultures. "Respect and understanding are among the most important

themes for the school this year," said Mary Miller, St. Paul principal.

St. Paul students wore attire appropriate for their Islamic hosts. Girls tied scarves around their heads and wore slacks or leggings under skirts. Boys covered their arms.

Students learned the fundamentals of the Muslim religion and sat behind their hosts as they performed prayer. Non-Muslims may observe but not participate in the ceremony.

"St. Paul has a history of reaching out to other cultures," Miller said. "It is a goal and responsibility to seek authentic information so students will have a better understanding of others' faith."

Visitors received a carnation as they departed. The trip was rated a success. St. Paul representatives hoped the experience will remain with the students as they become adults

and continue to show respect and understanding of other cultures.

The trip was scheduled last spring.

Preparations included students attending a discussion by Monsignor Halfpenny, pastor of St. Paul Church, in the school's Canfield Center.

Halfpenny spoke about Islamic, Jewish and Christian beginnings.

He compared and contrasted beliefs to help students understand the differences and similarities of the respective religions. He kept his explanations simple enough for children to understand, but attending parents said they benefited from the information as well.

"You could hear a pin drop in the room," said one parent. "Students were all ears."



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Concert and tea

The annual free Holiday Concert and Tea will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday Dec. 6, at the Grosse Pointe Performing Arts Center at Grosse Pointe North High School, 707 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods. Choirs from both Grosse Pointe South and North high schools will perform traditional holiday classics and carols. Refreshments will be served by members of the South Mothers' Club and the North Parent's Club, sponsors of the event. The concert is open to the public as a gift from the community schools. Chairs of the event are, from left, Cindy Tech, chair of the North Parents' Club; Sherry McRill, chair of the South Mothers' Club; Suzanne Klein, school superintendent and mistress of ceremonies; Lidia Prush, chair of the North Parents' Club; and Lindy Cavanagh, chair of the South Mothers' Club.

Gift of caroling

Give the gift of musical harmony this holiday season by hiring the Grosse Pointe South High School Choir.

Holiday caroling costs \$10 at homes, and \$20 at nursing homes or hospitals. Proceeds support choir programs.

The choir has been raising money with holiday carols for years. This year's event is 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 8.

Groups of eight to 10 students will go to houses, parties, nursing homes and hospitals to give the gift of music and deliv-

er a card in the sponsor's name.

Choir representatives said this activity makes a great gift.

To order carols, call the Performing Arts office at Grosse Pointe South High School (313) 432-3638, or visit gpsouthchoir.org and look under "Forms." Reservation forms must be received with payment by Thursday, Nov. 30.

The choir's holiday concert is at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 20, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church.

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Turkey and popcorn tops with Pilgrims



Everyone got into the action this Thanksgiving in Cheryl Liebold's class for 4-year-olds at Christ the King Preschool in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Classmates prepared for the celebration feast by talking with the teacher and among themselves about the meaning of Thanksgiving.

"It was great," Liebold said. "The kids had a good time."

Parents and grandparents gathered with the children around the dinner table.

Children told what they were thankful for.

"They were thankful for everything from parents to brothers, sisters, toys and pets," Liebold said. "It was very charming."

Dinner consisted of popcorn, vegetables, fruit, bread, cheese and turkey. The children set the table and helped prepare the food before welcoming elders and friends to join them in the traditional feast.

—Brad Lindberg

Four-year-olds in Cheryl Liebold's class at Our Lady Star of the Sea dressed as Pilgrims to celebrate Thanksgiving. Classmates are, back row from left: Ethan Flannery, Cole Porter, Bennett Smihal, Noah Huber, Trevor Luteran, Nicholas Fannon and Henry Coyle; front row from left: Emma Huber, Brianne Bayer, Brenna Marsin, Tenley Karbowski, Grace Haynes, Rachel Kostzewa and Sara Giannetti. At the left are classmates and fellow Pilgrims Bennett Smihal of the City of Grosse Pointe and Tenley Karbowski of Harper Woods.

Team REACH's jacket donation drive is no joke

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Warm-hearted Grosse Pointe youngsters are helping less fortunate families of metropolitan Detroit laugh in the face of old-man winter.

Students attending Richard Elementary School and their parents have collected 170 coats and related gear during a two-week Jacket and Jokes campaign.

Jacket drives have been done before. The twist in this

tale is the jokes.

Although parents helped their children donate a coat or jacket, the children capped the effort by slipping jokes into the pockets.

"Adding a joke to the pocket personalizes the project for our children and adds a smile to the face of the child receiving the coat," said Richard Principal Mary MacDonald-Barrett. "Jackets and Jokes is a really neat project that encouraged participation by the whole school. It truly is a win-



Team REACH volunteers include Richard Elementary School fourth-graders, from left, Allison Noseda, Joe Rabaut, Jack Warren and William Flanagan.

win for everyone involved." The effort was the latest by Richard's service club, Team

REACH. Team REACH stands for Richard Elementary Actively Contributing to

Humanity. Organizers founded the organization to provide opportunities for students to make positive changes locally, nationally and globally by doing good work for others.

"We donated jackets to Capuchin Services," said Donna O'Neill, project coordinator and mother of two Richard students.

Students wrote their own jokes. One was:

Q. Why did the man put salt in the washing machine?
A. To get the pepper out.

"Some were misspelled," O'Neill said. "Some weren't so funny, but they were all sweet and adorable. Children loved doing it. It was a lot of fun."

Team members have been busy since its founding last spring.

"We've had three different projects so far," O'Neill said.

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A RFP for owner's representative is available by calling the Grosse Pointe Public Library, Office of Administration, 10 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan, 48236, at 313-343-2325.

Responses to the RFP will be due on Thursday, December 21, 2006 by 1:00 p.m. to the above address.

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Grosse Pointe Public Library
Vickey Bloom, Director

City of Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan

The City Clerk of the City of Grosse Pointe Park will accept bids from Qualified Contractors until 10:00 a.m., Friday, December 19th, 2006 at 15115 E. Jefferson Ave. Bidding the replacement of City Hall Entrance with Automatic doors. All Contractors must comply with Davis Bacon Act and Affirmative Action. Bid specifications are available from the Office of Public Service. Any questions Contact (313) 822-4281.

Chris Reimel,
Director of Public Service

G.P.N.: 11/30/2006

City of Grosse Pointe, Michigan

NOTICE OF PROPOSED HEARING AND PROPOSED STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT OBJECTIVES AND REPROGRAMMING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing will be held on Monday, December 18, 2006 at 7:00 pm by the Grosse Pointe City Council in the Council Chambers, 17145 Maumee Ave., Grosse Pointe, MI 48230, 313-885-5800, for review of Community Development Block Grant 2007 Programming and 2006, 2005 & 2004 Reprogramming Request.

The following activities are proposed for reprogramming of funding under the Community Development Block Grant Program. Final reprogramming amounts are subject to the approval of Wayne County CDBG Program and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

2007 PROPOSED PROGRAMMING PROJECTS (Estimated)	AMOUNT
ADA Ramp Improvements	\$33,370
SOC (Public Service)	8,930
SOC Minor Home Repair (Housing Rehabilitation)	30,000
Administration	4,700
Total:	\$77,000

2006, 2005, 2004, PROPOSED REPROGRAMMING REQUEST (Estimated)
The purpose of this reprogramming request for years 2005 & 2004 is to continue the funding and activities of the Services for Older Citizens (SOC) Minor Home Repair program.

CURRENT PROJECT	REPROGRAMMED PROJECT	AMOUNT
Public Safety Elevator (06-10-03K)	ADA Ramp Improvements (2007)	\$43,100
Audible Traffic Signal (05-10-03K)	SOC Minor Home Repair	\$5,708.63
Pedestrian Illumination (04-10-03K)	SOC Minor Home Repair	\$57,981

The City invites all citizens as well as individuals or representatives of neighborhood groups to submit ideas and comments concerning this application.

Julie E. Arthurs,
City Clerk

GPN: 11/30/2006

Parcels Bazaar

The Parcels Middle School annual Holiday Bazaar is Saturday, Dec. 2, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Featuring at least 150 juried exhibitors, the bazaar is an opportunity to shop for the holidays. Items are handcrafted. Lunch and refreshments will be available.

Early bird tickets for 9 a.m. entry (one hour before general admission) are available for \$4 through advance ticket sales at Parcels through Dec. 1, from 2 to 4 p.m.; and Tuesday, Nov. 28, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. General admission tickets for entry at 10 a.m. or later are \$3 and will be available at the door or in advance. All ages pay the same admission.

No strollers, please. Parcels is located at 20600 Mack at the corner of Vernier in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Adjusting to life at the G.P. Academy

Two new teachers at the Grosse Pointe Academy come from different backgrounds but have a lot in common.

Devin Williams, a new second grade teacher, grew up in Portage and is fresh from school.

Vivek Nayak, a fourth grade teacher, returns to the academy after 27 years and a career as a business analyst in California.

Williams earned a bachelor's degree in psychology from Kalamazoo College. While following up with a master's degree in education at Aquinas College, she worked two years as a substitute teacher. Last year she taught second grade at Cornerstone School in Detroit. Williams is certified in K-8 education and in grades 6-8 language arts.

"I love it here," Williams said of her academy surrounding. "The kids are great. They love to share. They listen. They're very creative. It's all going very smoothly."

Nayak, an academy early school student in 1979 and 1980, studied statistics and marketing at Michigan State University. Upon graduating, he worked in San Francisco.

"It may sound crazy, but I miss being away from my students over the weekends," Nayak said. "It is really a pleasure to come here every day. The best part of my job is look-

ing at a student's face and seeing when the light bulb goes off. This may not happen every day, but when it does, wow! It doesn't get any better than that."

Williams said she enjoys picking up tips from veteran teachers. In addition to learning from her assigned mentor, first-grade teacher Barbara Karle, Williams borrowed fourth-grade teacher Wendy Demartini's idea of hosting a Breakfast Club to expand something she developed during her student teaching.

"The classroom teacher did a lot of cooking with the students and they loved it," Williams said.

Williams matches the cooking to the curriculum. In October, she taught students to make applesauce as part of their unit on apples and fall.

One of Williams' teaching techniques is to create centers where children work independently upon completion of classroom work. She has centers for language arts, listening, geography, science and social studies.

She rewards good behavior by letting students earn chips that are exchanged for game time on Fridays.

"We're having a great time," Williams said. "I really enjoy coming to work every day."

Nayak's career changed direction in September 2001.

"September 11 changed a lot of things for me," he said. "At that time I was in the business world and my sister was in New York. When 9-11 hit, it opened up my eyes. I took a hard look at my life and decided I should pursue what made me happy. Education is my calling."

Fellow fourth-grade teacher Demartini agreed.

"He is a natural teacher," she said. "The children love him."

Nayak is certified in elementary education and enrolled in a master's program at Oakland University. He student taught in Bloomfield Hills. At the Cranbrook Institute of Science, he taught an 11-week course on taxonomy and environmental science to third through sixth graders.

These experiences, along with the conference at the ISACS Institute over the summer, have prepared Nayak for life at the academy.

He enjoys the teaching con-

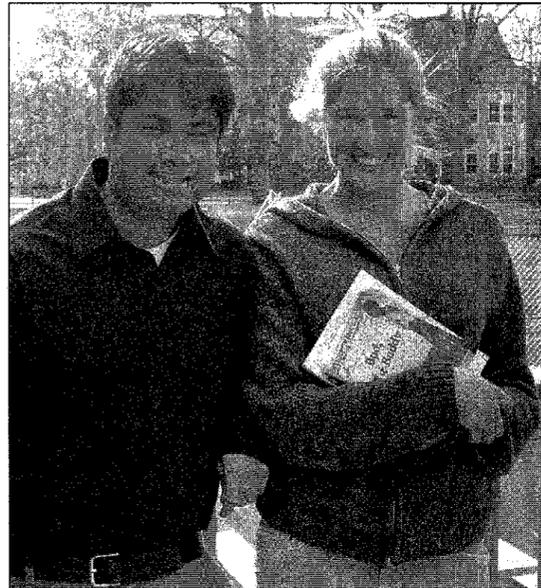
cept called backwards design.

"For example, you write the exam first, then design the lesson plan backwards from the exam," Nayak said. "The key to backward design is application. As long as students are applying what they learn to real world applications, they take away an enduring understanding."

His passions are math and science. His fourth and fifth grade science students have made a barometer, a thermometer, a wind collector and an anemometer (which measures the force or speed of the wind), created clouds, and performed experiments with thunder and lightning.

Nayak hopes to make math exciting to the students by making it more concrete.

"Children are brought up loving math," he says, "but when they go on to fourth, fifth and sixth grade everything becomes more abstract and they may become frustrated."



Fourth-grade teacher Vivek Nayak and second-grade teacher Devin Williams this fall joined the Grosse Pointe Academy staff.

Friendly squaw



If Isabella Schena were an Indian she'd name herself Sacred Moon. If she'd lived in 1621 in Plymouth Colony, she'd have joined her newfound Pilgrim friends in a celebratory feast of the harvest come to be known the fourth Thursday in November as Thanksgiving.

Schena, a second-grader at

Sacred Moon, otherwise known as Isabella Schena of Our Lady Star of the Sea.

Our Lady Star of the Sea in Grosse Pointe Woods, joined her classmates last week recreating that inaugural Thanksgiving dinner dressed as Indians and Pilgrims.

Dinner included bread, popcorn, carrots, grapes and apple sauce.

Children wanting to be Indians selected their own Indian names and decorated paper bags to resemble buckskin outfits and headresses with colorful feathers.

Schena, of St. Clair Shores, chose to be called Sacred Moon.

"I just think that I act like a Sacred Moon," she said, adding that she enjoys Thanksgiving. "I like turkey, and how my family talks about Thanksgiving and being thankful."

— Brad Lindberg.

Correction

Serenades by the Grosse Pointe South High School Choir are being scheduled 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 8, not Dec. 20 as erroneously reported in last week's Grosse Pointe News. For more information on how to order carols, call the Performing Arts office at Grosse Pointe South High School (313) 432-3638, or visit gpsouthchoir.org and look under Forms.

REACH: Jackets and jokes drive

Continued from page 14A

"Last year we collected baby items for newborn infants and to help new moms."

There was a baby shower at school during which children walked on stage, picked from donations and assembled gift

baskets.

"We donated to St. John Riverview Pregnancy Aid," O'Neill said.

The second project involved giving backpacks stuffed with school supplies and handmade book marks to children at a Detroit grade school.

Future projects are up for grabs.

"Nothing's been finalized, but we have a father of six who needs some help during the Christmas season," O'Neill said.

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OBITUARIES

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Stanley W. Brown

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Stanley W. Brown, 78, died Saturday, Nov. 18, 2006, at St. John Hospital.

He was born May 20, 1928, in Amsterdam, Ohio, to Frank and Ethel Brown.

He served as a sergeant in the U.S. Air Force from April of 1951 to September of 1952 in Korea. He earned the National Defense Service, Korean Service, Republic of Korea War Service and United Nations Service medals, and the Korean Republic Presidential Unit Citation.

Mr. Brown graduated in 1969 from Wayne State University where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in business.

He was employed for 41 years at the American Automobile Manufacturers Association as director of the traffic department. He was an Interstate Commerce Commission practitioner and an instructor of transportation law at Henry Ford and Macomb community colleges.

Mr. Brown was a 32-year member of the Crescent Sail and Yacht Club for which he served on the board of directors, as secretary and as mooring chairperson for many years.

In addition to sailing, he enjoyed reading, music, attending concerts and working on jigsaw puzzles.

Mr. Brown is survived by his wife of 51 years, Ilene (nee Holder Brown); daughters, Carolyn (Charles) Scholfield and Deborah (Nick McGruer) Brown; and grandchildren, Charles Scholfield Jr., and Victoria and Colin McGruer.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m., visitation at

9:30 a.m., on Saturday, Dec. 2, at St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church, 375 Lothrop, Grosse Pointe Farms. Interment will be at the church's columbarium.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church, 375 Lothrop, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236 or the Salvation Army.

Helon M. Buchs

Former Grosse Pointe Woods resident Helon M. Buchs, 56, of Marine City, died Saturday, Nov. 18, 2006, after a battle with breast cancer, at Mount Clemens Regional Medical Center.

She was married to Rick Buchs, co-owner of Star Mechanical Inc.

Mrs. Buchs enjoyed working on jigsaw and crossword puzzles. She especially relished spending time with her children and their friends. She was proud that she once parachuted from a plane during a visit to Colorado.

She is survived by her husband, Rick; daughter, Shannon Buchs; son, Marc (Laura) Buchs; parents, Bill and Mary Finley; sisters, Patsy (Patrick) Patterson and Debbie (Steven) Still; and brothers, Billy (Cheryl), Alan (Robin) and Ronald (Sandy) Finley.

Interment is at Resurrection Cemetery in Clinton Township. Memorial contributions may be made to the family.

Harriette Georgia Caruso

Harriette Georgia Caruso, 81, of Grosse Pointe Farms,

died Wednesday, Nov. 15, 2006. She was born on Aug. 25, 1925, in Detroit, to Glenn and Nina Cain.

She was a member and past deacon of the Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Caruso was employed as an executive secretary for the Ford Motor Co., and as a model for Dr Pepper.

Her daughter, Catherine Hackenberger, wrote, "She was a woman of faith, a sincere Christian, and an adoring mother and grandmother who loved her family with open arms. Our mother loved the most important pleasure in life...time spent with family and dear friends. Known as 'Grammies' she enjoyed gardening, puzzles, crafts, attending any school or athletic event and so much more with her grandkids. She was a kind and wise sounding board whose positive encouragement never ended, not only for her children but for anyone who was blessed by knowing her. Mom, you will forever be in our hearts."

She is survived by her daughter, Catherine (John) Hackenberger; son, Paul (Lori) Caruso; grandchildren, Eric, Paige, Ryan, Emma, Tracy and Nicholas; and brother, Glenn Cain.

She was predeceased by her husband, Paul Caruso.

Memorial contributions may be made to The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society or the Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church.

Pierre Louis DePorre, D.V.M.

Pierre Louis DePorre, D.V.M., 74, of Bloomfield Hills,



Stanley W. Brown



Harriette Georgia Caruso



Pierre Louis DePorre, D.V.M.



Polly Sundt Fischer



Edith M. Habib



Brian Keogh

died Monday, Nov. 20, 2006, at Harbor Chase of Auburn Hills.

He was born Nov. 25, 1931, in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Dr. DePorre was a man who cared for all of God's creatures — great and small. He became interested in veterinary medicine while working on his family's farm as a young man. He graduated in 1956 from Michigan State University's College of Veterinary Medicine of which he was a devoted supporter.

He started his veterinary practice in Bloomfield Hills in 1958. His brother, Jules, joined his practice as it grew and together they took great joy in serving people and their pets.

Above all else, Dr. DePorre loved his family. His parents, Jules and Zelma, provided a loving and caring environment where he grew up with his sisters, Juliette, Denise, and Zelma, and his brothers, Jules and James.

Dr. DePorre was an extremely proud and loving husband to his wife, Virginia and his five children, Pierre, Louise, Julianne, Mary and Paul. He was a soft-spoken man with a deep devotion to God, family and those in need. He taught by example and treasured every moment he spent in the company of his family and friends.

Dr. DePorre is survived by his wife of 49 years, Virginia (nee Teppert) DePorre; children, Pierre (Deborah) DePorre, Louise (James) Westcott, Julianne (Efron) Padilla, Mary (Craig) Sturza and Paul (Janie) DePorre; 14 grandchildren; and siblings, Juliette Zaranek, Zelma DeFever and James (Janet) DePorre.

He was predeceased by his brother, Jules DePorre; and sister, Denise DePorre.

A funeral Mass was celebrated on Saturday, Nov. 25, at St. Thomas More Catholic Church, in Troy. Interment is at St. Hugo of the Hills Columbarium in Bloomfield Hills.

Memorial contributions may be made to Companion Animal Fund, CVM Development, Michigan State University, F-130 Veterinary Medical Center,

East Lansing, MI 48824.

Polly Sundt Fischer

Polly Sundt Fischer, of the City of Grosse Pointe, died Saturday, Nov. 25, 2006, at St. John Hospital.

She was born in Stoughton, Wis., to Alfred and Helene Sundt.

Mrs. Fischer was a member of the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church where she participated in a prayer group, Junior Goodwill, the Detroit Athletic Club for which she served as president of the women's group, the Country Club of Detroit and the Grosse Pointe Garden Club.

Her interests included gardening, silversmith, interior decorating, antique collection, and international travel and volunteering for many charities.

She is survived by her son Bradford (Linda) Tisdale; grandchildren, Dr. Scott B. Tisdale, Kristin (Steven) Edmonson and Kevin B. (Danielle) Tisdale; and great-grandchildren, Daniel, Megan and Jack Edmonson.

She was predeceased by her first husband, Edward N. Tisdale; her second husband, Harvey A. Fischer; and brothers, Alfred, Arthur, Guy, Hector, Karoll and Percy Sundt.

A private family service was held. Entombment is at Woodlawn Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

Anna French

Former St. Clair Shores resident Anna French, 94, died of heart failure on Wednesday, Nov. 15, 2006, at Sunrise Assisted Living in Rochester.

The former Anna Beadle was born in 1912 in Auburn, Ontario, Canada, the heart of Ontario farm country. She left high school at 17 to earn her



Thomas Williams McMahon

nursing diploma at Stratford General Hospital in Stratford, Ontario, Canada. At the beginning of the Depression, with nursing jobs scarce in Canada, she moved to Detroit, where she worked as a nurse at Jennings Hospital on Jefferson Avenue.

In Detroit, she met Beverly French, another Ontario native, and married him in 1940. Mrs. French helped her husband develop French Electric Co., at Harper and Chalmers in Detroit, from its founding in 1947 until it was sold in 1990.

The family lived on Detroit's east side and later on the lake in St. Clair Shores before Mr. French's death in 1980.

Mrs. French donated money and artifacts to the fundraising branch of the Detroit Historical Society. She was a founding regent of the Susan Constant Chapter of the Daughters of the British Empire in St. Clair Shores. When that chapter was disbanded, she joined the St. Lawrence Seaway Chapter of the DBE, of which she was an emerita member. The chapters, under Mrs. French's guidance, provided financial support to the British Home in Brookfield, Ill., one of four DBE homes for older persons in the United States. Mrs. French was also an active member of the Engineering Society of Detroit's Engineers' Wives.

Mrs. French was an avid reader and storyteller. In her

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storytelling, she had an ability to play the roles of the people in her tales.

In a recorded oral history interview in 1979, she talked about the introduction of "hydro" (electricity) in Ontario when she was a teenager, the Victrola record player, Brownie camera and telephone party lines. Television and commercial aviation, she noted, were introduced in her lifetime. But as a nurse, she was most impressed with the developments in medicine, including organ transplants and new life-saving medicines.

Mrs. French is survived by her son, James B. French, of Rochester; daughter, Margaret French Bowler of Baltimore, Md.; three grandchildren, Stephen Bowler, Kristin Hubbard, Kimberly Deo; and seven great-grandchildren.

Services and burial were held on Tuesday, Nov. 21, at Cadillac Memorial Gardens East.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association and the Arthritis Foundation.

Elizabeth T. Granger

Elizabeth T. (nee O'Connor) Granger, 83, of Grosse Pointe Woods, died Wednesday, Nov. 22, 2006, at Sunrise Assisted Living.

She was born May 17, 1923, in Detroit to Albert and Katherine O'Connor.

She graduated in 1941 from St. Mary's in Monroe and attended the University of Detroit.

Mrs. Granger was a member of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club and was a past president of the Wayne County Medical Society Women's Auxiliary. She was a parishioner of Our Lady Star of the Sea Church since 1955.

She enjoyed playing bridge, traveling, boating and painting.

She is survived by her sons, Michael (Vicki), Richard (Laurie) and Kevin (Julie) Granger; grandchildren, Jennifer (Tony) McClinton, Sean (Mary), Daniel (Ciera), Brian, Christopher and Scott Granger; five great-grandchildren; and sisters, Lucille Entwistle, Geraldine Gazdecki, Patricia Chipman and Mary Lou Dinon.

She was predeceased by her husband, George R. Granger, M.D., who died in 1988; sisters, Katherine O'Connor and Marguerite Boss; and brother, Albert O'Connor.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m., Saturday, Dec. 16, at St. Paul Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Interment will be at the church's columbarium.

Memorial contributions may

be made to the Alzheimer's Association of Michigan or the Capuchin Monastery.

Edith M. Habib

Edith M. (nee Hoffman) Habib, 55, of Grosse Pointe Farms, died Saturday, Nov. 25, 2006, one week after a sudden stroke, at Bon Secours Hospital.

She was born Aug. 12, 1951, in Detroit, to Mary Teresa and Marshall Hoffman.

Mrs. Habib was very fond of her two golden retrievers, Carly and Simon.

She is survived by her husband, Bill J. Habib; mother, Mary Teresa Hoffman; sisters, Wilma (Paul) Davies and Marsha (Don) Harris; and her brothers, Bill (Sue) and Marshall (Leslie) Hoffman.

She was predeceased by her father, Marshall Hoffman; and brother, Fran Hoffman.

Visitation will be held from 3 to 9 p.m., on Thursday, Nov. 30, and Friday, Dec. 1, at A.H. Peters Funeral Home, 20705 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Brian Keogh

Brian H. Keogh, 56, of Grosse Pointe Farms, died suddenly on Sunday, Nov. 12, 2006.

He was born June 25, 1950, in Detroit, to Robert and Nancy (nee Anderson) Keogh. Mr. Keogh served in the U.S. Air Force after graduating from Grosse Pointe South High School in 1968.

He maintained his passion for boat racing throughout the '70s, '80s and '90s. He competed in the hydroplane race circuit both as a driver and an owner. During this time, he owned a variety of racing boats and traveled extensively throughout the United States. He concluded his competitive years in the early '90s and focused his energies on his sports car and used car businesses.

Mr. Keogh, the owner of Pointe Auto Sales, was in the process of establishing a new business site at the time of his death.

In addition to his business and racing interests, he had recently become an avid golfer.

He was a devoted father and husband, and a source of support and comfort to all who knew him. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

Mr. Keogh is survived by his wife of 27 years, Tricia (Dillon) Keogh; and children, Robert Keogh II of Grosse Pointe Farms, Allison (Ranee) Nelson and Brian Keogh Jr., who is attending The University of Colorado Medical School; grandchildren, Jacob, Logan, and Wyatt Nelson; brother, Kent (Denise) Keogh; and mother-in-law, Pauline Dillon; and many nieces, nephews and extended family members.

He was predeceased by his

parents, Robert and Nancy Keogh.

A private memorial was held for immediate family members.

Memorial contributions may be sent to the Brian Keogh Memorial Fund at any Comerica Bank.

Thomas Williams McMahon

Thomas "Papa" Williams McMahon, 78, of Grosse Pointe Farms, died Tuesday, Nov. 21, 2006, at his home.

He was born April 2, 1928, in Detroit, to Francis Edward and Neosha Perry McMahon. He attended Noble and Greenough Preparatory School in Massachusetts and graduated in 1950 from Dartmouth College in New Hampshire. He attended The Hartford for post-graduate work.

Mr. McMahon married and began his family in Grosse Pointe Farms in 1953. He co-purchased Bosquette Insurance Co., where he worked for more than 50 years.

Mr. McMahon's family had a long history in the Detroit area. His great-grandfather was John R. Williams, the first mayor of the city of Detroit, and he is the namesake of the mayor's son, Thomas Williams.

Mr. McMahon was an avid golfer. He competed in high school and college with contemporaries such as Arnold Palmer. Winning some and losing some, Mr. McMahon chalked up a very impressive collegiate record. In the 1954 U.S. Amateur Championship at the Country Club of Detroit, he was the low qualifier, but lost in the second round match to Davis Love Sr., before Arnold Palmer won this tournament, which launched Mr. Palmer's golf career and was the basis for his book, "Turning Point." As hard as others tried, Mr. McMahon still holds the Country Club of Detroit course record with an amazing 63 which has lasted for more than 50 years.

During his tenure in the armed service, Mr. McMahon continued his golf by designing and building a golf course in Germany for the U.S. troops. He also played hockey for the U.S. Army team.

Mr. McMahon was a mem-

ber of the Country Club of Detroit, several professional insurance organizations and was a past officer at the Detroit Athletic Club.

In addition to being an extremely gifted athlete, he was an extremely gifted and devoted father, grandfather and husband. All his children claim he never missed any of their hockey games, golf tournaments, baseball games, school performances, weddings and even parent teacher meetings. He was always tremendously supportive of his family in all their ventures — educational, business, social, athletic and personal. He was loved by many and will be missed by all.

He was an avid dog lover who leaves behind three dogs, Dr. Seuss, Mouse and Fletcher.

He is survived by his wife; Judy; sons, Michael (Marilyn), Thomas Jr. (Julie), John Koppinger (Penny), Mark (Joni), Kevin (Bethany) and Joseph; grandchildren, Christie, Jake, Scott, Matt, Kelsey, Kara, Joe, Chelsea, Mackenzie, Austin and Ginger.

Mr. McMahon was predeceased by his sister, Frances McMahon Whittingham.

Mr. McMahon's body was donated to science.

Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of one's choice.

Ludmila von Taube

Ludmila von Taube, 84, died Friday, Nov. 17, 2006.

She was a dear and loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.

She is survived by her children, Marina (Terry Risko), Ludmila F., Alan (Karen), Philip and David Kruse, and Alix (Greg) Hollis; four grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

A memorial Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m., Thursday, Dec. 7, at St. Regis Catholic Church, 3695 Lincoln Dr., Birmingham.

Report monitors water quality

The Department of Environmental Quality recently announced the release of several reports summarizing the newest available results obtained from statewide fish contaminant and water chemistry monitoring efforts.

Reports include the Michigan Fish Contaminant Monitoring Program 2005 Annual Report; the Michigan Water Chemistry Monitoring Project 2004 Great Lakes Tributaries Report; the Michigan Water Chemistry Monitoring Project 1993-2004 Saginaw and Grand Traverse Bay Report; and the Michigan Water Chemistry Monitoring Project 1992-2004 Great Lakes Connecting Channels Report.

The Michigan Fish Contaminant Monitoring Program has been monitoring contaminant levels in fish from state waters on a regular basis since the mid-1980s. The data from these samples has been used by the Department of Community Health to generate fish consumption advisories where needed, and by the DEQ and other state agencies to assess water quality, evaluate the effectiveness of remediation programs, and to measure changes in important fish contaminants at selected sites over time.

The Michigan Water Chemistry Monitoring Project was initiated in 1998, and currently monitors selected indicators of water quality at stations on Saginaw Bay and Grand Traverse Bay; the Detroit River, St. Clair River, and St. Marys River; and more than 30 Great Lakes tributaries. The data from these samples is used by the DEQ to assess water quality, evaluate the effectiveness of DEQ water quality programs, detect new and emerging water quality problems, and measure changes in important water quality contaminants at selected sites over time.

Online access to Michigan's Fish Contaminant database, as well as links to the 2005 and other recent annual reports, and a brief overview of the fish contaminant monitoring program, is available at the Web site deq.state.mi.us/cmp

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Links to Michigan Water Chemistry Monitoring Project reports and a brief overview of DEQ water chemistry monitoring efforts are available at the Web site michigan.gov/deqwater; or call (517) 241-7504.

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City council approved a purchase of \$40,000 worth of road salt from North American Salt Co.

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— Bob St. John

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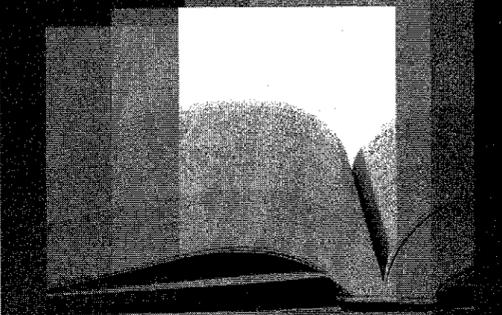
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Wrong turn

A Detroit woman was detained after making a wrong turn on Lakeshore near Fontana on Thursday, Nov. 23.

The woman admitted to officers she was unlicensed. She was taken to the police station and held until her mother picked her up. Her vehicle was impounded.

No license

Police arrested a Detroit man for driving without a license after a traffic stop at Jefferson and Marter Sunday, Nov. 26.

Police said the man was stopped because of defective brake lights. The man could only produce a state ID card and was arrested for driving without a license and having no insurance.

He was processed and released after posting bond.

Booze and drugs

A man from Davison and a Burton woman were arrested for drug possession and open intoxicants after a traffic stop at Lakeshore and Fairlake Lane on Friday, Nov. 24.

Police said the car had expired tags. The man couldn't produce a driver license, and both were asked to exit the vehicle.

The drugs, a bag of marijuana and mushrooms, and open alcohol were discovered while searching the vehicle. Both suspects were arrested and informed their vehicle was forfeited.

Suspended license

Police arrested a St. Clair Shores man after a traffic stop

for expired plates on Lakeshore near Stratton on Friday, Nov. 24.

A LEIN (Law Enforcement Information Network) check revealed the man had two current license suspensions, and he was taken into custody.

His vehicle was impounded and the man was processed and released after posting bond.

—John Lundberg

Grosse Pointe Farms

Suspensions

A Detroit man was cited for driving with expired tags and driving with a suspended license following a traffic stop on Mack near Hillcrest Saturday, Nov. 25.

Police said the man did not have insurance and, after a LEIN check revealed four current suspensions, he was cited and released at the scene. His vehicle was impounded.

Concealed weapon

Police arrested two Detroit men after a traffic stop on Mack near Tyrone on Friday, Nov. 24.

Police said the vehicle was observed parked in a gas station at Mack and Moross, where a LEIN check revealed its license plate belonged to another car. Police pursued the vehicle and initiated the stop.

Police said the driver could not present proper paperwork for the car, and a LEIN check revealed that the man was wanted on one arrest warrant and had two current suspensions.

The passenger, who was passed out and had to be awakened, admitted that he owned the car, but did not explain why the plate was fraudulent.

The driver also failed several field sobriety tests and registered a .18 on a breath test.

A search of the vehicle revealed a loaded pistol under the front seat. A check on the pistol came back clean, but police believe it may have been stolen because of many after-market upgrades made to the weapon. The men were arrested for carrying a concealed weapon, drunk driving and having a fraudulent license plate.

The man's car was impounded.

Drug arrest

Police arrested a Grosse Pointe Farms man for crack cocaine possession after a traffic stop on Moross near Piche on Wednesday, Nov. 22.

Police initiated the stop after the man ran a red light at Moross and Chalfonte. A LEIN check revealed the man had seven current suspensions, and a search of the vehicle uncovered the drug.

The man was arrested and his car impounded.

—John Lundberg

City of Grosse Pointe

Running man

Police arrested a Detroit man for suspected car theft after he fled on foot from a vehicle he had parked in the 17000 block of Mack on Thursday, Nov. 23.

Police were following the vehicle, which was suspected to be stolen. When the man parked and ran from the vehicle, and police chased and arrested him in the 4000 block of Hereford in Detroit.

A check of the vehicle found the passenger side window broken and the ignition cracked open. The vehicle is registered to a Dearborn

Heights woman and was held at the station for pick up.

Chicago blues

Police arrested a Chicago woman for drunken driving after a traffic stop on Moran near Mack on Thursday, Nov. 23.

Police observed the woman's vehicle speeding on Mack and initiated the stop after a sloppy turn onto Moran. After she failed several field sobriety tests, the woman registered a .20 on a breath test.

The woman was arrested and her car parked by police.

Laptop lifted

Police are investigating the theft of a laptop computer from a business in the 17000 block of Kercheval on Wednesday, Nov. 22.

Police said the victim left the computer on a table when he went to use the restroom, only to find it gone when he returned.

There are no suspects.

—John Lundberg

Grosse Pointe Park

Stolen truck

On Wednesday, Nov. 22, at 7:33 a.m., a white 2003 Ford F-150 pickup truck was stolen while it was running in the driveway of a home in the 1000 block of Balfour in Grosse Pointe Park.

—Bob St. John

Grosse Pointe Woods

Case stolen

On Saturday, Nov. 25, at 9:06 a.m., a 51-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods man living in the 1400 block of Roslyn reported

an unknown person broke into his black 2003 BMW and stole a brown leather briefcase that contained a dictaphone.

The theft occurred between Friday, Nov. 24, at 10:45 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 25, at 7 a.m. The stolen item cost \$400.

Wrong home

On Monday, Nov. 27, at 12:39 a.m., a 52-year-old Detroit man was found sitting on the front porch of a Grosse Pointe Woods home in the 1900 block of Prestwick.

Police officers could hear the man singing when they pulled up to the home. He had no identification and smelled of intoxicants, the police report said.

When asked what he was doing, the man said he was at home sitting on his front porch.

A LEIN (Law Enforcement Information Network) check revealed the man had an outstanding warrant for failure to appear in court.

He was arrested. However, once police uncuffed him at the station to be processed, the man threw a punch at an officer and would not obey orders.

After several minutes, the man was put into handcuffs and placed in a jail cell.

Stolen vehicle

On Sunday, Nov. 26, at 9:11 p.m., a 16-year-old Detroit man was stopped on Harper and Allard after a police officer ran a LEIN check on the license plate.

The check revealed the car was stolen out of Detroit.

A police officer asked the teenager what he was doing with the car and he first replied the vehicle belonged to his aunt, then changed his story, saying a man gave it to him.

He was arrested for possession of a stolen vehicle.

Running red lights

On Saturday, Nov. 25, at 9:40 p.m., a 50-year-old Detroit man was pulled over after stopping at a red light on Mack and

Roslyn and then going through it before it turned green.

A LEIN check revealed the man's driver license has been suspended three times and there is a warrant out of Troy for his arrest.

The man was arrested for driving with a suspended license and issued a traffic citation for going through the red light.

Smashed windows

Two separate accounts of smashed car windows were reported within minutes of each other on Saturday, Nov. 25.

At 10:05 a.m., a 68-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods man living in the 600 block of North Brys told police that an unknown person threw a rock that smashed the back window and rear passenger door window of his silver 2003 Ford Explorer.

The incident happened between Friday, Nov. 24, at 5 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 25, at 9:30 a.m.

At 10:34 a.m., Saturday, Nov. 25, a 46-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods woman living in the 1100 block of Roslyn reported an unknown person threw a rock that smashed the front passenger window on her tan 2007 GMC Suburban.

The thief stole the woman's purse.

Explorer taken

On Saturday, Nov. 25, at 8:26 a.m., a 46-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods man living in the 1500 block of Dorthem reported someone stole his Ford Explorer parked in his driveway.

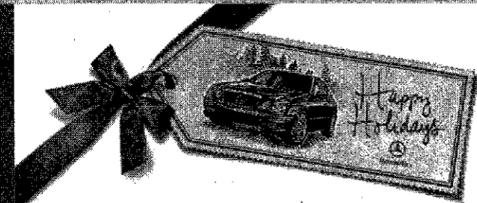
Stolen purse

On Saturday, Nov. 25, at 3:33 a.m., a 22-year-old Clinton Township woman reported someone smashed the front passenger window of her white 1994 Dodge Intrepid parked in front of a home in the 1000 block of Roslyn in Grosse Pointe Woods.

The thief stole the woman's purse.

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TEST DRIVE By Greg Zyla

The 2006 Honda Accord EX is quite roomy and with the 244 horsepower V-6 engine, the Accord EX is definitely a fun drive. Take corners with ease in this car.

The refined 2006 Accord 4DR EX-V6NV



We recently test-drove the 2006 Honda Accord EX-V6NV, a refreshed version of one of the world's best-selling sedans — base price: \$29,300; price as tested: \$29,850.

Accord's EX-V6NV nomenclature, which stands for "EX" model with V6 engine and navigation system, is the high-end model of six Accord variations. For those on a budget, we must emphasize that a consumer can get behind the wheel of a brand new '06 Accord for just \$18,225 in 4-cylinder dress. Gradually, Accord works its way up to near \$30,000, where the consumer receives an overabundance of "standard" equipment for the money spent.

Honda calls the EX Sedan a "brand-new Accord," featuring a close-ratio six-speed manual transmission, exclusive 17-inch alloy wheels, perforated leather-wrapped steering wheel, aluminum shift knob with perforated leather, carbon-fiber-look interior accents, and 180-watt AM/FM/six-disc in-dash CD premium audio system with six speakers.

Other refinements — found in all '06 Accord models — include increased horsepower and a nicely tweaked instrument panel. In the EX, a 3.0-liter, VTEC V6-engine produces a staunch 244 horsepower yet



2006 Honda Accord 4DR EX-V6NV

retains great mileage numbers at 21 city and 30 highway.

Never receiving any awards for outstanding looks, Accord is much sportier for '06 and way more attractive, thanks to a sleek new front and rear fascia, newfangled sheet metal for the rear quarter panels, the 17-inch wheels, and even new exhaust "finishers" that the tuner crowd will like.

Inside, the new instrument panel blends well with impressive wood grain trim and satin chrome trim and accents.

Accord comes standard with electronic brake distribution, brake assist, four-wheel double wishbone suspension, variable-assist rack-and-pinion power steering, and front and

rear stabilizer bars. A list of safety features that few in its class match include driver's and front passenger's dual-stage air bags and side air bags; side-curtain air bags; vehicle stability assist; anti-lock brakes; and side-impact door beams.

Other notable standard exterior features include a power moonroof with title feature and heated power door mirrors.

On the highway, Accord offers up an extremely comfortable yet still sporty ride.

Whether traversing a twisty mountain road or cruising the freeway effortlessly at 70-mph, you'll feel safe, secure and in very good hands mechanically. Accords are noted for excellent

Consumer Reports magazine reliability ratings, and then offer some nice trade-in values when it's time to change the family inventory. We especially like the 6-speed manual transmission, which allows for a more aggressive and controlled driving approach. For those who need an automatic, that's no problem. Just ask your dealer and he'll order one without a clutch just for you.

Although listed as "standard equipment," the aforementioned nomenclature designates this Accord as one carrying the high-end navigation system with voice recognition, although the near-\$30,000 price tag tells you it is indeed expected. We also enjoyed the

leather-trimmed seats and steering wheel; the new stereo system; steering wheel audio controls; XM Satellite Radio, dual-zone automatic climate control with air filtration; driver's eight-way power seat with adjustable lumbar support; front passenger's four-way power seat; heated front seats; front-center console with armrest and storage; power windows and door locks; driver's auto up-down window; tilt and telescoping steering column; illuminated visor vanity mirrors; cruise; exterior temperature gauge; floor mats; HomeLink System and Maintenance Minder System. Whew! That's a long list.

Important numbers include 3,371-pound curb weight (with manual transmission) and 107.9-inch wheelbase.

Honda should retain its top-selling American sedan glory with the numerous refinements for 2006. We can't help but rate this car among our favorites, giving it a 9 out of a possible "10 is best" rating.

Likes: Sportier personality and looks, good fuel mileage, great 6-speed manual transmission, 244 horsepower.

Dislikes: EX's high-end price lacks "high-end" distinction of other \$30K-plus sedans.

However, if you're into discretion, move this "dislike" into the "likes" department.

Greg Zyla is a syndicated automotive writer.

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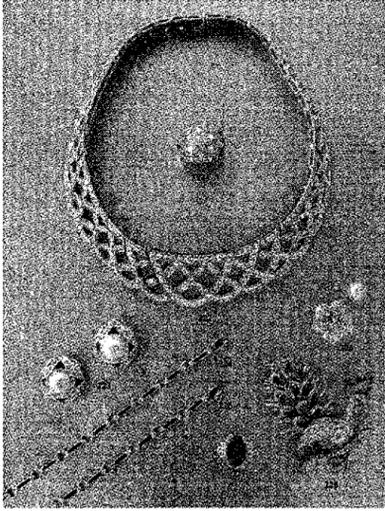
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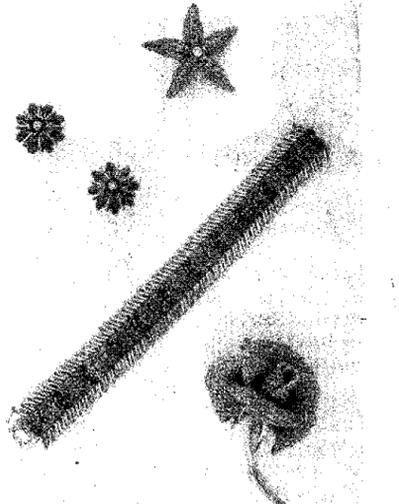
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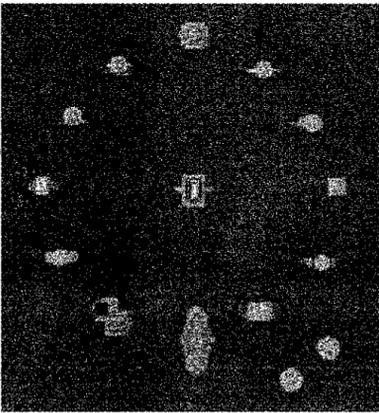
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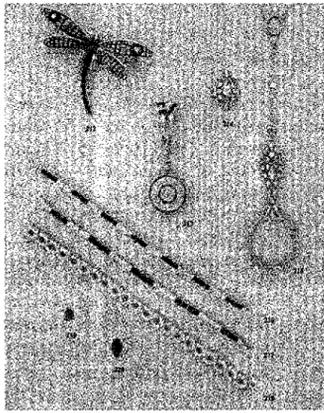
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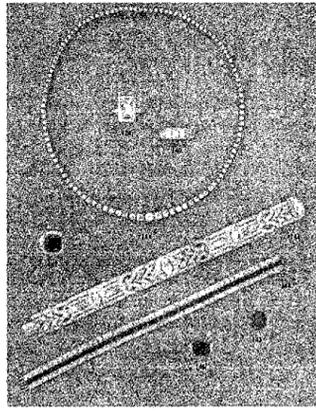
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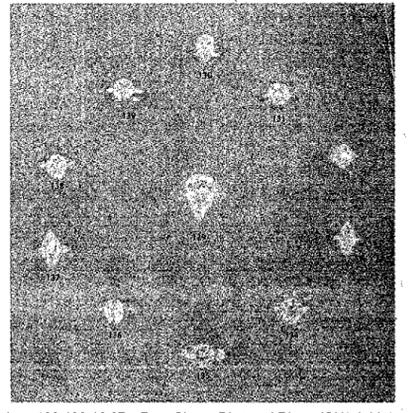
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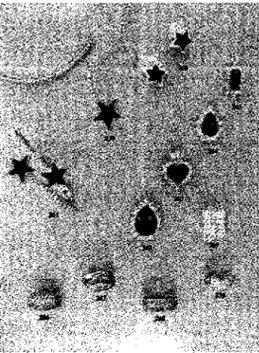
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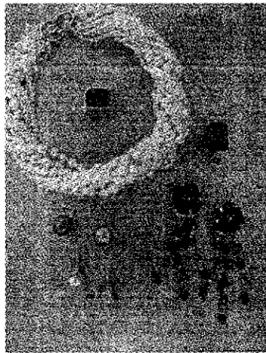
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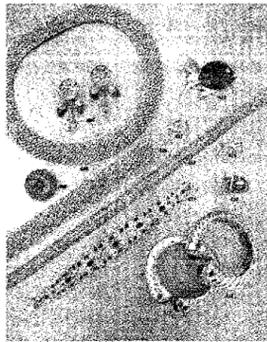
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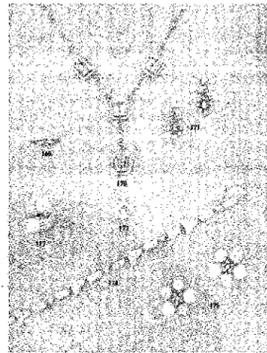
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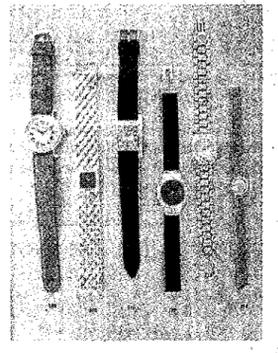
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Enhance your home from a treasure trove of art that can be found on the second floor at **Grosse Pointe Library's Central branch**. Here, patrons decorate their home for a nominal fee.

Discovering a gem

By Beth Quinn
Staff Writer

One of Grosse Pointe's little-known gems is housed on the second floor of the Grosse Pointe Public Library Central branch. The treasure trove of art is just waiting to be discovered by the public.

Library patrons can rent one of the 50 pieces of art for one, two or three months at a mere \$1.50 a month. The average price of the collection's artwork ranges from \$300 to \$600, making this fee one of the best values in town.

According to Circulation Director Carol Evans, who manages the collection, most people check out pieces to temporarily fill a bare space in their homes. Many times that happens when they move into a new home or they are redecorating and they are not quite sure what they want to hang on a particular wall.

She said many pieces are used when people are staging their home to sell it. Staging is a way of accessorizing a house to enhance its assets

without completely redecorating it.

Evans suggests using the collection to bring a little spice into one's life.

"It is also a fun way to change things around," Evans said. "It gives you a new outlook."

One couple is especially fond of a watercolor titled "Trees" which depicts a forest in winter.

"They know we can't sell it to them, so they frequently rent it," said Evans. "They check it out, bring it back and check it out again."

Evans purchases pieces for the collection from local art shows and the Grosse Pointe Artists Association. While the collection has a few reproductions, such as one by Mary Cassatt, it is mainly comprised of the originals created by local artists.

"I believe in supporting the community," Evans said. "We have enough talent here."

Despite a relatively small budget of an estimated \$500 every other year, Evans man-



Dorothea Kreig of the City of Grosse Pointe demonstrates how the printing press located in her basement works. One of her linographs is part of the library's collection.

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GEM: Discover a piece of art

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ages to find pieces to suit the community's needs.

Through trial and error, she has discovered that most Grosse Pointers have very traditional tastes in art.

"Florals are the ones that really circulate," she said.

One of the most popular pieces of art is the painting, "Spring Daffodils" by Robert Kienlo.

"Everyone loves it. It is narrow and long so it fills many spaces," Evans said. "It's always gone."

While florals and landscapes dominate the collection, each piece represents the particular artist's distinct interpretation of the object being drawn. Some pieces are very realistic while others are abstract.

The collection houses art created by well-respected Grosse Pointe artists, such as Michael Derbyshire, Donna Wilson and Margaret Pankhurst, all who have passed away in recent years.

Patrons can also rent the award-winning painting, "Colorburst," which was donated to the library by artist George Scott Strachan.

The mediums are as varied as the artists themselves. There are watercolors, pen and ink, and lithographs.

Sharon Hackman, who previously worked at the library, has a batik that is a feast of color.

The "Upper Nile" is a linocut created by City of Grosse Pointe resident Dorothea Kreig. The work has a movement representing the flow of water. It can be hung horizontally or vertically.

Kreig has a printing press set up in her home. The massive machinery required a

moving crew equipped with riggings to get it down to the basement.

"It was my husband's idea to have a press in the house," Kreig said. "He never wants to move and since it (the press) is so hard to move, I guess we won't."

A number of the collection's female artists, including Kreig, Zurvalec, Linda Allen, Zina Carnaghi, Bette Prudden and Elaine Schaitberger, belong to a group named "The Grosse Pointe 10" which has monthly meetings from September to June. They take turns hosting the get-togethers which include a potluck dinner.

"We discuss and critique each others work," Kreig said. "We give suggestions and, sometimes, we even give compliments."

Kreig said the meetings are a source of inspiration for her.

"All our works are quite different from one another," she said. "Many times during our meetings, I will think 'Why that's an idea I've never thought of.'"

Kreig is also grateful to the library for having an art collection.



"It's wonderful. It's very encouraging to the artists and allows the public to have original works in their homes," she said. "It's a plus, plus for everyone."

The Grosse Pointe Public Library has an art collection from which patrons can rent works for \$1.50 a month. Above, it features the creations of many local artists such as the late Michael Derbyshire whose landscape watercolors are critically acclaimed.

Many different styles and mediums are represented in the library's collection. Lori Zurvalec's microscopic plant study, "Red Tulip," at right, is a combination of realism and abstraction.



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Simple, but meaningful old Grosse Pointe traditions will be the topic of discussion from 1 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 9, at the Provencal-Weir House at 376 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Historian Sandy Marhoff will explore holiday traditions practiced by Grosse Pointers in days past. The home, decorated for the holidays by the Rose Terrace Questers of Grosse Pointe, will be open for tours from 1 to 4 p.m. The Quester members will also provide the holiday refreshments. Reservations are requested, but not required. Call (313) 884-7010 for more information.

'Coats for the Cold' in 16th year

For 15 consecutive years, the Lakeshore Optimist Club of Grosse Pointe has held its annual "Coats for the Cold" clothing collection for local ministries.

The 16th annual collection is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 2. All types of clean clothing for children or adults will be accepted and forwarded to either the Grace Community Church's Outreach Ministry called My Father's Business, or to the Children's Home of Detroit.

"We typically collect a couple trailers' worth of clothes each year," said Jeff vonSchwarz of Grosse Pointe Farms, president of the Optimist Club. "This serves a dual-purpose; (1) eastside residents can clear out their closets and receive a tax deduction, and (2) the clothing is recycled to benefit those who can use them."

Christina Gaitley, director of My Father's Business, relates how a mother and her five children had to start over after they lost everything in a house fire.

My Father's Business was asked for help, and because of the generosity of the community and the Optimist Club, were able to provide suitable cloth-

ing and most importantly, winter coats.

In another recent case, an elementary school social worker called on behalf of a student's family. Neither this student nor his four siblings had any type of coat, and would not be able to attend school when the weather got colder.

"Our monitoring system and ever-expanding coordination with area churches, organizations and individuals has gone a long way toward assuring that every coat and cold weather item we receive is made available to those who need it most," Gaitley said.

To donate clothing, call the Optimist Hotline at (313) 359-6126 any time between now and Dec. 1, leaving your name and address on the voice mail message.

On the morning of Saturday, Dec. 2, place bags of donated clothing on the front porch. Optimist volunteer crews will pick them up between noon and 3 p.m., leaving a receipt.

Clothing bags may be dropped off at the side door of 453 Rivard Boulevard between St. Paul and Maumee in the City of Grosse Pointe between Wednesday, Nov. 29 and Friday, Dec. 1.



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Volunteers shopping

The Detroit Symphony Orchestra (DSO) Volunteer Council hosted the 24th annual Nutcracker Luncheon and Boutique Nov. 7, with 250 in attendance. The event will benefit DSO education and outreach programs. Standing, Adel Amerman of Grosse Pointe Farms, from left, Mary Ann Van Elslander of Grosse Pointe Shores, Gloria Clark of Grosse Pointe Shores and Floy Barthel of Northville, took advantage of Detroit-area vendors who offered holiday and year-round items.

Toys R Us helps Capuchins this holiday season

Toys R Us, 32700 John R, Madison Heights, will be aiding the Capuchins from 7 to 10 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 10, when a portion of each sale will go to the Capuchins ministries in Detroit.

"This is a wonderful opportunity to shop for Christmas

and to help those in need," said Brother Bill Cieslak. "Christmas is a joyous time to celebrate family. It's also a time when the plight of our area's poor comes to the forefront. We are grateful to Toys R Us for this event to recognize both the joy and the need."

Designated registers will record "Capuchin" sales. At the close of the three-hour event, a percentage of the total sales will be given to the Capuchins for their work with the poor, needy, and disenfranchised.

For more information, call Toys R Us at (248) 585-5700.

Humane Society offers holiday cards

The Michigan Humane Society, a nonprofit organization, is offering holiday cards to raise funds for the care of animals at its three Metro-Detroit locations.

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CLUB MEETINGS

Pettipointe Questers

The next meeting of Pettipointe Questers No. 243 will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 7, at the home of Judy DeCosmo.

The theme, "A Williamsburg Christmas," will enhance speaker Anne Bleich's presentation of "Antique Toys."

A \$10 gift exchange will be followed by a Williamsburg luncheon.

R.S.V.P. to Judy by Dec. 1.

Fox Creek Questers

The Fox Creek Questers No. 216 will have its Christmas celebration at Trattoria Andiamo at noon Thursday, Dec. 7.

The party planners are Carol Sauter and Bonnie Medura. Contributions to the H.P. and R. scholarship fund will be accepted by Carolyn Nentroup, treasurer.

Friends and Neighbors

The Friends and Neighbors Club holds its annual Holiday Luncheon and Shopping Extravaganza at the War Memorial Crystal Ballroom from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 7.

There will be boutiques in which to shop and a meal to share with friends and neighbors.

The University Liggett

Upper School Choir will sing.

For membership information, contact Kelley Vreeken at (313) 884-8705 or check out the Web site at gpfnc.com.

Garden club

The Windmill Pointe Garden club meets Wednesday, Dec. 6, at the home of Doris Woerner. Sandy Ransford will be co-hostess for the program titled "What's organic?" presented by LocalMotion.

Orchestra music

"A Holiday Feast" at 3 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 3, brings Tchaikovsky's "Nutcracker" to the Macomb Center for the Performing Arts stage and includes a suite of dances culminating with the "The Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairy."

Santa will lead the sing-along for the Macomb Symphony Orchestra.

For tickets, call the symphony box office at (586) 286-2222.

Concert choir

Detroit Concert Choir presents three Christmas concerts. They are at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 9; 3 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 10; and 4 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 17. Call (313) 882-0118 for ticket information.

The Dec. 10 concert will be presented at Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church, 19950 Mack.

Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$18 for seniors and \$10 for young adults.

Newcomers Club

Grosse Pointe Newcomers Social Club invites all Grosse Pointe residents to a Christmas party beginning at 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 2, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

Dinner, drinks and dancing cost \$115 per couple.

Black tie is optional. Reservations may be made by contacting Rebecca White at (313) 332-0561.

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The Rev. Tim Holzerland, Christ the King's associate pastor, said the dinner is designed to give people a respite from the pre-Christmas frenzy.

"Advent is a time to refresh our tired spirits, wake us from indifference and distractions and to increase our faith," he said. "We're carrying that theme out in our preaching, which will focus on the positive and negative imagery of sleep in the Bible, and how Christ can transform us for 2007."

"The dinner complements it perfectly. It's all about taking a break from cooking and escap-

ing the pressures of work and Christmas shopping to meet new people. After dinner, join us for worship and be strengthened in your faith."

There is no charge for the dinner. The service will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary and the sermon will focus on the story of Elijah and his need for sleep to continue the Lord's work. Power Point imagery will accompany the sermon, and there will be handouts for children to take home.

A supervised nursery for infants and toddlers will also be available.

For more information, contact Holzerland at (313) 884-5090.

Musicale

The Tuesday Musicale of Detroit will hold its annual holiday concert and luncheon at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 5 at

the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore Drive, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The luncheon is at noon following the concert at the Alger House in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

Luncheon price is \$18 and reservations may be made by calling (313) 882-0710 no later than Thursday, Nov. 30.

Carole Scott, flute, and Douglas Scott, organ, will perform music of Clerambault/Alain, Irish carol tune/Wagner, Norholm and Charpentier/Wagner. Ernestine Nimmons, soprano, will sing the entire Exsultate, jubilate by Mozart, accompanied by Virginia Shover.

The music of Albrecht; Lowry and Green; Davis Onorati and Simeone; Gallina; and Smith will be performed by The Tuesday Musicale Choral Ensemble, directed by Ruth Brennan and accompanied by Patricia Fletcher. Jean Ground, percussion, will perform with the Chorale's rendition of "The Little Drummer Boy" and Gregory Pond will be the soloist. Guest artist organist Huw Lewis will announce his selections on the day of the concert.

Barbara MacIntosh is the concert chairman.

Detroit Choir

"Christmas with the Detroit Concert Choir" featuring holiday hits and sing-along carols is planned for 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 10, at the Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church, 19950 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$18 for seniors aged 62 and up, \$10 for those aged 8 to 21 and can be purchased in advance or at the door.

For more information, call (313) 882-0118; e-mail dcc@detroitconcertchoir.org or visit detroitconcertchoir.org

St. Paul accepting auction donations

St. Paul Catholic School is in the final weeks of collecting donations for its annual dinner and auction planned for Friday, Feb. 2, at the Roostertail in Detroit.

Last year's dinner and auction raised \$170,000 for the school.

"The annual St. Paul Catholic School Auction is an enormous support to our school," said Mary Miller, school principal. "The auction

helps us to fund instructional materials and programs that would not otherwise be available to our students. I'm amazed at the creativity, energy and commitment of all of our volunteers and donors."

Auction proceeds fund a variety of technology upgrades such as science equipment and new computers.

All donations received prior to Thursday, Nov. 30, will be described in the auction cata-

log. All types of donations are appreciated, including but not limited to new and unused gift items, event tickets, children's items, sporting goods, furniture and art.

Donations can be dropped off at St. Paul Catholic School, 170 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms.

For more information, call (313) 884-9080 or (313) 823-5552.

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Dr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Coles Jr., of Grosse Pointe Woods, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at two gatherings of family.

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Having been given a surprise 40th anniversary party by their children, with many relatives and friends attending, it was decided to cele-

brate 50 years of marriage by gathering the family, including 15 grandchildren. They gathered for a weekend in March in Lansing and then a weekend in May in Grand Haven for the adults.



Dr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Coles Jr. and their children, from left, Michael, Kathleen, Brian, Mary Claire, Peter and Dennis.

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CAREGIVING By Terri Murphy

Know with whom you are dealing



The use of private pay home care services is soaring in the United States and many families do not understand the risks to which they or their loved one can be exposed to by hiring home care services from an individual who claims that they are an "independent contractor."

The problem

The number of families purchasing private duty home care services continues to grow. Many cite the desire for a higher quality of life and independence as the reasons for the choice of care at home. Most of these services are paid out-of-pocket, using available disposable income to hire the care they need in their home. Because of this, they often turn to Independent caregivers, or agencies that offer the cheapest price for care without understanding the implications of their choice. Some of these "cheaper" companies are not employing their caregivers, but are merely "placing" them in

home care settings. This has resulted in unfortunate situations for seniors, families and the home care industry in general.

Risks

There are many unexpected or hidden issues that consumers face when employing these individuals in their home. One major issue is that there IS an employer-employee relationship that is created in most of the care situations. With few exceptions, elder caregivers do not fall under the IRS guidelines of "independent contractor" (as indicated in IRS Publication 926). Unfortunately, most families are not aware of this. Individuals working as "independent contractors," and "placement agencies" often do not communicate to the family that this relationship most likely will result in the creation of an employer-employee relationship, not an independent contractor relationship. Both the worker and the family can suffer significant financial liabilities.

Liabilities, abuses, payroll taxes

Families of those receiving care are confronted by a confusing array of federal and state laws. The simplest and

most direct requirement is that anyone who gets a paycheck must pay the government any taxes due. This includes Social Security, Medicare, federal and state unemployment, and state and federal payroll taxes.

When the family is the employer and responsible for compliance, and none of these taxes are being paid, the government may sue the family or their estate for back taxes, interest and penalties. In a situation where many days of care, or many hours each week of services over a long period of time have been delivered, this tax responsibility can be a substantial amount. Other remedies that authorities may seek can include civil fines and criminal penalties. There is no statute of limitations on the failure to report and remit federal payroll taxes. You are most likely to be "caught" when your former "independent contractor" files for unemployment or Social Security benefits. This could be years down the road, and their filing could have nothing to do with you. You, not the worker, will be required to pay all back taxes, including the workers federal and state withholding taxes.

Worker related injuries

This is the most potentially devastating result for families

and workers who are unaware of the employer-employee relationship. If no workers' compensation protection is provided (as mandated by law for employees for nearly every state), and the worker sustains an on-the-job accident, the liabilities can be substantial. Medical costs and disability payments for workers could cause financial hardship for even a very wealthy family. Many families incorrectly assume that homeowner's insurance will cover this type of loss, when, in fact, homeowner's insurance usually specifically excludes employees in the home.

Abuse and exploitation

Most workers who enter the home care industry are caring, giving people. Unfortunately, there are also those who know that it is very easy to take advantage of frail, functionally limited, often cognitively impaired clients. An individual, working on their own, is most likely not insured or bonded and has no one supervising their work. No one has done a background investigation on him or her either. In addition, an agency working as merely a "placement" agency cannot provide any substantive work supervision, scheduling, or training of the workers without them becoming their em-

ployees. If they do, the agency, by law, becomes the employer of the worker. Insurance, bonding, background investigations, supervision, scheduling, and worker training are important benefits to consumers and are provided only by agencies that hire their workers.

Remember, if you do choose to hire an "independent contractor," or use an agency that provides a "placement service" to you, you must understand what your responsibilities are as the "employer." Also, these agencies do not always com-

municate to you that these workers are not actually employed by their agency. In these challenging economic times everyone is constantly searching for ways to cut expenses. Be careful when it comes to providing elder home care services for your loved one, don't be penny-wise and pound-foolish.

Terri Murphy is a professional caregiver and the owner of Home Helpers. She lives in Grosse Pointe. She can be reached by telephone at (313) 881-4600 or send e-mails to tmurphy572@comcast.net.

SOC gets grant for training program

Seniors wishing to explore the Internet and hone their skills can take advantage of a grant recently awarded to Services for Older Citizens.

AT&T awarded an AT&T Excelerator grant has been awarded to SOC to expand its computer training programs for seniors and for other uses.

"AT&T is pleased to support the technology and computer and Internet training programs of SOC," said Jon Peterson, AT&T external affairs director. "These programs will help bring 'Information Age' skills to our senior residents and provide them with new ways to manage their personal affairs,

communicate with family and friends via e-mail, and access important health and lifestyle information."

The grant makes it possible for seniors in the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods to receive private, one-on-one computer instruction free of charge. Currently, SOC is in the process of recruiting, training and scheduling volunteers to teach the classes.

The Excelerator grant also included funding for the purchase of two new computers for administrative purposes which the SOC staff plans to use to produce the SOCommunicator, a bi-monthly

newsletter sent to more than 8,000 residents of the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods. It will also use the equipment to recruit and schedule volunteers, plan senior programs and activities and maintain an active database of area seniors.

"This updated technology allows us to stay abreast in our field, remain efficient and accurate, and maintain the most up-to-date methods of tracking the needs of our senior clients," said Sharon Maier of SOC. "We are very excited about our new partnership with AT&T."

Computer classes are scheduled to begin this month and will be offered every Friday.

Call Mary Rose at (313) 882-9600 to schedule an appointment or for additional information.

Dec. 5 statewide vigil planned to help homeless youth

The 9th annual candlelight vigil recognizing the more than 5,000 youth who sleep on Michigan streets is planned for 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 5, at the Covenant House Michigan

campus, 2959 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. Detroit.

The free event features performances by local artists, testimonies from once homeless kids, music, prayer and refresh-

ments.

The organization provides shelter, food and clothing to youth ages 18 to 22 and educational and vocational programs.

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Annual Cancer Society walk raises \$725,000

More than \$725,000 was raised for breast cancer research and local education and support programs during the ninth annual Making Strides Against Breast Cancer walk in Detroit.

More than 8,500 survivors, families, friends and co-workers from the area raised funds and awareness, two necessary weapons to fight breast cancer.

"Today's walk not only raised funds to fight breast cancer, but it also worked to raise awareness of several issues that affect breast cancer in this country," said Jennifer Nagy, area executive director

of the American Cancer Society, Great Lakes Division. "Today, we made a concerted effort to emphasize the importance of early detection for all women including our nation's underserved, underinsured and minority populations."

Leslie Kaiser of Grosse Pointe Woods was one of the survivors who happily joined the event for the first time. Last year at this time, she was recovering from a double mastectomy.

"I'm a one-year survivor," she said. "This one was more personal."

Kaiser volunteered at the Reach to Recovery table, was

part of the human ribbon and walked the five miles, along with her 11-year-old son, whom she said has been with her every step of the way.

"It was fun being involved," Kaiser said.

She said she felt strongly about being a volunteer for the American Cancer Society because of the assistance she received from its network during her recovery period.

"The American Cancer Society has been a huge help to me. They were helpful, (especially) Reach for Recovery," she said.

Kaiser found a lump through self breast examina-

tion, though none was seen on a mammogram. She persisted in knowing that she had felt a lump. Indeed, Kaiser had a one centimeter cancerous lump on her right side and a .8 millimeter lump on the left side. Six surgeries in the past year has made Kaiser glad she took her health into her own hands, she said.

All women should be doing a self-examination every 30 days. "The key is early detection," she said.

Almost 41,000 women nationwide will die of breast cancer this year. Statewide, 7,070 Michigan men and women will be diagnosed with the dis-

ease this year and 1,360 Michigan women will die. The incidence and mortality rates among minority populations are much higher.

Making Strides is a non-competitive walk supporting the American Cancer Society's unique mission to fight cancer on four fronts: research, education, advocacy, and patient services.

This year donations could be made online at the official event Web site, cancer.org/stridesonline, which was used as a fundraising tool as well as a means of raising awareness regarding breast cancer and programs

and services offered by the Society.

The American Cancer Society was joined by presenting sponsor, the nailco group, flagship sponsors General Motors, Kroger, Suburban Collection and Comerica, and media sponsors FOX2 News, Magic 105.1 and Radio One in taking a leadership position in the community's fight against breast cancer.

Henry Ford Health System, Oakwood Health System and St. John Health served as Community Champions, bringing a united effort in celebrating survivorship to the event.

Observe National Influenza Vaccination Week with a shot

With more than 77 million doses of flu vaccine already delivered nationwide, the Michigan State Medical Society (MSMS) advises it is time for residents to schedule a

flu shot.

MSMS is supporting the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) declaration of National Influenza Vaccination Week through

Sunday, Dec. 3, to encourage all who are interested in a flu shot to get one in November or December.

"Since flu season does not usually peak until February or

later, now is an ideal time to get a flu shot," said Dr. Paul O. Farr, gastroenterologist and MSMS president. Farr says most people who get the flu have a complete recovery, but it does cause a week or more of misery. The flu also keeps people from work, school and leisure activities. With more people vaccinated, it will help control the spread of the flu to others.

"Getting a flu shot is not only a great way to protect yourself, but your whole family," said Farr.

According to the CDC, each year in the United States, between 5 and 20 percent of the population is infected with influenza, about 36,000 people die and more than 200,000 are hospitalized because of influenza complications.

Since influenza is unpredictable, and different types and strains of influenza circulate throughout the flu season, the CDC's Advisory Committee on immunization practices recommends that influenza vaccine be offered

throughout the influenza season, even after influenza has appeared in a community.

According to the CDC, flu vaccine manufacturers have reported they expect 110 million to 115 million doses of flu vaccine to be distributed this year. This is at least 27 to 32 million more doses than have been distributed in any past season and 29 to 34 million more doses than were distributed last year.

For more information, visit the Web site cdc.gov/flu.

A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

Italian food adds fragrance and flavor to turkey day



I had to add a little Italian to the big buffet last Thursday as my husband is used to a full-blown Italian course when we celebrate turkey day back on the East Coast.

My choice was cannellini beans with rosemary and pro-

sciutto. Simple, yet fragrant, this super flavorful side dish took just 20 minutes to make.

Cannellini beans with rosemary and prosciutto

3 19-oz. cans Progresso cannellini beans, drained and rinsed
2 tablespoons finely chopped fresh rosemary
1/2 cup olive oil, divided
Salt and pepper to taste
1 large onion, halved and

thinly sliced

1/4 lb. prosciutto, chopped
1/2 cup red wine vinegar

In a large skillet combine the beans, rosemary, 1/4 cup olive oil and a little salt and pepper. Cook gently over medium-low heat for about 5 minutes. Transfer to a bowl and set aside. To the same skillet add the remaining 1/4 cup olive oil and raise the heat to medium. Add the onion and cook for a few minutes. Add the prosciutto and cook for a few more minutes.

Lower the heat and add the beans, vinegar and additional salt and pepper. Cover and cook gently for 10 minutes, or until heated throughout. Transfer to a serving bowl and garnish with a sprig of fresh rosemary.

This festive side dish will sit nicely at any meal you prepare this holiday season. And it's even good for you.

White Christmas Ball slated

The Fontbonne Auxiliary of St. John Hospital and Medical Center's 53rd annual White Christmas Ball is planned for Friday, Dec. 8, at the Ritz Carlton in Dearborn.

The event is the auxiliary's major annual fundraiser and proceeds will benefit the patients of St. John Hospital and Medical Center by completing the Sister Verence McQuade Corridor of the new pavilion.

The McQuade Corridor will have state-of-the-art patient rooms constructed with proceeds of the 2005 and 2006 balls. The new pavilion will be the showpiece of the expanded hospital and will be completed in 2008.

This year the White Christmas Ball will honor Victoria Liggett of Grosse Pointe Shores who is a lifetime member and supporter of the

Fontbonne Auxiliary. She and her husband, Bob, are major patrons of the St. John Hospital and Medical Center and the Liggett Breast Center was named in recognition of their gift to the Van Elslander Cancer Center Campaign in 2000.

Debbie McCarty of Harrison Township is this year's ball chair. The ball's theme is "Sparkle of the Big Apple."

Tickets are \$300 per person. For tickets or more information, contact the Fontbonne Auxiliary at (313) 343-3675.



The Fontbonne Auxiliary of St. John Hospital and Medical Center hosts its 53rd annual White Christmas Ball on Dec. 8 with Debbie McCarty as chair.

Simple strategies to keep Alzheimer's at bay

By Irina Zilberman, M.D.

The Alzheimer's Association estimates that there are 4.5 million Americans with this degenerative disease. Although scientists haven't determined a single cause for Alzheimer's, what is known is that you might be able to delay or prevent its onset by eating right, challenging your brain and keeping busy physically. And now, a new study suggests that a compound found in grapes and red wine markedly lowers the levels of amyloid-beta peptides that are known to cause the plaques of Alzheimer's. That compound, called resveratrol, is also found in berries and peanuts, but appears to be most effective in slowing Alzheimer's neurodegenerative processes when consumed in the form of red wine.

Plus here's more food for thought: An omega-3 fatty acid known as docosahexaenoic acid, or DHA, which is found in fatty fish like albacore tuna, salmon and mackerel, could reduce your risk of developing Alzheimer's by up to 50 percent. A new study found that people who consumed at least one or two servings of fish weekly had the highest blood serum levels of fatty acid, a protective agent. But if you don't like fish, no problem. Both fish oil and DHA supplements are thought to provide a similar benefit. Just be sure to check with your primary care physician before trying these supplements or consuming red wine as a way to fight Alzheimer's. They're not right for everyone, and in fact, high intakes of fish oil can cause excessive bleeding in some people. Your physician can tell you what's safe for you.

To learn more about Alzheimer's, please attend an educational session on November 30 from Noon - 1 p.m. at Henry Ford Medical Center - Pierson Clinic, 111 Rochester Avenue, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48116. Lunch will be provided. To register, please call 1-800-HENRYFORD.

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DeHayes - Borawski

Jennifer and John F. DeHayes Jr. of Grosse Pointe Farms have announced the engagement of their daughter, Jackie DeHayes, to Ron Borawski, son of Ron Borawski of Harbor Springs and Judy Gonzalez of Rochester Hills. A July wedding is planned.

DeHayes earned a Bachelor of Science degree in merchandising management from Michigan State University. She is a program manager with Fuse Communication in Birmingham.

Borawski earned a Bachelor of Science degree in marketing from Oakland University. He is a sales manager in the Chrome plating industry.

Rashid - McLaughlin

Carl and Grace Rashid of Grosse Pointe Woods have announced the engagement of their daughter, Lauren Christina Rashid, to Benjamin Anthony McLaughlin, son of Judy Rossignuolo-Rice and James McLaughlin of Hinsdale, Ill. A fall 2007 wedding is planned.

Rashid earned a communications degree from the University of Dayton. She is a marketing analyst with Contego Capital Partners in Chicago.

McLaughlin earned a political science degree from University of Dayton. He is with UCB Pharma Co. in medical sales.

Cohen - Shepard

George Cohen and Melva Cohen of Lake in the Hills, Ill., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Sara Cohen, to Bill Shepard Jr., son of Karen and Bill Shepard Sr. of the City of Grosse Pointe. An August wedding is planned.

Cohen earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Spanish from the University of Iowa. She is an insurance broker.

Shepard earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in general business administration from Michigan State University. He is a logistics broker.

Bendure - Bayster

Carol and Mark Bendure of Grosse Pointe Park have announced the engagement of their daughter, Holly Ruthven Bendure, to Andrew Philip Bayster, son of Kathryn and Philip Bayster of Ann Arbor.

A summer wedding is planned.

Bendure earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in early childhood/elementary education from University of Michigan - Dearborn and a Master of Education degree in special education from U of M - Dearborn. She is a first-grade teacher at Richard Elementary School in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Bayster earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science from University of Michigan and a Master of Science degree from MIT in real estate development. He is a real estate de-

veloper with Joseph Freed and Associates.

Kingsley - Nilsson

Mr. and Mrs. Randy A. Kingsley of Grosse Pointe Farms have announced the engagement of their daughter, Katherine Anne Kingsley, to Fredrik Nilsson, son of Kerstin Nilsson of Malmoe, Sweden, and the late Gert Bergqvist. A June wedding is planned.

Kingsley earned a Bachelor of Science degree in marketing from Miami University. She is a production manager with a real estate advertising agency in Denver, Colo.

Nilsson earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in technical journalism from Colorado State University. He is a marketing manager for a national restaurant group.

Ziolkowski - Jastrzab

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ziolkowski of Grosse Pointe Woods have announced the engagement of their daughter, Lisa Marie Ziolkowski, to Scott C. Jastrzab, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Jastrzab of Brownstown. An August wedding is planned.

Ziolkowski earned a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from Western Michigan University and a master's degree in secondary education from Wayne State University. She is a teaching in the Walled Lake School District.

Jastrzab earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Michigan State University and a master's degree in education from Marygrove University. He is a teacher in the Romulus School District.

Brescoll - Pandya

Dennis and Mary Brescoll of Grosse Pointe Woods have announced the engagement of their daughter, Julie Brescoll, to Brian Pandya, son of Dr. Himanshu and Janet Pandya of Ebsburg, Pa. A September wedding is planned.

Brescoll earned a Bachelor of Science and Engineering degree in industrial and operations engineering with a minor in history from the University of Michigan. She is an account executive with Johnson Controls in Indianapolis, Ind.

Pandya earned a Bachelor of Science degree in mechanical engineering from the Pennsylvania State University and a law degree from the University of Michigan Law School. He is an attorney with Wiley, Rein and Fielding in Washington, D.C.

Watson - Dobbins

Dan and Anita Watson of Grosse Pointe Woods have announced the engagement of their daughter, Alesia Watson, to Brandon Dobbins, son of Dr. David and Judy Dobbins of Grosse Pointe Woods.

A September wedding is planned.

Watson earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology from Emory University. She is attending Michigan State University College of Law.

Dobbins earned a Bachelor of Science degree in math from the University of Michigan and a master's degree in biomechanical engineering from Wayne State University. He is a mechanical engineer with Roush Industries.

Petersen - Lauppe

John and Laura Petersen of Cedar Falls, Iowa, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Carrie Petersen, to Andrew Lauppe, son of William and Susan Lauppe of Grosse Pointe Farms. A June wedding is planned.

Petersen earned a Bachelor of Science degree in international business and German from the University of Tulsa. She is an operations coordinator with Geneva Global Inc.

Lauppe earned a Bachelor of Science degree in physics from Alma College. He is a network administrator with Geneva Global Inc.

Victor - Bruveris

Mr. and Mrs. William Victor of Grosse Pointe Woods have announced the engagement of their daughter, Natalie Victor, to Jason Bruveris, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ugis Bruveris of Trenton.

A June wedding is planned.

Adams - Rahm

Katherine Adams of Chicago, Ill., has announced the engagement of her daughter, Ashleigh Adams, to Dean Rahm, son of Carol Exley of the City of Grosse Pointe. Adams is the daughter of the late Dennis Adams and Rahm is the son of the late Phillip Rahm. A September wedding is planned.

Adams, a Grosse Pointe South graduate, earned a Master of Arts degree in interdisciplinary arts from Columbia College in Chicago. She is an art director.

Rahm, also a Grosse Pointe South graduate, earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in business administration from Fort Lewis College. He is a sales representative.

Gerow - Gilkerson

Paula and Dan Gerow of Grosse Pointe Farms have announced the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Gerow, to Clay Gilkerson, son of William and Victoria Gilkerson of Midland, Texas. A December wedding is planned.

Gerow is a student at Colorado State University.

Gilkerson graduated from the University of the South in Seawee, Tenn., and is a Wind Energy Manager.

Wolfgram - Stouten



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WEDDINGS

Ehrlich - Pinkham

Patricia Ann Ehrlich, 84, of Grosse Pointe, daughter of the late Leland and the late Nora Jones, married Raymond Pinkham, 86, son of the late Dr. Ray and the late Edith Pinkham, on Aug. 12, 2006, in the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church.

A reception was held at the Bayview Yacht Club.

The bride wore an ivory silk suit with a ruffled collar. The skirt had an overlay of ivory flowers.

Matron of honor was the daughter of the bride Penny Ehrlich Pitts of Grosse Pointe. Bridesmaids were Cindy

Winland of Midland, the bride's daughter, and Janice Carveth of Portage, the groom's daughter.

The attendants wore pink silk and chiffon dresses with roses.

Donald Pinkham of Viroqua, Wisc., served as his father's best man. David Pinkham of Kalamazoo was his father's groomsman.

The bride is a graduate of Michigan State University and was a research chemist and homemaker.

The groom graduated from Michigan State University and received his medical degree from University of Michigan. He is a retired ophthalmologist.

The couple, who were col-



Dr. and Mrs. Raymond Pinkham

lege sweethearts at MSU, live in Kalamazoo.

Russell - Casazza

Carly Keith Russell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Russell III of Grosse Pointe Farms, married Eugene Louis Casazza IV, son of Mr. and Mrs.



Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Louis Casazza IV

Eugene L. Casazza III of Grosse Pointe Farms on Sept. 2, 2006.

The couple took their vows in Edgartown, Mass., among an intimate gathering of family and friends.

The bride is a teaching assistant at the Grosse Pointe Academy. The groom is an asset development manager with Russell Development Co. They live in Grosse Pointe Farms.

WEDDINGS

Starrs-Allen

Caroline Martha Starrs, daughter of Bill and Maureen Starrs of Grosse Pointe Farms, married Jeremy Laurence Allen, son of Larry and Susan Allen of Birmingham, on May 27, 2006, at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church in Grosse Pointe Woods.

The Rev. Roger Lumbre officiated at the 5:30 p.m. ceremony, which was followed by a reception at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

The bride wore a diamond white silk organza A-line strapless gown with Swarovski crystal trim on the bodice and a blush champagne sash and a cathedral length veil. She carried a bouquet of hand-tied pale green cymbidium orchids and stephanotis.

The matron of honor was Katie Nelson of Madison Heights. The maid of honor was Aimee Adray of San Francisco, Calif.

Bridesmaids were Vanessa Allen, sister of the groom, of Bloomfield Hills, Nikki Prenoveau of New York City, Sarah Cantwell of Morristown, N.J., and Jennifer Starrs, sister of the bride, of Chicago, Ill.

Cindy Hogan of Grosse Pointe Woods was the flower girl.

Attendants wore full-length pale green silk Shantung strap-

less dresses. They carried hand-tied bouquets of pale pink roses and green pomps.

Chris Mendez of Philadelphia, Pa., and Dan Salas of Washington, D.C., were best men.

Groomsmen were Josh Ammons of Washington, D.C.; the bride's brothers, Bill Starrs of Chicago and Rob Starrs of Grosse Pointe Farms; and Neil Patel of Chicago.

Ring bearer was Thomas Hogan of Grosse Pointe Woods.

The mother of the bride navy silk off-the-shoulder dress and carried a nosegay of pale pink roses.

The groom's mother wore a pink antique lace dress and carried a nosegay of pale pink roses.

Soloist Terrell Thompson was accompanied by Michelle Laboe. Readers were the bride's aunts, Liz Starrs and Kathleen Mocerri and the groom's uncle, Phil Connor.

The bride earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science from the University of Michigan and a master's degree from Michigan State University. She is the program director with The Center for Progressive Leadership.

The groom earned a Bachelor of Science degree in hotel administration from Cornell University and is an in-

vestment brokerage consultant for Marcus and Millichap.

The couple honeymooned in Cabo San Lucas. They live in Scottsdale, Ariz.

Dahl-Fishburn

Meredith Dahl, daughter of Andrew W. and Janice Dahl of Omaha, Neb., formerly of Grosse Pointe Farms, married Andrew Philip Fishburn, son of Richard J. and Kathleen Fishburn of Corning, N.Y., on Aug. 19, 2006.

The Rev. Nancy Wurlitzer officiated at the ceremony at the Popponesett Inn, Mashpee, Mass., where the reception was also held.

The bride wore a silk dupioni strapless fitted gown asymmetrically ruffled and flaring into a trumpet skirt and chapel-length train. A short beaded lace shrug was worn over her shoulders.

A floor-length veil was worn attached to the back of her head. The bride's bouquet was posie calla lilies and green hydrangeas with loops of beach grass.

Kendal Mullins of Denver served as matron of honor.

Bridesmaids were Nicole Stadler and Emily Yoshikawa, both of New York City; Alison Firgeleski of Darien, Conn.;

Lisa Wanger and Kara Rogers, both of Denver; the bride's sisters Jennifer Gallagher of London, England, and Kristina Adler of Stamford, Conn.; and the groom's sister Christy Hartman of Silver Spring, Md.

Kate Harman of Silver Spring, Md., was the flower girl.

Attendants wore navy blue strapless tea-length dresses and carried dome-shaped bouquets of light blue and green hydrangeas and coral roses with ribbon-wrapped stems.

Jonathan Fishburn of Waltham, Mass., served as his brother's best man.

Groomsmen were Michael Earle of Huntington Woods; Alan Koch and John Nicholson both of Washington, D.C.; Darrell Adler of Stamford, Conn.; Timothy Gallagher of London, England; and Peter Harman of Silver Spring, Md.

Schmidt-Haskell

Jennifer Sullivan Schmidt, daughter of Kirk and Karen Schmidt of Grosse Pointe Woods married Michael James Haskell, son of Jim and Sharon Haskell of Traverse City, on Sept. 8, 2006, at the Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church.

The Rev. James Rizer officiated. A reception followed at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

The bride wore a white strapless gown. She carried a bouquet of ivory and white roses.

The matron of honor was the bride's sister, Erin Drieselman of Grosse Pointe Park.

Susannah Sperry of New York City and Reena Thomas of Royal Oak were the bridesmaids. Flower girls were Alissa Fedewa of Byron Center, Trisha and Traci Merriman of Grandville.

Attendants wore floor-length strapless Bordeaux gowns. They carried bouquets of orange, purple, fuchsia and ivory flowers with green berries.

The best man was Matthew Fleury of Northville.

Groomsmen were Chuck Fedewa of Byron Center and Steve Merriman of Grandville.

Ushers were Troy Merriman of Grandville and Brian Steinbach of San Francisco.

Nicholas Fedewa of Byron Center was the ring bearer.



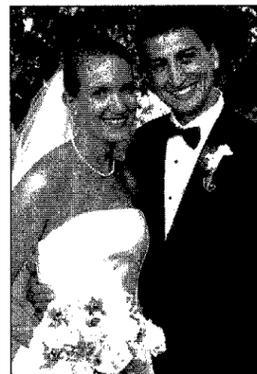
Mr. and Mrs. Michael James Haskell



Mr. and Mrs. Jeremy Laurence Allen



Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Philip Fishburn



Mr. and Mrs. Michael William Marks

Jeffs-Marks

Caroline Scott Jeffs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Jeffs II of Boca Grande, Fla., formerly of Grosse Pointe Farms, married Michael William Marks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Marks of Grosse Pointe Woods, on Aug. 12, 2006, at Christ Church Grosse Pointe.

The Rev. David D. Dieter officiated at the 4 p.m. ceremony. A reception was held at the Country Club of Detroit.

The bride wore a silk Mercato strapless gown with top stitching pleats and a chapel-length train. She carried a bouquet of Virginia roses, stephanotis, mini-calla lilies and green cymbidium orchids.

Bridesmaids were Leslie Senke of Mountainside, N.J. and Laura Hanlon of Orlando, Fla., sisters of the bride; and Mary Edwards of Grosse Pointe Woods, sister of the groom.

They wore ice blue silk faille street-length dresses and carried bouquets of green hydrangeas, hypericum and cymbidium orchids.

The groom's brother, Peter Marks of Grosse Pointe

Woods, was the best man.

Jeffrey Edwards served as a groomsman. Ushers were Michael Gentile of Detroit, Patrick Cunningham of Grosse Pointe Woods and Robert De Cosmo of Los Angeles, Calif.

Emma Edwards, the groom's niece, was the flower girl.

The mother of the bride wore a navy chiffon bias-cut dress.

The groom's mother wore a pale yellow silk dress and jacket.

Gilbert E. Gove and Erin Schotthoefler were the Scripture readers.

The bride earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in English composition from DePauw University. She is the director of communications with the Detroit Riverfront Conservancy.

The groom earned a Bachelor of Science degree in civil engineering from Michigan State University. He is a project manager with Giffels-Webster Engineers.

The couple honeymooned in Hawaii. They live in Grosse Pointe Park.

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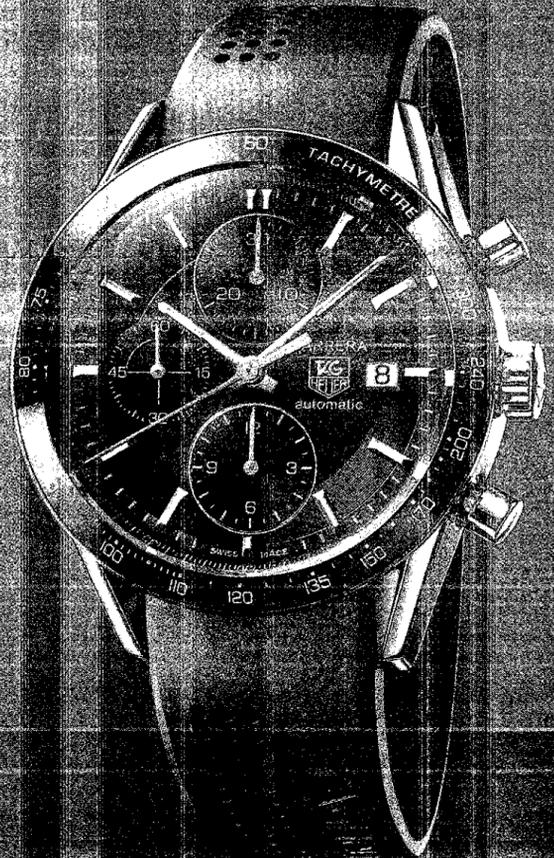
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SOUTH BOYS HOCKEY

Blue Devils rule in Big Rapids



South blanks Notre Dame Prep in title game after shutting out host in opener

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

It doesn't appear to be wise to take penalties against Grosse Pointe South's hockey team this year.

The Blue Devils will make you pay.

Last weekend, South won the Big Rapids Tournament and six of the Blue Devils' nine goals came on the power play.

In the championship game against Notre Dame Prep, South won 5-0 and the first four goals came with a man advantage.

"Notre Dame Prep gave us power-play opportunities and we took advantage of them," said South coach Bob Bopp. "Our power plays have been moving the puck well but we haven't been finishing. In this game, we finished."

South's onslaught started at 2:45 of the first period with the first of Ryan Abraham's three goals. Lance Lucas and Arthur Griem assisted.

The Blue Devils made it 2-0 at 3:13 on a goal by Alex

Marshall from Joel Patterson and Scott Maxwell. Two minutes later, South had a 3-0 lead on a goal by Abraham from tournament MVP Trevor John and Lucas.

"Ryan Abraham is a player who scores," Bopp said. "He proved that his first two years here and he is off to a great start in our first three games this year."

Lucas also earned praise from his coach.

"He's working so hard every shift," Bopp said. "That's why you're seeing him in on a lot of our scoring."

Griem scored at 7:32 of the second period after some nifty passing between John and Abraham. With 1:58 left in the second period, Abraham completed his hat trick, assisted by Maxwell.

Abraham, John and Maxwell were named to the all-tournament team. The first two were locks because of their scoring in the two games, but Maxwell's strong play on

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Grosse Pointe South had three players selected to the Big Rapids all-tournament team. From left, are Trevor John, who was also the tournament's MVP, Ryan Abraham and Scott Maxwell.

Fraser tops North in regional final

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North got past the defending state Class A girls basketball champions without much trouble last week, but beating its closest rival in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division for a third time was another matter for the Norsemen.

"They outplayed us tonight," North coach Gary Bennett said after Fraser defeated the Norsemen 68-57 in the Class A regional championship game at Cousino High School.

"They shot well and they hurt us on the offensive boards. That was the big difference. They were much better with their offensive rebounding in this game."

North beat Fraser twice during the regular season as the Norsemen went undefeated in the MAC Red.

Both times, North shut off the Ramblers' inside game.

Last week it was a different story. Fraser's 6-foot-4 center, Tania Schatow, finished with 20 points and 15 rebounds. Her 15 points in the first half were more than her combined total

during the two regular season games against North.

Schatow and Cassie Patrick also did a good job of shutting down the inside against North, while the Ramblers hounded guards Olivia Stander and Kelly DeFauw, holding them to a combined 10 points.

"We adjusted our matchup zone," said Fraser coach Dave Kuppe. "We didn't want to let (Standar and DeFauw) get to the basket, so we guarded them man-to-man and had two different zones behind them,

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Grosse Pointe North's Kelly DeFauw defends against Fraser's Becca McHenry.

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Grosse Pointe North's Brittany Bate signs her letter of intent to play softball at Cleveland State University. Watching, from left, are North softball coaches Bill Taylor and Amanda Pata, Brittany's grandmother Lillian Bate, her father Mark Bate, and North athletic director Carmen Kennedy.



Robbie Fisher, center, is flanked by his parents Jim and Janet Fisher as he signs his letter of intent to run track and cross country at the University of Miami. In back are Fisher's track and cross country coaches at Grosse Pointe North, Dan Quinn, left, and Pat Wilson.

Hartman to play at DePaul

Ben Hartman, a senior at Grosse Pointe South, has signed a letter of intent to continue playing tennis at DePaul University.

Hartman reached the semifinals of the state Division I tennis tournament last spring and received All-State honors.

Hartman recently received the Jerry and Jean Hoxie Sportsmanship Award from the United States Tennis Association.

"Ben is a highly-ranked player in the Midwest, who is extremely quick and has great groundstrokes," said DePaul coach Arvid Swan.

Hartman joins a 2007-08

freshman class that includes Adam Williams of West Bloomfield and Tim Cadet of Baltimore.

"All three players are considered top 200 recruits in the nation," Swan said. "It is an extremely athletic class and all three players will make an immediate impact on our team and develop into excellent college players."

"In addition to being great athletes, all three individuals are men of great character and will have a positive impact in the classroom and on campus. On the court, they will make an immediate contribution in both singles and doubles."



Ben Hartman

ULS settles for a 2-2 tie in hockey

By Bob St. John
Staff Writer

The University Liggett School boys hockey team let one slip away last week.

The host Knights built a 2-0 lead against Riverview Gabriel Richard, but the Pioneers scored twice in the final five minutes to force a 2-2 tie.

"We would have rather won the game, but we were forced to play the final period without three of our top defensemen," head coach Terry Olson said.

Freshman Daniel Zukas, assisted by junior Mike Thomas and freshman Rory Deane,

scored for ULS in the first period.

Thomas, with assistance from Zukas and freshman Albert Ford, tallied midway through the third period, giving the home team the 2-0 advantage.

Senior goalkeeper Alex Brooks had the shutout going until Gabriel Richard scored at the 5:16 mark. He made the initial save, but he couldn't prevent the rebound from getting behind him.

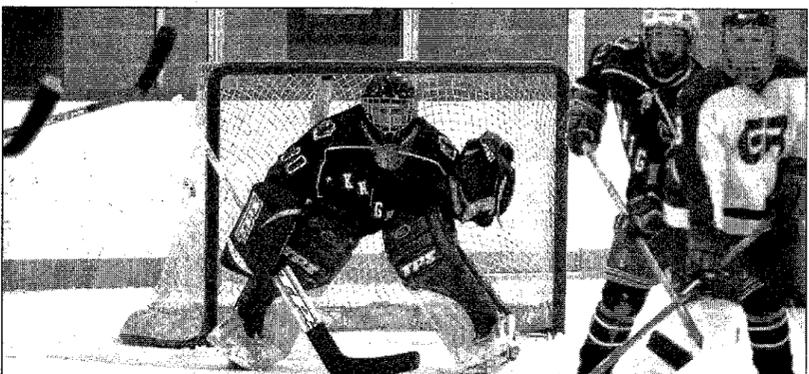
With 2:05 left in the game, the Pioneers scored a power-play goal.

"We had our chances to

score a few more goals earlier in the game, but Gabriel Richard's goalie made some outstanding saves to keep them in it," Olson said. "We used our speed to create some open looks on the offensive end, but our guys have to get some traffic in front of the goalie because most of our shots were right at him."

The Knights were stopped on two breakaways, which could have made it a 4-0 game after Thomas' tally.

ULS was 1-0-1 heading into its 7:30 p.m. game played Tuesday, Nov. 28, at Grosse Isle.



University Liggett School goalie Alex Brooks gets ready for a shot in the Knights' game against Riverview Gabriel Richard.

North pair signs Division I letters

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Two of Grosse Pointe North's top senior athletes signed letters of intent recently to continue their careers at Division I colleges.

Robbie Fisher, a two-time All-State cross country runner, will attend Miami (Ohio), and All-State softball pitcher Brittany Bate is headed to Cleveland State.

"It's been a long road, but this makes all the early-morning practices in the summer and the workouts when you'd rather be home watching TV pay off -- literally," Fisher said.

Bate hones her softball skills year-round, and if it isn't playing the game, it's working out with softball in mind. Once the North softball season is over, Bate is playing for an elite travel team called the Michigan Bat Busters, which plays in tournaments around the Midwest nearly every weekend during the summer.

There are also offseason practices with the travel team and clinics to attend.

One of Bate's biggest supporters is her father, Mark.

"Except for one season, he's been my coach since T-ball," Bate said. "He's put in so much time helping me."

Fisher has received the same support from his family. His father, Jim, was an outstanding state cross country runner for Grosse Pointe North in the 1970s, and his mother, Janet, comes from a family of track and cross country athletes. Robbie's sister Laura is running cross country at Oakland University.

"They've been so supportive of me, whether I've run a good race or a bad one," Fisher said. "We can spend an hour at the dinner table talking about a 15-minute race -- what I did right or what I could have done dif-

ferently. Since he raced, he can relate to it. He knows what I'm feeling."

Bate and Fisher both set lofty goals for themselves -- and more often than not they've achieved them.

Take Bate's for next spring, for instance. A Division I state championship for the Norsemen would fulfill her dream.

"I want win states," she said. "We've never been able to get past Regina, but Nikki (Nemitz) is gone now, although they'll still be good. We had some great games with them the last two years. Two years ago we lost 1-0 and although it was 3-0 last year, we had some chances against them."

"You can't go in expecting to win states, but that's our goal. We have a lot of seniors coming back this year, so for most of us, it's our last chance."

Bate had an outstanding season in 2005. She was 26-3-1 with an 0.21 ERA. She struck out 334 in 203 innings and walked only 32. Her opponents' batting average was .102.

North coach Bill Taylor said that Bate was the best player he has had since Melissa Drouillard led the Norsemen to the state semifinals in 1993 and went on to a fine career at Eastern Michigan University.

Fisher went into this year's state cross country meet with a goal of finishing first after last year's third-place finish. He was seventh, but he left the Michigan International Speedway course knowing that he had given it his best shot.

"I wanted to leave North feeling that I had given it everything I had," Fisher said. "I wanted to win, but it didn't happen. I gave it my best and I'm not going to let one day diminish what I accomplished in

four years here."

Fisher was the first All-State runner at North since 1989 when Pat Wilson became head coach of the Norsemen.

"Robbie was everything we thought he'd be when he came to us four years ago," Wilson said. "We've never had a runner like this and he held up against all the scrutiny."

Fisher gave Wilson and assistant coach Dan Quinn much of the credit for his success in high school. His four seasons under Wilson's guidance also played a part in choosing Miami.

"Their coach is similar to coach Wilson -- a father-type figure," Fisher said. "The first time I talked to him, I didn't feel nervous at all. Things just clicked. I liked the guys on the team, too. Everything pointed in that direction."

Fisher was familiar with Miami because his sister Kristin had graduated from there. In fact, he wanted to attend school there even before he was recruited.

The coaching staff at Cleveland State was also a factor in Bate's decision.

"The coach showed incredible interest in me," she said.

"I felt right away that she had confidence in me. She liked what she saw. I just felt that this was the best place for me."

Along with her father, Bate gave much of the credit to her development as a softball player to North coaches Taylor and Amanda Pata and her pitching coaches, Rick Bescoe and Pat Brower.

Bate said she couldn't remember the first time she thought about continuing her softball career in college.

"I just couldn't imagine being done playing after high school," she said. "These four years have gone by incredibly fast."

Swimmers make All-State

Grosse Pointe North's girls swimming team made its best showing at the state meet in four seasons, while Grosse Pointe South also had some impressive performance at the Division I state championships at Oakland University.

North tied for 18th in the team standings with 48 points. South was 22nd with 32.

A disqualification in the 400-yard freestyle relay preliminaries cost the Norsemen a berth in the consolation finals and erased any chance that North might have for a top 10 finish.

Jenny Rusch and Julianna Schmidt each earned All-State honors in one individual event for the Norsemen.

Rusch was fifth in the 50 freestyle and 19th in the 100 freestyle. Her 50 time of 24.49 qualified her for the USA Swimming sponsored Junior National Championships in Orlando, Fla., in March.

Schmidt earned All-State honors with her seventh-place

finish in the 500 freestyle with a time of 5:15.28. She was also 24th in the 200 freestyle.

North's 200 freestyle relay team of Rusch, Jackie Shea, Caitlin Mathews and Schmidt also received All-State honors for finishing eighth in 1:40.84.

The times for Schmidt and Rusch and the relay were all season-best times.

The performances of Rusch, Schmidt and the 200 relay team earned places on the combined Division I and II top 16 times list.

The All-State recognition marked the 19th time in the last 20 years that at least one North swimmer achieved the honor.

Two North freshmen also swam at the state meet. Molly DeWald was 21st in the 100 breaststroke and Maresa Leto was an alternate on the 200 freestyle relay and swam on the 400 freestyle relay.

South's 200 medley relay team of Tori Bruce, Jennifer

Dunaway, Kendall Effinger and Leeann Mocerri earned All-State honors by finishing sixth in 1:51.76. South's time in the event broke the school record which was set in 1992.

Bruce finished 13th in the 100 backstroke in 1:01.72, and Dunaway was 15th in the 100 breaststroke in 1:09.43. Bruce's time was a season-best.

South qualified all three relay teams for the first time. The 200 freestyle relay was 21st and the 400 freestyle relay was 24th.

The medley relay qualified early in the season, but it took a little longer for the other two relays to achieve their goal. During the final month of the season, coach Todd Briggs tried different quartets until the combination of Mocerri, Bruce, Effinger and Sarah Jenzen clocked qualifying times in both freestyle relays at the L'Anse Creuse North "last-chance" meet.



Grosse Pointe South's girls swimming team had several state qualifiers. In front, from left, are Katy Streck, Leeann Mocerri, Jennifer Dunaway and Kendall Effinger. In back, from left, are Lindsey Phillips, coach Eric Gunderson, Tori Bruce, Sarah Jenzen, Nora Oliver and coach Todd Briggs.

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but we always made sure we kept Tania around the basket."

North led 16-14 after the first quarter but Fraser started the second quarter with a 10-0 run with Schatow scoring six points in the spurt.

The Norsemen came right back with a 9-0 run of its own, highlighted by Stander's three-point basket. Maddie Kent capped the run with a basket after a turnover to give North a 25-24 lead with 2:34 left in the first half.

There were three more lead changes before the first half ended with the Ramblers clinging to a 32-31 advantage. Sarah Perry's basket at the buzzer brought North within a point.

"We never got control of the game and Fraser was the reason why," Bennett said.

Fraser's Becka McHenry scored the first four points of the second half and the Ramblers never trailed the rest of the way. Fraser ended the third quarter with a 6-0 run, and Brittany McGinnis capped the spurt with a jump shot with 12.8 seconds left to send the Ramblers into the final eight minutes with a 55-44 lead.

A three-point basket by Jozalyne Jones early in the fourth quarter gave Fraser its biggest lead of the game, 58-46. The Ramblers secured the win and a berth in the state quarterfinals against Rochester with six free throws in the final 1:25.

"We didn't play a great game," Bennett said. "We weren't as sharp mentally as we usually are. Fraser outplayed us. They deserved to win."

McHenry finished with 18 points for the Ramblers, who had four players in double figures. Jones had 11 points and McGinnis added 11.

North was led in scoring by two freshmen. Ariel Braker had 14 points and Kayla Womack added 11. Jasmine Kennedy and Christine Klein scored nine points apiece and Stander had eight.

Klein had eight rebounds and Braker collected seven.

North reached the regional championship game with a convincing 67-47 victory against Southfield-Lathrup, which had won the Class A state championship in 2005 but graduated many of the players on that team.

The Norsemen never trailed against the Chargers. North led 17-12 after the first quarter and held a 29-26 halftime lead after Lathrup scored the final five points of the half.

North was in foul trouble in the first half, but Kent, Perry and Katelyn Vargo came off the bench to spell the starters with some quality minutes.

"I just wanted to go into the half without anybody having three fouls, and we did," Bennett said.

North opened the second half with a 9-1 run. Stander, who led all scorers with 19 points, had seven of the nine points, including a three-point basket to trigger the spurt.

The Norsemen led 42-35 after three quarters and outscored the Chargers 25-12 in the fourth quarter.

"I knew we'd compete defensively, but I was really pleased with the way we competed offensively," Bennett said. "Christine had an awesome game. Kelly, Olivia, Christine and Jasmine all stepped up and took some big shots."

Bennett also praised DeFauw for controlling the play from her point guard position.

"We knew (Lathrup) was quick, and I was worried that we might get some turnovers, but Kelly did a nice job against their pressure," he said.

DeFauw had 17 points, five rebounds and four steals. Klein finished with 14 points and 10 rebounds. Braker had 10 points, 11 rebounds and five assists. Womack had four assists.

Dasha Johnson led Lathrup with nine points.

North finished 23-2.



PHOTO BY DR. J. RICHARD DUNLAP

North's Christine Klein had an outstanding performance in the Norsemen's victory against Southfield-Lathrup.

Slow start is North's downfall in opener

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's hockey team might be paying the price for a successful fall sports season.

"When we started practice, we had only eight players," coach Scott Lock said after the Norsemen opened the season last weekend with an 8-4 loss to Orchard Lake St. Mary. "We had eight guys playing football (in the state playoffs) and two who went to the state cross country meet. We've really had only two weeks of practice with the full team."

North looked impressive in its two preseason scrimmages against Livonia Churchill and Novi Catholic Central.

However, there was no carryover when the regular season started.

St. Mary, which was playing its third game, jumped out to a 4-0 lead in the first five minutes of the game.

It was 6-0 before North scored its first goal.

"We played better as the game went on," Lock said. "I

think we have a good team. We're one forward short of having three real good scoring lines. I think the attitude of the team is better this year. I like the team chemistry."

The Norsemen eventually cut the Eaglets' lead to 6-3 and 7-4.

"We had some chances to get within two goals," Lock said. "We had momentum when it was 7-4, but we had a breakaway and mishandled the puck."

Lock said that Doug Rahaim was the best player on the ice for North and he had a goal and an assist.

Steve Rozelle also collected a goal and an assist, while Ben Scarfone and Michael Neveux had the Norsemen's other goals.

North has a busy week ahead with road games against Birmingham Brother Rice, Davison and Muskegon Mona Shores. The following week North plays at Cranbrook Kingswood before playing its first home game against Grosse Pointe South on Saturday, Dec. 9.

JV Norsemen win three of their last four

The Grosse Pointe Hockey Association JV Norsemen have won their last two games against some tough opposition.

Jason Gay scored three goals, including the first and last of the game, to lead the Norsemen to a 7-3 victory against Port Huron.

Marshall Ochylski, who assisted on all three of Gay's goals, added a tally of his own after taking a pass from Tom Walworth.

Richard Carron scored a second-period goal for the JV Norsemen, and Chase Thornton also scored for the Norsemen in the final seconds of the period to give the Grosse Pointe team a 4-2 lead. Tommy Winterfield assisted on Thornton's goal.

Nick Ireland, Evan Rutkofski, Anthony Vitale and Brian Flemion played solid defense for the Norsemen. Flemion also scored a third-period goal.

Ochylski scored the winning goal with 2:20 remaining in the third period to lift the JV Norsemen to a 5-4 victory

against Brighton.

The Norsemen took an early lead on a goal by Andrew Paige.

In a furious second period, Brighton scored four times to the Norsemen's three goals. Walworth scored, assisted by Thornton, while Winterfield and Gay had unassisted goals for the Norsemen.

In the third period, the defense tightened and goalie Jozef Curry-Zoltan made several crucial saves to preserve the tie until Ochylski scored his goal.

Earlier, the Norsemen fought off several penalties in a 4-2 victory against Pinckney.

Ochylski scored twice for the JV Norsemen, while Paige and Thornton added a goal apiece. Walworth had an assist.

Andrew Spagnuolo had a strong game in goal for the Norsemen.

A third-period goal gave Clarkston a 3-2 victory against the JV Norsemen. Gay and Matthew Peyser were the Norsemen's goal scorers. Ochylski had an assist.

ULS defenders on All-State squad

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

University Liggett School's soccer team was built around its defense this season.

So it was no surprise that two of the Knights' top defenders were selected to the Division IV All-State team.

Central defender Ryan Deane was named to the third team selected by the Michigan High School Soccer Coaches Association, while goalkeeper Greg Jones received honorable mention.

"Ryan and Greg are two of the big reasons that we were a very good defensive team," said coach David Backhurst.

ULS allowed only 39 goals in 21 games this season. Toss out six goals scored by Cranbrook Kingswood in the first meeting of the Metro Conference rivals, five goals by Ann Arbor Greenhills and four goals by Lutheran North and the Knights' defensive record was even stingier -- 24 goals in the other 18 games.

"Our defense was under a lot of pressure this season because we had so much trouble scoring goals," Backhurst said.

Deane has been a four-year

starter for the Knights, and a vital part of the defense.

"He was like the quarterback of our defense," Backhurst said. "He was always in the center when the action came down to our end. He was the captain and was very vocal. He was like a coach on the field directing the play. Ryan was always very positive in his comments."

Deane played virtually every minute of every game because Backhurst couldn't afford to have him off the field.

"He was one of the toughest kids on the team," Backhurst said. "He has that hockey mentality. He used his body well to win a lot of the 50-50 confrontations."

"He has very good eye-foot coordination. He's very steady and does a good job of clearing out the balls. Ryan's speed is deceptive. He won't have a good time in the 40, but he's quicker in 20 to 25-yard bursts."

Jones began his ULS career as a field player but became a goalie out of necessity at the start of his sophomore season.

"He had a lot of potential as a field player and scored some huge goals for us as a fresh-

men, but the next year our starting goalie departed unexpectedly and we were in a bind," Backhurst said. "Greg had some previous experience in goal, so we pressed him into duty and he's had a remarkable three years."

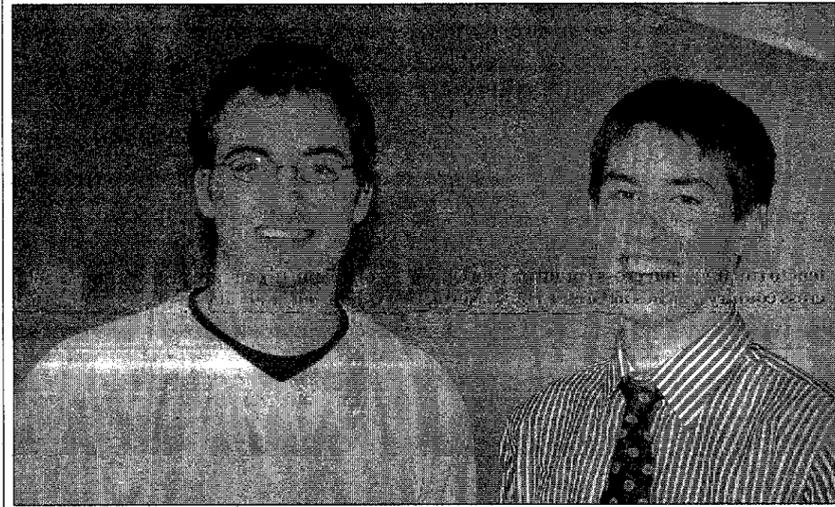
Jones has been an all-Metro Conference and all-district selection the last two seasons, and this year added all-region and All-State to his resume.

"He bailed us out several times this year," said Backhurst. "He's been solid and steady, and at times borderline spectacular. He rarely let in a soft goal."

Jones was outstanding in a 1-0 loss to Southfield Christian, which was ranked No. 1 in the state in Division IV for most of the season.

He also had outstanding games in blanking Genesee Christian and its All-State forward Scott Soldan, and in allowing only one goal against Lutheran Westland.

"Greg is a good athlete," Backhurst said. "He has nice hands and seldom dropped a ball. He reads the play well and is aggressive in coming out to punch the ball away from an attacking player."



Greg Jones, left, and Ryan Deane were the University Liggett School players to make the Division IV All-State soccer team.

Zemenick's four goals lead North

By Bob St. John
Staff Writer

Kate Zemenick scored four goals to lead Grosse Pointe North's girls hockey team to an 11-1 win over Regina.

Zemenick scored the Lady Norsemen's first two goals and added a tally in each of the next two periods. She also had three assists to record a seven-point game.

"Offensively the girls played better than in our opener —

passing the puck better and getting better scoring opportunities," head coach Scott Dockett said. "The girls are coming to practice and working hard, and that has translated into two nice wins for us."

The host Lady Norsemen built a 5-1 first-period lead, outshooting the Saddlelites 10-3.

They added two more goals in the second period and four more in the third to win by the 10-goal mercy rule.

Alexa Quinlan had a hat trick and two assists, and

Marissa LaValley had two goals and an assist. Other goal scorers were Philicia VanOverbeke and Katie Latimer.

"We have been working on our passing and the fundamentals during each practice," Dockett said. "It might get a little mundane, but in the end the girls will be better hockey players."

North, 2-0, will compete in the ULS Tournament Friday and Saturday at McCann Arena

SOUTH: John is named MVP

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both ends of the ice earned him the nod.

"I was glad they selected Scott," Bopp said. "They didn't just go off the scoresheet. He's such a great skater who does everything well."

John was deserving of his selection as MVP.

"He was a dominating player in both games," Bopp said. "There's not a better defenseman in high school hockey. Trevor can do it all. In the first game, he scored the game-winning goal. In the championship game he added a few assists. But what was most impressive was the way he can control the play when he's on the ice."

Brett Johnson played goal in the championship game and turned away all 14 shots he faced, including some tough saves in the third period to preserve the shutout.

South reached the champi-

onship game with a 4-0 victory against host Big Rapids, and once again the Blue Devils' special teams were a factor.

South started slowly after the long bus ride from Grosse Pointe to Big Rapids, and failed to score on two power-play opportunities in the first period, although the Blue Devils moved the puck well.

The second period started with South shorthanded and 48 seconds into the period John intercepted a pass in the neutral zone, skated over the blue line, cut to the slot area and fired the puck into the top corner of the net.

"Trevor can really shoot the puck," Bopp said. "He needs to shoot every chance he gets."

With 1:55 left in the period, John took another hard shot that appeared to go into the net, however, the referee ruled that the puck hit the crossbar. South didn't let up and Lucas put in the rebound. Griem also assisted.

South took a 2-0 lead into the third period, and Bopp reminded his team of what happened a year ago against Big Rapids.

"We led 2-0, they scored a goal and the momentum shift-

ed," Bopp said. "They tied the game and won it in the second overtime, even though I thought we outplayed them."

History didn't repeat this year.

The Blue Devils and goalie Trevor Sattelmeyer kept the Cardinals off the scoreboard and at 10:04 of the final period, Geoff Osgood scored a power-play goal from Taylor Flaska to make it 3-0. Twenty-six seconds later, Peter Altschuler put it out of reach when he took the puck off the boards, skated into the slot and scored unassisted.

Sattelmeyer had 13 saves in recording the shutout.

One player who didn't figure in the scoring but played well in both games was defenseman Brandon Brundige.

"He played solid defense in both games," Bopp said. "He's a good addition to our team — a steady stay-at-home defenseman."

South, 3-0 overall, plays its first home game Saturday against Ann Arbor Pioneer.

"Pioneer is the best team we've played so far," Bopp said. "It should be a good test for us."



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Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade

The 31st Annual Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade was held at 10 a.m. Nov. 24, with a display that included more than 100 floats, marching bands, dozens of parade units and community groups from around the tri-county area. A festivities kick-off was held at 9:45 a.m. with a Pre-Parade Festival at Kercheval and Notre Dame in the City of Grosse Pointe. The 9th Annual 5K Jingle Bell run, held at 9 a.m., was presented by The Grosse Pointe Lions Club and benefited the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation and other club charities.

ABOVE: Santa's Workshop Float. LEFT: The Grinch waving to the kids. BELOW LEFT: City Mayors in horse drawn carriage. BELOW RIGHT: Team Santa Brownie Troop 940, Defer Elementary School. BOTTOM LEFT: Clowns. BOTTOM CENTER: Maddison Ballard, age 8, of Grosse Pointe Park had the most jingle bells out of 400 participants in the Jingle Bell Walk/Run. Pictured with her mother, Cristy Ballard, Maddison was wearing more than 300 jingle bells. BOTTOM RIGHT: Santa Claus!



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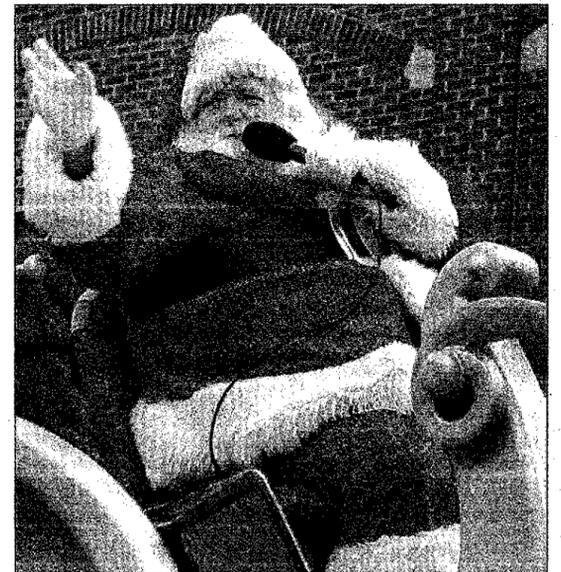


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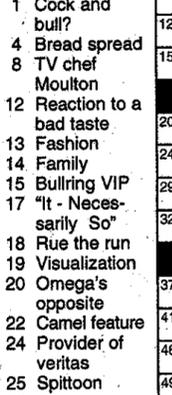
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500 ANIMAL ADOPT A PET

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2001 Chrysler LHS, excellent condition, silver, well maintained. Best offer! Sue, (313)674-9191

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606 AUTOMOTIVE SPORT UTILITY

1995 GMC Jimmy SLS-red, 4 door, 4x4, sport package. 136K miles. \$3,250. (313)999-8617

603 AUTOMOTIVE GENERAL MOTORS

2002 Chevrolet Cavalier, 4 door, excellent condition, 19,000 miles, \$5,000/ best offer. (313)886-2494

604 AUTOMOTIVE ANTIQUE/CLASSIC

1995 Grand Prix, 4 door, 141,000 miles, runs good, \$2,000/ best. (586)321-9649

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1054 Lakepointe- 2 bedroom upper, all appliances, garage, basement, hardwood floors. \$650. (313)510-0579

1134 Wayburn, 2 bedroom. \$585, includes water. Free 1/2 2 month rent. (248)767-5617

1216 Beaconsfield, Grosse Pointe, 2 bedroom upper, \$525/month. 313-824-9174

1272 Wayburn- renovated 2 bedroom, living, dining rooms, air, appliances, \$700/ utility, maintenance included. (313)971-5458

1344 Beaconsfield. 1 bedroom upper, appliances, garage, hardwood floors, \$485, references. (313)885-0197

1378 Somerset, 3 bedroom lower, fireplace, parking, \$800/ month. (313)885-8843, (313)300-8373

1381 Somerset, upper, no pets, non-smoking. 3 bedrooms, good condition. (313)821-8402

1408 Lakepointe. 2 bedroom upper with office, beautifully restored, new woodwork, kitchen, bath, all appliances, garage \$700. Absolutely no pets! (313)343-0149

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20803 Lennon- upper. Spacious, newly decorated, hardwood floors. Maintenance free. No smoking/ pets. \$695/ month. (313)881-4377

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596 Notre Dame- completely renovated 1 bedroom lower unit. Walking distance to the Village! New kitchen, bath, carpeting, roof, windows, garage. Stove, dishwasher and refrigerator provided. Window air conditioning unit provided. Separate basement storage. No pets. \$800. Shown by appointment. New Clam investment. (313)884-6861

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879 Beaconsfield, 5 rooms, newly decorated, off street parking, quiet building, no pets, \$650/ month. (313)331-3559

915 Neff- 2 bedroom upper & lower, carport garage, storage room, air conditioned, nice. \$750/ security deposit. (313)881-2806

926 Nottingham- 2 bedroom lower, all appliances, off-street parking, \$750/ month plus security. 313-823-5852

954 Beaconsfield- lower unit, 3 bedrooms, all appliances, separate basement, separate parking \$850/ month Section 8 welcome. (313)822-2673

982 Nottingham, 2 bedroom upper; parking, \$585, includes water. (586)601-4880/ (586)601-4845

AWESOME 2 bedroom upper, 3 houses from Lakeshore, 357 St. Clair, Grosse Pointe City. \$850 per month. (313)885-5725

BEACONSFIELD pleasant 2 bedroom lower in quiet, well maintained 4 unit building. New windows, carpeted throughout, off-street parking, laundry, appliances. Excellent condition! No pets. \$600. (313)885-9468

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CLEAN, freshly painted duplex on Roscommon. Two bedrooms, kitchen, living room, dining area and usable basement. Garage. \$650, plus deposit. (313)884-9052

CLEAN, lower 2 bedroom flat. Fireplace, hardwood floors, with garage, \$730/ month. Clean upper 2 bedroom flat, hardwood floors, garage. \$620/ month (734)498-2183.

COMPLETELY renovated, Nottingham 3 bedroom, living room, dining room, air. Must see! No pets. \$850. (313)822-6970

EFFICIENCY, carriage house, in Grosse Pointe Farms. Washer, dryer, air, cable included. \$600/ month plus utilities & security. No pets. Call after 6pm, (313)885-7482.

EXCELLENT 2 bedroom lower, 1445 Lakepointe- living room, dining room, updated bath & kitchen with dishwasher, newly painted & carpeted, garage with remote & sensor lights. Washer & dryer, basement. Large backyard. No pets. \$650. (313)885-9468

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FRESHLY painted lower, Beaconsfield. \$900. (313)995-1686

GROSSE Pointe City, 1 bedroom upper flat, basement, garage, \$535 plus deposit includes heat, water. Call (586)463-2228

GROSSE Pointe Park (Mack/ Maryland)- 1 & 2 bedroom apartments for rent. Included 1 car garage and hot water. 1 bedroom, \$485/ month, 2 bedroom, \$645/ month, 1 bedroom \$550/ month. Call 313-418-4600 or after 3:30pm. (313)220-7910

GROSSE Pointe upper-one bedroom, all utilities. New carpet. Appliances. No pets/ smoking. \$725. 313-717-7277

GROSSE Pointe Woods, 2064 Vernier, 2 bedroom upper, stove, refrigerator, microwave, dishwasher, same floor washer and dryer, shared garage. \$850/ month plus utilities and security deposit. No pets, non-smoking. (586)405-6568

GROSSE Pointe- 1 bedroom, includes air, heat, water, storage room. \$725. 313-610-2126

HARCOURT, 2 bedroom, 2 bath lower, air, hardwood floors, Florida room, patio, no pets or smoking. Garage, (313)881-7517

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LAKEPOINTE charming 1 bedroom upper, includes laundry, parking, landscape maintenance, open storage, \$425, (313)881-4893

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NEFF 838, 2 bedroom upper, near Village. Appliances, extras, \$700 range. (313)882-2079

NEFF, large 3 bedroom apartment, newer kitchen, fireplace, office, appliances, \$1,095. (313)595-1219

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NOTTINGHAM, clean 2 bedroom upper with private laundry. \$595. (586)725-4807

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NOTTINGHAM/ Fairfax- 2 bedroom, cross ventilation, private basement. Suitable for one person. Off street parking. \$450 plus utilities. (313)823-2424

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PARK, large 1 bedroom, heat included, hardwood floors, \$500. Huge 2 bedroom, hardwood floors, available immediately, \$600. (734)464-0464

REMODELED 2 bedroom upper, Beaconsfield, no pets. \$525. (313)822-6970

SOMERSET, 3 bedroom upper, recently painted, appliances, separate basement, garage. No pets, \$775. plus security. (313)881-3039

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TROMBLEY- Elegant, spacious 2 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, located just off Windmill Pointe. Large family room with fireplace. Spacious kitchen with breakfast nook. 2 car garage. References required. \$1,100. 313-530-5957

TROMBLEY- spacious, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, family room with fireplace, basement, garage, central air. \$1,100, plus security. (313)331-0903

UPPER 1 bedroom. East of 94 between 7 & 8 Mile. Washer/ dryer, 1 car garage, \$525/ month. References needed. 586-773-1872

VILLAGE, nice 2 bedroom lower flat, attached garage, lawn, snow. \$775. (313)881-4306

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**701 APTS/FLATS/DUPLEX
DETROIT/WAYNE COUNTY**

1, 2, and 3 bedroom apartments. Close to Grosse Pointe. Excellent condition. \$350-\$750. Security deposit required. Section 8 ok. 313-300-1938

17126 Sioux, 3 bedroom duplex on quiet dead end street. Section 8 welcome. 313-530-1313

2 bedroom duplex, \$550/ month plus security deposit. 6 Mile/ Kelly. Shown by appointment. Senior discounts. 586-531-3292

4193 Bedford, nice large lower 2 bedroom, plus den, separate basement, fireplace. \$650 plus security. Craig, 313-499-0003

4417 Devonshire, nice 2 bedroom lower, heat included, \$700. Section 8 welcome. Craig, (313)499-0003.

5035 Chalmers at E. Warren, studios \$350-\$450. 2 bedroom at \$650. Free utilities. Call (313)655-9728

ALTER Rd. 4646. Large 1 bedroom upper flat, \$450/ month plus security & credit check, no pets. Call (248)891-6519 between 9:00am-8:00pm

BEAUTIFUL river view 3 bedroom upper flat, quiet, safe dead end street, hardwood floors, rear deck. Pets ok. \$525/ month plus deposit, utilities separate. (313)850-5718

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DUPLEX- Moross, 2 bedroom. Updated air, appliances, garage. Section 8 welcome. \$650. (313)881-8775

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EAST English Village- 1,200 sq. ft. lower flat. 2 bedroom, many features, must see! (313)882-6076



EASTLAND area, half duplex, 1 bedroom, cute, clean, \$450/ month. (313)300-4921

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THREE Mile/ Mack, 1 bedroom upper, \$445 includes heat. Available now! (313)885-0031

UPSCALE apartment, 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, parquet floors. \$800/ month, including private parking. 660 Whitmore, near Woodward. (313)897-5656

**702 APTS/FLATS/DUPLEX
S.C.S./MACOMB COUNTY**

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ONE/ bedroom apartments- St. Clair Shores/ Eastpointe/ Harper Woods. Well maintained, air conditioning, coin laundry and storage. \$575-\$695. The Blake Company, 313-881-6882. No pets/ no smoking.

SHORES, Fresard/ Harper. Spacious 1 & 2 bedroom from \$580. Senior discounts available. (586)777-2715

ST. Clair Shores, 1 bedroom upper condo. Heat, water included. Covered parking. \$675/ month. Call Alex, 313-268-2000

ST. Clair Shores, 11 1/2 & Harper, 1 bedroom, laundry, parking. Includes heat, water, \$545. (586)777-2635

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\$900. Woods 2 bedroom bungalow, clean, quiet, air, garage, fenced yard. (313)881-9687

1365 Wayburn, Park. Clean 1 bedroom, large remodeled kitchen & bathroom, all appliances, off-street parking, \$615/ month plus security. (313)884-9060

1423 Hollywood, Grosse Pointe Woods, 2 or 3 bedroom, updates throughout. \$1,175. (810)499-4444

1447 Maryland, spacious, 2 bedroom upper, freshly painted, newly remodeled kitchen and bath, new carpeting throughout, shared basement. \$750. Shown by appointment, Jim Saros Agency, (313)884-6861

1584 Hampton- 2 bedroom ranch. Hardwood floors, fireplace. Family room, basement, garage. \$950. Shown by appointment. New Clam investment, (313)884-6861

1838 Manchester-Woods, 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 baths. Extreme makeover, all new throughout. Plasma T.V. Finished basement with theater. A great location, \$2,000/ month. (313)641-9900

20014 Holiday- Grosse Pointe Woods. 2,700 sq. ft., newly renovated home. 4 bedrooms, 3 full/ 2- 1/2 baths, living/ family room, mud room, kitchen appliances. \$2,400. (810) 499-2061

3 bedroom, 1 bath. Clean, air. \$900. Near school, park, shopping. (313)881-9687

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POINTES/HARPER WOODS**

454 Fisher- 3 bedrooms, 1.1 bath, family room. Finished basement, newer kitchen. 1,800 sq. ft. \$1,800/ month. Available immediately. 313-729-9369

60 Mapleton/ Farms, near Kercheval. 3 bedrooms. \$1,100/ month. 313-824-9174

696 Neff, Grosse Pointe corner of Waterloo. Lower flat, 2 bedrooms, new oak floors, water, lawn, snow, full appliances, garage, \$1,100. (313)885-3749

867 Loraine- 4 bedroom colonial. Approximately 2,200 sq. ft. 3.5 baths, newly remodeled kitchen with appliances, hardwood floors, garage, spacious backyard. \$1,450. Shown by appointment, Jim Saros Agency, (313)884-6861

915 Pemberton, Grosse Pointe Park. Lovely tudor, 3- 5 bedrooms, eat-in kitchen, formal dining room, family room, finished basement, 2 car garage, first floor laundry, all appliances. \$1,950/ month. Short term okay. (313)443-9968

CUTE 1 bedroom ranch available immediately. Grosse Pointe Schools. \$600/ month. (734)464-0464

GROSSE Pointe Park- Beautiful 2 bedroom ranch within walking distance to Village. A lot of charm. References required. \$1,100. Details, 313-530-1194

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GROSSE Pointe Woods, 4 bedroom executive colonial, 2 1/2 baths, 2,700 sq. ft. Marble foyer with circular staircase. \$2,200/ month. 313-886-0478

HARPER Woods- rent to own, newly remodeled 3 bedroom. Grosse Pointe schools. Call 248-212-0701

RIVARD- 2 bedroom, newly remodeled, new paint, new carpet, appliances, \$825. (313)885-3440

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SHARP 2 bedroom Grosse Pointe Farms brick ranch, updated kitchen, all appliances, garage, \$1,195. Call John, 313-550-3476.

SUNNINGDALE in the Woods- 3,800 sq. ft. English Tudor. Fully furnished. Short or long term lease. (313)882-0154 visit www.677sunningdale.com

709 TOWNHOUSES/
CONDOS FOR RENT

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137 Muir Road, Grosse Pointe Farms, 2 bedroom, air, 1 car garage. 1 year lease. 1 1/2 months security deposit. \$890/ month. (586)596-2084

2 bedroom condo, near St. John's. \$650/ month. Appliances. Parking. (586)323-3302

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